



ASUO Constitution Passes; Legality Decision Due Soon

The new ASUO constitution has been approved by the student body, with the test of the election's legality due this week.

The requisite 50 per cent student body vote was reached Friday, the third day of balloting, with 2615 students voting. The official ballot count revealed 2458 votes for, and 157 against the document, well over the necessary two-thirds affirmative vote.

Polls had been kept open for three days in order to secure the 50 per cent vote, or 2591 ballots,

required by the constitution's enabling clause. Donald F. Myrick, vice-president of the law school student body, presented a petition Thursday on behalf of the law students contesting the extension of the election from its original one-day status.

The petition goes to the Judiciary Committee this week for an official decision. ASUO President Art Johnson stated Sunday that the decision would be reached by this Thursday.

If the voting procedure is declared legal and the constitution goes into effect, spring term student elections, scheduled for May 22, will be conducted according to the rules of the new document. Under the new procedure, any student may file for election, and balloting will be conducted under the preferential system.

The law students objected to the extension of the voting period on four grounds. Voting on any other day but Wednesday violated the provision that the constitution must be printed in the Emerald one week before elections, they charged.

Under the 50 per cent requirement, a vote not cast is, in effect, a vote against, the law students maintained. They feel that deciding to extend the voting period after it has been determined that the requisite number has not voted may set a "dangerous precedent."

Furthermore, they charged, the Executive Council does not have

An open letter to the Judiciary Committee from Junior Class, regarding the Constitution issue has been submitted. See story on page three.

the power to "establish substantive rules for elections." Their final assertion was that such action is "ex post facto legislation" and not "fair play."

The Executive Council's position in extending the election through Friday was that rain Wednesday kept many from the polls, and that many students showed an inadequate understanding of the document and should be given a chance to vote for or against the new constitution.

Washke Denies 'Discrimination'

"No discrimination was used against independents in planning intramural schedules," Dr. P. R. Washke, who heads intramural washke, commented Friday on recent charges of discrimination by the Independent Students Association.

In a letter that appeared in the Apr. 17 Emerald, the ISA said that in the single elimination golf and tennis schedules, independent organizations were placed in first round competition, resulting in half of them being automatically eliminated. No fraternities were entered in this round.

Dr. Washke, who recently returned from conference in Dallas, Tex., explained that in preparing the golf and tennis schedules, the eight second round winners in last year's competition were placed in the best positions and that the remainder of the schedule resulted by chance.

Dr. Washke said that "over half the independents in the first round this year failed to enter teams, thus forfeiting their contests."

Ballots for Campus Radio Awards Available Tuesday for Nominations

Ballots for the nomination of candidates for campus radio awards will be available Tuesday morning and throughout the week at the Speech Department Office, 216 Villard.

Any University student may nominate persons he feels deserving of the five major radio awards to be presented this year.

These include awards for the outstanding male and female campus radio performers, student

Committee to Pick New SU Members

A joint committee of four members each from the Executive Council and the Student Union Board has been selected to interview petitioners for the positions of representatives to the SU Board.

Art Johnson, Ed Anderson, Gordon Howard, and Herb Nill are the four from the Executive Council. Student Union Board members on the committee are Bob Wiegman, Bob Myers, Elizabeth Kratt, and Les Jones.

Breakage Fee Drive Starts Thursday For Expansion of University Radio

By RODNEY MORRISON

The fate of "campus radio" at Oregon will soon be decided directly by University students.

A campus-wide drive to secure breakage fee pledges will begin this week, for the establishment of a KUDK campus station and a low-power F-M station at the University.

The drive will be sponsored by

Kappa Rho Omicron, campus radio honorary, and has the official sanction of the University administration, the ASUO Executive Council, and the Department of Speech.

Life for KDUK

A new lease on life for radio station KDUK is thus a direct possibility. The dreamed-about but now defunct campus station first went on the air for two weeks just a year ago this month. Technical difficulties and FCC regulations caused KDUK's downfall in May, 1949.

Revival of KDUK and addition of the F-M unit will depend on success of the solicitation drive. Expansion plans for University radio facilities are now in the tentative stage, and work will begin if enough money is made available.

