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**WHAT A COMMA COST UNCLE SAM**

Such a little, innocent-looking thing as a comma has been the cause many times of trouble and confusion. According to the American Printer, one that got into the wrong place cost the United States government two million dollars.

The tariff bill in which the mistake occurred provided that "foreign fruit plants," and so forth, should be admitted free of duty. The purpose was to encourage the culture of high-grade varieties of fruit trees and grapevines in this country. When the bill was printed, "foreign fruit plants," and so forth, read "foreign fruit, plants," and so forth, and, as a result, oranges, grapes, lemons bananas and the like came in free of duty for a year.—Minnesota Daily.

**OUR ENEMY, SUNDAY DINNER**

These days of food conservation and Hooverization have seemingly done nothing to abolish the Sunday surfeit. Practically every student sits down each Sunday before a table crowded with rich food and gorges himself until he reaches a state of torpor, then spends the rest of the afternoon weighted with a feeling of utter uselessness. The effects of the gluttonish repast survive till next day—hence, "Blue Monday."

Aside from the unwholesome effects of such a meal, the food wasted on Sunday is a factor not to be lost sight of, particularly in such a time as this. This is a matter in which every boarding house, club, and fraternity is concerned. A change from the weekly routine of food is of course expected on Sunday, and it may be given by preparing a different sort of food than is usually served, instead of the customary overabundance.—Daily Kansan.

**PACIFISTS AND THE WAR**

Some people class pacifists with pro-Germans. But the pacifist leaders today, in fact all pacifists whose influence counts among their fellow men, realize that a permanent world peace will be possible only when the German selfish autocracy is wiped out of existence. Louis F. Post, in the Public, December 15, 1917, says, "Between a worthy war-patriotism and a virile peace-patriotism there is no essential difference."

The American Peace Society is America's oldest peace organization, dates back to 1815, and was definitely organized in 1828. It publishes a monthly magazine, the Advocate of Peace. Recently this magazine said editorially:

"The supreme duty of every man, woman, and child in America today is, avoiding panics and hatreds of persons, to remember the ghastly offenses of a might-worshipping aggressor, and to bend every possible effort to win this war. \* \* \* We cannot win this war by any inconclusive, fragile, or patched-up peace."

The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, founded in 1910, when Mr. Carnegie created a board of trustees to whom he transferred \$10,000,000, the revenue of which was to be used for abolishing international war, at their annual meeting November, 1917, in New York, adopted the resolution that "the most effectual means of promoting durable international peace is to prosecute the war against the Imperial German government to final victory for democracy."

The League to Enforce Peace, which was organized in Philadelphia, June 17, 1915, sets forth its relation to the present war officially: "We are engaged with our allies in precisely the

kind of war the League's program holds to be both justifiable and necessary." The American School Peace League, of which William Howard Taft is honorary president, officially have pledged their wholehearted support to the government in "this struggle for freedom."

The World Peace Foundation, founded in Boston by Edwin Ginn in 1910, says that it will "support the efforts of the United States government and the allies to win the war." The Women Peace Workers have said: "We believe that in taking up arms against the German government the United States is fighting to dethrone a tyranny that threatens, in the words of the President, 'to master and debase men everywhere.'" They add, "We feel that those persons who are continually rebuking the government for our entrance into this war, and who are constantly calling at this time for peace, are prolonging the war."

Clarence Darrow, lawyer, pacifist, representative of workmen's interests, formerly a member of the Illinois state legislature, recently said: "I notice that the pro-Germans in the last few months have changed to pacifists—and a German pacifist makes me smile." William Jennings Bryan has commented editorially in the Commoner, "No one should be permitted to cloak attacks upon his government or to aid the enemy under the claim that he is exercising freedom of speech."

These statements should make the position of the pacifists clear and should distinguish them forevermore from pro-Germans.

**ALUMNI NEWS**

Roy G. Pierce, '07, of the United States department of agriculture, is visiting the botany department this week. He is connected with the office of forest pathology of the bureau of plant industry, and is in Lincoln to arrange for some co-operative work in connection with the Washington office.

Martin C. McMahon, ex-'06, who has been in the aviation section since May, 1917, is at present commanding officer of the 269th aero squadron and assistant officer in charge of flying at Gerstner Field, Lake Charles, La.

Joseph W. Ferris, '16, who is practicing law at New York City, is secretary of the Syrian-American loyalty league which is organized in connection with the bureau of public information.

Russell F. Swift, '15, is lieutenant aeronautics at Ebert's Field, Leno, Ark. He was graduated from the Georgia School of Technology and received his commission there.

Recent visitors at the alumni office are: Mrs. Mary Campbell Major, '86, 606 N Sixteenth street; Dr. Cal H. Boston, Lincoln.

**Kline Elected Head of Phi Alpha Tau**

Leonard W. Kline '19, was elected president of Phi Alpha Tau, professional public speaking fraternity, for the coming year at a meeting last evening.

