daily emerald An Independent Student Newspaper

Vol. 76. No. 1767

Eugene, Oregon 97403

Wednesday, June 4, 1975



hoto by Greg Cla In memory of Pre

In thoughtful silence a man in the east stands at Hayward Field shares the memory of deceased distance star Steve Prefontaine during a ice Tuesday evening. Ex-track coach Bill Bowerman and athletes Ken Moore and Frank Shorter spoke to a solemn crowd that nearly filled the east stands as the stadium clock ticked off Pre's dream of a three-mile world record, 12:36.2. The ceremony ended in applause and the people slowly left. During the service it was announced that the Bowerman Classic track meet, scheduled for this weekend, has been renamed the Prefontaine Classic.

For married student housing Group dislikes rent hike

A move is underway by the Married Student Housing Council to counter a proposed 14 per cent rate increase with a compromise plan of its own, according to Ron Leach, chairman of the council.

The University Housing Office will hold a meeting with the council on Friday at 12:30 p.m. in Carson Hall and the council will then present its compromise plan to housing officials.

The council is also concerned with the selection of June 13 as the date for a public hearing on the proposed rate increase, Leach said. "The general figures we received from the Housing Office show that some increase is justified, but there has been insufficient time for us to review the data," he said.

He said that residents of the Amazon and West-

OSPIRG

position

head quits,

takes back

moreland housing projects, which are directly affected by any increase, are just now getting flyers from the council which discusses the increase. The council learned of the proposed increase and the June 13 hearing on May 16, Leach commented and noted that there has been difficulty in analyzing the voluminous amount of data passed on to them by the University.

Leach said that the greatest objection to the date set for the hearing is that many student residents will be involved with final exams at that time, which will hinder their ability to participate in the hearing. He said the council will again recommend to the Housing Office Friday that the public hearing be postponed until after fall term registration.

By DAVE LUDWIG Of the Emerald

A policy dispute apparently prompted the director of the Oregon Student Public Interest Group (OSPIRG) to resign Saturday. But after a mediation session Monday, he subsequently took back his job.

Neil Robblee, the Emerald learned, verbally resigned at an OS-PIRG State Board of Directors meeting Saturday in Corvallis over a policy the board approved that he termed "totally unacceptable." After a seven-hour mediation Monday in Portland, however, Robblee reassumed his position.

According to OSPIRG's executive committee vice-chairer, Mark Evans, Robblee believed that the policy, which allowed staff input when reviewing a director, would circumvent his position.

At the meeting in Portland Monday, however, Robblee met with a professional mediator and OSPIRG's executive committee and hammered out a new director review policy acceptable to all sides.

Robblee declined to either confirm or deny he resigned. He said, however, that nothing of "real significance" happened at Saturday's meeting and termed the meeting's events "regular business.

OSPIRG's executive committee treasurer, Peter Leslie, concurred with Evans' version, confirming that Robblee indeed resigned and subsequently retained his position.

"It was a difference of opinion," explained Evans. "He expressed his views on the director review policy, but the board makes the policy.

Evans and Leslie said the executive committee appointed staff member Bill Van Dyke acting director after Robblee resigned. Van Dyke, said Evans, then took it upon himself to talk to staff members, executive committee members and Robblee to set up a meeting to resolve their differences.

Evans said they agreed at the meeting Monday that the director will be evaluated on the staff's performance and on the director's responsiveness to the directives of the state board and the executive committee.

Evans also said they agreed that the director will be judged on his

or her performance in carrying out the duties and responsibilities OSPIRG's administrative rules assign to him or her.

Before this meeting, added Evans, OSPIRG never had a process for director review.

Conspiracy theories abound in JFK shooting

Editor's note: This is the second of a two-part series concerning the Kennedy assassination and the movement for a new investigation. Part I was in Tuesday's paper.

By CURT KOEHLER and CHIP BERLET

(CPS) - When conspiracy theorists gather to discuss the Kennedy assassination, talk invariably turns to the question, "Who did it?" Among many, the first response is, "Oswald didn't."

First, some say, it is extremely unlikely that Lee Harvey Oswald, described as a "rather poor shot"

while in the Marines, was capable of hitting Pres. Kennedy as the Warren Commission described. The commission said Oswald fired a 1940 vintage Italian-made Carcano rifle three times within 5.6 seconds, hitting Kennedy twice.

The rifle was a clumsy, single shot weapon that sold for \$12.78. Three of the supposedly best marksmen in the country were hired by the Warren Commission to fire the gun from Oswald's sniper's nest at stationary targets representing the presidential motorcade, and none could duplicate Oswald's accuracy or timing.

"Finally one man with a master rating got it down to 6.8 seconds," observed assassination researcher Rusty Rhodes, "and he missed the target twice.'

Rhodes claimed a federal agent was eventually able to work the bolt and trigger three times within five seconds while holding the rifle in a vise. "Oswald accomplished a



feat that would rank him as one of the greatest marksmen in his-

tory," said Rhodes. Rhodes will speak tonight at 8 in the EMU Ballroom on "A Decade of Conspiracy, from

Dallas to Watergate." In addition to his lecture Rhodes will show slides and the uncut Zapruder film of the John Kennedy assassination. The EMU Cultural Forum sponsored event is free of charge.

Some conspiracy researchers argue Oswald, in fact, had nothing to do with the assassination, and have paraded forth a volume of evidence purporting to prove just that.

Many start with Oswald's simple assertion during the time he was held and before he was shot by Jack Ruby, "I'm just a patsy." Others cite the fact that Oswald was discovered 90 seconds after the shooting in the second floor

lunchroom of the Texas School Book Depository, eating his lunch and drinking a Coke.

Furthermore Oswald, after leaving the Book Depository, is reported to have hailed a cab, then offered it to a woman who asked the driver to call a second cab. Critics charge these are extremely calm and chivalrous actions for a man who has allegedly just committed the crime of the century.

Challenging the evidence

But claims of Oswald's innocence are not based on Oswald's actions alone.

One of the most striking pieces of evidence seeming to implicate

(Continued on Page 7)