

# Famed Producer Signed Up by CBS

**By EVE STARR**  
**HOLLYWOOD** — STARR REPORT: Paul Gregory, a tall lean man in his early thirties, has just signed a fabulous exclusive contract with CBS to produce nine hour-and-a-half programs during the next three years. Unless I'm wrong, his is the kind of creative intelligence and thinking I don't like to see in the world thrown about that might first-rate entertainment to people who were beyond the reach of it.

He is best known for creating and producing the First Drama Quartet's "Don Juan in Hell," "John Brown's Body," Elsa Lamche's "Private Music Hall," and had the vision to book Charles Laughton on reading tours through America.

Laughton, Gregory produced for CBS "Ford Star Jubilee" two 30-minute concert programs; the Pulitzer Prize-winning play, "The Caine Mutiny Court Martial," which won two Emmys awards, and the television adaptation of Jim Bishop's best-selling book, "The Day Lincoln Was Shot."

Gregory proved that theatrical ventures of major importance can be successfully conceived, mounted and sustained beyond Broadway. His productions have played to packed churches, schools, village greens as well as theatres from one end of America to another. Wherever there was a stage or a platform or a cleared space and wherever there were men and women who are stirred by enduring theatre literature, Gregory and his First Drama Quartet, consisting of Charles Laughton, Charles Bayer, Sir Cedric Hardwicke and Agnes Moorhead, made theatrical history.

He toured England at the invitation of the Festival of Britain and played in localities where a drama famine had existed for decades, moving from a metropolitan city one night to a whistle-stop town the next. Traditional programs arch for one performance and working on a makeshift stage a day later.

STARR REPORT: As far back as 1947 Paul combined film star Dennis Morgan and the Hollywood Cathedral Choir as of concert road attraction. The success of the tour was so great, Music Corporation of America offered him a post as head of the talent agency's concert division in New York City.

One day Mr. Gregory dropped into a Third Avenue bar in New York for a "cooler" and looked up to see Charles Laughton on the bar's television screen reading fiery passages from the Book of Daniel. "Nobody moved," he reminisced, "not even the bartender. We were fascinated."

"I rushed into the street," said Gregory, "flagged a taxi and somehow got to the theatre and waited for Charles Laughton to come out. I had never met Mr. Laughton—but stopped him and outlined a plan for a nation wide tour in which he would read from the Bible and great literary classics."

"At one point Mr. Laughton walked away and said: 'Don't talk to me—see my agent.' 'All right,' I said a bit angrily, 'if you want to walk out on a million dollars, go ahead.' He paused and I continued, 'Instead of reading, I just once—as a one-shot proposition, I think you should read to the whole country.' The result of this conversation eventually turned out to be a partnership in a venture that has since turned out to be the most successful tour of a single artist in theatrical history."

"Mr. Laughton next did George Bernard Shaw's dream sequence from 'Man and Superman,' even Shaw was doubtful about our chances for success, but he agreed to give me the American stage rights to produce the play. Shaw died before I could bring the First Drama Quartet to England in 'Don Juan in Hell,' but he knew of its great success in the United States, and I felt it was a great solace to him in his last days."

CBS expects great ideas from this imaginative young producer. If we can judge from his past, we have a great treat in store for us this season.

