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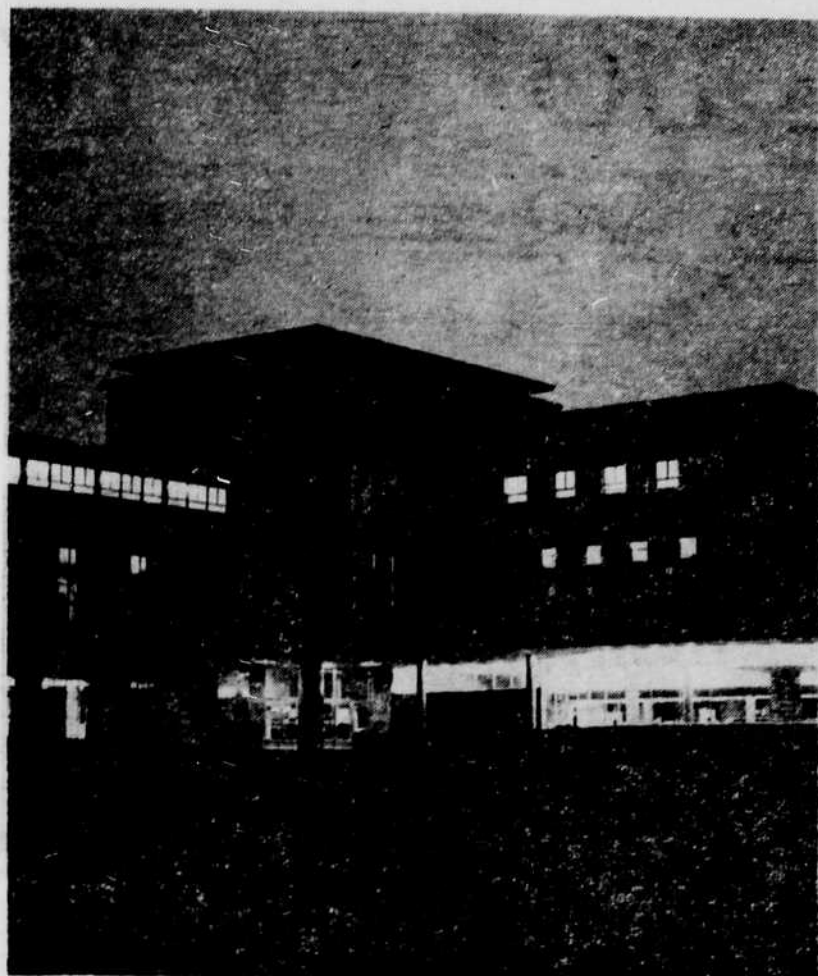
The earliest known copy of Eugene's Civil War era Democratic newspaper, The Eugene City Review, edited by Joaquin Miller, famed Oregon poet and journalist, was given to the University of Oregon library recently by Mrs. Emma Preston of Eugene, according to Robert Cryder, administrative assistant of the library.

The yellowed page is dated January 3, 1863. According to the masthead, the Eugene City Review was "a Democratic newspaper, devoted to the political, agricultural, and domestic interests of the people of Oregon". Heiner Miller, who later became better known as Joaquin Miller, was the editor, combining the editorial courage and collection of deep convictions necessary to run, even in Oregon, a Democratic newspaper during the Civil War days, according to Cryder.

Denying Legality

The front page of the two-page January 3 issue is devoted entirely to an article by B. R. Curtis, ex-judge of the U.S. Supreme court, denying the right of President Lincoln to issue the emancipation proclamation and arguing the illegality of most of Lincoln's other war time proclamations.

Miller himself attacks in an editorial the "high-handed usurpations of power that forbids the Democratic papers equal rights with other journals to mail facilities at all times and places." He says also that he believes in "freedom of speech, freedom of press, and the freedom of white men before the negro." Miller had been complaining previously that the Review had been barred from the mails because of treasonable utterances.



