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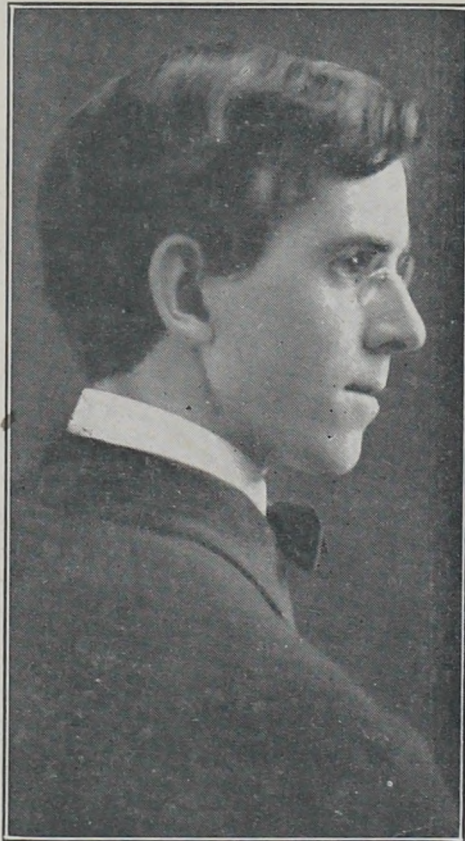
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**NEWS ITEMS**



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### Faculty Strengthened.

By reason of the enlarged endowment it has become possible so to arrange the work that the members of the faculty now give all their time to College work—the Academy being separate from the college and having its own instructors giving all their time to the work of the Academy, thereby rendering both more efficient.

Among the departments there has been a strengthening of the **work in English**. In addition to Miss Krenning, whose inspirational and character-building work in Literature has built up the department, the College now has a brilliant student and teacher of English and public speaking in Professor Wallace MacMurray. Miss Winnifred Davis who has had charge of this work has not been in the best of health since coming to Salem and becoming persuaded that it was not advisable for her to remain in this location longer, resigned just before the Christmas vacation.

Mr. MacMurray received the degree of Bachelor of Arts with distinction for merit in general studies and excellence in English from the University of Minnesota, from which institution he also has the degree of Master of Arts, his graduate study being in English in which he has completed the work in residence for the Doctorate.

He has made a special study of the Drama, both Medieval and Modern which study included not only the Drama as literature but its technic and interpretation as well. He has also had advanced courses in composition and rhetoric, debate and oratory, as well as special work in interpretation.

Professor MacMurray has enjoyed the privilege of studying under Dr. Richard Burton, head of the English Department of the University of Minnesota and Vice-President of the Drama League in America, Mr. Firkinis, a dramatic critic, under whom he took dramatic criticism and interpretation, and Dr. Klaeber, the well known scholar in Anglo-Saxon.

President Craig of Morningside College, where Professor MacMurray taught last year says, "He is a brilliant man with unusual equipments. His popularity with the classes was unbounded. The departure of his family for the coast seemed to make it advisable for him to be near them. His going has been a very great loss

to our institution and it will be a long time before we can fill properly his place. We re-engaged him at increased salary. Any institution that can secure his services will surely be fortunate. He goes with the very best wishes of Morningside College and our unqualified testimony as to the efficiency of his work." Mr. MacMurray has had a great deal of experience in training students to take part in debates and oratorical contests.

Another addition to the faculty has brought about a new and broader **PHYSICAL EDUCATION**. The College plans outdoor and indoor work for men and women. Regular teams in football, baseball and basketball and track and field athletics are maintained. Through these, the reserves and class teams a large number of students are given outdoor exercise under the care of Dr. G. J. Sweetland, Jr.

The work for young women is in charge of Miss Ida B. Davis, A. B. University of Illinois, and a graduate student of the same institution, who has had special training in lines of physical education for women.

In addition to outdoor work, corrective gymnastics for those defective in posture, together with aesthetic gymnastics are required in order to promote symmetrical development as a basis for health, poise and grace. Lectures on personal Hygiene are given by Dr. Sweetland to the young men, and by Miss Ida Davis to young women. Breathing, bathing, clothing and kindred subjects are considered. It is the plan of the president and faculty to keep in touch with this work in such a way as to eliminate evils, making the work productive of real benefit to the participants and making athletics clean and conducive to true development. Students having unsatisfactory scholastic rank are debarred from intercollegiate contests.

The football team, this year claims the championship of the state, having won every game which it played. They defeated the University of Oregon by a score of 6-3. The explanation of such a strong team among Willamette students is found in the fact that the requirement on the part of the faculty, that the students must maintain satisfactory grades in at least twelve hours of work means brain power in the men who enter the team and in the further fact that the strong athletic director, Dr. G.

J. Sweetland, Jr., puts unusual keenness into his coaching of the team.

### **Heating and Ventilation.**

Improvements in the heating and ventilating system of Eaton Hall are being made during the Christmas holidays at an expense of about \$2000, to render the present system more efficient.

### **The Library.**

In addition to the acquisition of the private library of Dr. James Lisle recently, several hundred books many of them the most recent publications suggested by the heads of the departments, have been added. The Faculty Committee on the Library has in view several additions and improvements meaning greatly increased advantages and facilities in the near future.

### **Liberal Spirit.**

The institution affords special advantages in the articulation of the courses in College with those in the secondary schools, in the fact that it makes only such requirements as enable a student to connect the courses of the secondary school with College courses, certain vocational subjects being allowed; and in the fact that the student's work in College may be so adjusted as to enable him to take sub-freshmen work in the Oregon Institute in order to obtain pre-requisites of such College studies as he desires to pursue.

