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NEBRASKA UNIVERSITY AND THE WAR

Of the class of almost 200 senior students at McGill university, Canada, all but ten have gone to the trenches in Europe. Many of them, it is said, are dead.

Oxford and Cambridge universities of England have been practically depopulated by the war, both students and professors serving with distinguished valor on the field of battle.

French and German, Russian and Austrian universities have given up their students to battle.

American college men in the east, where the seriousness of this war that is upon us is appreciated more, perhaps, than it is in the middle west, are enlisting for service. Many former Nebraska University students are among those who have given themselves for their country.

The path of duty for Nebraska University has been pointed out by Chancellor Avery, and his statement is found in another column in this paper. As a patriotic American institution, the University must realize the significance of this war, must appreciate that America has entered a conflict where half-hearted measures are of no avail, where every ounce of energy must be bent toward bringing the war to a successful issue.

For the young women students of the University, this will mean more earnest preparation in the work that has been started of such organizations as the Woman's Naval Reserve League. The women students will prepare themselves to be useful, both for the hospital work, and for the work, just as practical and serviceable, of replacing the men who go into the army.

That the young men students of this University will be no less patriotic than those of Canada, the European nations, or the eastern colleges, goes without saying. Scores of them have already prepared their applications for places in the reserve officers training corps, and will fit themselves to command the men that will make up the army of the United States. Nebraska University men will not wait for the draft.

Those, who, because of physical condition, or other reasons cannot go into the army, will sacrifice in some other way, and be just as helpful as those who become soldiers.

There will be students and members of the faculty who will oppose great war preparations, who will block, as best they can, the carrying on of the war by the United States. Their sincerity will be questioned no more than was questioned the sincerity of those colonists who opposed the efforts of Washington; no more than the sincerity of Horace Greeley in opposing President Lincoln. But it is to be regretted that there will be those who can see in this great war no more than servile bending to "moneyed interests," who believe that the preservation of a life is better than the giving it up for a cause, for an ideal.

"THE WAR DEMANDS SACRIFICE"

"War demands sacrifices in personal matters. Patriotism should show itself, not in abuse of the enemies abroad or even their supposed representatives at home, but in a willingness to endure privation, to suffer hardship, to cut out expensive frivolities, to eat fewer luxuries, to wear plainer and cheaper clothing, to work longer hours, and to render any thoroughly useful service whenever there is a useful opportunity, whether it is agreeable or not."—Chancellor Avery.

In Chancellor Avery's words is a practical suggestion as to immediate help the students can give the war cause. When a great people is in a struggle such as this, it little becomes a student body to continue its own careless life, as if no great events were stirring.

In many universities of the country all intercollegiate athletic relations have been cancelled, and all social affairs have been postponed indefinitely. The Nebraskan believes that Nebraska University should preserve its intercollegiate relations as much as possible, yet it would be a fine thing for the students to forego many social affairs that have been planned, and to give up some of the "frivolities" that have formed a part of the college life.

This is, in a large way, a question for the fraternities and sororities to face, and to decide whether their parties, or any but their big parties, are worth while now. It is a question calling for the earnest consideration of the students in the classes, whether spring hops should be held. It is a question to be faced by the students who may have planned subscription dances, whether it would not now be a good thing to give up those plans. It is a question for every student, whether he cannot, by personal sacrifices, show his real patriotism.

THE VALUE OF UNIVERSITY WEEK

In one of the towns where the University Week shows were given this year, a woman objected to letting any of the visitors stay at her house. After she had consented to give room to two of the band members, and had become acquainted with them, she asked for two more, because she liked them so well.

Therein is the value of University Week. To show the people of the state that Nebraska University produces men and women worth knowing, good men and women, is to bring only the best to the University. This little incident among many that could be given shows that the students who made the trip were fitting representatives of the University.

Large crowds attended every performance, and the trip was a success financially. University Week is one of the best things that has happened to the University and the state.

LABORATORIES OFFERED GOVT.

Chancellor Writes Secretary Baker That They Will Be Placed at Federal Disposal

The mechanical engineering laboratories of the University, with their foundry, forge and machinery, were offered to the federal government by Chancellor Avery, acting upon authority from the board of regents, April 3. The offer was made in a letter to Secretary of War Baker, and the letter included a list of the equipment of the laboratories.

It is expected the shops will be particularly useful to the government in view of the present scarcity of ammunitions.

UNIVERSITY NOTICES

April Awgwan

Copy for the April Awgwan is due immediately. The Bone Dry Number will be out some time this month. All contributions gratefully accepted.—Joe Flaherty, managing editor.

University Chorus

Until further notice the University chorus will meet in Memorial hall instead of Art hall. The time of practice will be the same as before.

'19 Benefit Hop

Financial statement of the '19 Benefit hop which was held at the Armory Saturday evening, March 24, 1917, is as follows: Total receipts, \$44.00; total expenditures, music, \$21.00; printing, \$1.25; doorkeeper, \$1.50; ticket seller, \$1.00; advertising, \$1.50; total, \$26.25; profit, \$17.75; to be turned over to the sophomore class. The complimentary list is as follows: W. D. Bryans, Will Johnson, George Forbes, John Charles Wright, Will Nelson. Audited April 10, 1917, W. D. Bryans, chairman, T. A. Williams, agent student activities.