STUDENT UNION AT NIGHT
... inside, a guiding, directing hand

The Union, Symbol of University, A Hub of Activities for Two Years

By Elsie Schuller
Emerald Reporter

A landmark on the University of Oregon campus ... a tribute to the architects and workers who designed and built it ... a memorial to a great man and a great president ... a building which houses the most modern of facilities for the use of all ... a dream of 30 years materialized ... all this and more is symbolized by the two year old, \$2,100,000 Erb Memorial Student Union building.

Inside the red brick of its walls is the center of the student activity program with the Student Union board acting as the guiding, directing hand. To most of us the board is an established accepted part of student life on this campus. Yet, now entering its fourth year of existence, the board is still virtually in its infancy and the history preceeding and leading to its establishment is a long and interesting one.

During the school year 1935-36, which is ancient collegiate history considering the thousands of students who have crossed this campus in the intervening years, the Associated Students of the University of Oregon sought a solution to the problem of a large deficit incurred during the depression years.

Upon the request of the students, the president of the University agreed to bail the ASUO out of its financial dilemma. The activity program was to be separated from the duties of the student government through the medium of a planning board appointed by the president and responsible to his administration for its authority and the resulting action. The Educational Activities board, out of which grew the present SU board, was established in July, 1936.

Representation on the board was made up of six faculty members and five students. Earl M. Pallett, director of teacher placement, was its first and only chairman.

Control Publications

Their duties followed a pattern closely resembling that of the present board. Under their control were the three student publications, the Emerald, Oregana, and Pigger's Guide, concerts and special attractions such as Homecoming, the Hello dance, and Wednesday night movies; and a regular student program insofar as the then limited facilities would permit. The Board's office was located in MacArthur Court.

Dick Williams, Student Union director, graduated from the University of Oregon with a degree in journalism, in June, 1941. Two months later he accepted the full-time faculty position of manager of the Educational Activities board, a post he was to hold until Nov. 1948, when he was appointed Student Union director. The Educational Activities board was dissolved in June, 1949.

During those years the drive for a Student Union building, begun back in 1923, was pushed to its climax. In 1946, land at the present site of the Erb Memorial was purchased and actual construction was begun in October, 1948.

17 Meetings

On Nov. 1, 1949, a committee of three turned in a list of recommendations for membership on the first Student Union board to President Newburn. Working with Williams on that committee were Art Johnson, ASUO president, and Ed Anderson, vice president. Following the presidential confirmation of board members, 17 straight meetings over a period of 14 or 15 weeks was held to set up the perpetuation plan under which the group now operates.

Only one modification of the plan as drawn up by that first group has been made in the past three years. By common consent of all concerned, the alumni representative was dropped from the board membership.

Lester Jones, physical education major, was the first student chairman of the Board. During 1950-51 Hank Panian, history major, served in that capacity and last year Ralph Hillier, pre-law, took over the chairmanship duties. The present chairman is Clyde Fahlman, sociology major.

Board Members

Student members are the chairman; assistant to the chairman; secretary; treasurer; ASUO president and vice-president; and a representative from the various schools on the campus. There is also one student member-at-large.

Members of this year's board includes Fahlman; Don Zavim, senior in business, assistant to the chairman; Margaret Powne, senior in music, secretary; Sandra Price, junior in liberal arts, treasurer; Jane Wiggen, junior in architecture and allied arts, directorate chairman; Pat Bellmer, senior in speech, member-at-large.

Student government is repre-

sented by Pat Dignan, senior in pre-law, ASUO president, and Helen Jackson Frye, senior in English, ASUO vice-president.

School Representatives

Representatives from the schools on campus are Tom Brand, law; Pat Gustin, junior in business administration; Paul Lasker, junior in psychology, education and Virginia Dailey, junior in journalism.

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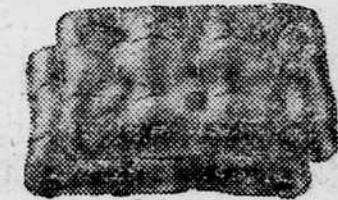
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