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WORK OF UNIVERSITY WILL BE STRONG THIS YEAR

EUGENE, Or., August 29.—The work of the University of Oregon during the coming year will be the strongest in the history of the institution, due to the fact that the working tools of the university—books, apparatus, etc.—have been much bettered during the summer. The library has been greatly strengthened by the addition of 10,000 worth of new books and much new apparatus has been ordered for all departments. The biological library has been almost completely remodeled and many improvements have been made in the physics laboratory. Many of the buildings have been renovated and the new library building, which was wholly without lights and but scantily furnished last year, is being completely equipped with electric lights and new furniture. Hereafter the general reading rooms and the stack rooms will be kept open until 9 o'clock in the evening. A number of new instructors have been added, notably a professor of geology, a chair that has been vacant since the death of Dr. Condon, a professor of political science, and assistant professor of psychology, an assistant professor of education, a new head librarian, and a number of instructors in departments that have been badly crowded.

Work on a new recitation building to relieve the over-crowded condition of the other buildings is being pushed, and it is hoped to have it ready for use soon after the opening of the session. The girls' dormitory has been completed and furnished. A number of new student club houses have been erected during the summer. The work of improving the campus is being pushed as rapidly as possible.

The number of students will probably be from a third to a half greater than last year. Applications for admission are coming in to the registrar rapidly, and the number on file is much larger than usual at this time. The freshmen class will number between 200 and 250 students. The fall session begins Tuesday, September 22.

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Reames spent Friday afternoon in Medford.
Miss Della Barbe left on the south-bound train Friday for a visit with friends.
M. M. Taylor has returned from a business trip to Portland. His wife, who went with him, will remain a while longer.
Howard Kilham and family returned to Portland Friday evening after a visit of a number of weeks at the home of Mrs. E. J. Kubl.
W. R. Barnum, president of the R. R. V. railroad, and his son George have returned from a three weeks' outing at Cinnabar, Cal.
Judge J. R. Nell came down from Butte Falls one day this week, where he has been investigating the roads in that district. Frank Nell and his two daughters accompanied him home.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

John W. White to J. D. Krewson, 160 acres in section 33, township 38, range 3 W... \$1500
W. E. Kahler to M. C. McDonough, 10 acres in D. L. G. 56, township 37, range 2 W... 2000

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Henry Louis Grafius and Kathryn Stugard.

MARRIED.

PLAGMANN KISSUE—In Phoenix, on August 26, by Rev. M. Brownrigg, Henry Plagmann and Ollie M. Risse.

BLACK HAND CLAIMS

VICTIM IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO, August 29.—The Black Hand claimed another victim in Chicago today, when Michael Dispiunto, a wealthy Italian, was shot and killed in his barber shop.
Dispiunto received threatening letters a few days ago saying that he had been marked for death unless he contributed to the society. He paid little attention to the letters, though they bore the sign of the dreaded order.
Today Dispiunto was standing in his shop, when a stranger opened the door and without a word shot him. The assassination was so swift and unexpected that the murderer had no trouble in making his escape.
There is much uneasiness among the well-to-do Italians as it is reported that several have recently received communications from the Black Hand.

DR. VAN GESNER TALKS OF MEDFORD ORCHARDS

Dr. Van Gesner of this city, who has just returned from a few weeks' visit in Rogue River valley, says the fruit-growers of that region are preparing to fortify their orchards against untimely frosts another season by burning crude oil among the trees when the temperature is low in the spring. The fruit crop around Medford, he says, has been cut down this season by sudden frosts and protracted cold rains, but farmers who had prepared to fight the chilly periods by "smudging" have good yields. This smudging consisted of brush fires on the windy side of the trees, and the smoke thus engendered was wafted among the blossoms, which were thus protected from injury.
"But they have a scientific system which they are introducing now," he says, "and this includes a series of wires and a thermometer, which warns the orchardist of cold weather by ringing a bell at the house and keeping the ring up until the kettles of crude oil have been lighted and the temperature in the orchard raised above the danger point. I expect to see the orchards of southern Oregon placed in a position where the owners can virtually defy the frosts of spring by the use of these kettles of petroleum."—Telegram.

APPLE GROWERS TO COMPETE FOR PRIZE

LA FAYETTE, Or., August 29.—Great interest is manifested by the apple growers in Yamhill county in a competition inaugurated by C. W. Hodson of Portland for the best commercial display of apples to be shown at an apple fair which will be held in McMinnville in November. A trophy has been placed at the disposal of the Willamette Valley Apple Growers' association for the best display of three varieties of apples grown in Yamhill county. Excellence of packing, as well as quality of fruit in form color and type are to govern in judging.
The Hodson trophy is now on exhibition in McMinnville, and the best apple growers of the county are all preparing to capture this emblem of superiority in the business of apple packing and the science of apple culture. This trophy is to be won three times, and will become the personal property of an individual.
Orchardists through the county are congratulating each other because of the generous interest shown by Mr. Hodson, for his action will have a far-reaching result and is in line with the movement now on foot to improve the old apple orchards of the county.

THE SAME OLD MOTTO IN THE SAME OLD PLACE

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., August 29.—"In God we trust" was taken from the \$20 pieces with the consent of President Roosevelt and replaced by order of congress, is on the coin being turned out by the San Francisco mint today in large quantities. The new coin also lacks the eagle with trousers, invented by St. Gaudens, but now dead by national consent. The new bird is much simpler and looks more like an eagle.
The dies arrived from Philadelphia yesterday and the big presses were at once put to work turning out the gold. A few tens were coined, but the mint will make twenties for the next few days.

BUTTE FALLS ITEMS.

