

# Three Candidates Dropped From Today's ASUO Election

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## Polls Open Today at 8

### ASUO, Class, Constitution, Co-op Ballots Before Voters

Polls will open today at 8 a.m., climaxing a campaign marked by charges and counter charges of subversive pressure and political opportunism, in the most heated election on the Oregon campus in several years.

Students will be confronted with four ballots when they go to the polls to vote for next year's student body, class, and Co-op officers, and the constitution.

#### Separate Ballots

Six polling places will be located at Gerlinger Hall, the Library, the Education School, and on 13th St.

The names of the three candidates who have withdrawn their candidacy will appear on the ballots today, because ballots were already printed. Votes for these candidates will not count, but will not invalidate the rest of the ballot.

between the Co-op and Condon, Oregon and Commerce, and Fenton and Friendly.

Separate ballots will be issued for ASUO officers, class officers, members of the Co-op Board, for adoption of the proposed constitution. Only Co-op members will vote for the Board, while members of the individual classes will vote for their own officers.

Booths will remain open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Tuesday,

## TNE Rumors, Exposes Not New at University

Almost every year—just about election time—rumors of the existence of Theta Nu Epsilon, secret political organization, come before the student body.

This year, however, probably marks the first time definite proof—a sworn notarized list of the members—has existed.

Rumors and "exposes" of TNE have made the headlines of the Emerald and have gone out on the Associated Press wires several times before.

The most notable previous expose of TNE is still within the memory of most seniors on the campus.

That happened when the Emerald under the editorship of Marguerite Wittwer-Wright, carried the huge headline, "OREGON TNE PROVED." That was Nov. 6, 1946. The basis of the expose was a blank

and Wednesday. Only the constitutional election will continue for three days. Other elections will be closed Monday, as ruled by the ASUO Executive Council last Monday.

Supporting the new constitution, submitted a second time for approval are Art Johnson, ASUO president, the Executive Council, AGS, USA, and Don Myrick, law student who contested voting procedures in the last constitutional election.

#### No Vote for Graduates

Student body cards will be necessary for identification in voting, and will be stamped as each student votes. Graduate students may not vote, according to last Thursday's ruling by the Judiciary Committee, Ed Anderson, ASUO vice president in charge of elections, stated.

Votes for Will Urban, Gerry Smith, and Dick McLaughlin, three

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## Bottles Break 2 Windows Of Officials

Whiskey bottles were hurled through the windows of two University officials—Donald M. DuShane, director of student affairs, and Virgil S. Fogdall, director of men's affairs—around midnight Friday.

Notes were stuffed into both bottles, the contents of which were not disclosed to the Emerald.

DuShane said he notified police immediately after finding the bottle, but it was too late to protect Fogdall's home, as a bottle had already been sent through his window. DuShane's and Fogdall's names were written on the respective bottles.

DuShane feels the vandalism was "not necessarily related" to the campus furor over TNE. He thinks it was "probably the act of a dis-

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## Press Use for Campaign Printing Job a Mistake, Officials Declare

More excitement was added to the political situation Friday when two members of the United Students Association discovered that some Associated Greek Students campaign material had been printed in the University Press.

No action is being taken, since it was just "a mistake," according to University Business Manager J. Orville Lindstrom, who has jurisdiction over the press. However, the action was con-

trary to University regulations, since only University material is supposed to be printed at the press, Mr. Lindstrom stated.

Type forms for a leaflet promoting Vern Beard, AGS candidate for junior class president, and for imitation TNE membership cards dropped from airplane during the between-class "Wally Wardboss" demonstration Friday morning were found at the press by Dick Neely and Don Dimick.

#### Permission Granted

It was discovered that the material had been set up and run off by Abbott Paine, part-time student employee at the Press, in his spare time, with the permission of Press Superintendent Fred Beard (no kin to Candidate Beard, according to the Superintendent's secretary).

"I didn't realize what he was printing," Mr. Beard said afterwards. "Of course I should have looked into it, but I didn't and I gave my okay." It will never hap-

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## Deans Recognize TNE's Existence; Report Expected

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3. The University Board of Deans authorized a "vigorous investigation" of the entire situation by the Office of Student Affairs with the intention of taking appropriate action when the investigation ends.

4. A statement from the University to the effect that a full report on the situation will probably be issued today.

#### First Since 1936

This was the first official recognition by the University of TNE's presence on the campus since 1936, when a TNE chapter was disbanded by the administration.

The Board of Deans met behind closed doors for nearly four hours Saturday morning, examining evidence which implied the active existence, on campus, of TNE. However, they did not disclose what action would be taken at the close of the investigation.

#### Deuel's Statement

A statement, submitted and signed by Hob Deuel, AGS president, with the full concurrence of the three candidates withdrawn from the election reads as follows:

"In the interest of good student government, I am withdrawing the names of three AGS candidates from today's student body elections. They are Gerry Smith, Will Urban, and Dick McLaughlin. Since all these candidates have been subject to charges and counter charges regarding membership in Theta Nu Epsilon, I do not think it is fair to them or to their party to continue them in this election."

The statement was brought to the Emerald offices, by Lyle M. Nelson, director of information, Sunday.

Deuel and McLaughlin were not available for comment before Emerald press time Sunday night. Both Smith and Urban refused to comment on the withdrawal.

The statement issued regarding the investigation Saturday morning follows:

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## Withdrawn From Race



GERRY SMITH



WILL URBAN



DICK McLAUGHLIN

## Weather . . .

Continued Fair and warm for elections.