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TO MEASURE a man's service to his community or to his country, how better can we proceed than to survey the influence he has exerted, the courage he has maintained and the ideals he has upheld?

In the midst of our educational maelstrom it is with a feeling of relief and reassurance that we glance in retrospect at a record that nothing can obscure. For 20 years Eric W. Allen has played the dual role of educator and editor—and his teachings and writings have reverberated the length and breadth of the nation, reflecting credit upon the University and upon the state.

As dean of the school of journalism, he has wielded a potent and permanent influence upon the press of today and tomorrow. The hundreds of men and women who have sat at his feet have gone forth with the gospel of a finer and fairer journalism, and a legion of newspapers have broadcast his teachings to a multitude of readers. If the press is truly the voice of the people, then Dean Allen has exerted an influence that is unrivalled on the coast.

Now, as never before, the crying need of the hour is for courageous leaders; men who can see the evils of our present system and attack them fearlessly. Men who are hardy enough to find the news, and brave enough to print it. If, as Junius said, liberty of the press is the palladium of all the civil and political rights of men, then the courage and conviction that the dean has imparted to his many students will prove stalwart defenders of the freedom we have valued so highly.

But perhaps the greatest service Dean Allen has rendered in his 20 years of work is his championship of idealism in journalism. He has ever endeavored to instill in the minds of his students the cardinal axiom that a newspaper is a public servant rather than a private business. He has undertaken the difficult task of reconciling "practical journalism" with idealistic principles. He has provided a ringing challenge to the contention that "a newspaper is merely an eight per cent investment."

There Is No Victory

WHILE the league of nations makes futile moves to end the war in the Far East, Japan retains a firm grip on her holdings in China and prepares to defend the puppet state of Manchuria. The rumbling of the Russian bear along the Manchurian border seems to disturb Japan not a whit as her military forces continue in their conquests. How is it all going to end?

As difficult as it is to answer that question, it may be said with a reasonable amount of certainty that in the end Japan will be in a worse position than she is now. Whatever she may conquer in the way of land and peoples, at the consummation of her militaristic desires she is bound to find that she has strengthened herself neither economically nor politically.

Japan's imperialistic ventures in the past should have served sufficiently to convince even the most rabid of the militarists that there is nothing to gain through military conquest. Formosa, Shantung, Korea, Manchuria, eastern Siberia are all reminders of campaigns that either ended disastrously for the Japanese, or that brought but negligible results. In spite of these warnings from the past, Japan continues, seeking to emulate the actions of the nations of Europe and the United States during the latter part of the nineteenth century. As a result of the imperialism of these nations, a world war. As a result of Japan's imperialistic actions, perhaps another world war.

The lesson of the World War has not been learned by all. Japan will learn—but only after her people have suffered from the disease, starvation, and death of war. For every inch of ground she may conquer in China, some human being in Japan will suffer. And a bloody victory will be rewarded by the scorn and opprobrium of the civilized world.

Greetings-To Dean Straub

DEAN STRAUB, Oregon's beloved "grand old man," had a birthday yesterday. It was his 79th.

For 52 years Dean Straub served the University of Oregon. To every man and woman who ever attended the University, he is cherished as a friend and counselor. For 52 years Dean Straub was daily about the work he loved—work for his "boys and girls." Of late he has not been able to be on the campus so often. His "boys and girls" have missed him. Whenever he does stroll down the street, he always becomes the center of a little group that stops him for a chat.

Yesterday, on his birthday, Dean Straub sent a message to the campus. "No matter how old I get to be," he said, "my love for the students, boys and girls—especially the girls—will never be diminished. I hope to be strong next fall, so that when the tug-of-war comes off at the millrace, I expect to take hold of the freshmen end of the rope and pull the sophomores in. Or, if not that, at least to see that the freshmen get a 'square deal.'"

And, Dean Straub, when you sit down to your 100th birthday cake, we hope to be on hand to help you with this celebration.

THE Corridor

By V. H. Hall

One evening a short time ago the door of my room opened and in walked an elderly lady wrapped in a fluffy fur coat and wearing a small, shapely, black hat. She sat down in a nearby chair and announced that she had just returned from Easter services. Most people attend church once a year and that once is usually at Easter time. I don't attend them. But it happens that she is a regular goer.

