

# Worthy 'porpoise,' but no bonita

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Dear Beef Box,

Being somewhat concerned for the porpoises being killed by the tuna industry, some of my friends and I started a tuna boycott some months ago. We made up for the lack of tuna in our diets by eating bonita, which for all intents and purposes tastes, looks and smells exactly like tuna, except that bonita, being a larger mackerel than the tuna, is much cheaper.

A couple weeks ago, I went to my friendly neighborhood market, and they informed me that bonita was impossible to get. I went to a different market, and they gave me the same story.

There's no bonita anywhere as far as I can tell, and the explanations have been too vague to satisfy me. What's going on here? Who's trying to deprive me of my bonita?

You're right. There's no bonita anywhere in town, at least if you want it fresh. In talking to a number of fish stores, I've found that bonita is primarily a southern California fish and is consequently very rare north of there. As one fish marketer put it, bonita is a great tuna substitute, but "not up in this country."

You may have a little more luck with canned bonita. Although not all grocery stores carry it as faithfully as they do canned tuna, it is around. Safeway, McKay's and the Hilyard Street Market carry canned bonita for about two thirds the price of canned tuna. Nevertheless, many stores were temporarily out of the item when I checked and I got the same answers as you — vague statements about how the wholesalers just don't have a very large supply right now. All markets that carried canned bonita but were temporarily

Signed, ily out, however, had the item on  
Feeling the Lack order, so keep trying.

Dear Beef Box:

Have you ever tried to walk up to a total stranger and ask for "Oompas" — even if you're lucky and no one else is around?

Maybe I'm more sensitive than most people but everytime I go into the EMU for Oompas, I come out with the less provocative Junior Mints or Dentyne. It's like going into Hiron's for prophylactics and coming out with a Norfolk Pine and another set of wind chimes.

Being seen eating those socially stigmatic candy bars is bad enough without having to go through the demeaning procedure of actually having to ask for them, out loud, by name. (I tried pointing once, but my aim was bad and I ended up with Junior Mints, anyway.)

Some of those names were never meant to be verbalized in public — even between two con-

senting adults. "I'll have two Skrunches, a Big Hunk and No Jelly, please." So gauche. Some things are just better left unsaid.

Point: The candy counter in the EMU (by the info desk), since it has encased all of its goodies, has become a source of paranoia to me. I wonder if they might not be losing more from "consumer cowardice" than from the prevalent "five-finger plan" which undoubtedly forced them behind glass in the first place.

I, for one, always walk away with coins still making disturbing noises inside my pack — something I would like to avoid, but the EMU makes it so difficult for me.

And I'd wager that this problem touches the hearts of more people than anyone would care to guess.

I can offer two plans. One, give each item a number. It's wonderfully impersonal that way. "I would like numbers 7, 12, 16 and 20-29, please." That's so much better.

Plan two came to me as I was writing this letter. I found I was not in the least bit embarrassed by

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writing the words "Oompas" and "Skrunch."

SkrunchSkrunchSkrunch See? So, perhaps if they supplied scratch paper and pencils at the cash register, we could just write out our orders and slide them across the counter for the clerk to fill. No need for talking at all.

Please, ask them if they can do something quickly. Vices never die, they merely change form. I'm afraid to think what form my "Oompas Vice" will take if denied much longer.

Sincerely,  
Too Inhibited to Ask

Dear Too Inhibited,

With your absurd phobia, I suggest you change your vice. How does the word "Oly" suit you?

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# Olum issues amendment

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With an amendment longer than the actual proposal, Paul Olum, vice president of academic affairs, made it clear to the members of the University Senate Wednesday that if the University's minority program were to be shifted from the College of Arts and Sciences into his jurisdiction, he would rule with arbitrary authority.

Olum reacted to the proposed administrative change with personal insights about minority education and an amendment that read:

"For programs whose timely implementation is regarded as important by the provost and for which no decision has been made by the Council (or, alternatively, for which decisions made by the Council have been disapproved), it is understood that the provost will, on his own determination, take such action as he deems necessary."

