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Two requests have come to students for the donation of some of their time during the Christmas recess and those who live in Lincoln or will be in town that week can do something worth while. The first call comes from the Red Cross, which asks the help of University people in its Red Cross drive the last few days before Christmas. The other comes from the school of fine arts for free help in unpacking and hanging the pictures for the annual exhibit, all the proceeds of which will be given to the Red Cross. During the month of January, throughout which the exhibit will last, students will be asked to donate their services as doorkeepers. Both of these requests should find a ready response from students who have the leisure and are in a position to do work asked.

The Red Cross rooms in Nebraska hall were practically filled by co-eds yesterday in answer to the call for extra effort in order to complete Lincoln's supply of bandages for the hospitals of France. This is another instance of the support Nebraska women are giving to every kind of work that they are called upon to do. It is interesting to note that still more bandage makers are needed, and men as well as co-eds can be used. Only a few men have ventured so far to go to the Red Cross room in Nebraska hall, they have felt a masculine disposition to leave the sewing and "such stuff" to the women. This is not the right attitude. While it is true that women may be by nature and temperament better adapted to such endeavor, it is surely not outside of man's province to help in an emergency. He has two hands, albeit they may be somewhat clumsier than a woman's—but they will serve. Nebraska women and Nebraska men are both needed during the rest of this week, and both should answer the call.

Throughout these first months of the school year requests of various kinds have come to students for aid in war work, including contributions to the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A. fund, the Serbian relief, the Armenian relief, the purchase and sale of liberty bonds, and a practical, sensible economy in commodities and amusement. Every work that students have been asked to support has been worthy and every call has been answered heartily. Students have felt all along, however, that they would like if possible to identify themselves in some way with an organization whose sole purpose it would be to get behind and push patriotic movements. It is better Nebraskans believe, to be the originators, the pioneer supporters of worthy enterprises than it is to wait until someone asks for a dollar or an hour. Now just such an organization has been conceived by a member of the faculty, and it will be formed this evening at a meeting of University men and women in the Temple theatre at 7 o'clock. What the organization shall be called will be decided then—such a name as "the council of two hundred" has been suggested. But whatever its name it will unite students in a body to carry on within the University all branches of war work, and will afford, probably, the best outlet for patriotic zeal offered University men and women while they are in college. The meeting will be short, not extending over the 8 o'clock limit, and absolutely will not be turned into a call for the donation of anything besides an enthusiastic desire to develop a workable unit for the support of all war interests.

Exchange Editorials

"BAD LUCK" BUNK

(James Hay, Jr., in McClure's Magazine)

There is no such thing as "bad luck." The belief in it is a gross superstition. It is claimed that there is a lot of luck in poker. My observation has been that the man who wins at poker consistently is merely the best player of poker. There are some who have a "run of luck." But if that "run" lasts three months, the opposite "run" generally lasts equally long. If the good luck holds up for a year the bad luck appears during the next year. Any habitual card player unless he is a very poor player or an unusually good one, will tell you that his winnings and losses just about counter-balance. In poker, as in life, the final determining factor is skill, knowledge of the game, patience, taking advantage of opportunities. If you have a premonition that you are going to fail in an undertaking, you are promising yourself disaster in advance; you are merely saying to yourself: "I know I'm not equal to that, I'll fall down on it sure." Dismiss the premonitions. Throw away the "charms" and talismans. Get on the job!

DAILY CONSERVATION
(Daily Illini)

Are you conserving your coal supply or are you wasting that most precious substance—the black diamonds which are so important for winning the war?

Do you know that if a faucet leaks so slightly that the stream breaks into drops within two inches you are wasting over fifty gallons of water every twenty-four hours? One such leaking faucet will add \$1.15 to your quarterly water bill. Coal was burnt to pump every gallon of water either used or wasted.

An average electric lamp left burning all night will run up a bill of about 5 cents. It does not take many lamps around the house burning a few unnecessary minutes every day to raise your monthly lighting bill an appreciable amount. Do you realize that not only is your money wasted, but that coal, that vastly important sine of war, is wasted as well?

What kind of a check draft or damper have you on your furnace? When the house gets too warm do you simply throw open the windows? Most of us keep our houses too warm. Each degree rise in temperature costs more than the preceding degree. Warm the house to the right temperature and see that no coal is wasted by overstepping this point. The proper firing of your furnace can be made to save a very noticeable amount of coal. Do you shake a lot of coal through the grate and shovel it out with the ashes? The United States, it is estimated, wasted 75,000,000 tons of coal in 1916. If you do any of the above things you are helping in the waste for 1917. Every pound of coal wasted helps the enemy.

