

# Letters to the editor

## Beauty beards

To the Editor:

Coach Brayton has every right to require his players to conform to the image of the All-American Boy. They are official public representatives of WSU. Three cheers for Bobo.

Professor McChord has the right to request and encourage suitable hairy adornments for students of his poetry course. He does not have the right to require any kind of hair length. He is on the right track but has not yet reached the destination. Two cheers for Professor McChord.

The hippy has stolen the mark of dignity once bestowed on the hirsute adornment. He has defied the establishment and is getting away with it. For this, one cheer for the hippy.

The victory of the hippy should be un-acceptable to the establishment. Several methods of combat come to mind.

1. We could shoot the hippy and thus remove him from the scene. None of us would seriously consider this and I proposed it in jest.

2. If you can't beat 'em join 'em. This is self defeating as those inclined to become hippies have already done so.

3. We could bury him. If all the establishment should suddenly appear with beards, sideburns, etc., we would snow him under. The poor hip would not be able to tell which way is up. He would then be judged on his actions including his resultant dirt and odor. We would restore the dignity he has stolen from our right to let our whiskers grow when we wish to do so. Beards For Beauty.

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## Belly-buttons

To the Editor:

As I understand it one purpose of this university is to encourage learning both by classroom instruction and by creating an at-

titude open to new ideas. Certainly the Daily Evergreen is a part of WSU and it is disturbing to me to see it take a narrow, cynical view of other publications and concern itself with topics such as the unenviability of being thought homosexual, stupid thought, homosexual, stupid chants, and belly-button cleaning.

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## Referee fiasco

To the Editor:

Last Saturday's basketball game (Dec. 22) was in all practicality a refereeing fiasco. It was, in fact, that Umpire Johnson seemed to find particular interest in the controversial 'fouls' while paying a sort of 'eyes shut' attitude toward any foul that was a clear cut case.

Of course, Umpire Johnson, was amply assisted by 'Almighty God' Soriano, who thinks that Bohler Gym is his own. Seems to me his judgement is about as good as his refereeing. (Poor Man) It would seem to me sort of bad taste when a foul is called and the supposed offender is 2 feet away from the point of supposed infraction. Did we learn anything? No!

Well, we let Soriano come back for another try, perhaps mainly to see if he could call a decent

foul. Soriano brought along a new side-kick playmate for the Monday night WSU-Cal game, and from all observations the new umpire apparently got his training under Soriano.

Nevertheless, against the apparent wishes of the referees, the Cougars did manage to pull through and win both games. Since that time my mind has been besieged with pangs of doubt as to the quality or better yet, the number of referees we have.

On December 23, of last year, I was fortunate enough to see the WSU-Northwestern basketball game in Evanston, Illinois. What most surprised me was that there were 3 referees officiating the game. Two of the referees were on the court while the third referee was on the sidelines following the action up and down the court.

The Big Ten recently instigated the 3 officials game and have yet to find fault with it. Rather, it has been shown that the game becomes more enjoyable, a bit cleaner, and most important, a lot more fair.

The principle behind the notion of having 3 referees is really a simple one to understand. Even the Pac-8 should be able to see the advantages

to this set-up. I would be willing to, even, render my service in digging up more facts on the subject of 3 referees.

Everyone learns from mistakes and we certainly should have learned a few things dur-

ing the Saturday and Monday night games. If any one thing should come out of this, I hope it should be that the Pac-8 will realize that 3 refs are better than 2.

James J. Drymiller

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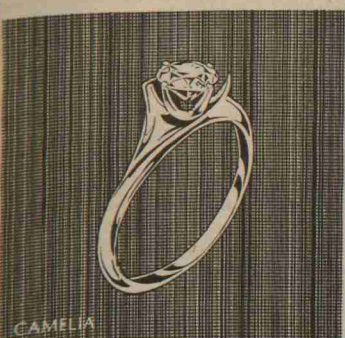
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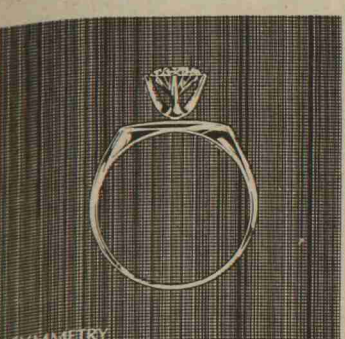
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