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Chancellor searchers begin quest

The difficult "sifting" process to find a new chancellor for the state system of higher education is underway.

The names of about 150 nominees and applicants were turned in by the Nov. 16 deadline, according to Charles Duncan, coordinator of the search committee.

Chancellor Roy Lieuallen announced in August his intent to retire July 1, 1982, and the state board hopes to choose his replacement by March 1.

Quite a few educators have already declined nominations, Duncan says.

The number of candidates remaining is below 100, he says, adding that the number of refusals is "normal and natural," and may not have anything to do with the state's financial situation.

"Nobody, to my knowledge, has run for cover because of that."

The nine-member search committee has met three times, and will come to Eugene, Thursday for a "progress" meeting.

The committee hopes to reduce the list of applicants to 20 or 30 at a Dec. 18 meeting in Portland, Duncan says. The elimination process will involve reviewing resumes and dropping less-qualified candidates.

Duncan says the difficult part of the search begins at the next step, when the committee must begin cutting the 20 or 30 down to one.

'Gimme an F'

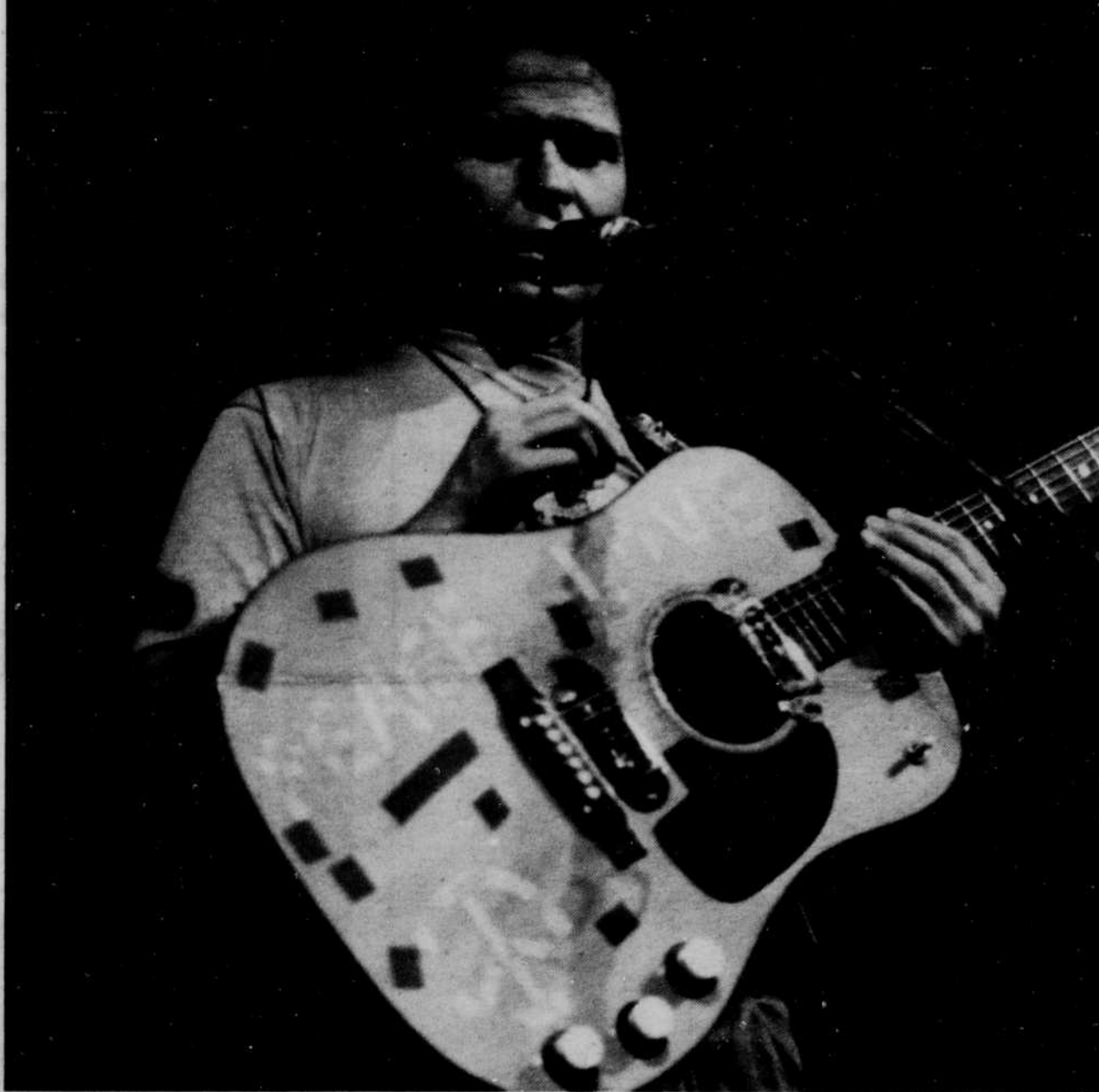


Photo by Steve Dykes

Country Joe McDonald played in the ballroom Friday night at last week's beer garden for one dollar.

