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## 'Hour Test' Is At Hand

America is approaching its first 'hour test' of this war. It's had a few dailies already—Pearl Harbor, Wake Island, Bataan and Macassar Strait—on which it has shown steady improvement.

By all appearances, the Jap war machine is headed for Australia. This is a scheduled test; there can be no claim of a surprise quiz. Both the Australian and United States governments have made it known that they recognize the imminence of the attack.

For the first time in this war we have committed ourselves to full-scale protection of any specific part of the United Nations' territory. According to our own communiques, we have sent large numbers of troops and great quantities of material "down under." The Australians themselves, proven battlers in Crete, Libya and Malaya, are now fighting for their own homeland, a land nearly as large as the United States.

When the Japs come to Australia they will be invading, for the first time, a nation of free, white men. There can be no excuse that the Aussies are natives whose loyalty to the

## A War Ago

By Marsa Lee Civin

Dean R. Leland, student Presbyterian pastor, left his duties here at the university to take up governmental duties as camp pastor at Gettysburg, Pa.

His duties were of a general nature for serving the soldiers of his denomination. In this work he cooperated with other camp pastors, army chaplains, and Y. M. C. A. workers. Thirty thousand men were training at that time at Camp Gettysburg.

The Ordnance department of the U. S. army needed money and a request was sent to UN. The Ordnance branch supplied the active fighting units of the army with munitions, chemists, accountants, statisticians, and book-keepers.

Five Nebraska representatives, Madeline Girard, official delegate; Fay Breese, and Camilla Kock, unofficial delegates; and Beatrice Dierks, Lillian Wirt, visiting delegates heard members of the Athletic Conference of the American College Women decide that war work constituted the best scope for activities of college women. They signed the following pledge "We as official delegates pledge in behalf of our respective organization to undertake or cooperate in some definite war work."

Summer training camps for members of the ROTC were held according to announcements from the war department. Those allowed to attend included commissioned officers of cadet regiments and also a number of second year men.

united war effort is qualified by memories of British imperialism.

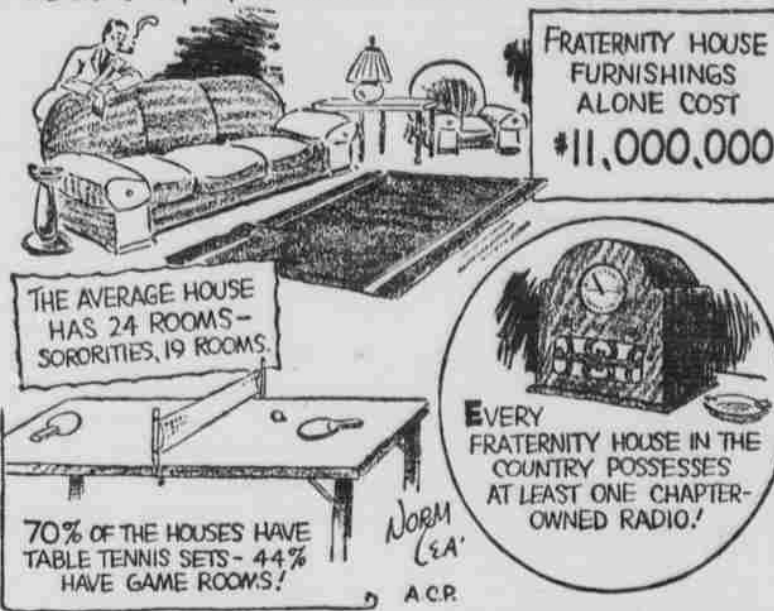
There can be no retreat from Australia. The British experience in handling "Dunkirk" evacuations cannot be used in this case; there is simply no place for retreat—except perhaps to a Flying Dutchman existence in the South Seas. Furthermore, the United States simply cannot afford to lose men and material it has placed on the southern continent.

So, we say, Australia's the test. With MacArthur's assurance that Australia will be used a springboard of offensive actions in the Pacific, we take heart in the hope that this new and effective tactic of a vigorous offense will take the place of the futile "retirement-to-stronger-positions" defense methods that have "laid an egg" elsewhere—Purdue Exponent.

## College Oddities



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## 'Torn Up' . . .

