

Politics

Card Holders Three Named

A wave of ineligible activity men rolled over the campus last Tuesday when seven office holders and Junior Weekend workers lost their jobs because they did not hold class cards, but the tide receded somewhat Friday when it was revealed that three of the BMOC held cards after all.

Said Richard Williams, educational activities manager, who had first announced the ineligibility, "The educational activities office regrets that a mistake has been made." He then named Max Miller, appointed chairman of the Junior Weekend terrace dance; Dorothy Patterson, elected secretary of the freshman class; and Frank McKinney, elected vice-president of the senior class.

These three, said Williams "do possess class cards and are eligible to hold office." He then, again, expressed the regrets of the educational activities office.

Last Time No More Cards

For the last time the students of Oregon will vote by means of the class card system when they go to the polls Tuesday. Banned by order of the ASUO executive committee, the cards will not again sponsor such a headline as "ASUO vote declared illegal," which ran on May 9 of last year.

Running this year for top offices are Les Anderson, Steve Worth, John Busterud, Mary Anderson, and Nancy Riesch. Only the first three are actual contenders for the top post of ASUO president.

First Two

The first two, Anderson and Worth, were nominated as a matter of course after fraternity and independent blocs had made their choice. The third, Busterud, is a dark horse similar to Jim Frost last year. He entered the race at the last moment, submitting his petition and certificate of eligibility at 10 p.m. Thursday night, only two hours before the deadline.

Only unexpected note in the nomination ceremony that was gone through Tuesday was a bombshell speech by Jack McCliment, who, blasting both sides, commented upon the TNE sponsorship which Anderson was alleged to have and the faction rivalry which he accused Worth of fostering. McCliment made his speech under cover of a nomination of his sister, Elaine, for junior representative. The nomination was immediately withdrawn.

No Poll Tax

The day before the nominations the ruling came from the exec comm making the class poll tax illegal, but still another term had the politicians, for the ruling did not go into effect until next term. With the class card ruling was an amplification of the 2 point activity participation ruling so that students in activities

are required to be enrolled in at least 12 hours of school and hold a GPA for the last term registered in the University of 2 point, as well as a 2 point cumulative.

Late Entry

Complicating the race is the last-minute entry of John Busterud, appointed March 23 to head Junior Weekend. Reaching out into broader paths than the Weekend chairmanship, Busterud stated that his name will appear on the ballot without bloc affiliations. Passing over elections of previous years, he said that his wish was that the students would not vote a straight ticket, but for the best man.

Similar hope was expressed by Jim Frost last year when, then business manager of the Emerald, he threw his hat in the ring at the last moment. Loud cries were then raised by independents that his entry was merely for the purpose of splitting their vote, but, as yet, no such cries have been sounded on Busterud's declaration.

Reason

The reason Busterud gave for running was "because of the way bloc meetings have been going lately. Politics," he felt, "have become un-democratic and I don't think we need to run things like that on this campus."

Not explained by Busterud was the word "lately" and he was, therefore, apparently unaware of the words of an Emerald editorial of April 27, 1928, which read, in regard to student body elections, "Cut and dried—that's what most students remark with a secret sense of vanity in their penetration." Possibly the only difference which could be noticed today is the absence of the "sense of vanity" for, through repeated performances, the necessity for penetration has diminished.

No Sully . . .

JWS isn't with us today,
The sophomores are running the sheet;
But we follow tradition and give you this poem
Though Sully's a hard man to beat.

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I hate these bathroom faucets
That turn off with a spring;
It takes a Phi Bete to wash both hands
At once with the doggone thing.
G.D.W.

'Of Thee I Sing' Cast

A month of tryouts and auditions for roles in "Of Thee I Sing" ended yesterday as the "Sing" casting committee revealed final selections.

The cast, as announced by Chairman Earle Russell, includes: Mary Staton Krenk as Mary Turner; Larry Celsi, Wintergreen; Aldine Gates, Diana Deveraux; Jerry Lakefish, Throttlebottom; Jim Bronson, Fulton; Dave Zilka, Lippman; Joe Montag, Gilhooley. Dick Turner, Senator Jones;

UO Student Loses Life In Crack-up

Leonard H. Balliff, Jr., former Oregon student, was killed in the crash of an Army advanced trainer in the Mojave desert yesterday as an unexpected storm swept a flight of seven planes from their course. An attempt to parachute to safety brought death to another of the men.

