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Donald "Bud" Quincy, director of the Portland Junior College dance band, announced today that a double brass quartet of four trumpets and trombones to play at the college's Christmas assembly, December 19, has been organized and will commence rehearsals this Sunday.

Quincy reported that the double quartet includes trumpeters, Jack Lynn, Robert Burns, Richard Turcotte, and Ronald Shaw. The trombone quartet consists of Kilton Saunders, James Maretz, Russell Brown, and Quincy.

Quincy said he has been able to accumulate a "fine" selection of holiday numbers for the program from various sources. He concluded that he hopes the quartet will be engaged to play at other local functions during the Holiday season.

FRESHMAN CLASS PROPOSES JOINT MINSTREL SHOW AS CLASS PROJECT FOR NEXT SPRING

Bud Quincy, a spokesman for a Freshman Class planning board, revealed today that the group is considering a proposal for a joint minstrel show with Westbrook Junior, Gorham State Teachers College, Portland University, Grays Business College, Northeastern Business College, Portland Art School, and other local institutions of education.

Quincy reported the group would canvass interest and support in such a project at those institutions. He said the board was in agreement that the project should not be wholly sponsored by PJC. Such a production would necessitate the use of facilities, talent, and other support of these institutions because the limited resources of this college could not possibly enable it to put on such a production.

Although the Minstrel show will be considered a Freshman Class project,

DOUBLE BRASS QUARTET FOR CHRISTMAS ASSEMBLY TO COMMENCE REHEARSALS SUNDAY

NEWSANCE EDITORS TO SUBMIT QUARTER FOR STUDENT COUNCIL ENDORSEMENT WITHIN A WEEK

Enthusiastic support has been enlisted among several PJC men for a Chess & Checkers Club, proposed by James Transue and Kilton Saunders. Outlining the proposed functions of the club, Saunders stated that while it would be impossible to elaborate on any particular part of the program until it has been approved by the student council and faculty, its program would be designed to engage the interest of a large part of the student body.

He did mention, however, that the club would solicit interest at other institutions such as Westbrook Junior, Gorham State or Portland U. He said that the combined interests of these schools would present the possibility of tournaments, dances and other social activities.

Transue mentioned that club members would have the opportunity of playing many other "games of skill" than Chess or Checkers, such as Cnncolot, Bridge, Skat or Cribbage. Tournaments could be played in any of these if desired.

Transue and Saunders emphasized the main purpose of the club would be to extend the social life and student participation in campus functions.

Bills will be posted on the bulletin boards and circulated at the various schools for all interested students to sign. A meeting will be called in the near future when a sufficient number have indicated interest.

GRUB STAKE; MOVIES AND GAMES ENJOYED BY LO AT SENIOR SMOKER

The lic students and faculty members who attended the Senior Class smoker Tuesday evening in the cafeteria chaired by John Benedict and Dave Atchison enjoyed the first free dinner of the year, basketball, checkers, chess, poker, ping-pong, and five films, including a cartoon, an Abbott & Costello flicker, and others, including a stripper which was disappointing to say the least.
EDITORIAL.

A physician feeling the pulse of this campus, especially that of the Freshman Class, would doubtless send it to bed however we of the newspaper are of the opinion that the campus is in bad and badly needed to be rounded. This paper is dedicated to the proposition that there is life in this old campus yet; we refuse to believe that no one is interested in anything.

To begin with, there have been four dances held at the college this year, and with the exception of the Mountain Day Dance (to mention one), none of them achieved any degree of success, and the more recent the dance, the worse the flop.

It has repeatedly been demonstrated that a dance where girls are invited to come "stag" will not be successful. The few that do come just stand around or dance until they discover how lonesome they are on that empty floor, then go home. A solution is to encourage couples and de-emphasize "stag". But how are couples to come when they have no opportunity to meet?

There has been, outside of the few members of the Dramatic Club, no contact whatever with the other schools in the Portland area so far as college functions are concerned.

In the first place, there has been a notable lack of participation in the clubs of FJC. The Jazz Club has been plagued by poor attendance at meetings; the Longhair Club has folded; the TV Club has had no real organization, although they have been able to present two programs.

Another indication of this problem is the difficulty the editors of the three college publications, The Stag, The News, and The Newscane, have had.in recruiting reporters and publishers.

The few bright spots in club activity so far this year have been provided by the Camera Club, Caving Club and Circle K of the Freshmen. These organizations have been moderately successful, but they are not enough on a campus of this size. Another point is that many students belong to two or more of these clubs, which points up the lack of participation of the rest of the student body.

One of the reasons, we believe, for this lack of activity, is the lack of leadership demonstrated by the Freshman Class officers. All of them are capable and we believe they have the best interests of the class and the school at heart. However, too much of their effort has been occupied with bickering among themselves and too little devoted to showing the leadership expected from men in their position. Whether or not this is a holdover from the electorial parties of previous days we cannot say, but there certainly is no legislation excused for its absence.

The Newscane Editors, believing that the best critic is a constructive one, strongly urge cooperation between the various clubs of this college and those of other colleges in this area. The Dramatic Club and the Band have proven it can be done. There is no reason why, if properly promoted and supported, combined Glee Clubs as well as several other combined clubs could not be instituted.

The smoke last night was a success for those who were there, but attendance was far below expectations, and it serves to point out our contention that it is a minority of students who have a majority of school spirit. Bad Quinney's proposal for a joint varsity show is a notable effort to inject some life into this sagging campus, and if a success, will be a shot in the arm the Freshmen desperately need.

In conclusion, joint clubs and activities would acquaint students of the various campuses, to the benefit of all and realizing in a more enjoyable social campus life.