

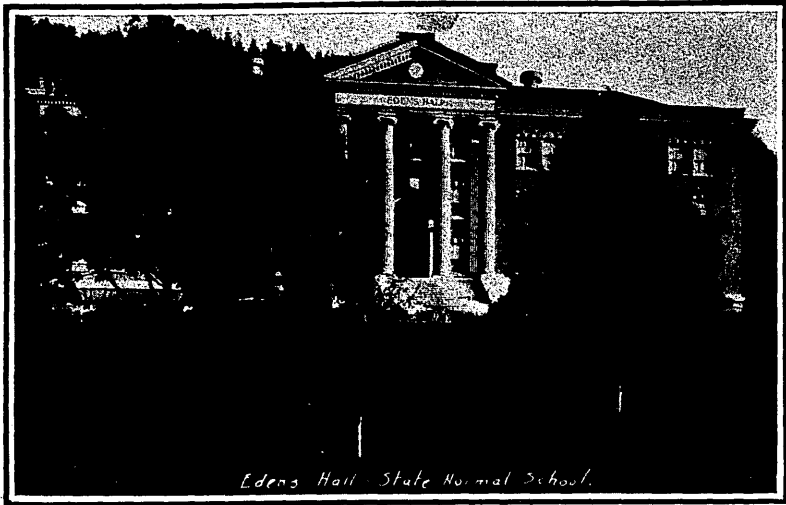
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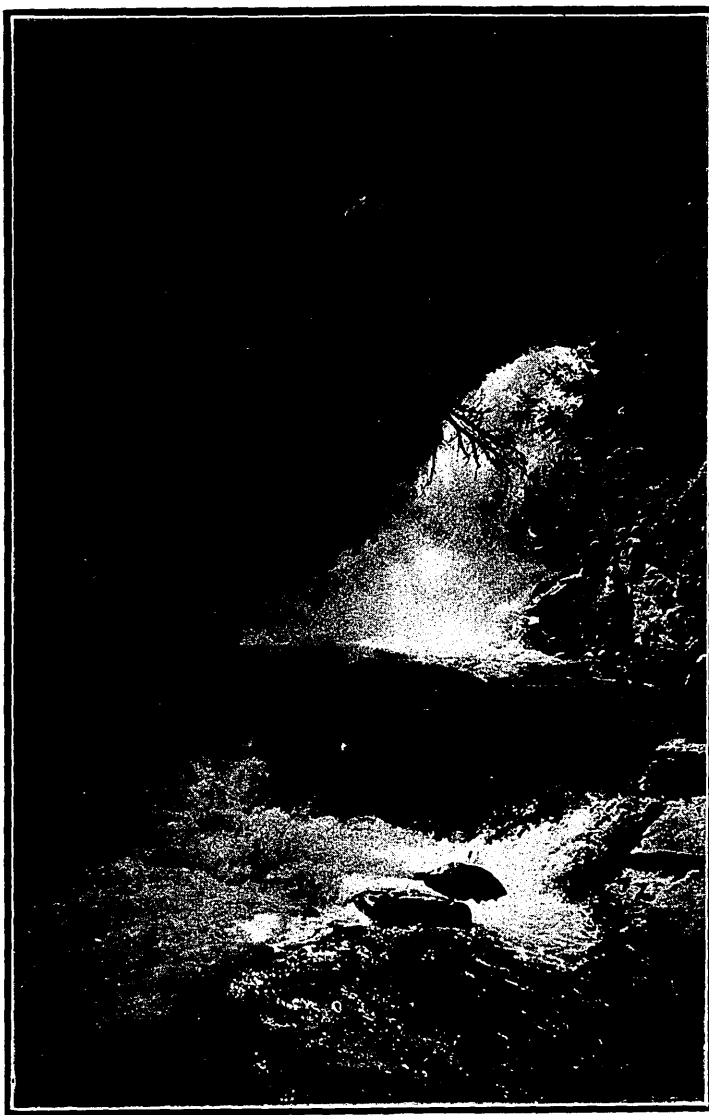
BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON

Devoted to the Interests of the Student Body, Washington State Normal School

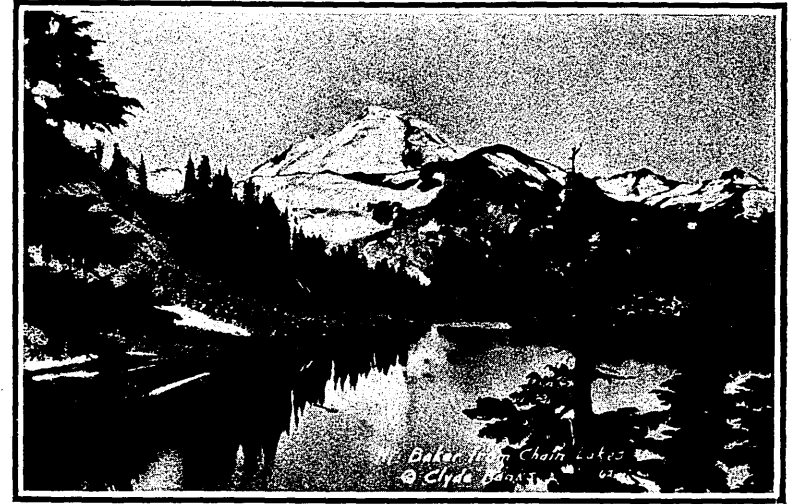
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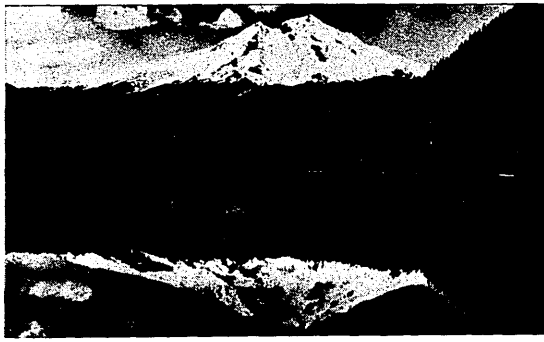
EDENS HALL
Where Many Girls Find a Happy Home.



CASCADE FALLS, ORCAS ISLAND
A Great Favorite of Week-end Parties



MT. BAKER, FROM CHAIN LAKES
An Unusual View of "The Great White Watcher".



Upside Down or Right Side Up?