- KOAC, 550 k.c.**
- KOAC (Monday):** 10:00 a.m.—The News and Weather; 10:15—Especially for Women; 10:45—Summer Story; 11:00—The Concert Hall; 12:00—The News and Weather; 12:15 p.m.—Noon Farm Hour; 1:00—Melody Lane; 1:30—Great Women of France; 2:00—MacDonald's Anthology; 2:30—Oregon Reporter; 3:15—Music of the Masters; 4:00—Join the Navy; 4:15—On the Upbeat; 4:45—News Commentary; 5:00—Children's Theater; 5:30—Art in Changing America; 6:00—The News and Weather; 6:15—Patterns of Thought; 6:30—Dinner Melodies; 6:45—Here's to Victory; 7:00—This Is Puerto Rico; 7:15—Evening Farm Hour; 8:00—Keyboard Classics; 8:45—The News and Weather; 9:00—Music That Endures; 9:30—The News and Weather; 10:00—Sign Off.
- KVAL TV, VHF 13**
- EUGENE: KVAL-TV Channel 13 (Monday):** 12:00—Queen for a Day; 12:45—Modern Romances; 1:00—Comedy Time; 1:30—Bandstand; 2:00—Matinee Theater with Joe Palooka Meets Humphrey; 2:30—Serial: Space Soldiers; 3:45—Little Theater; 4:00—Guest Book; 4:30—Big Roundup; 5:45—The News; 6:30—Sports Headlines; 6:55—Weather Report; 7:00—Disneyland stars dog athlete in "The Goofy Sports Story"; 7:30—Claco Kid; 7:30—Search for Adventure presents Robert Johnson in "Hunt for Pirate Treasure"; 8:00—Vic Damone Show; 8:30—Robert Montgomery presents Jimmy Cagney in "Big Dramatic Role on TV"; 9:30—Screen Directors Playhouse; Marge and Gower Champion, husband and wife dance team in "What Day Is It?"; 10:00—Badge 74; 10:30—Tomorrow's Headlines; 11:45—The Movie with "Dancing Pirates."

# Valley News

Statesman News Service

## Staff Readied For Sheridan School Start

**SHERIDAN, Sept. 9**—Several faculty changes will meet Sheridan pupils when they report for first day of school, Monday, Sept. 10 at both high school and grade schools.

Barton McKagan has been hired to take the place of Gordon Pratt as music instructor at the high school. A graduate of the University of Oregon, McKagan will start his teaching career in Sheridan. He and his family have rented a home on Railroad Street.

"Bill" Tedd, former Sheridan grade school coach will take the place of Ray Pointer, last year's coach, who moved to Umapine where he will be superintendent of schools. Tedd will coach baseball and the junior varsity.

**From Amity School**  
 Mrs. Neil Frack, former Amity High School teacher, will be the commercial teacher replacing Miss Nancy Leak, who is now employed in an office in Portland.

The remainder of the staff remains the same as last year: Don Hosford, coach; Mrs. Ruth Richter, home economics; Mrs. Fern Eberhart, girls physical education and girls counselor; Virginia Hosford, social studies; Miss Carol Clark, librarian and English; N. J. Vandehay, agriculture; Charles Jaeger, science and math and Frank W. Smith, principal and counselor.

James Rose, grade school principal, reports only a few changes in the grade school staff; Mervin Werth of Willamina, who taught in the Willamina High School last year, has been hired as grade school coach, to replace "Bill" Tedd. Mrs. Marie Majors, a second grade teacher at Faulconer school will teach the third grade at Chapman school. This was formerly taught by Mrs. Hazel Butler, who moved to Port Orford, where she will teach the coming year. There will be only one second grade at Faulconer school this year.

**Grade Teachers Listed**  
 Chapman grade school teachers will be Ann Matthews, first; Myrna Sundland, second; Marie Majors, third; Gladys Kilmer, fourth; Mervin Werth, fifth; Alma Otting, sixth; also Dorothy Ivie, sixth; Alice Henthorne, Bernice Cody and Mervin Werth, seventh grade, coaching, boys and girls physical education; Henry Brown and Juanita Picar, eighth grade.

At Faulconer, Alta Bradley and Emma Seth, first; Alma Schroeder, second; Thelma Burd and Isa-

bella Bosch, third; Inez Howell, fourth; Don Sundland and Dorothy White, fifth. Dorothy White is also the librarian at Chapman School.

## Brooks Farmer Top Mint Raiser

**Statesman News Service**  
**BROOKS, Sept. 9**—William Pfau of Brooks is the top mint of producer in Oregon again, the Mike Helms Peppermint Sile at Jefferson has announced. Pfau produced 85 pounds of mint oil to the acre in 1956 to maintain his record of top producer held for the past several years. His mark this year showed an increase over his previous records.