Ex-Road Supervisor Vestal is transacting business in Medford.
Mr. Jeffries of the surveyed section has gone to Medford for a few days.
J. Doubleday is hauling a large quantity of shingles to the Falls for building purposes.
R. P. Edmondson is building a fine barn and has been getting out a large lot of shakes for it.
E. H. Heberling of Sills Springs, who has been visiting Medford, has returned to his homestead.
New machinery has been installed in the mill and it is kept busy getting out the finishing material for the new schoolhouse.
The Francaise Poudre ball given by Mrs. George Albert was largely attended and passed off in the most pleasant manner. Everybody speaks in the highest terms of the supper and of the beauty and artistic costumes of the dancers. Many were masked, others had their countenances fantastically painted, while the women outdid themselves in the arrangements of their toilettes. It was a great success.
Anybody wishing to invest in one of the neatest, most modern and best located homes in Medford, should address P. O. Box 448.

What Papers Say

DEATH ON THE RAIL

(Oregon Journal.)
Railway tragedies like that near Eugene Sunday night are of the unusual and not always avoidable. It is a character of accident for which the railroad company is scarcely censurable. It is the ghastly death roll incident to accidents from spreading rails, inadequate equipment over crowded tracks, and other preventable causes that expose the railroads to criticism that is mostly deserved. The hapless victims of wrecks in this country in the year 1906 numbered 10,618 killed and 97,796 injured. For the ten years ending in 1906, the roll of killed and maimed reached the appalling aggregate of 85,534 killed and 683,976 injured. It is a railroad death rate far exceeding that of England and other foreign countries.
To this enormous total, the spreading of rails is a large contributory cause, and this leads a writer in the Scientific American to point out that the same old spike that was used in the experimental stage of railroad construction still does duty in binding the rails to the ties. It is a wrought iron spike, five-eighths of an inch square, and five and one-half inches long, with a projecting head that clamps the rail when driven into the tie. It was made in the beginning, and is crude still. Its original function was to hold the rail for a six to 20-ton locomotive and light equipment, but with no improvement whatever it is depended upon to stand the strain of passing locomotives and equipment beside which the original ones are mere toys. It was long ago rejected in France and England for a screw spike, for which the claim is made that it has vastly reduced the number of railroad tragedies incident to spreading rails. That this simple driven spike erode in the beginning and erode in comparison now should be the only device standing between death and the 797,000,000 passengers carried on American roads in 1906 is a seeming mighty indictment of railroad brains and engineering. Is it still used because like human life, it is cheap?

POLITICIANS WATCHING OUTCOME IN VERMONT

BURLINGTON, Vt., August 29.—The political superstition that the size of the republican plurality in Vermont state's election forecasts the outcome of the national contest has directed attention of politicians throughout the country to the Green Mountain state. Next Tuesday the contest between George H. Prouty, republican, and James E. Burke, democrat, for governor, will be decided.
It is openly acknowledged that Prouty will win, but interest centers in the size of his vote over that of Burke.
Will Handley, who filled the position of chief clerk at Hotel Nash during P. J. McMahon's regime, has gone to Portland.



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COLONISTS' TICKETS will be on sale during SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER from the East to all points in Oregon. The fares from a few principal cities are:
From Denver... \$30.00 From Louisville... \$41.70
From Omaha... 30.00 From Cincinnati... 42.20
From Kansas City... 30.00 From Cleveland... 44.75
From St. Louis... 35.50 From New York... 55.00
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If you want to bring a friend or relative to Oregon, deposit the proper amount with any of our agents. The ticket will then be furnished by telegraph.
A. S. ROSENBAUM, Medford, Or., Local Agent.
WM. M'CURRAY, General Passenger Agent, Portland, Or.

BRYAN BUSY AT HOME WITH HIS CORRESPONDENCE

LINCOLN, Neb., August 29.—W. J. Bryan was busy at Fairview today answering letters that accumulated during his trip to Indianapolis and Topeka. He has received hundreds of letters from all parts of the country lately telling him that his candidacy becomes more popular with the people every day and, after his reception in Kansas, he is pleased with the prospect.
Bryan will leave Lincoln at 6 o'clock tomorrow evening for St. Paul and will speak Monday afternoon before the Minnesota state fair association. It is understood that he will hold conferences with Governor Johnson and other leaders and that plans will be made for the presentation of the issues as Bryan sees them to the voters of the state.
Ten bars of Swift's "Snap" laundry soap for 25c (to introduce it). Miller & Ewbank.

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During the recent financial disturbance many stenographers and office assistants were temporarily dispensed with (those of least value) and we are glad to note that our former students have uniformly been able to hold their place.
To meet the growing exactions of the business community which we serve, to advance the highest welfare of our students for which we labor and to advance the best interests of our institution, we have arranged courses of training to meet the highest demands, and at the same time can be secured in as short a time as skill, experience and energy can give them.
To enable all to secure the best possible course and to insure ample time for every earnest, enthusiastic student to complete the combined course, Commercial, Shorthand and English, we are making the following offer unparalleled for liberality:
Those who secure a nine months' scholarship for \$60.00 and enter at the beginning of the term, September 7th, 1908, will be entitled to the combined course to July 1st, 1909, making the total expense of scholarship and books but \$23.50.
Take advantage of this most generous arrangement which is within the reach of every aspiring young man and woman in the land, and prepare to be one of the
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J. W. HILL, M. D., Portland, Or.

Notice to Water Consumers

Owing to the scarcity of water supply, it is ordered that no city water be used for irrigation or sprinkling except between the hours of 6 and 8 o'clock a. m. and 7 and 8 o'clock p. m. until otherwise ordered by the water committee.
Violation of this order by any consumer will result in said consumer's supply being forthwith shut off.
By order of the Water Committee of the City Council of Medford, Oregon.
Dated August 15, 1908.

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