The completion of a course leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree gives one intending to enter a profession a great advantage not only in special preparation, as requirements for admission to the best professional schools indicate, but also in that it enables him to pursue methods in his professional study which make possible greater efficiency. Further, by making a major in the line of his chosen profession he may save time, in certain cases a year, in the professional school.

**Medicine**—Preparation for medicine may be secured through a major in Biology and a minor in Chemistry.

**Law**—Salem offers unusual advantages to the student intending to enter this profession. Here are the Courts the State Library, etc. In the College of Liberal Arts he may make a major in Social and Political Science and give special attention to History, English and Forensics, thereby preparing more adequately for the Law School.

**Theology**—The courses in Greek,

Bible, Psychology, Philosophy, History of Religion and Missions, Psychology of Religion, Philosophy of Religion and Social Science, which latter is given increasing recognition in theological schools, are especially helpful to those preparing for the ministry.

Willamette University, having been built up on the model of the eastern college, though it has broadened its courses, continues to cultivate the humanities with zealous care. In keeping with this ideal it recognizes the importance of affording those young people preparing for the fields of public service, Christian work, journalism, engineering, and business administration, who do not pursue a course in liberal arts, the opportunity of laying foundations for these various fields of activity in connection with the pursuit of non-technical studies that serve to develop a general education and cultivate the thinking powers of the student.

Credits for certain studies of a liberal character pursued in professional schools requiring High School graduation for admission are allowed to count toward the one hundred and twenty hours required for graduation from the College of Arts. Ten such credits are allowed for work in music; ten for work in law; fifteen each for work in Theology, and medicine.

The application of Christian principles and ideals to the great social problems of the day is the subject of special study and it is the aim to inspire the students to come into close touch with present day social conditions and become factors in the solution of the problems presented, not only by equipping them for the work of the church in the Sunday school and other organizations, but also by qualifying them to bring about a closer relationship between the church and modern life. To this end it is well that religion, the Bible, Christianity, service, human interests, should be brought into prominence not in separate, isolated aspects, but in relation to history, literature, philosophy, social science, and all the departments of study, as the vital, informing spirit of all.

The university is devoted to Christian culture, but is not sectarian. A recent investigation shows that 13 different denominations are represented in Willamette, 31 being from the Presbyterian church. The Sa-

lem churches take special interest in the students, both in the regular services and in the Sunday schools and young people's organizations. Students attend the church of their choice. Devotional exercises are observed each school day in the chapel.

### High Standards.

The College of Liberal Arts is approved as a standard college by the United States Bureau of Education and the University Senate of the Methodist Episcopal church.

It meets the requirements for certificates for teaching in four-year high schools, adopted by the conference of the chief state school officers of the north central and west central states, at Salt Lake City, November 17, 18, 19, 1910; namely, "Any diploma from a standard college or university granted upon the completion of a 120-semester hour course including 15 hours in education shall be recognized." It also meets the requirements for certification in Oregon, Washington, and Idaho.

While it is needless to say that the credits of the college are accepted by the University of Oregon, and University of Washington, it may not be amiss to state that they are accepted by the University of California, where the grades are made the basis of extra credit as that institution treats its own grades; also by

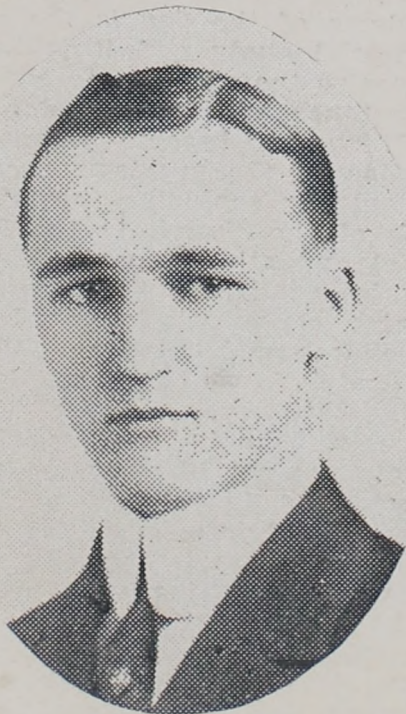
such institutions as Leland Stanford Junior University, Princeton, etc.

The Rhodes scholarship, recently held by a Willamette student, is now given by appointment to Mr. Paul Homan, a member of the Senior class, who by reason of his high scholastic attainments, his leadership in various forms of athletics and in general student activities, was chosen by unanimous vote of the Rhodes scholarship selection committee.

### Growth.

It is gratifying to note that in addition to the larger freshman classes which have been entering the college in the last few years, the institution has been holding a larger number of the entering students to the day of graduation than was formerly the case. The increase in this respect in the last three or four years is from 20 per cent to 25 per cent, the junior and senior classes this year having twice the number in these two classes last year. Thus Willamette is meeting with great encouragement the problem which confronts many colleges today. This well sustained increase means additional equipment and further buildings in the near future, and it is gratifying to know that a fund of \$50,000 is already in store for a new building, which it is hoped may early be supplemented to such an extent as to make possible the beginning of a new structure at an early date.

This pleasing growth now promises to be accelerated by reason of the fact that the city of Salem is without a saloon, a very desirable condition preferred by parents whose young people go away to college, a conditions afforded about three-fourths of the educational institutions of this country, either by special provisions of the charter or by legislative enactment, or by special vote of the municipality. In the latter instance, as in the case of Salem, an additional advertisement is given the seat of the institution, for the general public appreciates the estimable character of a citizenship which expresses itself as the people of Salem have indicated their growing opposition to the liquor traffic.



**PAUL HOMAN**

Winner of the Rhodes Scholarship.