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EXPERIENCE showed when '68 graduate Peter Wallmark attended this year's commencement with an umbrella. He got drenched last year and offered protection from the drizzle that dappened the rites this year.

"IN DECEMBER of last year the Atkinson Foundation made a grant of stock to Willamette which constituted the largest single gift ever received"

Thus spoke President G. Herbert Smith at the May 17 Alumni Banquet when he revealed the \$3,412,500 gift to the Atkinson Fund of Willamette. The Fund was created in 1955 by Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Atkinson and now has a total asset value of \$4,675,812.

Mr. Atkinson is president of the University's Board of Trustees and President of the Guy F. Atkinson Co., San Francisco, one of the world's distinguished construction firms.

By stipulation, Willamette will receive in 1970 ten per cent of the income from the recent gift and thereafter an additional ten per cent each year until full income accrues to the University in 1980.

Under the direction of a special committee of the Board of Trustees, the Atkinson Fund provides income for the following programs at Willamette:

1. expansion and development of a program of Christian and religious

emphasis in curriculum and activities of the University (specifically creating the Office of the Chaplain and its staff);

2. sponsorship of the annual Willamette Lecture Series;

3. a program of personal and cultural broadening for faculty with grants for travel and special studies.

4. assistance in the regular budget for support of faculty salaries; and

5. other similar aims and programs as the committee may deem advisable.

Both Mr. Atkinson and the late Mrs. Atkinson attended Willamette for three years, he in the class of 1926 and she in the class of 1927. They conceived the idea of the Atkinson Fund in 1943 and directed the Foundation to accumulate funds and securities to establish the Fund at a later date.

Mr. Atkinson, a trustee since 1939, has served as president of the Board since 1964.

Graduate Study Beckons Half of Recent Graduates

For the second straight year, the May graduates got a wet send-off.

Nearly all of the 269 degree recipients absorbed a bit of rain along with thoughts expressed on involvement, participation and leadership by U.S. Senator Robert Packwood.

While the 78 J.D. recipients face bar examinations this summer, the bachelor degree winners show a variety of plans for next year, ranging from graduate study at Oxford on a Rhodes Scholarship to a possible lengthy jail sentence for draft resistance.

A survey of the graduates in liberal arts and music revealed that 48.7 per cent (93 of 191) plan to continue their schooling in the near future. This is up slightly from last year's 45.7 per cent, but below the five year average of 52.3 per cent planning graduate studies. Just over 61 per cent of the men graduates in the past five years planned graduate work, while nearly 40 per cent of the women sought additional schooling.

This year, 58 per cent of the men and 35.4% of the women were planning graduate study. A further breakdown on responses this year showed 55 with jobs, 15 going into military service, 6 going into the Peace Corps or Vista, 18 undecided, 3 planning housewife chores, and 1 anticipating a jail sentence for draft resistance.

Packwood Receives Degree

Sen. Packwood, who 15 years ago received his B.A. degree at Willamette, was awarded an honorary Doctor of Law degree following his commencement address. It was the first such honorary for the young Oregon Senator.

In a short, thoughtful address, Packwood called "zeal" the difference between being a good leader and a great leader. Before outlining six characteristics of leadership, however, he said that "the key to the future is involvement and participation. Whether we are talking about politics, or education, or religion, the future will be determined by the active participant, not the spectator on the sidelines."

In addition to zeal, five other leadership characteristics he presented were

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OPERATOR Corinne Crabb shows off the compact "Centrex" system which will replace the old PBX June 21, giving Willamette a new phone number (370-6300) and better service.

New Electronic Switching System To Improve Telephone Service

Operation of the first all-computerized "Centrex" telephone system installed in the Northwest will begin at Willamette June 21.

This new Electronic Switching System (ESS) will replace the former Private Branch Exchange (PBX) and provide the following services:

- direct in dialing to the office desired without going through a switchboard operator;

- call holding and transfer capabilities without a push button phone;

- three-way conversation possibilities;

- direct long distance dialing from each phone; and

- better trouble-free service since the ESS has a built-in self diagnosis system to spot breakdowns.