I noticed something about her that queerly betrayed a comfortable soul. She was contented and seemed to radiate intrinsic satisfaction. There was only one way I could account for this "nimboic" mood and Victorian happiness. Her mind was not hopelessly fluttering from place to place in the vast abyss of hypotheses and theories, undecided upon which to light. She had one definite conviction that here unfolded itself quite appropriately. She was one of the many millions who believe that something of much greater beauty will follow this life. The human soul, she said, is so complex and so magnificently and mysteriously devised that complete destruction by such an inglorious procedure as death is impossible.

My skepticism often worries me. But then, I can't discuss life after death in this little column.

Where there is doubt there is no real truth, and this question would, in all probability, fall into the category of the unknowable. I fear that this is one of those problems that will never be cleared in the eyes of man.

Once had a professor draw a diagram of all knowledge by first outlining a large circle on the board in front of us. He cut off approximately one-third of it by a straight line. That third represented the extent of man's knowledge today. Then he drew another line clipping off another fifth of the circle. This he labeled the unknowable. All the rest of the circle represented the unknown. The lack of information on life after death might be represented by a dot in the unknowable section.

Now it is said that experimentation is the forerunner of knowledge. Any sane human being would object to being a subject in an experiment on this problem. Although, if restoration of life were possible, I wouldn't mind a round trip to hell, myself.

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Course in Leadership Of Group Work To Start

A course in group leadership for Y. W. C. A. freshman discussion group leaders and cabinet members opens today under John L. Casteel, head of the University speech division. The class will be held at 4 p. m. at the "Y" bungalow.

Practical instruction in leading discussion groups is the aim of the course, Margaret Ann Pollitt, chairman of the group leaders, said yesterday. It is the policy of the Y. W. C. A. to build these leaders from seniors of the organization and juniors particularly qualified. They are chosen as a result of cabinet try-outs.

The class will meet at the bungalow at 4 p. m., two Thursdays of each month during the term.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

Sigma Delta Chi dinner meeting at the College Side inn, upstairs, 6:00 p. m., Thursday.

Lutheran students association will be the guests of Emmaus Lutheran church Sunday. Arrangements have been made to transport all students from the campus Y. W. bungalow at 6 o'clock.

Phi Beta will hold an important meeting this evening at 7:45 at the Alpha Chi Omega house. Everyone must be present.

Volunteers for working on costumes for "Beggars' Opera" will meet at the Kappa Kappa Gamma house at 4 o'clock today.

Prose and Poetry group of Philometele meets tonight from 9 to 10 at Susan Campbell hall.

Phi Delta Kappa meets Friday at 3 in room 3 in the Education building. Election of new members will be held.

All girls interested in intramural tennis please sign up on the W. A. A. bulletin board in the women's gym before Friday evening.

Christian Science organization will meet tonight at 7:30 at the Y. W. C. A.

Kappa Sigma announces the pledging of Harry Lucas.

Y. W. C. A. class in group leadership begins today, 4:00, at the bungalow. John L. Casteel, of speech department, in charge. All particularly interested may enter course.

Ceharm school of Philometele. Members and anyone interested, don't forget the meeting Monday at 9:15 at Phi Mu.

RELIEF MODEL MADE

A relief model of Asia has just been completed by Ernest McKittrick, Norman Gonzales and Andrei Isotoff, which will serve as a medium of assistance to the geology and geography departments. A similar map has been made of South America and one of Europe will also be added to the collection in the future.

FELLOWSHIPS RECEIVED

A graduate fellowship in sociology at the University of Southern California has been awarded to H. Earl Pemberton, assistant in the sociology department here for the last year. Pemberton got his M. A. at the University in 1931. He will work for his Ph.D. at U. S. C. under Professor E. S. Bogardus, head of the department there.

DOCUMENT IS RECEIVED

Professor Leavitt O. Wright of the Romance language department has just received a copy of the new constitution of the Republic of Spain sent to him from the embassy of Spain in Washington. Included in the constitution is a picture of the new president.

