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MODERN laboratory equipment for the study of foreign languages is one of the features of the recently dedicated William S. Walton Hall, the new home of the foreign language division.

Progress Reports Coming This Fall

"INFO '67—a report on Willamette University after 125 years" is the title of a series of programs that will be presented in 33 cities this fall primarily along the West Coast.

Conducted by members of the staff and faculty, the programs will apprise alumni, parents of current students and prospective students, and others interested in the University of the recent changes on the campus and plans for the future. It will also be a time for questions and answers.

A schedule of the September and October meetings will be published at a later date, but they are tentatively scheduled for the following cities:

Oregon—Albany, Astoria, Bend, Coos Bay, Corvallis, Eugene, Forest Grove, Grants Pass, Klamath Falls, Lebanon, McMinnville, Medford, Roseburg, Portland and Salem; California—Berkeley, Los Angeles, Garden Grove, Ontario, Palo Alto, Santa Barbara, San Diego, Sacramento and San Francisco; Washington—Bellingham, Olympia, Seattle, Spokane, Tacoma, and Vancouver; Idaho—Boise; Hawaii—Honolulu; and New York City.

"NO MEMORY of Alma Mater older than a year or so is likely to bear much resemblance to today's college or university."

Construction sounds and three new buildings are audio-visual proof of the achievements to date of the University's \$12.5 million Fund for Educational Excellence (FEE 125). At the close of fiscal '66-'67, the University had received gifts and pledges totaling about \$5.7 million, over 45 per cent of the goal.

To remain on schedule, the University has announced Operation Midpoint with a \$1,250,000 goal to assure that FEE 125 will reach the midpoint in resources at the midpoint in time. Operation Midpoint has specific goals of matching a \$375,000 challenge gift on the University Center, completing the Truman Collins Legal Center and endowment, and raising funds for scholarship endowment and campus expansion.

Leadership of the Operation Midpoint phase of FEE 125 has been accepted by Warne Nunn, '41, Assistant to the President of the Pacific Power and Light Co. He will serve as overall campaign chairman. Nunn previously served as executive assistant to Sen. Mark Hatfield when the latter was Governor of Oregon.

"We are most fortunate to have the leadership of Mr. Nunn," said President G. Herbert Smith. "He is a very loyal alumnus and we are sure he will give splendid leadership in this next step of our FEE 125 program."

The three new buildings that were dedicated during Commencement week-end, William S. Walton Hall, the library



Warne Nunn

addition and addition to Doney Hall, will be joined this summer by the Truman Collins Legal Center and two more women's residences which are nearing completion. The next project, then, will be the University Center, a facility that will cost about \$1,000,000 and be located on Mill Street, directly south of the Fine Arts Auditorium.

The University Center will include the student body and publications offices, conference and meeting rooms, student lounge, recreation area, snack bar, book store, and offices for the personnel deans, student aid, and director of the Center.



READY for occupancy this Fall is the Truman Collins Legal Center on Winter Street across from Lausanne Hall. Designed for 300 students, the facilities include three floors of library stack space, individual study carrels, large class and seminar rooms, student and faculty lounges, practice court room, and faculty and administrative offices.

Graduate Study Beckons 63.5% of Willamette Graduates

Nearly two-thirds of the 200 Willamette graduates in liberal arts and music this year have made plans to continue their schooling next year according to a survey taken on commencement day.

The total of 127 students planning additional studies represents 63.5 per cent and a record high for Willamette. Last year 56 per cent of the degree recipients planned graduate study, and 49 per cent in 1965.

"If this trend continues," speculated Dean Byron Doenges of the College of Liberal Arts, "then it underscores the wisdom of our recent curriculum changes and challenges our faculty to strengthen our liberal arts program."

The increase is reflected in the number of women graduates who plan to go on, as the percentage of men seeking graduate education has remained about the same (between 64 and 67 per cent) the past three years. Percentages of women graduates planning to continue schooling have gone up successively the past three years from 30 per cent to 43 per cent to this year's high of 57.8 per cent.

In addition to the graduates who

have plans to continue their formal education, the recent survey shows 55 who are employed, 14 going into military service, two going into the Peace

Corps, and two not specifying their plans.

Of the departments having more than 10 degree winners, four of them show more than 80 per cent planning graduate school—mathematics, chemistry, English and biology. Economics had the largest number going on, 20 out of 30.