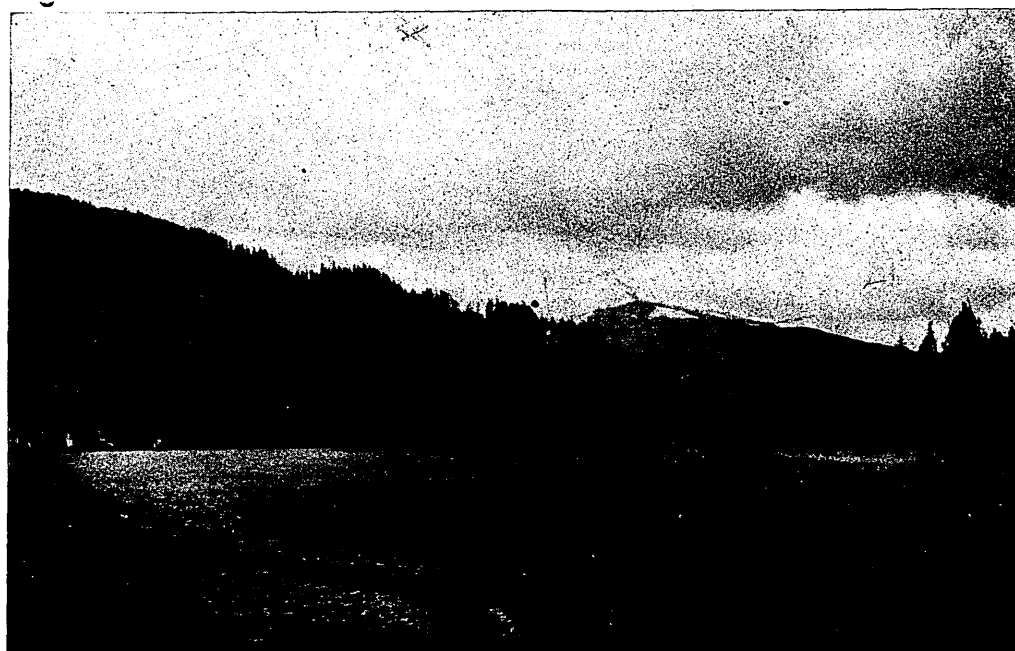
The Devil's Corner, up the Skagit River



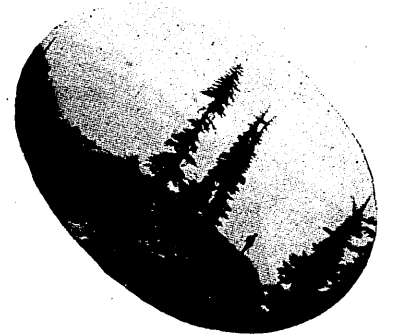
The Main Building of the Normal School



An Invitation to the Kodaker



REVILLE ISLAND
A Nice Rowboat Trip from Normalstad



A Crack in Roosevelt Glacier

PRESENT NORMAL IS OUTGROWTH OF LYNDEN INSTITUTION

School Formally Opens for Work Here September 6, 1899.

STEADY PROGRESS IS MADE

Twenty-six years have passed since the establishment of a State Normal School at Bellingham, Washington, then Whatcom, Washington.

The first Normal School established in the Puget Sound country was located in the beautiful little city of Lynden, Whatcom county, Washington. This institution was organized as a private enterprise, but later an effort was made to secure state aid for its support.

On February 19, 1893, a newspaper stated: "Now that Anderson's Normal School bill has passed, West Geneva and Langtry Point on Lake Whatcom are mentioned as desirable locations for a site."

First Appropriation made. In 1895 the first appropriation for a building was made. The original building, costing about \$45,000, was erected in 1896.

In addition to the original structure, eight other buildings have been erected. The first of these was the Training school building in 1901, which contains a total of thirty rooms.

Ten Faculty in 1899. The faculty of 1899 of the institution numbered ten with Dr. Mathes as first president, and a total of three hundred forty-nine students.

