

Fire Loss Figure Set at \$135,000

Losses resulting from the fire which destroyed the physical plant warehouse on Onyx between Thirteenth and Franklin Wednesday night were raised to an estimated \$135,000 yesterday by J. O. Lindstrom, business manager. The loss had previously been set at \$125,000 and the present figures are still indefinite, C. Ken Weidner, physical plant superintendent emphasized.

A partial break-down of figures includes a \$75,000 replacement value on the building, which was moved to the location on Onyx in 1936 and converted from a gymnasium to a warehouse.

Expendable Stores Burn

Expendable physical plant stores including janitorial and electrical supplies, paint, plumbing, and steam line valves, which were destroyed, accounted for an approximate \$30,000 of the total. Loss of additional, non expendable equipment totaled \$20,000. This included plumbers lathes and tools, the plumbing and welding shop, the athletic department's truck, the pipe-shop pick-up truck, power lawnmowers, electrical apparatus, and general maintenance equipment.

Included in this category is the physics department's loss of three rectifiers, with a replacement value set at \$3,900, according to Dr. A. E. Caswell, department head. Recently purchased through the war assets administration, the apparatus originally cost the University only \$500 or \$600.

Further break-down of departmental losses is unobtainable, pending further investigation and the filing of individual claims by the departments, Mr. Weidner said.

Furniture Destroyed

Amazon flats' furniture, rumored to have been destroyed in the blaze, was taken from the warehouse two weeks ago, according to the superintendent.

Settlements will be handled by the state restoration fund, the insurance which covers all state-owned buildings and equipment at their full value.

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All Tickets Sold For Dad's Day Dorm Luncheon

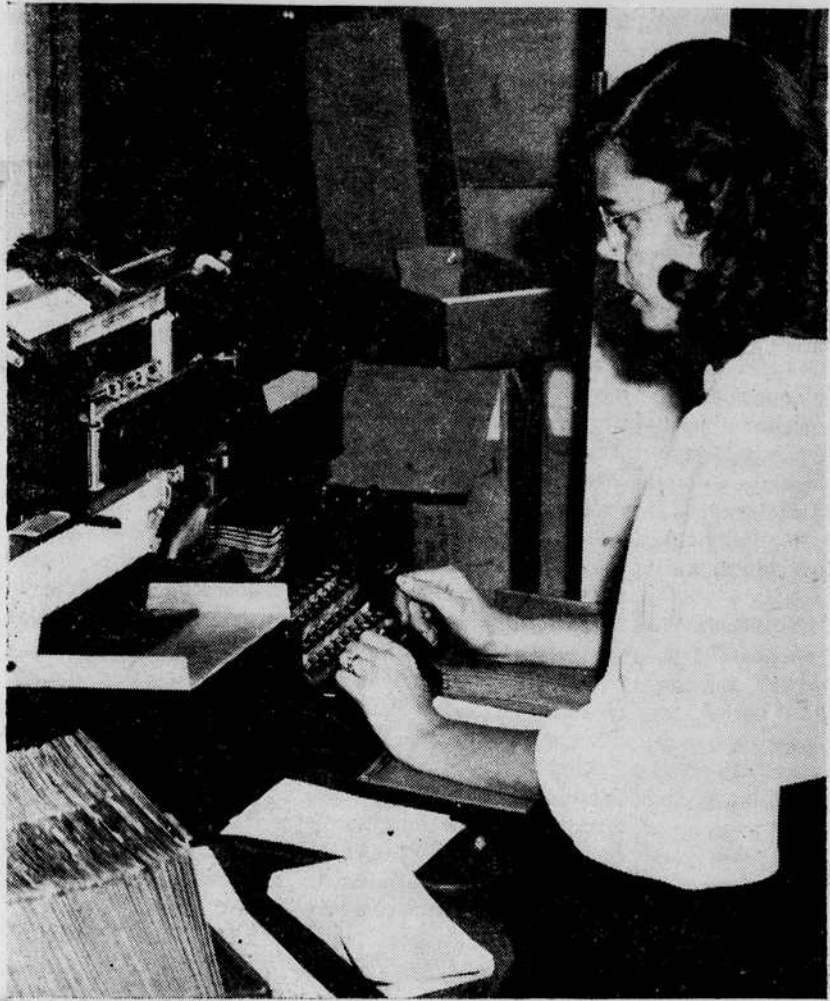
Dean Karl Onthank, dean of personnel administration, announced today that tickets for the Dads' luncheon at John Straub hall Saturday have been completely sold out. "However, there will be so many other activities that students and dads can participate in during the day, that no student should discourage his father from attending Dads' Day," he added.

Because of the limited seating arrangements in John Straub hall, selling of tickets for the luncheon was limited. There are still many tickets for the basketball game available to dads when they register Saturday.

Bob Wallace, chairman for Dads' day, said that many Eugene restaurants have promised to cooperate in arranging special dinners over the weekend for students and their dads.

A series of vesper services will begin this Sunday with a special program dedicated to Oregon Dads. The student program will take place in the music building at 4 p. m. All students and fathers are urged to attend. Tickets will not be required. These programs will be continued every Sunday for University students if sufficient interest is shown.