Survey of WU graduates in liberal arts and music, 1965-67

	'65	'66	'67
No. of graduates	246	200	200
No. of men	136	112	129
Men planning			
grad. study	87	74	86
Percentage	64%	66%	67%
No. of women	110	88	71
Women planning			
grad. study	33	38	41
Percentage	30%	43%	58%
Overall % planning			
grad. study	49%	56%	63.5%

Faculty List Grows

An Assistant Director of Admissions and nine more faculty members have been appointed for the next academic year, bringing the total of new appointments to 20. The new additions are:

—Franklin D. Meyer, Assistant Director of Admissions, B.A. and M.A., Michigan State University.

—Tung-chia Wong, Law Library cataloger, B.A., Tumkang College of Arts and Science (Taipei); M.A., University of Washington.

—Stella Sallee, instructor in psychology, B.S., Montana State; M.A., University of South Dakota; Ph.D. candidate, University of South Dakota.

—Donald W. Llewellyn, assistant professor in law, B.A., Dickinson College (Pa.); LL.B., Dickinson College of Law; Master of Laws candidate, New York University.

—Margaret S. Billings, instructor in Spanish, B.A., State University of Iowa; M.A. candidate, State University of Iowa.

—Michael D. O'Keefe, assistant professor in law, B.A., University of Washington; LL.B. candidate, University of Washington.

—James Boutin, instructor in physical education and basketball coach, B.S., Lewis and Clark; M.S., University of Southern California.

—Julio Viamonte, associate professor of voice and director of Opera Theatre, B.A., University of La Plata (Argentina).

—William Konney, instructor in cello and chamber music, B.M., Oberlin Conservatory; M.A., U. of Iowa.

—Kenneth S. Nolley, instructor in English, B.A., Westmont College; M.A., University of Virginia.

Gifts for Year Top \$1.4 Million

A new record in gifts to the University was announced by President Smith at the annual meeting of the Board of Governors June 22.

Willamette received a total of \$1,401,034.20 to eclipse the previous high of \$1,328,524 set last year. He emphasized that this year's total covered only 11 months, from July 1, 1966, to May 31, 1967, as the University has adopted a new fiscal year. It is the fourth time in five years that the University has received more than \$1 million.

Of the record total, \$1,122,635.90 were capital gifts, while \$278,398.30 were used for current purposes. A full report of gifts will be published at a later date.



HONORARY degrees were awarded to four distinguished scholars at Willamette's 125th anniversary year commencement in May. Recipients from the left are Dr. William C. Jones, Dr. Robert M. Gatke, Dr. R. Franklin Thompson, and Dr. Carl M. Beecher.

Four Scholars Merit Honorary Degrees

In addition to the 263 degrees that were granted to students during the 125th anniversary year commencement ceremony, honorary doctorates were bestowed upon four distinguished scholars. The recipients were Dr. Carl M. Beecher, Music; Dr. Robert M. Gatke, Humane Letters; Dr. William C. Jones, Law; and Dr. R. Franklin Thompson, Humanities.

Dr. Beecher served as Dean of the School of Music at Northwestern University for 25 years and had a distinguished career in music and administration. He was the principal founder of the Phi Kappa Lambda honor society in music.

Dr. Gatke has devoted over a half-century to his alma mater, Willamette University, as a professor of political science and history and now as the University's historian. He is the author of *Chronicles of Willamette*.

A former professor at Willamette, Dr. Jones currently serves as Dean of Administration at the University of Oregon. He was president of Whittier College from 1944-51, and taught business and public administration at Willamette from 1929-41.

Dr. Thompson has been president at the University of Puget Sound for the past 25 years after leaving Willamette as a faculty member and vice-president from 1937-42.



POSTMASTER E. D. Spencer (left) and President Smith look at special postal cancellation honoring Willamette's 125th year.

Music Project Stirs Interest

One year ago the College of Music was one of 24 music schools selected nationally to share \$330,000 in developing new and better ways to teach music, under the auspices of the Contemporary Music Project of the Music Educators National Conference.

As reported in the New York Times, the project is aimed at "deepening the music education of aspiring professionals, teachers and dedicated amateurs. Ways will be explored of providing a broader perspective to music students by helping them relate separated studies

—composition, pedagogy, history, performance and theory—and applying what they learn to the music of today. This broader perspective is eventually expected to filter down to music teaching in the public schools."

