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Democracies **Are Bulwarks** Says Radcliffe

High Standards Will Maintain Present Set-ups in Face of War Threats

As long as democratic countries like the United States, Great Brittin, and France retain their standards of self-government and social freedom, they will not fall apart, even if the darkest ordeal-meaning war-should come, was the opinion voiced by S. H. Ratcliffe, British author and journalist, at an assembly yesterday at 11 a.m. in Gerlinger hall.

The present world crisis Mr. Ratcliffe classed "the gravest facing nations of the western world since the close of the war." He frowned on the race to build up armaments at a heretofore unequalled cost, in spite of unheeded efforts being made by the League of Nations.

"Hitler" Big Question

In his travels in the United States, two questions are frequently asked of him, Mr. Ratcliffe said. In answer to the first, "Where will Hitler strike next?" he admits that some of the Balkan countries are likely spots. Czechoslovakia he believes would be more difficult than Austria to take over peaceably, because of the resistance of the Czechoslovakian people and government. As long as Germany's attempts at conquest succeed without strife, Hitler will not wish to push his country into war, the speaker said. "The British policy?" he is asked. Great Britain under the present ministry will definitely try for peace, and at the same time attempt to cooperate with the fascist powers.



Princesses Blanche McClellan, Marcia Stenhauser,, Queen Virginia Regan, Princesses Jacqueline Mc-Cord and Betty Crawford will begin their Junior Weekend reign at noon May 6.

Andy Newhouse Gets \$50 Fine in First Law School Moot Court Trial Last Night

By GORDY RIDGEWAY

A judgment of \$50 against Andy Newhouse was awarded by the jury to the plaintiff, in a suit brought for damages by Dick Miller in the first case of the law school's series of moot trials last night.

Decision Split

The jury reported a verdict by a nine to three decision. Considerable consternation was caused at the last minute, when after a roll call vote from the jurors ordered by Judge Orlando J. Hollis, one juror changed his vote in the court room.

George Neuner. The defendant denied any liability. He was represented by William Shephard and Norman Winslow.

Three Challenges

The trial began at 7:30, and picking the jury took about 10 minutes, the plaintiff exercising one peremptory challenge, the defense, two.

Miller was his own first witness, testifying that he had not been drinking on that particular night, and further relating his experiences as concerning the case.

the courtroom, when after heing asked if he had observed Miller's face at the time of his arrest, he replied, "I imagine I did; I probably would have definitely noticed it if the face had been missing.' **Bottle Found**

Newhouse testified in his defense, relating the events of the evening, and revealing that he had found a bottle near Miller's body that night. Herbert Galton also declared that on his way home from doing some "piggin!", he had heard Newhouse shout for help, and had responded, trying to give aid to Miller without avail. Kenneth Schramm also was called as a doctor, refuting the plaintiff's claims as to the sesiousness of his injuries.

Carroll Plans Gala Baseball Opening Day Chancellor Hunter To Pitch First Ball Of Season; Parade Starts at 2:30

With exactly a week remaining before Howard Hobson's 1938 diamond crew officially opens the baseball season at Howe field in a lead-off game with Oregon State. ASUO Prexy Barney Hall moved yesterday to arrange a colorful opening day ceremonies by appointing Clyde Carroll to head a committee for the day.

A parade of players and notables in cars led by the University band will begin the festivities, with Order of the O initiation following as soon as the parade reaches Howe field. The neophytes will be quizzed on baseball matters ,with "hacks" the penalty for failure to answer.

All-Star Battery

Chancellor Frederick M. Hunter will pitch the first ball, with Mayor Large of Eugene behind the bat. and President Peavy of Oregon. State College at the plate.

Prizes have been lined up for the first home run, the first three-base hit, the first broken window in the Igloo, and all the traditional opening day offers, with the baseballers scheduled to receive numerous awards for both good and bad playing.

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Federal Funds Cut Decreases N.Y.A. Payroll

By ALYCE ROGERS One-third fewer college and graduate students than last year are receiving federal assistance under the National Youth Administration's student aid program, executive director Aubrey Williams announced last week. Cause for the decline is the substantial decrease in appropriations received by the NYA under the Emergency Appropriations Act of 1937. No separate allotments were made for college and graduate aid. Instead, the universities were assigned quotas of students on the basis of 8 per cent of the combined enrollments of undergraduate and graduate students.

