

Letters to the Editor

Sirs:

Do not renew my subscription until you can once again print a decent magazine with alumni news, etc. Your recent issue, "Heat on Higher Education," was just a rotten propaganda thing—and I don't believe it reflects the true situation at OU.

I say, the hell with you and your kind. You don't deserve a university.

Lynn Abbott, '31ba
Santa Barbara, Calif.

Sirs:

I wish to express my support and appreciation for the consistent direction that editorial and news-reporting items in *SOONER MAGAZINE* have taken toward an enlightened presentation of issues on the OU scene.

Your willingness to report campus ferment and rebirth and your sympathy with new forces as well as old traditions must be abrasive to many alumni. You have, however, put the university in a social perspective. You are reinforcing the vitality of OU and the stuff of its hopes for meaningful social and academic growth for years to come.

Gene R. Shreve, '65ba
Boston, Mass.

Sirs:

During my stay at Oklahoma I strongly felt that myself and most of my classmates were not willing to assume the responsibility which necessarily befalls a student in an institution of higher learning. From your magazine I perceive a welcome change in the attitudes of many students towards participation in decision processes. Indeed, whether the issue is of a local nature such as curriculum reform and a pass-fail system, or whether it is a basic human issue such as black-white relations in a discriminatory society, one senses a new-found commitment on the part of OU students. Regardless of the outraged screams of aging alumni, the day of the non-involved student who passively accepts his fate has passed. This passing does not necessarily betoken revolution and sedition, but rather a greater commitment to one's own values and ideals, whatever these ideals and values might be. *SOONER MAGAZINE* has faithfully depicted the agony and turmoil that individuals both experience and create when they begin to assume responsibility for themselves and for the nature of the society in which they live. At the risk of losing my reader through flourish of idealism, I salute such individuals and the magazine which dares to document the struggle.

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