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Behind the News

By David Thompson

On three fronts at least the war seems to be progressing most satisfactorily for the Allied forces.

Whether or not the reports from Libya mean that the German columns there have been completely destroyed or made ineffective for some time is not known.

The success of some of the Japanese landing forces in Luzon in the Philippines is due to the fact that the portions of the coast on which they landed cannot be reached from inland.

The only pessimistic reports are those that keep coming from Malaya where numerically inferior British forces are being pushed back and back by the Japanese.

pray to the Prince of Peace to guide us thru the present crisis. For this we say we are grateful.

So, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and we add the words that we will be using often during this war: "We are grateful to be alive and free."

War Atmosphere Creeps into Blue Print Article

The atmosphere of war has crept into the December issue of the Nebraska Blue Print, official magazine of the engineering college, with the monthly feature article "Explosives" by C. J. Frankforter, associate professor of chemical engineering and colonel in the Infantry Reserves.

In his article Professor Frankforter explains various explosives and remarks, "It should be understood that all so-called explosives do not actually explode. Explosives which do not explode burn with great rapidity and the effects of their behavior may be as good as that of a true explosive."

In conclusion Professor Frankforter hopefully added, "Some very high grade chemistry and chemical engineering is involved in the manufacture of all kinds of powders and explosives but we all hope and pray the efforts of these trained men now making these deadly materials, can shortly be turned to other pursuits, to those of truly civilized men."

ing to do? That's simple. Catch up on my studies."

Robert Knoll, unaffiliated, sophomore, Omaha: "When I go home I don't do anything." How's that for a flat, concise, frank and to the point answer?

Mary Aileen Cochran, Theta, junior, Omaha: "There's nothing very exciting in my Christmas plans. I'm just going home to play a lot. And a few of my friends are coming to visit me so that means I'll play some more."

Kenneth Aukerman, unaffiliated, freshman, Lincoln; Oh, I may go out to Washington state." All this very nonchalantly and a wee bit boredly.—"If my folks don't come back here for Christmas," he added.

Here's a studious young freshman—almost the only one I found. "I'm going to work and study," said Harry Staford, unaffiliated, York freshman. I hope his pre-New Year resolution holds out.

Jean Gruenig, Delta Gamma, freshman, Omaha: "I'm going to do a lot of studying—with emphasis on the "lot." My, such industrious people.

Seniors at Appalachian State Teachers college broke tradition to elect a coed, Dorothy Griffith, class president.

Tulane university student center was built with funds donated by the alumni.

Fine Arts School Airs Yule Show

Appearing on a special Christmas broadcast originating from the Union tonight from 8:15 to 8:45, university students will present Christmas poetry and music under the auspices of the school of fine arts.

Narrator will be Romulo Soldevilla and music will be furnished by the University Singers under the direction of Dr. Arthur E. Westbrook. Myron Roberts will appear as organist and a special verse speaking choir from university radio classes will be heard.

Leo A. Martin, radio instructor, is in charge of the production. The program was first presented two years ago over the Columbia Broadcasting system from Chicago when Dr. Westbrook was teaching in Illinois.

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scholarship cup. However, this policy has been changed, and the freshman woman ranking highest now has her name placed on the Honor Roll, which is displayed in the home economics social parlors. Evelyn Schulz was awarded this honor for the year 1940-41.

Dr. N. A. Bengtson, dean of the junior division addressed the group of "Problems of Hemisphere Solidarity Now." He explained the problems connected with achievement of unity among the American countries and said that he believes that it is essential to permanent solidarity in the western hemisphere.

By a vote of 323 to 51, students at Catawba college have voted to change the name of their yearbook, The Swastika.

Christmas--1941

On December 20, 1939, the Daily Nebraskan published its last issue for the year before Christmas vacation. In that issue there appeared an editorial which told the student body this: "You have a great deal to be merry about this Christmas. You are alive and free and at peace. You at least live in a country where you are free to strive for personal happiness and for the welfare of others. You have at least a measurable chance of enjoying what we sincerely wish to each of you: A genuinely Merry Christmas and a truly Happy New Year!"

Today those same quotations are used on this issues' front page and today they are not followed by reports of events in other countries, but they are followed by what is happening to our own United States—now in the war we thought was so far removed from us.

Despite this, we still believe we can say "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" as the editor did two years ago. We can no longer say we can be thankful because we are at peace, but we still can say we can be thankful because we are alive and free. We still live in a country where we are free to strive for personal happiness and for the welfare of others. We still have at least a measurable chance of enjoying Christmas and the New Year. On this Christmas—1941—we will all be praying to God whom we are now addressing as the Prince of Peace more than we have for a long time. We can be thankful we have our places of worship in which to

Peace . . .

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"Give us our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors."

There was sorrow and tears in American homes as the list of 2,729 killed and thousands more injured at the attack on Pearl Harbor was announced. At the same time thousands of American youths enlisted in the armed forces, and congress made plans for the lowering of the draft age to include 2,500,000 additional members in the U. S. fighting troops.

"Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. . . . Lift up, be not afraid. Behold your God, behold the God, Jehova. . . ."

"As all hell" broke loose thru-out the world, recalled were the words of President Franklin Roosevelt directed toward Russia and Finland in 1939 "The ruthless bombing from the air of civilians in unfortified centers of population . . . has sickened the hearts of every civilized man and woman and has profoundly shocked the conscience of humanity."

"And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil."

Today there is war, there is death. Along the Russian front, in Libya, the Philippines, Singapore, Hongkong, Oahu; in both oceans, the Atlantic and the Pacific—there

is war and death. Mothers are crying because their sons are leaving; mothers are crying because their sons are . . . returning. The world is sad. It is tense.

"For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. . . . Amen!" . . .

Union . . .

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year by 9:30 and students were served until 10 p. m.

Robert Black made Scrooge a crochety, detestable character and Romulo Soldevilla was equally effective as Fred Wayland, Scrooge's nephew.

The combination of radio with stage effects made women ghosts' voices suprisingly masculine. "This is the first time radio has been combined with stage effects in the presentation of "A Christmas Carol," said Paul Bogen, director of the University Theatre, after the play, "and I believe that the audience liked the unusual effects of the combination."

"We plan to make the presentation of the play an annual affair for the play tonight was a huge success," commented Bill Marsh.

manager of the Union. An overflow crowd of 800 persons attended the play.

Vacation . . .

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freshman, Hampton, "I'm just goin' to eat, sleep and have fun—maybe even skate if it gets cold enough."

Fritz Sienknecht, unaffiliated, senior, Lincoln: "What am I go-

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