

Journalists 'Special Society,' President Tells Assembly

Journalists represent a special society with a special privilege with words, which may be easily abused by robbing words of their exact meanings, according to University President O. Meredith Wilson, speaking Thursday before a special journalism school assembly of staff, guests and faculty.

This abuse of words may come through not being realistic with the realities of society which the press is supposed to reflect, and through the use of superlatives and other inexact expressions, he said.

Removed from Society

The press' position historically as the Fourth Estate has always

meant a position removed from the society, one of detachment from special interests within that society.

Dangers, from the layman's point of view, are that the Fourth Estate may become careless of its responsibility to society in this direction and may tend to sacrifice accuracy and thoroughness to speed and facility — a tendency to value a 'scoop' too highly.

Carelessness with the very freedom of press was President Wilson's second point in connection with press responsibility. "Neither men nor editors are born wise," he said, and it is the editor's responsibility to see that he understands a wide range of general principles and accepts the responsibility of making value judgments.

Press freedom guarantees the expression of conflicting ideas, which when expressed combine to bring about discovery of new facts and new basic truths.

Therefore a society cannot be well-informed unless the press is free, he said.

Functions of a journalism school are to make the student a useful craftsman of his specific duties, and to help or teach the student to represent all knowledge as much as possible.

Integrity Important

A sense of personal integrity is most important, he stressed. Journalists are the "freest of free agents," and therein lies their greatest responsibility, President Wilson feels.

Members of the journalism faculty as well as representatives from the Eugene television station, radio stations and newspaper were introduced by Charles T. Duncan, acting dean of the journalism school, who also introduced President Wilson.

Next speaker of the newly-established series of assemblies will be Malcolm Power, of the Oregonian editorial staff, at the Jan. 19 meeting.

President of Journal Named Allen Speaker

Bernard Kilgore, president of the Wall Street Journal, will be the Eric W. Allen Memorial speaker on Feb. 16 at 11 a.m. in Allen Hall.

Kilgore joined the Wall Street Journal in 1929 where he was assigned to the copy desk. He was transferred from New York to San Francisco as news editor of the Pacific Coast Edition which had been started shortly before. While in San Francisco Kilgore wrote a column of comment and news interpretation as a sideline and in 1932 he returned to New York to write a daily column. Three years later he was appointed chief of the Journal's Washington bureau and later returned to New York as managing editor.

Becoming vice-president and general manager of the Journal in 1943, he was made president

in 1945. Kilgore is also president and publisher of Barron's weekly and president of Canadian Dow Jones Limited.

Kilgore and his wife and three children live in Princeton, N.J., where he is publisher of the oldest weekly newspaper in the state, the Princeton Packet, founded in 1786. Just recently he bought the Hopewell Herald and merged it with the Packet which has a circulation of 4,550.

Kilgore is a trustee of DuPaw University, where he earned a Phi Beta Kappa key and was elected a member of Sigma Delta Chi. He is also a trustee of the Daily Princetonian, the student newspaper of Princeton university.

In a story about the Wall Street Journal, Time magazine said in their Nov. 14 issue, "The Journal has come up the hard way, nevertheless. Sorely hit by the Depression, it was limping along on 30,000 circulation in 1940 when Managing Editor (now President) Bernard Kilgore decided to turn the stodgy financial sheet into a readable paper aimed at the average businessman as well as the expert."

Petitions Due For AWS Party

Women students may turn in petitions now for work on the AWS Apple Polishing party, which will be held Feb. 20. The party is an annual event, where students have the opportunity to meet members of the faculty at an informal coffee hour.

Chairmanships which are open include general chairman, publicity, promotion, contact, arrangements, favors, and invitations.

Petitions may be obtained in the ASUO petition box on the third floor of the Student Union, and should be turned in to Ann Pettersen at Kappa Kappa Gamma or placed in the ASUO petition box by Jan. 11.

Freshmen women who signed up earlier to work on the event are urged to re-petition.

Fete Petitions Available in SU

Petitions for general chairman of the 1956 Canoe Fete may be picked up in the S.U. today, according to Doug Bashman, junior class president.

Plans for this year's Junior Weekend are already under way, according to Bashman, but the important position of general chairman for the Canoe Fete must be filled now in order to continue planning operations.

The person who handles this task must not only be capable and a leader, Bashman emphasized, but must have sufficient time to devote to the project.

Anyone who is a sophomore or above may petition for the post. Petitions are available in the ASUO petition box on the third floor of the SU.

Deadline for the petitions is March 13 at 5 p.m. Petitions should be returned to the ASUO petition box.

Bingham Has Book Published

Written by E. R. Bingham, assistant professor of history, "Charles F. Lummis, Editor of the Southwest" made its first appearance in published form late last month.