## Jefferson Girl In Cast to Correct Limp

**Statesman News Service**  
**JEFFERSON, Sept. 9**—Vicki Knight, six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Knight, is bedfast with both hips in a cast. This is to correct a limp she developed a few weeks ago. She will be in the cast for at least a year. Vicki was already to start to school for the first time next Monday. Her mother had bought her school clothes in the morning, and in the afternoon learned her doctor's decision to put Vicki in a cast.

Mrs. Edward Hecht is home from an Albany hospital following surgery.

Mrs. Everett Struckmeier, commercial teacher at Jefferson High School, is in Albany General hospital recovering from surgery. Mrs. Russell Daulton will substitute for Mrs. Struckmeier until she is able to resume teaching.

Mrs. Hiram Hampton, former Sidney-Talbot resident, is in Salem Memorial hospital with a broken hip. She fell down the basement steps at her daughter's home in Salem.

**Delene Gurgurich, daughter of the Al Gurgurichs, was taken to Salem Memorial hospital Wednesday evening for observation and treatment. She was suffering from a sore throat and high fever.**

Mervin McGill, Greens Bridge farmer, is up again after being in bed for three weeks. He hurt his back while changing irrigation pipe. McGill was hospitalized for several weeks this spring after being hit on the head by a baseball bat and hasn't been able to do much work all summer.

## Fruitland School Opening Today

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**FRUITLAND, Sept. 9**—Registration and opening day at Fruitland School will be Monday, Sept. 10. Some 100 first graders are expected among the anticipated enrollment of 65 to 70.

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School board chairman Elthan Converse has scheduled a board meeting on the fourth Tuesday of each school month.

## Dallas Schools Delay Start to September 17

**Statesman News Service**  
**DALLAS, Sept. 9**—Registration of Dallas junior and senior high school students from the seventh through 12th grades will start Monday, Sept. 10, and continue through Wednesday, announces Superintendent Ellis Neal.

Classes for all Dallas students will open Sept. 17, a week later than in most area schools to allow youngsters to help in prune harvest.

At the senior high, students of the senior class will register Monday, Juniors on Tuesday and sophomores on Wednesday. Seventh, eighth and ninth grade students may register on any of the three days at the junior high.

Both school buildings will be open from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday to register students holding down day time employment. No pre-registration is scheduled for elementary pupils.

## West Stayton School Start Slated Today

**Statesman News Service**  
**WEST STAYTON, Sept. 9**—The West Stayton school will resume Monday, Sept. 10 and will have two new teachers on the teaching staff as well as a new bus and new custodians.

The principal, Mrs. Mary Ayres, will teach the 7th and 8th grades. Mrs. Louise Amundson, 5th and 6th grades and Mrs. Lois Barnick, 1st and 2nd grades. The custodians will be Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Humphrey of Stayton.

Bean picking is just about completed in the West Stayton district and things are getting back to normal. Most of the transients have moved on. The thornless evergreen berry harvest is getting under way and has been in progress for about two weeks but will continue for some time yet.

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## Valley Briefs

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**Zena—Country Gardens Club** will meet Tuesday, Sept. 11 at 2 p.m. at the Community Center building with Mrs. Barbara Fosch in charge of the program of flower arrangements. Mrs. Freda Brogg and Mrs. Earl Johnson will be hostesses.

**Elliott Prairie—A. E. Loe**, who was badly burned last Monday when his truck caught fire from an exploding light bulb, has been undergoing operation of skin grafting on his arms at Silverton Hospital. His condition is considered satisfactory but it is expected he will be confined to the hospital for some time.

**Aumsville—A farewell party** at the Eric Pederson home recently honored Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ross and family who are moving to Medford. Friends presented the Ross family with an electric skillet.

**Aurora—The Women's association** of the Aurora Presbyterian Church will have their first fall meeting on Wednesday, September 12. The meeting will begin with dessert at 1:30. Mrs. A. L. Harworth will have charge of the devotional period. Hostesses will be Miss Orletta Kraus, Mrs. John Kraus and Mrs. Richard Pence. Mrs. Harmon Yeary, director of public health nurses in Marion County will be the guest speaker.

