

Formal Capitol Dedication Is Set for Today

Event Is 4th Important Ceremony to Mark Building

Program Coincides With 75th Birthday of Governor

The last of a series of four important ceremonies which have marked the progress of construction upon Oregon's imposing white marble capitol, the formal dedication ceremony, is scheduled for this afternoon at 2 o'clock on the spacious north plaza of the statehouse, which now stands complete except for the landscaping and some of the art work.

Previous ceremonies included the ground-breaking June 8, 1934; the cornerstone-laying June 17, 1937, and the formal opening July 2, 1938. Today's ceremonies coincide with the 75th birthday of Governor Charles H. Martin, who has been the head of the state government throughout the capitol reconstruction period. He will receive visitors in the executive offices after the dedicatory program.

Furnishings Arrival

Sets Stage

The arrival of furnishings especially made, at a cost of approximately \$18,000, for the executive, treasury and secretary of state's departments, completes the setting for the dedicatory exercises. They were installed on Friday, while furnishings which had been temporarily in use were moved to other departments.

The formal dedication program will open with a hymn, "Trust in the Lord," by the Willamette university glee club, followed by the invocation, led by Bishop Benjamin D. Dagwell.

The dedicatory address will be delivered by Leslie M. Scott of Portland. C. C. Hockley, regional director of the public works administration, will speak for that agency and Robert W. Sawyer of Bend will represent the capitol reconstruction commission. Formal presentation of the building will be made by J. A. McLean of Eugene, chairman of the commission, who will present a key as a personal memento to Governor Martin, who will make an address of acceptance of the building on behalf of the state.

The Willamette glee club will sing "America" and Archbishop Edward D. Howard will pronounce the benediction. In addition to the glee club's numbers, there will be music by the Oregon National Guard band, composed of musicians from the 143rd and 186th infantry regiments.

Seats for the 42 distinguished guests will be arranged on the plaza where the ceremony will be held.