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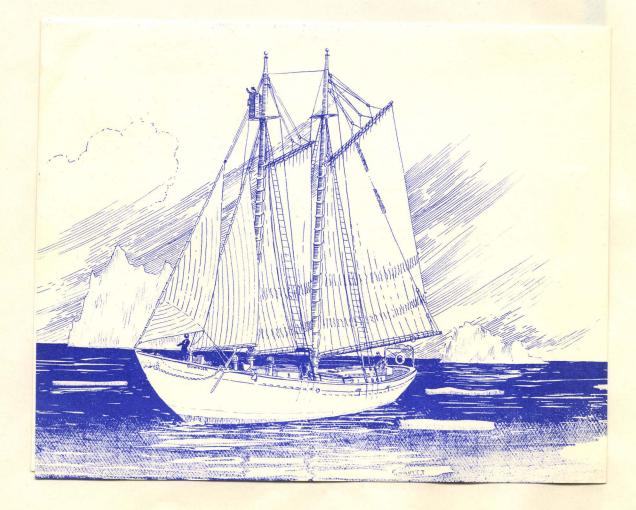
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ALLEN, Everett S b. Sept. 29, 1916, New Bedford, Mass.



Aksunai! Illitarnamek! Eskimo greeting to our good friends!

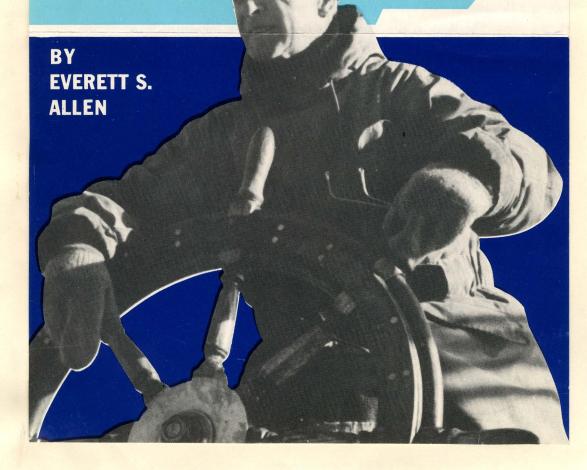
OOLUM & BEVEL VISIEM

We hope to see you at Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Conn. on BOWDOIN Reunion Day, Saturday, September 1, 1962.

Everett S. Allen, author of ARCTIC ODYSSEY, will be with us.

On Thursday, August 30, at 6:45 p.m., CBS, Lowell Thomas will broadcast from the deck of BOWDOIN at Mystic Seaport. Be sure to listen in!

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By Everett S. Allen

IN THESE PAGES, the reader will meet one of America's foremost seafaring men and explorers. Donald B. MacMillan was born in Provincetown on Cape Cod and orphaned at an early age. After working his way through Bowdoin College and a brief stint at teaching, he became one of Robert E. Peary's chief assistants on the arctic expedition that finally fought its way across the bitter Polar Sea to reach the North Pole. He is now the only survivor of that expedition.

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February 7, 1963

Mr. Everett S. Allen c/o Dodd, Mead & Co. 432 Fourth Avenue New York City 16

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We do not know whether Maine has a claim on you, but certainly the subject of your book is considered a Maine man. For this reason, we write to you about the Maine Author Collection, a permanent exhibit of books by Maine people, about them or the state, or about anything connected with Maine. Most of the three thousand volumes are inscribed presentation copies, and we gather biographical and critical material, too, in an effort to have our files on Maine writers and books complete.

Both Donald Macmillan and his wife are represented in this collection, of course; and because ARCTIC ODYSSEY would be such a fitting and appreciated addition, we write to ask if you would like to inscribe a copy for this purpose.

Our very good wishes for the success of the book.

Very truly yours

In Charge of Maine Author Collection

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NEW BEDFORD, MASS.

Feb. 18, 1963

Mrs. F.W. Jacob In Charge of Maine Author Collection Maine State Library Augusta, Maine

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

I am pleased to forward to you a copy of "Arctic Odyssey" for inclusion in the Maine Author Collection, and feel privileged to have been invited to do so.

I send also a professional biography, which, since it is slanted in the direction of journalistic qualification, won't be very interesting or helpful to you, but it gives the outlines anyway.

Although I am a Massachusetts native, my wife, the former Phyllis C. Johnson of Portland, was born in Maine, and so was her mother, Marguerite Allen Johnson, a former public school music supervisor in Maine. Also, I am a relative of the once-great Lillian Nordica (Norton) who came from, I think, Farmington.

With kind, regards (Evelt Everett S. Allen Assistant to the Editor

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NEW BEDFORD, MASS.

Feb. 18-

Dear Mrs. Jacob:

Discovered this was left out after copy of "Arctic Odyssey" had been mailed.

Very truly yours, Everett S. Allen

Biography

of

Everett S. Allen

Born New Bedford, Mass., Sept. 29, 1916. Educated Tabor Academy (Marion, Mass.), Class of 1934; Middlebury (Vt.) College, A.B. in English, Class of 1938.

Affiliations: Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalism fraternity; trustee, Millicent Library, Fairhaven, Mass.; member, National Headliners Club; corporator, Fairhaven Institution for Savings; board of managers, New Bedford Port Society.

Public Speaking: Since 1946, addressed Massachusetts audiences on current affeirs, politics, history, book reviews, mental health programs, and travel.

