

Webb Miller's Life Praised by Ford

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When a fearful London laid down a routine "blackout" last night, probably none of its citizens realized how an ironic twist was to incur tragic results. For this precaution was instrumental in the death of Webb Miller, ace United Press foreign correspondent, an event that brought despair to many and left the newspaper world numb.

Perhaps very few people were more shocked by Miller's sudden demise than was James L. C. Ford, professor of journalism at the University of Oregon. He was a "rather close personal friend" of the once obscure Michigan farm lad, whose perseverance and ability refused to be denied, raising him above humble and trying circumstances of youth to become one of the twentieth century's top journalists.

"In my opinion Webb Miller was probably the outstanding foreign correspondent in Europe," asserted Professor Ford. "Not only did he have a wealth of experience and background, but he was a man of decided intellectual integrity, a thinking man."

It was while working on the New York staff of the United Press that Professor Ford first met the late journalist, who had then returned on one of his numerous trips to the United States as European news manager for U.P., an acquaintance that later evolved into a keen friendship. For when Miller was assigned to covering the Ethiopian war, he talked over with the now University journalism professor things involved in the Italian invasion and his plans for reporting it.

According to Professor Ford, Miller was modest, unassuming, and a "man of great personal

kindness." He was the kind of person who'd spend just as much time "talking to the office boy and a cub reporter as he would to the president of the United States," and replacing him would be an almost impossible task.

Said Professor Ford concerning the ace correspondent, who worshipped the solitude and reclusive life expounded in the philosophy of Henry D. Thoreau. "Inclined by nature to be an introvert, his life was more or less a paradox. He hated crowds but constantly moved about in them, in the public's eye, covering wars and top stories the world over."

Many hope, no doubt, that the author of "I Found No Peace" has at long last discovered the tranquility he sought for in vain during his hectic life, away from the pathos and turbulence of wars and world chaos his nimble fingers and untiring mind reproduced in vivid descriptions for newspapers to re-live.

Buildings to Stay Open for Visitors

For Oregon mothers and visitors who are interested in learning more about the various departments of the University, seven buildings will remain open for inspection Saturday afternoon, Norman Foster, hospitality chairman for Junior Weekend, announced yesterday.

Arrangements have been made, through the cooperation of department heads, for instructors to guide groups and explain points of interest within the buildings.

Following is the list of exhibition places and time open for inspection.

Oriental art building, 2 until 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday.

Following open Saturday only: Art museum in the art school, 2 until 4.

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Major Morris will go to San Francisco at the end of the term, where he will sail for New York on August 26 on an army transport. While at Oregon he has been instructing the upper division ROTC students in advanced military science and tactics.

Major Lawrence A. Quinn, Sixteenth infantry at Governor's Island, New York, will relieve Major Morris, taking up his post at the beginning of next fall term.

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