

# Burns gets vice-president post

President-elect Jan Oliver made her first vice-presidential appointment Thursday, placing Jamie Burns, present chair of the Incidental Fee Committee (IFC) in charge of administration and finance.

Oliver said Burns' performance as IFC chair prompted the appointment.

"I have a lot of faith in how he arrives at his decisions," she said.

"He's incredibly organized and highly efficient."

Other vice-presidential positions will be filled through applications, according to Oliver. She is seeking applicants for three vice-presidential positions — in state affairs, university affairs and programs and community.

Oliver said the decision to boost the vice-presidential posts from two to four is justifiable. The

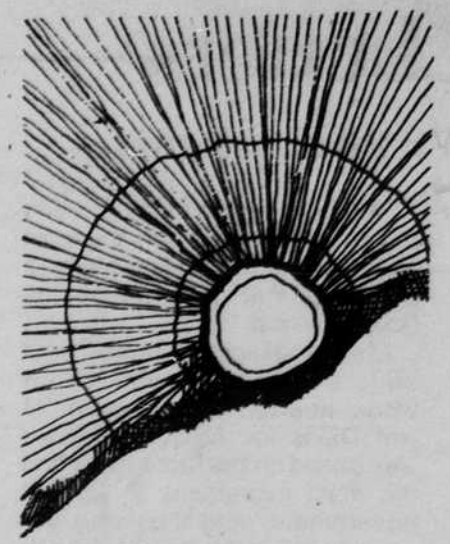
ASUO Executive had already budgeted for the new state affairs position to provide adequate attention to the 1976-77 legislative session.

Oliver said she created the additional programs and community spot to fulfill concerns she expressed during her campaign.

She said the person placed in that position would serve as a program advocate and deal with

community relations. Granting him/her vice-presidential status was necessary to insure autonomy, Oliver maintained.

Money to pay for the program and community spot will come from the elimination of one administrative assistant position, according to Oliver. Administrative assistants and vice-presidents are both salaried at \$150 per month.



# Johnson opinion meets varied response

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Attorney General Lee Johnson's long-awaited opinion on governance of college newspapers met with mixed emotions Thursday.

The opinion, requested by State Rep. Vera Katz, D-Portland, stated that a university or public college publications board in Oregon could reprimand or fire

student editors for refusal to accept advertising.

Davis Smeltzer, chair of the Portland State *Vanguard* publications board, said he was "gratified" by the decision.

"The opinion seems to support our attempts to maintain the paper as an open forum," he said.

Smeltzer said the opinion justified nearly nine months of hearings aimed at removal of *Vanguard* editor Kathleen Haw-

kins and managing editor Ray Worden as "within the law."

Hawkins said the opinion sidestepped the first amendment and newspaper ownership questions contained in the Katz request.

She attacked the opinion on several other points, saying that it contradicted similar court decisions limiting university authority over student publications; it is "repressive of First Amendment rights of student editors;" it "protects the state's line."

Hawkins said the opinion's inconsideration for two of the three principle questions will not resolve the controversy once and for all.

Oregon State *Barometer* editor Bob Goldstein was also unhappy with the ruling. "As far as refusing advertising, it kind of infringes on press rights," he said. He added that the attorney general was "attempting to place guidelines on our ethics."

Oregon *Daily Emerald* editor Jim Gregory said that although the ruling will not affect the independent *Emerald*, he too is unhappy with the decision.

"In the past several years the courts have ruled that college editors are legally responsible for their product," said Gregory. "If the newspaper is sued for libel the

editor can be sued as well. It seems to me Johnson is saying student editors must be legally responsible but the state will make decisions for them."

Gregory said that although he doesn't necessarily agree with the *Vanguard's* decision to reject the CIA ads "because I don't think politics should influence advertising," he said he felt those decisions should be left up to student editors. "They are the ones who have to take the heat. They are the ones who supposedly understand the desires and needs of the newspaper's readership."

Assistant Atty. Gen. Ed Branchfield, legal counsel to the State Board of Higher Education and one of the authors of the opinion, said he was content with it. He said it could only be overturned in appeals court.

Hawkins said she may seek a national American Civil Liberties Union ruling on the affair although her editorship expires June 4 and a new editor has already been chosen. The local chapter ruled in favor of the publications board in March.

Meanwhile, according to Smeltzer, the CIA is readying recruiting ads for *Vanguard* publication.



# Write-in vote causes few primary problems

SALEM (AP) — Lyn Hardy, manager of the Oregon Elections Division, says the Tuesday primary election took place without any major problems, despite an apparent record write-in vote for California Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr.

As of this morning, Brown had 99,147 votes for the Democratic presidential nomination, about 23 per cent of those cast.

That is an apparent record for write-ins in the state. Jacob Tanzer got 96,000 votes in 1974 when he lost to Jason Lee in the race for a seat on the Oregon Court of Appeals.

The write-in vote was a rare occurrence and delayed compilations of results.

Hardy said it will be two or three days before the final Brown tally will be known.

Another problem for local election officials was the last-minute deluge of voter registration Monday and Tuesday. Oregon voters could register up to and including election day for the first time under a law passed by the 1975 legislature.

He said the new punchcard voting system in Multnomah County worked well. The primary was the first major election in which Portland voters did not use paper ballots.

The official election results won't be certified for about 30 days.

# Dean hunt tapers

Two recommendations for a new dean of the University's business school passed over University Pres. William Boyd's desk Thursday. After a three-month examination of dean candidates from throughout the nation, the dean search committee recommends the following two candidates: John Pollefson from the University of Kansas and John Buckley from UCLA.

James Reinmuth, chair of the committee and an associate pro-

fessor in quantitative methods, says the decision is now up to Boyd and the recommended candidates. He does not anticipate any definite decision on the matter for another two or three weeks.

The present dean, Richard West, resigned from his post in February to become dean of the Amos Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College in Hanover, N.H. His resignation takes effect Tuesday.

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