

FIRST LAW DEAN OF OREGON DEAD

Dr. R. H. Thornton Occupied Post for 21 Years

EULOGY GIVEN BY HALE Degree of Doctor of Laws Conferred Year Ago

Dr. Richard H. Thornton, who established the University of Oregon law school in 1884 and became its first dean, died from a lingering illness in Portland, Wednesday night. The first school of legal education was established in Portland at the request of Matthew P. Deady, then a member of the University board of regents, and Dr. Thornton presided as its head for twenty-one years, retiring in 1905. In that year the school was transferred to the campus at Eugene.

A year ago last November, the University honored the former dean by conferring upon him the degree of doctor of law at a meeting in Portland attended by leading members of the bench and bar of Oregon, including many former students of Dr. Thornton.

First Attendance Small

When Dr. Thornton accepted Judge Deady's invitation, he retired from the practice of law in Williamsport, Pa., to undertake the work. The first year there were only seven students enrolled. Two took their degrees in the spring of that year. The school at that time was self-supporting, asking nothing from the University but its name and good-will.

Dr. Thornton was born in Lancashire county, England. At the age of twenty-six, he came to America. His legal education was acquired in the law schools of Columbia university and Georgetown university in Washington, D. C. He obtained his law degree from the latter. He was admitted to the bar in Pennsylvania and practiced there until he came to Oregon to devote himself to legal education serving its cause in the spirit of exalted scholarship and a fine idealism.

Dean Hale Praises Record

"I learned with deep regret of the passing of Dean Richard H. Thornton," said Dean W. G. Hale of the school of law. "As the founder and first dean of the University school of law and as director of its destinies or twenty-one years, he made a distinct and lasting contribution to the cause of legal education in Oregon. English by birth and early education, he was throughout his long life a classicist of the purest dye and an idealist through and through. The University is proud to have had the privilege of conferring upon Dean Thornton the degree of doctor of laws in recognition of his distinguished scholarship and splendid service in the field of legal education."

Magical Mulkey to Give Act on Circuit; Ability Of Student Is Praised

(Continued from page one) in his praise for the department of drama, and frankly states that but for what he learned there he would still be far from the professional footlights.

Mulkey has studied almost every phase of magic and dramatics, and has even studied psychology and philosophy with the aim of perfecting his art. Such things as history and literature of the ages he found an aid. "Every period has contributed to magic," he says, "from the time when the art was a religion. It is one of the most fascinating subjects known to man, and it has never, down through all the ages, lost its appeal to the human mind."

After registering in school last term, Mulkey started to polish off his act for a vaudeville tryout. He concentrated on a few tricks and illusions, which would be offered smoothly and rapidly, and all crowded into the short space of 15 minutes.

The first real tryout of his act was on Christmas day, when he was called upon by the Hellig to entertain with a feature act at the Christmas party the management gave for the members of the Western Vaudeville circuit who were in Eugene that day. Mulkey's act made an instant hit with the professionals, and their warm commendation gave the young man confidence. W. B. McDonald, manager of the Hellig, then put him on as a regular act with the Western Vaudeville bill New Years' day, and the act proved a great hit with the audience. So Mr. McDonald

then wrote to Mr. Fisher, of the Ackerman and Harris circuit, recommending the magician. The result was the offer, which Mr. Mulkey gladly accepted. Mr. Reddie speaks of him as one of the best magicians in the country, and especially praises him for his stage poise and appearance. The young man, he continued, who really regards his work as an art, has a pleasing stage appearance, an excellent "line" to go with his expert manipulation, and what is most important, he has a tremendously winning personality. Mulkey intends to stay in vaudeville for some time, and later on will assemble his own show. A rapid rise is predicted for him by all experienced in the theatrical field, and he has the warm wishes of success of hundreds of friends in and about Eugene.

He has not yet received word when to report, but is now devoting his time to showings in the larger theatres in the state, and in a week or two will go to Seattle, where he is to play at the State theatre, one of the largest in that city.

