

NEW SERIES  
WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY BULLETIN

(Published Quarterly)

VOL. VI

SALEM, OREGON, OCTOBER 1, 1913

NO. 2

Entered as second-class matter, August 24, 1911, at the Post Office at Salem, Oregon, Under the Act of July 16, 1894.

CONFERENCE NUMBER

*Educational and Laymen's Association Rally*

Oregon Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Eugene, Oregon, Friday, September 26, 1913, at 7:30 p. m.

*Willamette University Has Secured the Half Million Endowment.*

**Program**

Walton Skipworth, Presiding.

Hymn .....

Scripture Reading ..... EDWARD H. TODD  
Vice President of Willamette University.  
Eighth General Reading of the Psalter

Prayer ..... HIRAM GOULD

Address ..... T. S. MCDANIEL  
President of Board of Trustees of Willamette University  
and Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Kimball  
School of Theology.

Address ..... HENRY D. KIMBALL  
Dean of Kimball School of Theology.

Hymn .....

Address ..... ROBERT A. BOOTH  
President of Oregon Conference Laymen's Association.

Address ..... FLETCHER HOMAN  
President of Willamette University.

Hymn .....

Benediction .....

# Campaign Closed

The Oregon Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, foster parent of the Willamette University, is standing at the commencement of the Greater Willamette. This is no ordinary event. It is of such significance that the whole church is taking notice of the doings relative to Willamette University.

This occasion is in striking contrast to some which the older members of this conference can recall. As this conference gathered, in time past, it was called to look upon gathering clouds, from which the lightnings and thunders of unfriendly acts and words threatened the life of the school. Many times hearts were filled with grave apprehension, not to say, despair. Then it was that the sacrificial giving of a man's life, and the like giving of the means of others rescued the school from its peril.

It is not so today. We come to this session under the most favorable circumstances. The campaign begun by the offer of the Honorable Robert A. Booth of Eugene, Oregon, to give \$100,000.00 is closed successfully.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees the committee, which had been assigned the duty of passing upon the subscriptions made to the endowment fund, reported. After making the necessary statements of facts, they offered some recommendations, the first of which was, "That the special campaign be declared closed. "Their report was adopted, and a committee appointed to draft suitable resolutions. The following was their report:

"The Board of Trustees of Willamette University, Salem, Oregon, in annual session, June 17th, 1913, wish hereby to express their profound gratitude at the successful issue for one half million dollars of endowment to Willamette University. We believe a strategic center has been permanently established for the holding of this rapidly developing Northwest to the high ideals of civil, social and religious life. We believe the princely gift of the Honorable Robert A. Booth, whose offer of \$100,000.00 initiated this movement; of Mr. James J. Hill, who gave \$50,000.00, and of Mr. Peter W. Severson, who gave \$100,000.00, and of the multitudes of other givers whose loyalty and generosity combined to make the campaign a success, have given impetus to the higher civilization of this coast which will be felt increasingly through the years".

"We wish to express to them, and to President Homan, and Vice President Todd, who have labored indefatigably to help to attain this happy consumation, our profound gratitude, in the name of Willamette University, its alumni, its constituency, and the Methodism of the Northwest."

Thus was the campaign for the raising of a half million dollars of endowment for Willamette University formally closed. It was a momentous moment for Willamette University and the Kingdom of God. It behooves us to pause for a time for praise and thanksgiving to God for this truly marvelous victory. We certainly all feel with a certain alumnus, who said "I believe God wants Willamette University to live." When asked why, he gave as his reason, "That she had been, seemingly, near her end a number of times, but each time she was rescued and has not for a single day closed her doors since her founding. The accomplishment of this present task is proof to me that God wants her to live."

Let us all bow our heads and reverently say with the Psalmist "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes." He has raised us up friends and leaders and has caused us to triumph over every difficulty. "O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker."



