



Red Cross Drive Ends With \$450

The campus Red Cross drive ended Friday with a total of \$450 collected, according to Carol Huggins, general chairman of the drive.

Awards at the mixer Friday night were made to Pi Kappa Phi, which collected \$19.58, Sigma Chi, with \$50.27 and Alpha Gamma Delta, with \$15.76.

Art Lecture Slated Tonight

"Art and the Creative Life of the Child" will be the topic of the public address of Viktor Lowenfeld to be given at 8 this evening in the Student Union.

Lowenfeld, chairman of the art education department at the University of Pennsylvania is the guest lecturer at the school of architecture and allied arts next Thursday and Friday. Besides his public appearance, Lowenfeld will lead two seminar discussions on Friday, at 9 a. m. and 11 a. m. in the lounge of the architecture building. Both will be open to all students and faculty.

Faculty and students in psychology and education have been invited to a reception in his honor today.

Following Lowenfeld's visit to the West Coast, he will return home to begin a sabbatical leave which will take him to Europe for a similar lecture tour.

A prize of \$3 worth of credit at Graves' record shop was awarded to Pi Kappa Phi, Miss Huggins said. Approximately \$40 was collected from flying speeches during the drive.

Six houses reached their quotas after Thursday night. They were Campbell club, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Phi Gamma Delta, Hale Kane hall and Zeta Tau Alpha.

"Although we didn't reach our campus quota," Miss Huggins said, "the Red Cross board was very pleased with the co-operation and participation by students." This year, for the first time, the 64 living organizations all participated in the drive in some way, she added.

Men Object to Sharing Their Quarters With Mice

Residents of French, Merrick, and Nestor halls have issued a formal complaint to the office of student affairs concerning the presence of mice in Veterans Dormitories I, it was learned by the Emerald last week.

According to H. P. Barnhart, director of dormitories, this occurrence is no cause for alarm. Open food in the rooms has been recognized as the factor attracting these rodents, he said.

When the trouble was first brought to the attention of authorities, before the petition reached the office, action was taken immediately by the Lane County Rodent Service to rid the buildings of mice.

However, dormitory men report that mice are still prevalent and that no improvement has been noticed as yet.

A copy of the petition was brought to the Emerald by two French hall residents, who confirmed the report that the mice are still present.

Signed by approximately 100 per cent of French hall, 50 per cent of Merrick hall, and a few residents of Nestor, the following is the petition which was presented to the office of student affairs early last week, under the heading "Anti-Mouse Campaign."

"We, the undersigned, wish to file a complaint, and have it brought to the attention of the proper authorities, concerning the pet housing in the Vets Dorm. We well-enough realize we must live in a hazardous building, but do we have to contend with the competition given us by the mice? The invading forces of the "army of mice" are marching on the dorms in a conquering quest. We are on the verge of evacuating and fleeing for our lives. With mice coming in at one end and bedbugs and silverfish at the other, we turn to you for the decision. Please don't fail us in our time of need."

Student Union Calls Petitions for Board

Petitions for seats on the Student Union board will be called for the first week of spring term, it was announced at the SU board meeting Wednesday.

Positions to be filled include a representative from the law school and the graduate school, both one year terms. Two-year posts that are open are representatives from the schools of journalism, business administration and education, and from the college of liberal arts.

In addition to the six positions to be filled by petition, there will be a maximum of three member-at-large posts filled from SU personnel through nominations from within the program.

Board Chairman Andy Berwick announced that the board had received approval from Acting University President Victor P. Morris on an amendment to the board's perpetuation plan.

This amendment provided for the University president to give final approval on future amendments made in the perpetuation plan. The board's amendment cleared up ambiguity in the original wording.

In other business the board set May 20 as the date for the SU banquet. Board members Klaras Dietmeier was appointed banquet chairman.

Weekly 8-Pages Set for Emerald

Eight page editions for each Friday of spring term for the Oregon Daily Emerald were approved at a meeting of the Publications board last week. The Emerald also will have regular circulation to all campus living organizations on a noon basis for spring term.

Action of the board put Emerald delivery on a paid basis. Staff members had delivered the papers to the houses during winter term.

The motion for regularly scheduled eight page papers passed on the recommendation of Dick Williams, board secretary. "The Emerald is now in better financial shape than it has been in a number of years," Williams said, in recommending the action.

The board also appointed a committee to study and make recommendations for a 1954-55 budget for student publications. Willard Thompson, assistant professor of journalism and business administration, was named chairman of the committee and members include Jim Light, Oregon business manager; Bob Ford, Oregon editor; Elsie Schiller, Emerald Editor; Dick Carter, Emerald business manager, and Dick Williams, ex-officio member.

Dates for interviewing candidates for the top publication posts for next fall also were set by the board. Petitioners for Oregon editor and business manager will be interviewed April 21; Emerald and Ore-Nter positions will be considered May 12, and May 26 the board will name the editor for the 1954 Piggers' Guide.

Col. Daily Attends AFROTC Meeting

Col. Edwin B. Daily, head of the military department, is at the Air University at Maxwell Air Force base this week attending a national conference of professors of air science and tactics.

The professors are discussing future aspects of the AFROTC program and reviewing the present set-up. The conference will end Friday. This is the second conference of its kind to be held by the AFROTC.

Theater's 'Richard' Ends Run Tonight

The curtain of the University theater will rise at 8 tonight upon the last production of "Richard II." The business office reported Wednesday afternoon that a number of seats are still available for the performance.

