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ERWIN D. CANHAM

A brief glimpse at the accomplishments of Erwin D. Canham, editor-in-chief of the *Christian Science Monitor* shows how the motto of Delta Sigma Rho applies in the field of international journalism. The selection of Mr. Canham by President Truman as an alternate delegate of the United States to the United Nations Assembly now meeting is only one incident in the international field.

He was graduated from Bates College in 1925

with membership in both Delta Sigma Rho and Phi Beta Kappa. After three years as Rhodes scholar in Oriel College, Oxford University, he covered the League of Nations meeting in Geneva, the Ramsey McDonald tour of the United States, and the London Naval Conference. For seven years he was head of the *Christian Science Monitor* in Washington, and then returned to Boston to be news editor, managing editor, and, since 1945 editor-in-chief of that paper.

He covered such conferences as the London Disarmament Conference, and the London Economic Conference, and was a guest of the Philippine Government at the inauguration of the Philippine Commonwealth. He was a member of the group of editors taken on a Far Eastern tour by the U. S. Army in 1947. In 1948 he was a delegate to the United Nations Conference on Freedom of Information. In addition to his editorial writing and much speaking, his news comments are broadcast weekly on a national network.

He has received the L.H.D. degree from Boston University and the Litt.D. degree from Bates. He is a Chevalier of the French Legion of Honor, selected as the citizen of Boston who did the most in 1947 for good will and understanding, and served as president of the American Society of Editors in 1949. Delta Sigma Rho may well be proud to number such men among its members.