

Willamette University Second In Popularity Among Ex-Service Men Seeking To Continue Educations

With the single exception of the University of Oregon, which leads the list with a total of 112 applications, Willamette university is the most popular among the schools of the state as judged by the applications on file in the secretary of state's office from ex-service men who are desirous of taking advantage of the provisions of the soldiers' educational aid bill.

Pacific university, Forest Grove, 13; Astoria business college, Astoria, 4; The Dalles high school, The Dalles, 4; Eugene Bible university, Eugene, 3; Eugene high school, Eugene, 1; Corvallis high school, Corvallis, 1; Baker high school, Baker, 3; Oregon City high school, Oregon City, 1; Washington high school, Portland, 2; Lincoln high school, Portland, 1; Enterprise high school, Enterprise, 1; Grants Pass high school, Grants Pass, 2; Prairie City high school, Prairie City, 1; Hubbard high school, Hubbard, 2; Hillsboro high school, Hillsboro, 2; Silverton high school, Silverton, 2; Hood River high school, Hood River, 1; McMinnville high school, McMinnville, 1; Franklin high school, Portland, 1; Benson polytechnic school, Portland, 10; Albany college, Albany, 2.

By reason of the fact that the law assisting soldiers, sailors and marines to further their education, is more or less indefinite in its provisions and ambiguous in its language, it is difficult in many cases to ascertain its exact intent and meaning. It might be here stated that the conclusion given by the law by the attorney general is that its provisions apply only to those honorably discharged soldiers, sailors and marines who were bona fide residents of Oregon at the time of their enlistment or induction into the service.

In plain words its benefits are available only to actual residents of Oregon at the time of enlistment, who pursue courses of study in Oregon institutions of learning by physical attendance thereat. The law as viewed at the present time does not contemplate its benefits are available to those taking correspondence courses at home.

While the law appropriates the equivalent of 2-10 of a mill annually on the taxable property of the state, it was not effective until June 4, 1919, consequently it will not be possible to include this sum in the revenues of the state until the next tax levy is made by the state tax commission in December 1919 for the fiscal year 1920, and by reason thereof the moneys will not become available until January 1, 1920.

The fall fishing on the Columbia river opened at noon Wednesday. A fairly good run of salmon is reported in the river.

Dutch Girls Are Different, Says Brooks In Letter

Girls over in Holland look a little different from those in America and from those in France, writes Russell Brooks to his mother Mrs. Mildred M. Brooks. He has just arrived in Holland, taking up his duties as vice consul.

In a letter received by Mrs. Brooks, written two days after her son had arrived in Holland, he notes strange conditions, as follows:

"This country is called the Netherlands and not Holland, officially speaking. It is one vast plain, dissected and re-dissected by canals and rivers. One is either at sea level or below, unless you have a room higher than the first story. Not a hill or rising piece of ground, though there are some depressions.

"People to a large degree, speak English. In fact, I find but little difference between the people here and some portions of New York City. Our offices are situated rather pleasantly on a canal. One must go down two steps to get into them.

"After I have seen the delightful and petite French woman and the stunningly stately American girls the Dutch girls are quite different. They wear little-hats on a broad face, tight belts on flowing skirts, no silk stockings and in general are on tremendous proportions."

Before enlisting for service, Russell Brooks was graduated from Willamette University and was admitted to the bar. Shortly after his return, he received the appointment of vice consul at the Netherlands. At present he is stationed at Rotterdam.

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DOROTHY PHILLIPS IN "PAID IN ADVANCE" STARTING AT THE OREGON THEATER TOMORROW (SUNDAY)

Home Town's Gift To Pershing To Be Picture-- His Mother's

Laclede, Mo., Sept. 13.—(United Press)—"Johnny" Pershing is coming home and Linn county is a beehive.

Knights and titled by European crowned heads; honored and glorified by President Wilson and congress and praised and feted by the nation, general Pershing will be welcomed back to his birthplace. The date is not definite. General Pershing, responding to Mayor Edmund B. Allen's cablegram "Laclede, your old home, your boyhood friends and Linn county is calling you," replied "I have heard the call. Will be there soon after my arrival in the United States."

And then Laclede went to work, preparing the home-coming. When "Johnny" comes home to Laclede it will be a simple affair. There'll be no Caesar's victorious return to Rome. "He's going to be just plain 'Johnny' and that is just what he will want to be," Mayor Allen said, giving the keynote of the celebration. "Lord knows he's been 'generalized' enough by this time, and 'Johnny' is going to sound powerfully good to him."

