

Summertime Coverage Offered UO Students

Wednesday Oregon students will be able to purchase summertime coverage under the ASUO all-expense accident plan, according to Doug Johnson, newly-elected president of the Oregon Insurance society.

Johnson and his committee will accept applications for the last time during the current school year in the lobby of the Student Union all day Wednesday.

"Only about 1000 students on the campus now have this coverage, and during the summer months the danger of accidents is many times greater than during the school year," Johnson said.

Coverage under the ASUO insurance plan is worldwide. Cost

for the summer policy is \$1.50, a price made possible by group purchasing.

The maximum coverage for any one accident is \$500, and the amount is the same for accidental death. If a student is injured while covered by workman's compensation, however, student group coverage would not be applicable.

Assisting Johnson on the insurance sales committee are Larry Kaufman, Dale Sears, Joanne Ware, Bill McKinney and Buzz Bradley. Plans for the sale were completed last Tuesday when the Insurance society met with Bill Notebloom, chairman of Oregon State's Insurance committee last year.

HISTORY OF UO

Opening of UO Was 'Cost-Free' to State

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It didn't cost the state of Oregon a cent to open the University of Oregon.

Four leading centers of early education in the young state were fighting to have the University located in their respective areas when the bill establishing the institution went before the legislature in 1872.

The Union University association of Eugene offered to build and furnish a building and buy the property for the University at a cost of \$50,000 in return for the location of the college in Eugene.

In spite of a similar offer from a group led by officials of Albany college, the legislature voted to accept the Eugene proposal, and on Oct. 19, 1872, passed a bill by which "The University is hereby permanently located at the town of Eugene City, Oregon."

Corvallis Didn't Fight

Corvallis, which in 1868 had become the home of the state agricultural college, did not fight the establishment of the new school in Eugene because Corvallis was interested in getting a railway to the coast.

A strong bid for the University by Salem, the home of Oregon's oldest college (Willamette), might have been made had that city not been in the midst of a campaign for a new state capitol building.

Monmouth, the home of Christian college; Albany, site of Albany college, and Forest Grove home of Pacific university, all made bids for the University.

Portland Wasn't Interested

The only important Oregon city of the time which did not campaign for the University was Portland. In 1872 Portland was already the largest city in the state with a population of 8293.

Eugene's entry into the campaign came as a surprise to the other towns. As late in the struggle as August, 1872, Thomas Franklin Campbell, president of Christian college, had been to a convention of the Oregon Teachers' association in Eugene urging support for the location of the new University at Monmouth.

Ben F. Dorris, a Eugene business man, mentioned Campbell's request at a meeting of Eugene citizens several nights later. The meeting had been called to discuss the possibility of obtaining a loan from the state school fund to establish a high school in Eugene.

When Dorris mentioned Campbell's request, "The idea (that Eugene become the site of the University) sent an electric thrill through the little meeting and by their prompt action in a short time through the whole community," wrote Joseph Schafer in the Oregon Historical Quarterly.

Association Formed

A few days later, Aug. 26, 1872, a group of businessmen formed the Union University association a corporation calculated to obtain the University for Eugene City.

The founders, Dorris, Judge J. M. Thompson, W. H. H. Scott, J. J. Walton, Thomas G. Hendricks, and W. H. Abrams, immediately launched a campaign to raise \$50,000

Eggs Donated

People donated everything from cash to pledges of labor. Among the donations received were a cord of wood, a dozen eggs, livestock and a parcel of land.

The county commissioners passed a bond issue to raise \$30,000 of the required \$50,000. The other \$20,000 was raised solely by local subscriptions in Lane county.

When the legislature convened in September, 1872, the Union University association was able to make its bid for the University.

The opposition of Monmouth, Albany and Forest Grove threatened for a time, but the members of the assembly who favored a non-denominational university gave the support to the measure, as did the Southern Oregon delegation, and the bill became law on Oct. 19, 1872.

UO Had 'Angel'

The bill still might not have passed had it not had a "guardian angel" to watch over the proceedings of the legislature.

H. R. Kincaid, a reporter for the Oregon Journal with considerable influence in politics, sat behind the speaker of the house and continually urged that the University bill be acted upon.

The measure was at the bottom of a stack of bills tied with string, and had it been put off until the next session, Kincaid reported that the University might have gone to another city.

The battle to keep the University at Eugene was not over, for the financial panic of 1873 was strongly felt in the Oregon country, but the first obstacles had been hurdled.

Four years later the University of Oregon opened its doors to 177 students, and the state had not paid a single cent toward the institution.



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ROTC Inspection This Thursday

An army inspection team will be on campus Thursday and Friday to inspect the University's army ROTC unit. The annual sixth army inspection will include a regimental review of cadets Thursday at 1 p. m.

Col. Martin Moshberger deputy commander of the Oregon military district with headquarters at Vancouver, heads the inspection team. He will be assisted by Lt. Col. Edgar L. Kinner, Maj. Donald W. Curley and Capt. Sherman D. Logan, all from the same headquarters.

The inspection and passing in review of the cadet regiment will be held on the field behind McArthur court. Bleacher seats will be provided for those attending the review. The public is invited to attend the Thursday inspection and review.

Party Presents Proletarian Plots

By Associated Press

A US Senate study of artistic endeavors in Communist-controlled East Germany indicates American theater-goers wouldn't go for them. One musical comedy involves a good Communist who cuts down the time of the train stop in his station. And a hit tune is a duet entitled, "Let's Not Work with More Haste But with More Efficiency."

