

# Students to Vote On Honor Code At 10 Today

Today is the day for the honor code referendum—at 10 a.m.

Students will vote in 10 a.m. classes or at the booth on the Student Union west terrace on this issue:

"I am in favor of the adoption of the honor code at the University of Oregon. Yes or No."

The code would entail no proctoring and would provide for student prevention and apprehension of violations, cases to be handled by an enlarged student court.

Outcome of the establishment of the code at Oregon next year will hinge on the result of today's vote. According to ASUO Senate honor code committee plans, if the referendum passes with a substantial majority, steps will be taken to ask the faculty to adopt the code. If not, the request will not be made.

### More Than Simple Majority

The committee has indicated that more than a simple majority would be necessary, since student support is deemed essential to insure the success of the system. A large percentage of students voting today has also been considered important.

If the substantial majority is obtained, according to Committee Chairman Merv Hampton, the senate will be asked to request adoption of the honor code by the faculty through the latter's agent—the student discipline committee. Hampton said the discipline committee will undoubtedly desire that the faculty itself make the decision. Machinery will go into operation to put the matter to a vote of the entire faculty if a sufficient favorable vote is registered today.

### Start It Next Year

Present plans would call for starting the code next fall term.

Workers under the direction of the honor code committee will distribute ballots to classes and at the SU booth, pick them up after the short vote, and turn them into the counting committee. The SU booth will be open from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Votes will be counted this afternoon, and results will be announced in Thursday's Emerald.

Vote-counting will be under the direction of the committee and Director of Student Affairs Donald M. DuShane.

**VOTE TODAY  
ON THE  
HONOR CODE**

## A New Low for Assembly Attendance

# About 50 People, Including Speakers, Turn Out to Hear Honor Code Debate

Only a handful of Oregon's student body—all of whom may be affected by the proposed honor code—were on hand Tuesday afternoon to talk it over for the last time before the student referendum today.

Approximately 50 people, including faculty, students and speakers, appeared at the 1 p.m. assembly; about 20 were at the 4 p.m. coffee hour. In both discussions, tempers flared briefly at times when proponents and opponents of the code clashed.

### Bingham Sums Up

E. R. Bingham, instructor in history, summed up the honor code committee's idea of the purpose of their document. It was a way to "create an environment conducive to learning in the broadest sense," he said, and bring about a closer, more constructive relation between student and teacher.

Bingham and others including E. G. Ebbighausen, associate professor of physics, denied the main ob-

ject of it was to detect cheating. He said it's part of the code—not the main reason for its conception.

Don Collin, ASUO senator-at-large and one center of opposition, said his disapproval of the code was based on "things I failed to find in the honor code report."

He maintained that full information from the visit to Stanford had not been released, and specifically that there was no discussion of why an honor code was not used in Stanford's foreign language department.

### Favoritism Possible?

He also indicated that the committee had ignored information from the University of Florida (mentioned in a New York paper and brought to the attention of the group) that 200 were suspected of cheating there (Florida has an honor system). He said he was further informed that athletes there were told they would not be expelled for cheating.

Earlier he had stated that under

an honor code, it was "possible an athlete could escape punishment" and noted that Oregon State college students threw the honor code out "because they found people would not be stool pigeons."

At the coffee hour, Donald DuShane, a director of student affairs, and Merv Hampton, ASUO vice-president and code committee chairman, said that on the basis of information from Stanford, a type of honor system was in use in their foreign language department.

Discussion at the coffee hour covered many points, including the actual power the student court would have in trying extreme cases of honor code violation.

### Faculty Holds Power

DuShane explained that the power to expel students resided and would continue to reside in the faculty through the Office of Student Affairs and through the Student-Faculty Discipline committee. The Student Court would try cases where violations were obvious and serious, he said, but the punishment, if called for, would still be left to the faculty.

In the assembly, the director of student affairs, explained that "any final decision . . . (on the installation of the code) must be reserved to the faculty." If it received a strong vote of approval—which both he and Ebbighausen said could not be set at an exact percentage—it will be presented to the faculty for the final decision.

One requirement of an educational process, he said, was "to en-

able students to shoulder greater responsibility . . . to make decisions for themselves . . . and to develop individual moral integrity." An honor system, he added, "would advance every one of these principles."

If a substantial number of students are willing to undertake the responsibilities of an honor system, he concluded, "I would be proud to join with you . . . to make it successful."

### "A Positive Program"

Hampton, speaking at the assembly, called the proposed system "a positive program, not a negative one."

"The honor code, as we envision it, is a broad, positive and elastic mechanism," he explained. "We presented the main ideas and the student body can take it from there."

Marilyn Thompson, another code committee member, noted that "it isn't essential that each student support it in the same way." Some, she said, would be active in following its principles while others would not want to turn people in.

### "A Spirit of Honesty"

"The main idea is to create a spirit of honesty on the campus," she said. And many students, she concluded "would follow through with the formal steps of reporting."

Ebbighausen said he "would be satisfied if in the first year if (after a code was installed) cheating was no worse than it is now." This phase, he explained, would improve in following years.