The book required over four years work and was published by the Henry E. Huntington library of San Marino, Calif., according to Bingham.

It deals with the influence of an editor and a magazine on the Southwest region of the U.S. Charles F. Lummis and his magazine "Out West" are dealt with, both alternately and together, showing their part in the western extension of the progressive movement, especially between 1894 and 1910.

The book will appeal primarily to those interested in the Southwestern United States, commented Bingham. It is his first volume.

Senate Adopts 'Crusade' Plan

The ASUO senate voted Thursday night to adopt a Crusade for Freedom program on campus.

The program would be designed to achieve results similar to those accomplished by the University of Minnesota. Jim Hilands was appointed to investigate ways of conducting the campaign.

Protecting the Russian satellites from Communism is the purpose of the Crusade. Balloons carrying messages from the free countries, radio broadcasts and press releases are directed at the satellite nations.

Crusade Provides Material

Promotional material is provided for the colleges by the Crusade for Freedom. Emphasis would be placed on the education of the students of the University about the purposes of the Crusade, with the raising of money to be secondary.

Operating expenses of the crusade are paid for through grants. All money given by the University students would go directly to foreign work.

The cabinet unanimously referred the Crusade program to the senate after hearing Ann Murphy, secretary of the Crusade, on Dec. 6. Miss Murphy also contacted the University of California and University of Washington during her trip to the west coast.

The possibility of combining the Crusade campaign with Greek Week is being investigated.

Politics Discussed

The senators also discussed changing the political alignments in the University from Independents vs. Greeks to some other party system. An investigation of this will be conducted by Bud Titus, Bruce Brenn and Anne Ritchey, who will report at the next meeting.

D. M. DuShane, director of student affairs, reported that 49 per cent of the women students enrolled last quarter were active Greeks or pledges. Forty-six per cent of the men were Greeks.

McDaniel Reports

Dick McDaniel, who was appointed earlier to investigate ways to improve the freshman dormitory counseling program, recommended that the committee hold meetings to get views on the program.

McDaniel also said the committee planned to ask freshmen dormitory presidents, pledge trainers, dormitory counselors and other interested persons to appear for questioning. A third possibility would be writing other colleges about their counseling programs.

Hinkson Explains Agenda

Supporting minor sports for their University promotional value was introduced to the sen-

ate by President Bud Hinkson. The athletic committee is considering sending athletes to the Olympics.

Other items on the senate agenda for this term are improvement of the faculty advising program, the restoration of the mill-race and the elimination of the campus parking problem. An ASUO financial report will be delivered after Jan. 10.

The senate met Thursday evening in Colver Waller Memorial committee room in the Student Union instead of room 337. R. E. Walker, executive secretary of the YMCA, led the senate in silent prayer at the beginning of the meeting.

'Drake' Section In West Stands

The "Drakes," upperclassmen's rooting section, will again sit in the west bleachers of McArthur court for Saturday night's basketball game, according to Bill Moore, leader of the white-shirt section.

Men who sit in this section must wear white shirts, Moore said, and should be at the game by 7:30 p.m. Membership cards

No Athletic Cards Issued at Game

Athletic cards will not be issued at Saturday night's basketball game, according to the athletic publicity office. They may be picked up today until 5 p.m. in the ticket office at McArthur court by students who have winter term student body cards.

and duck calls for upperclassmen not yet members may be obtained at the game in this rooting section, he said.

There is a danger that this rooting section may not be continued unless the bleachers reserved for it are filled at this Saturday's game, Moore emphasized.

Other seating for the game will be assigned as it has been in previous basketball games this season.

IVCF Sponsoring Moody Science Film

Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship is sponsoring the film "Experience With An Eel" on Tuesday at 6:45 p.m. in Commonwealth 138. The Moody Institute of Science shows in the movie that the eel is a most interesting form of life.

Tryouts Begin Today For Fourth UT Show

"Balloon" tryouts are being held for the first time today from 3 to 5 p.m. on the main stage of the University theatre. The play is the fourth UT production of the year.

The preliminary tryouts will continue next week. The schedule is: Monday, 3-5 p.m. and 8-10 p.m.; Tuesday, 7 p.m.; and Wednesday, 3-5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Director Daniel Krempel, instructor in speech, has asked that any person trying out for a part be prepared with a scene or speech from the play. Two persons can work together on a scene. Krempel said that it is not

necessary to memorize the try-out scene, but that he would like everyone trying out to be familiar with the play and the part he would like to act.

Character descriptions and suggested tryout scenes are posted on the bulletin board outside the speech office along with more information about the tryouts. Scripts can be checked out in the speech office.

"Balloon" is a four-act comedy and was written by the Irish poet, Padraic Colum.

There are parts for 25 persons in the play. Parts vary greatly in size and all require characterization.