

Brackett tells experiences with Marines in Shanghai

On way to San Diego post from Pensacola air base, Lieutenant, grade of '35, stops off at NU

Eighteen months residence in the international settlement at Shanghai as a member of the settlement defense corps has given Elmer E. Brackett, jr., what he thinks will be his only opportunity to observe a major war at first hand without actually participating in it.

Brackett, who is a member of the Fourth division of the U. S. marine corps, was stationed in Shanghai during three months of the heaviest fighting in that area. During his stay at home this week Brackett described some of the changes which the war has brought about in the Shanghai region.

Acclimated to war

"Some great changes have taken place," he observed, "but it is surprising how people are able to acclimate themselves to changing conditions and carry on their lives in spite of the fact that conditions

are not normal." Brackett then explained that he was familiar with conditions only in the settlement area, and was not well acquainted with the condition of the people up country.

Brackett is the son of Prof. E. E. Brackett and a first lieutenant in the U. S. marine corps. He returned home this week enroute to his new post at San Diego. He has just completed a 13 month course at the naval air training field at Pensacola, Florida.

Endorses ir Training

Brackett, who won his wings only a few weeks ago, heartily endorsed the plan for the training of college students for the air corps. He declared, "Training for the corps is fine experience, and it provides training which would be useful to any young man."

Brackett graduated from the university in 1935. He obtained his commission thru the military department of the university.

Men stutters most numerous, speech professor reveals

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (I.P.). Stuttering men are three times as common as stuttering women, Dr. Herbert Koepf-Baker, assistant professor of speech at the Pennsylvania State college, stated.

"Some persons hold to the belief that fewer women than men stutter because women change their minds rapidly and often," Dr. Koepf-Baker said. "This is not true. There is some physiological basis to the fact that females do not suffer as frequent breakdowns in speech as men. The absence of stuttering in women is probably due to some subtle sex link."

Gilmore regrets Hull tariff policies not applied earlier

Discussing the relationships between the "Reciprocal Trade Treaties and American Agriculture," with emphasis upon recent concessions gained through the Canadian and English treaties, Dr. E. A. Gilmore, assistant professor of economics, outlines the Hull program in the March issue of the Nebraska Alumnus.

With a survey of our recent tariff history explaining that the Hawley-Smoot tariff of 1930, by disrupting the balance of international payments, did much to bring about a European financial crisis the following year, Gilmore

suggests the the poverty of the farmers might have been prevented had the Hull program been introduced 20 years earlier.

"Farmers," he declared, "resent reductions in duties on various products coming from Canada. Figures, however, show," Dr. Gilmore added, "that agriculture has gained greatly through the recent concessions. The British Empire is now importing fruit and vegetables as well as meat products in arge quantities as counterpart to a 42 percent increase in non-agricultural products to Canada."

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thizer declared, "I have been rebuked by the city council in every attempt I have made to initiate reform," adding that two letters which he sent, urging the appointment of a committee to act on this proposal, have been entirely overlooked.

"They have refused action," the candidate avowed, "I promise which former council men, mayors, and rich merchants made to university groups years ago in order to hold the campus in Lincoln."

Promises recalled.

Recalling promises made in past years for a thru 15th street, a million dollar library and aid to the students in campus problems, Wilkinson contrasted the factual evidence of their intentions. "We have a split campus," the agitator sneered, "with traction rates so high as to make a varied education prohibitive to the average student. Outlays of 60 to 80 cents daily are required" he added, "for the citizens of Lincoln living beyond walking distance to get their children to and from school."

"Now is the time for those powers, which can act, to fulfill pledges long overdue," Wilkinson forcefully declared, stating that such reductions in rates would not seriously harm the traction company.

Suggesting that the low assessment valuations which the company has enjoyed for many years amounts in fact to a municipal subsidy, the council candidate demanded return favors, directed toward that group of students which comprises the life and vigor of the commercial interests of the city.

"Figures taken by the traction company's own expert compared with the tax valuations show that the assessed property of the company is a half billion dollars less than the present bare bone value," he pointed out. "Such concessions as the company has received warrant the present request that they grant to students the privilege enjoyed at the present time by students of Omaha, New York City, and many other cities over the country."

Fares out of reach.

With the comment that it is to be hoped that the city of Lincoln is not going to prove itself just a fair weather friend to the student body of the university, Wilkinson urged that in return for the liberal subsidies to the Traction company, the latter should subsidize the student body by bringing the fares more in tune with the pocket book of the average student.

"Many instances can be cited," indicated Mr. Wilkerson, "where young men living in College View, or those outstate men having relatives in Lincoln suburbs where they might live while attending the university, are denied a college education because of the high cost of getting to and from school."

Arguing that merchants of the city were in favor of getting the university here, he was astonished that they should not be more interested in getting the students to the university. Urging the city to act immediately on this question, the councilman candidate regretted the poor advertising for Lincoln, "the white spot of the nation," were the students forced to create their own transportation system between the main campus and the state farm.

Sociologist translates Bible in new way

EVANSTON, Ill. (I.P.). For the first time in nearly 2,000 years, the four gospels of the Bible have been translated by a sociologist—and the result is a really NEW Testament.

The translator is Dr. William L. Bailey, professor of sociology at Northwestern university. "I was astonished when I began this work," Dr. Bailey said, "to find how much of the realistic detail of the Gospels had been omitted in translations by theologians."

"The four books are concerned with all sorts of sociological problems—sex, crime, taxes, politics, labor, psychiatry, the family. There has never been such graphic exposure of the evils of society as the Gospels contain."

The very word "Gospel," he said, might be translated into modern idiom as "You'd be surprised," and this is still true today. The theories on sex, marriage, and economics expressed by Jesus are just beginning to be generally debated.

The Gospel stories were originally written in the vernacular of the day, composed of Aramic slangy Hellenistic Greek, and were intended as "new flashes," rather than either history or literature, in Dr. Bailey's opinion. "The Gospels were written in a chatty, conversational style which was not at all pontifical," he reported.

Parker company sponsors contest

Winners to receive cash purses, scholarship

A scholarship worth \$1,000 to any college or university and 20 cash purses of \$25 each will be awarded each week in a series of five weekly contests to be held by the Parker Pen company beginning April 3.

Walter W. Head, President of the Boy Scouts of America, together with Mrs. B. F. Langworthy, past president of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers and Lloyd D. Herrold, professor of advertising at Northwestern university, will select the winners.

The first week's contest ends Saturday April 8, and the remaining four contests end on the four succeeding Saturdays, April 15, 22, 29 and May 6. Scholarships are transferable, and may be substituted with \$1,000 in cash instead. Entry blanks may be secured in the DAILY NEBRASKAN office.

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