

NORTHWESTERN HISTORY SYLLABUS

[The aim of this department is to furnish outlines that will aid those who wish to study the subject systematically. It is expected that its greatest use will be as a guide for members of women's clubs, literary societies, and classes in colleges or high schools. It will be a form of university extension without the theses and examinations necessary for the earning of credits toward a degree.]

VI. Explorations by Land (Continued).

5. Captain B. L. E. Bonneville, 1832-1836.
 - a. His letter of instructions, 1831.
 - b. Organizing for the fur trade.
 - c. Trapping, hunting and exploring.
 - d. Visits to Fort Walla Walla.
 - e. Return to civilization.
 - f. Commander at Fort Vancouver.

6. Nathaniel J. Wyeth, 1832-1837.
 - a. Inspired by Hall J. Kelley.
 - b. Prepared for his trip at Cambridge.
 - c. The "Natwyethium."
 - d. Help of Boston merchants.
 - e. Arrived at Fort Vancouver, Oct. 29, 1832.
 - f. John Ball begins first school, Jan. 1, 1833.
 - g. Organized Columbia River Fishing and Trading Company
 - h. Charter of ship "May Dacre."
 - i. Fort Hall established in July, 1834.
 - j. Fort William established, in September, 1834.
 - k. Failure of trade.
 - l. Sold out to the Hudson's Bay Company.
 - m. His letter about wrecked Japanese.
 - n. Prophetic nature of his work.

VII. Settlement of Old Oregon

1. Northwest Company of Montreal.
 - a. Followers of Mackenzie.
 - b. Posts established in Northern British Columbia.

- c. Race for the Columbia River.
 - d. Purchase of Astoria, 1813.
2. Astoria.
- a. See outline in Volume IV., No. 2, p. 137.
3. Hudson's Bay Company.
- a. Chartered in 1670.
 - b. Absorbed Northwest Company, 1821.
 - c. Fort Vancouver established, 1825.
 - d. Fort Langley at mouth of Fraser River, 1827.
 - e. Fort Nisqually established, 1833.
 - f. Puget Sound Agricultural Company, 1838.
 - g. Cowlitz Farms and other settlements.
 - h. Numerous trading posts.
 - i. Steamer "Beaver's" arrival, 1836.
 - j. Attitude toward Treaties of Joint Occupancy.
4. Doctor John McLoughlin.
- a. Education and training.
 - b. With Northwest Company at first.
 - c. Sent to the Columbia River district, 1824.
 - d. Moved headquarters to Fort Vancouver.
 - e. Aid for the botanist, David Douglas.
 - f. Growth of his power.
 - g. Kindness to missionaries and settlers.
 - h. Now called: "Father of Oregon."

BIBLIOGRAPHY.—Private collections and library collections in this region are growing richer day by day in manuscript and published materials pertaining to the exploration and settlement of Old Oregon. The books cited below ought to be easily accessible, especially in the larger cities of the State. Smaller towns might arrange loans from some of the larger libraries except in case of the rarest items.

BANCROFT, HUBERT HOWE. Works of. Vol. XXVIII. (Northwest Coast, Vol. II.), pages 417 to 712; Vol. XXIX. (Oregon, Vol. I.), pages 1 to 53. The footnotes will give guidance to sources if such are accessible to the reader.

CHITTENDEN, HIRAM M. American Fur Trade of the Far West. The reader will find much of interest in this valuable work. In Vol. I., pages 396-397, will be found the author's declaration that Captain Bonneville was a "history-made man."

COMAN, KATHARINE. *Economic Beginnings of the Far West.* The table of contents and index of these two volumes will lead to topics in this syllabus.

DYE, EVA EMERY. *McLoughlin and Old Oregon, and McDonald of Oregon, a Tale of Two Shores.* These two books were published by A. C. McClurg of Chicago. The author has sought to emphasize the human interest phases of her subjects.

HOLMAN, FREDERICK V. *Dr. John McLoughlin, the Father of Oregon.* This dependable book of 301 pages is well described by its title. It was published by the Arthur H. Clark Company of Cleveland, Ohio, in 1907. It ought to be in all of the libraries of the Northwest.

IRVING, WASHINGTON. *Astoria, and the Adventures of Captain Bonneville.* These are classics easily obtained everywhere. In the Bonneville book will be found the Captain's letter of instructions and also a part of a letter from Nathaniel J. Wyeth about the shipwrecked Japanese.

MEANY, EDMOND S. *History of the State of Washington.* Pages 80 to 105 will cover the field of this syllabus and footnotes will guide further researches if desired.

SCHAFFER, JOSEPH. *History of the Pacific Northwest.* This book, cited for each syllabus, will be found helpful in this case also. See pages 94 to 158.

SOMERVILLE, T. *David Douglas, an interesting and valuable article in the Overland Monthly, Vol. VII., beginning at page 108.* The magazine is for August, 1871. The article throws light on the founding of Fort Vancouver as well as on the work of the famous botanical explorer.

WYETH, JOHN A., M. D. *Nathaniel J. Wyeth and the Struggle for Oregon, an article in Harper's Magazine for November, 1892, pages 835-847.*

YOUNG, PROFESSOR F. G. *Correspondence and Journals of Captain Nathaniel J. Wyeth, 1831-6.* This prime source material will be found in *Sources of the History of Oregon, Vol. I., parts 3 to 6,* published by the University Press at Eugene, Oregon, in 1899.