

AWS, YWCA, WAA Officers Elected in Low Vote Balloting

Election returns showed Marie Lombard, Billie Jean Reithmiller and Bonnie Gienger leading women's organizations AWS, YWCA and WAA respectively last night.

Other winning officers were, for the AWS:

Anne Case, secretary; Eve Overback, treasurer; Betty Simpson, reporter; and Mariann Christianson Sergeant-at-arms. Mildred Chetty, who ran against Miss Lombard, will automatically receive the vice-presidency.

For the YWCA:

Velma Snellstrom, who will become vice-president after running with Miss Reithmiller; Maggie Johns, second vice-president; Joanne O'Neill Foulon, secretary; Margie Peterson, treasurer; Barbara Metcalf, sophomore commission chairman; Anita Frost, vice-chairman; Virginia Drake, secretary; and Helen Caldwell, upper class commission chairman.

for the WAA:

Joan Carr, who receives the vice-presidency; Lilly Kobayashi, secretary; Mary Myers, treasurer; Elizabeth Erlandson, sergeant-at-arms, and Leslie Tooze, Custodian.

Voting was close for all top positions, being pitman, outgoing presidents Bev Pitman, AWS; Laura Olson, YWCA, and Bep McCourrey, WAA.

The three sets of officers will be jointly installed into their new positions March 31.

A major project for the new AWS heads next term will be their annual

weekend for high school seniors.

Miss Gienger will have several projects to manage spring term, with Play Day, co-recreation night, an Orchestris concert, and tournaments scheduled on the WAA calendar.

YWCA plans for next year will be formed at a retreat to be held April 2. Spring term they will sponsor a junior-senior breakfast.

Other students running for offices were, for AWS—Jackie Barbee, Catherine Russell, Rosemary Beatty and Donna Buse; for YWCA—Mary Stadelman, Pat Williams, Claire Wiley, Marilyn Thompson, and Lillian Shot; for WAA—Barbara Kletzing, Carol Lippman, Clara Bell Rith, and Joan Hodecker.

Miss Reithmiller, new YWCA head, has worked in YW activities since her freshman year. She is a member of Phi Theta Upsilon, junior women's honorary.

Work on the WAA carnival has just been completed by Miss Gienger, who will take over the reins of that organization. She was co-chairman of the carnival, and also is sergeant-at-arms of WAA.

Marie Lombard will give up her present position of secretary, to become president of the AWS. Active in campus affairs, Miss Lombard is also a member of Phi Theta Upsilon.

Voting was held yesterday at the YWCA until 6 last night.

'Red' Action Denied By OSC Head

CORVALLIS, Feb. 23 (AP)—Dr. A. L. Strand, Oregon State college president, denied today that two professors were dismissed because of their activity in Henry A. Wallace's progressive party.

Strand called a special meeting of the faculty to explain the dismissals of Dr. Ralph Spitzer, associate professor of chemistry, and L. R. La Valle, assistant professor of economics.

The two, who were on the temporary probation period and not yet under permanent tenure, had charged that their dismissals stemmed from Progressive party membership.

That, Strand said, was not true. But he charged that one of the men — Spitzer — had followed the Communist party line to the extent that he supported an untenable scientific thesis.

"Did someone mention academic freedom?" Strand declared. "How about freedom from party line compulsion? Any scientist who has such poor power of discrimination so as to choose to support Lysenko's genetics against all the weight of evidence against it, is not much of a scientist, or has lost the freedom that an instructor or investigator should possess. The case is closed so far as I am concerned."

Strand declared that the genetic theory of Lysenko was supported by the Communist party in Russia, but not by leading geneticists elsewhere.

He said Spitzer had supported Lysenko in a letter to the Chemical and Engineering News of January 31. "Taken by itself," Strand told the faculty, "Dr. Spitzer's letter in behalf of a completely discredited effort on the party of the Soviet government to subjugate science to its own political ends might be excused as an unfortunate mistake in judgment."

"But taken along with his pro-Soviet propaganda, the letter shows up in its true light and its import cannot be overlooked."

Red Cross Drive Features Fire Program

Eugene Fire Chief E. L. Surfus will speak tonight at 7 at a fire prevention program in room 207 Chapman hall. The program, arranged by campus disaster chairman Bob Buchanan to focus attention on the Red Cross drive which starts Monday, will include a film "Disaster Strikes."

Surfus will point out the various causes, results, and prevention of fires. Since four living organizations, Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Kappa Alpha, Alpha Omicron Pi, and Phi Kappa Psi have recently had fires, Buchanan feels that the program will be helpful and informative to students.

Each house Red Cross representative is requested by Buchanan to attend the meeting and bring one other representative from his living group. Anyone interested may attend the program.

The fire prevention program has met the approval of administrative officials. Golda Wickham, director of women's affairs, stated, "It is most important that information regarding the dangers of fires and their prevention be presented to the University students, in order that they might better be prepared to protect and preserve their property as well as their lives."

Donald DuShane, director of student affairs, was pleased with the program and believes it is one more step to add to countless other ways in which the Red Cross is assisting campus people.

Mrs. Paul G. Means, campus Red Cross adviser, said she was especially glad to see such a program fulfilled on the campus.

Today's Staff

Night staff: Bob Downs editor; Joan Skordahl, Wally Benson, Frances Healey, Jo Anne Hewitt, Marilyn Thompson.

Abreast of the Times ---

BERKELEY, Calif., Feb. 23 — (AP)—A dozen sorority houses at the University of California learned to their consternation today the true identity of Mary Lou Ullrich. "She" is Walter Robert Ullrich, a 20-year old junior from San Diego. Ullrich wanted to find out how the better half lived so he posed as Mary Lou during rush week on sorority row.

With the help of French heels, a borrowed new look dress, a head scarf—and strategically situation paddings—Ullrich counted these souvenirs of his foray into no man's land:

Seven return invitations to sororities.

Fourteen cups of tea and a dozen tiny sandwiches.

The telephone numbers of 27 co-eds and one housemother.

His tensest moment, he told fraternity brothers at the Kappa Alpha house, came when a house mother took him by the arm and vital equipment came adrift.

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ISA Senate Meets

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