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TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

WILL OBSERVE GRAND HISTORIC EVENT AT O. A. C.

NATION AND STATE WILL JOIN IN CELEBRATION OF SPLENDID PROGRESS OF GREAT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION JUNE 14.

The Oregon Agricultural college will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of its establishment as a state institution on June 14. For this event there will assemble in the city of Corvallis men distinguished in every walk of American life, together with many hundreds of Oregon college alumni and former students.

The function will be both formal and festive. Besides the conferring of degrees and the more formal exercises, there will be banquets, military drills and parades, athletic contests, student dramatic and musical concerts. Some of the most prominent men in contemporary public life will deliver addresses, and the best musical talent available will be secured for the various programs.

For this occasion Corvallis will take on a carnival air, and there is no spot in Oregon better fitted to be the scene of a great historic observance. The beauty which nature has bestowed upon the great sweep of campus and its surroundings will be augmented by the efforts of the best landscape gardeners and special decorators. The splendid new buildings will be completed, and everything will be in such state as to best entertain and please the returning graduates and visitors.

The railroads have agreed to offer excursion rates and to put on special trains from various points in the state. This will offer a splendid opportunity to the people of the state to visit the college at this opportune time.

The ex-governors of the state, former presidents of the college and former members of the board of regents will be among the official visitors.

Both the state and the nation will be represented by men prominent in the service of each. Governor Benson and his staff will be present as the representatives of the state of Oregon. Men high in the official circles of the United States will be present to represent the federal government.

The universities and colleges of the United States will also be invited to send delegates to the celebration. This will guarantee a very wide representation in educational work and will bring to the college many of the most prominent educators of the age.

Representatives of the commercial, industrial and agricultural interests of the state will also be present at the celebration. The experimental work which the college has been carrying on for many years has put it in close touch with these activities and with the people of the state who are engaged in conducting them.

This quarter century celebration is significant not because it marks the close of a long period of time during which the college has existed, but because it marks an era of development and progress in the educational work of the institution which is not surpassed if it is equaled in the history of land grant colleges.

In the twenty-five years which have intervened since the state assumed control of Corvallis college, then a sectarian school, a marvelous change has taken place. The little local school which served as grammar school, high school and college for a very limited district has developed into a great and broad institution whose influence is felt in every corner of the state and which attracts to its portals young men and young women not only from every part of Oregon, but from several states of the nation and several nations of the world.

While the quarter centennial proper will be celebrated on June 14, the whole commencement week will be colored by the anniversary, and special features will continue from Friday, June 10, until the night of Tuesday, June 14.

The festivities will be opened with the annual senior class play at the local theater Friday night. This will be followed on Saturday by a student program, which opens with the class day exercises, includes reunions of all student societies and organizations and closes with the annual junior promenade. Sunday will be devoted to religious exercises.

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Rev. Dr. F. W. Clappert, rector of Trinity church, San Francisco. The afternoon will be devoted to exercises by student organizations and the evening to union services, in which all the churches of the city will participate.

The regular quarter centennial exercises will open Monday with a unique historical program. During the day the president of the college will tender a reception to the visitors, and the alumni will hold their regular business meeting. The evening will be devoted to the alumni reception and banquet and student celebration on the campus.

Tuesday will mark the close and climax of the program. The forenoon will be devoted to the commencement exercises and the afternoon to the regular jubilee program. A reception and dinner to the official delegates will be the final event of the great celebration.



GOVERNOR F. W. BENSON, OREGON'S OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE AT QUARTER CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

BUILDINGS AND CAMPUS.

Beauty and Utility Combined at the College at Corvallis.

The Oregon Agricultural college, which will celebrate its quarter centennial June 14, is located at Corvallis, on the Willamette river and in the heart of the beautiful Willamette valley. The nearby foothills, with their green fields, wooded glens and mountain streams, afford splendid opportunities for recreation and contribute to the beauty of the scenery which the distant snow clad Cascades complete. This splendid environment, together with the weather conditions which usually prevail at this time of the year, will afford an ideal location and atmosphere for the jubilee.

The college grounds, consisting of 250 acres, are located within the western limits of the city. The campus proper, covering about forty acres, is beautifully decorated with magnificent specimen trees, flower beds and groups of shrubbery. Broad drives and walks traverse the grounds in every direction and add to the attractiveness of the place.