Your bank account may be able to stand a swollen water bill, an increased electric bill and an augmented coal bill but the country cannot afford to have you waste the fuel involved in any of these careless practices.

We are short, tremendously short, on transportation facilities. The estimated waste in coal last year would require 1,500,000 fifty-ton cars to move it. Are you increasing the car shortage by wasting fuel directly or indirectly? Every person in the University can contribute to this coal conservation. Turn out your lights; don't waste heat and do your part to help win the war.

W. H. JUDD IS STUDENT VOLUNTEER DELEGATE

Will Attend Convention at Northfield, Mass., January 3 to 16

W. H. Judd, '20, has been selected as one of the two delegates from the University to the Students' Volunteer conference, to be held at Northfield, Mass., January 3 to 6.

This conference is being held in place of the quadrennial convention of the Student Volunteer movement, which was to have met during the holidays this year. A limited number of delegates have been invited from throughout the country. The state of Nebraska is entitled to six, two of them to be from the University. The other delegate from here has not yet been chosen, but if one is selected it will probably be a co-ed.

The purpose of this conference is to consider the altered world situation which now confronts missionary forces of the world. The conference will be under the direction of Dr. John R. Mott, chairman of the Student Volunteer movement.

F. L. HALLER RESIGNS AS CHAIRMAN OF REGENTS

Regent F. L. Haller Handed In His Resignation as Chairman of Board of Regents

Regent F. L. Haller handed in his resignation as chairman of the board of regents at their meeting Tuesday evening. He will still retain his position as member of the board but will step from the presiding officers chair on January 1. His term would have ended within a few weeks. Regent E. P. Brown was chosen to take his place.

Every member of the board was present at the meeting. In connection with his resignation Regent Haller presented the following statement:

"Inasmuch as I am intending to spend the winter in the south, leaving about the first of the year, I hereby resign my position as president of the board of regents, the same to take effect January 1, 1918, and recommend that my successor be elected at this meeting to take office January 1, 1918."

DEBATERS CHOSEN TO MEET KANSAS CITY

Jeffrey, Schaberg and Young Given Places on Law Team at Tryouts Yesterday

E. C. Jeffrey, '19, Kansas City, Elmore Schaberg, '19, University Place and J. G. Young, '19, Woodward, Okla., were selected to be made members of the debating team that will represent Nebraska college of law in the debate against the Kansas City college of law to be held at Kansas City December 21, at a hotly contested preliminary battle held yesterday afternoon in law 101.

Eight men entered the elimination race and some very good material for debating was uncovered. Jeffrey, Young and Schaberg handled the material in a competent manner and displayed qualities that will in all probability make trouble for their Kansas City opponents.

Dean Wm. Hastings, Prof. Geo. Foster and Dr. Edwin Maxey were the judges at the tryouts.

The team is expected to leave about Thursday and will be accompanied by Coach Dr. Maxey.

According to reports reaching the laws from the south, the Nebraska representatives will meet with a formidable rival when they go upon the platform for the final contest Friday but with the amount of experience that the team members have had and the abundance of authority which they have in support of their contention they may be relied upon to give a good account of themselves in the forensic battle.

Work in preparation for the debate will commence in earnest today and all those who took part in the preliminaries will aid in giving the men all necessary information.

Ten More Students Withdraw from School

Ten more students were reported by the Registrar yesterday to have withdrawn from the University to enter the army. The men who have enlisted are as follows:

Raymond Labdell, Aviation department, Fort Logan, Colo.

Harold Hedges, Balloon school, Fort Omaha, Neb.

E. H. Steck, Coast Artillery.

R. L. Wagner, Aviation, Fort Logan, Colo.

Geo. H. Follings, Medical department, Fort Logan, Colo.

C. J. Angell, Aviation, Fort Logan, Colo.

J. H. Barker, enlisted, branch not given.

Roy Meyers, Fort Logan, Colo., enlisted.

Vern Rydberg, Fort Logan, Colo., enlisted.

F. K. Reida, Aviation, Fort Omaha, Neb.

To Sing Christmas Carols

Students of the University of Texas who will remain in Austin for the Christmas holidays are planning to sing Christmas carols on the night before Christmas. The city hospitals of Austin, the Old Confederate Home, the Blind Institute, and the Children's Home will be visited, and such songs as "Silent Night," "Joy to the World," and "O Little Town of Bethlehem" will be sung.

Dean Fordyce Gives Lecture

Dean Charles Fordyce lectured at Wesleyan university, Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock on the subject of "The Phenomena of Growth Among Adolescent Boys."

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