One boy-meets-girl movie has this enticing plot... "Boys and girls are strolling in the summer afternoon but they become conscience-stricken about wasting time so they start spontaneously to bring in the harvest."

Nine Petitioners For Directory Jobs

Five petitions for editor of the 1954-55 pigger's Guide and four for the position of business manager have been turned in to the office of R. C. Williams, secretary of the student publications board.

Petitioners for editor are: Jerry Harrell, junior in journalism, petitioning for Sigma Delta Chi; Jerry Ohlsen, junior in chemistry; Bob Patterson, sophomore in journalism, Jim Richey, sophomore in pre-dentistry, and Anne Ritchey, sophomore in journalism.

Petitions for business manager were submitted by Boyd L. Harris freshman in architecture and allied arts; John Vazbys, junior in

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Assembly Speaker Is Philosophy Professor

A professor of philosophy at Columbia university, John H. Randall, will speak at a University assembly today at 1 p. m. in the Student Union. The title of his talk will be "What Man has Made of Nature: The Intellectual Revolution of Our Time."

He will also be the guest at a coffee hour forum today at 4 p. m. in the Dads room of the SU.

Randall will also speak at a University lecture Thursday night at 8. His topic will be "Our Two-Fold American Philosophy of Government: Why It Can't Happen Here."

The speaker is the author of a number of books, among them "The Making of the Modern Mind." He is also a founder and editor of the Journal of the History of Ideas.

Yell Squad Tryouts Beckon Candidates

Tryouts for yell dukes and song queens will begin at 6:45 tonight in Gerlinger annex, the building southwest of Gerlinger hall.

Deadline for submission of petitions is 6 p. m. today. The petitions should be turned in to the ASUO petition box on the third floor of the Student Union, or given to Sally Stadelman, Olivia Tharaldson, Janet Gustafson, Maeua Hair, Tom Gaines or Sam Vahey, rally board members.

What to Wear

Women should wear shorts or pedal pushers to the tryouts, since they will be asked to lead a yell. In addition, they should have a dance routine worked up which they will demonstrate, accompanied by band music. Men are asked to wear cords, levis, blue denims or sun-tans.

The rally board will interview each of the applicants and watch them in action.

Anyone, regardless of whether or not he has had previous yell leading experience, is urged to try out for the position:

To Follow Recommendation

The board will select as many yell dukes as the yell king recommends. The names of the selected leaders and the alternates will be

SU Facilities to Close Memorial Weekend

All facilities of the Student Union will close for the Memorial Day weekend Friday at 9 p. m. and will not re-open until 7:30 a. m. next Tuesday, according to R. C. Williams, director of the SU.

The administration office will remain open Saturday morning, however, Williams said.

presented to the ASUO senate at its meeting Thursday night for approval.

"The new yell squad will have some meetings this spring in order to choose sweaters, skirts, slacks and other garb" Yell-King Tom Gaines said. Besides, there will probably be some meetings this summer to practice and prepare for the fall football season, he added.

The rally board had received petitions Monday afternoon from Malcolm Scott, Dale Carroll, and Don Soesbe, yell dukes; and Donna Aaris, Donna Brewer, and Mary Jo Fiterre, song queens.

Non-flight Grads May be Officers

Most of the 1954 non-flight graduates of the Air Force ROTC who were to receive "certificates of completion" will be permitted to become officers in the Air National Guard, according to a newly-announced plan of the Air Force and the National Guard Bureau.

Applicants acceptable to their respective states will be eligible for appointment as reserve second lieutenants and thereafter as second lieutenants in the Air National Guard. They will then be called to three years of active duty, in four quarterly groups. They will also serve in the Air National Guard for an additional three years following active duty.

A recent need in the Air National Guard for trained junior officers in such fields as supply, administration, operations, finance, and engineering made possible the change of policy.

Student Group Attempting Organization Of Anti-McCarthyism 'Green Feather' Drive

A group of University students have formed an organization to fight McCarthyism and support academic freedom on college campuses.

The group, as yet unnamed, held its first meeting Monday night and emerged with plans for an educational program based on four proposals, including one which would deny the right of a Congressional committee to investigate colleges and universities.

The organization was formed, according to Forbes Hill, graduate in liberal arts and a member of the group, to work with the Green Feather Movement, which has been organized on other campuses to defend academic freedom.

The movement here came after some students, including Hill and Nona Glazer, junior in psychology, had observed the work of the organization in California schools, Hill said. He also cited, as an immediate cause, an editorial which appeared in the May 13 edition of the Emerald.

The group in its meeting Monday night raised the issue that the Emerald is restrained from expressing an attitude on mccarthyism and its effect on academic freedom. Members of the group did not say who was restraining the paper.

Hill emphasized that the organization was still very "loose" and that it would not be consolidated until it had a clear picture

of its aims, and until someone in the organization had had a chance to talk to members of the administration regarding their attitude toward the group.

The four proposals made at the Monday meeting included the obtaining of a show of student opinion supporting academic freedom. Such an expression would lend moral support to faculty members, the group said.

Hill said that the group will hold another meeting tonight at 9:30 in the Student Union to approve such a proclamation. This paper will be circulated around campus to pick up signatures, he added.

The second step would be to

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