

Reading Lost Art; Vocabularies Poor, Lazy,' Agrees Professor

Agreeing with Dr. Mortimer J. Adler, famous author, lecturer, and professor of law philosophy at the University of Chicago, that reading is becoming a lost art, E. G. Moll, associate professor of English, said recently, "There is evidence that our freshmen have great difficulty in reading and understanding prose which is not strictly modern."

Professor Moll believes that in the speeding up reading habits in our educational institutions, the matter of comprehension has been neglected. "There was a time when the degree of literacy in universities was much higher," he declared. Along with reading, Professor Moll says that speech is also becoming a lost art. "We have a grunt and groan vocabulary," he said. "We affect informality. We say the things which offer the least possible trouble to ourselves. We merely point to ideas without expressing them. We have an infinite number of short-cuts to language."

Princeton Professor To Teach in Portland

Princeton professor of philosophy, Edward G. Spaulding, will teach three courses—two in philosophy and one in education—at the Portland summer session of the state system of higher education, running from June 20 to July 29.

Introduction to philosophy aims to present the development of formal philosophy and its various schools, with readings from Plato, Kant, James, and others. Philosophy of mind, a seminar carrying graduate credit, will study the nature and function of mind from the philosophical and psychological points of view; character education, also carrying graduate credit, is an education course designed for teachers and others dealing with student training.

He is the author of "The New Rationalism," "What Am I?" and "A World of Chance," and has also written for many philosophical and scientific magazines.

During previous summer sessions Dr. Spaulding has taught at Harvard and at the Universities of Chicago, Michigan, Washington, and California. He has also lectured at the Marine Biology laboratory, Woods Hole, Massachusetts, at the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, and at the People's Institute in New York City.

Dr. R. W. Leighton Selected for Office Of National Group

Adding another office to the many conferred on members of the physical education school, Dr. R. W. Leighton, acting dean, was elected yesterday to the executive committee of the section for Health Instruction of the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

Dr. Leighton will represent the entire northwest district of the United States on this committee. He was selected after a short business meeting of the old directors in Atlanta.

The duties of the committee are to decide legislation for selecting textbooks for high schools and colleges, for helping in making out school curricula, and to work on the presentation of films and radio programs depicting the work of the society.

Accounting Class Holds Banquet for Kelly in Portland

Thirty former students in the advanced accounting classes of C. L. Kelly, professor of business administration, held a banquet in his honor at the Sign of the Rose tea shop in Portland last Friday night.

Also present were nine students in his present C.P.A. problems class, who had just finished taking the two-day examination for a certified public account's certificate.

Faculty members of the University at the banquet included: C. L. Kelly, O. R. Anderson, instructor in accounting, Miss R. M. Chilcote, instructor in accounting, and two graduate assistants, Kenneth Gillanders, and Wilson Siegmund.

Kwamas will meet at 4 in the AWS room in Gerlinger.

Newsreel Film Producers Have Skill, Equipment

'Finished' Product to Be Turned Out by Expert Crew

Bruce Nidever and Don Hunter, producers of the sound and color news reel which will be shown one week each month in Eugene, have had considerable training in sound and photography.

Nidever has operated a large size movie camera for several years. His experiments in color photography have satisfied him of its success in such a feature.

Hunter has had some ten years of experience in sound work. He made the recent Lucky Strike contest sound recordings. At present he is the speech division sound technician and is responsible for University publicity recordings.

Expert to Edit

Warren J. Teter, who has done commercial news reel work in the Middle West as well as still shots for the University will aid in editing the film and will give professional advice to the promoters of Phototone.

By use of improved equipment it is now possible to record the actual sound on the spot while the film is being taken. Phototone will make use of this advantage. The announcers will give accounts of the action as it occurs.

A sound truck will carry equipment to the scene. Inside the announcer will describe the news event. His voice will be carried by direct wire to the camera for recording the sound effects on the film. An outside mike can be switched on occasionally for background sounds.

Contest to Be 'Tops'

Athletic contests are to be the outstanding coverage in the news reel. Football, baseball and track can be filmed easily. Basketball games may offer lighting difficulties, but if necessary photoflood bulbs will be installed in the light system which now illuminate the massive Igloo.

Football Coach Tex Oliver and

Pension Leader Pays



Dr. Francis Townsend and Glen S. Wilson . . . author of Townsend plan, and national representative, shown in a San Francisco federal court shortly before the announcement was made that settlement had been reached in the \$150,000 suit of E. J. Margett against the author who had charged misappropriation of pension plan funds.

Bruce Hamby, University publicity director, have favored the news reel and are ready to give cooperation to the movie enterprisers. L. F. Beck of the psychology department approves of the "sound on film" angle which the students will apply in the news reel. Mr. Beck has shown psychology films on this campus and throughout the state using similar equipment.

A tentative schedule of the features appearing in the first production early next October will be the football game, registration activities, the get-together dance, fall fashions, campus personalities, and shots of Oregon's new coach and new president.

House representatives selling Mortar Board dance tickets can call for them this afternoon at the educational activities office.

Dr. Comish Writes Article on Sales For May Magazine

The May issue of the Oregon Merchant's magazine carries an article by Dr. N. H. Comish, professor of business administration, on "Disadvantages of Special Sales."

This is the fourth of a series of articles written by Dr. Comish with the aid of his four research students, Donald Farr, Astor Loback, Alvin Overgard, and Charles H. Sandifur.

The article states that the nature of the special sale, the time and conditions under which it is staged and the relative effectiveness of the campaign to push it will largely determine whether it will be a failure or a success.

Faculty Invited to Attend Conference

University faculty members have been invited to attend a joint conference of the Pacific Northwest division of the Institute of Pacific Relations and the Canadian Institute of International Affairs, which is to be held May 20, 21, and 22, at Alderwood Inn on Hood Canal near Bremerton, Washington.

"The Far Eastern Crisis," "International Implications of the Far Eastern War," and "Anglo-Canadian-American Trade Relations" will be among the topics discussed there.

The number of professors attending the conference from the University will be small, Mrs. Edith Fleming, secretary to the president, said yesterday, since the out-of-state traveling fund has been exhausted.

President Erb has rejected an invitation to the conference because of too many other engagements, Mrs. Fleming said.

Major W. C. Moore Here for Annual ROTC Inspection

Class rooms, buildings, and first year drill squads were chief points of interest for Major W. C. Moore yesterday as he made his annual inspection tour of ROTC training units.

Major Moore was appointed by the commander of the 9th corps area to make the rounds of all the units in the five states comprising the ninth area. He also made the tour last year. All first year students were in uniform with the morning classes marching for the inspector.

Major Moore will remain on the campus today for a brief survey of advance classes and students. He will return again May 25 to be a judge in the first Oregon-Oregon State ROTC drill competition.

"If the change in civilization is to be an evolution, not a revolution, we must teach our young people to find the threads which tie us to the past." University of Idaho's President H. C. Dale believes that it is time we took a lesson from the fate of other countries.

The University of Pittsburgh will be host this June to the convention of the American College Publicity association.



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