The installation will also provide greater telephone service for students, since each dormitory room (excluding Lee, York and the sororities) will be

wired for possible phone hookup. A student may order a phone for his room at a base charge of \$60 a year and be billed for long distance calls only by Pacific NW Bell, using a special student billing number.

The ESS has a capacity of 400 phones and the University is now using 170 phones.

The majority of University extensions will remain the same with a 370-6 prefix. The latest Salem directory lists most of the new office and dormitory numbers.

Salem Memorial Hospital will go on to the ESS in August, and the State of Oregon is expected to be using the system in the near future. About 50 ESS installations are in operation throughout the U.S.

Other features are available through ESS as the subscriber desires them. Service changes can be made in a manner like programming a computer.

"The key is involvement and participation" -- Packwood

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purpose, integrity, tolerance, discipline and imagination. He singled out zeal as "the ability to infuse your goals in others, to get them to say 'I believe in you and in your dreams.'"

Earlier in the day, Rev. David Poling, President of the Christian Herald Association, gave the baccalaureate address on "The Youthful Saints," acknowledging the role that young people are having in the changing world.

He cited recent criticisms of the "now generation," but he said that anybody who wants to trace the appearance of young people in the Bible will "discover that the Scriptures are ruthlessly in favor of youth."

Agents of Change

Youth in the Bible are not only a symbol of God's judgment on a sick and dying world, he added, "but are frequently the agents of His change, His upheaval, His revolution."

"God is in the revolution to work His will and to stir up every impulse that pounds in the human breast for justice, brotherhood, and love . . . and we happen to have a worldwide fraternity of young people who want to be on God's side," he said.

"And for those who are held captive by their hang-ups over the wardrobes, beards and music of this turbulent mass of youth, have only to miss the signs of the time and, for Christians, nothing could be more disastrous or more Biblically dishonest."

Rev. Poling, who also received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters, is the author of "The Last Days of the Church" in which he sounds a requiem for the established religious orders, but at the same time heralds what he hopes will be a resurrection of Christianity.

Another weekend speaker, Travis Cross, Vice President for University Relations of the University of California System, also recognized the role of youth in his Alumni banquet address.

Understand Yearnings

"I would urge you to try to understand the yearnings of youth and what they are trying to say. For many of us, Pearl Harbor kindled the fires of patriotism and off we went to defend the homeland, which had been viciously attacked. Today, in the minds of many who are called upon to give up their lives, there is no such justification."

He went on by saying that the silent generation of the Fifties did not feel compelled as those today to do something about the teeming ghettos and poverty which exist in the midst of unprecedented prosperity. "Nor did pollution or 50,000 annual traffic deaths rate very high on our list of concerns. We took our curriculum for granted but today there are those who raise their voices that many of the courses seem irrelevant. Chicano was a word foreign to our vocabulary and Indian plights were the affairs of a far-off federal bureau."

Cross, a member of the class of '49, was awarded an honorary Doctor of Public Service degree.



HONORARY doctorates were conferred upon these three commencement weekend speakers, from left, Sen. Robert Packwood, commencement; Travis Cross, alumni banquet; and Rev. David Poling, baccalaureate.



Karen Anderson



James Ryan

Seven More Join Faculty and Staff

Four administrators and three faculty members have recently been appointed by President Smith. They join five other faculty members previously named for next year.

The new additions are:
Dean of Women Karen L. Anderson, B.A. and M.A., University of Denver; currently acting Dean of Women at Drake University in Iowa.

Financial Aid Director James R. Ryan, B.A., and M.B.A. candidate, Golden Gate College, Financial Aid Officer at Golden Gate.

Assistant Director of Admissions Albert Berglund, B.S. Univ. of Redlands and M.S. Oregon State Univ., from instructor of Earth Science at Willamette.

