

# Letters

## Boycott asked

As one of the seven people who quit working at the Genesis Juice Company last week, I would like to briefly explain what happened.

During the last three months, Genesis Juice, which had always operated as a *de facto* collective, came under a more and more autocratic rule by the new owner. The people who quit did so because we felt that we could not remain there and maintain the self respect and mutual respect that we had felt as co-workers. I would ask you to support our integrity by not supporting the Genesis Juice Company.

Roscoe J. Caron  
Pre-CSPA, junior

## No help here

I entered the University as a graduate student in September of 1975. In my experience at this institution, I have been fairly satisfied with my department, classes, professors, and fellow students. However, there is an aspect of this University which leads me to conclude that I cannot, in all good faith, recommend this school to any prospective students: the administrative departments.

From within ten minutes of my arrival here, to the present, I have endured the incredible incompetency of the University administration. My greatest armageddon has been with the Financial Aid Office. After careful examination of my experience with that office, I have satisfied myself that mine was not simply an isolated case of a person unable to fit into the workings of the office. As near as I have been able to tell, nobody seems fit into the mode of the financial aid department.

It must be emphasized that the Financial Aid Office is not the exception among the administrative departments, but rather, the rule. My experience has led me to expect trouble and foul-ups whenever I must deal with an administrative department. My philosophy toward the job performed by the various administrative departments has evolved to: almost whatever they do is wrong (or at least questionable), but one thing can be said—they are consistent.

I have written today because in discussing these problems with dozens of other students, I have yet to find one person who has not experienced some notable hassle with the administration. I am quite confident that a poll of students would bear this out. Some stu-

dents have said that whenever you deal with a bureaucracy such as we have at the University, trouble can be expected. My feeling is that if we accept this trouble, without a word of dissent, it is impossible to improve our system.

I have no grand illusion that this letter will help bring the administrative shortcomings to light and solve them. I'm sure we are all aware of the shortcomings. I want to say that it is too bad our administration does not perform its function efficiently, and I want to be one of the voices calling for an overhaul of administrative procedures. The administration is here, in part at least, to help students get through school. I want to tell the administration that I will make it through school in spite of them.

Richard Johnson  
Industrial Relations

## Center panned

I got really mad at the Student Health Center this morning by the way that they handle their patients, so, I want to make a few complaints here.

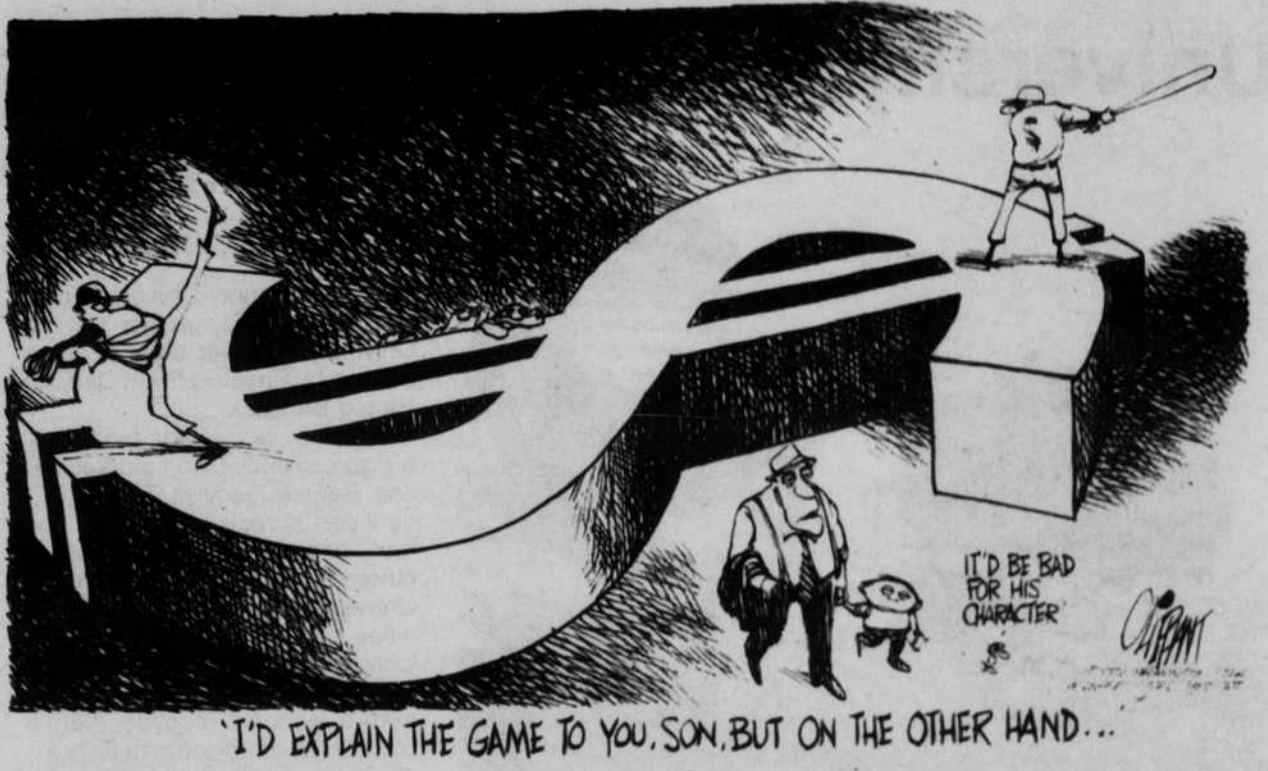
I am a student here at the University. I have been suffering from rheumatoid arthritis for quite a number of years. I have been receiving all my necessary medical treatment from the Student Health Center since I came to Oregon. This morning, I needed to have my medicine refilled and so I went back to the health center. But the persons on the reception desk said that I could not see a physician or get my medication there because I am not going to summer school. But they also said that if I could get a prescription from a private physician then I could be able to have my medicine refilled at the Student Health Center, if I pay cash for it.