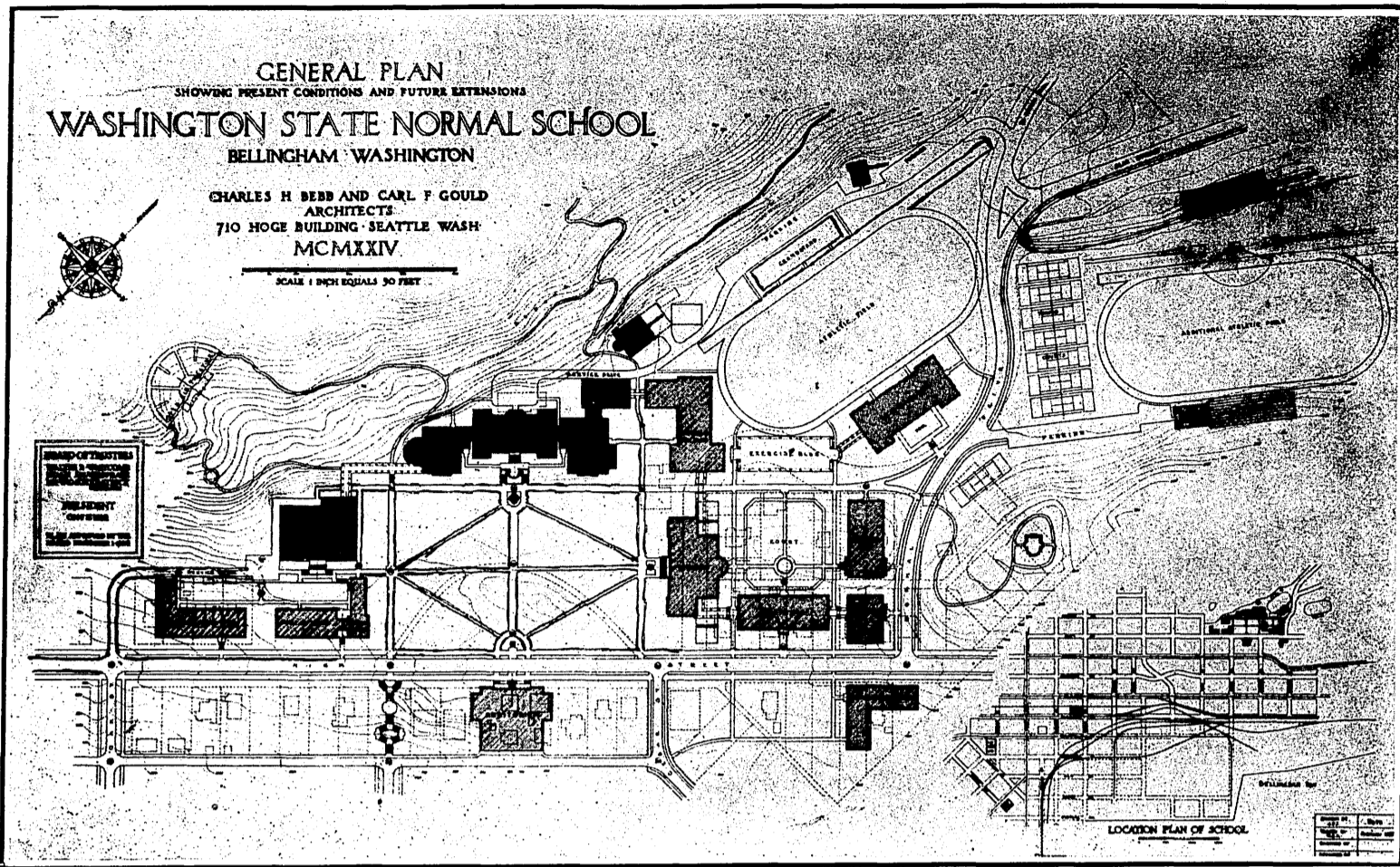
BUREAU AIDS STUDENTS

Appointment Bureau Places Many Students.

After one graduates from the Normal school his next step is to get a position. And after he has his position there may come a time when he will need assistance or a bit of advice to carry on his work.

Bellingham has a well organized department, the Appointment Bureau, to take charge of this work. The director of the Training school is the head of the Appointment Bureau, but the bureau itself is in charge of an appointment secretary who keeps a careful record of registrants, their records and credentials.

Below are the plans of the Normal, which are to be completed within the next twenty-five years. Beginning with the Library, which is most needed, these buildings will be added one at a time, until the plans are finished.



The rapid growth of the Normal during the last twenty-five years has caused plans to be drawn up providing for a definite plan of growth for the next twenty-five years. This includes a new Library, Gymnasium, Training School building, Athletic Field, Girls' Dormitory, Auditorium, Sylvan Theater, Chimes Tower, and many others.

BELLINGHAM LARGEST CITY OF NORTHWEST

Industrial as Well as Educational Community

The attractiveness of Bellingham and the surrounding country cannot be denied. This city of 40,000 people has a lure all its own which the setting but enhances.

Bellingham is the largest city in the extreme northwest; it boasts four large lumber mills, which produce millions of feet of lumber every year.

