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## A Wise Jump . . .

The other day a coed writing to the Daily Nebraskan asked why the senior class was planning to raise money for a memorial when there were so many more important uses to which money can be put.

Wednesday, the senior gift committee charged that the junior woman, "not even in the University of Nebraska a full year," had heard an idea and immediately got excited about it, for the committee announced that original intentions involved the purchase of war bonds.

This paper is happy to learn of the seniors' decision to arrange a campaign in conjunction with the nation's 13 billion dollar war loan drive, but more than a little distressed at their apparent antipathy toward the letter-writer's jumping to conclusions.

It is rather good to see somebody getting actually excited over war bonds or contributing to a worthy war relief charity. It is good to see someone disturbed at what appears to be pure and simple waste of money for something which has no connection with the war effort.

That is why we encourage the letter-writer to continue getting excited over every drive for money that does not involve the war effort.

And that is why we also urge every senior to contribute \$2 or more in the campaign for bonds for a senior class memorial.

## The First of May

The first of May is approaching, and altho that date does not hold the tremendous interests of other May 1sts, women, particularly those in activities, are looking forward to that day anxiously. Saturday, May 1, is Ivy day.

The traditional Ivy day activities will be carried on by the women alone. There are not enough men on the campus, not in uniform, to form much of an audience.

So it's up to the girls. Rumor—you have heard of the word, no doubt—has it that the new Mortar Boards have already been named, have been named for months. The Ivy Day queen was elected a long time ago. So the great secrets will soon be unfolded.

The whole ceremony seems rather insignificant in the light of world events, but it really isn't. Ivy day has become an integral part of the university. Every alumnus has memories of Ivy days—pre, actual and post.

So it is up to the gals to continue the great old tradition. And they had better not forget any of the trimmings, because there are 330 fellows who will be watching the activities from the third floor of the library.

## Quotable Quotes

"If you let the fire in the furnace die out it will take some time to get it going again. The study of the liberal arts was the first to be suppressed by Adolf Hitler in Germany. While unfortunately we have had to emulate the Germans in many military matters, I believe it most undesirable to copy them by blacking out the cultural lighthouses of civilization. When Hitler came to power ten years ago some of the first scholars he threw out were not Jews but philosophers, psychologists, political and art historians. They dealt with values which could not be measured by chronometers and galvanometers, but which were none the less real. The nazis knew these men could see the fallacies in Hitler's philosophy. The universities of America, however, realize that they must make the necessary sacrifices, and unless they actually do so as a part of the present catastrophe they will not deserve to be

# V... - Mail Clippings

Pat Chamberlin, Censor

DAVE MARVIN, Barb BMOG of this year is at Camp Roberts, Calif., he "and a lot of other Nebraska men of fairly recent vintage." After a lot of heavy censoring, the letter reads:

"ART SCHMATE sits on one side, writing a letter. GORDON JENKINS (Phi Gam) lies in an elaborate state of undress on the other side. SIDNEY OTTO, two beds away, couldn't be presented in court for the same reason. BOB LAW seems to suffer somewhat from the effort he put forth on a woodpile this afternoon. He's asleep (a favorite recreation around here).

BOB ROSENLOF and BOB IRVIN (King of Hearts of last year) are located in the same barracks as the rest of us, but upstairs . . . We are only one group of Nebraska boys, and there are at least one or two other groups located here. The gaps in the Nebraska ranks are filled by men from Kansas State, Coe college, Notre Dame and Midland.

"Since we arrived Sunday night the platoon has spent the time getting acquainted, doing detail and marching. We are so good at drill that the non-coms live in a perpetual state of astonishment, while Bob Irvin tells me that a squad that he was in this morning had one of the lieutenants doing a jig. Perhaps our sudden change in actions is due to the California weather. Here at Camp Roberts the day is apparently destined to be a cool one, but suddenly and strangely turns out to be piercingly hot. When we are assigned to work our enthusiasm is as cold as the day."

After praising the service men's library, Dave goes on to admire the service men's club entertainment and dances.

"This astounds me, for there are (censor marks) thousand men packed into this area, dependent almost entirely on the camp resources for entertainment, for there are no large towns within easy traveling distance of Camp Roberts. I am filled with awe when I watch the efforts of the officials of the service organizations to move mountains, for they sometimes succeed . . ."

Jim FERGUSON, Delta Sigma Pi, has enlisted as a naval aviation cadet in the navy reserve and has been sworn in at the Kansas City selection board. He is now back on the campus waiting his call. When ordered to active duty, he will probably report to a U. S. navy flight preparatory school for a 12-week course in ground school subjects, military drill and navy essentials.