Non-newspaper writings: Former contributor to Broadcast Music, Inc., nationally-broadcast book review program. Also occasional contributor to several New England and national marine magazines. Author (1962) "Arctic Odyssey," biography of Rear-Admiral Donald B. MacMillan, Arctic explorer, published by Dodd, Mead.

Other published works: Analysis of effect of foreignfish imports upon New England fishing industry (1943); "Crisis in the Fishing Industry" (1953), outlining financial problems of U.S. fisheries; this text published in various periodicals in most major fishing ports of the world.

News stories nationally or internationally distributed by Associated Press, United Press, International News Service, or other agency;

Exclusive interview, General Carlos Romulo, then UN General Assembly president, in which Homulo predicted UN would declare Communist China an aggressor in Korea (1951);

Seven-article series constituting first documented account published in U.S. newspapers of Communist purge in China (1951); reprinted widely in U.S. and abroad in Italian, Dutch and French translations:

Ten-article aeries (1953) on Communist propaganda in U.S.; widely reprinted subject of congressional study, including testimony by Mr. Allen before congressional committee.

Lincoln's Birthday interview with poet Carl Sandburg (1956);

Six-article series on small-city doctor dying of cancer, outlining his philosophy of life and faith in medicine. Widely reprinted in U.S. and abroad. (1957);

Exclusive interview with Major Alexander de Sevesky, predicting 1 out of 3 Americans dead by 1960 in Hybomb attack, unless drastic changes made in U.S. military policy (1957);

Six-article series, written in Europe, summing up United Nations Disarmament Conference in London, based on interviews with European and American diplomats. (1957);

Thirteen-article series on U.S.-USSR race in oceanography and related sciences; distributed worldwide by Associated Press (1958);

Exclusive interview, (1959) Admiral Arleigh Burke, chief of naval operations, distributed nationwide by AP, indicating Soviet Union making concerted effort to get U.S. to scrap its big fighting ships;

Twenty-article series, nationally distributed, on 20-year contribution to American Government by Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller of New York, based on exclusive interviews with Rockefeller and examination of his personal papers, (1959);

Six-article series, nationally distributed, on Senator Barry Goldwater (R.-Ariz.), "Mid-Century Conservative." (1960);

Four-article series on Cuba, written from Guantanamo at time of U.S. diplomatic break with Castro government, distributed by AP. (Jan. 1961);

Three-article series on Santa Maria piracy, based on Latin-American Intelligence reports, distributed worldwide by Portuguese Government in booklet form (March 1961);

Eight-article series on State Department and U.S. foreign policy, results of 18 months research, printed in booklet form and nationally distributed (1962).

Awards: New England Big City Series Award by Associated Press, 1957; Associated Press Managing Editors Citation, awarded at French Lick, Ind,, 1958; National Headliners Club award, 1959, for best newspaper series in 50,000-100,000 circulation class; New England Associated Press award, first prize single-story category, for Harlem dateline account of "Daddy" Grace mass baptism, 1960.

Professional experience: Written for newspapers since 1933; held following positions on metropolitan daily newspaper, circulation 60,000 plus, seven-day-a-week publication: Waterfront reporter, police-fire reporter, assistant city editor, acting city editor, Sunday editor, assistant to the editor (since 1950 to present); and editorial writer (since 1955 to present), plus continuing assignments in feature writing, special series and interview, special articles on political and international situations. Also, former yachting editor, covering principal yachting events on Northeast Atlantic coast, including America's Cup series; also author for several years of yachting and waterfront columns.

Among major news stories covered: 1938, waterfront aspect of New England hurricane; 1941, U.S. battleship rammed and sank American freighter off Nantucket, 9 dead; 1941, final voyage, for enshrinement, of last square-rigged whaleship in the world; 1941, portrait of Rowe, Mass. selected as site for first New England atomic power plant; 1957, Mayflower II arrival and voyage from Plymouth, Mass., to New York, including exclusive interview with Captain Alan Villiers, distributed worldwide by Associated Press; 1959, final "expedition" of Rear-Admiral Donald B. MacMillan's schooner Bowdoin, from Falmouth, Mass., to Mystic, Conn., for enshrinement; 1960, trans-Atlantic telephone interview with Robert Boulay of Paris Presse on Boulay's interview with Adlai Stevenson.

Radio experience: Permanent moderator and director of forum-type program, both with script and without (1954-55), concerned principally with freedom of expression on controversial subjects at local, State and national level.

Military record: Commander, U.S. Naval Reserve (Ret.), decorated Bronze Star Medal with Combat V for "heroic achievement" in landing first supplies in quantity of small-arms ammunition and blood plasma at Omaha Beach, Normandy on D-day (June 6, 1944) and D plus 1. Three years active duty as naval officer, including two years overseas; five years (1946-51) as axecutive officer, Naval Reserve division, New Bedford, Mass.

Family: Wife, Phyllis J., married, Aug. 11, 1939; two children, Christopher, 13; Stephanie, 11.

February 25, 1963

Mr. Everett S. Allen Assistant to the Editor The Standard-Times New Bedford, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Allen:

Thank you for so many things -- for the inscribed copy of ARCTIC ODYSSEY, for the biographical sketch, for your generous and friendly letter, and for the delightful ties with Maine which you are so kind as to mention. (Yes, your kinswoman Nordica was born in Farmington.)

It is a pleasure for us to be able to include ARCTIC ODYSSEY in the Maine Author Collection, and we send you our warm appreciation, as well as our good wishes for the continuing success of the book.

Sincerely yours

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