

# UO Takes Over Biology Institute

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The Marine Biology Institute at Coos Bay which has recently been taken over by the University of Oregon, possesses unlimited potentialities, according to Dr. B. H. McConnaughey, assistant professor of biology, who has been appointed temporary head of the institute pending the appointment of a new head of the University's biology department.

Although the institute is in the state of rehabilitation, which includes general building repair and the leveling of the shore line, regular classes are tentatively set for the summer of 1956. This repair work is being headed by I. I. Wright, head of Oregon's physical plant.

### Observe Sea Life

The importance of the marine station is primarily that it will provide the undergraduate with an economical opportunity to observe, first hand, the major types of ocean and seashore life. Three other Pacific coast biological institutes of this nature are currently in operation, but they deal with more advanced work.

Another outstanding advantage of this school is its location. As it now stands, the nearest northern laboratory is located in Gray's Harbor, which receives specimen from the Arctic regions. The two southern laboratories, located in southern California, acquire sea material from the gulf area.

The present site of the biology station has easy access to many desired types of localities. These include protected sandy beaches, mud flats, a group of typical old pilings, rocky reefs, and open

coast ranges. Also it is unique in that there are two complete tides flowing during a 24-hour period which provides greater opportunity for the study of marine life.

### Other Acres Valuable

The 80 acres which surround the labs are still wild and are valuable for the practical study of other types of sciences. Originally the land was deeded to the University of Oregon in 1931 with a strong financial backing guarantee from a wealthy Portland firm. However, the depression soon set in and this source of aid was destroyed.

Shortly afterward, it was taken over by the Civilian Conservation corps, which erected some buildings on the site and used it as a camping site.

During the last two years, the University of Oregon and Oregon State college both managed the area until last fall.

McConnaughey hopes to operate the institute for two five-week periods instead of the whole summer. This would give more students an opportunity to attend without taking the whole summer. Tentative prices include registration fees at \$55, and approximately \$135 room and board for an eight-week session.

## Cosmopolitan Club Will Meet Friday

The Cosmopolitan club will meet Friday at 8 p.m. with Kenneth Lodewick as speaker.

Lodewick will speak on "Folk Music in America" and play records from his large collection. A dance will follow the speech and refreshments will be served.

## SU Currents

### SU Movie Committee Will Meet Thursday

All movie committee members are urged to be at the Thursday meeting at 6:45 to arrange the term schedule.

### Public Relations Group Meets Tonight in SU

The Public Relations committee will meet tonight at 6:30 in room 313 of the SU, according to Lolly Quackenbush, chairman.

### Student-Lack Cancels SU Fishbowl Mixer

Due to the fact that too many students are going home, there will be no SU fishbowl mixer this Friday night, Don Peck of the Dance Committee has announced.

### Wengert Re-elected To Fill Board Position

E. S. Wengert, head of the political science department, has been re-elected to the editorial board of the Public Administration Review. He will serve in this position for two years.

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