"Mulkey's rise is due to his hard work, coupled with a genuine love for his work, and a belief in himself," said Mr. Reddie. "He is almost the ideal type for magic, and in addition, he is an excellent actor."

The young man is the second student to go out professionally from the department of drama within a year. Dave Swanson, well known for his dramatic ability, is now touring with the Forest-Taylor players.

Rebec Assails Realists' View; Romanticism Is Held to Be Important

(Continued from page one) as being an era of "washed out romanticism." Despite its many faults, the age possessed, according to Dean Rebec, a certain claim to glory in that it produced such men as Darwin, Browning, Livingston, Tennyson and others, whose works live even today. "Victorianism," the speaker said, "represents a compromise. This age attempted to reconcile the modern and the scientific with the old fashioned and the conventional. The result is naturally characterized by no little hypocrisy. The principal reasons that Victorian art and thinking became unsound was that ideals were separated from reality, and an ideal which is not wedded with an intimate knowledge of the world tends to become overstrained."

In their reaction against romanticism people have turned to Darwinism, and to establish as philosophic various forms of scientific materialism. The ultimate outcome of this conception of science as a philosophy was the great war. In closing his address, Dean Rebec made a final plea for students to be clear and sure in their thinking. "If you accept the gospel of realism, accept it in toto, but do not read romanticism into it." He insisted, however, that after all, man was by nature a romanticist and an idealist, harboring eternally the conception of the what-ought-to-be, that the best course was to accept the eternal mystery as such, and realize as nearly as possible its infinite possibilities.

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W.A.A. RULES OUT ALL BUT OFFICIAL HIKES

Basketball Substitutes Get Only Five Points

Beginning this term, points in hiking will be allowed only for official hikes. Four hikes with the Mazamas and two W. A. A. hikes constitute the schedule for this term. All mileage made last term however will be counted.

This was decided at the W. A. A. mass meeting yesterday afternoon. It is hoped in this way to put hiking on an equal basis with other sports. A motion was carried allowing substitutes on house basketball teams five points. An additional ten points will be given for participation in two games.

This motion was adopted after various other plans had been discussed and discarded. From now on, each house team will be allowed 345 points which, subject to the above regulation may be awarded to the members of each team at the discretion of its captain.

It was announced that a score of 94 is required to win the rifle medal offered by Captain Murray. It was announced that a score of 94 is required to win the rifle medal offered by Captain Murray.

Cinder Artists to Meet Stanford Team; Several Lettermen Turning Out

(Continued from page one) has a nucleus of seven strong lettermen to build his team around the spirit of competition is the things that makes a track team. "The more competition in the events the better the men will be in those events," says Bill Hayward.

Plans for the term include competition among the men turning out every Saturday. These competitions will culminate at the end of the term in a big interclass or inter-fraternity meet. The most promising men will be picked and these will be asked to stay over the spring vacation to train for the Stanford contest. Bill is working out a plan for an inter-fraternity track meet which each house may enter or not as they wish. Or they may enter as many or as few events as they wish. Bill firmly believes that many good track men are picked up in inter-fraternity meets. He expects this one to uncover some good material.

The track schedule is a hard one and all men intending to turn out should be out now for it takes a long time to get technique and form in a track event. At present the men are turning out only on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11 to 4. As they get into shape they will turn out every day in the week. The prospects of the season are very good. The calibre of the lettermen turning out is high. Chick Rosenberg, captain of the squad, is counted on to be the main point winner of the team. He broad jumps, pole vaults and runs the hurdles. He is a veteran of last year and should excel his previous performances. Another star performer is Walt Kelsey, hurdler and pole vaulter. He can run both hurdles but will probably be entered in only one. Francis Cleaver, letterman in the hurdles, has recovered from his injury of last spring and is expected to show up in his old form.

The other lettermen are Kinney, Ager, and Carruthers in the 440. All are dependable men. They are just rounding into their form in the hard run. Eby will be back for the high jump. He has been going close to the coast record in fall training. Bill Hayward has prepared a list

of men turning out for the events who are the most promising. However there are many men who are not on the list but as soon as they have had an opportunity they will be placed on it.

