

Homecoming Bonfire Burns

Frosh Run Berserk On Howe Field

By Walt Graydon

Freshman bonfire guards really "whooped it up" Wednesday night. The result was that the bonfire was cancelled at Howe Field and moved to the Fiji parking lot. It will be held at 9 p.m. tonight.

Howe Field looked like the scene of a sham battle Thursday morning after the freshman guards had spent the night "guarding" the rally bonfire that was prematurely touched off about 8 a.m.

ASUO President Barry Mountain called a meeting of the freshman class at 4:30 p.m. at Howe Field Thursday to point out the damages.

The guarding of the Homecoming bonfire usually develops into a near brawl every year when guards attempt to ward off would-be invaders. This year's experience was quite different because damage was done without the aid of any outsiders.

Damages Extensive

The \$10,000 turf of Howe Field is deeply rutted by automobile tracks; it was littered with broken bottles, and areas of grass have been burned by warming fires. Part of a concession and press box were destroyed; an ROTC jeep was damaged, and the shed it was parked in was nearly destroyed.

Guards on the 6 p.m. to midnight shift, when activity was at its peak, don't seem to know who composed the unruly group. The driver of the "borrowed" ROTC jeep that raced around the field and caused the ruts is also unknown.

No Expulsions

"The guilty persons will not be expelled from school," Mountain said. "The administration has assured this."

"The field must be repaired," he stated. "The athletic department has been working on Howe Field for two years to get it into good shape. This damage will probably take another two years to repair, and it will be repaired by the guilty persons."

To date, no one knows just exactly how the bonfire got started or who started it because the guards had gone off duty before the 8 a.m. burning.

Policy Stated

Leo Harris, director of athletics, in cancelling the bonfire at Howe Field said that "the athletic department has co-operated with the students for the past two years and each year considerable damage has been done despite promises to control the situation. This year hundreds of dollars of damage has been done. . . the athletic department must take the position of not allowing the bonfire on the athletic field."

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BLONDE HOMECOMING HOSTESS Lee DeJarnette will reign over weekend festivities and represent the student body in greeting alumni. She will lead the Noise Parade tonight with Tom Barry, chairman of Homecoming.

IDC, IFC Representatives Discuss Fall Rushing

The possibility of fall term rushing moved closer to actuality Wednesday night when the Inter-fraternity Council and leaders of the Inter-dormitory Council met to discuss the program set up by the IDC.

Using the IDC-proposed plan, the IFC and the IDC leaders—President Bill Clothier, Vern Thompson and Clarence Napier—rewrote the ten points into what both groups hoped would eventually be accepted. Donald M. DuShane, director of student affairs, was also present.

The Inter-fraternity Council approved the plan Wednesday night. The Inter-dormitory Council met late Thursday night to consider the new program.

Contact Ideas Differ

Principal difference between the two proposals regards the con-

The IDC Thursday night agreed with ASUO President Barry Mountain that a new rushing and pledging program must be worked out within the next week.

The group will meet Tuesday to give final action on the joint IFC-IDC rushing program.

tact freshmen may have with fraternities. Under the program approved by the IFC, freshmen will be allowed to be at their fraternity one night a week for orientation meetings. They will also be allowed to be at their house all other times except during dormitory

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SU Formal Dedication Set Tonight in Ballroom

Formal dedication of the Student Union will take place tonight beginning at 8:30 in the SU ballroom. Governor Douglas McKay, will be among the official guests.

Actual dedication ceremonies will be preceded at 5 p.m. by a consecration of the building. The consecration will be performed by Father Leo Linahen, chaplain of Newman Club; Rabbi E. Charles Sydney, rabbi of the Ahdray Sholom congregation in Portland; and Wesley Goodson Nicholson, minister of the Congregational church in Eugene.

John M. McGregor, class of '23 will deliver the principal address. As ASUO president in 1923, McGregor was the first to advocate the building of a student union on this campus. He now is a practicing attorney in New York City and this will be his first trip back to Oregon since he graduated.

Gov. McKay will address the public on what the Student Union means to the state of Oregon, and the plans the state legislature has for furthering a similar building program.

R. E. Kleinsorge, a member of the State Board of Higher Education, will explain the building program of the board, and how the Student Union was a part of that program.

President Newburn will give an address on the significance of the SU to University students. Dedication ceremonies will be climaxed at 9 p.m. when Newburn will pull a switch to darken the ballroom. University Singers will then sing the pledge song, to be followed by taps.

Ceremonies are to be broadcast beginning at 8:30 over KERG, KASH, and KOAC.

Big Variety Show Set for Tonight, Mountain to Talk

A gigantic variety show and rally will be held at 9:15 p.m. tonight in the Fiji Parking lot, Tom Barry, general chairman of Homecoming, announced Thursday.

Ten top flight entertainment numbers will be presented to students and alumni at the show. Headed by master of ceremonies, Gay Baldwin, the show promises to be one of the best Oregon has seen in many years.

The program will get under way with a number by the University band after which Barry Mountain will say a few words. He will introduce Gay Baldwin who will start the show rolling by introducing the first number.

Highlights of the show will be the presentation of awards for winners of the noise parade and sign contests.

Delt Trio Slated

The following program is on tap for this evening's show: Presentation of Red Feather Community Chest girls; Delta Tau Delta Trio, with Fred Schneider, Paul Barrow, and George Guldagger; Phi Gamma Delta Duet, with Bob Wheelas and "Frosty" Durland; Pi Kappa Alpha skit, featuring Pete Urban, Eddie Raggiozino, and Oscar Shoemaker.

The Governor Speaks...

My participation in today's dedication ceremonies for the University of Oregon's new \$2,100,000 Erb Memorial Union will be one of the most pleasant experiences of my 21 months in the office of Governor.

Men and women who are my contemporaries envisioned a student union building for your campus before a great majority of the present members of the University of Oregon student body were born. It was the Class of 1923 that first sought to crystallize fervent but nebulous hopes and translate them into organized action. Actually, then, Friday's dedication climaxes 27 years of work, and it is to be bitterly regretted that two of the prime movers, the late Ernest Haycox and University President Donald M. Erb, have been deprived of this triumphant hour.

I am sure that those of us who are present at the ceremonies will be moved by the thrill of this great accomplishment and a deep sense of gratitude for the contributions of these two outstandingly brilliant men of letters.

The Erb Memorial Union reflects, in its beauty and utility, the planning of these fine minds. Its materialization was long in coming, as is the case with anything of lasting value. So appreciate it, treat it with the love and care that went into its development and it will be a source of rich pleasure to countless future classes of Oregon students.

Sincerely yours,
Douglas McKay,
Governor

Weekend Schedule

Friday:

- 3-10 p.m.—Registration of alumni, Student Union, Eugene and Osburn Hotels
- 3-5 p.m.—Inspection of Student Union by state officials
- 5 p.m.—Religious consecration of Student Union—Dinner at all living organizations
- 5:30 p.m.—Sign contest judging
- 6 p.m.—Noise Parade (ending at 7:45 at Student Union)
- 8:30 p.m.—Student Union official dedication—Ballroom
- 9:00 p.m.—Bonfire and rally, Fiji parking lot
- 9:30 p.m.—Variety Show—Fiji Parking Lot