

# Capitol Inscriptions

Inscriptions found in or on the State Capitol of Oregon were translated from Plato's *Republic* by Dr. H. B. Alexander of Scripps College.

## Capitol Rotunda

“In the souls of its citizens will be found the likeness of the state which, if they be unjust and tyrannical, then will it reflect their vices, but if they be lovers of righteousness, confident in their liberties, so will it be clean in justice, bold in freedom.”

## Capitol Entrance – West Side

“The mind of man knows no employment more worthy of its powers than the quest of righteousness in human affairs. No goal of its labours that is superior to the discovery of the good in the guidance of life.”

## Capitol Entrance – East Side

“A free state is formed and is maintained by the voluntary union of the whole people joined together under the same body of laws for the common welfare and the sharing of benefits justly apportioned.”