Pome ... He kissed Helen,

Hell ensued. He left Helen, Helen sued.

-Barometer.

Hits-and-Miss

Sixty-three per cent of Princeton's B. A. seniors admit they have (Please turn to page two)

Suit for \$1250

The plaintiff brought suit for \$1250. He was represented by Attorneys Reva Herns and

Cantata by Du Bois

Officers Testify

Dave Silven and Bill Daugherty were called as police officers, and Bruce McIntosh testified as Miller's doctor. Silvencreated a mild disturbance in

From Eastern Trip

John J. Landsbury, dean of the

school of music, returned to the

University campus yesterday after

a trip to St. Louis, Missouri, where

he attended and assisted in the na-

tional music educator's conference.

from March 27 to April 1, was fol-

lowed by a visit to the University

of Indiana and Simpson college in

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Iowa.

The conference, which lasted

Round Table Club Initiates Dr. Erb

President Donald M. Erb was elected to membership in the Round Table club at its regular monthly meeting, Tuesday night.

The club, which meets for informal discussions on subjects of inselected from the University faculty, and 25 chosen from local business men, who have attained a college degree.

Carmen Jaye Blaise, graduate, Dean Landsbury's sister, Anne '37, and member of Sigma Kappa, Landsbury Beck, professor of pubwas married to Edward E. Bert of Honolulu March 31 in Portland.

FDR Asks Congress for NYA Renewalin 1938-9

By WALDEMAR UPDIKE

About two hundred and ninety-five NYA students have been interested in President Roosevelt's fireside talk last night, in which he stated that he was asking congres for additional funds including a sum over and above what was allotted for NYA aid to students this year.

Recently, students who have work with the National Youth administration were greatly concerned on hearing that it was quite possible that NYA work would be greatly curtailed and maybe eliminated next year.

Roosevelt's message gave rise to new hopes for the continuance of NYA next year. Students will watch with particular interest his fight for passage of the expenditure bill in congress.

As a new feature for this year's opening day, the University band will play throughout the game.

Gates to Be Dedicated

Also being arranged were dedication ceremonies for the new gate system, built by donations from funds of previous classes.

Assisting Chairman Carroll on the two-man committee will be Clayton Ellis. Skull and dagger will help with the lining up of the parade.

Although the official conference opening day is not until next Friday, the varsity will get in another terest to the group, has a limited non-conference game this afterenrollment of 50 members, 25 being | noon, meeting Willamette on Howe field at 2:30.

Theta Sig Officers **Elected Thursday**

Theta Sigma Phi officers for the coming year were elected yesterday noon at a meeting of the group at the Anchorage. Mrs. Shirley Kreasan Krieg was a guest, and spoke informally about Theta Sigma Phi personalities of her acquaintance. Mrs. Krieg is editor of the Zeta Tau Alpha magazine, Themis, and was a charter member of Theta Sigma Phi at Illinois.

New officers named are: Bernading Bowman, president; Betty Wagner, vice-president; Beulah Chapman, secretary; Alice Nelson, treasurer; Alyce Rogers, reporter; Lucille Finck, keeper of the archives.

Mrs. Krieg spoke of her experiences in the field of fraternity journalism, and reviewed briefly the outlook for women in various journalistic fields.

Landsbury Returns To Be Sung Easter By Christian Choir A special Easter service will be

given next Sunday night in the First Christian church, it was recently announced by Hal Young, University professor of voice.

The 60-voice choir directed by Mr. Young, will present a special number, the Du Bois cantata, "The Seven Last Words of Christ," varied with Monostel's composition of the same title.

Soloist will be Mark Daniels, baritone from Portland, and Edith Hopkins, soprano wife of George Hopkins, University professor of piano, and well-known here for her singing.

'EASTER NESTS' SALE

A campus wide sale of "Easter Nets" will be sponsored by the YMCA on Friday. Men will sell the confections, which will be priced at five cents each. Proceeds of the sale will aid in the promotion of a Hi-Y conference to be held here May 18. Art Lamka is in charge of sales.

TO SPEAK ON WPA

Dr. Warren D. Smith, head of the geography and geology departments of the University, will talk on the KOAC business hour tonight at 8:15. The topic of the speech will be the "Willamette Valley Project."