



RUSH PROBLEM

Solution Needed For Rush Issue

Most University officials agree that the present rushing system is lacking in some respects. This is the first in a series of articles on rush, its problems and its possible solutions.

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"This last session of rush was sickening."

This comment by Jim Carter, member of the Inter-Fraternity Council's special committee on deferred rush, echoes the opinion that many fraternity leaders have voiced concerning the present system of men's rush.

Last year the IFC adopted a set of regulations designed to crack down on the rush confusion. Yet statistics show that this year's conflicts were more evident than before.

Pledge Total Down

In September, University fraternities pledged 334 men, 13 less than last year's total of 347. In 1955, 416 men pledged; in 1954, 356; and in 1953, 332. Of the 464 rushing this fall, 130 dropped out.

These sobering facts, with an increasing rise in disorder, seem to indicate inefficiency within the men's rush program.

"More men dropped out of rush this year than in previous years because of a general confusion in the houses and among the rushees," said Dean of Men and IFC Adviser Ray Hawk, "plus the fact that in many cases the fraternities did not know the rushees well enough to place them on their preference lists."

Major Complaints Lister

One major complaint among the fraternity members is the lack of knowledge they have concerning the rushees. This situation often causes houses to drop valuable men which they might otherwise pledge.

IFC President Tom Waud noted that to his knowledge no fraternity reached its quota during fall rush. The financial as well as functional problems arising from these deficient quotas seems a serious problem.

Another problem facing fraternities is the decrease in house membership occurring when pledges fail to make their grades. General sentiment among fraternity men holds that if the houses had a chance to know grades of the rushees before pledging, this loss of membership would decrease.

Disorder Summarized

The disorder resulting from the results of the present system of pledging was summed up in the words of one house president: "Under the present system of rush we pledge up to 30 men hoping 15 will be left in that class after four years."

The final factor involved is the increasing number of men who drop rush. Waud explained that during September's rush 35 men were completely "left out"—their first, second or third-preferred fraternities did not accept them.

This situation often occurred in cases where rushees are confused by the complicated factors involved in an "immediate" rush system.

Rushees Said Undecided

One fraternity man noted that many of the rushees were completely undecided after the four-day rush period. Many of these men signed up for numerous houses, rather than concentrating their dates at a few.

Now that mid-term time finds house functions becoming well established, and GPA's jelling into actuality, fraternity men and pledges alike are looking at the cold facts resulting from present rushing and pledging practices.

The lack of knowledge and understanding between rushees and fraternities, the excessive drops in house memberships resulting from low grades and the increasing number of rushees dropping or dropped from rush are three major problems.

Proposed Amendment Debated by Students

Student politicians hashed over the "good" and "bad" points of the senate's proposed voting procedure amendment at a Student Union coffee hour Tuesday afternoon.

The purpose of the debate, according to the coffee hour moderator, was to relieve "confusion" among students on the amendment.

Oregon Students Party co-chairman Margaret Wells and party member Wynn Dahlgren criticized the senate amendment as "confusing" and "undemocratic."

Amendment Defined

Senator-at-large Bud Titus and Dick Allen defended the proposed

amendment, pointing out the advantages of a majority—instead-of-plurality election and describing how the proposed system would act as a "primary" allowing anyone to run and still keep qualified presidential candidates in the running for a senator-at-large seat, even though they may be defeated for president or vice president.

Dahlgren said he also objected to the amendment because it would place more emphasis on "name familiarity" of the candidates rather than representing minority groups.

Presently, candidates for ASUO presidency and senator-at-large

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Royal Finalists Reduced to 24

The twenty-four quarterfinalists for the Homecoming court have been chosen after interviews with the queen candidates, and the contest will be narrowed to 10 semi-finalists after further interviews today.

The girls and the times they will be interviewed: 6:15 Jan McMurphy, 6:20 Marg Socolofsky, 6:25 Sue Mautz, 6:30 Pat Gibbons, 6:35 Karen Moke, 6:40 Laurie Scott, 6:45 Dorothy Gambelin, 6:50 Pat Crawford, 6:55 Ellen Fitzsimmons, 7:00 Ann Cavanaugh, 7:05 Dana Peterson, 7:10 Gretchen Bach, 7:15 Sue Helfrecht, 7:20 Ann Mautz, 7:25 Jan Woodruffe, 7:30 Mary Jo Fourier, 7:35 Christy Schollenbach, 7:40 Mimi Goldsmith, 7:45 Jackie Callan, 7:50 Molly Leu, 7:55 Cookie Jacobs, 8:00 Charlotte Means, 8:05 Nancy Warren and 8:10 Josie Verri.

