

Emerald Writer Studies Records Of Past Oregon ASUO Presidents

By Charlene Christiansen

What happens to old student body presidents? Do they just fade away? In an effort to find something of the lives led by our past presidents a search was recently made through the files of the Emerald and the Alumni office.

We discovered that Carlton Savage, ASUO president in 1920-21, later went on to become a special assistant to Secretary of State Edward Stettinius, Jr., Cordell Hull and James Byrnes. In February, 1948, he was appointed to the policy planning staff of the state department and was also an executive secretary under George C. Marshall. Today he is a general consultant in the state department.

Robinson Heads Institute

Claude Robinson, student body president in 1923-24 is now president of the American Institute of Public Opinion. In 1949 Robinson was author of an article on the Taft-Hartley law, which appeared in Look magazine.

It seems that even back in 1922-23 students were looking towards the future—the far distant future, that is. John McGregor, ASUO president that year, is the man who first organized a drive for funds for a student union.

Several Presidents in Service

Several presidents went with into the service. There is Lt. Colonel Joe Renner (1934-35) who was awarded the Distinguished Flying cross in the Second World War and who commanded a Marine Corps observation squadron in the Solomons in 1943. Also listed is Capt. Randall Jones, ASUO president in 1924-25, and Commander John Dick (1939-40), who is an instructor in a naval officers' school.

Another service man is Lt. Col. James Blais (1935-36) who, while in Shanghai during the war, was editor of a weekly news review published by the the Marines. He

also served aboard the USS Hornet.

Some Close to University

Some of our past presidents have stayed close to University life after graduation. Bob Hall, president in 1932-33, lives in Eugene, while Les Anderson (1942-43) is University of Oregon alumni secretary. Lou Torgeson, ASUO president in 1941-43, now lives in Springfield and is at present alumni advisor for Oregon's chapter of Beta Theta Pi. Stan Williamson, a former member of the Duck basketball team and president in 1947-48, took a coaching job at Springfield after graduation.

Records of the two female additions to the student body president roster were unobtainable. It is presumed that they have since gotten married and changed their names. They were Nancy Ames (1943-44) and Audrey Holliday (1944-45).

While they didn't claim the same home towns at the time, the 1933-34 president and vice-president both live in Hillsboro now. At the time they were elected President Tom Tongue was from Hillsboro and Vice-president Neal Bush lived in Vernonia.

Past student body presidents seemed to choose law as their major—although physical education, medicine and architecture are some of the others listed.

Great Actress' Movie To Be Shown Tonight

"Great Actresses of the Past" is the educational movie to be shown in 207 Chapman tonight at 7 and 9 p.m., according to Sandra Price, chairman of the Student Union Movie committee.

Such actresses as Sara Bernhardt and Eleanor Duse appear in this movie.

There is no admission charge.

The Pioneer Father Came from the Hills

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but to us there lives that spirit of conquering peace which I wish posterity to remember."

Her history, if nothing else, would emphasize Mrs. Barker's qualifications as a subject for such a statue. At the age of three, she came with her family from Illinois over the Oregon Trail in 1847. Her father died on the Barlow Road section of the route, in Oregon, but the rest of the family made it through and settled near Philomath, in the Willamette valley. From this rugged background she grew up to raise a family of her own. She died in 1924.

The bronze cast of the figure was cast in Belgium. It rests on a six-ton base of pink granite between Hendricks and Susan Campbell halls.

Interested in West

It is not surprising that Proctor chose such subjects as these for his work. He was actively interested in the West and spent much of his life in this part of the country. An avid outdoorsman, his animal works are considered to be among his best.

Besides his two statues at the University, Proctor's work in Oregon includes the widely-admired Circuit Rider statue on the state capitol grounds in Salem and a statue of Theodore Roosevelt on horseback for the city of Portland.

His other works are scattered throughout the United States, one of the latest of which is a horse group, "The Mustang," which he did for the University of Texas.

Proctor died in 1950, in Palo Alto, Calif., at the age of 88. He was born in Ontario, Canada, in 1862. He lived for a time in Denver, and spent considerable time in the Seattle area. In the East, he made his home in New York. The family studio is still in operation in Connecticut.

The national capitol would fit into any one of the five pie-shaped sections of the Pentagon in Washington.

Temporary Status Quo Requested by Official

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phone company to install pay phones in living organizations there.

He said that it was true that fraternities, sororities and co-ops there had private phones, and had always had such service. It seems that the IBT, in trying to enforce its tariff regulations, had requested that pay telephones be installed in dormitories.

This met with oppositions from the independents, he said, who charged that they were being discriminated against. No strong attempt was made to put pay phones in Greek or co-op houses, Scholl added. The phones were not installed in the dorms at the end.

However, he said, since then the university has requested—and the request has been granted—that pay phones be installed in the dorms, since too much money was being lost on uncollected long-distance calls.

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