

# H. C. L. IS MYTH, SAY FACTS BASED ON 1837

Dean Young Compiles Figures on 19th Century Costs.

WAGES WERE \$1 A DAY

Relative Prices Same Then As They Are Today.

Life in early Oregon, while it may not have been as pleasant as the living conditions of the present generation, with its motor cars, electricity and other things now thought to be essential to living, had some very distinct advantages. In a recent publication of the Oregon Historical Society, some very interesting figures are given as to the cost of living in this state in about the year 1837. The records were those of Ewing Young, who was sent to California to bring back some cattle for the early settlers here, and were compiled by Dean F. G. Young, of the school of sociology.

An accurate account of every expenditure was kept and submitted to the Willamette Cattle company, which was organized to bring the cattle to this state. The figures given show that while living expenses were small, wages were no larger in proportion. Modern conveniences, such as moving pictures and other luxuries, had not found their way into the habits of the people and money went much further.

Wages were never over a dollar a day, according to the figures given in the Young accounts. This is in marked contrast to the \$4.50 a day which is now paid for the most unskilled kinds of labor. Costs were not out of proportion to wages, however, and a saddle is listed at \$2.25. A good saddle these days will bring around \$50. Further on, a rope is listed at 25c; forty pounds of pork was purchased for 10c a pound; wheat could be bought for 60c a bushel, while the present price is near \$2.00. Board could be had for about \$8 per month.

Clothing prices as shown by the accounts were but a small part of the amounts charged at the present time for wearing apparel. A pair of shoes was bought for \$2; a shirt could be had for 90c; "pantaloon" brought around \$4 per pair, although in some instances they are priced as low as \$2.40. No cases were recorded where articles cost over the present prices, the whole account showing that a man could buy more at the earlier date with his day's wages than he could at present.

## ROME WANTS CAMPUS VIEWS.

A request for information and photographs of the University of Oregon from "La Florida," an Italian educational publication of Rome, has been received by Karl W. Onthank, secretary to the president. The communication states that the pictures and data desired are to be published in a review to be issued shortly by the Italian institution. Statistical information and two large photographs of the campus and Villard hall will be forwarded as requested.

## SHOOT HELD SATURDAY.

The first target practice of the winter term was held on the target range Saturday morning. Only three men reported for practice and because of adverse weather conditions the riflemen were slightly handicapped. The highest score for slow fire was 44. This was made by Percy Lasselle at 500 yards. The highest score for rapid fire was also 44 and was made by Dean Hard at 200 yards.

# APPLICANTS REJECTED U. S. C. ELEVEN ELECTS

Washington School Refuses To Admit Would-Be Scribes.

(Pacific Intercollegiate News Service) University of Washington, Jan. 10. — Failing to make a "B" grade in preliminary subjects, 69 underclassmen, applicants for admission to the school of journalism, have not been permitted to enter that school, following the opening of the winter quarter Tuesday.

The number eliminated is about a third of the aspirants among freshmen and sophomores. More are expected to be refused admission following their work this quarter. This action came through a decision that students who can not obtain a grade of 85 per cent or more are not considered by the journalism school as being qualified to carry journalism work.

## MYSTERY PART PLAYED.

Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 10. — Fame overnight, in the form of a mystery part in a coming moving picture, a role of moving force and hidden power, has befallen Wesley Freeman, a U. S. C. junior. Freeman is employed in his spare time as a swimming instructor, and one of his pupils is Richard Hedrick, the three-year-old star who played with William S. Hart in "The Testing Block." In a new picture, "The Woman in the House," Richard is supposed to be drowning. As he is too light to sink, his swimming teacher was called on to lie on the bottom of the pool and pull him under. Owing to the imperviousness of the water, Freeman will not appear in the finished picture.

## AG. RIFLEMEN TO MEET ALABAMA

(Pacific Intercollegiate News Service) Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Jan. 10. — Practice will begin next week by the O. A. C. Rifle club, in order that a team may be selected to meet Alabama Polytechnic Institute which has issued a challenge to the Beavers for a rifle shooting contest. The Universities of California, Washington and Oregon have been challenged by the local team, and it is hoped that matches may be secured with these squads.