Tickets are priced at \$1. Tonight's performance will make the sixth for the play, which has been in production all term.

Cast in the title role is Don Von Boskirk, senior in speech. The queen will be played by Lonne Morgan, junior in speech. Henry Bolingbroke, who becomes Henry IV, will be played by Bill Hathaway, junior in speech.

Costumes were designed by Wilma Sundahl, graduate assistant in speech, with the settings and lighting under the direction of Howard L. Ramey, instructor in speech.

Mrs. Ottilie Seyboldt, director of the show, celebrated her 25th year with the University with the production of Richard II.

Final Approval Given UO Dorm

Construction on a \$1,250,000 men's dormitory on the University campus will probably begin by the middle of next week, according to officials of the W. H. Shields Construction Co. which was awarded the contract for the building at a meeting of the State Board of Higher Education in Portland this week.

Planned as an addition to the present John Straub hall, the new dorm will face Emerald street and will be built to house 328 students. The structure, scheduled to be completed by September, 1955, will make possible the elimination of the Vet's Dorms, recently termed a fire trap by Eugene Fire Chief Ed Surfus.

Duties Assumed By New President

O. Meredith Wilson Wednesday assumed his duties as president of the University. No date has been set for his official inauguration. Administrative Assistant Les Anderson told the Emerald Wednesday evening.

Wilson succeeds Harry K. Newburn, who resigned to accept a position with the Ford Foundation. Acting president since Newburn's resignation has been Victor P. Morris.

Morris has resumed his position as dean of the school of business. Tuesday Morris was presented with a plaque by the State Board of Higher Education for "his many contributions of thought, time, energy and leadership" during the period he served as acting president.

Wilson arrived in Eugene last Thursday. Over 200 students met the new president at an informal reception last week. Wednesday evening he met with officers from the dormitories at a dinner held in John Straub hall. A faculty luncheon for Wilson has been planned for Saturday.

At the meeting the building committee of the board also recommended naming the new dorm Virgil D. Earl hall, in memory of the late University dean of men. Earl was dean of men from 1930 to his retirement in 1946. For approximately seven years prior to 1930 he was director of athletics at the University. He died in 1948.

This month marked the second time that bids had been opened on the construction. In February, the lowest combination of bids exceeded by \$70,000 the funds available for the job.

The lowest basic construction bid in February, \$818,654, was also entered by the Shields firm, whose Monday bid was \$763,986.

Modifications Listed
Several modifications of the original plans were necessary to bring construction costs down to the \$1,250,000 figure. The board also approved elimination of the following items:

Dumb waiters, \$20,255; food conveyor system, \$28,936; rat slab (concrete slab to rat-proof the building) \$1,094; sidewalks, \$2,217; and exterior brick damp proofing, \$2,166.

It was also announced at the meeting that the physical plant will build the built-in furniture for the dorm rooms at a saving of \$60,000. University officials informed the board that the omitted items could be added later if more funds were made available.

The board also approved the building committee's recommendation that a 1800 seat balcony be added to McArthur court. The proposed addition of 4700 sideline seats at Hayward field was abandoned.

The contract for basic construction of the Mac court balcony was awarded to H. G. Carl of Salem. His low bid was \$231,794. Combined with seats and other expenses not in the bid, the projected balcony will cost more than \$280,000.

National Tourney Bid Awarded UO Debaters

The University debate squad has been invited to participate in the National Invitational Debate tournament, according to Herman Cohen, director of forensics. The team received the invitation from the regional West Point committee on the basis of its showing at the Linfield Forensic Tournament of Champions, March 4 to 6.

Oregon and Washington State college were the only two colleges from the Northwest section, which includes Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, to receive invitations to the meet.

Cohen reported Wednesday that he is checking University sources for funds to make the trip, which is scheduled for April.

In the Linfield tourney, Oregon lost the junior division sweepstakes by a margin of one-half a point to Utah, with the totals 49 to 48½.

The mixed team of Bruce Holt and Donna Devries won first place in men's debate, with Holt also a finalist in extemporaneous speaking. Two Oregon teams tied with one from WSC for first in the women's section. Participating were Pat Petersen and Sue Shreeve, and JoAnn Hutchinson and Loretta Mason.

Miss Petersen was also first in extemporaneous and second in impromptu.

In the senior division, Karl Harshbarger and Bill Cheek placed second in debate. Harshbarger was also second in after dinner speak-

ing. The combination of Miss Mason, Harshbarger and Cheek placed third in the all tournament talent show.

Committee Heads Chosen by Juniors

Committee chairmen for Junior Weekend held a kickoff luncheon Wednesday to make preliminary plans for the weekend. Actual work for Junior Weekend will not start until spring term, Jim Light, general chairman, has announced.

Committee chairmen for the weekend include Janet Wick, junior prom; Ward Cook and Jack Boettcher, queen's contest and coronation; Corky Horton and Marcia Hodgson, all-campus luncheon; Mary Wilson and Ann Hopkins, float parade, and Ann Gerlinger, all-campus sing.

Additional chairmen are Rosemary Hampton and Phyllis Pearson, sunlight serenade; Sylvia Wingard and Joanne Hardt, terrace dance; Lynn Bodding and Jeannette Kimball, cleanup; Bob Glass, traditions; John Vazby, promotion; Pat McCann, radio promotion, and Jackie Wardell and Laura Sturges, publicity.

Working with the committed chairmen are the class officers, with Len Calvert handling finances; Ann Blackwell, secretary, and Bob Kanada, assistant chairman.