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With the utmost diligence, I have long pondered and scrutinized the actions of the near-great, and I now offer the results to Your Highness. It is necessary for the university administrator to know thoroughly the nature of the student, and for the populace to know the nature of university presidents.

I. The Way to Keep Students that Previous to Being Owned, Lived Under Their Own Laws.

There are two types of university presidents:

1. The university president who governs over a university of high repute, with fearful and subservient students. This kind of university president may feel free to despoil his students, for it may be said of students that they are despicable dissemblers anxious to get a good place in the job market. These presidents may make speeches about discipline, and quote Goethe or Shakespeare.

2. But presidents of universities not rated in the Top 20, nor the Top 10, nor at all and are about to go bankrupt should try to make some friends. These presidents should not despoil. They should not quote Shakespeare or Goethe, but should try something with a little more popular appeal, say Vonnegut or Newsweek.

This kind of president should make statements to faculty such as: "There's only one rule that I know of babies; God damn it, you've got to be kind." This should go over well.

Throw in jokes such as "Did you hear the one about the Pope's shoes." If the university president does not gain love with this kind of statement, at least he will be less hated...

V. Of Liberty and Stinginess

If you are the president of a large rich university, you can afford to be liberal with your money.

But impoverished antiquated universities do not permit the university president to be good and just all the time. He must resign himself to part-time morality.

A president who runs out of funds runs out of friends. Funds must be hoarded. This kind of university president must learn to be rapacious. Students must be either careless or annihilated, and the latter costs less.

When faced with computer resignation, department funding, and strikes, be misero (cheap). Do whatever you can to the rebels while at the same time seeming merciful, faithful, humane, sincere, cerebral and religious...

Accuse the faculty and random

other persons of everything you can think of. This will divert attention from yourself.

VV. Alumni

The Alumni are to be trusted only when you run out of alternatives. Presidents of secure universities should have alumni exterminated upon graduation, or else face the risk of being deposed.

However, if you are the president of a poor university, the Alumni favor must be curried. Extract their funds from them. Once they have pledged their fortune, trade them in. If the alumni prove unwilling to give away their money, flatter them. If they are in the lumber industry, for example,

tell them you will use their money to build big wood things...

XX. On Hiring Bums

When hiring administrators, the university president should keep in mind there are three kinds of brains. One understands things unassisted. Another understands things when shown by others. The third doesn't understand anything. For those interested in economizing, the third is the most useful.

Spread this brain around in registration, housing, business administration, or wherever someone is needed to clog things up. This third kind of brain cuts down on expenses, and doubles as couch stuffing when you run low.

EPA links pesticide to cancer, may suggest restrictions later

By STEVE DODGE
Of the Emerald

Creosote, the nation's most widely used pesticide, may cause skin cancer, the Environmental Protection Agency said Thursday.

The EPA also said Penta, widely used in Oregon as wood preserver may cause birth defects.

Both substances are currently being sold in Eugene hardware stores.

Bob MacLaren of Eugene Hardware said his store sells about 100 gallons of Penta a year and about 25 gallons of creosote.

Also, Eugene's only two telephone pole manufacturing companies, L.D. McFarland and J.H. Baxter Company, said they treat finished poles with both substances.

A McFarland worker, who did not wish to be identified, said the company produces about 20,000

poles a year, mostly treated with creosote.

The government is undertaking a study to determine whether to push for a ban of creosote, Penta (full name pentachlorophenol), coal tar, coal tar neutral oil and inorganic arsenic, according to the Associated Press.

"We know the products are economically important for various wood protection needs, for certain industrial operations and for the growth of some crops," said Barbara Blum, deputy director of the Washington, D.C. branch of the EPA.

"We will examine the benefits versus the risks for use of each ingredient before ruling on the products."

Kent Smith of the state Agriculture Department's Plant Division, which has jurisdiction over state herbicide and pesticide use, said his office is waiting for the EPA to finish its review process—which

may take 18 months—before acting.

However, he said, if there is enough public reaction, the Agriculture Department may ban the substances or restrict their use in Oregon after holding public hearings.

Hardware stores contacted by the Emerald said that the substances, especially Penta, are used around the home as preservers of fence posts, decking and foundations. Creosote is primarily used on telephone poles.

"If you have ever been around them any length of time," said MacLaren, "it gets pretty heavy if you breathe the fumes."

MacLaren said creosote is "known to kill animals" who are poked by a splinter of wood treated with the substance. He said it was his understanding that lumber companies also commonly use the substances.

Roughly one billion pounds of creosote are used each year to protect wood from rot and insect damage and are classified as pesticides by the EPA.

Under federal review, makers and users have 45 days to respond to the health studies and argue the economic and pest control benefits, the EPA said.

The agency said the products would continue to be sold during the review process.

Band to jam for White Bird

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