

## Discord over sign arises at student board meeting

The Student Administrative Board (SAB) meeting harbored a nearly full house Monday as Eugene Peace Action Committee (EPAC) and SAB members met in conflict.

The discord arose when EPAC posted a sign on an EMU window last week without first securing SAB's approval. The sign signaled attention to the Indochina demonstration last Saturday.

One SAB member explained that all window displays are

subject to Board sanction in order to prevent a free-for-all mounting of signs from cluttering the windows and blocking view. SAB, it was said, must make the final decisions on which signs are posted.

SAB's main question was why EPAC had failed to comply with University regulations. Peace Action Committee members responded with a collage of feelings. The time element and freedom of speech were among their replies.

EPAC decided on Thursday to post Friday's sign, one person explained for the group. This left no time to wait for SAB's Monday meeting or to put in an application for posting approval. One EPAC member felt freedom of speech did not require SAB approval.

A basic EPAC sentiment was that no harm had occurred by lack of adherence to rules. EPAC member Dennis Gilbert said, "If we had caused a real problem laws to penalize or prevent us from future action should be enforced. But we caused no real problem." Gilbert felt that laws should be lax in situations where no trouble had stemmed from rule violations. One EPAC member compared the situation to jay-walking, which he noted as an unlawful act that goes uncited every day.

Conflicts subsided when chairer Mary Don halted discussion and asked for the two groups to co-operate and work together to prevent future problems.

## The Beef Box Cyanide bed fumigation ending

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As you may remember, last week, Purple Haze was pleadingly exhaling his complaint in-between noxious whiffs of the dread foe of man and germ alike, cyanide. To recap the tale, it seems that our protagonist had purchased a used mattress from the local Salvation Army outlet. Nearly overcome by a pungent and persistent odor and in a nearly-last act of concern for the common good, this be-gassed fellow dashed off a note to the Beef Box.

With alacrity, the Box answered the first of Purple Haze's two questions — "Why does this mattress smell so bad?" Having determined that cyanide, used as a fumigating agent, was the culprit in the situation, I set out to answer the last of his queries, "Will fumigation be the end of me?"

It turns out that the State Public Health Department maintains a cubbyhole, appropriately named the Furniture and Bedding Section, which deals with just such problems.

Raymond Ruff, director of that section which is housed (presumably in an environment free of cockroaches and other dastardly crawling creatures) in Portland, sought to allay any fears about the use of cyanide.

"If the process is done in any way like it's supposed to, there is no danger to the customer," he explained. "After a few days, there may still be a trace, but if it

persisted more than a week, the odor must be caused by something else." Ruff indicated that while the fumigation process certainly destroys all harmful organisms, it will not deodorize the residues, such as those caused by bedwetting, of any past uses.

Ruff's section inspects all Eugene-area gas chambers frequently. The heat capacity of the enclosures receives close scrutiny. At 70 degrees or higher, the cyanide is drawn out of the bedding; if the chamber is malfunctioning (operating at a temperature of less than 70 degrees), the cyanide is retained in the bedding and may slowly

emanate from the mattress in a warm home environment. Even so, Ruff tells us that the amount of cyanide expelled into the air in the home is negligible.

"It may be disagreeable, but it's not dangerous," he said.

While discounting the lethal effects of cyanide in the home, he points out that a dangerous situation does exist for "the chamber workers." Because of the riskiness involved, methyl bromide, which Ruff describes as "a much safer gas" is being substituted for cyanide.

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## Froines acquitted.

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of the original indictments and continued prosecution by the government. The defense is attempting to show that acts charged as contemptuous were not that of "defiance," but that the 28,000 pages of transcript, when made vivid by testimony, show that the few outbursts still listed on the contempt citations were in response to extreme acts in the courtroom, either brought about by the initial trial judge, the prosecutor (both of whom were cited and critiqued in the U.S. Appeals Court action) or the marshalls.

But there is a much more important point which must be stressed. Over the past year, the government has lost every major

case that attempted to prosecute people for alleged acts and conspiracies, as well as major acts of dissent. In particular, the conspiracy cases against the Berrigans and the Vietnam Veterans (Harrisburg and Gainesville cases) were won by the defense.

One might add a number of other significant cases, including the New Haven Bobby Seale case, New York 21, the Camden 28 and so on. It is apparent that in the case of the Chicago Conspiracy Trial, the government is not significantly concerned about short-term incarceration of the remaining five original defendants.

Rather, the government is anxious to crush the leadership of those lawyers who have worked with the Center for Constitutional Rights, National Lawyers Guild and other groups of progressive attorneys who have worked on political cases. And for such lawyers to be found guilty of contempt would likely lead to disbarment.

The implications of such attorneys being silenced are grave — as John Froines stated in a press conference last Saturday, "it would have a chilling effect" on young lawyers and those now working on political cases. The Chicago Conspiracy trial, when it opened in 1969, was a critical case built on new legislation that raises basic constitutional issues and has grave political consequences for our political culture.