Theta Sigma Phi Dance

One hundred five tickets, inclusive of all complimentarys have been validated for the Theta Sigma Phi dance which is to be held at the Lindell hotel Friday evening, April 27, 1917. No more tickets will be validated. The complimentary list will be published with the financial statement.—Eleanore Fogg, chairman.

All Dent Hop

Financial statement of the All Dent hop which was held at the Rosewilde party house Friday evening, March 30, 1917, is as follows: Total receipts, \$101.00; total expenditures, rental hall, \$25.00; refreshments, \$10.50; music, \$23.00; printing, \$11.25; doorkeeper, \$1.50; divided between E. C. Marx and F. L. Blessing, \$29.75; total, \$101.00; audited April 2, 1917. The complimentary list was as follows: J. Ankes, F. L. Blessing, E. C. Marx, L. M. Blessing, and D. L. Marx. Signed, E. C. Marx, chairman.—T. A. Williams, agent student activities.

Houses for Summer

Inquiries are coming in for furnished houses of members of the faculty who will be away for the summer. Anyone who would like to rent their house for summer students, please report to Prof. A. A. Reed or the extension department.

Phi Alpha Tau

The regular meeting of Phi Alpha Tau which was to be held at the Bushnell Guild house has been postponed one week.

HILTNER RESIGNS AS ACTING REGISTRAR

Will go into Business With His Brother—Florence McGahey Takes His Place, as Executive Pro Tem

Arthur H. Hiltner resigned his position as acting registrar during the spring recess and will go into business with his brother in this city. Florence McGahey, for some time an employe in the office, will take his place.

Hiltner has been employed in the office of the registrar from the time of his graduation in 1912.

BRIEF BITS OF NEWS

Returns From Chicago.—Prof. G. R. Chatburn has returned from Chicago where he attended a meeting of the executive committee of the society for the promotion of engineering education. He announces that the committee has secured Dr. C. R. Mann of the University of Chicago for the principal speaker at the annual meeting, which will be held at Evanston, Ill. in June. A number of the Nebraska engineering faculty expect to attend the meeting.

Civil Service Examination.—There will be a civil service examination on May 2 and 3 for an assistant in grain dust explosion investigation, salary \$1,200 to \$1,500; on May 1, for a nurseryman in the U. S. Indian service, salary \$900; on May 2, for a landscape designer, salary \$125 per month; and on May 2 for an aid in grain standardization, salary \$900 to \$1,400 per year. Blanks for application of candidates may be secured at the federal building, Lincoln.

Accepts Professorship.—Fred C. Winship, graduate student and assistant in the department of economics, has taken the position of professor of English in Bellevue college, for the remainder of the year. He left Lincoln Monday.

CADETS PREPARE FOR INSPECTION

COLONEL PENN, U. S. A., WILL REVIEW SOLDIERS THURSDAY

Annual Maneuvers Take on New Interest by War Preparation—Cadets Discuss Enlistment

War with Germany into which the United States has entered since the the University closed classes for the spring holidays, and the resulting impending legislation by the government to raise a large and efficient American army added interest in the drills, maneuvers and inspections of the cadet regiment Tuesday afternoon. The cadets underwent instruction from 2 to 6 p. m. The preliminary inspections are preparing the companies for the annual government inspection Thursday afternoon by Colonel Julius A. Penn, U. S. A.

Drill has taken on a new interest for the men as a result of the entrance of this nation into the world war. In large and small groups, the cadets discussed the possibility of large numbers of University men of the country being called to the colors within a few months. Men of the cadet regiment are not now subject to call before any other male students or citizens of this age. The war has, however, caused more cadets to consider applying for examinations for enlistment in the officers' reserve corps.

The First battalion was drilled in rifle exercises and other work on the athletic field Tuesday; the Second was drilled on the campus north of Administration hall and then marched north on Tenth across the viaduct and E company was detailed as an advance guard in a demonstration directed by Sergeant Thomas F. Wirth.

Children Follow Soldiers

Many children of German descent living in the northwestern section of the city were greatly cheered by the scene of the Second battalion. Some of the small boys carried rifles for the University men. Children from Hayward school gathered in large numbers to watch the resting soldiers.

There will be only the regular drill today; cadets will be called into line at 2 p. m. Thursday for the big review and inspection.

Col. Julius A. Penn, the inspecting officer, has served his country as a cadet and officer since 1882, when he entered the United States military academy at West Point, having been appointed from Ohio. He became a second lieutenant in the Thirteenth infantry four years later; captain in the Seventh, March 2, 1899; major in the Twelfth August 10, 1909. His promotion to a colonelcy came early in March of this year. Colonel Penn was fifty-two years old February 19. He is widely known in Lincoln, having been detailed for a time as instructor with the Nebraska national guard.

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