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Clarence K. Streit to speak at Montana State University

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Clarence K. Streit, internationally known writer and founder of the Atlantic Union movement, will be the featured speaker at the sixth annual Dean Stone Night of the School of Journalism at Montana State University Sunday, May 6.

Streit, editor of "Freedom & Union" magazine and author of several books, was graduated from MSU in 1919 with a degree in journalism. He was a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University and was awarded an honorary degree from MSU in 1939. He also has received honorary degrees from Oberlin, Colby and Hobart Colleges.

Dean Nathan B. Blumberg announced that Streit will meet with students on May 7, the day after his Dean Stone address, as the school's annual professional lecturer.

Dean Stone Night honors the memory of A. L. Stone, founder and first dean of the school. It is open to the public and reservations may be made at the School of Journalism.

Streit was born in Missouri in 1896 and moved with his family to Missoula when he was 15. He founded the Missoula high school newspaper, the Konah, and while majoring in journalism at the University served as editor of the Montana Kaimin, student newspaper.

In 1925, after several years as a foreign correspondent, he joined the New York Times. During his 10 years with that newspaper he covered many important stories and spent five years reporting the sessions of the League of Nations.

His most famous book, "Union Now," in which he proposed a federal union of North Atlantic democracies, was published in 1939 and approximately 300,000 copies had been sold when a postwar edition was brought out in 1949 with five new chapters. His latest book is "Freedom's Frontier - Atlantic Union Now."

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Streit, who speaks French fluently, has addressed meetings in France, Belgium and Switzerland and has lectured widely in the United States. He has been nominated four times for the Nobel peace prize.

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