LT. MARK ALLEN, marine corps fighter pilot, and AGR of last year, and Mary June Buck of Lincoln, were married Tuesday night, April 20, at the Grace Methodist church. The couple left last night for Miami, Fla., where Lieutenant Allen is stationed.

DONALD E. GROGGINS and MAURICE WRIGHT have received the gold bars of second lieutenants at the Medical Administrative Corps OSC graduation at Camp Berkeley, Texas. The newly-commissioned second lieutenants, following a 10-day graduation leave, will report for their first station assignments.

HAROLD HANSEN, Farm House member of this year, stationed at Columbia university at the Midshipmen's School there. Here is part of his letter:

"There are three other boys from Nebraska here: WALLACE WIMBERLEY, "PINKY" HOLM, and IRVING FRIEDMAN (SAM).

Here at Columbia the Navy has taken over three twelve-story dorms, about 12 Midshipmen in all. Just a warning to other V-7 men, they sure keep us busy. . ."

a part of the main stream of civilization after the war." Prof. James H. Breasted, art historian at the University of California, warns that cultural subjects must be preserved during strenuous war days.

# Hilgert, Joyce, Fitzmaurice Fly to Glory Overseas

(Continued from Page 1.)

By the V-Mail Editor.

It was high noon a year ago when "Jimmy" Doolittle's squadron of big B-25 bombers dived in at wave-top level over the coast of Japan. It was ten hours earlier than the attack had been scheduled, but the bombs dropped with unerring accuracy over the industrial heart of Japan.

In Tokyo, Yokohama, Nagoya, Kobe and Osaka, 80 Yank fliers blew up a gasoline plant, blasted an aircraft factory and a shipyard where a cruiser was building, hit steel and power plants, machinery works and railroad yards, and made direct hits on a new cruiser or battleship under construction.

### Sighted Jap Ship.

Because the naval task force surrounding the Hornet (aircraft carrier from which the bombers took off) was sighted by an enemy patrol ship some 800 miles from the coast of Japan, the fliers were compelled to take off ten hours ahead of schedule in rough weather and 400 miles further out to sea. Every man knew that his chances of surviving were just about that much decreased.

"There was not the slightest hesitation," the official report says. "General Doolittle and his men were eager to take off."

Not one of the planes reached the Chinese landing field to which all were supposed to go, the additional 400 mile flight to the island and a storm encountered after leaving it having drained away their gasoline reserves, forcing them to crash—all except the one that reached Russia.

### Out of 80 Men . . .

Of the 80 officers and men who took part in the famed Tokyo raid, one was killed, two are missing, eight are prisoners or presumed to be prisoners of Japan, five are interned in Russia, and 64, including those who were injured, got home thru China.

Full details of the Tokyo raid were kept with the utmost secrecy by the war department to protect those fliers who were still missing, and to permit the naval task force to elude Japanese surface vessels which were between the American warships and the outer Pacific.

Cpl. DON FITZMAURICE, one

of Nebraska's heroes who took part in the Tokyo raid is listed as missing according to word received by his parents. They have known that Don has been missing for many months, but could not reveal the official information until now.

Repeated efforts to learn whether or not Don is a Japanese prisoner have been unavailing. However, the parents have learned that the pilot and the co-pilot of the plane on which he was a bombardier are Jap prisoners.

Last January the war department sent Don's Distinguished Flying Cross to his parents.

UN Capt. DICK JOYCE was one of Doolittle's raiding party who bailed out over the mountainous back country of China, and who finally got to the Chinese airport safely.

Dick describes the experiences of the raid as his "greatest thrill." Landing in a parachute 40 miles from the airport (he learned later) he, with the aid of some Chinese characters scribbled on a dirty piece of paper, hiked thru rough, mountainous country and by strange Chinese faces to the airport.

### Hungry.

He was plenty hungry when he arrived, too, having had only some wild berries and four chocolate bars for the four days it took him to follow natural landmarks back to civilization.

The only regret Dick had after the four days, was the loss of those splendid B-25 bombers, which China and the United States could have used again.

At UN, Dick was captain of the Husker baseball team, and a member of Pershing Rifles, Scabbard and Blade and Phi Kappa Upsilon.

### Lost Over Africa . . .

Lt. DON HILGERT, former University of Nebraska and Lincoln high swimming star was announced missing in action, April 5, on the North African battle front, according to word received by his parents Tuesday.

Overseas since October, Hilgert's ship, a P-28 Lightning, was named for his wife "The Jayney Jo." He and his family were looking forward to a leave within a month.

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