Farm Products Varied. Lumber and minerals are not the extent of Bellingham's material wealth. From the rich farm lands of which she is the center she gets fruits and vegetables that are canned in her canneries;

On Good Harbor. Bellingham is situated on one of the finest harbors on Puget Sound. Her bay shelters ships from many lands.

The largest salmon cannery in the world is located in Bellingham, which together with smaller canneries, each year sends tons of fish out from the city.

CHUCKANUT FINE CLIMB

View Unsurpassed From Local Mountain.

Chuckanut Mountain, a 1,460-foot peak with its base washed by the waters of Puget Sound, makes an ideal morning climb for students who like to hike.

Viewing Chuckanut from the State Park on Chuckanut drive, it appears a verdant, inviting mountain, one that might be climbed without scaling boulders or crossing dark chasms. True to its appearance it offers no obstacles to the hiker.

SCHOOL SPONSORS MT. BAKER TRIP

Never To Be Forgotten Scenery Appreciated on Hikes.

The Bellingham Normal School is situated in the most beautiful tourist playgrounds of the Northwest. The students of the school have every opportunity of viewing the ruggedness and the picturesque beauty of this playground; moreover the scenery changes often enough so that one does not grow tired of it.

On one side and in front of the Normal lies Bellingham Bay with the beautiful San Juan Islands within easy boating distance. It takes but a short time from the thought of a picnic on the Islands until one is actually there.

We will not linger on these but will take you into the Baker National Forest, the scenery and ruggedness of which cannot be surpassed. You will enter the National Forest through Glacier where arrangements can be made for pack trains, guides and food, and it is here you must obtain your fire permit.

Trails Lead to Beauty Spots. As you travel along the highway you will see trails leading off the main road. These are the trails you should follow as the road will not take you to the most interesting places such as Church Mountain, Skyline Ridge, Chain Lakes, Table Mountain, or Hannegan Pass.

For a short trip off the highway you may take your lunch and go to Chain Lakes, three clear lakes set in green, and forming three links of a giant chain. From the lakes you can climb Table Mountain, from which point you can see the lakes and Mount Baker in the background.

Kodaking a Pleasure. If you are a good kodak hunter you will wish to go to Hannegan Pass. Here you can climb Goat Mountain and cross over to Copper Mountain where you can obtain pictures of the elusive mountain goat.

Trips are made by the students each summer to as many of these places as possible. The trips are sponsored by the different clubs and organizations of the school; at least one trip is sponsored by

VANCOUVER WITHIN TWO HOURS DRIVE

Regular Motor Ferry Service to Victoria.

Two hours drive from Bellingham is Vancouver, the largest city in British Columbia, and a favorite of tourists on account of its many places of interest.

Stanley Park, one of the most beautiful spots in the Northwest, covers one thousand acres around which there is a drive with many enchanting views. From it one can see the Pacific with its giant waves breaking eternally on the rugged shores.

English Bay is just a short distance from the park, and its beach is well known by all Westerners for its rustic beauty and unique setting.

Another point of interest is the Capilano Canyon, high up in the snow capped peaks and its universally known Suspension Bridge where one of the most thrilling and superb views of the Coast Range group may be seen.

Victoria of Interest. Victoria, another quaint town located on the southeastern end of Vancouver Island, may be reached in a few hours by the palatial ferry "Motor Princess," which makes two trips daily from Bellingham.

Points of special interest here are: the city itself, which is largely of old English architecture, the observatory, and the sunken gardens. The trip to the sunken gardens can be taken as a side trip on the return from Victoria to the port.

On the Canadian border, near Blaine, a Peace Portal has recently been built. It is to commemorate the one hundred years of peace that has existed between the two countries.

the school. This trip generally takes three days, Mount Baker being scaled the second day. Such a trip is never forgotten and every Normal student should arrange to take it as it offers scenery that is unsurpassed and the joy of climbing over a glacier as well.

Every teacher should learn to know and love the great outdoors. Recognizing this need, the Normal School especially in the summer, offers every opportunity for this best of recreations.

