

Reasons for Silence Of KDUK Explained

By Marty Weitzner

Another term is almost over, and we still are getting reports that "any week now, a decision is expected as to the fate of campus radio station KDUK."

It has gotten so that people are not even bothering to read anything concerning delays in the organization of the station, because they know that one story is the same as the one before it. "We wanted to go on by —, but . . ."

From the beginning of this school year, people were puzzled by the lack of action from KDUK. When we left last spring, the station was organized. It was even running a skeleton schedule over the last few weeks of spring term. It is now six months since the last broadcast, and the station is still silent. Why?

According to what we have been told, this is the situation.

For a long time, a campus radio station was the gleam in the eye of several faculty members and students in the radio division. By last spring some of the students were nearing the end of their fourth year at Oregon, and still no station.

KDUK LASTS TWO WEEKS

They and the faculty wanted at least a try at the thing before they left, and so a little jerry-built transmitter was set up. It ran about two weeks. We have been told that the thing couldn't have run much longer.

When school ended and we all went home for the summer, everyone was happy. The "old hands" had seen their station, a few listeners over at John Straub got a good preview of what an Oregon campus station may one day be like, and a reporting class had been given a good chance to practice running a publicity campaign.

NEW FACULTY INHERITS

This year, when a new faculty took over the radio division, they inherited KDUK. The greatest feature the station possessed was a reputation, given to it by the reporting class fine campaign with an assist by the Emerald. Every-

body new about KDUK, only where was the thing?

In September, there actually was no such thing as KDUK. The flimsy arrangement of the term before was broken down and had parts missing; what was needed was a more permanent transmitter. That is what they have been, and still are trying to get.

PROBLEMS PLAGUE KDUK

There are plenty of problems still not interfere with commercial how to reach a few more places than one hall of John Straub and broadcasts; how to operate on a pygmy budget; how to string wires around the campus in an inconspicuous manner; how to handle a hundred and one technical problems requiring a radio engineer when there is none around. All these things have kept KDUK from coming on.

The technical angle is the big problem. This week the radio division asked any students with any sort of technical experience to volunteer their services. Results so far have been poor. We do not know if the radio division has asked other departments of the University for assistance, but if they have, the results have also not been satisfactory.

STATION TO AID ALL

What many of us fail to see is that if we ever do get a station, it will aid all of us and will not be the plaything of one department.

As far as personnel is concerned, the station is ready to go on Monday. They have had their program schedules, announcers, continuity writers, broadcasting personnel, etc., for a long time. They are able to run any standard type transmitter that can be set up to meet the qualifications listed above. All they need is someone with a sound idea and our periodical delay stories will come to an end.

Last Emerald of Term

Today's 24-page special Christmas edition is the last Oregon Daily Emerald for fall term, 1949. The Emerald will resume publication on Jan. 4, 1950.

Sigma Chi Sweetheart



Sweetheart, Court Honored Guests At Sigma Chi Formal House Dance

Pat Laney, Kappa Alpha Theta, who was chosen "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi," was honored guest at the Sigma Chi formal house dance last Saturday.

Laney's court of Joe Martin, Carson; Rosemary Vaught, Alpha Chi Omega; Barbara Calvert, Chi Omega; and Joyce Rathbun, Delta Gamma. The five finalists were interviewed on the radio Friday.

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THE CELEBRATED FRENCH FILM
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(Les Enfants du Paradis)

NOTE - -

A Special Showing of this Movie will be held at 2:00 P. M., Saturday, Dec. 17th

Dance Groups Slate Meeting For Instruction

Members of the newly formed University square dance groups will meet tonight at 8 in Gerlinger Annex. Instruction for beginners will commence at 7:30.

Around 64 students, both men and women, are enrolled in the organization, which meets the first and third Wednesday of each month.

American folk dances, including the schottische, polkas, and square dances, are performed by the dance group. Dancing garb is full skirts and cotton blouses for women and jeans and cotton shirts for men.

Calling the dances tonight will be Mrs. Margaret M. Logan, instructor in physical education, assisted by students. Miss Louise Henderson, graduate assistant in physical education, will instruct beginners in square dance techniques and schottische step patterns.

Any university students may join the dance group, whether or not they have had previous dance experience, Mrs. Logan stated.

Houses Demolished

Several houses which occupy the site of the new science building have been either partially or completely torn down in preparation for the construction of the new building.

HEILIG Dial 4-9311

Sun.-Sat., Dec. 4-10
"TOKYO JOE"
Humphry Bogart
Also
"AIR HOSTESS"
Gloria Henry, Ross Ford

MAYFLOWER Dial 5-1022

Today - Last Day
"QUARTET"
Basil Radford, Dick Bogarde
Thur.-Sat., Dec. 8-10
"ANIMAL CRACKERS"
Also
"DUCK SOUP"

LANE Dial 4-0431

Tue.-Wed., Dec. 6-7
"SONG OF THE HEART"
Also
"THUNDERHOOF"
Thur.-Sat., Dec. 8-10
"YOUNGER BROS."
Wayne Morris, Janis Page
Also
"GUN SMUGGLERS"

McKENZIE Dial 7-2201

Wed.-Sat., Dec. 7-10
"TASK FORCE"
Gary Cooper, Jane Wyatt
Also
"BRIMSTONE"
Rod Cameron, Adrian Booth

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Wed.-Thur., Dec. 7-8
"THAT WONDERFUL URGE"
Tyrone Powers, Gene Tierney
Also
"CHICKEN EVERY SUNDAY"
Anne Baxter, John Hodiak
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