Atomic Age Hits University Grading Systems; Oregon Second School in West to Utilize IBM



—EMERALD photo by Don Jones. Mrs. James B. Maxwell, one of the operators of the newly installed IBM system, is shown processing student cards with the key punch machine in the registrar's office, Johnson hall.

New Machine Handles 25 Grades a Minute

By LEONARD BERGSTROM

Pioneering a new method of handling the large amount of data required to enroll and maintain the records of students, the University of Oregon has joined the University of California in bringing the IBM system to the schools in the West. This is being done to bring order out of the chaos that resulted when an outdated system attempted to keep pace with the rapid growth of the student body.

The IBM system was devised and is operated under the sponsorship of the International Business Machines company, owners of the machines rented to schools and business concerns that adopt the system. It is intended to handle statistical material with accuracy and speed.

"There's no question about it," is the opinion of C. L. Constance, associate registrar, "this is the only way mass records and information can be handled efficiently. It is easier to process, requires less personnel to operate, and eliminates a great deal of human error, yet does the required work rapidly."

IBM Used Fall Term

University students began to sense the innovation during the latter part of fall term, particularly when the new report card, with its improvements, appeared. But few persons realized the transition taking place.

At present there are two IBM machines in the registrar's office—a key punch and a sorter. These are used to record enrollment data for each student by name, class, course, course number, grade, points, credit hours, home address, campus address, parents' address, age, marital status, veteran status, major, housing, and other small details.

Another machine, the tabulator, is used to compile and print up student records.

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The Machine Age

Here's a bit of information in regard to computation—Personnel goes technocratic. To make grade points IBMatic.

—T.G.W.

Rapid Romance Is 'Hop' Theme

Decorations for the Heart Hop are now in full swing under the direction of Mary McQueen, chairman of the decorations committee. Individual houses will be decorated during game time on Friday night with all five houses, which will be open to students displaying a progressive theme done in silhouettes.

It begins at Susan Campbell with boy-meets-girl, and at the Pi Phi house their casual acquaintance is carried out with coke dates and Side meetings. Alpha Chi Omega illustrates the formal prom at which the couple becomes better acquainted and which leads to the Chi Omega house where the boy proposes, the girl accepts, and plans are made for the wedding. Finally at the Delta Gamma house they are married and the silhouettes end with the proud parents pushing a baby carriage merrily down the street.

The Heart Hop, which began 10 years ago as a leap-year dance entitled "The Lover's Leap," is now traditional on the Oregon campus occurring every year on February 14, sponsored by the YWCA. This year's Hop will follow the basketball game at Mac court between Oregon and Idaho. Being a strictly girl-date-boy affair, tickets went on sale in women's houses Monday night and voting for the King of Hearts, who will reign over the entire evening's festivities, will take place on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week. Voting will be done in the Co-op.

Tickets may also be purchased at the Co-op voting booth at 50

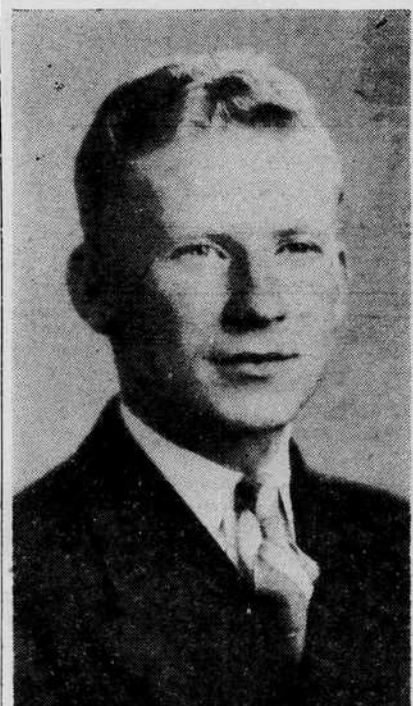
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Portland Audience To Hear UO Band

June Johnson, soprano, and Johnette King, pianist, will be featured soloists when the University concert band presents a free public concert in Portland's Grant high school auditorium today.

The concert, to be given at the request of the Portland public schools, will be open to high school bandmen, directors, and the general public as far as seating capacity permits. The band will be under the direction of John Stehn, associate professor of music.

Herb Widmer's Orchestra Scheduled to Play For Birthday Ball at Gerlinger February 22



JOE CONROY

The newest highlight added to the social calendar came Wednesday when it was announced that Saturday, February 22, is the date for the Birthday Ball. The event is being sponsored by the Inter-dorm council.

Dale Harlan and Joe Conroy, co-chairmen for the ball, announce that Herb Widmer's orchestra has been booked for the semi-formal dance to be held at Gerlinger from 9 to 12 p. m.

The dance, originally scheduled for February 8, was postponed until this date so that a known campus band and a larger dance floor could be obtained.

Chairmen Sell Tickets

Tickets will be sold by social chairmen of all resident halls beginning Tuesday. Residents and guests are advised to secure tickets early in the week because of limitations on the number of

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DALE HARLAN