

## Letters

### Tryba Zone

Enough is enough. I've read so many of Bert Tryba's letters that I'm beginning to have nightmares. Last night, Rod Serling appeared to me in a dream and launched into the following monologue:

"Picture a man, so driven by his atheist dogma that he feels compelled to write to the *Oregon Daily Emerald* twice a month. Picture a man so entrenched in atheism that he doesn't seem to realize that he has virtually elevated it to the status of a religion worshipping a holy absence.

"Picture a man who, in attacking existing religions, has made himself more annoying than the worst street-corner evangelist ever was. A man so bitter that his angry attacks on religion make even atheists cry out 'Oh, lord, why won't he stop this silly crusade?'"

"Look, under that awning over there. The man preaching Nietzsche to the crowd has just entered the Tryba Zone."

While the theme song played, Serling disappeared in a puff of smoke, only to be replaced by Nietzsche in the robes of the Pope. He said, "Bert Tryba, since you have changed atheism into a religion and embarrassed your fellow atheists with your fire and brimstone tactics, I hereby excommunicate you."

I awoke with a feeling of immense satisfaction.

Steve Close  
Literature

### Implications

In a recent *Oregon Daily Emerald* article, I was quoted as saying, in reference to the Central Committee meetings of the Democratic Party of Lane County, "... they sit around and pat each other on the butt about stuff." (*ODE*, March 12). There was a lot of conversation about the particular quote that was omitted, which might help to clarify the true meaning of my

poorly chosen words.

The above quote was not intended to offend the DPLC. I meant that the University Democrats, by our involvement at the University and in DPLC meetings, are trying to raise the awareness of issues confronting Democrats and students at the University.

I did not mean to imply that recent topics on the DPLC's agenda are not relevant, but that the University Democrats are trying to bring in an added perspective and more issues to the agenda. In fact, there have been many topics raised at recent DPLC meetings that are of the utmost importance to our community, state and nation.

For the record, I would like to acknowledge the DPLC's continuing interest in the issues of Central America, the recent EWEB dispute, and their active and vocal opposition to the U.S. international intervention and the voting behavior of Oregon's senators.

I apologize to the DPLC personally, and for any negative implications this has put upon them.

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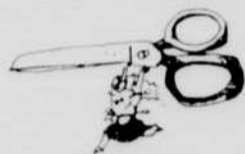
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