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Following a custom established twenty years ago the University chorus will sing the "Messiah" at the annual Christmas program in Memorial hall tomorrow. In all these twenty years there has never been a time when the hope, the faith, the promise of peace, contained in this great oratorio was more in place than now. It is our Christmas duty to rededicate ourselves to the task of bringing someday, somehow, peace on earth, good will toward men forevermore, and we will go far to find finer inspiration than there is in listening to the "Messiah."

Whatever opinion students have expressed about the war-time Cornhusker is decidedly against this plan—and who of all people should have any decided opinion about Cornhusker plans but the students, the persons who will buy it? They would like to see emphasized, of course, the military side of University life, for all are proud of what Nebraska and her sons and daughters have done. In a time like this the war should dominate the yearbook just as it dominates everything else, but it should not gobble the book up. The Cornhusker is a student yearbook, devoted primarily to student interests, to the portrayal of their activities, to the fixing of their identities. This is not only of interest to those in school, it is also of vital interest to the Nebraska soldiers whose devotion to their college has not lessened and who are naturally as anxious to learn of her activities as of their own. It is just as inconceivable, from both the point of view of the student in school and the soldier in the war to neglect the campus side of the 1918 Cornhusker as it is to eliminate all mention of the University's military activities.

What is needed is not the peace-time Cornhusker, nor is it the proposed war-time book. But there can well be a combination of the good ideas—a Cornhusker trimmed of all its frivolity and much of its repetition of names and fares—but a live, representative student yearbook, dedicated to Nebraska's soldiers.

**GERMAN PROPAGANDA**

Americans who have seen the evil result of insidious German "press-agent work" in Russia and in Italy can well believe the statement of General Pershing that this propaganda is more formidable than von Hindenburg's army. But few of us realize that a dangerous campaign is being carried on in America as well as across the sea.

It is not to the I. W. W., to the "pacifists" that we should look for the work of the kaiser's gossip. The system is too subtle, too finely expressed, for that. As Charles Edward Russell told a Lincoln audience a month ago, the expressions of Senator LaFollette, the report of "peace meetings" are valuable to the kaiser's publicity man in allied and neutral nations but they are of little use in this country, where the public is thoroughly awake to Germany's methods. It is the little things, the bits of news, the seemingly trivial occurrences, that the Prussian taints with slow-acting poison in his effort to breed disloyalty.

Every day, almost, you read something in your newspaper, always a foreign dispatch, which has escaped the watchful eyes of the censor and editor but which, we may be sure, has the approval of the Wilhelmstrasse publicity department. Examples of these may easily be called to mind. You probably remember one in particular about the capture of the first American prisoners. The dispatch came from Berlin, and it was evidently intended not only for Berlin

consumption but for Americans as well. It pictured the Americans as fine, clean-cut, daring young fellows, who had surrendered only after all hope of retreat was lost. But these brave boys were the innocent victims of circumstance, grabbed up by a heartless government and forced into the army to fight for a cause which not one of them could justify. Asked by the fat German commander—we may imagine he was pudgy, since the story emphasizes so strongly the stalwartness of our men—the reason why America was at war with Germany, not one of them could answer, according to dispatch. All in all, it was a corking good story for a hungry German mother to read—it would dull her powers of perception and increase her determination to see it through. But the obviously false story of a group of American soldiers, none of whom could give a single reason for fighting Germany, is tainted news indeed.

**ART LECTURE AT GALLERY TONIGHT**

**Prof. Blanche Grant Will Tell of Artists' Work in War Time**

Prof. Blanche Grant, associate professor of drawing and painting, will lecture on "Artists' Work in War Time" in the Art Gallery tonight at 8:15 o'clock. She will tell of some of the interesting things that artists are doing in the war such as camouflage work and will discuss the work of famous cartoonists. She will use the interesting collection of posters which she collected on her trip east last summer to illustrate the lecture.

The collection of posters includes some of the best work of famous artists, both those of our country and of foreign countries. The famous "Cardinal Mercier Protege La Belgique" is perhaps the most widely known of the war posters. The collection which she use will remain in the gallery for one week and then will be started on a circuit including the larger of Nebraska towns. The money received from the exhibits will be donated to the Red Cross.

No admission will be charged for the lecture this evening. Ten cents will be charged for the poster exhibit and all profits will be donated to the Red Cross.

**UNIVERSITY NOTICES**

**Junior Play Committee**  
Junior play committee will meet Thursday morning at 11 o'clock, in U-106.

**Phi Alpha Tau**  
Phi Alpha Tau will hold an important thirty-minute business meeting at the Bushnell Guild house at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening.

**Farm Reporter**  
Applications for the position of state farm reporter for The Daily Nebraskan may be made to the managing editor today or tomorrow at 5 o'clock in The Nebraskan office, basement University hall.

**Assistants' Club**  
The Assistants' club will meet in the Psychology laboratory, basement of the Library building, at 7:30 o'clock Thursday, December 20. All assistants are urged to attend.

**All Cadets**  
All men who take work in the military department and who have been vaccinated will be required to show their certificates of vaccination to their captains at drill Wednesday evening. Those who have not been vaccinated will be required to present their certificates of health.

**Christian Science**  
The Christian Science society will meet in Music hall, Temple, Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Students and faculty are invited to attend.

**Physical Educational Girls' Dinner**  
The physical education girls will hold their annual Christmas dinner, Thursday noon, December 20. Miss Beatrice Dierks is in charge and asks that all the girls in the department be present.

**Chorus Rehearsal**  
Final chorus rehearsal for the singing of the "Messiah" at the annual Christmas convocation Thursday morning, will be held Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock in Memorial hall. The class will not meet at 5 o'clock in Art hall Wednesday evening as it usually does. All members of the chorus are expected to be present. The string orchestra will be present and it will be the only rehearsal with them.

**PEOPLE MUST CONSIDER WELFARE OF OTHERS**

**Dr. Adrian Newens Says War Has Taught the Value of Brotherhood**

"The war has made us realize that we no longer have the right to do as we please. We must consider the effect of our actions upon other people," Dr. Adrian Newens, director of the University school of music, told an unusually large convocation audience yesterday morning at 11 o'clock in Memorial hall. Dr. Newens was only recently elected to his position in Lincoln. He formerly lived in Des Moines, Ia. He is nationally recognized as a reader of remarkable ability. His famous interpretation of "A Message from Mars," which he gave on the chautauqua platform, is known of throughout the world.

No one has the right to say he is doing his work for himself alone, whether he be a professor, a student, a business man, or a workman, Dr. Newens said. The only place for such a person is on the other side of the von Hindenburg line, he asserted.

"Our relationship to one another is developed through the idea of brotherhood," Dr. Newens summed up his address. "And the war has taught that brotherhood means more than membership in the same church or even in the same nation."

Dr. Newens pointed out the responsibility of every individual. "There will be no place in our government for the

man who refuses to take his place in production," he said.

In conclusion Dr. Newens gave an interpretation of John W. Jones who was the homeliest man in town. During this recital Dr. Newens was many times applauded.

**Christmas Stories Told At Vespers Yesterday**

Christmas stories were told by Miss Clare McPhee, a graduate of Nebraska university, at Vespers Tuesday

afternoon in the Y. W. C. A. rooms in the Temple. Helen Lewis presided.

The first story told by Miss McPhee was "Fulfilled" by Nora Smith. It showed that greediness always brings punishment and kindness its reward. One should not be jealous of his neighbor's prosperity.

Miss McPhee then told the "Before Christmas" story, which she followed with the story of the "Three Wise Men."

The meeting was held before an open fireplace. Candles furnished the light. About thirty girls attended.

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