

University Delegates Report on Program Offered At Recent YM-YWCA National Student Assembly

"We of the Northwest are unique in that we stress the social part of Y activities more than the religious aspect," Mary Ellen Burrell told members of the YWCA Thursday.

Miss Burrell was one of the delegates to the National Student Assembly of the YM-YWCA held Dec. 27 to Jan. 2 at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

Delegates to the assembly from the University of Oregon were Mercer King, Bob Holloway, Wayne Carothers, representing the YMCA; and Janis Evans, Patsy Matsler, Delores Jeppeson, Yoshiko Seki and Miss Burrell, representing the YWCA. The delegates journeyed the 1,500 miles to and from Oxford by bus and were on the road for three days altogether.

The YW delegates spoke at 4 p.m. in Gerlinger Annex before members of the University YW advisory board, the Eugene Y board and other members.

Summarized Experiences

Both groups gave a brief summary of their experiences at 6:30 p.m. in the Student Union.

Miss Burrell reported on her special hearing, entitled "Program Emphasis."

"Personal Life" was the hear-

ing attended by Miss Matsler. This meeting stressed personal vocations and how God can be served in a chosen vocation. Miss Matsler told of different methods used by various churches throughout the country. She was impressed with the emphasis put on religion in the south.

Education Hard to Define

Miss Jeppeson spoke on "Higher Education." She said it took the committee two days just to define higher education, and that a Scotchman and a German, not an American, finally defined it. This committee also stressed that the Y should work to get religion, which is so often lacking on the campus, into its curriculum.

Carothers attended the "Nation and the World" hearing and served on the world community committee. Carothers said the committee recommend a greater understanding of the other peoples of the world, especially on the campus.

Holloway selected the "Program Emphasis" hearing. Here the Oregon delegation discovered that the University of Oregon has the only religious council in the country.

Religion Overemphasized

The assembly, which is held every four years, had a program

of lectures, worship, Bible study, legislation, and recreation. It was the opinion of the UO YM delegates, however, that more emphasis should have been placed on legislation than on the religious aspect, as this left only a limited time for committee discussions.

The students were divided into eight hearings and each of these hearings was divided into committees. The committees made up a list of recommendations and these were then approved by a joint committee meeting.

Recommendations then went to the legislative meeting, which all the delegates attended. The pro-

cedure in the legislature was much like that of Congress, according to the delegates, with its complicated parliamentary procedure and extensive debate.

The delegates said they didn't have much time for recreation, but did participate in skits and folk dancing on New Year's Eve.

From 1907 to 1911 the enrollment at the University increased from 570 to 1,104. This remarkable growth was partly due to the impetus given by the victory of 1908 but the chief cause was undoubtedly the unusual development of high schools since 1902 and the economic prosperity of the state.

Inquiring Reporter

Only Certainty Is Uncertainty, Students Say

By Helen Jackson

With pre-week Religious Emphasis Week firesides scheduled for Jan. 16, 17, and 18, students were asked the question, "What do you think is the greatest 'uncertainty' in a college student's life which might be discussed at R. E. Week firesides?" The theme for the week is "Certainties in an Uncertain World."

Ron Phillips—graduate student in education—"I presume the question indicates greater uncertainty in religion and I don't think it is justified. A national reverse doesn't necessarily mean a reverse in religious matters. Really, I think religion is a person's faith in himself and he is uncertain if he is uncertain of his own capabilities."

Larry Davidson—night manager of Student Union—"Insecurity. I think there are a lot of students not knowing what they will major in, away from home for the first time and in a state of being unsure of themselves. I doubt if some students become properly adjusted to college life until they are juniors. I think if the firesides could help a student in becoming adjusted more quickly by explaining spiritual, moral and social values, then the week would be a great success."

Helen Koopman—senior in chemistry—"Very possibly this period in the life of a student has been the first time he has been out on his own, and he's looking for reasons and proofs of his values. I would like to hear a speaker who could really explain his basis of religion. So many students have uncertainties that they don't recognize them, but a good theologian should realize what the uncertainties are that do arise."

Clyde Fahlman—sophomore in sociology—"I would say the security or the insecurity of the individual as to present status and future status. At the present time when it's very possible you will go into the armed services, it is too easy to take a fatalistic attitude toward life. It might be wise to get a little optimism in the speeches."

Bob Gitner—senior in business—"The Draft. Of course that doesn't pertain to Religious Emphasis Week. Insecurity would probably be the best word for it. There are so many uncertainties that it's hard to put your finger on one."

Paul Dahlquist—senior in drawing and painting—"The biggest uncertainty now is how the student's future will be affected by outside powers over which he has no control. This would actually include so much. With the draft and world situation no one can plan much of a future."

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Student Union Music Program Starts Tuesday

The music listening rooms in the Student Union will be open for the first record concert of the year from 8 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday.

A music listening program will be presented each Tuesday evening in the listening rooms adjacent to the Browsing Room in the SU.

Suggestions for future programs may be submitted to Carolyn Welch chairman of the Student Union music committee.

Tuesday's program will consist of Wagner's Parsifal Prelude performed by Arturo Toscanini and the NBC Symphony Orchestra; Sonata No. 21, in C for piano by Beethoven, performed by Claudio Arrau; and Symphony No. 7 in C by Schubert, performed by the Concertgebouw Orchestra of Amsterdam, William Mengleberg conducting.