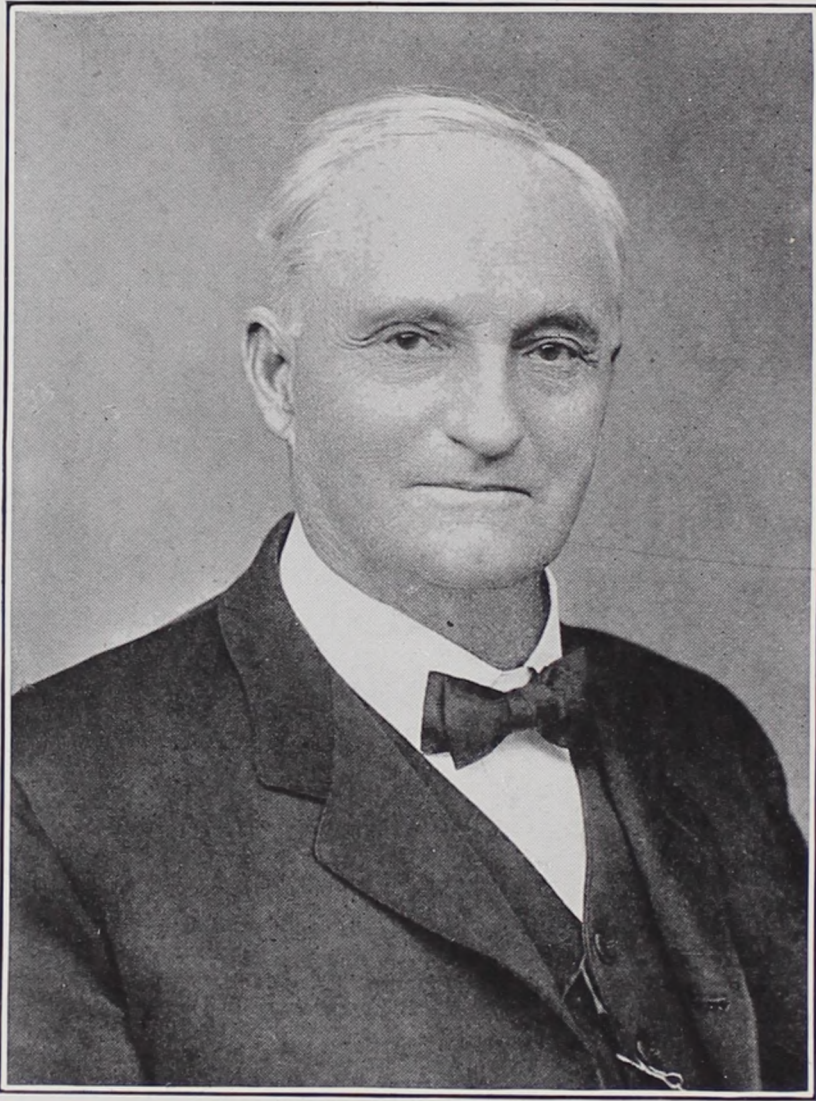
**HON. ROBERT A. BOOTH, EUGENE, OREGON.**

**Donor of One Hundred Thousand Dollars. Fifty Thousand to be applied on endowment and Fifty Thousand to be applied on a Memorial Building to the Pioneers. Mr. Booth is the son of a pioneer Methodist preacher.**

## **Early History**

The founding of this historic, and forever history-affecting school, is wrapped up with the beginnings of Oregon. One cannot write the history of either the Church or the State in this Northwest and omit the name of Jason Lee.

The curtain rises upon the first act in the founding of Willamette University revealing a sailing vessel a thousand miles south of New York. A group of some fifty people are engaged in a Centennial Celebration of



**HON. A. E. EATON, UNION, OREGON.**

**Donor of Fifty Thousand Dollar Building, Eaton Hall. A pioneer of the Grande Ronde Valley.**

the founding of Methodism. The service is under the appointment and direction of Jason Lee, and the Reverend Gustavus Hines is preaching the sermon. The service closes in the taking of a collection for the purpose of founding a school of higher grade in the Willamette Valley, amounting to \$650.00. The date is October 25th, 1839.

Nearly three years passed before another act is recorded. This time the curtain reveals a mass meeting of the members of the settlement. The setting is in the home of Jason Lee, having met at his call in North Salem, January 17, 1842.—The house is still standing and ought to be preserved. An interesting discussion is being held, relative to the founding of a school. The result is the appointment of a committee composed of Dr. J. L. Babcock, David Leslie and Gustavus Hines, to prepare for a second meeting which they are empowered to call.

The curtain rises again in just a few days for the third act. Our vision rests upon a company of men gathered in "The Old Mission." Intense interest is manifested in the subject under consideration. We see them launch the enterprise of founding a school which shall become in the future a university. They name it Oregon Institute, and it is the first school of higher learning west of the Rocky Mountains. The following