In the 100 and the 220 will be Extra, Holt, Westerman, Stonebreaker, and Moore.

The 440 will have Kinney, Carruthers, Ager, Wilbur, Cash, Hermance and Price.

The 880 will have Mauney, Jeffries, Swank, Houston, Kimball.

In the distances will be Tetz, Barnes, Carlson, Martin, Keating, Swank, Gurnea, and Jagger.

Hurdles — Kelsey, Cleaver, Hall, Staley, and Carruthers.

Jumps—Eby, Rosenberg, Thompson, Price, Kelsey, and MacAuliffe.

Weights—"Tiny" Johnson, Hemmings, Mautz, Beatty, Moore, and Tuck.

There will be a meeting of everyone turning out or interested in turning out for track on Hayward field at 1 o'clock next Saturday to discuss important matters in regard to the events of the coming season. Civilian clothes or track suits may be worn.

BAKE OVEN ARRIVES FOR POTTERY CLASS

The new baking oven to be used by the pottery class has arrived on the campus and will be installed immediately in the space formerly occupied by the old heating plant, according to H. M. Fisher, superintendent of the University buildings and grounds.

The oven which weighs 3,800 pounds, was first received on the campus about three months ago, but owing to the fact that it was damaged very badly, it was shipped back to the factory in Michigan. A few small castings were broken in transit this time, but can be mended with little trouble.

SPENCER TO DISCONTINUE UNIVERSITY HIGH POSITION

Peter L. Spencer, of the department of education, who taught in the University high school last semester in addition to his regular work, will devote his time exclusively to University work. He will teach educational psychology, a division of educational literature, and one division of the course in high school problems.

TWO UNIVERSITY WOMEN DO SUBSTITUTE TEACHING

The classes of Mrs. Ethel Wakefield Scott, teacher in the University high school, are being taught by Mrs. Delbert Oberteuffer, former University student and wife of Mr. Oberteuffer of the physical education department, and Miss Luella Hausler, senior in the school of education. Mrs. Scott has been ill at her home in Springfield since the holidays.

Debate Results Even In Contest Held Here With Corvallis Institution

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be made to that effect.

"The judiciary cannot be compared with the executive and legislative departments," said Kerr, one of the speakers for the negative. "The executive and legislative departments are the affirmative side of the government and the judiciary the negative or the check of the other."

Judges at the local debate were: Prof. E. E. Schwartztrauber, of Lincoln high school; Charles Brand, of Roseburg; and Dr. S. B. Laughlin, of Willamette university. Prof. E. E. DeCou, of the University faculty presided at the debate.

A large audience heard the contest, the lower floor of the Villard auditorium being filled to capacity. Professor DeCou expressed the pleasure of the promoters of the meet at the large attendance and expressed the opinion that interest in debate had increased at Oregon this year.

GRADUATE DIES IN EAST AFTER AUTO ACCIDENT

Roza Willer, '23, graduate of the Portland School of Social Work, died in New York during the Christmas holidays as a result of an accident in which she was struck by a taxicab. Her death, which was due to concussion of the brain, occurred at a New York hospital where she lingered several days after the accident.

Miss Willer came to America from Vilna, Russia, in 1915, and entered Reed College in 1919 and transferred to the Portland School of Social Work as a junior in 1921. She was graduated from the University with a B. A. degree with the class of 1923. She then went for graduate work to the New York

School of Social Work in the fall of 1923, and was still engaged in these studies when she met her death.

ALPHA DELTA PI TO GIVE JITNEY DANCE TOMORROW

Alpha Delta Pi will give a jitney

matinee dance Saturday afternoon from 2:00 to 5:00 in the Campa Shoppe. The Pi-id Pipers will furnish the music. It is to be either a date or no-date affair, and the proceeds will go toward the Alpha Delta Pi house and lot fund.

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