

LETTERS

Sign it

Apparently Robbie Reeves is annoyed with petitioners (such as myself) who have the nerve to waste 30 seconds of his valuable time to ask if he'd like to actually participate in the democratic process. He would like us to "sit down and shut up" and let interested voters come and sign on their own.

Well gosh, Robbie, I sure am sorry to cause you such trauma! I would love to sit behind a table and wait for people to line up and sign. I don't like accosting passersby any more than they enjoy being accosted, especially in the rain. Unfortunately, passively waiting for people to come to us would result in about two signatures a day if we're lucky. Sad but true, most people don't even bother to learn about the issues that affect them, so it is up to others to bring those issues to their attention.

I commend and encourage your desire to read an initiative before you sign it, and I understand that takes extra time. However, I would like to remind you that by signing an initiative petition you are not necessarily supporting its content; you are merely expressing your willingness to see it on the ballot so the people can decide. You have nothing to lose except 30 whole seconds.

So Robbie, next time you see a petitioner, give him or her a break. Find out what the petition is, sign it, or say no — that's it. And don't lie because it is usually obvious and makes you look like a fool.

Drew Haldane
Political Science

Dead dome

I have a problem with the article written by Dave Charbonneau (*ODE*, April 19). Did he think as to what he was saying about the Grateful Dead and taking a cut of drug money? Does he realize the ignorance of generalizing segments of the population? Didn't anyone tell him the number of dollars the Grateful Dead is stuffing in the pockets of the City of Eugene and the University Athletic Department? Shouldn't someone tell him he should not bite the hand that financially supports the very thing he writes about?

Dave, if you want to use these stereotypical ideas to make fun of something that supports your writing, I have an idea. We make every jock who sexually harass-

es or rapes a woman pay a dollar. You could have a new dome by the end of one cheap beer guzzling weekend.

Thomas Martin
Straight Deadhead

The end

I knew the world was in big trouble but didn't realize the end had actually come until I saw the *Los Angeles Daily News* story. An adult night club was ordered to remove shower enclosures where nude dancers cavort because the shower had no wheelchair access for disabled nude dancers.

Equal opportunity was prophecy for the latter days: "As for my people, children are their oppressors, and women rule over them..." Isaiah 3:12. But the extreme of the equality madness has been reached, representing the end of prophetic Sodom. But having died in madness, we can now be born again.

We couldn't have been born again before the end because it heralds the return of belief in God, or Jesus' "hour" in Revelation 18:10. Coincidentally, I sent a notice to many churches April 18 and 19 that the end had come, plus my phone number with a pool-troubling message for a shower-shaking rebirth below:

Do you know that turning the other cheek in Matthew 5:39 is meaningless unless reincarnation is true? Moreover, Matthew 16:18 refers to the rock upon which Jesus' church will be built. That rock is reincarnation for the purpose of transforming Hell into Heaven where, as children of God, we'll be reincarnated back to the human race, as opposed to going to a lower life form.

Our initial rebirth is spiritual evolution from the animal kingdom to the human race in strictly observing Deuteronomy 22:5 and I Corinthians 11:14. Those verses bar the latter-day madness of impersonating the opposite gender. After the human race has been re-established, the procedure to actually be reincarnated back to the human race will hopefully be set forth this summer.

Wayne Johnson
San Diego, Calif.

Best candidate

Consider for a moment the race for the position of County Commissioner, replacing Marie Frazier.

Who is the best trained candidate? Who worked with Marie as an aide? Who has been a respected member of the Lane Community College Board of Directors? Who almost single-handedly visualized and established the new "Community Center" for kids of all ages in Cottage Grove? Who is always there for any benefit program that needs people to guarantee success?

All these roles, and more, my candidate has filled, and with flying colors. She will not let us down. That isn't her style. She is prodigious worker, a respected member of the community, and a sensible individual.

Who? Cindy Weeldreyer, of course. She is known and respected throughout the county for her deeds, and for the endless volunteer hours she cheerfully donates to her church, her community and the county.

