

Whipple says Demos could beat Packwood

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National Democratic Committeeman Blaine Whipple told Thursday's DemoForum that "the kind of record Nixon is making for his party gives me great confidence that Democrats will score considerable gains in 1974."

Whipple, speaking of the Watergate affair, said that President Nixon is like "a godfather in complete control, while others take the rap." Whipple referred to what he termed "Nixon's history of scurrilous campaigns." The National Committeeman said he feels that when people think "of the mess in Washington, they are going to think of the Republicans."

Whipple urged fellow Democrats, and particularly those in the state legislature to "stop referring to Packwood and McCall as unbeatable candidates." While Whipple disclaimed any intention to seek Packwood's senate seat himself, he did list a number of possibilities. They include Umatilla County District Attorney Joe Smith, Multnomah County District Attorney Harl Haas, Senators Betty Roberts, Betty Brown, Jason Boe, Representatives Richard Eymann and Nancy Fadeley, former state treasurer Bob Straub, state treasurer James Redden and Portland Mayor Neil Goldschmidt. Whipple said all of the persons he named would be "viable candidates" in a race against Packwood.

Asked how he would feel if Governor McCall switched his party affiliation, Whipple replied, "I'd welcome him into the party but not as our nominee

for senator." Whipple said that although he had "no intention to run for Packwood's job" if by May a "strong Democratic candidate hadn't emerged" he could be persuaded to run.

The National Committeeman emphasized that his main objective was to "build strong interest among Democrats" in unseating Packwood at an early date. "I think March is too late," said Whipple. Whipple said that Packwood is going to have to "carry the burden of the record of the Nixon administration" in running for re-election.

Whipple said that the administration's conduct in the Watergate affair would "seriously hamper the campaign of any Republican running for office." Whipple cited Packwood as having a voting record highly supportive of the President's policies. He specifically cited the recent vocational rehabilitation bill passed overwhelmingly by the Senate but vetoed by the President.

Whipple said that Packwood voted for the bill initially and then turned around and voted to uphold Nixon's veto. "It is in this same vein that Senator Packwood asks us to give the President the benefit of the doubt in the Watergate mess," commented Whipple.

Whipple called on the President to examine the "programs for the few before stopping programs for the many," referring to the massive budget cuts in health, education and welfare programs. Responding to a question on the statement from Israel by Governor McCall that impeachment proceedings might be a legitimate action, Whipple agreed that there is going to be "a lot more talk in the Capitol along those lines...and not just from Bella Abzug."

Funding request heard

By KEN MAYS
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Three programs — Illahe School, KWAX and the Grower's Market — which were not recommended for funding in the ASUO executive budget recommendation, appealed to the student incidental fee committee Thursday night. The committee also heard requests by the Student Bar Association, the Graduate Student Council and the EMU.

About fifteen adults and ten small children came to appeal for Illahe School. Eva Perkins, speaking for the group, requested \$6000 out of the original \$12,000 proposal for incidental fees, saying that the amount was an "absolute survival budget." She and others in attendance, including the young student body president of the school, attested to the school's value as a resource center for University

departments, a place for tutors and teachers to gain experience outside public schools, and a school where students get more attention, regardless of ethnic status. Eleven children of University students are presently going to Illahe.

Matthew Simek said that if the ASUO couldn't provide the \$6400 that KWAX had hoped for, it would mean "a lot of things we hope to do wouldn't be done." KWAX, whose total budget includes only 5 percent incidental fee money, hopes to increase their power to reach out to most of the Willamette Valley next year, according to Simek. "This is going to be the year of KWAX," he said. "I'd like to say the ASUO is behind us."

Sharon Maizer reiterated the Grower's Market request for \$2457 to help pay for a planned renovation. She said the executive had refused funding of the Market because it was too community oriented. "We represent a way that students will have to cut down on the costs of a very basic need," she said.

said. About a third of the users of the Market are students.

EMU Director Dick Reynolds told the fee committee that "drastic measures" would have to be taken in order to cut \$30,000 from the half-million dollar EMU request, as has been recommended by the executive. He discussed alternatives including shortening summer hours of the EMU to 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. five days a week, closing at 7 on Saturday nights during the year, opening two hours later on Sundays, and closing all but the Fishbowl during evening hours. He calculated a possible \$16,000 cut from these and other alternatives, and warned that major cuts in the original proposal would cut into student services.

Charley Itzin of the Graduate Student Council said his organization was "really happy, for the most part, with the executive recommendation." The only request he made was for the graduate student's newsletter editor's salary to be increased \$315 to \$1,200.

Drinking bill amended

SALEM (Special) — The Legislative Special Joint Committee on Alcohol and Drugs amended a bill which lowers Oregon's age of majority to 18 (HB3167) setting Oregon's drinking age at 19, during a Thursday night work session on the measure.

The committee also changed sections in HB3167 which lowered to 18 the age a person is considered a juvenile in court cases, re-instating the present 21 age limit.

The committee did not however move the bill from the committee to the House floor during the work session. Members said they wanted to check the amended version before adopting a bill.

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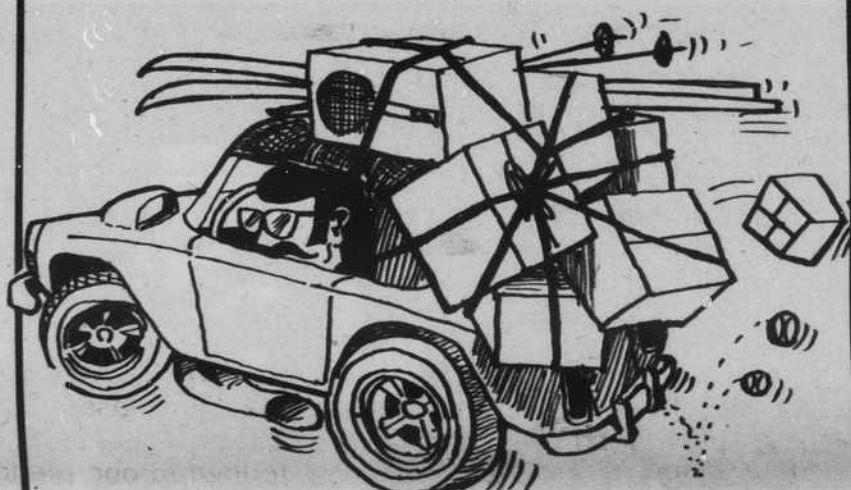
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