

STATE COLLEGE IS READY FOR OPENING

Buildings Are Renovated and Various Improvements Are Now Completed.

ENROLLMENT TO BE BIG

Institution to Begin School Year on September 18—New Features Are Added—Faculty Changes Are Made.

OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE, Corvallis, Sept. 2.—(Special).—The college campus, after several weeks of comparative quiet, is suddenly awakening in anticipation of the opening of college on September 18.

Faculty members are returning from their studies at other institutions and their vacation trips; gangs of workmen are busy on the buildings and college grounds, roads and walks; the stewards and managers of clubs and fraternities are housecleaning preparatory to the arrival of their clubmates and the promising crop of new students, and even numbers of timid freshmen may be seen taking in the wide view of the campus under the guidance of parents and friends.

Forestry Building Erected.

Never in the history of the institution will the college open with greater promise of a successful year. The 23 main buildings of the institution have been repaired and many of them remodeled better to meet the demands of the increasing attendance. The construction of the new Forestry building, which is one of the most attractive on the campus, adds greatly to the attractiveness of the west quadrangle, besides furnishing much-needed room for the work of the school of forestry.

Home Economics House Feature.

A practice house for the women taking the work in home economics, the first institution of its kind established in the West, will be an attractive new feature of this branch of the college work. For this purpose the beautiful residence belonging to Governor Withycombe has been leased. The house will accommodate 11 girls and one faculty member. Groups of students of this number will occupy this house for a period of six weeks each.

All of the work of the house will be conducted by the students, even including the laundry. Plans will be arranged so that a student will be on duty one week as assistant cook, another week as main cook, another week she will be housekeeper, another week as buyer for the house; another week she will be in charge of the laundry and will have several assistants, and still another she will serve as hostess. The girls will pay board and room rent the same as they would if they were to do it housed elsewhere. This will be sufficient to cover the cost of the maintenance of the house, so that it represents no additional expenditure of college income.

Physical Culture Emphasized.

Another attractive feature of the year's programme will be the extension of the work in physical education under Dr. A. B. Brown. The plan provides for the organization of the entire student body in such a way that everyone will have opportunity for outdoor exercise under the direction of competent coaches and instructors.

There have been a number of changes in the faculty and several additions to the staff during the summer months.

The principal new positions filled are Professor of logging engineering, to which position J. T. Van Orsdal has been appointed; J. E. Brimbaugh, assistant professor of industrial education; Dr. Wendell J. Phillips, who has been appointed to take charge of the health service; Dr. E. Brown, professor of physical education, and Professor J. A. Pipal as athletic coach.

DEAD FORGER IDENTIFIED

MAN KILLED AT CENTRALIA FROM NORTH CAROLINA.

F. F. Roberts was Real Name, Investigation Shows; Portland Victim Seeks to Recover Furs.

CENTRALIA, Wash., Sept. 2.—(Special).—The real name of "Allen J. Martin," a much wanted forger who died yesterday in a local hospital from gunshot wounds inflicted by Chief of Police Miles McGall, was F. F. Roberts. His home was in North Carolina, where he has a brother living. The latter was notified last night. Roberts' mother lives in Atchison, Kan.

Roberts said he died that the woman arrested with him here and who is now in jail in Everett was not his wife and knew nothing of his criminal operations.

Milton L. Gumbert, of Portland, manager for the Hudson Bay Fur Company, which was victimized on a \$17,435 draft on an Indianapolis bank, came here last night as soon as he heard that Roberts had been shot. He is taking steps to recover from the woman about \$100 worth of furs obtained on the worthless draft.

INSURANCE AGENTS STRIKE

Boise Writers Won't Stand for Advance in Rates Ordered.

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 2.—(Special).—An insurance war has broken out in Boise. The Pacific Board of Underwriters has notified local fire insurance company representatives that the proposed advance in fire insurance rates for Boise will go into effect, the matter having been carefully considered and the increase believed to be justified. The company agents here do not take the same view as to the justice of the increase and they have decided not to sell insurance under the new rates but to insist on the old schedule being effective. They expect to be able to secure concessions.