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The lecturer warned that Russia has switched so many times from one side to another thus far in the war that "I hope someone doesn't rush into this lecture to tell us that Stalin has deserted the cause of the United Nations."

### Double-cross Feared.

Believing that Stalin will stick to the U. S. because of his interests not because of his word which is the basis for Daies' opinion, Dean Clark declared that Stalin doesn't trust Hitler, and Hitler doesn't trust Stalin. They can't make a deal because they fear of being double-crossed.

Joseph Davies' only distinction, according to the dean, is his marriage to the wealthiest widow in the United States and his unique justification of Stalin's mass execution of comrades and military leaders several years ago.

Dean Clark assured the audience that the Russian people will not crack under the hardships of the war but will support it to the limit. The Russians have a passionate loyalty to Russia, and the soldiers are rugged, intelligent and loyal, he said.

### Many Men Available.

Russia can feed her people, Dr. Clark explained, since they are accustomed to a very low standard of living. The sources of man power for the army are almost inexhaustible and the basic quality is good.

"The number of trained men is very large, and they are efficient soldiers. The generalship and the staff work has been magnificent. The quality of major weapons, airplanes, tanks, and artillery is much better than we had supposed."

Admitting that the volume is probably too small, the dean pointed to the steady flow of material from England and America which is slowly equipping the Soviet armies to the point where they may be able to withstand the renewed German attack and later take their own offensive.

Whether the Reds will be able

## Radio Shows

Wednesday, 4:45—The Landers Family. 5:00, Skipper Iversen's Ride. A dramatized poem by Whittier.

Thursday, 4:45—The Carter Family.

Friday, 4:15, Book Nook News.

to do this will depend upon the amount of help which the United States can give them, Dean Clark believes, since their own supply from factories on and east of the Volga is probably wholly inadequate for the purpose.

"These new enterprises are invaluable, however, because they will enable the Russian army to maintain itself as a fighting force if it is crowded back to the Volga or the Urals and is cut off from our supplies," he added. "They serve also a great need in supplying the army facing Japan."

## Foods . . .

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White said that the price of cinnamon at the time of the last purchase was 600% higher than the price of previous purchases. In February alone, pork loins increased 35% in cost.

Altho nothing is absolutely unobtainable at the present time, according to Miss White, such tinned foods as pineapple and sauer kraut and bananas will be almost entirely absent from the market in a short time.

## Contest . . .

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Royal Gettmann, and Mr. John Gaeth, were in close agreement as to the placing of the winning plays. In all, eight plays were entered.

The three winning plays will be presented by the Department of Speech in the Union ballroom Sunday, April 12, at 4 p. m.

## Regents . . .

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art for the rest of the semester in place of Delford Brummer, also on leave for active duty as a reserve officer. She received her B. A. degree in 1917 from Oberlin College and has done graduate work in the Leland Powers School of the Theater. Previously she has taught at Berea College, Ky., and at the University of Wisconsin.

Mrs. Margaret B. Jenness was appointed as assistant instructor in psychology for the balance of the semester in place of Prof. W. E. Walton, on leave for war work with the air corps. She received her B. A. degree in 1921 from St. Lawrence University, Canton, N. Y., and her M. A. degrees in 1926 from Syracuse, N. Y., University.

### Soils Technician Approved.

James Thorp was approved as soil science technician in the conservation and survey division. Thorp is a senior soil scientist with the U. S. soil survey in the department of agriculture where he has been associated for 20 years. From 1929 to 1933 he directed work in Puerto Rico where he also lectured at the University of Puerto Rico. From 1933 to 1936 he was chief soil technician for the national geological survey of China and a special lecturer on soils at Nanking University.

Leave for the duration of the war was granted Dr. John D. LeMar, assistant professor of public health in the College of Medicine; G. William Ferguson, instructor in operative dentistry, oral diagnosis and treatment planning; and John M. Skack, instructor in pathology and bacteriology, College of Medicine.

Leave was approved for Miss Margaret I. Liston, assistant professor of home economics from Sept. 1, 1943, for graduate work.

A new process of reclaiming hundreds of tons of vital defense metals now wasted as scrap has been reported by Dr. John Wulff of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



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