

## 'Warmonger'

Bad is when you stereotype an ethnic group like women. We all know that. So now that warmongers have been slighted, I feel it is my duty to mobilize my literary skills to counter what I fear to be a sweeping and Hitlerian condemnation of all warmongers.

In attacking James D. Miller, Paula Barker lumped him with "others" whom she referred to as "macho warmongers." Ms. Paula, how dare you imply that all warmongers are in the same rank as Mr. Miller.

Warmongers, of which I count myself as one, come in various shapes and pillboxes. You can always distinguish a psuedo warmonger from a real warmonger: the psuedo warmonger is passionately against Soviet expansionism in all its forms; the real warmonger appreciates the Soviet moves as hostile and, hence, war promoting. Superficial warmongers will answer "World War II, Pacific Theater" when asked what their favorite war is. Worse than these are the hypocrites who say they don't like war but then admit to a soft spot for the Third Battle of Ypres or the Battle of Zama.

The true warmonger likes all types of war. Though he hopes for a heavy nuclear exchange — the ideal — merely reading about Northern Ireland should cause him to ejaculate all over his morning paper (especcially if he is all naked).

So, Ms. Paula, not all of us are alike. I suppose you support gun control — the first step on the road to the abolition of war. I detect beneath your "reasonable" argument against warmongering the genocidal desire to totally obliterate the race of warmongers entirely.

I am appalled at your insensitivity but I shall pray for you — and for war — anyway.

P.S. You may say I'm a dreamer. I'm not the only one.

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## Earthweek support

For the past eleven years, students of the University of Oregon have demonstrated an increasing awareness of the importance of their national and global environment. Earthday, first observed here in 1970, has now evolved into Earthweek on this campus. The Earthweek programs organized by the Survival Center of the Erb Memorial Union are designed to promote student and public interest in environmental concerns. The annual Millrace Cleanup is an example of direct application of that



interest focused to a particular activity. As a result of student work on the Millrace, its environment has been improved each year.

The University of Oregon administration is pleased to support the intent and goals of Earthweek.

**Ray Hawk, Vice President**  
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## Communist squirrels

Concerning the debate about campus squirrels: I disagree with the Emerald's stand on the issue as expressed in the April 16 edition. I have heard all those bleeding heart liberal arguments in the two letters from students the same day. Has anyone ever considered the possibility that those cute little furry rodents could be communist infiltrators? Have you ever heard a squirrel say a single kind word about the good ole' U.S.A.? Ever see one drive an American car? Know of any not on welfare?

You ask a squirrel any question about baseball or ask it to recite the pledge of allegiance and it scurries away — that's because it's scared of being found out. The other day I overheard two of them

putting down our space shuttle program! I've never seen a single one of them salute our flag or sing along with the national anthem! Arrogant is the word for them. I've been following their under-tree press ("Nuts To Capitalism") for years now. Very few people know about their resistance movement run by the Rodent Communist Youth Brigade.

Something must be done to stop these commie squirrelies (weak, faggot-like squirrels) or they might just take over our campus some weekend when we're out enjoying the sun (or at the coast). If it succeeded, it would be a symbolic victory and encouragement for squirrels across the country. I would advise Gordon Brown, the leader of the Coalition to Stamp Out Squirrel Arrogance, to be cautious and guard his nuts; there's a long fight ahead.

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## More squirrels

Before we begin censuring and defending supposedly dangerous squirrels on this campus, it might be wise to make an observation. The objectionable variety of squirrel is the small brown squirrel. This animal flourishes now because of the park-like environment created for it on campuses and in towns like this one. The great gray squirrel, which survives in the wild, is rarely seen anymore, though I do know of one big granddaddy up in the cemetery.

Conversely, though the gray squirrel rules the wilderness and forests of Oregon, the campus-variety brown is not found; the habitat is inhospitable to its delicate nature. There is, however, in addition to the magnificent gray, a tiny dark-brown ground forager whose small numbers betray the cruelty of the wild.

Taking this evidence into account, I suggest that the campus-variety of squirrel was imported by man into the area, for whatever imagined nostalgic or esthetic effects somebody dreamed up however many years ago. For those of you who don't know the dangers of importing non-domestic animals into areas not naturally their own, I'll review the startling problem. This common blue and green mottled black bird was brought to America by homesick Europeans and now wreaks inestimable yearly damage on crops, gardens, etc. I'm sure you've all seen this pest on campus.

Censure not the dignified and self-reliant gray squirrel and the pitiable

dark-brown forest squirrel. They are truly Oregonian and an integrated part of nature's cycle. But beware of the campus squirrel which continues to increase in numbers completely unchecked by any kind of natural predator, rapidly taking over an environment foreign and not designed for it.

Remember what the white man did to the Indian? Don't let history repeat itself with squirrels.

**Molly Moore**  
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## Still more . . .

I would like to announce my candidacy for Office — any office here at the University charged with the distribution of a substantial amount of funds. If you want steps to be taken to actively combat growing squirrel arrogance, which you clearly do, you have to give me the power and funding to develop a comprehensive program. If there are no offices available, then I'll serve as Clearing House and Central Funding Committee for all those contributions and donations waiting to be given. Don't make the mistake of giving to one of the bastard organizations which are popping up daily. Give to the first, and only accredited group — The Coalition to Stamp Out Squirrel Arrogance. Make checks payable to: Gordon Brown, and leave them at the Emerald office. I'll pick them up there. Let's get this ugly situation cleaned up.

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