COLUMBIA HIGHWAY TRAIN

The 1 P. M. Sunday special train to points along the Columbia River Highway will not be run today, nor hereafter. Take regular O.-W. R. & N. train leaving Union Station at 7:50 A. M., returning in afternoon. City office, Washington at Third.—Adv.

PASTOR'S 40TH YEAR IN PULPIT CELEBRATED

Friends at Turner Pay Honor to Rev. and Mrs. George Bicknell at Home Gathering—Minister Is Union Veteran Who Marched With Sherman.



Rev. and Mrs. George E. Bicknell

TURNER, Or., Sept. 2.—(Special).—Friends of the Rev. George Bicknell and Mrs. Bicknell assembled at their home here August 30 to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of the ordination of Mr. Bicknell to the gospel ministry of the Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Bicknell has worked hand in hand with him since their marriage, 40 years ago last July.

Mr. Bicknell was born in Madisonville, Tenn., March 11, 1844. His father was an elder and chorister in the Presbyterian Church of Madisonville and also occupied many important positions of trust in the county and city.

When Isham G. Harris, Governor of Tennessee, called the militia to enlist in the rebel army, all men between 18 and 45 years of age who did not wish to join the Confederate force went to Kentucky.

George Bicknell, then 18 years old, was among the number, but he enlisted in the Federal Army and served until the close of the war. He was

MURDER TRIAL IS SET

BENNETT THOMPSON IS ACCUSED OF TUALATIN DOUBLE CRIME.

Circumstantial Net Around Ex-Convict Deals With Slaying of Fred Hestman and Helen Jennings.

Next Tuesday, September 5, Bennett Thompson will go on trial in Hillsboro for the murder of Fred Hestman, of Portland, and Mrs. Helen Jennings, owner of the Goreranch, near Tualatin, last May. There is only circumstantial evidence against Thompson, for there were no witnesses to the twin crimes, but District Attorney E. B. Tongue, of Washington, believes the proof to be sufficient.

Investigation did not cease with the finding of a few leading clues connecting Thompson with the crimes, and his detention at Hillsboro but has continued until Sheriff Reeves, of Washington County, is convinced that he is holding the right man. The prosecution promises to spring some surprises at the trial this week.

From the first, Roscoe Hurst, attorney for Thompson, has maintained his client's innocence, but has offered no waterproo alibi. Threatened habeas corpus proceedings were never brought, and Thompson has remained in the Hillsboro jail since May.

The crime was the most atrocious that has started this section for years. Hestman took a mysterious passenger toward Tualatin in his jitney the night of the murder. The jitney was found the next day, blood-spattered, outside the dwelling of Mrs. Jennings. Mrs. Jennings was found murdered in her bed, with a bloody sledge on the floor nearby.

Hestman's body was found in the woods two miles from the Jennings home, 10 days later. His skull had been crushed. The connection between the two murders seems absolute.

FLAX QUALITY IS HIGH

Wapato Lake Crop Declared Best in Oregon.

GASTON, Or., Sept. 2.—(Special).—The 100-acre flax crop on the Wapato lake tract here has been pronounced the best in Oregon by several flax experts from the Salem and Eugene flax mills who have been here negotiating for its purchase. As their plants are unable to handle the crops this fall for lack of room, it will be stacked here over winter and covered or roofed over. This is common in flax-growing countries but has never been tried yet in Oregon and the experiment will be watched with interest. Flax is very impervious to moisture, and one acre

GOVERNOR WITHYCOMBE'S SECRETARY IS GUARDSMAN ON BORDER.



GEORGE PALMER PUTNAM. BEND, Or., Sept. 2.—(Special).—The latest photograph of George Palmer Putnam, of Bend, corporal in Company M, Third Oregon Infantry, and in civil life secretary to Governor Withycombe, shows him wearing a serious expression and budding a mustache. The photograph was recently received by Bend friends from Palm City, Cal., where the Oregon regiment has been encamped. Now that the regiment has been ordered home, they expect soon to see him in person.