So Laclede is planning: singing, shouting, handshaking and music and much oratory followed by a fried chicken dinner "on the ground" when Johnny's in town.

The Pershing family will reunite after the celebration. James Pershing, a brother of Chicago; their two sisters, Miss May Pershing and Mrs. Bessie Butler of Lincoln, Neb., will meet again in the old Pershing home, here. "Aunt" Susan Hewett who baked apple pies for the general when he was a barefoot boy, will be a guest. "Aunt" Louisa Warren, who officiated at the birth of Pershing and first bathed and clothed him, will be another guest of honor. George F. Davis, aged resident of Quincy, Ill., will be another honored guest. Davis gave Pershing's father his first job in Laclede—that of section boss. Prof. Smith of Chillicothe, Mo., the living member of the committee giving examinations when Pershing won his appointment to West Point, also will be a guest. Nearly a score of boyhood chums will attend.

Secretary of War Baker and governors of Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Illinois, Oklahoma and Arkansas have been invited.

Gold swords from the world powers crosses of war and other costly gifts of recognition will be mere gew-gaws and trinkets in the life of Pershing on home-coming day. He will receive a photograph and a revolver. The photograph—faded and worn and fifty years old—was a picture of Pershing's mother. It was found recently in an old album belonging to J. H. Hamilton of Laclede. Jordan Parks, a negro, will make the second presentation overshadowing ceremonies accorded by President Wilson, King George and other notables. Parks will return to Pershing an old-fashioned revolver given the negro when John Pershing left for West Point.

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Lafayette Day Observed Throughout Country Today

New York, Sept. 13.—Major General Leonard Wood was scheduled to be the principal speaker at the formal ceremony in commemoration of La Fayette's 162d anniversary, held at City Hall here today.

The celebration, according to the La Fayette Day National committee, was being widely observed throughout the country, the mayors of many cities having promised to cooperate in making the commemoration exercises great successes.

Among the cities where elaborate plans for the day had been made were San Francisco; Lynn, Mass. Newark, N. J.; Syracuse N. Y.; Louisville, Ky.; Pueblo, Colo.; Yonkers, N. Y., and Pasadena, N. J. Mayor Ralph of San Francisco heads the committee in that city and recently was decorated by the French government with the Legion of Honor in recognition of the fine record made by San Francisco during the war.

Knights Of Columbus Hold Track Meet At Camp Dix

New York, Sept. 13.—Marshall Hubbard, who won the 220-yard dash at the Inter-Allied games of the A. E. F. in Pershing stadium, France, was to be one of the star contenders in the events today at the Olympic Meet of the Knights of Columbus at Camp Dix, N. J. The military carnival was open only to former service men as was the famous international gathering held at Stockholm Sweden.

Frank Wandle, the Knights of Columbus secretary, is in charge of the Olympic. The chief air event scheduled was a flight by Lieuts. Donaldson and Stewart from the grounds to Philadelphia and return for an air record. Other important entries were those of George Hooley, Irvington, N. J., champion amateur runner, who was signed up for the marathon, from the Camp to the State house at Trenton, and Lieut. Russell H. Anderson who was listed for ten events.

FIVE MEN REPRESENT DALLAS IN FIRST DIVISION PARADE

Dallas will be represented by at least five men in the grand parade of the first division, headed by General Pershing himself, which will be held in New York City and Washington, D. C., this week. The soldiers from this city who will be in this last parade of American fighting men who participated in the great war are: Lt. O. E. Chenoweth, Lt. Edward J. Hines, James N. Lynn, Clyde B. Gibbs and Lloyd Gooden. Itemizer.

A crate of five chickens was sent by parcel post last week from Bend, Or., to Seattle.

Housing Problem Bothering Japanese Also Say Reports

Tokyo, Sept. 13.—The seriousness of the housing situation in the big cities of Japan may be judged from the fact that recently one of the trans-Pacific liners brought 130 passengers for Yokohama when not a single room was to be had at the leading hotels of Yokohama or Tokyo. The new arrivals had to take what they could get at the obscure hotels and at the Japanese inns. The hotels are crowded with resident guests unable to find houses. Many families, coming to Japan are obliged to put up at hotels or with some newly-made friends for months before they can find suitable places to rent.

M'ARTHUR VISITS ITEM.

Hon. C. N. McArthur, congressman from the Portland district, visited his farm at Bicknell last week. McArthur secured a leave of absence and came out to Oregon to be present when the Pacific fleet visited Portland. "Pat" also had another errand on this trip. He wanted to start work on that political fence with which he expects to over-throw the republican senatorial nomination next year.—Itemizer.

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