Admissions counselor (part-time) Teresa Krug, B.M. Ed., Willamette.

Assistant professor of law, Ross R. Runkel, B.S. Univ. of Wash., J.D. Univ. of Wash. Law School; teaching experience: Northwest College of Law at Lewis and Clark.

Instructor of history, Robert C. Erickson, B.A., Pacific Lutheran University, M.A. State Univ. of New York at Stony Brook, from instructor at Cedar Crest College (Pa.).

Lt. Col. Donal D. Bloodgood, professor of aerospace studies and commander of the Willamette Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps.

The eagle side of a \$10 gold piece once served as the University seal

The seal used to be an eagle and not a beaver. Some new discovery in evolution? In a way, yes. The evolution of "The great seal of the corporation" which is referred to at each commencement did indeed include a change from an eagle to a beaver.

Here's how.

When "The Wallamet University" was chartered by the Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Oregon on Jan. 12, 1853, provisions were made for "use of a common seal, impressed with such devices and inscriptions as they shall deem proper, by which said seal, all deeds, diplomas, and acts of said corporation shall pass and be authenticated, and they shall have power to alter or amend the same at their pleasure."

That first year, the eagle side of a U.S. ten dollar gold piece served as a seal, and a year later a \$20 gold piece was used for the seal impression.

It wasn't until August of 1860 that

enterprising agent of the University Alvin F. Waller, for whom Waller Hall is named, "returned from the States" with "a Seal, Seal Press copperplate engraving of Certificate of Scholarship together with 100 impressions taken therefrom on parchment paper." The Board of Trustees accepted the "device" and adopted the seal which carries the picture of a beaver, the University name and location, founding date and the Latin motto "Non Nobis Solum Nati Sumus."



Research in the library has failed to reveal why the beaver was used, although the best guess would indicate that the beaver was a familiar figure in the Oregon Territory of that day.

The name on the first seal was spelled "Wallamette University," which was different from the "Wallamet" on the charter of corporation and the "Willamette" we know today. The old spelling remained on the seal until 1930 when it was belatedly given the spelling we know.

The motto, which translated means "not unto ourselves alone are we born," appeared in the writings of Cicero. Its inclusion on the seal is also a mystery, although its meaning is often thought of as representing the character of responsibility of the student body.

The evolutionary process of the Willamette seal has also included the addition of the wavy edge rather than the perfect circle. But to date, the beaver has shown no signs of evolving into a Bearcat, the athletic teams' mascot.

A Shaggy Student Story

Do you want to hear a reverse version of a hair-raising tale?

President G. Herbert Smith was walking across campus near the end of finals when he was nearly run down by a long-haired, long-sideburned student.

When asked where he was going in such a hurry, the young man replied "I'm going to the barber shop. My folks are coming to get me and if my dad sees me like this he'll kill me!"

State Offers Aid

Oregon residents attending Willamette or any of the private colleges in the state will receive \$100 flat grants from the State through a program adopted by the 1969 Legislature.

Funds are allocated to the students rather than the college to avoid any church-state conflict with colleges having religious ties. The grant can be applied to the student's account with his permission.

With about 800 Oregon residents expected in next fall's enrollment, Willamette students will receive \$80,000 from the State to apply to their expenses.

Chips off the block

A survey of undergraduate students this spring showed that 91 are second generation Willamette students, nine are third generation and three are fourth generation.

The fathers of 37, the mothers of 25 and both parents of 29 students either attended or graduated from the University.

The fourth generation students are all descendants of B. L. Steeves of '91 who served as president of the Board of Trustees from 1917-31. Sophomores Robert H. Steeves and Anita M. Moore and senior S. Luci Moore are all great grandchildren of Steeves.