Country Joe brings spirit to beer fest

Friday afternoon's beer garden turned into more than the usual drink-and-gab affair when Fantasy recording artist Country Joe McDonald took the stage to play two hours of anti-war ballads and other protest songs.

About 1,000 people turned out to hear "that good ol' sixties radical himself," as advertised by the EMU Cultural Forum, the sponsor of the performance. By the end of the show most stood on tables and chairs in the packed EMU Ballroom, dancing and applauding.

Although many of the people probably had never heard of Country Joe and the Fish — McDonald's first recording group — most recognized his famous "Fish Cheer" and "Feel like I'm Fixin' to Die Rag" and joined in singing on both tunes.

Country Joe and the Fish became a strong musical voice of the anti-war protests of the late 1960s and the early 70s after singing the "Rag" to thousands at the Woodstock music festival in the summer of 1969. Later, Country Joe and his group were one of the high points in the movie that followed the festival.

McDonald, accompanied only by Peter Walsh on bass guitar, played a number of his songs from the 1960s as well as some of his relatively recent recordings, including "Breakfast for Two," "Coyote" and his environmental protest hit "Save the Whales."

Floods nearly drown campus

Rain drenches city in record amounts

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A bright rainbow arched over the rain-drenched Willamette Valley on Sunday morning, the day after an intense storm dumped record rainfall on Eugene and surrounding areas.

In a continuous downpour on Saturday, the city received 4.89 inches of rain, the most ever to fall here in a single day.

A Eugene police spokesperson said that although traffic was diverted from at least a half-dozen areas on Saturday, only one section of the Bailey Hill area and a stretch of West 11th Street that included the Danebo bridge remained closed Sunday afternoon.

The spokesperson said water had risen up to and over the bridge. "They're not sure if the bridge is going to hold up."

Bob Hammitt, the assistant supervisor for the city public works department, said his department would inspect the bridge today to determine whether to re-open it. "We don't really know how serious the

damage is yet."

"I don't have any good words to say about it," Hammitt said of the storm. "I hope it's a long time before we see another one like it."

Saturday's flooding began with minor plugged sewers, but "later in the day, we had problems with (sewer) capacity."

THE MAIN PROBLEM stemmed from rain filling the city's main drainage channel — the Amazon Canal — "clear to the top of its banks," Hammitt said.

Although the public works department has known of the capacity problems and has planned sewer improvement projects, the city has been slow to implement them, Hammitt said.

"It's just a matter of funding. Until you can fund a new sewer system, you just have to live with it," he said.

That becomes increasingly difficult as costs go up, and the economy gets worse, he added.

For now, the department will concen-

trate on the "long list of things to clean up" from the storm's aftermath.

In the University area, it might be easier to list the areas that weren't affected by the storm.

According to the University public safety office, flooded streets included Villard Street from Franklin Boulevard to 15th Street, parts of 15th and 18th avenues and Agate street.

Several residence halls, among them Carson, Tingle, Morton and Sweetser, experienced basement flooding, according to the public safety department.

FLOODING ALSO OCCURRED in the bottom floors of the Columbia Street buildings, Friendly Hall, the Science Annex and Science II, the department reported.

Four University physical plant employees worked all day Saturday and part of Sunday repairing pumps and draining flooded areas.

"It rained so fast we couldn't drain it off fast enough," said Leland Lorange,

physical plant supervisor.

Nevertheless, the day-long storm caused only minor damage. "It just rained a lot," Lorange said.

The "worst" flooded area was 15th Street near Hayward Field, he said.

"We had gotten it all drained, but it wasn't two hours later before it came right back in.

"In Hayward Field, it (rain) was coming off in big sheets."

The physical plant decided to let nature take its course and drain the street itself, Lorange said.

"I can't remember this much rain in such a short period of time," he added.

But Lorange said the storm could have caused more extensive damage.

"We were pretty lucky. It's just a lot of little things."

Lorange said that although "everything looked pretty good" Sunday, the physical plant would know of any additional damages by this afternoon.

For flood photos see pages 6 and 7.