The proposal asked only that the newly re-organized minority program be placed under Olum rather than the administration of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Olum explained to the faculty,

while he had voted against minority funding in the General Faculty, he felt a need for the program.

"I have a very strong feeling about the importance of minorities getting the education the University can provide. There will have to be a minimum of administration, because I will veto administration efforts," said Olum.

"One has to make it in a white society.....they're (the minorities) not going to be made better blacks or Chicanos or native Americans, they're going to have to be made better scientists and lawyers or whatever."

"I won't be doing it myself, despite what Pres. Boyd may have said, but I'll take the responsibility, good or bad," said Olum. "If I do veto the council's decision, I have to explain my actions to the faculty and the student body."

Although implementation of the proposal could reduce the autonomy of the minority program, Ed Coleman — who was behind the original motion — gave Olum's amendment an okay. "I think Mr. Olum's ideas are compatible with those of us who worked so hard to put the program together," the associate English professor said.

The minority programs get about \$200,000 per year. The Senate voted to recommend the ad-

ministrative change to the General Faculty without dissent.

Bower Aly withdrew his motion on ROTC asking for an explanation to be sent to all faculty members about the General Faculty's recommendation to Pres. Boyd that the ROTC program be severed from the University. "He spoke of reinstating it," chairer John Sherwood informed the assembly.

A motion by Leslie Turner on establishing some firm policy and regulations on grading procedure drew heavy criticism from the Rules Committee on over a half dozen points.

Nixing a suggestion that he re-adjust the proposal by the General Faculty meeting next week, Turner said, "I can inform the Senate that the members of the committee are pretty tired of tackling this problem. Maybe it would be a good idea to drop this legislation or recommend that a new committee be formed."

The Senate voted 29-7-1 in favor of recommending to the General Faculty that action on the issue be deferred until next year.

There will be a meeting of the new Faculty Senate after Wednesday's General Faculty meeting. The only business will be election of next year's officers.

# Nixon favors trial over pardon

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Pres. Richard Nixon says he would have preferred "the agony of a trial" to accepting a presidential pardon that he knew made him look guilty. But, he said, "there was no chance whatever I could get a fair trial."

His mood alternating from bristling anger to turn-on-turn-off smiles, Nixon spoke about his final days in office, the pardon, "contemptible journalism," and Spiro T. Agnew, in a television interview Wednesday night.

He agreed with interviewer David Frost that "in some ways" resignation was fate worse than death and that it had been a shattering experience.

The fourth interview, winding up the current series, ended with Nixon saying ruefully, "We have to live with not only the past, but for the future...whatever it brings, I'll still be fighting."

"Resignation meant life without purpose as far as I was concerned," Nixon said. "No one in the world, and no one in our history could know how I felt. No one can know how it feels to resign the presidency of the United States."

"Is that punishment enough?" Nixon said with strong feeling. "Oh, probably not."

To the question, "Did you, in a sense, feel that resignation was worse than death?" Nixon said:

"In some ways. I didn't feel it in terms that the Oregon Daily Emerald

popular mythologists about this era write: that, well, resignation is so terrible that I better go out and fall on a sword, or take a gun and shoot myself...I wasn't about to do that. I never think in those terms, suicidal terms, death wish and all that. That's all just, just bunk."

## Highlights

**SPIRO AGNEW:** "He did tell me...to the very last, that he did not feel that he was guilty of the crimes, the charges that had been made against him...I felt that in his heart he was a decent man. He was an honest man. He was a courageous man. He made mistakes; I made mistakes."

**WOODWARD AND BERNSTEIN:** "For those who write history as fiction on thirdhand knowledge, I have nothing but utter contempt. And, I will never forgive them. Never."

**THEIR BOOK 'FINAL DAYS':** "Mrs. Nixon read it, and her stroke came three days later. I didn't want her to read it because I knew the kind of trash it was and the kind of trash they are..."

**PARDONS FOR HALDEMAN AND EHR- LICHMAN:** "I certainly intended to do it...Of course, I had no idea then that I would be leaving office in the way that I was leaving."

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