

The Reed College Herbarium

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It is not generally known to Reed community members that there is a small herbarium at this school. It not only houses vouchers from student theses and miscellaneous herbarium specimens but also includes a number of specimens of botanical interest. This issue will briefly describe the herbarium. A future article will describe what has been done in the herbarium and herbaria in greater detail.

The herbarium consists of two sections: 1) the old specimens and 2) the new specimens. The old specimens date from the end of the 19th century, though now we obtained these valuable specimens unknown. A number of names in the collection are of historical interest, authors of the first comprehensive book on the flora of the Great Basin, C. S. Gentry, collector of plants in Eastern Oregon, and D. C. Eaton. Handwritten labels in the collection are 1) willow specimens, *Salix* spp., and herbarium specimens of *Salix* spp. collected by Gentry, Eaton, etc., and a few other specimens collected by Gentry, Eaton, etc.

The other specimens are more recent ones and so have valuable historical value. The bulk of the collection comes from the collection of Mr. J. C. Howell's collection of the old west, primarily in mountain areas (the well-known "old west" collection) also includes miscellaneous collections of Dr. P. J. Howell. The herbarium is primarily a collection of lists have been prepared for the herbarium. These lists have been prepared for the herbarium (for identification of the plants), and have been placed on the Reed campus. K. C. Howell's specimens are in the herbarium. Margaret Howell's specimens, which are only a few specimens in the herbarium, are in the herbarium. The herbarium is in room B200A on the 2nd floor of the building.

At the present time, the herbarium is being used by the students serving as a herbarium vouchers on the campus of Cascade Head (Lincoln Co., Oregon). The herbarium is in room B200A.

We are indebted to the staff of the herbarium, especially to Mr. J. C. Howell, who has been very helpful to the herbarium. A new collection of specimens, collected by P. J. Howell, is being added to the herbarium.

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