

In Four Sections

UO Yearbook Now Quarterly

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Using the term "yearbook," when referring to the University of Oregon's Oregana, is a little like calling Newsweek a monthly.

The traditional yearbook at the University of Oregon is now a quarterly. Starting last year, the staff decided to publish the Oregana in four sections — winter, fall and spring, and one on housing.

Although there was some grumbling among the students, the idea was accepted — or at least it wasn't rejected. So the Oregana staff is now busy putting the 1961-62 book out on the same basis — the fall edition will be off the press soon, probably late this month. Normally, explained Editor Lloyd Paseman, it takes about one month after the close of each term to finish printing the Oregana.

Paseman, a junior majoring in journalism, is quite enthusiastic about the new production schedule.

"It may not be easier, but it certainly is more interesting this way," Paseman said.

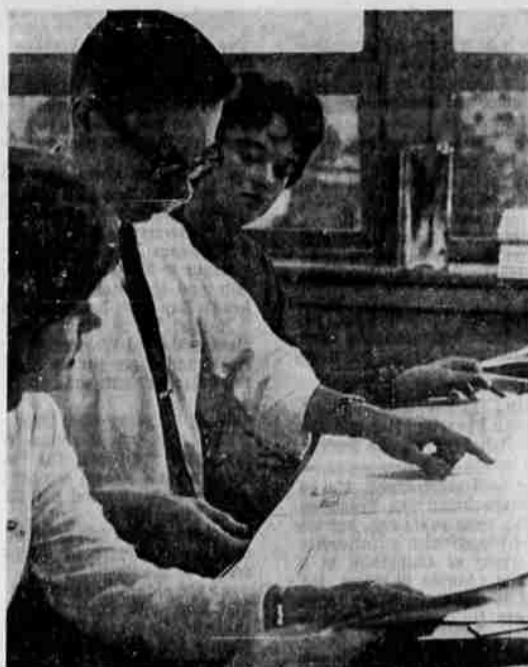
There are both handicaps and advantages.

"We're necessarily more rushed," Paseman said. "We have three deadlines instead of one."

Although there are four books, the housing issue is published simultaneously with the winter issue.

Even though there are more deadlines, the new method has the advantage of spreading the work more evenly through the year. Under the once-a-year system, Paseman said, the work had a tendency to pile up until spring.

More care is taken now, Paseman believes. Since the staff members aren't faced with



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Page Layout Lloyd Paseman, editor of the Oregana, with the help of staff members Marilyn Brown, left, and Betty Johnson.

hundreds of pictures late in the year, they can be more selective in editing.

Last year's four editions of the Oregana followed a magazine format, and Paseman adopted a similar approach this year. He believes the Oregana is more interesting this way — and the quarterly schedule makes the publication of events relatively current.

Ken Metzler, director of student publications, in research

on student reaction, found that most of those who commented early last year did not like the four-unit Oregana format. Yet they bought it — sales were just as high as ever.

In a few later samplings of student opinion, favorable reaction ranged from 30 per cent to 51 per cent. Metzler, noting that the public is generally slow to accept any change, believes the idea will gradually gain in popularity.

7th Avenue Traffic Plan Up for Study

The Eugene City Council Monday night will consider a committee-of-the-whole recommendation of a plan to improve traffic conditions on Seventh Avenue.

The plan calls for the widening of the Seventh Avenue approach ramp to the Ferry Street overpass, and the creation of three traffic lanes on Seventh Avenue west to Olive Street. This would require the removal of existing parking spaces from both sides of the street west to Pearl and from only the south side on west to Olive.

The council will also have before it a committee-of-the-whole recommendation to withhold endorsement of a beer license application for a proposed tavern and restaurant at 65 Country Club Rd. A delegation of residents protested the request at the last council meeting.

The council will hold public hearings on a number of recommendations on zoning issues considered by the Eugene Planning Commission at its Jan. 2 meeting.

One of the issues, a request for rezoning to commercial use of property at 2428 Willamette St., will not be before the council Monday night, according to City Manager Hugh McKinley. This item was withdrawn from last Thursday's committee agenda, at the applicant's request, and will be considered at a later date, McKinley said.

The council will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the council chambers at the city hall.



Wood Rot

A Springfield Municipal Power employe holds a core sample taken from a power pole. All of the sample to the left of the fingers is so badly rotted that it is almost like powder. The wood

at right is sound, showing that a pocket of rot existed in the heart of the pole. Most of the rot exists at or near ground level.

'Needle' May Help Solve Pole Rot

By MARVIN TIMS
Of the Register-Guard

About nine months ago a truck accidentally backed into a Springfield Municipal Power pole on Main Street, nudging the pole fairly gently. To the amazement of the driver, the pole snapped and crashed into the street.

Max Thompson, the utility's veteran line superintendent, was amazed too. He knew the pole was only about 10 years old and supposed to be sound. A quick inspection of the pole's shattered end revealed widespread rot. Only the outside shell had been holding the pole up.

Thompson, who has been with the public utility since 1950, conferred with Jack Criswell, utility board superintendent, about the possibility of rot in other poles. The two men quickly decided a comprehensive study should be conducted to determine the seriousness of the problem.

Core Samples

Thompson and his crews drilled core samples from all of the utility's more than 1,000 poles. They took the samples from points near ground level — the area where rot is most likely to develop because of excessive moisture.

"Our study showed that between 5 and 10 per cent of the poles had some rot," Thompson said. "We realized it was important to attempt to develop a program to preserve these poles before the rot spread to the danger point."

Criswell pointed out, too, that the core samples may have missed "pockets of rot" nearby. "A lot more than 5 per cent of our poles could have a rot problem," he said.

