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Newspaper Needs News

A newspaper for the Evergreen community, advocates or otherwise, appears imminent in the near future of the new Olympia-area college. As the result of a general "communications organization" rap session held Tuesday evening, interested student and staff members plan to begin immediately a news gathering arrangement throughout the campus community, to include newly-formed clubs and activities of interest to all members of the Evergreen settlement.

Since no one knows what's happening more than an involved and highly motivated participant, the beginning newspaper "staff" will welcome the assistance of study program members as well as club enthusiasts with information on activities, projects and plans of interest to others. A temporary drop for such news tips will be available on an interim basis in Library Room 3217. This "Social Action" Center, shared by a variety

of campus groups, is located on the third floor "behind" the Bookstore-area elevators, and the room is reached by taking two left turns from the stairs or elevators that are across from the Financial and Counseling office. Until telephone exten-

sions are installed in the area, infrequent calls for further information may be directed to the Recreation Office, 753-3185, or to the temporary information facility in the second floor library lobby. No matter what happens, keep on trucking.

Sunday Session Beckons

A special Sunday afternoon session for people with school or commercial journalism backgrounds to initiate those interested in starting a newspaper at WESC was one of many concrete plans toward the speedy start of an Evergreen paper. Set for 1 p.m. in Library Room 1503, located diagonally on the first floor from the Bookstore, the impromptu "seminar" will involve a wide spectrum of Evergreen community members, both those with previous experience on student newspapers and people who have little or no background in journalism or production, only a fiery interest in becoming involved in this beginning effort.

Sunday's meeting should pave the way toward an immediate start of a campus-wide paper, primarily to halt the growing possibility of a communications gap between those planning activities and all community members interested and willing to participate in the activity.

Also discussed on a continuing basis will be the requirements for preparing a newspaper budget prior to requesting money from WESC student funds. Space and equipment, as well as production costs, must be mapped out before a budget request is ready for the

special eight-student hearing board for dispensing money. In addition, circulation procedures and a policy outline must be decided on before the paper begins its service to the Evergreen community.

School Needs 2 Papers?

Among suggestions for the immediate start of some sort of stop-gap communications device was that the newspaper-interest group begin with two types of "divis-ahret" newspapers to fill the "right now" needs of the Evergreen community. One would be a daily recap of activities planned for the next few days, and the second would supplement the twice-monthly "Evergreen Newsletter" with further information on items of interest to the pioneers of WESC.

In addition, during the beginning effort, participants would also offer news items for the College Relations "Newsletter."

'Mobile Newsroom' Debuts

Rotation of the Evergreen newspaper staff, to offer all participants a full experience operation, was discussed at length in this week's "organization" session. In the opinion of many participants, most important among the group's goals was that no "elites" would become entrenched in the newsroom.

Rush a rotation provision, set on a ~~daily~~ monthly basis or even sooner, would share the wealth.