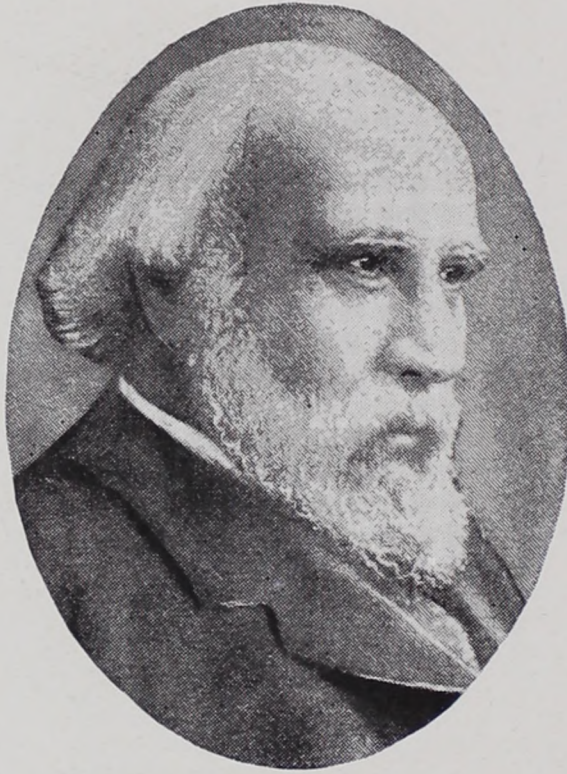


**PETER W. SEVERSON, PORTLAND, OREGON.**

**Donor of One Hundred Thousand Dollars to the Endowment Fund of  
Willamette University. A pioneer in the city of Portland.**

trustees were elected: Jason Lee, David Leslie, Gustavus Hines, J. L. Parish, L. H. Judson, George Abernethy, Alanson Beers, Hamilton Campbell, Dr. J. L. Babcock. This is the true birthday of Willamette University, February 1st, 1842. Year by year the first day of February ought to be remembered by some suitable exercises.

In the foreground of the fourth act, another company of men is seated in the old parsonage, which is on the site of the Thomas Kay Woolen mills. These are the representatives of the Methodist Episcopal Church who have come together to consider adopting the newly organized school. By their action the forerunners of this conference became the



**HON. JAMES J. HILL, ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA.**

**Donor of Fifty Thousand Dollars to the Endowment Fund of Willamette University.**

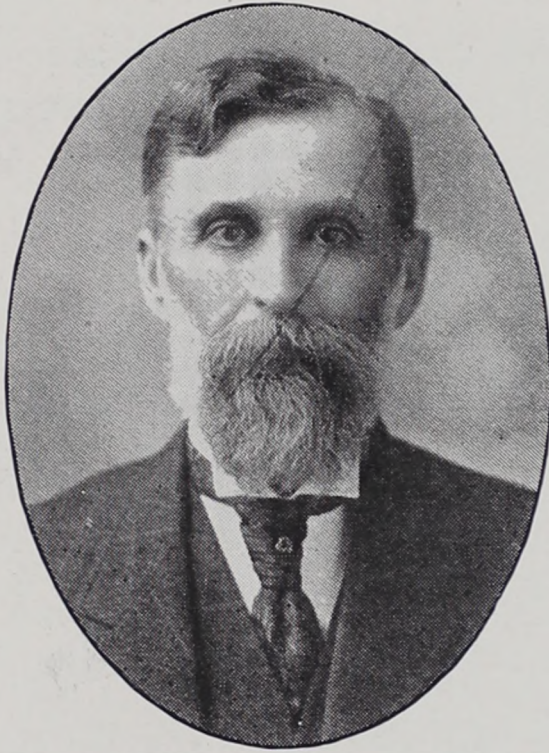
foster parent of Oregon Institute on October 26, 1842. Just three years and one day after the collection was taken on shipboard out on the Atlantic Ocean. Many of the same persons are leading characters in both scenes.

In 1834 Mr. Lee had opened an Indian Mission School in a log cabin about ten miles north of the present site of the city of Salem. In 1842 a new building was prepared, costing \$10,000.00, on the present campus of Willamette University for this Indian School. For various reasons the Indians ceased to attend. By order of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church Mr. George Gary superseded Mr. Lee as superintendent of the Mission. In the fall of 1844 the campus and building of the Indian School were sold to the Oregon Institute, and it opened its doors for white students with Mrs. Chloe A. (Clark) Wilson as the only teacher. From that day till the present there has been an unbroken record of school work.

The curtain rises once again. This time the legislature of the territory of Oregon is in session. After due deliberation a bill is passed incorporating Willamette University, leaving Oregon Institute as the preparatory department. The year 1853 marks the beginning of college work under the direction of Dr. F. S. Hoyt, as president, who for ten years won the love of students and built up in reputation and strength the newly created university.