The planes were en route from Mather field, Sacramento to Tucson, Arizona, when a storm broke up the flight, sending six of the group scurrying for shelter and causing the crash of the twin-motored plane in which Balliff was riding as a flying cadet. With Balliff were three commissioned officers, one other cadet.

Active on Campus

Balliff would have been a junior in journalism at the University this year had he not enlisted in the Air Corps. Active in campus affairs, he wrote sports and gossip for the Emerald, belonged to Skull and Dagger, was a member of the rally squad, acted as co-chairman of the sophomore informal last year. Despite his activities, he was a three-point student.

The Civilian Pilot Training program gave Balliff his first flying in Eugene last winter. An excellent student, he was admitted to advanced training classes in Corvallis in the spring, continued air work during the summer in Portland. Last November he enlisted in the Army Air Corps to become a navigator. His untimely death prevented his receiving a commission May 2.

SDX Initiates Thirteen Taken

Formal initiation for four northwest newspapermen and nine undergraduates will be conducted Sunday morning in Gerlinger by Sigma Delta Chi, national professional journalism fraternity.

Undergraduates will be initiated at 9 a.m., the others at 10 a.m. Breakfast in the Anchorage will follow the ceremonies.

Active newspapermen to be initiated include: Dave Hazen, Oregonian interviewer; Fred Colvig, Oregonian Sunday editor; Denny Landry, Portland UP manager; and Gordon McNab, AP Portland staff.

Ken Christianson is in charge of arrangements for SDX.



BIG GUNS . . .

. . . "Step'n Douglas" Worth, "Marcus" Anderson and "Hairless Joe" Montag pose with "Judge" Torgeson prior to the battle of wits at the ADS "Mud Sling Swing" tonight at Gerlinger. Dark horse candidate John Busterud handed in his petition an hour after this picture was taken.

Musicals

'Of Thee I Sing' Mary Krenk Signs

Pale-faced, soft-spoken Mary Staton Krenk, leans back in Dorothy Durkee's topless convertible and smiles gayly as a crowd of people clamor for her autograph. "Now smile a little more," says quiet Horace Robinson, and snaps the shutter on the first of publicity shots for "Of Thee I Sing."

The wheels move faster and faster as production speeds forward to May 9, the night of the traditional canoe fete, the night set for this year's Kaufman-Ryskind grand slam at the perversion of human life known as politics.

From the Guild hall window, open to the April breeze, came the wavering first attempts at unity on "Love Is Sweeping the Country." Director Robinson snaps an immortal moment when Larry Celsi, as the fabulous Wintergreen, coyly slips four votes into a ballot box. Kay Holman, traditionally seated at someone's piano, aids the chorus of drama students to sing "Happy Birthday to You" to Mrs. Otilie Seybolt, associate professor of drama and director of stage placement. One coed after another becomes thrilled, momentarily, as her name comes up for the dancing and beauty chorus, which entails a priceless opportunity to parade about in a bathing suit and sandals.

Director Robinson, as unlike Welles as his appearance is similar, directs simply without flourish, closely followed in all his production plans by assistant di-

rector, Guild veteran Dorothy Durkee.

Last night, Earle Russell, casting head, announced the feature cast, chosen after a month's tryouts and auditions. Committeemen Elaine Lee, Lorraine Long, and John Williams put the final o.k. without suggestions from Director Robinson, who sat back and awaited results.

Plans begun several years ago were abandoned, and finally revived under the stress of an empty, muddy millrace and the sad prospect of a waterless canoe fete, much to the taste of Robinson, nursing a secret yearning about musicals ever since the smash "With Fear and Trembling" done previously. Students are waiting to see what the cast of student talent, numbering seventy-five, can do. Campus politics aren't so sure someone isn't being funny; players wonder about GPAs when it's over.

Choral Union Students to Solo

For the third successive year the University choral union and the University symphony orchestra will unite in a gigantic musical production. This year they will be joined by the Eugene Gleemen, making a total of some 800 people who will participate in the event.

Announced yesterday were student soloists: Margaret Zimmerman, soprano; Ray Leonard, baritone, and Lee Ghormley, tenor.

Says dynamic Dr. Theodore Kratt: "It's a tremendous thing!" The energetic doctor adds the directorship of the tremendous