## IFC hires research assistant

A research assistant was hired by the Incidental Fee Committee (IFC) Tuesday to research problems that may confront the ASU and IFC in the future.

Donald Chalmers, a third-year law student, was contracted to look into problems such as who had the authority to hire the University football coach, who owns and has control over buildings on campus and whether the ASUO can control the concessions in Autzen Stadium.

Also at the meeting, the Gay Peoples Alliance (GPA) was allotted an extra \$200 to help finance the Gay Pride Week. In

addition, the remaining \$500 they had on reserve was also released.

According to IFC chairer and gay activist Randy Shilts, "I need to qualify why this additional money was given to GPA. The GPA has the lowest budget of any ASUO group. This week represents 20 per cent of the cost that other minority programs spend for a similar event."

In addition, the Asian American Student Union was given \$15 to pay a work-study secretary during the month of June. Women's athletics was allocated \$200 to pay the cost of physicians needed to examine

female athletes and clear them for participation in games.

The National Student Lobby (NSL) was given \$100 for NSL dues. They miscalculated the money needed to pay their dues and turned up \$100 short, stated Shilts, so additional money was allocated to them.

Requests for funds submitted by the Moot Court Team, The University Feminists, and the Third World Student Coalition were tabled. The IFC stated that additional information was needed before any decision could be reached.

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## BRIEFS

**MEETINGS**  
Those interested in sailing are invited to an exciting look at sailboat racing. "Nature of Sail" will be shown at 7 p.m. tonight in 115 Gerlinger.

The Rubicon Society luncheon speaker this week will be Russ Dawson, HUD (Housing and Urban Development) area director from Portland. The topic will be "A New Look at Housing." This will include new state laws and federal housing regulations. The meeting is at noon Friday at the House of Lee, 165 W. 11th Ave., and is open to the public free except for the optional lunch fee of \$1.60.

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There will be no Political Science Student Union meeting this week. Happy Turkey Day!

The University of Oregon Bookstore, Inc., will have a regular board meeting at 3:30 p.m. Friday in the Conference Room at the bookstore, 895 E. 13th Ave. Business to be discussed includes: confirmation of a new board member, report on tax case, election of board treasurer, president's report, pre-registration discussion and potential investment possibilities.

A new over 30 adult group is being formed. If you are interested in restoring your life philosophies, shopping for new roles, building a new life, solving problems through empathetic listening, and exploring and assessing your skills and attitudes for new occupations, call the Counseling Center, 686-3227.

The Eugene Poetry Collective will hold a potluck supper at 6:30 p.m. tonight at 2064 Onyx St.

Professor George Wallerstein of the University of Washington will present a

colloquium on "Vela X-1: Neutron Star or Black Hole?" at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday in Room 125G, Science II. Coffee will be served in the John Binney Lounge, Science I, at 2:15 p.m.

## INTERVIEWS

Sign-up now for job interview workshops using video-tape feedback to refine your interview skills. More information at main desk, Career Planning & Placement Service, 246 Susan Campbell Hall.

The following employers and educational institutions will be recruiting on campus. Interview sign-up sheets will be posted at 8:30 a.m. today in the Career Planning & Placement Office, 246 Susan Campbell Hall. Students must turn in a resume 24 hours before the day of the interview.

Nov. 26. South Australia. Elementary and some secondary education teachers. Group orientation 8:30 a.m. for all those signing up for interviews.

Nov. 27. Weyerhaeuser Co. Accounting, production or sales, forest industries mgt. program.

Nov. 28. Isler, Colling & McAdams. Bachelors degree, accounting major, professional position.

Nov. 28. Yergen & Meyer. BS and MBA in accounting.

Nov. 29. Jeld-Wen (Millwork mfg.) Production Management Training Program.  
Nov. 29. Jeld-Wen. BA or MBA in business administration, forest industries mgt.

Nov. 30. USC Graduate school students interested in masters degrees in the fields of letters, arts and sciences, and in all Ph.D. programs.

Dec. 6. Electronic Data Systems. Computer science, math and business degrees; all majors and degrees considered. Systems engineers, operations, corporate recruiting.

Dec. 13. Tenneco. Interviewing in geology dept.

## MISC.

Gay women in straight jobs who are looking for a closed confidential rap group are invited to call One Step Beyond at Whitebird, 342-8255, 3 to 5 p.m. or 7 to 10 p.m. Fridays, or between 2 and 4 p.m. weekdays. Men's and women's groups 7 to 10 p.m. Fridays at Whitebird Annex, 323 E. 12th Ave.

The Office of the Registrar will be closed on Monday and Tuesday next week to allow for a move to the new administration building. The office will open in the new building on the second floor next Wednesday.

The Study Skills Learning Center is planning to offer a series of desensitization sessions for students who do poorly on tests due to an excessive amount of anxiety. The sessions will begin Tuesday, Nov. 27, and will run daily for two weeks at 1:30 p.m. To register, or for more information, please call the Study Skills Learning Center, 686-3226, or stop by at 265 Condon. The session is limited to 10 people and involves a \$10 fee.