

So. Cal. man is looking for love in all the wrong places

Hell hath no fury like an ego bruised. Some of you may remember my column a few weeks ago about Mr. So. Cal., who placed a long personal ad in our paper. He seeks a blonde, blue-eyed college student; no baggage, no fat chicks. I wrote that he is "just the kind of smarmy fool that indicates how plastic our culture can be" and encouraged you to send photos of obese women to his Newport Beach address.



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dude I can imagine starting a family with.

In a nutshell, he's proved himself to be all of the things I thought about him when I first saw the ad: a wannabe God's gift, sexist and disillusioned beyond salvation.

Let's examine his reply to my column. First, he uses a classic

male chauvinist technique. Calling my digs at his supposed manhood a ploy to "discourage your competition," he interprets my distaste to be a thinly veiled statement of my burning desire for him.

Then he moves on to even more trite generalizations of my personality. By writing that my tone was "bitchy" (gee, I would have called it "playful") and claiming that the bitchiness was yet another cover-up for my throbbing sexual fantasies about him. He reveals a truly sexist facet of his nature. It says that anger in women is OK as long as it can be reduced to something sexual. How many times have we seen piglet men, be they in

the movies or in real life, use the word "feisty" to describe a woman with brains?

Mr. So. Cal., I'm so glad that feisty women make you hot. It pleases me that you are so smitten with me that you call me a bitch. It's sweet of you to acknowledge my education, and I can always appreciate a man who can find the Freudian references in my prose.

But I'm going to have to turn down your charming offer. You see, while you may get turned on by feisty, bitchy women, the idea of dating a man who could be my father revolts me. And although an expenses-paid spring break in Newport Beach sounds fun, it doesn't sound

very fun added to the notion of sleeping with you.

However, since appearances are so important to you and I kind of like you for providing me with so much material, I have replaced my "girlish picture" with one more womanly, one with which I dearly hope will both win your approval and discourage my competitors.

Oh, and sorry, I won't be bleaching my hair anytime soon, not for you or any other man. I'm happy to say that it's going to remain as brown as the crap you are full of.

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LETTERS

He's back!

What a clever way to capture my heart! Write a scathing critique of my tongue and cheek personal ad and head it with your girlish picture. I'm flattered you used your whole column to discourage your competition. If you can't have me, no one else will!

I can tell by your "bitchy" tone that you are already fantasizing about our possible relationship. Feisty women get me hot! I'm seriously interested.

You're obviously educated and maybe you can bleach your hair for me. Love your cute and not-too-subtle Freudian reference to my "lovely six-inch ad." Looking forward to meeting you at spring break.

So. Cal. Man
Newport Beach, Calif.

Trash

This is in response to an incident reported in last Thursday's police beat regarding the vandalized University trash can. According to the report, the

trash can was destroyed and damages amounted to \$700. Wow, \$700! For a trash can?

It just goes to show you where the University's priorities are. Despite all of Ballot Measure 5's budget cuts it certainly is comforting to know we can still afford \$700 trash cans. By the way, they are all over the campus. I can't even begin to imagine how much the total on the bill came to.

Robert Shigeta
Student

Speedy

The new Uniform Bail Schedule was promulgated by the Oregon Supreme Court pursuant to ORS 1.520(3). The complete list is in the Oregon Appellate Courts Advance Sheets 1994, #1. Interested readers can find it in the law school library. My personal favorite is 66 mph in a 65 mph zone — \$134.

These new fines are completely unreasonable. In my opinion, they clearly violate Article 1, section 16 of the Oregon Constitution: "(A)ll penalties shall be

proportioned to the offense." I also think the delegation of the setting of the schedule violates Article 3, section 1, "Separation of Powers." Unfortunately, there is no court to review the schedule that is not subordinate to the court that promulgated the schedule.

You can take your case to traffic court. You might want to know, though, that a Justice of the Peace does not need to know any law at all, does not need to be a lawyer, and if he is not, is not subject to discipline for misconduct by the Oregon State Bar.

This is the state's answer to Ballot Measure 5. The budget stays the same. It just comes from the people who can't afford it now that the people who can have forgotten their property taxes lowered.

Drake Koefoed
Eugene

Not racism

I am writing in response to Edward Klopfenstein's article

"Asian-American racism prevalent at University" (ODE, Jan. 27). In the article, Klopfenstein describes the failure of some racism activists in Texas to change a road from "Jap," an offensive term, to "Japanese." He continues, "Even in the University's own slide collection located in Lawrence Hall, the classification used for Japanese or Asian is either 'Jap' or 'Oriental.' Both words considered (sic) derogatory by most Asian-Americans."

To link the University's slide collection with a bigoted use of the term "Jap" in a Texas town is to suggest that the collection is a site of hatred and prejudice

on campus. This is entirely untrue, and Klopfenstein's supporting evidence is inaccurate.

"Oriental" is not ever used in the collection. The term "Jap" is used in the slide collection as an abbreviation, like "Chi" for Chinese or "Am" for American. It is not used as a derogatory term. Furthermore, the curator of the slide library and the art history department have already identified development of the Asian art slide collections as a priority. In fact, they created my job for this purpose. An apology is definitely in order.

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