What causes rot in the first place? Thompson said the poles are impregnated with a preservative before they are installed. This preservative, however, may only go into the pole to a depth of an inch or two. After a few years, some poles tend to crack open. Fungus spores, ever present in the air, enter these cracks and come to rest inside the "treated ring" of the pole.

'Active' Spores

If the area is near ground level where moisture problems are usually present, the spores become "active," developing into plants. They attack the wood, converting it to a powdery, crumbling pulp devoid of structural strength.

It quickly became apparent to Thompson and Criswell that if some method could be devised to "wall off" the pockets of rot, the life of existing poles could

be extended many years, saving countless dollars. It may cost an estimated \$150 just to change a pole with relatively few wires on it. Some poles along Main Street, that carry numerous wires, may cost as much as \$2,000 to replace.

Thompson, after considerable thought, has come up with an idea that might stop the rot problem. He points out, however, that his idea is still in the experimental stage and needs more testing.

'Needle' Process

He has developed a "hypodermic needle" process for introducing preservatives deep into the core of the pole. Here is how it works:

A drill tool is twisted into a pole to remove a core sample.

If rot is detected, a homemade "injection needle" is screwed into the hole made by the drill.

Attached to the hollow needle (about three-eighths of an inch in diameter) is a rubber tube which in turn is connected to a pump on a pickup truck.

A wood preservative which also contains arsenic to kill termites and beetles, is forced through the tubing and needle under a pressure of about 100 pounds per square inch. The liquid follows any fissures up or down, eventually surrounding and walling off the rot pocket.

"We have lots of experimenting to do yet," Thompson said, "but if we can prevent existing rot from causing additional damage, we will really have something."

Three Street Paving Jobs Before Springfield Council

Springfield councilmen Monday evening are expected to pass resolutions to initiate three street improvement projects.

At a 7:30 meeting at the Springfield City Hall, these paving projects are scheduled to be initiated:

- N Street from one-half block west of Mill Street to Laura Street, and Water Street from N Street northward for a distance of 55 feet.
- J Street from one-half block west of Mill Street to Kelly Boulevard.
- C Street from 26th to 28th streets.

If the resolutions are approved, the council then schedule public hearings on the proposed improvements. The city hopes to pave these streets in the spring or early summer.

In other business, councilmen are expected to give final approval to a resolution regarding council policy on urban renewal

League Holds Installation

OAKRIDGE — Mrs. E. I. Schroeder has been installed as president of the Ladies League of St. Lukes Lutheran Church.

Other officers installed were: Mrs. Delores David, vice president; Mrs. Jean Bucholtz, secretary; and Mrs. Fern Mecklenberg, treasurer.

The new president named the following committees: Mrs. Madonna Harper and Mrs. Laura Korfner, membership; Mrs. Jennie Adair and Viola Schroeder, altar; Mrs. Amanda Bucholtz and Mrs. Jessie Korfner, cheer; Mrs. Alberta Allen and Mrs. Joyce Schmidt, program; Mrs. Joyce Westling and Mrs. Alma Fowlds, auditing; Mrs. Jean Bucholtz, publicity; and Mrs. Nora Weldon, Christian growth.

The next project decided on was to purchase new bamboo curtains for the social rooms and kitchen.

Film Society Bills 'Game of Love'

Colette's perceptive story of adolescent love, "Game of Love," will be the feature tonight on the University Film Society program.

The film, produced in France in 1954, stars Edwige Feuillere. The short to be shown is a nostalgic film of the now-torn-down New York Third Avenue El.

Two showings of the program, in the University Theatre, are scheduled. The first will be at 7 p.m. and the second at 9:15 p.m.

Also scheduled is a Thursday night showing of "The Importance of Being Earnest," Oscar Wilde's comedy in a technical version.

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Events Scheduled This Week at UO

- SUNDAY**
2:30 & 8 p.m.—S. U. Movie: "The Glenn Miller Story," ballroom, Erb Memorial Union.
7 & 9:15 p.m.—Film Society: "Game of Love" and "Third Avenue El," University Theatre.
- Tuesday**
1 p.m.—Assembly: Peter Rossi, director, National Opinion Research Center, "Power, Politics, and Leadership in American Communities," ballroom, Erb Memorial Union.
7:30 p.m.—Browsing Room Lecture: Hugh Richardson, British diplomat, "Tibet, the Dalai Lama, and Communism," ballroom, Erb Memorial Union.
7:30 p.m.—Museum Lecture: Wallace S. Haldinger, Museum director, on Chinese mountains and water.
- Wednesday**
2 p.m.—Lecture: Hugh Richardson, "Ancient and Historical Sites in Tibet," Lawrence Hall.
4 p.m.—Student Recital: Auditorium, Music School.
7 p.m.—Duplicate Bridge: Erb Memorial Union.
8 p.m.—Lecture: Irving Howe, Brandeis University historian and critic, "Problems of Mass Culture," ballroom, Erb Memorial Union.
8 p.m.—University Theatre: "Climate of Eden."
- Thursday**
4 p.m.—Lecture: Irving Howe, "Mass Culture and Working Class Life," 128 Commonwealth.
6:30 p.m.—Chess Night: Erb Memorial Union.
7:30 & 9:30 p.m.—Literary Classic Film: "The Importance of Being Earnest," Auditorium, Science Bldg.
- Friday**
8 p.m.—Falling Lecture: Cameron Hawley, author of "Executive Suite," "Morals and Money Making," ballroom, Erb Memorial Union.
8 p.m.—Faculty Recital: Robert Hladky, cellist, assisted by William Woods, pianist, Auditorium, Music School.
8 p.m.—Sigma Xi Lecture: 123 Science Bldg.
8 p.m.—University Theatre: "Climate of Eden."

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