## Recent History

With the dawn of a new century came conditions which enabled a new and efficient leadership to begin a decidedly forward movement. Dr. John H. Coleman was called to the presidency when the financial conditions of the University were most discouraging. During his presidency the Salem citizens demonstrated their loyalty to Willamette in the erection of a fine



**E. E. UPMEYER—Deceased.**

**Late of Harrisburg, Oregon. Left a large bequest to endow a professorship.**

brick building on the northwest corner of the campus, now known as Science Hall. This was in the year 1905. His leadership and untiring efforts prepared the way and straightened paths for the campaign just closed.

In the year 1906 Kimball School of Theology was founded and the present building erected, being the gift of Mrs. Luella D. Kimball. This filled a gap in the educational line of the Methodist Episcopal Church on the Pacific Coast.

Mr. W. W. Brown, of Paulina, Oregon, has for a number of years had a very deep interest in Christian education, and has become deeply interested in the welfare of Willamette University. He provided, in the year 1907, funds for the placing of a building on the campus for the Department of Music. Since that time he has made other substantial gifts, and we can rely upon him as a friend indeed.

The Honorable A. E. Eaton, of Union, Oregon, erected the College of Liberal Arts building—Eaton Hall—at a cost of fifty thousand dollars. This building was begun in 1908 under the presidency of Dr. Fletcher Homan and was formally dedicated in the fall of 1909. The erection of this building gave a distinct impetus toward the entrance upon the campaign for endowment.

In April 1910 Honorable Robert A. Booth, of Eugene, Oregon, made the offer which has proven to be a sufficient challenge to the Methodists and their friends to cause them to accomplish the task over which we rejoice today, and which is making a Greater Willamette possible. The \$100,000.00 offered on the condition that a total of \$500,000.00 of endowment, and an additional \$50,000.00 for a Pioneer Memorial Building be raised, has inspired a never-dying ideal for old Willamette. The largeness of his vision has caused many others to “lift their eyes and look on the field” of opportunity in the cause of Christian education in Oregon.

There is another man whom, not only Methodists and lovers of Willamette, but all citizens of Oregon must forever hold in grateful remembrance. The check for \$50,000.00 which Mr. James J. Hill sent on April

Space forbids us to show the faces of all of our benefactors. The following are the names of some who have given in large sums.

E. S. Collins, Ostrander, Washington

P. J. Brix, Astoria, Oregon

G. S. McDaniel, Portland, Oregon

G. F. Johnson, Portland, Oregon

A. M. Smith, Portland, Oregon

W. W. Brown, Paulina, Oregon

There are many others whose names we cannot recall, so numerous are they, who have given liberally. We gratefully acknowledge them all as benefactors, and prize their sacrificial gifts as blessings unmeasured.

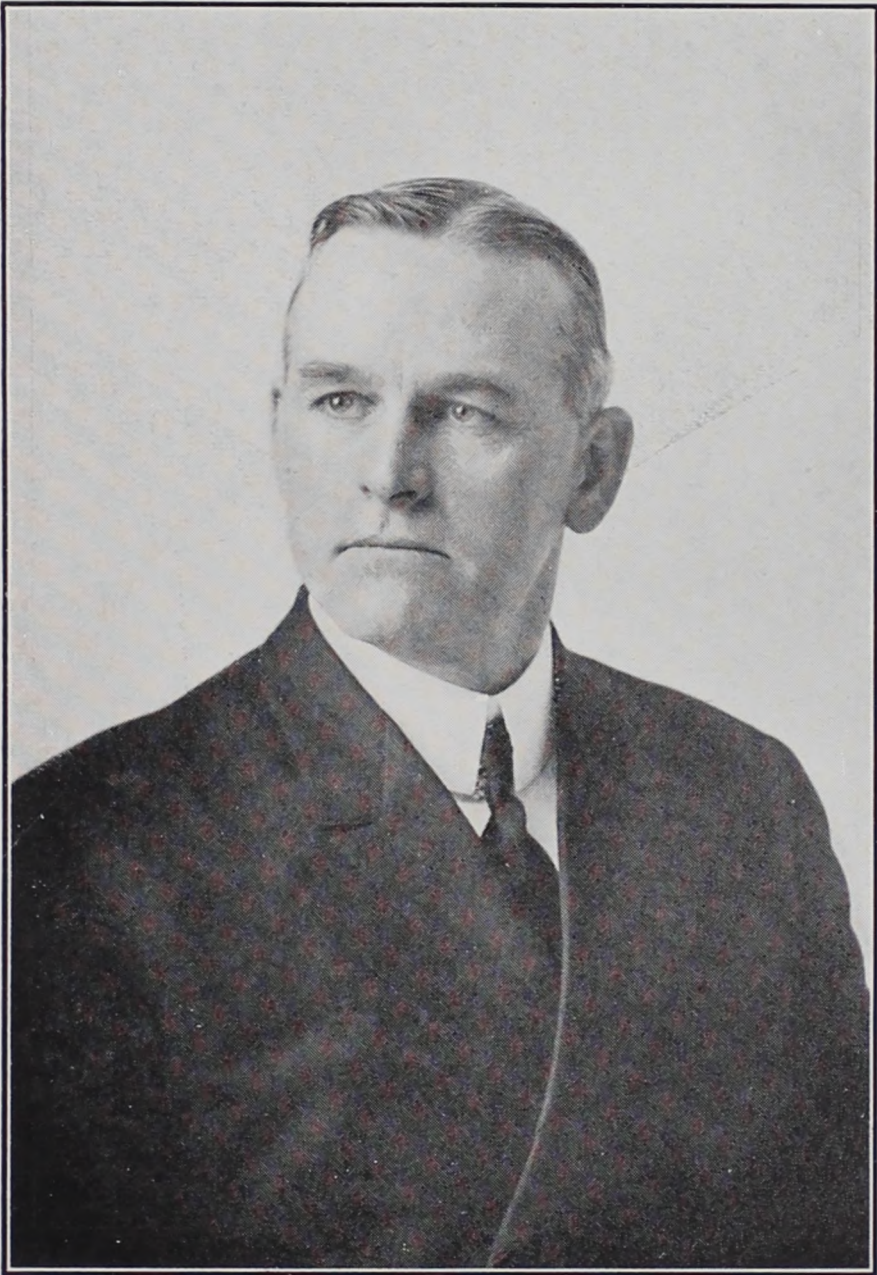
2, 1913, came as a seal to hopes and aspirations indulged from January, 1911, when he pledged it. This acknowledged the fulfillment of the conditions of his pledge, and finished an actual productive endowment of \$300,000.00.