So it is that I heartily recommend your vote for Cindy Weeldreyer for County Commissioner. She will truly represent you and me!

Betty Horvath
Cottage Grove

Native born

My father came to this country when he was five years old, brought here by Jewish immigrant parents. He was always sensitive when politicians would proudly boast that they were "native born," as if that made them better candidates. What they were actually doing was appealing to a nativist, anti-immigrant sentiment.

I note that some otherwise liberal candidates for public office in Eugene have trumpeted their Oregon birth, as if that makes them better. Of course it doesn't. Having lived here a long time, being part of the community and knowing its problems may be relevant. Not the birth place.

I hope we can discourage candidates from using appeals in their campaigns which, however inadvertently, appeal to people's prejudice against foreigners.

whether from Europe or Asia, New York or California.

Martin Henner
Attorney

End racism

As the seeds of freedom planted in Nelson Mandela's release from prison germinate in the first elections open to black voters, Dorothy Maubane, Christian Science practitioner and lecturer from Atteridgeville, South Africa is coming to the University to speak in the Ben Linder Room in the EMU, tonight at 7:30.

While we in the United States, and this campus, strive to eliminate the plentiful vestiges of racial and gender discrimination that remain 130 years after African-American slaves were freed, 75 years after women's right to vote was acknowledged, and 30 years after the civil rights battles of the 1960s, Dorothy has sacrificed the opportunity to be present at the first election where she could vote in her country.

She comes here to introduce the book *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, by Mary Baker Eddy. Dorothy asks: Are you interested in education that is more than academic studies? Are you keen to extend your thinking ability? Are you yearning for healing and transformation in your life?

Science and Health was named "one of the 75 books by women whose words have changed the world," by the US Women's National Book Association. The ideas in this book have heavily influenced the progression of civil rights and women's suffrage in this country, and they continue to do so here and around the world, including South Africa. Dorothy's experience as a Christian Science practitioner, and in the atmosphere of apartheid, make her well qualified to bring us this lecture. All are invited. Let's work together to eliminate racism, discrimination and religious intolerance on our campus.

Fred Collier
Architecture

LETTERS

The *Oregon Daily Emerald* will attempt to print all letters containing comments on topics of interest to the University community.

Letters to the editor must be limited to no more than 250 words, legible, signed and the identification of the writer must be verified when the letter is submitted.



WORLDWIDE NEED

For plasma increases everyday. Come & help J-Mar Biologicals Plasma Donor Center meet the world need with a plasma donation. Earn \$20 on your first donation.

Open Tues. thru Sat.
Call 683-9430.
1901 W. 8th Ave.

White Sale

Wolff Beds

TANNING PACKAGE AVAILABLE

Five Tans \$15.00

Ten Tans \$25.00

Fifteen Tans \$30.00

New, High-Intensity Bulbs!

OREGON WEST
FITNESS

You don't have to be a member to tan!

1475 Franklin across from campus 485-1624

Expires 6/30/94



- The Church of the Blues on Fridays & Saturdays
- John Congdon on Thursdays and most Tuesdays

• KEGS TO GO •

- Microbrew on tap
- Free pool on Tuesdays & Sundays
- 25 kinds of imported beer
- Beer garden with horse shoe pit

2657 Willamette • 344-0816

CYCLE TODAY RECYCLE TOMORROW

Experience discovery, fun, and adventure in Oregon's great outdoors on a new bike from:

MONGOOSE.

FAT CITY KHS

CLOSEOUT PRICES ON 1993 MONGOOSE, ROCKY MOUNTAIN AND WHEELER mountain and hybrid bicycles from only \$250 (casual or serious riding applications)

EXAMPLES:

- MONGOOSE SWITCHBACK only \$250.00
- MONGOOSE 625 HYBRID only \$329.00
- MONGOOSE ROCKADILE only \$449.00
- WHEELER 5500 only \$549.95
- ROCKY MOUNTAIN FUSION only \$699.00
- ROCKY MOUNTAIN METRO only \$699.00

CYCLEBI REPAIRS & CYCLES

1340 Willamette
687-0288

Please Recycle!