In place of the single brick building which housed the college in 1885 and which now serves as the administration building there are twenty structures, many of which eclipse in every way the original college home. On each side of it is a beautiful gray stone building, one of which is now called the chemistry building and the other mechanical hall. The next row of buildings includes the splendid home of the mechanic arts, the pharmacy building, the gymnasium and the mammoth concrete armory. Flanking these buildings are Waldo hall, the women's beautiful dormitory, the new agricultural hall, the central part of which is just being completed, and Shepard hall, the student building. Then there are the mining buildings, the poultry buildings and the farm buildings, forming a splendid group.

All these buildings and this great stretch of campus will be decked out in carnival airs. Great flower beds will be prepared and planted with the flowers arranged in unique designs. The college colors will be much in evidence, and the buildings will be outlined with thousands of electric lights.

Change of Ownership
The garage and repair shop at this place changed owners a few days ago when H. M. Edgar sold out to Chester Zumwalt, a resident of Salem, who formerly resided in Independence. Mr. Zumwalt has moved back to Independence with his family and taken charge of the business. Mr. Edgar will probably remain in this city for the present.

HANDLES HUGE TRACT OF LAND

BIGGEST LAND CORPORATION IN THE WORLD.

800,000 ACRES AND 800 MILES LONG, EXTENDING FROM ALBANY TO ONTARIO, HANDLED BY \$12,000,000 CORPORATION.

Transfers were completed in New York this week by means of which a St. Paul land corporation which, with its \$12,000,000 capital, is said to be four times larger than any other in the world, closes the largest land deal ever made in America, obtaining title to 800,000 acres in Central Oregon. The immense tract is transferred entire and represents a belt 800 miles in length and of varying width, extending in a diagonal direction from Albany, Oregon, in the Willamette valley, southeast to the Idaho line at Ontario, at the head of Malheur valley. Of the total 660,000 acres is rich agricultural land, much of which will be improved under irrigation, and 140,000 acres is heavily timbered, containing 4,500,000,000 feet of standing pine, fir and cedar. The land transferred includes some of the richest districts in Oregon and will be developed and settled at once.

A St. Paul Company.

To handle the tract the Oregon & Western Colonization company was formed, with \$12,000,000 capital. Its headquarters will be in St. Paul and the active management will rest upon President W. P. Davidson, a well known land operator, and Vice-President John E. Burchard, who has been for many years one of the most prominent of the northwestern land dealers.

About a dozen representatives of this company passed through Independence last Monday direct from these lands in two automobiles on their way to Portland. Though it is not definitely learned it is presumed that in the party was President Louis W. Hill, of the Great Northern Railway, and W. P. Davidson, president of the \$12,000,000 land company and John E. Blanchard, vice-president. Others of the party were William Hanley, the land king of Burns; R. G. Calvert, staff correspondent of the Portland Oregonian; E. C. Leedy, general immigration agent of the Great Northern; O. W. Seaton and O. A. Atwood, immigration agent of the Great Northern; George Kain of The Dalles and Tex Reed of Burns.

Long Inspection Trip by Automobile

Notice was made that the transfers were concluded and President Davidson and Vice President Burchard made immediate preparations for an extensive inspection trip including an 800-mile automobile ride over the entire tract, during which the general condition of the property will be investigated and plans formulated for immediate colonization. The lands will be transferred to the ownership of

actual settlers through an active campaign, which, with the rapid railway development now in progress, will create new fruit and irrigation districts equal to many of the most famous of the present Oregon valleys. The officers of the corporation left last week for the west, accompanied by Curtis L. Mosher, of the St. Paul Consolidated Publicity Bureau, who will utilize a vacation from his office to accompany them on their inspection.

Great Northern to Develop Territory.
President Louis W. Hill of the Great Northern railway was in Central Oregon last week on an inspection trip. The new Deschutes line of the Great Northern cuts the tract north and south and plans are being completed which will open up an



DR. W. J. KERR, PRESIDENT OF OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE.

immense new territory. Within the tract which passes to the ownership of the St. Paul corporation are a number of thriving cities, including Prineville with 5000 population, Burns with a population of 3500, Vale with 5000 population and Ontario, a city of 6000. A large number of smaller cities and towns, now cut off from railways, will be given the advantages of new lines and promise to show a rapid development.

