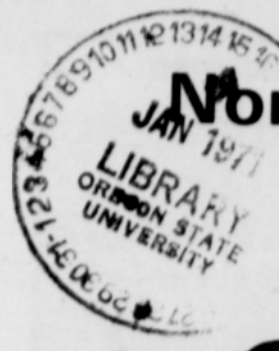


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National holiday



NATIONAL HOLIDAY — A committee of leaders in Congress and the nation have renewed a drive to have the Jan. 15 birthday of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. declared a national holiday. Shown at Washington press conference, left to right, are The Rev. Ralph Abernathy, Rep. John Conyers, Mrs. Coretta King and Sen. George McGovern.

Scholars program to double

Portland State University's Scholars Program which emphasizes independent study, currently is accepting applications from high school seniors interested in enrolling in the program during the 1971-72 academic year.

Dr. Judah Bierman director of the University Scholars Program, said 40 applications already have been received. The program was begun last fall with 50 students and an enrollment of 100 entering freshmen is contemplated next fall.

The program, which stresses individual competence rather than competition for grades, is open to students who have earned at least a 3.4 grade point average in high school and who have scored in the 600 range in the mathematics and verbal portions of college board exams.

Each student in the program is assigned two adviser-tutors, one from USP and one from the department of the student's major interest.

Bierman explained that the major thrust of the honors program is to allow the students to

be "learners on their own," and he noted that much of the work is done outside the regular classroom situations. A student may, if he meets all graduation requirements, earn his bachelors degree in fewer than the usual 12 quarters.

High school students wishing more information about the scholars program should write to Dr. Bierman, Portland State University, P.O. Box 751, Portland, Oregon 97207.

Dr. King honored

The Albina Community will be honoring the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in a memorial Service at Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church January 15, at 2:00.

Albina Citizens together join many across this nation with hopes that Jan. 15 will be declared a national holiday by the United States Congress.

Dr. King was born Jan. 15, 1929 and was assassinated April 4, 1968. The service is sponsored by Albina Citizen Together.



Three Hawaiian community college administrators listen raptly as Dr. Amo De Bernardis, Portland Community College President, explains the organizational pattern at PCC which makes possible the college's unique "educational shopping center" approach and facilitates "an open door of learning opportunity for every student."

Seated, left is Donald Yanagihara, Assistant Dean for Vocational-Technical Education; standing next to Dr. De Bernardis is Donald M. Fujimoto, Dean of Students; and seated, right, is Clyde Yoshioka, Dean of Instruction. All three visitors are from Honolulu Community College. (PCC Photo by Paul Blixt)



JUDGE MERCEDES DIEZ will install NAACP Officers Sunday Jan. 17 at Bethel A.M.E. Church 5828 N.E. 10th Ave., Alfred Lee Henderson, Pastor.

NAACP installation

Rev. Ellis H. Casson will be installed President of the Portland Branch, NAACP, on Sunday, January 17th, 4 pm at Bethel A.M.E. Church, 5828 NE 8th Avenue. Rev. Casson has long been active in the NAACP, serving as President of the Bremerton, Wn. and San Bernardino, Calif. branches; president of the Southern California Conference of NAACP Branches; and Field Representative for Region I.

Judge Mercedes Diez will be the installing officer.

Officers to be installed are: President — Ellis Casson; 1st Vice President — Harry C. Ward; 2nd Vice President — Mrs. Hazel G. Hays; 3rd Vice President — Mrs. Sylvia Thompson; Secretary — Miss Ruth Spencer; Asst. Secretary — Miss Emma Lee Anderson; Treasurer — Mrs. Betty White. Executive Board Members: Thomas R. Vickers, L. C. Ellison; S. Q. Broadous; Atty. Keith Burns; Mr. Ural P. Cannon; Mrs. Gertrude Crowe; Stanton H. Duke; Mrs. DeLois Eldridge; Frank Fair; Mayfield K. Webb; Rev. John Jackson; Rev. A. L. Henderson; Miss Minnie Harris; Miss Gloria Fisher; C. C. McCorvey; James Lee; Edgar Mitchell; Dan Mosee; Richard Neal; Rev. Richard Parker; Dr. Clarence Porter; Manuel Scott; Mrs. Mary L. Smith; C. Don Vann; C. A. White.

Board Hear Proposal

A proposal by the Irvington Community Association and the Portland Development Commission was heard by the Portland Board of Education at the Board's regular meeting this past Monday in the school district administration building.

Robert Belcher and Orville Nilsen will make a presentation for the expansion of the Irvington Elementary School playground site to include an entire block. Belcher is a consultant for the Irvington Community Association and Nilsen will represent the Development Commission.

Mrs. Jesse Herbert, part-time director of the Volunteers in Portland Schools program made a progress report on the use of volunteers in the public schools.

Superintendent of Schools Robert Blanchard presented a gavel to outgoing Board Chairman Paul Howe. Beginning a six-month term as chairman will be Jonathan Newman.

Day before school closed



NOT KNOWING for sure if the school bus would be running, Mrs. Gladys Terry (security traffic officer) at Holiday Elementary School enlisted the help of Stan Bunne to make a snow man for children to see when and if the bus would arrive. See other pictures on page 4.



JEAN STUART plays Julia, the temporarily forsaken girlfriend of the fickle Proteus in Shakespeare's romantic comedy, "Two Gentlemen of Verona." The PSU Players' production is appearing at 8 p.m., Thursday through Sunday, in Old Main Theater. Tickets are available at the door.

PSU Players Present Shakespeare's "Two Gentlemen of Vernona"

Shakespeare's romantic comedy, "Two Gentlemen of Verona," will be performed by the PSU Players at 8 p.m., Thursday through Sunday, January 14-17, in Old Main Theater.

Multi-colored plastic costumes, a set built with styrofoam and surface projections of film and slides are being used to conform with the "superficial characters and relationships and plastic-elastic society of the play," according to Pauline Peotter, director.

"Two Gentlemen" is the story of a fickle young man who

throws aside the true love of his girlfriend to focus his attentions on his best friend's girlfriend, who, in turn, scorns his love.

Major roles in the PSU production star Dan Wheeler as the fickle Proteus, Bill Halverson as Valentine, Jean Stuart as Julia, Wanda Hilson as Silvia, and Lisa Powne and Myron Taylor as two clowns.

Student admission is \$1.25. General admission is \$1.75. Tickets are available at the PSU box office located on the ground floor of Smith Memorial Center or at the door prior to curtain.