

JOURNALISM RISE AT OREGON STATE TOLD BY TEACHER

Oregon State College does not want a "school of journalism." It is stated by C. J. McIntosh, veteran college journalism teacher, who, in a letter to The Register-Guard, gives details of the rise of journalism at the Corvallis campus.

Mr. McIntosh's letter in part follows: "I asked Ralph D. Hetzel, head of extension here in 1914 and now president of Penn State college, and Prof. P. C. Berchthold, head of the English department here, to introduce a course of journalism into the English curriculum. I was then publicity man for the extension service and also for the college, sending out newspaper stories mainly on farming subjects in print form. My request for the course was based on two considerations—development of trained help in preparing the press service and in writing special articles for the farm press in Oregon and throughout the country, and trained writers and editors for the several campus publications such as newspaper, farm magazine, student directory, forestry, engineering and other publications, regular and special.

"Dean Allen was asked to come and start the work and did so. He then sent Colin V. Dymond of his staff to continue the work. Dymond and I had been together in newspaper fields and worked in hearty cooperation. He taught the class once a week, made assignments for technical and news stories and copy and headline them for the press. After a little more than a semester he told me that I could do the work all right, and turned it over to me.

"As the college and the agriculture of the state grew very rapidly I could not do all the work, and asked for some one to do the teaching so I could use all my time in promotion work. Frank L. Snow was brought out from Kansas to take charge of the teaching and again at my request, journalism was taken out of the English, where both were ill at ease, and made into a separate service department. The instruction was segregated into elementary industrial news, feature and technical writing, editing, copywriting, headline, proofreading, and make-up and editorial writing. This was essential to satisfactory work in campus publications, because students must do all these things with some degree of efficiency; to make a student work for expression of his technical aims and achievements through the press; and to discover and train for the profession of technical journalism, the extremely few capable of professional journalism.

"The university protested against this expansion of our work and brought the matter to the attention of the State Board of Higher Curriculum, which, after investigation, ordered us to proceed but only on service lines. We did so with no further expansion in courses or staff until 1922, when the university again entered a formal protest against our industrial journalism work. The State Board notified us of the protest and told us to present our case in June of that year. I wrote the brief reviewing the growth and condition of our work and after a hearing at which the college and university representatives were present and heard by the board

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Entries Coming In For Cartoon Drawing Contest

Entries are now coming in for the Register-Guard Colonial theater Chaplin cartoon contest but there is still an excellent opportunity to share in one of the 24 prizes offered in the event. It is announced by the contest editor.

Any one may enter the contest, and may submit as many drawings as desired. Simply copy a cartoon of Charlie Chaplin from one of the Colonial theater ads in the Register-Guard, or copy it from the screen when you see "City Lights" which is playing all this week at the Colonial theater. Turn in your drawing to the Register-Guard or the Colonial.

Prizes will be a pass good for all shows at the Colonial for two weeks for the winner in each division, a prize of a week's pass for second place, and 10 tickets good for two each for the honorable mention winners. Children under 16 form the first division, and those over 16 the adult division.

The contest is being promoted in cooperation with the Colonial theater, which has brought the famous Chaplin film here first run for this week.

Additional prizes for the contest were announced Tuesday by W. B. McDonald, manager of the theater. These will be large cash prizes, a copy of Charlie himself and are excellent likenesses. They are now flying over the marquee of the theater.

One each of these will be awarded to the first, second and third prize winners in each of the two divisions, one for children under 16 and one for adults. These will be in addition to the 24 other prizes of the theater tickets.

We were again authorized to continue on a service basis and definitely limited to 35 credits. At the same time the university, which had taken up home economics and lower division commerce quite recently, was authorized by the board to continue them precisely on the terms the college was to conduct industrial journalism—strictly for service to students and faculty who needed some work in one or both these courses, and not to exceed 35 credits.

"Again in 1925 the university protested against our journalism, which had remained as was, having failed to take up at any and all times together more than 25 of its allotted 35 credits. And again the college was notified of the protest and called on to defend its case. And again after a full and extended hearing, the board renewed its authorization for the work, and some of the members of the board told me personally that it was not less than more journalism, but that it was a service to students and faculty who needed some work in one or both these courses, and not to exceed 35 credits.