March the 21st, 1912, marks a red letter day in the history of beneficence in the Pacific Northwest. At about eleven thirty on that day Mr. Peter W. Severson, of Portland, Oregon, affixed his signature to documents which transferred \$200,000.00 to benevolent work. Of this, \$100,000.00 was given to Willamette University for endowment. The University Trustees have voted to name two chairs, one after Mr. Severson and one for his wife, as recognition of his munificent gift. This gift practically assured the fulfillment of the conditions placed by Mr. Booth.

For a number of years Mr. E. E. Upmeyer, of Harrisburg, Oregon, had been a staunch friend of old Willamette. One year ago, in September, he was called from suffering and labor to rest and reward. When his will was probated, it was found that he had left to Willamette University a bequest which will finally be sufficient, it is hoped, to endow a chair in the University which shall bear his name. He has thereby erected a monument to his memory which will be imperishable; a monument which will be a blessing to hundreds and thousands of the young people through the ages to come.

## Leadership

These men, whose gifts we have recorded, are factors that must be recognized as the greatest capital which Willamette University possesses. The gifts of these men have inspired many others to give. A host has been gathered by one common impulse which means wealth of support for



**PRESIDENT FLETCHER HOMAN.**

**President of Willamette University. The leader of this great campaign.**

Willamette University which cannot be counted in dollars and cents. Life of the purest and best is pledged by these gifts to support Willamette through the coming years.

But there is another element which enters into this which needs to receive just recognition. The leadership of any enterprise determines largely the degree of success attained. President Homan came to the place of leadership in Willamette when just such a type of man as he is was needed. While some of the leading laymen were of the opinion that the campaign for endowment should be for \$250,000.00, it was his daring call which asked for a campaign to be started for a half million endowment. Through it all he has been the inspiring genius, calling to his aid those whom he conceived to be the best available men. Not only has he led in the endowment campaign, but he has led, also, in practically the reorganization of Willamette University, in which he has relied, properly, with much confidence on the dean, Gaylard H. Patterson.



