

Old College Hall, Pacific University
Forest Grove, Oregon

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OLD COLLEGE HALL, PACIFIC UNIVERSITY
Forest Grove, Washington County
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Owner:

Date of Erection: 1849

Architect:

Builder: Pioneer men

Present Condition:

Number of Stories:

Materials of Construction: Hand-hewn timbers

Other Existing Records:

Additional Data: "Little New England College of the West", built as Tualatin Academy, became Pacific University January 10, 1854. Started as log church and school in 1841 (missionary work). Pioneer families camped on future campus while men built this hall. Hand-hewn timbers, hand-wrought hardware. Oldest educational building in use west of the Mississippi River. Harvey Scott, the first graduate, was a noted journalist. This first building of the University is an historic monument to the energy and fervor of the Pioneers and to their educational ideals.

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