\$2000 Goal Set

A goal of \$2000 in breakage fees has been set by Kappa Rho Omicron. The drive begins Thursday and Friday in all radio classes in the Speech Department. Campus-

Sing Eliminations Slated This Week

Eliminations for the All-Campus Sing May 12 will be held Wednesday for women and Thursday for men. They will begin at 7 p.m. each night in McArthur Court.

Judging will be based 20 per cent each on tonal quality, interpretation including audience appeal, diction, and musical arrangement, and 10 per cent each on stage appearance and attention to song leader.

Twenty groups, 10 men's and 10 women's will be chosen to appear in the finals. A list of songs to be presented is on page seven.

Five Princesses Voted to Court

Five princesses, one of them a Queen-to-be, have been selected by student vote to reign over the "Melody Magic" of this year's Junior Weekend.

They are Mary Lou Bittman, Carson Hall; Nancy Chamberlain, Kappa Alpha Theta; Gloria Grimson, Alpha Chi Omega; Pat Lakin, Pi Beta Phi; and Lucille Wright, Sigma Kappa.

The remaining question, "which one is Queen?" will be answered Friday. The court is made up of the five candidates getting the highest number of votes from the field of ten finalists in Thursday and Friday's vote in the Co-op.

The one candidate who received the highest total will be announced as Queen in Friday's Emerald.

The five court members will be interviewed tonight at about 11:15 over Don Porter's disc jockey show on station KUGN.

Break with Past

Co-Chairman of queen selection Flo Hansen explained that announcing the court, and Queen, in advance of the Weekend (May 12-14 this year) is somewhat of a break with the past. In other years, the Queen has not been announced until her coronation at the All-Campus Sing; this year the Queen and her court will take part in the pre-weekend events and publicity and enjoy a longer "reign."

Other candidates for Junior Weekend Royalty were Janet Bronson, Mary Knox, Louise Ledding, Margaret Reeve, and Toinette Rosenberg.

Noted Novelist Talks Tuesday

Archie Binns, Northwest author, is scheduled to speak on "The Writer and His Material" in a special lecture Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the library browsing room.

Mr. Binns arrived in Eugene Sunday and will spend the week on the campus speaking to creative writing classes, according to Roberson Bailey, professor of English, and director of the Advanced Writing Program.

The author, who now lives in Menlo Park, California, was born in Port Ludlow, Washington. At 18 he joined a lightship crew, and from his experiences wrote "Lightship."

In 1937 he retraced the wagon tracks of the Oregon Trail and out of the experience wrote "The Land Is Bright."

Writing "always of simple people in a grip of fundamental emotion," Mr. Binns has written several books about the Northwest, including "Backwater Voyage," "The Laurels Are Cut Down," "The Land Is Bright," "Mighty Mountain," "Northwest Gateway: The Story of The Port of Seattle," "The Roaring Land," and "The Island." His latest novel is "You Rolling River," a story of life on the lower Columbia in the 1890's.

Mr. Binns received his bachelor's degree from Stanford University. He worked as a correspondent for Scripps-Howard newspapers in Washington D. C. and has written for "Esquire" and "Yachting" magazines.

'Magic Melody' Deadline Today

Today is the last chance to turn a flair for music into a possible \$25 gift certificate.

By 5 p.m., all entries in the music contest for the Junior Weekend "Magic Melody" must be turned in to Chairman John Be Epley, Phi Kappa Psi, or placed in a specially marked box in the Co-op.

Prizes for both the lyric and music contests, which are to be given at the All-Campus Sing, include a \$25 gift certificate from Laraway's Jewelry, a white Palm Beach dinner jacket donated by Saxton and Henning's, a white Sacony Woman's sport suit from Russell's, a \$10 gift certificate from the Radio Lab, and a record album from Graves Music Store.

The music must conform to either first or second place lyrics in that issue. Music contest winners will be announced this week, Epley said.

Contest judges are Steve Stone, chairman, and Treva Rice, Curt Finch, Arnie Martin, and Faye Schick.

No Council Meeting

The ASUO Executive Council will not meet tonight, President Art Johnson announced Sunday.

Numerous investigating committees will be ready to report at next week's meeting.

Weather . . .

Cloudy with light rain today. Mostly cloudy with showers Tuesday.