Dean Charles Bestor of the College of Music said that Willamette spent its first year developing within its course of freshman basic musicianship an experimental team-taught program in elementary music theory-history-literature "which has attracted some considerable national attention."

This program will be extended this coming year to include both the freshman and sophomore years and involve four of the ten full-time faculty members. "Ultimately Willamette's program will serve as a pilot project for schools developing courses integrating all of the elements of music into a single core," said Dean Bestor. He reported Willamette's progress in the overall program at a national symposium at Washington, D. C. in May attended by 40 distinguished music educators.

Medical School Recalls WU's Role

Willamette's role in the beginning of medical education in Oregon 100 years ago and the subsequent establishment of the University of Oregon Medical School are featured in a centennial publication "Men and Milestones in Medicine" published by the UOMS.

As population in the West grew, the need for trained physicians became urgent. In 1867 Willamette president Dr. J. H. Wythe, the only medical doctor ever to serve as president, organized nine physicians and launched medical instruction in Waller Hall on March 3, 1867. This department was the third of its kind west of the Mississippi and the first north of San Francisco.

Greater clinical facilities in Portland beckoned in 1878, so the Willamette Medical Department moved from Waller to some rooms above a livery stable in Portland. The Medical Department remained in Portland until 1895, but in the meantime a dispute among physicians led to the establishment of the University of Oregon Medical School in 1887.

Salem regained the Willamette Medical Department in 1895 when hospital facilities were withdrawn from use in Portland. The U of O Medical School remained in Portland, and in 1913 Willamette's Board of Trustees agreed to a merger with the Portland school.

Postal Cancellation Notes Anniversary

Between May 15 and Nov. 15 this year over 35 million pieces of mail processed through the Salem Post Office will bear reference to Willamette's 125th anniversary.

The University secured permission for a special postal cancellation with the inscription "Willamette Univ., 125th Anniversary, 1842-1967" on three lines.

Collectors of special cancellations from nearly every state in the union submitted letters to postmaster E. D. Spencer to have a copy of the first day cancellation May 15.

Seniors Report 27 Graduate Grants

Prior to commencement, 27 seniors informed the Dean's office of graduate scholarships, fellowships and assistantships they have received for the Fall. The total includes a Fulbright grant, Woodrow Wilson Fellowship and four National Defense Education Act Fellowships among others.

Steven Acuff of Salem was awarded the Fulbright grant to Bonn (Germany) University to study international politics.

Other recipients are: John A. Anderson, NDEA, University of Washington (economics); Cathleen D. Arbaugh, fellowship, Michigan State Univ. (psychology); John W. Benson, NDEA, Univ. of Wisconsin (Spanish);

Mark F. Campbell, National Science Foundation, Univ. of Idaho (chemistry); Shirley Ann Coffield, ND Scholarship, Univ. of Wisconsin (political science); Garry D. Everson, assistantship, Oregon State Univ. (statistics); Richard Gates, assistantship, Oregon State Univ. (oceanography); Judith Ann Gerber, M.A.T. program, Northwestern Univ.; Jeffrey L. Hicks, fellowship, U. of Oregon (special education of exceptional children); Michael Hood, NDEA, U. of Arizona (English); Barbara Diane Hoss, fellowship, Harvard Divinity School; Lannae Isaacson, assistantship, Brigham Young (French); Raymond T. Loyd, III, scholarship, Goethe Institute (German); Muriel Kramer, assistantship, U. of Illinois (music); Deirdre B. Luke, scholarship, Stanford (medical technology); Richard C. Payne, assistantship, U. of New Hampshire (economics); Susan Kay Robertson, scholarship, M.A.T. program, Reed College; Dianne L. Seaver, assistantship, Indiana Univ. (psychology); Jack Sanders Sevall, fellowship, Purdue Univ. (bio-chemistry); Kenneth B. Solberg, assistantship, U. of Wisconsin (psychology); David Y. Stanley, tuition, University of Michigan law school; Brian Stevenson, assistantship, Oregon State Univ. (chemistry); Wesley D. Taylor, tuition, Claremont (religion); Gerald G. Watson, NDEA, U. of Florida (political science); Donna M. Wright, fellowship, U. of Wisconsin (psychology); Richard Zeller, Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, UCLA (psychology).