**Union Hill—The first Union Hill** grange home economic club meeting for the fall months will be held at the home of Mrs. Robert Darrah on Tuesday evening, September 11 commencing with refreshments being served at 8:00 o'clock. Mrs. M. W. Tate will be co-hostess with Mrs. Darrah.

**Pedee—Mr. and Mrs. Robert** Marsh and family of near Corvallis have moved into the Marshall farm near the Pedee store, recently vacated by the Willis Birck family. There are three boys to enter school.

## College Summons Macleay Youths

**Statesman News Service**  
**MACLEAY, Sept. 9**—Planning to enter Willamette University this fall are Bob Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hobson Smith and Loretta Horsley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Horsley.

Returning to Oregon State College will be James Hudec, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hudec.

## College at Mt. Angel to Open Sept. 17

**Statesman News Service**  
**MT. ANGEL, Sept. 9**—Mt. Angel Women's College will open for classes Sept. 17 and Mt. Angel Academy will begin classes on Sept. 19.

Registration for college students is slated for Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 15-16. Freshman tests will be given during the first part of the week.

New this year is the cadet Teaching program initiated in a number of the schools in the diocese. The program is under the direct supervision of the college. The cadets are sophomores and juniors in college, who have had a minimum of five weeks of teaching experience and will be supervised by a supervisor in the school as well as by the college director of student teaching.

Registration for day students in the Academy has been set for Sept. 9-10. Resident students will register Sept. 16-17 and classes for the entire student body open on Wednesday Sept. 19.

New to the teaching staff this year will be Sister Stella Marie, who will be sophomore advisor, and Miss Genevieve Willson, who will teach arts and crafts. Miss Willson comes from San Rafael, Calif., where she was a member of the staff of Dominican College.

A Group Guidance program is to be added to the curriculum this year.

## Bizon Named Postmaster For Hubbard

**Statesman News Service**  
**HUBBARD, Sept. 9**—Leonard A. Bizon assumed duties as Hubbard postmaster Saturday. He succeeds Mrs. Ruby Murphy who was acting postmaster for 18 months.

Bizon, a veteran of World War II, was in the Naval Air Force for four years and at Pearl Harbor for 19 months. A native of Oregon, he attended schools at Portland and Woodburn and graduated from the former Hubbard High School. He is married and has three children.

Since 1947, Bizon has been substitute carrier for Rural Route 1 here, and since 1948 also acted as substitute clerk.

## Bean Harvest Nears Finish In Dayton Area

**Statesman News Service**  
**DAYTON, Sept. 9**—Green pole bean harvest in the Dayton area is nearly finished with most farms that have not already quit planning to end their picking next week. Peach and grain crops are also nearly harvested here.

Pear, prune and apple orchards are now ripening, although there are few of these fruit orchards in Dayton. Next crops scheduled for harvest are potatoes, walnuts and filberts. The walnut and filbert harvest will be light this year because of cold winter damage to the trees.

## 75 Expected To Enroll at Pedee School

**Statesman News Service**  
**PEDEE, Sept. 9**—The grade school will open Monday, Sept. 10 with an expected increase in pupils to about 75. Teachers are Mrs. Alice Murphy, King Valley, principal and seventh and eighth grades; Fred A. Hardin, fifth and sixth grades; Mrs. John Doran, Oakhurst, third and fourth; Mrs. Ivan Williams, Maple Grove, first and second. Mrs. Doran and Mr. Hardin are new here this year.

The school bus drivers will be the same as last year. Mrs. Carl South and Don Mentzer.

Improvements to the school are a new roof, tiling of the grounds, some interior painting, and re-finishing of the floors.

### Hungary-Yugoslavia Border Strip Ended

**BUDAPEST, Hungary, Sept. 9**—In a new step toward reconciliation with Tito, Yugoslavia, the Hungarian government announced today that people who were evicted from their homes on the Hungarian-Yugoslav border during Tito's expulsion from the Cominform may now return.

