

Emerald's Top News Stories Came Early in 1951

(Continued from page one) but Loscutoff admitted to the Emerald that the suspension was grounded on a "morals" charge.

Defending his ex-teammates, hoopster Bob Peterson charged that the pair had "not been given a fair deal," and the case was fanned anew; but Peterson dropped his protest as quickly as it had arisen, and the furor gradually died down.

6. ASUO elections and the new constitution.

In spite of several last-minute independent candidacies, elections were relatively quiet this year. What made them important was that 1951's student elections marked the going into effect of the new ASUO constitution, which replaced the old executive council with the larger senate and smaller cabinet group.

Results of the elections saw a majority of offices won by the As-

sociated Greek students and the first AGS student body president since the United Students Association was founded in 1948.

7. The Debbie issue.

A high-minded Emerald editorial May 17 touched off a nation-wide hornet's nest when it charged that an Oregon sorority had "through alumnae pressure" forced a member to move out of the house because she was dating a Negro student.

Reaction across the nation was almost instantaneous, with articles in Time magazine and Eastern newspapers dramatizing the situation. The end of the story, as far as the newspapers were concerned, saw the couple, Debbie Burgess and DeNorval Unthank, married in Vancouver this summer.

8. The resignation of Oregon's head coaches.

News of the resignation of grav-

el-voiced Jim Aiken, Oregon's head football coach, and his replacement by Len Casanova reached vacationing Webfoots early in the summer, when Aiken announced that he was retiring to go into business.

No sooner had Oregon students returned to the books in the fall than Hoop Mentor John Warren also announced his resignation, to enter the hardware business. Later Emerald stories announced the appointment of Bill Borchert to replace Warren.

9. The installation of pay telephones.

Biggest—in fact the only—hot issue at Oregon during the fall of '51 was the controversy over the installation of pay telephones by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. in all campus living organizations as students returned to school.

As a result of the move, students for each telephone call. This re-

sulted in loud student howls and a long-continued Emerald campaign were required to shell out a nickel with attempts to get together with Oregon State and Willamette in fighting the decision. The PT&T proposed a countermove: a campus exchange for inter-house calls. As 1952 gets under way, the end is not yet in sight.

10. Oregon's 75th anniversary.

Outstanding educators and representatives from the nation's campuses gathered in Eugene over the weekend of Nov. 2 to participate in the University's big 75th anniversary birthday party, which saw speeches, processions and banquets in honor of the event.

This event, last of our list for 1951, will like some others continue into 1952; the year's program of outstanding speakers in honor of the birthday is not yet over.

Among the events which should receive honorable mention for top

interest in '51 is the celebrated beer controversy, which, however, hit its peak in late 1950. The past year, however, saw the eventual result of the squabble: orders first forbidding Taylor's and the Side to sell beer before 4 p.m., and then final prohibition of beer sales in the campus area, effective now.

There they are—our selection of the campus's top news events in 1951. The present academic year has started out quietly enough; what will 1952 have in store?

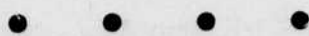
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