NORMALSTAD SCENE OF SCHOOL EVENTS

Hundreds of Students Enjoy Normal Playground.

Normalstad is an eighty-acre tract of land on Lake Whatcom, which the Normal purchased in 1921, with a view to building a lodge there which will be used for week-end parties.

Normalstad is officially the Normal's playground, and is readily accessible to the students. It is only one and one-half miles from the end of the pavement and is within easy walking distance of the street car line.

Each year there is an all school picnic at Normalstad. The picnickers not only have their usual fun picnicking but also do a little clearing of the grounds.

It is expected that when the ground is better cleared and the lodge built, that the clubs of the school will take advantage of this playground and erect club lodges where social affairs and initiations may be held.

HILL IS VERY POPULAR

Sehome Adds Much to Attractiveness of Normal.

Sehome hill, with all its wild beauty, belongs to the Bellingham State Normal School and the city. This sixty acres of tree covered hill belongs to the school as much as does the campus, and adds to it in much the same way.

But Sehome hill is more than a background for the Normal; it serves as an outdoor gymnasium and lunch room for students. Breakfasts are enjoyed on its top, lunches eaten beneath its trees.

Well worn paths, and a good road make Sehome accessible to all. It is close to the Normal, it is pretty, it is wild, and it is popular.

BELLINGHAM BOASTS MANY OF NORTHWEST SCENIC BEAUTY SPOTS

Hundreds of Wooded Islands Inveigle Campers.

SEA BEACHES ARE POPULAR

Nowhere in all the West can a city be found that has more scenic spots than Bellingham; nowhere in all the world can there be found a region having as many wonderful places of beauty as this country that God certainly did not forget.

It is here that old man Puget scooped out his sound and planted the hundreds of islands clad in wooded loveliness, surrounded by the mighty waters of the Pacific, sometimes calm, blue and peaceful in the warm rays of sunshine, sometimes a sullen gray beneath menacing clouds.

Islands Abound. The warm Japanese current fans the many isles on the Sound and makes farming the foremost occupation of the inhabitants of the larger ones.

Excursionists are abundant at the islands throughout the summer months and numerous boats and ferries are used to accomodate those seeking out the beauties of this wonderland.

Beaches are Popular. Thousands of people swarm to the excellent beaches and bathing resorts where every convenience is provided and best of swimming is to be offered with all needed precautions for the safety provided for.

Parks are Best. Two hundred acres of the most beautiful and spacious parks are to be found, wherein the city has made special efforts to lead the state in this line.

Lakes and Rivers. Rivers and Lakes, too, come in for their share of the popularity and serve a two fold purpose; first, the lovers of rowing and canoeing can find happiness on the deep blue waters of Lake Whatcom and Weiser; and second, the fisherman is content with the game trout and various other fighting fish that team in the waters of Lakes Padden, Samish, and Toad, and the swift running Nooksack and Skagit Rivers.

LOCAL VIEW FAMOUS

Chuckanut Drive Known Thruout Pacific Northwest.

Chuckanut Mountain is one of the things Bellingham is proud of, but at its base there runs a highway winding close up to the hills and back over the very edge of the waters of the Sound, which is prized quite as highly.

On a pleasant grade the road climbs higher and higher as it winds around the base of Chuckanut. It hovers, high on a cliff, just over the water's edge; it hugs rugged boulders, and holds converse with quiet pines. It offers to the motorist all these things together with a feeling of security, for the road is smooth and easy to drive over, and along its sides at all dangerous points, the substantial guard rail lends assurance to the timid.

Other Roads. Chuckanut Drive, the widely known and very popular, is not the only paved road outside the city. No, indeed! One can leave Bellingham in any direction on paved roads, and wherever he may wish to go in Whatcom county and he is almost sure to find that he can follow a paved road all of the way. These roads lead thru beautiful farm country to the smaller towns thruout the county.

