



Members of the 167th Field Artillery Battalion of the Washington National Guard form the honorary guard here for Governor and Mrs. Rosellini and Clark's new president, Dr. Dwight C. Baird as they are about to enter the gym for Saturday's dedication ceremony. Behind them left to right are: Dr. P. F. Gaiser, retiring president; Mayor Irving Jensen, Dr. I. C. Munger Jr., Dr. George Kildow, president of the American Junior College Association; Lt. Col. Walter Stokstad and City Manager Robert Clute.

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## Clark Dedication Ceremonies Held

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Hundreds of Pacific Northwest residents got their first view of Clark Junior College's new 60-acre campus Saturday as the new buildings and the new president were introduced in a day brimful of activities and excitement.

Centered around the college's

new home in the Barracks, the day featured talks by the Governor of the State, leading junior college officials as well as visits from representatives of the Pacific Northwest's leading colleges and universities.

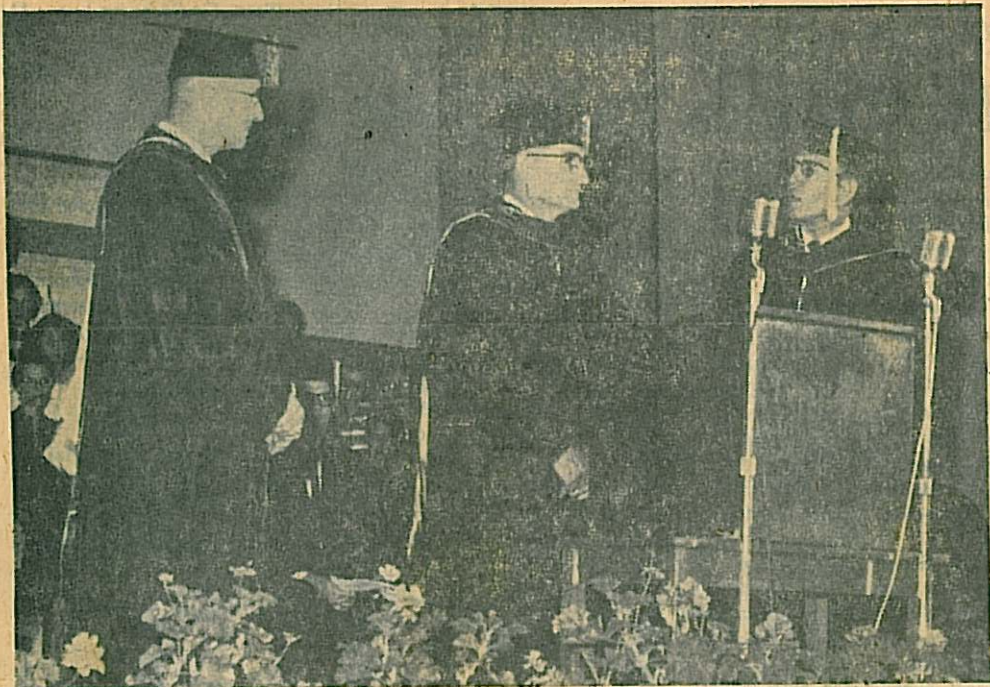
"Our state must give serious thought to the extension of educational opportunities beyond high school," Governor Albert Rosellini told the audience at the morning's dedication and inauguration ceremony. He went on to say that "legislation to permit the establishment of community-junior colleges in areas not now served by them will certainly receive consideration at the ensuing session of the legislature. The economy and the sound and practical educational services of the community-junior college of necessity must be acknowledged and developed in the interests of the State and its citizens."

### OFFICIALS SPEAK

Dr. Lloyd Elias, supervisor of junior college education in this state, represented the state department of education in the dedication of the \$2,000,000 buildings. Accepting the buildings for the city was Mayor Irving Jensen with the Vancouver School Directors being represented by Dr. I. C. Munger Jr., and the college by Dr. Baird.

Presenting the charge to the college's second president in the impressive inauguration ceremony were Dr. Munger and Dr. P. F. Gaiser, the retiring president.

Dr. Lewis Cannell, long-time dean at the college was the master of ceremonies. The invocation was given by the Rev. John Soltman and the Rev. Frederick Avery. The college orchestra under the direction of W. Lee Mack, provided the music for the event,



Receiving the charge here from Dr. I. C. Munger, Jr., president of the Vancouver School Directors (on the right) is Dr. Dwight C. Baird (in the center) who was inaugurated as the second president of Clark College in morning ceremonies highlighting the college's Dedication Day Saturday. Dr. P. F. Gaiser, retiring president (on the left), also presented a charge to the new president as part of the inauguration rite.

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Forming the academic procession just before the start of Clark College's dedication and inauguration ceremony Saturday was this group of faculty and visiting college and university representatives. Many of the Pacific Northwest's institutions of higher learning were represented in the colorful procession which preceded the opening event of the day.

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# Speeches

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with vocal selections by the college choir, directed by Sam Smith.

Fair skies and 65-degree temperatures brought many visitors to the campus for the open house in the afternoon and evening. This was the public's first opportunity to view the new buildings which opened this fall. The college's vocational building was also included in the tour schedule.

The Elks Lodge presented an American flag to the college in colorful military retreat ceremonies at 4:30 p.m. outside the student center which was later dedicated as Gaiser Hall. University of Portland's crack Mitchell Rifles, Air Force ROTC performed the retreat with music furnished by the Evergreen High School band.

### DOORS OPEN

"The doors of education must be open so wide that no learner is deprived of an education," Dr. Edmund J. Gleazer, director of American Junior College Association, told a packed room at the civic banquet held in the evening. One of leading junior college authorities in the country today, Dr. Gleazer emphasized that "traditional education has to give way to the changes taking place in the world today."

He said that education has an obligation to the public to provide the type of program which will service persons of various aptitudes and interests, allow them to create to their fullest capacity and maintain its control as close as possible to the people.

The "average guy" is in the



Adjusting the Governor's hood here just before the start of the college's dedication ceremony Saturday is Mrs. Doris Troxel, Clark registrar. The colorful hoods of many of the leading colleges and universities of the United States as well as Europe were worn by the participants in the academic procession.

majority, the former college president stressed in pointing out that higher education needs to be designed for the people it serves.

### GAISER APPLAUDED

The crowded room of Dedication Day guests was brought to its feet in a standing ovation for Dr. Gaiser, retiring president, at the conclusion of a speech by Dr. Munger, dedicating the student center in honor of the educator who had served Vancouver and Clark Junior College for 27 years before accepting a post on the faculty of University of Portland. A plaque bearing the name Gaiser Hall has been placed on the building.

Robert Inman acted as toastmaster for the evening with the welcome being given by Gene Lynch, Chamber of Commerce president. The invocation was given by the Rev. J. S. Nelson, Camas and the benediction by the Rev. Thomas Pitsch. Music was by the college string ensemble and the women's ensemble.

Bringing the Dedication Day festivities to a close were Les El-

gart and his orchestra which drew an overflow crowd to the gym. College students from throughout Oregon and Washington enjoyed the dance which continued until 1 a.m.