So I went to see a physician at the Sacred Heart Hospital and got a prescription from him and went back to the Student Health Center to get my medicine.

But this time, the people at the pharmacy gave me the same story that I could not get my prescription processed because I am not going to summer school.

Would you imagine what would happen if this was an emergency case? Of all the time that they have delayed to refuse to treat a patient might be a matter of life and death! I think they need to make some changes in the manner of how they handle their patients.

Alexander Lam  
Student



## opinion

# SEARCH troubled by complacency

Summer '76 at the University seems to be a time and opportunity for close and necessary re-evaluation of certain student programs and services which serve the student body on a year-round basis. SEARCH, the ASUO program of alternative education, is going through this same re-evaluation and thus far a few moldy and unpleasant insights have come to surface.

Having been involved with SEARCH ever since my first term at the University, I have discovered that experimental education as it exists on this campus is like a pleasant oasis in the desert of parching academicity. However, this oasis seems to be in danger of dissolving simply because of its own comfort and lushness. It is time for the caravan of innovative education / educators / educatees to get off their asses and pack up their camels to seek a newer and more refreshing caravanserai of teaching and learning.

In reviewing past actions and undertakings or the SEARCH program, it is painfully obvious that the program has become almost apathetic and structured in a business-like manner, lulled into security by a popular name and a healthy budget. In reviewing our current involvement in today's ever-expanding ever-changing consciousness, it is embarrassing to note the sparsity of our input into channels which even faintly resemble creativity and/or effective involvement.

This is not to say that we have been sitting in our office in Suite I, twiddling our thumbs and smoking the finest that the Earth can offer; we have managed a few projects of which we are happy; one being the opening of the first recognized center in the Northwest for the study and investigation of paranormal, parapsychological phenomena. This Psi Center is currently located within the SEARCH office, itself, with hopes to find its own office space soon. Because such subjects as ESP, astral travel, premonitions and prophetic communications are coming to light more frequently and more variably every day, this center retains some reflection of progressive education. SEARCH also was involved with sponsorship and appropriation of funds for the Agate Street Solar House Project, another innovative and necessary undertaking.

But a handful of action in no way can be considered as validating our existence as a viable prog-

ram which continues to serve student needs and interests. And all the burden for creativity and effectuality in no way can be placed upon the individuals who staff the SEARCH office nor upon the volunteers who teach courses of an alternative nature. An equal responsibility must lay with the 16,000 students who populate this University community on a yearly basis; in order for alternative education to continue to progress and actually remain effective and creative within today's society, it must become energized with the juice of student involvement, student concern and student participation on a more full level than ever before.

SEARCH has the resources and the potentiality to become a new and progressive channel of effective and creative change on all levels of planetary existence. Education is just one small grain of sand when compared to all the other ways of life which exist for our enjoyment and adventure. We feel that through our resource of innovative education, we can offer individuals another possibility through which they are able to better understand themselves and their inter-relation with the world that surrounds. It is only through the active involvement of students who are honestly concerned about themselves, their education, their world and the world of their family and friends that such vital service can continue to be efficient; a student service program such as SEARCH lives because of student input. It dies through lack of same.

The SEARCH office is operative all through the summer; we would like for each student to offer us suggestions and reflections regarding our role as a progressive student program. We need more instructors from both the University community and the Eugene community using our resources and our opportunities in order to share life-skills and basic survival techniques for improving and respecting the quality of life that has been given to us. SEARCH is located in Suite I of the EMU; our minds and hearts are open to any suggestions regarding our role as instruments to provide useful and beneficial education.

Michael Connelly  
SEARCH

## Center for all

Your recent article, BOARD PLANS NEW CENTER, in the June 29th edition contains two errors: one factual and the other assumptive.

The factual error was that, R.G. Kennedy, president of the Oregon AFL-CIO is in favor of locating the proposed Labor Education & Research Center at the University of Portland. He testified at the State Board of Higher Education meeting in Portland (which this article purports to explain) that he was in support of the proposal, which as you know advocates the center be located in Eugene.

The assumptive error is in the article's inference that the Eugene location has little, if any, support

from labor organizations. Because the Eugene site was selected primarily on the basis that the University of Oregon offers superior supportive services to such a center: law school, journalism school, adequate library facilities, to name a few of the components, the various labor organizations across the state who agree with the site selection felt no reason to publicly demonstrate their concurrence with the choice.

It would be well to bear in mind that the proposed center is designed to serve ALL of the state's working people, not those from a particular locality.

Sincerely,  
Irvin H. Fletcher, Member  
Labor Education Advisory  
Committee To Chancellor  
Tuesday, July 13, 1976

I WANT TO REPORT  
A MISSING PERSON.



MYSELF.



IM SIX FEET  
TALL BUT  
INVISIBLE.



I AM HEAVY-SET  
BUT FLOAT.



I HAVE NO IDENTIFYING  
MARKS EXCEPT FOR A  
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FROM MY HEAD DOWN  
TO MY TOES.



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NAME OF  
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IF  
APPREHENDED  
PLEASE  
DO NOT  
RIDICULE.