IDAHO MAY CLEAN UP ITS HOUSE TUESDAY

Primary Campaign Is Over and Few Are Expected to Be Re-elected.

REPUBLICANS CAST OFF

State Committee Repudiates Auditor Because of Loans and Land Commissioner Is Forced Out. Fee Case Stirs Opposition.

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 2.—(Special).—The primary campaign is over in Idaho. Next Monday the voters will determine the nominees of the Republican and Democratic parties. On the same day the Prohibition party will hold a state convention in Boise and name its nominees as well as adopt a platform.

The paramount issue is a cleaner state government—the nomination of party candidates whose moral standard is higher than the standard that in the past several years has been followed in the handling of state affairs.

There has been an undercurrent among party directors during the campaign of a "clean slate" from Governor down. State Chairman Evans drew fire on the land department and land board when he laid down the ultimatum that George A. Day, State Land Commissioner, must resign or he would forthwith resign as state chairman and refuse to carry on the campaign. But Mr. Day did not resign without resentment against those who sought to

State Auditor Repudiated. The Republican state committee repudiated State Auditor Huston because of the Huston loan and this added fire to the already kindled flames. Then followed the claim of T. C. Coffin, who had resigned as Assistant Attorney-General, but acted under directions of Attorney-General Peterson, as special counsel in the suit against the National Surety Company, for a \$12,500 attorney fee, which he later withdrew when it was denounced all over the state. Mr. Armstrong also forced resignation by closing state mortgages for loans unpaid did not help matters. The situation aroused protest and severe condemnation of present state officials.

At least one of the present state officials probably will be renominated. State Treasurer Eagleton. He is known as the "candidate," but has been substituted by the state committee for O. V. Allen, ex-State Treasurer, when the latter's defection in the treasury were discovered. Fred E. Fisk, a prominent Republican of Canyon County and State Commissioner for the Idaho Alaska-Yukon Exposition, is his opponent.

Mr. Barker Will Be Trouble. The only remaining holdover candidate is Secretary of State Barker. It is rumored that he has a fight on his hands.

The closing days of the primaries make it apparent Representative Addison T. Smith will be renominated. That leaves the second nomination resting between Representative McCracken, Burr L. French and Senator E. E. Elliott. The North is claiming this seat in the lower house and wishes to place either Mr. French or Mr. Elliott there. Mr. McCracken has been held in Washington by the session of Congress. Either George E. Crum, of Lewiston, or D. W. Davis, of American Falls, will probably be the Republican gubernatorial nominee. The Lewiston candidate has made an excellent impression in his stand for a business administration and the fact he has not been allied in any way with the statehouse management.

Southeast Falls in Effort at Union. There has been no movement in the southeast to unite on Herman H. Taylor, also a candidate for Governor, but it is said here not to have been effective. Taylor will get a surprisingly good vote and there is a possibility of his nomination. Captain E. G. Davis, the fourth candidate, has persistently attacked one of his opponents, D. W. Davis, and has directed a volley of criticism on the management of state affairs.

The race for other positions in contest in the Republican party can be briefly summarized as follows: For State Auditor, George W. Lewis, present deputy, will probably be the nominee, although L. L. Folsom is conducting a strenuous advertising campaign to win the nomination.

M. J. Sweeley will in all probability be selected for Attorney-General unless Charles H. Taylor, a poller here, in the north and the race for State Superintendent of Public Instruction between Miss Byrd and Miss Rodfield is inclined to be close but favoring the latter.

Wealthy Farmer Suicide. SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 2.—Clem G. Williams, one of the large ranchers of the north, died today of a bullet wound in his head. He had been undergoing treatment for a nervous trouble.

WIRE TAPPERS INDICTED

THREE MEN HELD ON DR. ANNA WHEELER'S COMPLAINT.

Plot to Defame Good Name Charged. Threatened Divorce Case Revelations Never Published.

