

letters

Dissonance

At the May 4, 1983 meeting of the University Assembly a motion on ROTC, proposed by Cheyney Ryan of the philosophy department, will be debated and voted upon.

In brief, the Ryan motion is based on the awareness that 1) ROTC faculty appointment practices and 2) ROTC student admission and scholarship qualifications are at variance with the University's anti-discrimination policies. Therefore, unless the military science department agrees to comply with widely publicized University policies regarding equal opportunity, it should be "terminated" as structurally incompatible with the philosophic ambience of the University.

As one who believes that each department within our campus community should abide by this institution's basic operational guidelines, I intend to vote for the Ryan motion. Unfortunately, however, there are others here who support the view (expressed at the April 6 meeting of the Assembly) that "a little incongruity" is acceptable. Thus, it will be interesting to hear the full debate on this issue.

Incidentally, in a Feb. 27 article in the Eugene Register-Guard about a proposal to establish an ROTC program at Lane Community College several statements from Lt. Col. Wolfgram, who directs the ROTC program at the University, were featured prominently. Concerning the military science department here, Col. Wolfgram was quoted as having said, "I play by the campus rules."

Clearly something is amiss. The Ryan motion alleges that the military science department's practices represent a violation of University policy — but Col. Wolfgram says "untrue."

There is genuine dissonance here. Which side will the Assembly support?

Ron Rousseau
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Undermining

Congratulations, Emerald, on winning the election for Mary Hotchkiss. It's nice to know yellow journalism is alive and strong at the University. The Emerald, in abusing their Constitutional right, went beyond endorsing a left-wing candidate to undermining an election.

The Emerald felt it their duty to tell the students of the University that Dave Gibson is a Greek, over and over again. In the process of making Greek and Gibson synonymous, the Emerald's theme appeared to be, "If you're not Greek vote for Hotchkiss."

The Emerald, in praising Hotchkiss' liberal ways, failed to mention her real views. Our new ASUO president is nothing more than a warmed over 60s protester who is sympathetic to the communist cause.

The Emerald chose to put in their own views instead of the

overall picture making this last election a brainwashed campaign for Hotchkiss.

Dan Goulet

Wood stove bill

There is currently a bill before the House Environment and Energy Committee of the Oregon State Legislature concerning woodstoves. This bill would require all new woodstoves to be certified as complying with emission performance standards according to criteria and procedures established by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) after July 1, 1985.

Woodstove manufacturers would pay individual testing laboratories to do the actual testing. Existing woodstoves in residential homes would not be affected.

This legislation is before the house for the simple reason that woodstoves have the highest single impact on air quality in the state of Oregon. According to a November, 1982 study by the DEQ, a typical airtight woodstove emits 460 times as much particulate matter as natural gas and 260 times as much as oil furnaces on an equivalent output basis.

Contribution of total suspended particles (TSP) by woodstoves amounts to 49 percent followed by road dust at 20.5 percent. Industry composes 6 percent and autos 4 percent of TSP, according to figures compiled by the Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority.

It has been further projected by the DEQ that 3 percent of households or 30,000 homes per year will acquire a new woodstove through the year 2000.

While it is true that the present cost of the new clean burning stoves would be \$300-\$500 more than conventional stoves, there would be substantial savings in firewood costs. Savings are estimated to be \$50-\$100 per year which would offset the additional cost of new clean burning stoves in two or three years.

Passage of this legislation would bring a reduction of the pollution levels in the state and generate a healthier living environment for all. I urge you to contact your legislator and support this bill. For information on the status of this bill (HB 2235) call toll free, 1-800-452-0290. For more specific information on the woodstove issued call the DEQ, 229-6488.

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joan nyland

suitable for comment

Setting: A make-believe visit to the Oval Office of the White House. Pres. Ronald Reagan has invited an Emerald correspondent to discuss the nuclear arms race, foreign policy, and anything else that may wander into the conversation.

President: So nice of you to travel all the way from Eugene to discuss the future of the United States, the greatest nation on Earth, with the president. I'm always interested in knowing what a young woman like yourself has to say.

Young woman from the Emerald: Well, Mr. President, that's good to know because I do have some opinions about the course the nation is on.

President: Stay the course, I always say, stay the course.

Young woman: Well, actually, Mr. President, I'd say we're totally off course. We still are working under premises that just don't hold any more, if they ever did.

For instance, even Mr. Kissinger admitted the other day that we conduct our foreign policy as though we still produced more than half the world's GNP, just won a war and could solve any problem with enough arms sales and food shipments.

The United States does not have that kind of hegemony any more. And our sales of weaponry not to mention our trade with certain nations, undermine any moral hedge we might have over the Soviets and any other "democratic" power.

President: I understand your concerns, young woman. But for just that reason "I call upon the scientific community

in our country, those who gave us nuclear weapons, to turn their great talents now to the cause of mankind and world peace: to give us the means of rendering these nuclear weapons impotent and obsolete."

Young woman: Mr. President, you are talking about your space defense system. Not only are you violating the spirit, if not the letter, of treaties already made with the Soviets, you are totally missing the point: Any new weaponry is escalation. Any further deployment is escalation. Since both the United States and the Soviet Union can blow up the world, talk of further nuclear arms — offensive or defensive — is escalation.

President: You do not know what you are saying. Unless we deploy our Pershings and Cruise missiles in Europe, the Soviets will have a superior force. Unless we continue to supply arms to such troubled nations as El Salvador and Israel, they will be overrun by insulant troops backed by the Soviet government. We need the MX to show that we mean business.

Did you know U.N. Ambassador Kirkpatrick came back from a recent trip to Central America and reported that the Soviets are giving scholarships to young Central American students to go study in Moscow?

Young woman: Why should a bright Nicaraguan student give up the opportunity to study Gogol in Moscow or ballet in Leningrad?

President: Why, they could get brainwashed.

Young woman: So why aren't we offering them education instead of weapons?

President: Well, as you know Nancy and I feel strongly about education and ballet. So we've found a talented young El Salvadoran ballerina and we're arranging for her to study in New York.

Young Woman: Mr. President, we were discussing the nuclear arms race; we were discussing how you insist that the best defense is an offense, that it is in U.S. interest to support rightist regimes such as the one in El Salvador — because they call themselves "elected" and call their opposition communists or socialist. We were talking about how you still conduct foreign policy as if we were the owners of half the world markets and the purveyors of all the greatest truths.

President: And I believe we are. The United States is the focus of all that is good and free in this world and the Soviet Union is "the focus of evil in the modern world."

Young woman: Could you actually tell me you'd rather have your children live in a world where we were dependent on other countries, where we had to compromise with our enemies — where we would not fight for our way of life?

Young woman: Yes, I would. There is no other choice. The idea of the self-sufficient little nation just doesn't hold. We need those markets, we need their products, we share the same air. If our ideals are not adopted by other governments who freely elect their representatives, so be it.

What do our ideals of freedom and justice mean, if they are forced on a government with U.S. troops and CIA directives? What good is the greatest arsenal on earth, if in building it we lose what we wanted to protect with it, namely a healthy economy and the respect of other nations?

President: I don't understand.

Young woman: I know, Mr. President.

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