

SU Memorial Will Shine Student Union Board Heads Activities of Campus Center



POLISHING THE-PLAQUE for Student Union dedication are Henry Panian, chairman of the Student Union board, Leslie Tooze (center), vice-chairman, and Nancy Luce, sophomore in art and architecture. Oregon students who lost their lives in World War II are listed on the bronze plaque in the memorial building's main lobby.

Williams Hopes to Make Union 'Living Room' of University

"The Student Union is the 'living room' of any campus; a place where students receive informal education in cultural aspects of life. That's the way we are trying to make the SU here at Oregon."

Thus Dick Williams, many titled Student Union director, summed up the essence of his job.

Williams, who is also secretary of the publications board and Student Affairs Committee, a member of the SU Board, and Twenty-fifth Anniversary Special Committee, further declared that the primary purpose of the Student Union is the providing of a service for students while placing the business aspect in secondary importance.

Has Other Responsibilities

In his capacity as Student Union director, Williams is responsible for the running of the basement recreation area and the foods area besides general supervision of all SU facilities.

It will be two or three years before the building is fully developed and all the advantages offered utilized, Williams commented.

However, so far business has been gratifying, he said. The main problems now are getting pin setters for the bowling alleys and building up the cafeteria trade.

"I would like to say that I appreciate all the help from my staff—from the office girls down to the fellows in the dish room, Williams stated. The co-operation has been excellent. If these people didn't function, we wouldn't be able to operate."

Graduated from Oregon

A graduate of Oregon in 1941, Williams has been with the University constantly since then, except for a three-year period in the Navy from 1943-46. He is now a lieutenant in the Naval Reserve.

He served as educational activities manager for Oregon until November, 1948, when he received the title of Student Union director.

The Erb Memorial Student Union is a building for the use of and governed by the students, faculty, and alumni of the University of Oregon.

Policy-makers for the Student Union wanted the whole campus to be represented in the body which supervises all the Union activities—the Student Union Board.

The Board is at the top of the chain-of-command which initiates the program of and runs the Student Union. Sixteen voting and three non-voting members sit at the weekly meetings of the Board in the Frank L. Chambers Memorial Union Board Room.

ASUO Represented

Both the president, Barry Mountain, and the vice-president, Herb Nill, of the Associated Students of the University of Oregon are voting members on the SU Board. Two juniors, chosen for outstanding service to the Union, are to be voting members at large for one year. However, these will not be selected until 1951-52.

Each school within the University has its voice in forming Union policy through representatives on the Board. One voting member is taken from each of the eight schools, and two from the College of Liberal Arts. Deans of the schools recommend these members.

Interview and selection is done by a joint committee of four ASUO Executive Council members and four members of the SU Board. Since the Board is non-political,

Haircuts on Campus Featured in Union

For the convenience of male students, a barber shop, managed by Leo Deffenbacher, has been established in the basement of the Student Union.

Other than the Post Office operated by Uncle Sam, the shop is the only leased-out area in the building. It contains four chairs and three barbers who are on duty daily from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

A union shop, the SU's tonsorial parlor is equipped to offer the same service as any other place in town.

"Business is pretty steady," said Deffenbacher, who left his old place at the Campus Barber Shop, to lease the SU shave and haircut center. For 25 years he was owner of the campus shop.

With only three barbers, the shop is especially rushed before dances. Deffenbacher said that if business increases, another barber would be added to the staff.

not more than two members of any one campus political party may hold membership on the committee from the Executive Council.

Final approval of Board members is confirmed by the University President.

1950-51 Board Listed

Student representatives on the 1950-51 Board are:

College of Liberal Arts—Donna Buse and Leslie Tooze; School of Architecture and Allied Arts—Betty Wright; School of Business Administration—Donna Bernhardt; School of Education—Carol Udy; Graduate School—Henry Panian. School of Health and Physical Education—Les Jones; School of Journalism—Lorna Larson; School of Law—Dewey Wilson; School of Music—Ed Peterson.

Henry Panian is chairman of the board. Other officers are Leslie Tooze, vice-president; Donna Bernhardt, secretary; and Ed Peterson, treasurer.

Faculty Men on Board

Two voting members of the University faculty also sit on the Board—Dr. Dan E. Clark, head of the department of history; and Dr. Paul Dull, professor of political science and history.

Non-voting ex-officio members are Donald M. DuShane, director of student affairs; and Richard C. Williams, director of the SU.

Representing the University alumni is one non-voting member—William N. Russell, Class of '35.

Main purpose of the Board is policy making—representing the student body, planning effective programs, and setting up an efficient pattern for student participation in Student Union administration.

Sponsors Movies, Dance

A six-student member Student Union Directorate—with the aid of the six standing committees under its jurisdiction—is the actual working body of the Student Union. Its function is to carry out the policies of the SU Board and the specialized duties of the standing committees. The six Directorate members head the committees—interview and referral, cultural, publicity, recreation, house, and ballroom.

Bill Carey, chairman of interview and referral, also serves as chairman of the Directorate. Carey and his committee workers see that all vacancies on the standing committees are filled and keep track of work done by members of all committees.

Culture Under Bates

The cultural area is the responsibility of Barbara Bates. Under her jurisdiction is the Adelaide

Church Memorial Browsing Room, and all art exhibits and lectures in the building. Music is also one of her worries.

Publicity, handled by Dick Olson, is concerned with all promotion and publicity for the Union and its varied activities. If Union functions or any of the standing committees need publicity, Olson and his committee members are the people to see.

Student recreation in the building is in the hands of Joe Proulx. The basement recreation area activities—ping pong, bowling, billiards, and pool—come under his committee's area of control. Also, when bridge, checkers, chess, or any other such meetings or tournaments are to be organized, the recreation committee is there to take over.

House Committee Makes Rules

Rules and regulations governing the use of the building—which are practically non-existent as yet—are proposed and enforced by the house committee. Chairman of the rule-makers is Dick Lee.

The number of students on the Directorate as it now stands, is by no means permanent. As time passes and an ever-growing student activity program evolves, new committees will be formed to meet the increasing needs.

Old to the New; Seal to the SU

The Oregon seal, a part of the University since its presentation by the Class of 1912, is one of the few old features that are now a part of the new Student Union.

In 1946 members of the ASUO Executive Council suggested that the seal be moved from its former position in front of Villard Hall to its present location. Officers of the Class of 1912 polled all class members and approved the move.

Placed at the Villard site of the seal is a bronze plaque bearing this inscription:

"The University seal originally placed here was moved June 1950 to the entrance of the Erb Memorial Student Union the better to perpetuate an honored tradition. Class of 1912."

The seal itself bears the University motto "Mind Moves Matter" in its Latin form of "Mens Agitat Molem." Cast in bronze and laid in concrete, it becomes a part of the walk itself.

Oregon tradition forbids anyone to walk on the seal, and also involves semi-annual cleanings by the freshmen.

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