Hoover Election Group Advocates Wet Plank

HARTFORD, Conn., April 6.—(AP)—The Connecticut Republican convention tonight applauded a eulogy of President Hoover and a plea for the repeal of the 18th amendment by Senator Hiram Bingham, the keynote speaker.

The 600 delegates applauded and cheered Bingham's declaration: "The great experiment of prohibition has not only not succeeded, but it is producing results we did not expect it to produce in the way of harming our young people. It should be repealed."

Military Anniversary Observed in Washington

WASHINGTON, April 6.—(AP)—President Hoover gave a peace time salute today to part of America's war strength, reviewing thousands of past and present military men who filled past him in an army day commemoration of the 15th anniversary of the nation's entry into the World war.

The observance drew a protest from two senators who voted against the declaration of war—Norris of Nebraska, and Dill of Washington.

Postage Raise Unfair, Says Advertising Club

PORTLAND, April 6.—(AP)—The Portland Advertising club today adopted a resolution which termed the proposed increase of first class postage rates from two to three cents "grossly unfair" because it amounts to imposition of a 50 per cent tax on this traffic.

Charles L. McNary and Frederick Steiwer, United States senators from Oregon, were asked by the club to oppose the measure actively.

CAMPUS CARNIVAL TO BE FUN-FEST OF YEAR

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peanuts to dancing at the carnival," Miss Hancock stated. "The affair will be something entirely new to the Oregon campus."

In line with the prevalent competitive spirit, members of Kappa Alpha Theta have issued a challenge to any women's house to select a team of five players and enter a contest to see which group can win the most prizes at the basketball throwing concession to be sponsored by Sigma Alpha Mu.

The whole carnival will be run on a jitney basis, with a five-cent charge for everything in the place. The dance will be in the form of a jitney dance, also. Those attending the carnival will buy tickets at four special booths.

CANOE FETE HAS PLACE FOR 4 CO-ED GROUPS

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will not disqualify those women's organizations wishing to enter this spring.

Sororities or women's halls wishing to enter the canoe fete may make arrangements by calling Hal Short, chairman, at 940 today before the drawings are made.

Entrants in the Canoe Fete up to last night included: Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Gamma Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Phi Mu, Sigma Kappa, Zeta Tau Alpha, Hendricks hall, Mary Spiller hall, Alpha Upsilon, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Sigma Kappa, Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Pi Tau, Theta Chi, Gamma hall, Omega hall, and Sigma hall.

NEW CONTACT WITH KIDNAPERS IS CLAIM

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folk in a navy plane—piloted by the same officer who flew another of the intermediaries here to see Lindbergh several weeks ago—Curtis went into conference with his two associates.

Then he issued the following statement: "Gentlemen: On my trip I made contact, was informed by my contact that the child was well, saw Colonel Lindbergh personally, but am not at liberty to say where. I regret my inability to say more at this time."

FALMOUTH, Mass., April 6.—(AP)—State policemen searched the Great Neck section today after receiving a report that a man, a woman, and a baby were nearing Great Neck in a boat.

The policemen searched several hours and found only footprints which they said appeared to have been recently made. They found no trace of the boat.

Col. Charles A. Lindbergh visited the section in an airplane Monday and the visits of other unidentified planes have caused a belief the kidnaped Lindbergh baby is in this vicinity.

French Group Initiates To Be Banquet Guests

Pi Delta Phi, French honorary, will hold formal initiation and a formal banquet Thursday evening for nine new members. The initiation is set for 5 p. m. in the men's lounge at Gerlinger hall. The new initiates are Regina Brooks, Laurence Fischer, Marjorie Halderman, Elma Doris Havemann, Ladrew Moshberger, Nella Roster, William Starr, Evelyn Struve and Nancy Turner.

Following the ceremony the new members and the initiates of last term will be honored at a banquet, which is to be held at the Eugene hotel at 6:30. Dr. A. R. Moore, of the department of biology, will be the speaker of the evening, and Louis Myers of the French department will act as toastmaster.

