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War Is Hell!

Rumors that the United States and England are soon to declare war on Japan drive home to university students the fact that war is no longer a thing to be read about in books...

Winwood Reade, in his "Martyrdom of Man," says, and rightly, we believe, that "by means of War the animated life was slowly raised upward in the scale, and quadrupeds passed into man."

Speaking loosely, primitive times are past and the benefits derived from War as advanced by Mr. Reade are no longer possible nor necessary. War then and war now are not altogether parallel nor comparable.

If war is to come, then there is no earthly power which can prevent it. Human greed, disguised under the name of "safeguarding the national integrity," is a tremendous force.

Why Not Be Modern?

The director of the Syracuse library school has come forward with a proposal to reorganize the library system at Syracuse. Like the plan in operation at Nebraska, the present organization of the Syracuse main library is based on the "closed stack" system.

Students at Nebraska, however, are still forced to waste time waiting for librarians to select their books. Whether a reorganization of the system here would be feasible under present reduced legislative appropriations is doubtful.

overwhelming when they are compared with the closed stack type of library management. Educators everywhere are swinging toward educational methods which allow the students a maximum of individual work.

Under the present system of laborious doling out of books, the book-seeker must waste precious minutes while the library machine gets under way and brings from distant, and closed, shelves, the book he desires.

Action to do away with the Nebraska closed stacks may be long in coming, just as a new library building too is something in the remote future.

With the marines in Shanghai it may be that we will not have to worry about the depression long. Wonder if the depression will affect a war.

Three Dollar Late Fees.

In the Morning Mail column this morning one S. O. S. casts a few flowers at The Daily Nebraskan and a few brickbats at the office of the registrar.

Authorities, however, say that the number of students who delayed the payment of their fees was not much greater than last year.

Geology student in recent examination paper replying to the question, "Give two methods of surveying land," said, "One is by leaps and bounds and the other is with a sextet."

MORNING MAIL

A Small Bouquet.

TO THE EDITOR: Let he who is skeptical about the value of a campus news sheet lend his attention to my tale of woe.

During the hiatus between semesters, while students were cramming and expelling the knowledge they were supposed to have acquired during the first half of the year, the publication of the Daily Nebraskan was suspended.

It was during this period that word crept around that students in the arts and science college would be required to pay their fees on Monday and Tuesday of the second week of examinations.

Here is where the college newspaper comes in. If the Nebraskan had been published during examinations, students would have known of this departure from precedent and, incidentally, I would have saved three bucks.

I do not wish to criticize the Daily Nebraskan, because I do not believe that the complaint is due in that direction. Instead, I firmly believe that the registrar's office should have taken steps to circulate word of their new plan.

The insufficiency of the announcement in the catalog and schedule is manifest by the large number of students, who were victims of the registrar's oversight. Word of the change was spread in the fraternity and sorority houses, but the university does not usually depend on such channels for circulation of its announcements.

Returning to my opening statement, I wish to say that I, for one, believe that the college newspaper serves an important function in university life.

If the cold weather gets under your skin just think how much fun you could have on a picnic in Penn woods during sub-zero temperatures.

At the University of Paris a popular course, "Appreciation of Rare Wines and Other Liquors," is offered.

The Dean of Boston university estimates that a college degree is worth \$75,000. Several hard-pressed alumni, we are told, are seeking to have theirs cashed in.

TREND OF THE TIMES

War—At least it gives newspapers a break. Yet it is war? China has not declared it so. With the moving of the Chinese government from Nanking to Honanfu it was expected war would be declared.

Eleven Japanese soldiers were counted killed, 100 wounded, 300 Chinese soldiers and more than 1,000 civilians were dead. Over a square mile of the Chapel district of Shanghai is in flames from bombing, trapping hundreds in horrible death.

It is war but we hardly realize it. I heard a group of older men talking in a small town store the other day. Said one of the situation, "well if they would take some of us old fogies it wouldn't hurt much."

While Great Britain and the United States have come to definite accord in their attitude toward Japan, the rest of Europe is cautiously standing-by.

A former Chinese foreign minister, Eugene Chen, looks upon the conflict with great pessimism. He says Japan seeks war with China. Mr. Chen is not alone in thinking that Japan is imperialistically warring for enough of China proper that she can trade it back for Manchuria and part of Mongolia.