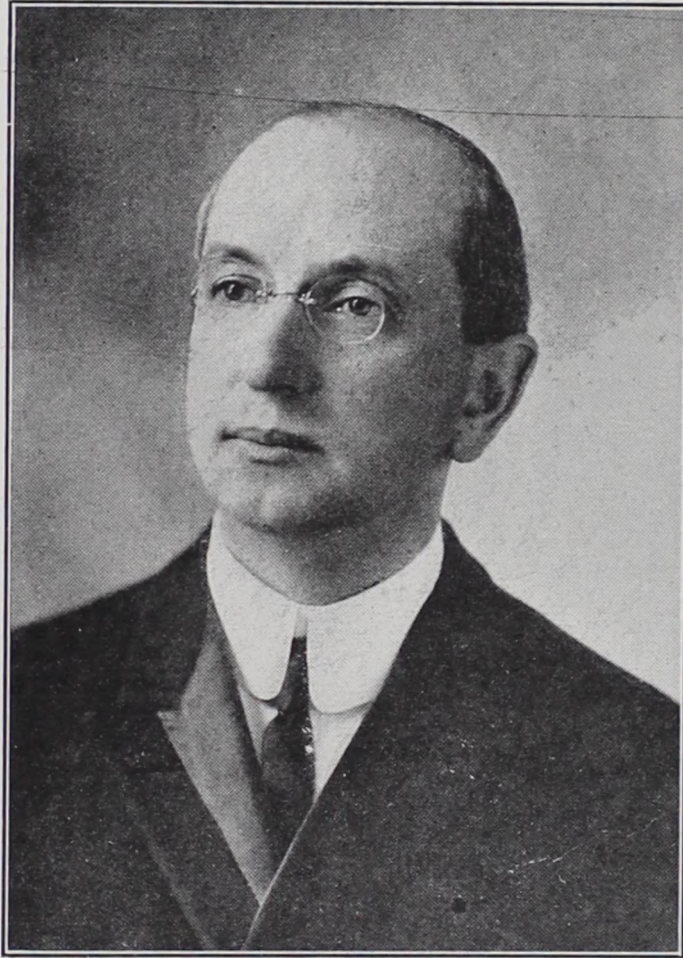
**EDWARD H. TODD.**

**Vice-President Willamette University. Team-mate of President Homan.**

Early in the campaign for endowment he asked for the Reverend Edward H. Todd, pastor of a prominent church in Seattle, Washington, a man who had had four years of practical experience as Corresponding Secretary of the University of Puget Sound. These two men have supplemented each other, working not only as colleagues, but as brothers, side by side, to the completion of this campaign. Dr. Homan generously accords to his team-mate a large meed of praise, and just recognition for his loyalty and worth in this great victory.

## Faculty

During these years of endowment campaign the reputation of Willamette has been spread abroad, which, to hear, is to be favorably impressed. The growing assurance that the endowment would be secured, giving to Willamette stability and added equipment, brought an increased



**GAYLARD H. PATTERSON**

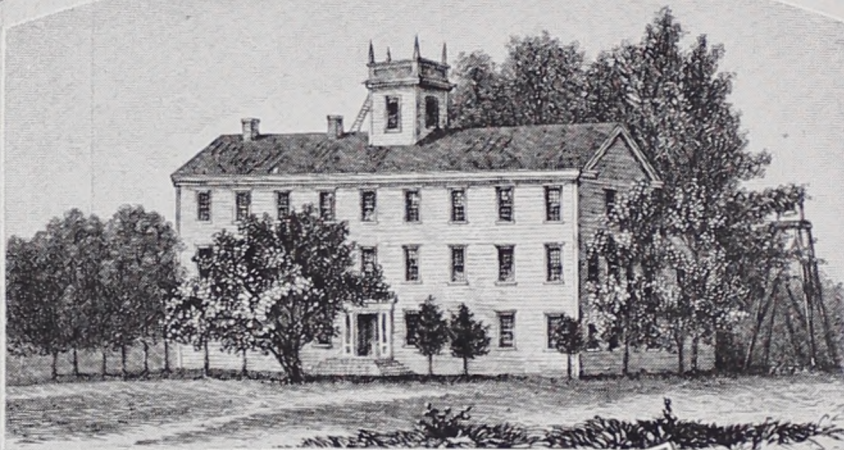
**Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, upon whom much of the administration and reorganization has depended.**

attendance. Increase in attendance demanded more classes and more courses. Not only has increase of attendance demanded this, but educational ideals of the whole country are demanding changes in the curricula of High Schools and Colleges. All this added an increasing burden to that already upon the President in conducting the endowment campaign.

It affords great pleasure and gratification to present a larger number and better arranged courses of study than before. The faculty has been increased. By the nature of the case changes have come from year to year in the membership of the faculty. As these changes have come the President and Dean have selected teachers after careful and painstaking investigation as to their fitness for their position in Willamette University.

The faculty has been strengthened decidedly over that which it was at the beginning of this endowment campaign.