Contains Oil, Gas, Minerals and Timber.

No decision has yet been reached regarding the plans for opening these lands to settlement. They present a varied catalogue of resources. For 100 miles along the grant there are signs of oil, and natural gas has been developed with a pressure of 125 pounds to the square inch. In several districts which are mountainous there are indications of ore, and much of this land is mineralized. The timber resources of that section of the tract lying east of western Oregon are enormous, and it is probable that a careful cruising will develop a heavier total than that at present accepted. The agricultural lands which form the great bulk of the total, are diversified, offering a large number of irrigation projects, several exceedingly rich valleys, of which the Harney valley, forty miles wide and eighty miles long, is the most notable, great areas of fruit lands and large tracts suitable for cereal crops, sheep raising.

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FINDS REST AND PEACEFUL END

MRS. J. G. MCINTOSH SUCCEUMBS TO TUBERCULOSIS.

HAD BEEN AN EARNEST AND ENTHUSIASTIC SCHOOL WORKER AND FAITHFUL AND CONSCIENTIOUS RELIGIOUS DEVOTEE.

Mary Nichols McIntosh, daughter of Abel L. and Phyllis M. Nichols, was born near Mosona, Iowa, February 21, 1880. In September of the same year the family moved to Payette, Iowa, where she received her education. She graduated from the Upper Iowa University in 1902. In the fall of the same year she engaged as teacher in the public schools of North Wood, Iowa, at which place she met J. Graham McIntosh, who was also a teacher in the same schools. In the summer of 1904 she took post graduate work at Minnesota State University and taught the following year as assistant principal of the Rushford schools, Rushford, Minnesota. At the close of the school year, on the 27th of June, 1905, she was united in marriage to J. Graham McIntosh at the home of her brother, Alfred E. Nichols, in Sheldon, Iowa.

She came to Oregon with her husband, her brother Ambrose and wife, to the Lewis and Clarke centennial. Since that time she had been a teacher in the schools of Webfoot district, Newberg and Independence.

One child was born to this union, Winnifred Thornton, who lived but four short weeks, being buried in the family plot at Dayton, Oregon.

She united with the M. E. church early in life and has been an earnest and conscientious Christian worker, both in church and Sunday school, and for several years had sung in the choir. She had a full, rich alto voice and loved to sing in the Master's service.

In the summer of 1909 she was taken down with hemorrhage of the lungs and after a few weeks of anxious care she was restored to her health and began teaching in the schools of Independence in September of the same year as assistant principal. In January she gave up her work and in spite of all that medical skill could do, she was forced to take her bed about the 13th of February from which she never rose, declining rapidly until her death. She was removed to Portland to receive treatment from a noted tuberculosis specialist of that city and under whose treatment she showed marked signs of recovery. On the morning of the 18th of May Mr. McIntosh was summoned to her bedside from Independence, but the life which was had passed before he could arrive.

She leaves to mourn her departure a loving husband, a mother, a sister and four brothers and a host of relatives and friends. The immediate relatives are George A. Nichols of Minneapolis, Alfred E. Nichols of Sheldon Iowa, Asa A. Nichols, Ester A. Nichols and mother, Mrs. T. M. Nichols, all of Dayton, Oregon, and Ambrose R. Nichols of South Omaha, Nebraska.

Funeral services were held from the Methodist church at Dayton, under the direction of Rev. C. L. Hamilton of Portland, assisted by Rev. Mr. Potter of Newberg, Rev. W. J. Weber of this city and Rev. Mr. Custer of Dayton. The remains were followed to their last resting place in the Odd Fellows cemetery by a host of sorrowing friends besides numbers of relatives from a distance. The funeral sermon was preached from the text, selected from the 15th verse of the 116th Psalm: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His Saint".

Dr. Duganne, Dentist, over Independence National Bank. Bell phone 121; Independent, 4410. tf

Nomination Blank

I NOMINATE THE FOLLOWING NAMED PERSON AS A CANDIDATE IN THE ENTERPRISE GREAT VOTING CONTEST FOR THE CAPITAL PRIZE OF THE PIANO TO BE GIVEN AWAY ON SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 1910.

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You are entitled to one nomination for each candidate