Denton D. Coffey, a carpenter, Charles B. Dill, hotel clerk, and Edwin G. Hayman, salesman, were indicted by the grand jury yesterday for tapping the telephone wire leading to the office of Dr. Anna M. Wheeler in the Platt building February 24. They were held to answer in the grand jury March 15, but action was then delayed.

The wire-tapping was part of a conspiracy to defame her good name, Dr. Wheeler declared in connection with the case, when she caused the arrest of the three men last February. She asserted that she was certain F. D. Stephenson, manager of the office department of Wadhams & Co., "prepared and paid for the plot" against her, as a result of her securing a criminal indictment against him for libel.

Dr. Wheeler was named as a woman with whom Alex G. Riddell, secretary of the Liberty Coal & Ice Company, was infatuated, in the answer of Mrs. Marie Riddell to the divorce suit filed by her husband last December. At the time of the Riddell trial last March, Attorney Roger Strout, appearing for Mrs. Riddell, threatened to reveal conversations heard over the telephone of Dr. Wheeler by the alleged wire-tappers. Fear of publicity cut the suit short and threatened revelations were not made public. Attorney Sinnott, will represent the three men indicted, in the coming trial.

Advertisement for Sam'l Rosenblatt & Co. featuring Smart New Styles in Hart Schaffner & Marx Fall Clothes. Includes an illustration of a man in a suit and a hat rack. Text: 'Smart New Styles IN Hart Schaffner & Marx Fall Clothes Varsity Fifty-Five. You know what that stands for; the newest and best in young men's clothing. Hart Schaffner & Marx have produced particularly attractive variations of this famous model for Fall. LET US SHOW YOU Priced \$20 to \$40. Sam'l Rosenblatt & Co. The Men's Store for Quality and Service. Southeast Corner Fifth and Alder Streets.'

Advertisement for LAND EXCHANGE MADE. Text: 'LAND EXCHANGE MADE. MOUNT ADAMS TOURIST DISTRICT IS LEFT UNTOUCHED. Transfer of Washington Sections in National Forests Satisfactory. 250,000 Acres Involved. GULER, Wash., Sept. 2.—(Special).—The matter of the state land exchange, under which the State of Washington proposed the selection of the southeast slopes of Mount Adams and which for some time has been worrying those who are interested in keeping this beautiful region open to the free travel of tourists, has now been satisfactorily settled. The Trout Lake Valley Commercial Club took up the matter vigorously and made protests to all the heads of the various departments who were directing this selection. As a result the north line of the selection is to be left at a safe distance from the section of the mountain that is visited and traveled by tourists. The State of Washington is entitled to approximately 250,000 acres of land within the National forests of Eastern Washington, in place of sections 16 and 36 within the forests. Under a co-operative agreement with the Secretary of Agriculture the State Land Board will select blocks of about 30,000 or 40,000 acres in each from the various national forests in the state. This will be of advantage to the state, because the land will not be so widely scattered, and also to the Government, because the National forests will not be broken into by sections 16 and 36 belonging to the state.'

Advertisement for I'm the "Told You So" Guy. Text: 'I'm the "Told You So" Guy—and I want to tell you right here there's some class to the Strand show this week. You'd better go early, too. CONTINUOUS FROM 1 to 11 Children Free to Week-day Matinees When They Bring Their Parents THREE DAYS, STARTING TODAY VIOLET MERSEREAU The Universal Favorite, in "The Narrow Path" When you talk about "class," you'll find it in this big Red Feather feature. Violet was never so charming in all her career and the play is one of big moments, stirring scenes and a climax that will make you feel good through and through. You can set your cap for a good time. 4 Acts of Classy Vaudeville HAGAN AND ROSS High-class Harmonists, Yodlers and Impersonators. LOMBARD, PARKER & CO. A Big Comedy Novelty. GEORGE NAGAHARA Japanese Musical Novelty. ELLSWORTH & LINDEN In Their Hilarious Farce, "His Day Off." PIPE ORGAN AND ORCHESTRA MUSIC Coming Next Wednesday, September 6 "SAVING THE FAMILY NAME" One of the most remarkable films of the year. Get ready to see it.'

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