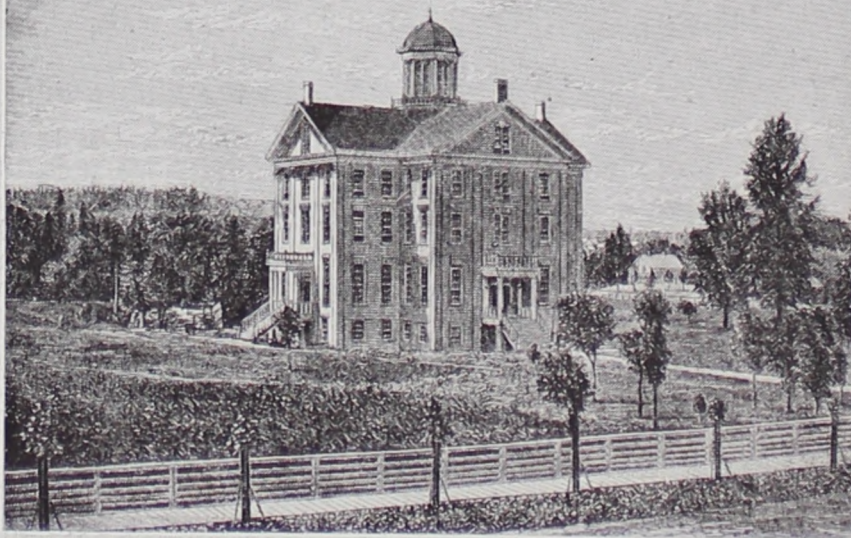
Many members of our faculty do not need an introduction at this time to this Conference. Those who have been retained from former years have wrought well and faithfully. Some of them have sacrificed in order that they might be able to teach in the years past. The friends and members of the Methodist Church can recommend their school with pride and reassurance to those desiring College of Liberal Arts and allied work.



*THE OLD OREGON  
INSTITUTE*



*WOMENS COLLEGE*



*CAMPUS IN 1886*

From top to bottom: First Building, Woman's Dormitory, Old College Building, Waller Hall.

## OLD MEMBERS

The following are the members of our staff who have served Willamette in the past:

**Fletcher Homan**—A. B. and A. M., Simpson College, S. T. B., Garrett Biblical Institute, D. D., Upper Iowa University, Vice-President Simpson College 1905-1908, President of the University.

**Edward H. Todd**—B. S. and M. S., Simpson College, S. T. B., Boston University School of Theology, D. D., Simpson College, Corresponding Secretary of Puget Sound 1905-1909, Vice-President of the University.

**Gaylard H. Patterson**—Dean, A. B., Ohio Wesleyan University, S. T. B., Boston University, Sometime Fellow in Harvard, A. M., Harvard University, Ph. D., Yale University, Social Science.

**Edna A. Krenning**—A. B., Western College for Women, B. S., Teachers' College, A. M., Columbia University, work in residence for Doctorate completed, English Literature.

**Robert B. Walsh**—A. B., University of Kentucky, graduate student in Syracuse University, graduate student in the Universities of Heidelberg and Berlin, German and French.

**Florian Von Eschen**—Ph. B. and Ph. M., Simpson College, graduate student University of Chicago 1905-07, Graduate Student Washington University 1907-08, Physics and Chemistry.

**M. E. Peck**—A. B. and A. M., Cornell College, Research work in Central America three years, research work in Oregon, investigating the flora and fauna of the state, Biology.

**James T. Matthews**—A. B. and A. M., Willamette University, Professor in Willamette University in 1893, Mathematics.

**Frederick S. Mendenhall**—A. B. and A. M., Ohio Wesleyan University, three years Columbia University, New York, one year Oxford University, England, Piano, Organ, Theoretical Subjects.

**Mary E. Reynolds**—B. S., Willamette University, teacher in Willam-

ette University 1893. History and Mathematics.

It is worthy of note that **Miss Stella A. Chappell**, who bears an A. B. degree from Northwestern University, has so proven her mastery of Greek and Latin, and demonstrated her ability to teach these subjects, that she has been advanced from instructor in the Academy of Willamette, to the chair of Greek and Latin in the College of Liberal Arts.

## NEW MEMBERS

The growth of Willamette has been such as to demand the services of a man who should give most of his time to the duties of Registrar. **Mr. A. Dawkins**, holding an A. B. and A. M. degrees from Illinois Wesleyan has been elected to this position.

He is an experienced teacher and is qualified to consult the young people and direct the affairs of the office.

**Miss Ida B. Davis** is preceptress of Lausanne Hall. She bears the degree of Bachelor of Arts from the University of Illinois, and is a graduate student of the same. She is also a graduate of the Northwestern University of School of Oratory. For the first time, we have in her one to take charge of Physical Education for women. The gymnasium is being fitted up properly for this work.