"At this same meeting of the board it was brought out that the university, legally, held 35 credits in home economics and service commerce, had established home economics work for 103 credits—if I remember rightly—and commerce courses with enough credits for a school of commerce—which it had established with Dean Robbins at its head. When confronted with this violation of orders Dean Robbins most solemnly stated that he did not know that it was violating orders in having done so, and having four hundred students, he wanted to have it authorized. (I note that in press reports of the university the claim was made that the school started with 350 students). At any rate authorization of the school was given, although the credits in home economics was again restricted to 35.

"The department staff has grown from two members to four because we have taken over greatly enlarged news bureau work. We now prepare every bit of extension, experiment station and resident instruction material for the press.

"No doubt we here appear as the good little Sunday school boy, but I hardly think anyone will dispute any statement herein made. Nor is there any reasonable doubt that if we, too, had expanded industrial journalism in a school before the 1925 meeting of the board, either we would have been so established or else the university would have been forced to disorganize its school of commerce and go back to the 35 credits course. But we do not now, never have, and doubtless never shall, want a school of journalism. We haven't even a major. We still think content of press matter infinitely more important than form, and that both instructor and student must know a good deal about a subject before they can teach or write well about it.

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FIRES IN SIUSLAW COVER MANY ACRES IN 8-YEAR PERIOD

A total of 31,481 acres were burned over by fires in the Siuslaw national forest districts during the period from 1922 to 1930, according to figures just completed at the office of H. S. Shelley, superintendent of the forest.

Two hundred and ninety-nine fires of over a quarter of an acre in extent occurred during this time in the forest. The average fire covered 105.22 acres, the figures show. Of the territory burned over, 27,345 acres were of timber less than 15 years of age. This loss, while not as heavy in money value as would have been the case in larger timber, nevertheless is unfortunate in that it destroys trees which are just getting well started, Mr. Shelley said. Fires spread much more rapidly through young timber than in the older growth. Its destruction prevents new crops of timber from ripening in years to come.

There were 39 fires which covered 672 acres in the Siuslaw forest in 1929, the report shows. This was one of the lowest years in damage done. 1929, on the other hand, saw the heaviest damage of the period covered. Fifty-seven fires occurred, covering an area of 13,913 acres. The low year was 1927, when 15 fires covered 127 acres.

In 1929, Mr. Shelley pointed out, 12,901 acres of the land burned over was outside the actual boundaries of the Siuslaw forest but were inside the area protected. Most of the land burned over was in western Lane, where the fires started outside the boundaries and swept in.

The number of fires and the acreage burned over each year were as follows: 1922, 42 fires, 9238 acres; 1923, 23 fires, 1718 acres; 1924, 34 fires, 2206 acres; 1925, 17 fires, 1594 acres; 1926, 27 fires, 581 acres; 1927, 15 fires, 187 acres; 1928, 37 fires, 815 acres; 1929, 37 fires, 13,913 acres; and 1930, 39 fires and 672 acres.

Water Rights Fight Is Cause of Murder

SAND POINT, Ida., April 14.—(AP)—A coroner's jury decided today that Charles Silta, rancher, shot and killed Walter Lund, 24, last Friday in a feud over water rights to a spring near Cabinet, Idaho.

Matt Hakala, a witness at the inquest, said Silta, 48 years old, his foster father, Andrew Silta, and Abram Koski, were cleaning out the spring when Lund appeared, rifle in hand. He ordered the workers off the property and when asked for his authority for the order, Hakala said, Lund pointed to his rifle.

Lund watched the three until they finished, and then ordered them to "hurry up." A shot dropped him, Hakala said.

Other witnesses said Lund and the Siltas long had quarreled over rights to the spring.

Arms Pact Framer To Head Jap Cabinet

TOKYO, April 14.—(Tuesday)—(AP)—Emperor Hirohito today directed Reijiro Wakatsuki to form a new cabinet to succeed that of Yukio Hamaguchi, which resigned yesterday.

Wakatsuki, a former premier and Japan's chief delegate to the London naval conference last year, was summoned to the palace by the emperor early today. After receiving his instructions, he conferred with other leaders.

"It was expected he would submit his cabinet to the emperor late today, when he formally will become premier.

Conviction of Idaho Officials Reversed

SAN FRANCISCO, April 14.—(AP)—Conviction of Herman J. Rossi, mayor of Wallace, Idaho, and R. E. Wenker, former sheriff of Shoshone county, Idaho, on seventeen counts of conspiracy to violate the United States prohibition laws was reversed here today by the U. S. circuit court of appeals.

The case was remanded for a new trial with Justice Curtis D. Wilbur dissenting. The mayor and sheriff had been charged with taxing saloons and other illegal resorts as a means

of raising revenue for the city. The court held that it is legal to tax what is forbidden. The power to tax involves the power to destroy and if pressed far enough it accomplishes that result, it was held.

