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524 Days of War

The United States has been at war 524 days; World War I lasted only 503 days for the United States . . .

A year ago Sunday, in what was then termed "the greatest naval engagement in American history," United Nations sea forces climaxed a mammoth five day old battle in the Coral sea with the first major victory against the Japanese. MacArthur claimed 17 enemy ships sunk or damaged, with 11 warships sent to the bottom, the rest badly damaged.

A year ago yesterday, Corregidor, American fortress in Manila Bay, fell to Japanese forces after a 28 day siege. More than 4,000 navy and marine corps men were captured.

The fall of Corregidor followed a series of other Jap conquests: Hong Kong (Dec. 25), Manila, (Jan. 2), Singapore (Feb. 15), Batavia (March 5), Rangoon (March 8), and Bataan (April 9).

For five months, the Japanese had little trouble advancing; United Nations forces in the Pacific were unprepared, unable to supply the few troops they could use for the defense. And until the battle of the Coral Seas, allied forces knew little but defensive warfare. On May 8 came this "greatest naval engagement in American history," and—for the first time during the war—Japanese forces were halted.

Since then, our enemy to the west has gradually extended her defensive ring of steel from Attu to the Solomons, Burma to Midway. In the past ten months, the Japs have been building defenses on each of the captured islands, utilizing the raw materials at hand, and digging in for an allied offensive.

After 524 days of fighting, both in the Pacific area, and in Africa, our armed forces admit some 40,000 men killed in action; over 50,000 died during the 503 days we took part in World War I.

It seems hard to believe that we have already fought longer in this war than we did the last; it isn't too hard to believe there is still a long, hard road ahead. Most of Japan's conquests have been carried out thru superiority in naval forces, better supply lines, a closer to home offensive.

Japan has yet to throw into battle the major part of her ground forces, it would seem they are being saved for defensive missions. The past 524 days then, have been costly and damaging; the next 500 will be anything but easy ones for the enemy. —G. W. A.

Goddess . . .

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Ann Lock, in charge of arrangements. The court was chosen at a general election held last week on the campus.

Completed details of the presentation are not to be revealed but the ceremony is described as an outdoor occasion, preceded by a short community sing, and followed by a free juke box dance. Members of the STAR unit sta-

tioned at ag campus are especially invited to attend the dance.

In other years the goddess of agriculture has been presented as the highlight of an annual ag spring party, but because of the war, the committee in charge decided to cancel the party for the duration. Due to wide campus feeling, however, the tradition of electing the goddess and her court was left. Last year's goddess was Ben Alice Day.

AIEE Gets Telegrams Of Praise

Paying tribute to the Nebraska student branch of A.I.E.E. on its 50th anniversary banquet Wednesday night, May 5, were the following telegrams:

New York, N. Y., May 5, 1943.

Professor L. A. Bingham University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb. THE EARLY ACTIVITY OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA IN ORGANIZING AN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING SOCIETY FIFTY YEARS AGO SHOWED A CONSTRUCTIVE INITIATIVE WHICH HAS BEEN WITH THE NEBRASKA ENGINEERS EVER SINCE. THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA BRANCH MAY WELL BE PROUD OF THIS HERITAGE. SORRY I CANNOT BE IN LINCOLN TO JOIN CELEBRATION.

H. S. OSBORNE.

Chief Engineer, American Telephone & Tele. Co. National President, A.I.E.E.

Denver, Colo., May 5, 1943.

Professor L. A. Bingham, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb. ON SUCH AN HISTORIC OCCASION AS THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF YOUR ENGINEERING SOCIETY, MR. GRAFF AND I AS NATIONAL OFFICERS OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS WANT TO CONGRATULATE THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS ON CELEBRATING THIS OCCASION. IF YOU COULD BUT VISUALIZE THE MANY IMPORTANT AND SUCCESSFUL MEN WHO WERE MEMBERS OF YOUR SOCIETY IN EARLIER DAYS IT WOULD BE A REAL INSPIRATION TO TRY TO MATCH THEIR GOOD WORKS. A SOCIETY WHICH HAS CARRIED ON FOR FIFTY YEARS IMPOSES ON ITS OFFICERS AND MEMBERS A HISTORICAL RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP THE LAMP BURNING. ALL OF US WHO KNOW THE TRADITIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA KNOW THAT YOUR SOCIETY WILL NOT BE FOUND WANTING. HEARTIEST GREETINGS AND CONGRATULATIONS.

A. L. JONES.

Commercial Vice President General Electric Co. Vice President A.I.E.E. representing District No. 6.

Debate . . .

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cho-cultural—political and economic backgrounds among peoples of the participating states. Then he throws together some of the most mutually antagonistic and discordant racial and nationality groups to be found—for instance Confucianist-Taoist China with Mohammedan Turkestan.

"At the same time he puts in separate camps vast populations having common cultural and political backgrounds and possessing mutual sympathies. The U. S. and Canada, for instance."

Presents Own Plan.

"It would be suicidal for the United States to allow any other power to obtain military lodgement in any part of key territories. Already the cost to us of the Marshall and Caroline Islands so magnanimously handed over to Japan after the first World war is staggering," says Culbertson. That's strange language for a man who proposes to establish universal peace on a basis of mutual respect of "sovereign" states operating under a world constitution."

Professor Reinhardt's own plan of having England and Britain start their own alliance met with disapproval, several of the audience saying that our uniting would only bring about opposing unions, possibly Russia and China, Germany and Italy, or any combination of the four.

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Men at War

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clouds over checkerboard fields of green and yellow crops. Dry fields made the great Pipers leap skyward, and green fields pulled them back down with astounding force. Men were confused until experienced instructors informed them that such things as thermals and currents cause ships to do funny things. Yellow air rises in toasty Zephyrs, green air just falls.

Laugh at Earthworms.

By now some men have actually flown four hours. They have become caloused and talk of great adventures high up where the devil-may-care attitude and a laugh at destiny prevail. They're gutty men of hell-diving and cold, hard steel, and now laugh at earthworms—the other cadets. And the other cadets boil within, sneer from distant points of vantage, and get their flying on the way to latrine duty at 9 a. m. (Some veteran flier just gave this writer a hotfoot, and he must cool off for a minute.)

Now we're back—ah, yes, flying, but the Innocents dance is really more interesting. Tomorrow night the bulk of army "air cadets" are on parade. Some have dates, the others merely planning to go double with a chum. The nasty rumor that dates are required may prove disastrous, and bashful thousands will be forced into doing what they always want to, but never have the courage—that of asking a cute little Nebraska U coed out for an evening. But they'll get on soon. So far the dances have been tops here. And they're twice as good when you take your own date.

But time flies, bringing taps on her wing. This article draws to a close, probably none too soon, and the writer will say farewell with the expectation of seeing readers who plan revenge at the dance tonight.

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