Other officers elected were: vice-president, R. P. Parry, '19; secretary-treasurer, J. H. Koehler, '20, and sergeant-at-arms, Frank Barnett, '19.



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**LAWS CONGREGATE FOR EVENTFUL DAY**

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unforgivable error on the part of Boehmer the upper classmen would have scored a shut-out victory.

**Foster Out-races Broady**

The feature exhibition of the day was a close race between Professors Broady and Foster, a race for which both had been preparing for months and in which both showed keen form. Professor Foster's form, however, was supreme and he made the tape fully thirty feet ahead of his worthy opponent, in a dash of 50 yards.

In an interclass relay race the progressive juniors took the pot of the points, Carter, Reynolds, James and Boggs finishing ahead in the 440 yard run. Miller, Reeker, Lowe and Graf ran second for the Freshmen, and Laffin, Buerstetta, Poska and Randall for the Seniors, brought up the rear.

**Reynolds Distinguishes Himself**

Reynolds, of the Juniors, won over Ward, masterman of the third years, and Miller of the Freshies in the baseball throw. Reynolds also acquitted himself with honors in the 100 yard dash, making time at 10 3/5 seconds. Purdue, a first year man, came out second on this sprint and Vogeltanz of the Juniors, took third.

In the high jump the Freshmen scored their only first ribbon when Phillips cleared the bar at a prohibitive height for Boggs and Carter of the Juniors.

Broady and Foster officiated in the field and track events and Broady was the umpire for the ball game.

**PREDICT RIVALRY FOR IVY DAY MEET**

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will naturally fall upon American women as it has upon those in France, England and other countries.

The meet will be staged under the management of the Woman's Athletic association, with Blanche Higgins as track leader.

The officials are:

Head judge and timer, Dr. E. J. Stewart; starter, Dr. R. G. Clapp; clerk of the course, Miss Dorothy Baldwin; timer, Elmer Shellenberg; judges of the finish, Miss Louise Pound, Mrs. J. G. B. Lee, Miss Irene Fleck; field judges, Earnest Hubka, William Mackay, Ross Bailey.

The patronesses will be: Mrs. A. L. Beghtol, Dean Amanda Heppner, Mrs. Caroline Dierks, Mrs. Ross P. Curtice, Mrs. R. G. Clapp, Mrs. E. J. Stewart.

The events of the meet will be as follows:

**25-Yard Dash**

Semi-finals, first heat, Grace Nichols, Louise Pedrett, Bess Chaney. Second heat, Pansy Read, Gertrude Henderson, Ruth McKenney.

**50-Yard Dash**

Semi-finals. First heat, Grace Nichols, Emma Fenzel, Bess Chaney. Second heat, Nellie Bloodgood, Pansy Read, Margaret Cowden.

**80-Yard Hurdles**

Finals. Ruth McKenney, Sara Surber, Pansy Read, Donna Gustin.

**Inter-Class Relay**

Freshmen: Donna Gustin (leader), Margaret Cowden, Emma Fenzel, Sara Surber, Gertrude Henderson, Mary Stephens, Jeanette Doyle (sub); sophomore: Sue Stille (leader), Martha Hellner, Patricia Maloney, Ruth McKenney, Doris Bates, Janet Thornton; Junior: Pansy Read (leader), Helen Hewett, Marguerite Lonam, Madeline Girard, Bess Chaney, Katherine Kohl; senior: Nellie Bloodgood (leader), Beatrice Koch, Christine Hanson, Grace Nichols, Blanche Higgins, Beatrice Dierks, Bertha Bates (sub.).

**Running High Jump**

Lillian Wirt, Beatrice Koch, Marjorie Barstow, Mary Stephens, Helen Hewett, Eleanor Frampton, Marguerite Lonam, Sara Surber.

**Shot Put (8 lbs.)**

Irene Springer, Martha Hellner, Mildred Chapin, Blanche Higgins, Mary Stephens, Lillian Storey.

**Baseball Throw**

Martha Hellner, Helen E. Holtz, Nellie Bloodgood, Mildred Chapin, Christine Hanson, Josephine Strode, Ruth McKenney, Helen Hewett, Louise Pedrett, Sue Stille.

**Basketball Throw**

Nellie Bloodgood, Camilla Koch, Patricia Maloney, Mary Alice Davey, Beatrice Dierks, Blanche Higgins.

**Running Broad Jump**

Louise Pedrett, Lillian Wirt, Camilla Koch, Marjorie Barstow, Eleanor Frampton, Beatrice Dierks, Blanche Higgins.

**Javelin Throw**

Martha Hellner, Helen Hewett, Beatrice Koch, Sara Surber, Patricia Maloney, Beatrice Dierks.

**Pole Vault**

Grace-Nichols, Bernice Miller, Lillian Wirt, Mary Stephens, Lillian Storey, Irene Springer.

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