Fall Creek Camp Sites Are Surveyed

Ray Ingalls, head ranger for the Oregonia district of the Cascade national forest, and Foster Steele, central fire dispatcher, spent Monday in the Fall creek region. They were checking fire look caches and also making preliminary surveys of public camp ground sites along Fall creek.

The Fall creek region of the Cascade forest has been closed to campers during the past several years because of extreme fire hazards some places along the stream. It will be open in places this year.

McKenzie Ranger Takes Up Duties

Smith Taylor, head ranger of the McKenzie Bridge district of the Cascade national forest, left with Mrs. Taylor for McKenzie Bridge Monday to start getting things organized for the fire season. He will make his headquarters there until next December.

Mr. Taylor will spend the next few weeks collecting fire equipment and seeing that it is in shape for the season. He will also supervise the repair of forest telephone lines in the district.

Vocal Students to Give Radio Event

Students of Arab Hoyt-Rae Graham are to broadcast over KORE Wednesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. The program will be as follows: "When the Sun Calls the Lark," and "I Wonder If Ever the Rose," Earl Robertson singing.

"Love's Woe," and "Out of the Dark to You," Miss Mary Deveraux, with cello obligato by Charles Deveraux.

Duets: "A Brown Bird Singing" and "I Passed by Your Window," Miss Pauline Toman and Earl Robertson.

Miss Geraldine Jones is to play the accompaniments at the piano.

STEIN INDICTED

NEW ORLEANS, April 14.—(AP)—After hearing nine witnesses, including three men held by police, the Bronx county grand jury today indicted Harry Stein, small-time racketeer, accused of slaying Vivian Gordon, Brooklyn blackmailer, on a charge of first degree murder.

DRILL TEAM MEETS

SPRINGFIELD, April 14.—(Special)—The meeting of the Progressive 22, drill team of the Rehoboth lodge, which was postponed last Friday on account of the high school opera, will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30 at the I. O. O. F. hall.

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MENIMINEE, Mich., April 14.—(AP)—Damage estimated by company officials at \$1,000,000 was caused by fire which swept through the A. W. Wells Lumber company yard here today.

About 200,000,000 feet of lumber and 2,000,000 feet of sawlogs were included in the loss. The sawmills, the hard wood flooring plant, dry kilns and stables also were destroyed.

Firemen from Escanaba, Mich., Green Bay and Marinette, Wis., assisted local firemen in fighting the blaze. At 6 a. m. about five hours after the fire started, the firemen had

concentrated their forces at the warehouse on Green bay in an attempt to save lumber piled there ready for shipment.

A. W. Wells, president of the company, said he suspected the fire was of incendiary origin. He said the property was almost entirely covered by insurance.

PREMIER RESIGNS

TOKIO, April 14.—(AP)—Disabled as the result of a shot fired last November 14 by a young assassin, Yukio Hamaguchi resigned today as premier of Japan and presented the resignations of his entire cabinet. The appointment of Reijiro Wakatsuki, former premier, as successor to Hamaguchi was regarded as a foregone conclusion and it was expected that Wakatsuki would retain most of the Hamaguchi cabinet.

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LIGHTNING FLYER IS REAL THRILLER

What is probably the liveliest melodrama that has made its appearance here so far this season is being offered at the Heilig in "The Lightning Flyer," which opened Tuesday afternoon. The picture was previewed late Monday evening and proved to be a speedy and exciting production.

James Hall plays the part of young Jimmie Nelson, son of the president of the C. G. & F. railroad who is thrown out of his father's house for his reckless living. He goes to work in one of his father's engine yards and falls in love with Dorothy Se-

bastian, the yardmaster's daughter. Jimmie is on the road to success when, through the trickery of a wealthy foreman, tragedy crosses his path. After terrific suspense, in which a wild freight crashes down a mountainside head-on towards a passenger train, the story reaches a startling climax.

The supporting cast includes Walter Merrill, Robert Romano, Albert J. Smith and George Meadows.—H. C. GEO. N. McLEAN—Insurance.

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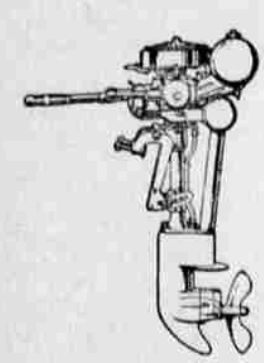
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