Editor Says Papers Careless In Handling of Pre-Trial News

papers are habitually and grossly careless of the right of the accused to a fair trial, Sevellon Trustees will be presented the awards during the Alumni Insti-In their handling of police news on the pre-trial stage, virtually all American news-an of the Year."

Addressing the members of the first annual Communcations Forum, Brown said that tute in June. he does not believe the right of journalists to know the facts should be paramount

above all other rights. The theme of the forum is "The Press: Old Freedoms and New Responsibilities."

Brown stated that unless the press lives up to its new responsibilities it will find its freedoms more and more limited. There is a definite need, he said, for new guideposts in re-porting science, "nuts and bolts," suburban news and "big stories."

"It is necessary to encourage our staffs to stand off for a long deep look at a big subject," he added.

An editor must rely on his jour-nalistic instinct and the com-munity for which he publishes to determine the balance of light and heavy news, Brown said. "The reader wants information that is carefully selected and intelligently edited, and such information is our primary and indispensable product."

Briefly touching on the need for objectivity, Brown said that there is a need for background, analysis and interpretation in addition to the stark facts of the news. "The best of American newspapers are learning to do this job pretty well" he said.

Twentieth century developments have made it impossible for newspapers to be first with the news, and the reader now looks to his newspaper for a fuller explanation of events, according to Brown, Newspapers must do a complete job of in-forming the public fully rather than swiftly, he said.

"Newspapers aggressively and properly assert the right to scrutinize and report every aspect of human life," Brown said. He asks, however, "why do we then deny the right of others to scrutinize our performance?" our performance?

This scrutiny, he said, will aid in maintaining journalistic standards and is feared only by the irresponsible members of the pro-

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