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## The War Day

By George Abbott

### STRICTLY HOME FRONT.

While news from abroad for the past three weeks has been definitely encouraging, it is quite possible that people in the United States are too optimistic regarding the length of time necessary to bring the war to an end. Of several things can Americans be certain:

The German army is still the most powerful army in the world. While combined allied production is gradually bringing that power to a balance, one vital factor, manpower, still gives the enemy an advantage.

The German army has been engaged, up until a month ago, in fighting an offensive war. While allied forces have now taken the initiative and seemingly are in the "beginning of the end" stage, that end is not too near.

In the case of Rommel's hasty 800 mile withdrawal across Africa, it must be remembered that the defenses presented by a rear guard are much easier to assault and break than prepared defensive positions. If Rommel manages to establish contact with the air and sea-borne troops now defending Bizerte and Tunis, removing the enemy from Africa will be a longer task than earlier anticipated. And that with the combined efforts of the American task forces, First and Eighth British armies, and Free French forces.

While axis armies in Russia are hard-pressed at present, a new German strategy—a successful withdrawal west of Stalingrad to prepared defensive positions along the Don, digging in for the winter in the mountains opening onto the Caucasus, and a general defensive campaign in the north—would necessitate perhaps a year of bitter all-out assault on the part of the Reds to force a general axis withdrawal from Russia proper.

Keeping in mind the fact that gradual withdrawal on the part of the enemy in Russia means a gradual shortening of the almost unbelievably long front, consequently an increase in depth, it becomes apparent that Red losses would be anything but negligible.

Until allied African armies have driven the enemy from that continent and have then had several months to establish bases for an invasion of Europe, whether thru Italy, France, or elsewhere, the collapse of the German army will be a thing in the not-too-near future. After that: Japan, a powerful enemy, with many prepared defensive positions on land taken from the allies.

## Vote for Your Favorites

The following songs are those I wish to hear on the Fred Waring broadcast honoring UN:

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| GROUP A.                                      |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Jealous                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Abraham              | <input type="checkbox"/> Eventide         |  |
| GROUP B.                                      |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Everything I've Got  | <input type="checkbox"/> Day In, Day Out. |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Honeysuckle Rose     | <input type="checkbox"/> Carioca          |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> So Long Mary         | <input type="checkbox"/> Dark Eyes        |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Waltzing Mathilda    | <input type="checkbox"/> Marchita         |  |
| GROUP C.                                      |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Beyond the Blue Horizon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dear Old Nebraska U. |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> South Wind.          |   |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sky Lark.            | Other selection .....                     |  |
- (Vote for one in each group)

### Library Positions Open

Several student assistant positions are open in the university library for both men and women. Those interested should see Miss Rutledge, in room 205 of the library.

Northwestern university's memorial to its students who fought in the Civil war, a 16,020-pound siege gun, used at Fort Sumter in the early days of that war, has been presented to the government as scrap iron.

Texas A. & M. college has hit an all-time record enrolment of 7,655.



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# Campus Majority Approves Scholarship Proposal, Promises Complete Support

## ... Foundation Raises Funds

Commenting on the Student Foundation's plan, announced yesterday, for a post-war scholarship fund, prominent student organization heads and university professors were divided in their opinions of the Daily inaugurated idea. Most of them, however, thought the plan a good one and promised the aid of their groups in conducting the drive.

President of Ag Exec Board Dale Wolf lamented the fact that

the board's finances were so limited but asserted that they would "raise all the money we can on ag campus for this worthy cause."

**Future Soldiers Approve.**  
Engineer George Campen, editor of the Blue Print, stated briefly, "Sounds like a good deal for those going off to war," and War Council prexy Pat Chamberlin echoed this sentiment with "Naturally we'd back it. It's a good war cause."

Prof. H. J. Kesner, civil engineering instructor and chairman of the university's scholarship fund, didn't want to pour any cold water on the plan, yet he thought there were many other things to be done to win the war and many other, more necessary places to put our money. Taxes, he said, have gone up. So have other things, and we don't have money to spend on a post-war activity when we must still concentrate on winning the war.

**Groups Promise Support.**  
Fraternity and sorority leaders assured the support of their houses, and barb support was also

promised when Laurel Morrison, president of Towne club and former War council head asserted that unaffiliated Lincoln women would contribute as much as they can to the scholarship fund.

The YM and YWCA were both favorable. YM president Norman Sundberg exclaimed, "It really is a wonderful idea. It is a hope for those who are going to war. Now students who are leaving before they secure a complete education will have a chance to mend the torn edges. I'm sure that we'll want to help in it."

Explaining that he thought it a fine idea, Dean C. H. Oldfather of the college of Arts and Science warned that scholarships shouldn't be passed out indiscriminately. But for those who have had education interrupted and show ability, I do think it's a fine idea," he said.

Dave Marvin, first vice-president of the Student Union board of managers voiced his vehement disapproval of the plan by calling it "Darn silly! I think people ought to find something else to do. If you want to help the soldier, help them to help themselves. They can save money for their education better than most of us can contribute. Anyway, private scholarship system is not enough. It would take more than that to really work out a successful plan."

## Singers Give Annual Carol Concert Sunday

The University Singers will present their annual Christmas Carol program in the Union ballroom Sunday afternoon at both 2 and 4 p.m.

Under the direction of Arthur E. Westbrook, the Singers, together with two brass quartets, will present a program of 21 unusual Christmas carols from numerous foreign countries.

Because of the limited seating capacity, free tickets for the 2 and 4 o'clock programs will be given at the Union office and the ag finance office.

## WAAC Lieutenant Tells Towne Club Members of Army

Telling about life in the women's army, Third Officer Lorraine House of the WAAC spoke to Towne club members at their regular weekly meeting Monday night.

Lieutenant House was a member of Towne club from 1938 to 1940.

## On Ag Nebraska Champion

BY DALE WOLF

Roger Otto was named one of the six healthiest 4-H club boys in America at the National Club congress which is now meeting in Chicago.

Roger is an ag freshman this year and is a member of the ag college chorus, in which he is their leading soloist, and is a member of Farm House fraternity.

He won his title of Nebraska Health champion at the state fair this September and represented Nebraska in competition against health champions from all of the other states. Rogers comes from a farm near Phillips, Neb., where he has been active in club work for the past five years. He attributes his good health to his work on the farm, plenty of exercise and the eating of plenty of vegetables.

The Ag Exec Board is now making plans for the annual ag college Christmas program which is scheduled for Dec. 16.

Complete plans for the program have not as yet been formulated but tentative plans call for the presentation of parts from the Messiah and a speaker.

The music for the program will be furnished by the ag college chorus under the direction of Miss Tullis.

It has been an annual affair on this campus for a number of years and has always commanded a record attendance. The program is open to the public as well as to the students.

Committees for the program include co-chairmen Bob Oswald and Gwen Row; program, Warren Sals, chairman, and Hildreth Gillette; decorations, Roth, Anderson, Visek, Tisthamer and Huston; and publicity, Blanche Reid.

You will hear more about this party and other ag college events thru this column in the future. From now on this column will be written daily, and I will attempt to cover ag college news as completely as possible.

## Guy Reed, Lyle Spencer Speak To Professors

Guy E. Reed, vice president of the Harris Trust and Savings bank of Chicago, and Lyle Spencer, president of Science Research Associates, Chicago, were speakers at a dinner at the Student Union last night for faculty members interested in the various social science fields.

Reed discussed "Living Social Science," and Spencer's subject was "Job Analysis and Placement."

Reed, an alumnus of the university, was the commencement speaker last spring.

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