EMERALD ... of the AIR

"Up Stream," oration by Wallace Campbell, will be broadcast during the Emerald of the Air at 4:15 this afternoon over station KORE. The presentation will be the entry of the University in the State Peace contest to be held at Albany college Friday evening. During the past two years Oregon's entries have been victorious; and Campbell, who is a veteran forensics man, is conceded a good chance to win.

Friday's Emerald of the Air will present a program of music by a campus musician not yet selected.

Wesley Members Plan Annual Beach Retreat

About 40 students of the Wesley club will go to Newport for the organization's annual retreat April 15, 16, and 17, it was announced yesterday by Donald Saunders, president. The general theme for the week-end is to be "Religion, the Dynamic of Creative Living."

There will be discussions Saturday afternoon, a bonfire on the beach Saturday evening, and a church service on the beach Sunday morning, Saunders said. Some cars will be leaving Friday afternoon and others Saturday morning, and those who wish to attend the affair are asked to call 375 to make arrangements.

Baker and Associates Denied Immediate Trial

PORTLAND, April 6.—(AP)—Presiding Circuit Judge Jacob Kanzler today denied motions for immediate trial of Mayor George L. Baker, indicted by the Multnomah county grand jury following an investigation of the city's purchase of a municipal market site.

The court denied similar motions made on behalf of City Commissioner Earl Riley, City Engineer Olaf Laurgaard, A. A. Hampson and Paul Ferrens, attorneys, under indictment in the same case.

Lloyd George Decides On Virtual Retirement

LONDON, April 6.—(AP)—David Lloyd George, one of Britain's greatest political figures, was reported tonight to have decided on virtual retirement from the House of Commons.

Only events of outstanding importance, said those close to him, would bring the war-time prime minister back to the scene of his past triumphs.

Lloyd George, noted Welsh liberal, will devote himself to writing and farming, his friends said.

Revision of Medicinal Liquor Control Urged

WASHINGTON, April 6.—(AP) Limited revision of the Volstead act to obtain greater flexibility in the use of medicinal whiskey was approved here today by the government's chief prohibition officers. The present law permits not more than one pint for one patient every ten days. Bills to lift all statutory limitations on prescription whiskey, as well as a measure to permit the prescription of malt liquors are at the present time before a house judiciary sub-committee.

OLIVERAS TO SPEAK

Amacleo Oliveras of the graduate school will speak on the Philippine Islands tomorrow at the regular meeting of the Grace Lutheran University club. Games and refreshments will round out the program. The meeting will be held at 1065 Ferry street at 7:30.

SIX IN INFIRMARY

Paula Link, Lawrence Jackson, Everett Harrell, Gay McVay, and Marion Van Sceyoc are still quarantined in the infirmary. Marion Robbins was admitted Wednesday.

A Decade Ago

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There are 500 or 600 radio sets in operation in Eugene. Supply houses are being swamped with orders and it is practically impossible to buy a pair of head telephones for any price.

The Oregon Knights will officiate at the first student body dance of the term, to be held at 8 o'clock tonight in the Woman's building.

A "new-fangled" batting cage designed by Coach George M. Bohler was recently pushed from its moorings at the rear of the men's gymnasium into Kincaid field. Witnesses of the moving wondered "who crossed the front wheels of Henry Ford's automobile with the neighbor's chicken coop."

An autographed photograph of the Lincoln Memorial statue, which is being placed in the Lincoln Memorial hall in Washington, D. C., was received today by the Sculpture club of the University. Daniel Chester French, noted American sculptor, is the signer.

Ernest Haycox is a special writer on the Emerald staff. Floyd Maxwell is editor and Webster Ruble manager.

A married law student locked another law senior in an upper room of the Oregon building to keep him from a canoeing date, fearing that the hapless youth might forget a vow he had made to the effect that he would always remain a single man. The trial is to come up some time during the next three weeks, as practice for the budding lawyers.

Plans for Canalization Of River Recommended

Albany, Ore., April 6.—(AP)—Delegations from Eugene, Salem, Springfield, Corvallis, and Albany met here today and drew up recommendations for the proposed canalization of the Willamette river and a summary of benefits to be derived from the improvement.

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