## CHEATERS GIVEN PUBLICITY.

University of Washington, Seattle, Jan. 10. — The names of two students, suspended from school for cheating in violation of the honor system, were printed in the Washington Daily recently upon request of the student discipline committee. Similar exposure will be made henceforth, announced the committee, in an effort to check dishonesty in classes and examinations. Both students were well-known and rated high in campus activities.

## U. S. C. HAS \$35,000 ORGAN.

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California, Jan. 10. — (By P. L. N. S.)—An organ costing \$35,000 and second in size on the Pacific coast only to the one in the San Francisco Exposition Auditorium, is being installed in the auditorium of the new \$600,000 U. S. C. administration building.

## KIDNAPPING IS REGULATED.

The University of Pennsylvania has adopted measures regulating the conduct of students in regard to kidnapping and class fights. Kidnapping is forbidden previous to any function other than authorized class fights, and defined the manner in which kidnapping may be effected in the case of regular fights.

"Cooperation in California" will be the subject of the first two lectures, while "Cooperative Movements in the Northwest" will be the title of the two following.

# CHARLEY DEAN, STAR HALF-BACK, CAPTAIN FOR 1921 SEASON.

(Pacific Intercollegiate News Service) University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California, Jan. 10. — Charley Dean, star Trojan half-back, was elected captain of the U. S. C. varsity for the 1921 gridiron season, at a meeting of members of the team shortly before the holiday vacation.

Dean's record in football at U. S. C. during his two years at the university has been decidedly brilliant. He has repeatedly plunged headlong through his opponent's line for gains of ten or fifteen yards, and often much more. He smashed through the famous Oregon line for two touchdowns at the U. S. C.-Oregon game Thanksgiving Day.

## NEW BUILDING PLANNED

Next Structure to be Erected at O. A. C. to be for Commerce.

(Pacific Intercollegiate News Service) Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Jan. 10. — The next structure to be erected on the O. A. C. campus will be the commerce building, 80 by 160 feet and two stories high, together with a basement equal to another story. Ground may not be broken, however, for several months.

The school of commerce now has 650 regular students and gives instruction to 1000. It has been crowding the agricultural departments in the agricultural building. The new structure will take care of the business and administrative offices, the O. A. C. press, the department of industrial journalism and several other departments now crowded into other buildings.

## DEAN ROBBINS MAKES TRIP.

Dean Robbins of the school of commerce made a hasty trip to Salem today to speak before the chamber of commerce on the reorganization of the commerce department at the University. Dean Robbins is to be the guest of honor and speaker of the day at a luncheon given by the commercial club.

# MANY STUDENTS GET WORK THROUGH Y. W.

Most Aid Given to Students New This Year.

Since last September, 52 permanent positions and 127 positions, some of which may have been permanent have been secured by University girls through the Y. W. C. A. This includes mostly students who have entered the University for the first time during the last two terms, as students who have worked before usually secure their own positions without help from the Y. W. C. A.

Of the 52 positions, from which \$30 to \$40 has been earned each month, 26 were housework, 13 stenography, 5 office and clerical work, 2 music, 2 waiting on tables, 1 tutoring, and 2 of which no record has been kept. Most of the 127 positions were housework and the caring for children and the time put in was from 1 to 5 hours.

According to Miss Tirza Dinsdale, the students that have been registering during the last year have been much better trained in business than they were two years ago. Miss Dinsdale suggests that the war has been the cause of this and many girls have worked before they came to college.

These statistics, which according to Miss Dinsdale are in no way a true representation of the girls who work, do not include any of the girls who work in Hendricks hall, the library, or much of the work done for the professors, or the 18 girls that received work during the Christmas vacation.

Besides University students a number of people have written to the campus Y. W. C. A., thinking that it was a city organization and have received work through it. According to Miss Dinsdale, a number of calls have come that the organization could not fill, especially near examination time as students often give up their employment and it is difficult to get any one to fill their places. The round table conference which was not held last term will be held this term as soon as possible and a schedule

will be made out to revise the prices and the standard of the work. This conference is made up of the girls who work. They appoint a committee who meets an appointed committee of employers and the final arrangements are made.

## NON-COMS APPOINTED.

Three non-commissioned officer's warrants, for first sergeant, sergeant and corporal, have been issued to the following respectively: Delbert Oberbauer, sophomore, of Portland, Oregon, Herbert

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