A government decree said they would be compensated for losses suffered during the period of Hungary's estrangement with Tito. Following his expulsion from the Cominform in 1948 a border strip was created from which the government removed people of Serbian and Croatian origin as "unreliable."

Togoland, in Africa, was taken over by the Germans as a protectorate in 1904, but fell to British and French troops during World War I.

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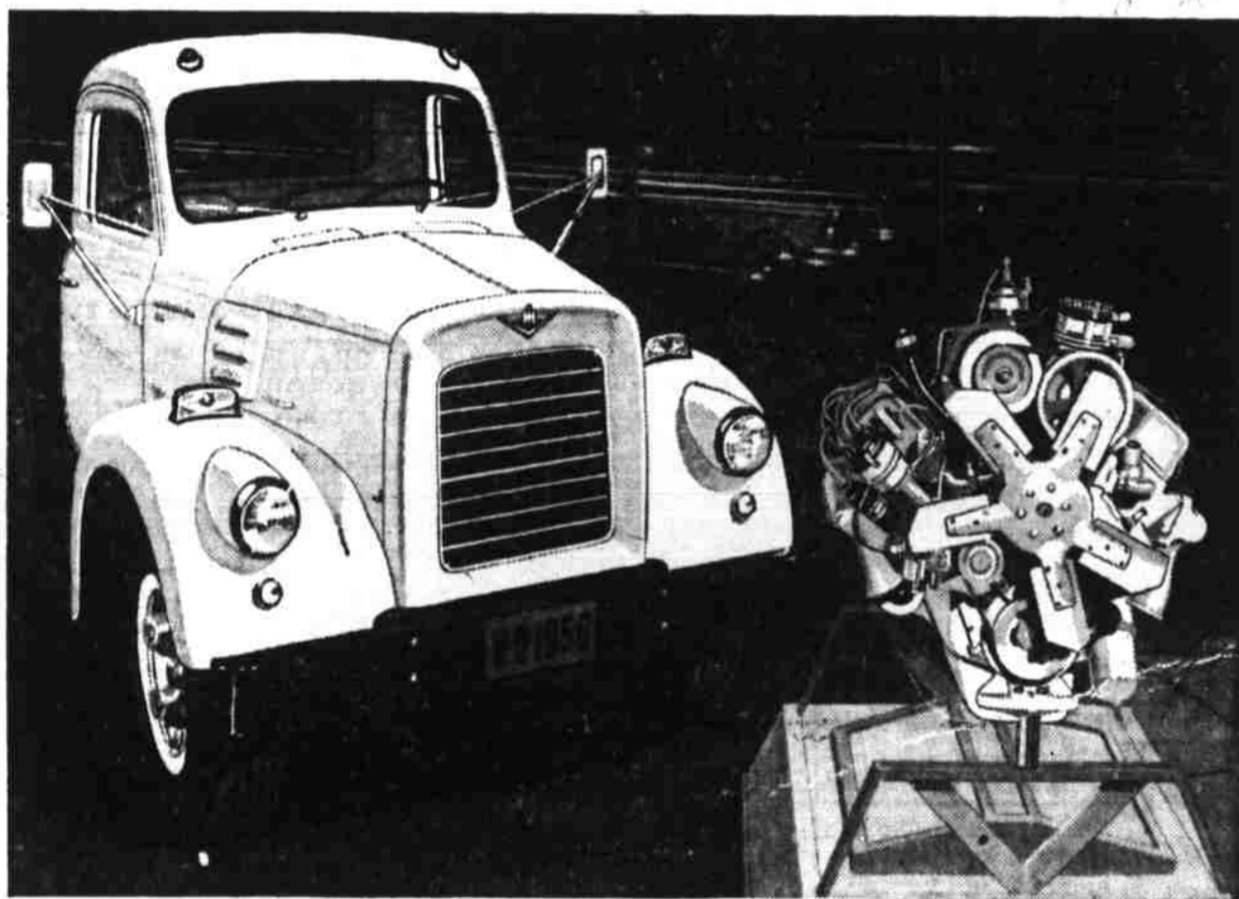
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