Summer Slate Full, 2000 Visitors Due

Nearly 2,000 visitors are expected to participate in the nine scheduled campus programs this summer. The programs are:

June 3-8, the 117th Annual Oregon Conference of the Methodist Church; June 8-13, The State Department of Education's Small Schools Program; June 14-21, Oregon Girls' State; June 19-21, Theta Rho, the Odd Fellows' Youth organization; June 22-25, the Oregon Music Teachers' Association; June 22-July 5, JESSI for girls, CASSI and JLI coeducational, sponsored by Scientists of Tomorrow; July 10-27, Japanese Study Group from the International College of Commerce and Economics; July 27-Aug. 1, the Presbyterian Leadership School; and Aug. 9-13, the International Mission Conference.

The University no longer offers a regular summer session. The regular college year begins Aug. 25 with orientation and Aug. 29 for registration.

Future Bright for Young Bearcat Baseball Champions

John Lewis is known more for his baseball coaching than his cooking, but he did a lot of both to produce the Northwest Conference baseball champions.

Starting with a recipe that included some young sprouts, some tested pitching wings, and three senior sages for flavor and stability, Lewis produced some poised and confident hitters that

propelled the Bearcats to a 13-2 NWC mark and the NAIA District Two playoff berth.

The hitting simmered down a bit in the playoff with Oregon College for a chance at the regionals. After slugging their way to a 9-8 first game triumph, the young Bearcats dropped successive 5-2 games to end the season. But not before Lewis was named baseball coach of the year in the District and three of his players were named to the All-District team. Pitcher-first baseman Roger Hurm shared player of the year honors with an OCE player after being named to the All-NWC team for the second straight year. He compiled a 6-2 record, 2.32 earned run average, and .333 batting mark.

A unanimous all-league choice was second baseman Peter Fern, a freshman from Honolulu who led the league in batting with a lofty .465 mark. Another unanimous choice was leftfielder Dave Bloye, a junior, with a .397 average.

Four other Bearcats were accorded honorable mention, including two of the three seniors on the roster Gib Gilmore, a centerfielder-pitcher, and Terry Harrison, a pitcher-first baseman. The other two were freshmen from Hawaii, right fielder Cliff Bailey and shortstop Billy Sakagawa.

Six of the nine in Lewis' starting lineup were underclassmen, so the veteran Bearcat boss can look forward to a bright future. Bearcat success hasn't hurt recruiting efforts to say the least, and Lewis expects another fine crop of rookies next spring.

Seven pitchers reached the win column for the 'Cats this year, but Lewis felt that hitting made the difference in many ball games. The team batting average was .250 on the year and the Bearcats averaged over six runs per game.

"We had unusually good poise from the younger players and great leadership from the older ones," commented Lewis.

"As the season progressed," he added, "we gained a lot of confidence which can really make a difference."



THE OL' College try was successful for Bearcat shortstop Billy Sakagawa. He didn't tag the OCE runner, but the flying leap forced the runner out of the base path. (photo by Gerry Lewin)

NAIA Hall of Fame Inducts John Lewis

Athletic Director and baseball coach John Lewis was inducted into the baseball Hall of Fame of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics June 8 at St. Joseph, Mo.

Lewis was honored in the category of Meritorious Service which has spanned 22 years at Willamette. His baseball record during that time has been 245-224. He gave up basketball coaching two years ago with a 20-year record of 277-239, putting him just 15 games shy of coaching Bearcats in 1,000 athletic contests.

In 1960 Lewis was NAIA District II coach of the year, and this season he was named District baseball coach of the year. He has served on various NAIA committees, and he currently holds the post of District treasurer and president of the Northwest Conference Coaches Association.

Along with the Hall of Fame plaque, Lewis received a number of letters of commendation from many of his longtime admirers as a coach and a person.

Wallace, Stocker Fourth

Trackmen Ed Wallace and Steve Stocker each finished fourth in their specialties at the NAIA national meet. Wallace ran the mile in 4:13.5, just off his best of 4:13.1, while Stocker threw the hammer 142'11" for a new school record. Coach Chuck Bowles accompanied his performers to the meet in Billings, Mont.



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