Oscar Brant entered Thirsty Ear opening

BY B. F. Nolan

Chemistry lab is nothing but a whole series of ugly experiments," spoke Louis Untermeyer, the well-known poet and anthologist, at an LSC-sponsored lecture last Wednesday evening.

Mr. Untermeyer, who described himself as "the oldest non-living graduate of DeWitt Clinton High School," entertained a near-capacity crowd in 26-100 for nearly an hour and a half with a clever and informative presentation entitled "How to Hate Poetry in One Easy Lesson."

After a series of introductory remarks, in which he revealed that he was a member of the radical left, and that he had a son who graduated from MIT, (who is now specializing in "electronics, physics, and total annihilation."), he proceeded to explain that poetry is part of everyday speech and that the reason most people dislike poetry is that they don't really know what poetry is.

To refute the notion that poets are a starry-eyed, moon-faced dreamy lot, he gave examples of such men as Charlie Chaplin, Socrates, Milton (Secretary of State for a rebel government), Burns, Frost and Sandburg.

Speaking of the pervasiveness of poetry, Mr. Untermeyer reminded his audience of the fact that most of them had been brought up on nursery rhymes, and used poetic language in their everyday speech, unaware of the fact that they were doing so, because much of the imagery in everyday speech has become cliché.

Adhering to rules made use of poetry—usually bad poetry—continued Mr. Untermeyer.

From beer commercials to the possible limericks "written by Mr. Burns Shoe," most successful ads are rhyming ads, Mr. Untermeyer pointed out.

He then maintained that the young person's natural affinity for poetry is destroyed by teachers who attack the subject as if it were a science, which it is not. Students at the junior-high level should not be subjected to analyzing poetry into trochaic, iambic, and dactylic feet, said Mr. Untermeyer. He added that he did not mean a single major poet who should give an on-the-spot example of trochaic nonsense if pressed to do so.

He concluded his lecture by saying that ideally poetry should be "caught, not taught," and by reciting four poems: Robert Frost's "The Runaway" and "Fire and Ice," and his own "Coal Fire" and "Prayer."

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For added convenience and speed, most departments will be operated on a self-service basis. This will re-create the situation, as Mr. Zavelle pointed out, of the student who will have to wait only two minutes to find that the supply of his dishcloth is exhausted, instead of the usual thirty minutes.

In addition, there will be men on the floor to aid purchasers in finding their particular item. This will hopefully prevent the present annoying condition of clerks having to wave hands towards two or three different shelves at once while trying to handle cash orders on the register.

Food service discontinued.

Food service will be discontinued because of the presence of two dining rooms elsewhere in the building. The barber shop will be enlarged but will again not be on the ground floor.

Mr. Zavelle considers—hopefully— that fixtures can be moved into the Student Union Building sometime between April and June of next year and that full operations can be had by August 1.

Viet Nam aid sought.

The Vietnamese Students Association of New England is currently conducting a fundraising drive to aid the hundreds of thousands of Vietnamese that are homeless following the recent severe spate of tropical hurricanes. The storms, although annual, were this year worse than any recorded in in the last century. Contributions and letters should be sent to the Association at Box 365, Auster Station, Boston.

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