

College Graduates May Have to Settle for Less Than First Choice

Corvallis — Even though industry is "retrenching" during the "recession," 1958 college graduates will find a job, but most will settle for something less than first choice, an Oregon State college survey shows.

Summer Session At OSC To Feature Many Workshops

Corvallis — Annual summer session at Oregon State college this year will feature more than 20 special workshops and expanded programs of study in science and mathematics, in addition to regular course offerings and college preparatory work for high school graduates.

The eight-week session is set June 23 to Aug. 15. The two and four-week workshops offer concentrated work in special fields. This year's group will include high school and college guidance and counseling, art education, farm mechanics, business education, college and university teaching, educational television, home economics, driver education, industrial arts, and physical education.

Most Extensive
Science and mathematics offerings this year will be among the most extensive and advanced in history, according to Dr. F. R. Zeran, dean of education and summer session director. Seventeen mathematics courses will be offered and science work is being enlarged for the three national science teacher institutes scheduled on campus.

Possibilities for some high school graduates to use the summer session as a "testing ground" for their interest and capacity for college has been suggested by Zeran. Students who fail to qualify for college admission on the basis of standing in their high school class can qualify for college entrance through satisfactory summer school performance, he noted.

The college's counseling service will be open throughout the summer as a service to students, Zeran added.

Three high school curriculum workshops will be conducted June 23 to July 18 in cooperation with the state department of education. They will be in business education, health education, and industrial arts.

Morticians Urged To Improve Ties

Portland — The Oregon Funeral Directors Association has been told it should "exercise self-discipline and improve public relations, or face the threat of increasing legislative controls."

State Sen. Monroe Sweetland of Milwaukie, chairman of the Legislative Interim Committee on Coroners' Qualifications, told the group that there is "general dissatisfaction" with the present coroner system among law enforcement officials of Oregon. Sweetland said the 1959 Legislature probably would consider sweeping revisions of the coroner laws, possibly to the extent of excluding morticians from holding the office.

Sweetland said he found resentment toward morticians among physicians, clergymen, attorneys, pathologists and morticians who do not hold coroner's offices. He said the interim committee's report will be completed late this year.

Living Costs Soar For 24th Month

New York — The cost of living rose to a new all-time high in April for the 24th consecutive month, the National Industrial Conference Board reported Wednesday.

Consumer prices in April rose 0.4 per cent from March and ran 3.2 per cent ahead of the same 1957 month, the board said.

The board's all-item index for April stood at 107.2 per cent of the 1953 base period. Food costs scored a month to month gain of 1.1 per cent to pace the index higher. The survey showed food costs now are 7 per cent higher than a year ago.

OSC placement officials also say that because Oregon lacks the research-type industries, a majority of the technically-trained graduates head to California for jobs.

A chemistry professor said job possibilities are "not as good" this year as the past three years. But he added, "the last three years were not normal — they were phenomenal."

Ph.D. Degrees
Best bet is for the Ph.D. graduate, especially in mathematics, physics, chemistry and related fields. Starting pay is from \$8,000 to \$11,000 a year in industry and about \$6,000 for college teaching or research.

In spite of the temporary lag, engineering starting salaries are up \$10 to \$15 a month, from the \$460 average of last year to \$475 this year. Civil engineers find the most job choices because of the federal highway program.

Jobs are tighter in education. Turnover in the elementary and high school teaching ranks has slowed and many persons who left school work are coming back. Starting pay for OSC education graduates this year will vary from \$3,800 to \$5,600.

Shortage Fields
Shortage fields in education are girls physical education, elementary education taught by young men, English, and special education for teaching mentally retarded and handicapped children. Greatest need is qualified librarians for high schools.

Hardest hit in the science fields is geology. This country's oil inventory is high, coupled with foreign reserves. Oil companies have curtailed

exploration. Pay for those hired runs \$485 to \$500 a month.

The forestry school has the least number of jobs listed since nine years ago. Paradoxically, the June graduates are committed to jobs earlier this year. Knowing that things were "tighter," the students sought out jobs. Starting pay is \$4,800.

Demand for pharmacists is high. Most graduates go into drug store work with starting pay at \$5,200.

Prospects Excellent
Job prospects for home economics graduates are excellent. A need for college and high school teachers, dietitians and food service administrators is reported.

In business and technology, the shortage field is sales. Average starting salary for the business graduate is \$375. Most of the larger companies pay \$400 a month, except in banking and merchandising where pay is less.

Agricultural students will find jobs available with commercial companies and public service agencies. Starting pay is \$4,200 to \$5,000. Biggest agriculture department at OSC now is fish and game.

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Former Hobby Now Man's Vocation

Duncan, Okla. — An interest in rocks developed during his years as a miner turned into a hobby for M. R. Davis, and now, at the age of 69, he's making it his vocation.

Davis, a lifelong admirer of beautiful rocks and semi-precious stones, has started cutting stones for wholesale jewelry firms.

"I guess this rock business is pretty much in your blood," said the one-time miner who later became a house painter and paperhanger.

His interest in stones was stirred by the rock collection of his grandfather, a watchmaker and silversmith.

Davis said he has about \$1,000 worth of equipment for his new career. He buys the stones he cuts for jewelers and does not use the ones he collects.

"It's like fishing," he said. "If you want sport, you catch them. If you want to be sure to get fish, you go to a market and buy them."

Davis usually works with agates, although he has worked also with jade and some others. He looks upon his new vocation as an excellent one for aging people.

New York — James C. Petrillo, 66, president of the American Federation of Musicians for 18 years has announced he will retire next month.

Over 60 per cent of the writing instruments sold today are meant to serve as gifts.

Political Unknowns To Be on Ballot as Governor Candidates

Editors note: This is the last in a series of profiles on candidates for governor in the May Primary. Today: George Livingston and Albert Clackamas.

Portland — The names of three "political unknowns" will be on the May primary ballot as candidates for the Republican nomination for governor Friday.

One of them, Orval Rasor, announced last week he was withdrawing as a candidate and asked his supporters to back State Sen. Warren Gill of Lebanon. But his name will be on the ballot.

The other two are George W. Livingston, 40, a plumbing contractor from Damascus, and Clackamas country, and Albert Eichman, 47,

Clackamas, whose slogan is "live and let live."

Livingston says "prosperity for Oregon has never had such possibilities as now." He urges revision of the tax structure, unbiased law enforcement, more representation on the Board of Control, development of more basic industries, more emphasis on fair employment practices and a more active civil rights program.

Livingston received his education in Portland schools. Eichman, a native Oregonian, is for legalized gambling under state supervision, as in Nevada.

He would raise state income tax exemptions to \$1500 for

a single person and \$2500 for a married couple. Eichman's platform calls for liquor by the drink for all taverns, no restriction on sale of liquor except between 2:30 a.m. Sundays to 1 p.m.

Sundays: retail sales of bottled alcoholic beverages to be sold by independently owned stores, no compulsory serving of food in taverns with liquor by the drink and no requirement for liquor permits.

Eichman also would lower the legal age from 21 to 18 years and is an advocate of capital punishment. He says he considers himself "an American liberal."

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