## New Building for J School OK'd By State Board of Education

A new building for the School of Journalism was given No. 1 priority in an \$8,000,000 two-year building program approved by the state board of higher education Tuesday and to be submitted to the next legislature in 1953.

Monday in committee session the board authorized a six-year program for construction of \$4,525,000 worth of buildings for the Oregon campus between now and 1959.

The total state-wide program, designed to aid state schools in coping with high enrollments expected about 1960, would allot \$20,209,000 for construction. Approval was given during Monday's session. The program is subject to legislative approval.

Charles Byrne, chancellor of the state board of higher education, estimated fall term enrollment at all state schools will be down about 4.7 per cent when he presented a \$13,247,240 operating budget Monday for 1952-53.

He quoted state department of education figures compiled from a survey of state high schools which indicate the bottom of the student drop due to small birth rates of the 1930's has been reached.

By 1960 the department estimates Oregon high schools will graduate 6000 more than this spring, Byrne said. Class loads at state institutions will probably reach a good average next winter, he stated. There will be

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## Four Noted Scientists to Speak At Science Building Dedication

Four prominent American scientists will be the main speakers at the dedication ceremonies for the new science building to be held this weekend.

First speaker for the dedication

will be Alan Waterman, director of the National Science foundation. He will speak at 8 p.m. Friday in the main lecture room of the science building on "Science Looks Ahead."

### The Other Speakers

Saturday, the speakers will include G. W. Beadle, chairman of the biology division of the California Institute of Technology; G. Ross Robertson, professor of chemistry at the University of California at Los Angeles and S. K. Allison, head of the Institute for Nuclear Studies at the University of Chicago.

Waterman was named as the first director of the science foundation. He is department chief of the office of naval research in Washington, having been appointed in 1946.

### Taught at Cincinnati

Receiving his doctor's degree from Princeton in 1916, Waterman was at the University of Cincinnati during 1916-17. He was a physics instructor at Yale university from 1919 to 1922 and assistant professor of physics from 1923 to 1930. He was also a National Research fellow in physics at Kings college in London in 1927-28. Waterman has been an associate professor of physics at Yale since 1931.

He was chief reader of college board physics entrance exams during 1935-41 and chief physics expert (Please turn to page five)

## Life, NBC Sponsor Major Presidential Issue Forum For Eugene Area in Student Union at 8 Tonight

The people of the Eugene area will take part in a unique program this evening at 8 p.m. in the Student Union when a public opinion forum will be presented to find what major issues in the coming presidential campaign the public thinks most important.

### Eugene Selected

Eugene has been named as one of a number of United States communities who will participate in this forum. It is sponsored jointly by Life magazine and the National Broadcasting System.

Making arrangements in Eugene are E. S. Wengert, head of the political science department, Fred Brenne, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, and Mrs. Eldon Johnson of the League of Women Voters. Wengert will also act as moderator for the discussion.

### Three Speakers, 13 Issues

Three speakers will present information on 13 major domestic and foreign issues. After the brief talks would not be opinionated in 20 minutes for each speaker, the public will ballot individually to

determine which issues are most important. These will be tabulated along with the results from other communities and leading questions will be asked of presidential candidates May 1 on the NBC program, "The Citizen's View of '52."

Five presidential candidates or their representatives have agreed to appear on the program in May. They are Sen. Estes Kefauver, Sen. Robert Kerr, Harold Stassen, Gov. Earl Warren and Paul Hoffman, appearing for Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

### Schleicher on Foreign Policy

Among those speaking will be Charles P. Schleicher, professor of political science, whose topic will be foreign policy. Under this Schleicher will discuss the Korean war, the United Nations, cooperative effort between the nations, and mutual security.

Ward Macy, head of the department of economics, will discuss the economic issues such as living

costs, taxes and welfare services.

The final speaker, the Rev. Richard Steiner, pastor of the Unitarian Church in Portland, will speak on internal security and cover such topics as loyalty oaths, congressional investigations, good government, extension of civil services, and civil rights.

Macy emphasized that these talks, which will not exceed 15 or any way, but are designed to present background information and material to the people so they may cast a more intelligent vote.

### Audience to Ballot

Each person in the audience will be given a ballot listing the 13 topics discussed. Voting will be done following the talks and a half-hour question period.

Schleicher said he felt this program was "worthwhile because it is an attempt to make issues correspond with the problem." He said it would make those in responsible places take a position on them.

## 25 STILL COMPETE FOR QUEEN TITLE

First eliminations for Junior Weekend queen Tuesday night narrowed the field of candidates to 25.

They are Jo Martin, Janet Shaw, Nancy Yates, Ann Britts, Helen Jackson, Nanette Silverthorne, Sarah Turnbull, Joan Renner, Mary

Stone, Dorothy Anderson, Mary Alice Baker, Francis Gillmore, Barbara Allison, Sally Keeley, Harriet Vahey, Patty Johnson, Patricia Bellmer, Joan Blakely, Karin Sunderleaf, Jane Cover, Nancy Van Allen, Donna Blum, Barbara Booth, Joane Abel and Norma Beetam.