

Opening of the State of Washington's new four year college for students in the fall of 1971 is the most optimistic target date possible, according to Dean E. Clabaugh, Executive Direction, of The Evergreen State College at Olympia. But as optimistic as the date sounds it is well within the realm of possibility, Clabaugh added, if all goes according to schedule.

NEW COLLEGE SITE

Acquisition and development of The Evergreen State College on Cooper Point Peninsula just a mile or so from the Olympia city limits is proceeding a little ahead of schedule, according to reports from Halvor Halvorson, chairman of the Board of Trustees' Site Committee. Acquisition of the 1,000 acre waterfront site bordering on Eld Inlet is being prefaced with the appraisal by two independent appraisers working with the Purchasing Division of the Department of General Administration. When the appraisals are completed and land values set, according to Halvorson, and this should be completed by March 1, then actual purchases of land can commence.

SITE DEVELOPMENT

Halvorson's committee of trustees have invited and are now receiving presentations from architectural firms who have been invited to initiate proposals for the development of the tract into a college campus with its many facilities and these proposals will be

actual campus site development.

Presidential Selection

Under the leadership of Trustee Roger Camp of Vancouver, Washington, a college president selection committee has been named. Those serving with Camp will be Trustees Truman Schmidt of Olympia and Al Saunders of Tacoma, Dr. Clement French, retired president of Washington State University; Dr. Garrett Heyns of Olympia, retired director of the State Institutions; Dr. Jon Ericson, an academic departmental head at Central Washington State College, Ellensburg; and Robert Brachtenbach, former state legislator, trustee of Eastern Washington State College and Selah attorney.

This committee will meet March 7, with the remainder of the Board of Trustees, at which time the stage will be set for establishing the criteria for the selection of a president for The Evergreen State College.

Meanwhile nominees are being sought on a nation-wide basis so that the best possible talent will be known to the Board and its presidential selection committee.

Academic Planning

Also under the leadership of Camp and his committee of the Board of Trustees, proposals have been asked from some of the nations leading academic consultants with the thought of developing a curriculum that will meet the educational needs of the state in the liberal arts field.

Selection of a consultant firm can be expected before the end of March, according to Camp.

costs will come from a \$15 million allocation from the \$63 million bond issue for Higher Education and Institutions Capital Outlay.

This bond issue money will become available to the new college only after its approval by the voters next November and the issuance and sale of bonds authorized, probably some time in January of 1969.

The Evergreen State College will also be tremendously affected dollar-wise during the next session of the legislature when their operating and capital outlay budget is presented, since the legislature will be asked to appropriate money for the continued development and operation of the new school.

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