ASUO Election Booths Now Open for Voting

A sample copy of the ASUO freshman ballot for today's election is printed on page 8.

Voting for freshman class officers, graduate representative to the Senate, and the constitutional amendment will be done in Carson and Straub halls, the Co-op, and the Student Union from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. today.

Candidates for freshman class president are: Jerry Lee Gillespie, Bill Andrus, Carol Stolk, Eric L. Larsen, Charles Cameron, Lynn Houston Coons, Gary Wills, Paul Bauge, Bill Shipley, Robert Coblenz, Bob Stankovich, James Boyd, Jim Gordon, Giff Powell, Gordon Chong, Robert Keith, Jerry Cook, and Muir Tripp.

George Brittingham Jr. is the candidate for graduate representative to the Senate.

Candidates for freshman representatives are: Erika Schmoll, Carol Stalk, Pete Shaw, Jim Barber, Lin Turner, Ted Yuen, Ron-

EUGENE CITY COUNCIL

IFC President Defends Frats

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Tom Waud, Inter-Fraternity Council president, spoke at a Eugene city council meeting Tuesday night in defense of a statement made against fraternities at a previous council committee meeting.

Robert Hayes Jr., owner of Bob's Superette market located at E. 13th Ave. and Patterson, claimed that "kegs of beer are regularly consumed at fraternity house parties."

This statement was made at a Nov. 3 meeting of the Eugene Council committee.

In his accusation, Hayes said "university representatives keep close tabs on nearby beer outlets such as mine, yet the real place to slow this down is in the use of keg beer."

Frosh Candidate Added to Rep List

The petition of Winnie Nance, a candidate for freshman class representative, evidently was lost from the ASUO office this week, according to president Jim Lynch. However her name will be included on the ballot today. A Portland girl, Miss Nance held several elective offices at Jefferson high and is president of her pledge class.

Waud told the council members that the statement made by Hayes was false. "I am present at this meeting representing the university fraternities in order that this matter may be cleared up," he said.

Waud explained that the fraternities are penalizing each other in a all-out effort to control the

By a 4-3 majority, members of the Eugene City council voted Tuesday night to endorse Class A liquor licenses to three groceries within the University dry zone.

These grocers must next appear before the Oregon Liquor Control Commission for license approval. It is expected that strong opposition will be met at this point by University officials.

Robert Briggs, city councilman, said the elimination of the dry zone would place the problem of campus drinking with the university. He believed that the present dry zone method was inadequate in controlling the use of alcohol.

Class A licenses were applied for by Food Land, 661 E. 19th, Miller's Grocery, 1065 E. 20th, and Nineteenth St. Market, 1490 E. 19th.

drinking problem on campus. "Such use of keg beer is strictly illegal and not practiced among the fraternities," he added.

Dean of Students Donald DuShane brought up this matter at last Thursday's Inter-Fraternity Council meeting. He called Hayes' statements "unfortunate publicity."

DuShane left it up to the fraternity presidents as to what action should be taken. The members agreed that a representative should be sent to the next council meeting to clear up the matter.

Also disclosed at the IFC meeting was the report that the address of Bob's Superette had met with some discrepancy.

DuShane said that Hayes obtained his license through "unscrupulous" methods. Hayes listed his back service door as his address. DuShane brought out at the meeting.

"Apparently Hayes listed the 13th street address to avoid the legalities of the dry zone," DuShane said. The dry zone includes establishments on either side of Patterson.

Scholarships Given Foreign Students

Five Co-op book grants, worth \$60 each toward the purchase of books and supplies in the Co-op, have been awarded.

Foreign students receiving the grants are Banichert Saetan, Thailand; Tong Cheong Cheah, Malaya; Yasuo Ishida, Japan; Peter McCart, Canada; and Paul Tests, the Netherlands.



DEBATING THE PROS AND CONS of the proposed amendment to voting procedure at a Tuesday afternoon coffee hour were these three men: from left, Bud Titus, senator-at-large, Dick Allen, senator-at-large, who both favor the amendment, and Wynn Dahlgren, OSP member who is against its passage. Students will vote on the amendment today from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.