**Miss Winifred Davis** has come to occupy the chair of English and Public Speaking. (So far as we know, these two ladies are not related one to the other.) She carries a Master of Arts degree from Columbia University and has a Master's diploma in English, from the Teachers' College, New York City. She has further prepared herself for this position by two years' study in Public Speaking and Dramatic Art in the American Academy of Dramatic Art in New York City. She has been teacher of English in Kansas State Teachers' College.

**Frederick G. Henke** is to occupy the chair of Philosophy and Education. After completing his college course he entered Northwestern University where the Master of Arts



**FREDERICK G. HENKE**  
Philosophy and Education

degree was conferred upon him. To prepare himself farther, he entered the University of Chicago and was granted the degree of Ph. D. (Cum laude). He has had experience in teaching his chosen subject, and comes to Willamette with very fine recommendations. During the few days which have elapsed since his arrival he has impressed the members of the faculty and the students most favorably, and they recognize a man of strong and pleasing personality.

**Miss Alice E. Page** will occupy the chair of History. She carries a Ph. B. from Penn College, and is a graduate student in the State University of Iowa 1907-9, and has finished the work in residence for her Master's degree. She has been acting Professor of History in Coe College 1909 to 1913, and is well pre-

pared by study and experience to give to our students excellent courses in History.

**Walter H. De Bra** enters the Academy to take charge of the department of Science. Mr. De Bra is well prepared for his work, and will occupy a very important position in the preparation of Academy students for their college career. He received B. S. degree from Cornell College.

**Miss Beulah M. Clark** is one of our own graduates, having received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Willamette University. She will occupy the chair of English and Latin in the Academy.

The Academy has been given an organization quite distinct from that of the College of Liberal Arts, and will turn its attention to the preparation of young people for college.

# Present Needs

## Woman's Dormitory

The most pressing need is a larger and better equipped dormitory for the young women attending Willamette University. The one now in use is a frame structure built many years since. It has been finished and furnished from the ground floor to the attic, and is now filled with young women. The only reason more are not in it is that there is no more room.

Once it was the best, but now it is sadly out of date and inadequate for present needs. One Methodist mother asserted that her Methodist daughter would not attend Willamette University because of the lack of comfortable and adequate dormitory accommodations. We know that there are others which are turned away for the same reason. There certainly is someone who will become a benefactor to the cause of Christian education and to the young women of Oregon by erecting a building as a monument of honor to the name of some loved one who was cut off in the morning or noonday of life. Monuments of this sort, not only abide in the brick and mortar of which they are built, but upon the tablets of the hearts of those who have enjoyed their refuge for a season. This building must be erected and ready for occupancy one year from this time.

Another need not quite so urgent as the above, is a men's dormitory. No such equipment exists for them. It is needed that we may serve to the best our constituency. There is certainly somewhere a father or mother whose boy went away in his youth, who could and would have bestowed a fortune on him. Let those parents apply a part of that fortune in the name of their boy, to the service of youth for the ages to come. Such parents would be proud could they but look upon their son rendering effective service to his fellows, and see him honored because of service rendered which would continue from generation to generation. A few thousand dollars will inspire others to give to complete the work which may be begun by those desiring to honor loved one gone.

## Library

A great necessity is staring us in the face. Our library is in great need of supply of new books. There are books of different classes which are indispensable to supplement the class room work. A card addressed to Dean G. H. Patterson will bring such detailed information as one may desire.

While we are not in dire need of them, there are other buildings which we ought to have in the near future. A new gymnasium would add greatly to the efficiency of our equipment. A central heating plant would not only be a great convenience but it would be economical.

There are now \$50,000 of Building Fund on hand to be applied to the erection of a Pioneer Memorial Building. This is the gift of Mr. Booth, conditioned on the raising of our endowment to one-half a million dollars. It is thought that we can better wait for this great monumental building than we can for the dormitories.

## Cost of Endowment

Last, but not least, we need a multitude of friends to pay the cost of the endowment campaign. Any good business man, in order to accumulate five hundred thousand dollars, will borrow twenty-five thousand dollars. That is what Willamette University Trustees did. It was a great investment. It was good business. The campaign must go on until the cost of the campaign is realized.

If Methodism is to continue a blessing to the world she must be equipped to turn out leaders for the great hosts now gathering to be led against every form of evil. Schools of the Church are necessary to produce these leaders. Willamette University is the great hope of the Northwest as a place for Christian culture, and intellectual training. It is a good place to invest money. It is a place to bestow some of the funds which have been entrusted to our hands by the Almighty God, for which we will be required to render an account unto men as well as God.

1852



1852  
1852  
1852



1852

1852  
1852  
1852



1852



Beginnings of Greater Willamette.