At Geneva the Sino-Japanese struggle will occupy the mind of the World Disarmament conference for at least the first week. China has forced the League of Nations into direct action under obligatory provisions of the covenant.

THE power of organized labor is great. For one year only representatives of nearly two million rail workers have agreed that they will take a ten percent wage cut in the hope that business may somewhat be revived.

FOR company's sake President Hoover in his budget cut the navy supply bill some \$40,000,000. But now the crisis in China has arisen. The navy is going to fight much cutting. Moreover the 600 million dollar naval construction bill is more likely to be passed by congress.

IF THE house subcommittee on war department appropriations has its way 2,000 officers and 8,000 enlisted men will be dropped from the army. Following the president's budget estimates reserve officers activities would also be curtailed and Citizens' Military Training Camps would be suspended for one year.

After all, it's a Townsend photograph that you want.—Adv.

The College World

Racketeering methods have been exposed by campus police at the University of Ohio. Operatives using gangster tactics in extorting excessive rewards from students whose coats had been stolen from the checkroom during a homecoming dance.

A new system to reorganize the Syracuse university library has been proposed by the director of the library school. The plan, if put into effect, will do away with the "closed stack" system now in use, and will allow students to select books from the shelves.

Because Dartmouth students were forced to vote by the city of Hanover, N. J., so that poll taxes might be collected, the students passed measures of their own in indignant reciprocity. Bills passed by the students, who comprised a majority of the voters, provided for the erection of a city hall a foot square and a mile high and the construction of a wall eight miles high around the city. The municipality appealed to the federal government before the measures were annulled.

When Conrad Nagel, movie star, visited Ohio State university recently, he was the guest of his fraternity brothers at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house where he talked on "The Fraternity, Its Importance to the Graduate."

Whether fraternities of Baker and Kansas universities will pay

Regents File for Reelection



Who have filed for reelection to the University of Nebraska Board of Regents. Long, whose home is Cowles, was recently chosen president of the board for the current year. Taylor, of St. Paul, is past president of the board. Terms of both expire this year.

general taxes will soon be begun. Testimony in the case, de- signed in 1930 when Douglas county placed fraternities on tax rolls, will be heard in a hearing soon at the county courthouse.

Dean Clarence W. Mendell, also of Yale, backed up his colleague by a similar stand in a letter which was read before the committee.

Adding to the weight of testimony for beer came the statement of Dr. Charles Norris, medical examiner for New York City. Said Dr. Norris: "When I was a student at Yale in 1888 there was no hard liquor and I never carried a flask."

DEAN HICKS RETURNS FROM SEMESTER AT HARVARD; COMPARES DIFFERENCES IN STUDENTS AND METHODS OF STUDY.

Two of my best students at Harvard last semester were from this state. Courses which students at this university would elect as "pipes" are carefully avoided at Harvard.

Relations With Professors. "One marked difference in Harvard students as compared with those at Nebraska is their attitude toward after-class relations with the professor," Dean Hicks added.

The work of Dean Hicks at Harvard included lectures to a class of 185 students in American history and a course in the history of this west. The latter course he also taught at Radcliffe, a women's college not far from Harvard.

At each Harvard "house" are a number of faculty members, some of them full professors and others of lesser rank, who act as tutors. Their capacity is not to coach a student in any particular subject but rather to keep him in constant preparation and review for the comprehensive examinations over his field of concentration.

Last fall the new Harvard "house" plan went into effect. This plan, sponsored by President Lowell and made possible through the benefactions of Edward Harkness, provided for the construction of five luxurious dwellings for students. Furnished study and sleeping rooms and private baths are available for the residents of these "houses" and each is presided over by a "master" who is a member of the faculty and who sets the cultural pace for students living in each particular "house."

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Students Free of Contagious Diseases; Flu and Bad Colds Frequent.

YEAR HAS BEEN GOOD

"Conditions this year have been remarkable concerning contagious diseases," stated Dr. R. A. Lyman, chairman of the Student Health service.

Infirmary cases are very few, according to Dr. Lyman. Thirteen cases have been the maximum with ten being the usual average, he said.

Many Have Athletes Foot. Athletes foot seems to be the most undesirable and most frequent disease on the campus at present. This is prevalent among the men and only two women are reported to have it.

Miss Faulkner to Talk On Beaux Arts Pictures. Kady Faulkner, instructor in the school of fine arts, will give a talk concerning the pictures on exhibition by the school at the Beaux Arts ball.

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