"Jason" Copies On Sale

Copies of the third edition of the "Jason," Willamette's fine arts publication, will be on sale in the student book store through the summer with 26 works by students, faculty members and guest poets. Many entries in the University's creative writing contest are featured, including Lenore Hall's winning poem.

Boutin New Hoop Coach

A 20-year basketball coaching career at Willamette came to a close for John Lewis and 24-year-old Jim Boutin was named as his successor. Lewis remains as director of athletics and baseball coach.

Boutin, a two-time Little All-American basketball player at Lewis and Clark College, compiled a 39-12 record in two years of coaching at Washington High School in Portland. Lewis describes him as "the coach of the future



John Lewis



Jim Boutin

in Oregon who will bring youth and vigor to the job."

Boutin earned his master's degree in physical education at the University of Southern California and this summer he started work toward his doctorate at the University of Oregon. He will instruct in the physical education department and direct the intramurals.

The departure of Gene Cooper, wrestling coach and head of the PE department, to Boise College has precipitated other changes in athletic assignments. Assistant football coach Joe Schaffeld will be the new wrestling coach and Dr. Charles Bowles, track coach, will become head of PE.

In relinquishing his basketball duties, Lewis closed his career with a 277-239 record. His teams won or shared the Northwest Conference championships seven times and they had losing seasons only five of the 20 years.

Championships Elude Spring Teams

Willamette's Spring athletic teams earned a second, two thirds and a fourth in golf, track and tennis, and baseball respectively in Northwest Conference competition. Champions in the four sports events were: golf, Whitman; track, Lewis and Clark; tennis, Pacific Lutheran; and baseball, L&C.

Five Bearcat baseball players made the All-Star team: catcher Ron Lee; first baseman Walt Looney (who also received the J. Henry Booth athletic award); third baseman Dave Stanley; shortstop Jon Edwards; and center-fielder Gib Gilmore. John Lewis' crew finished the year with a 12-10 record, 11-7 in NWC play.

A lack of sprinters hampered Chuck Bowles' track performers, but four Bearcats gained individual titles in the NWC meet. Pat Armstrong in the mile (4:21.9); Ray Colson in the high hurdles (14.9) and intermediates (38.3);

Ron Jensen in the shot put (50-9); and Jon McGladrey in a record triple jump (45-2). The former three went to the NAIA national meet in Sioux Falls but failed to place.

Les Sparks' 41st season as tennis coach was a winning one in NWC play with a 5-4 record, although the season mark was 7-8. The doubles team of John Erickson and Bob Schaeffer won both the NWC doubles title and NAIA District II crown and earned a trip to the nationals at Kansas City.

Bruce Hubbell was the only Bearcat golfer to land a spot on the NWC team as Willamette finished 13 strokes behind Whitman in the 36-hole conference meet. For the year, the 'Cats compiled an 11-9 match record.

President Receives Honorary Degree From U. of Pacific

President G. Herbert Smith was awarded an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree at the 110th commencement of the University of Pacific in Stockton, Calif., June 11.

University of Pacific President Robert E. Burns presented the degree and stated that "You have given your life since graduation from college to education, religion and public service. As President of Willamette University since 1942 you have served on boards and commissions, participating in organizations too numerous to mention. While you have built Willamette University into one of the finest institutions of its type in America, your service in the many facets of our complex life is exemplary. By a vote of the Regents of the University and the faculty, I have the honor to confer upon you the degree, Doctor of Public Service."

This was the fifth honorary degree for President Smith. He has previously been honored by Nebraska Wesleyan University, University of Southern California, DePauw University and Northwest Nazarene College.

Dean-elect Malone Named Outstanding

Dean-elect James L. Malone, who will join the College of Law faculty in July, has been selected to appear in the 1967 edition of "Outstanding Young Men of America." He has been assistant dean of the UCLA School of Law.

Malone graduated magna cum laude from Pomona College in 1953 where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He studied a year at the New York University Law School, took some graduate work at Princeton and earned his law degree at Stanford University.

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Dr. J. C. Harrison Dies

Dr. Jabez C. Harrison, president of the Willamette University Board of Trustees from 1942-45 and a Life Member Trustee of Willamette, died May 22 in Portland at the age of 82. He served on the Board of Trustees for 34 years in what President Smith termed "long, faithful and distinguished service." He was ordained in the Methodist church in 1911 and was a former pastor of the First Methodist Church in Salem.