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## UNIVERSITY WILL TRAIN SOLDIERS

Expect 350 in Training By May 15

### TO FURNISH QUARTERS

Conference with Captain Knight Makes Camp Practically Certain—May Last Six Months

The University's proposition to the War department to establish a military camp at the University for intensive technical training in army mechanics and engineering for regularly enlisted and drafted men has been viewed favorably by Captain Andrew Knight, representative of the War department, committee on education and special training, and it is very probable that by May 15 there will be about 350 regular soldiers taking training on the city campus and perhaps as many more on the farm campus.

Acting Chancellor Hastings, Captain Knight, and Dean O. J. Ferguson of the Engineering college, inspected the conditions on the city campus yesterday afternoon and conferred upon the proposition. Captain Knight expressed his approval of the University both as to the facilities for training the men and the possibilities for quartering the men satisfactorily.

#### Not to Use Fair Grounds

The original plan of using the fair grounds for a camp for the men has been given up as the War department requires that the University shall provide quarters and food on the campus at which they are taking the training. Thus the 350 that take training at the farm will be quartered on the farm campus and the 350 that study in the Engineering department here will be quartered on the city campus.

Nebraska hall has about been decided upon as barracks for the men. The Temple cafeteria will be utilized to supply food. Whether this will close the cafeteria to the civilian students is not known as yet. Dean Lyman will have his offices in the new Chemistry hall by that time and the other occupants of Nebraska hall will find temporary quarters in some other building.

The situation for caring for the men at the farm has not yet been decided but Dean Burnett believes it can be arranged satisfactorily today.

#### May Train Three Contingents

The proposition as it now stands is to continue this arrangement for only two months, which is the time required to train one contingent of men, but Captain Knight and the chancellor believe that if it is once started the camp will continue for six months, giving opportunity to train three contingents of 700 men each.

Regularly enlisted and drafted soldiers selected to take this training will be given instruction in wireless telegraphy, telephone and telegraph line work, signalling, cement work, wood work, forging, engineering and general army mechanics. The University is to furnish the instructors from its own resources for which it receives a remuneration from the government to cover all expenses.

While it will not be known for certain whether the plan will be accepted until Captain Knight hears from the War department, it is reasonably certain from his report to them at present.

## BASE HOSPITAL IS DECLARED OFFICIAL

University of Nebraska Unit Part of Regular Army—Change Command

The University of Nebraska base hospital unit has been declared a part of the regular army and will be officially known in the future as base hospital unit No. 49.

The corps has been in training at Camp Dodge semi-officially and will continue to train there for the present at least.

Major A. C. Stokes, who has been at the head of the organization, has been displaced by Major L. Mitchell under the change. Major Mitchell is an experienced army officer who has seen service with the American forces in Honolulu, so the change in command is not in the least to the discredit of Major Stokes.

## STUDENTS TO ATTEND NEW TRAINING CAMP

Eighteen Students Have Already Signified Intention

### HAVE THREE CLASSES

Men Given Commissions to Be Second Lieutenants on Reserve Inactive List

Eighteen students have signified their wish to attend the fourth officers' training camp at Camp Funston which will open May 15 and continue for fourteen weeks.

The men who wish to go are to be divided into three groups according to their class in the University and the amount of military training they have had. Class A is made up of seniors who at the end of the year will have completed the advance course in R. O. T. C. training, class B consists of juniors who have had three years of military training and the course in R. O. T. C. training. Class C is made up of graduates.

#### To Be On Inactive List

The men who are given commissions at the end of the camp course will be second lieutenants of the reserve officers corps for five years and will be placed on the inactive list subject to call if and when their service is required.

All of the candidates must on May 15 be not less than 20 years and 9 months or over 32 years of age.

The military department of the University now has on hand only application blanks for the third officers' training camp. It is not yet known whether these are the same as those for the fourth camp, but further information is expected daily. The complete list of physical requirements has not yet been received.

#### Class "C" Requirements

The following are the rules so far received relating to candidates for admission into Class C:

Graduates other than those specified in classes A and B, who are within (Continued on page four.)

## BOARD TO WIND UP BUDGET WEDNESDAY

Petition of Defense Council Will Probably Be Taken Up at That Time

The board of regents will meet Wednesday evening to finish up the work on the budget for the new year which has been in preparation since their first meeting last week. A number of causes work together in making this budget larger than in ordinary years. Among the other items will be that calling for an appropriation for tennis courts which have been so earnestly requested by the students. It is thought that there will be little effort made to hold up the measure at this time.

The petition of the state council of defense concerning faculty loyalty will be presented at the meeting. No intimation had been made up to last evening as to what action might be taken.

## FOOTBALL IS HARD HIT BY NEW DRAFT

Captain Rhodes, Munn, Hubka and Dales are Called

### LOSS OF RHODES SERIOUS

Was Mainstay of Next Fall's Eleven—Other Men May Leave for War Soon

The loss of Captain Rhodes is made doubly hard by the fact that the Huskers will also lose several other men in the next week or so through the same channels. Hubka, one of last year's letter men, is leaving in a day or so for the navy, and Fred Dales, the mainstay of the husky freshmen aggregation of last fall has already gone to his home in Hartington preparatory to leave for Fort Logan on the first of May. Wayne Munn, the powerful center, has received his call and will leave in a few days.

Roscoe B. Rhodes, better known as "Dusty," captain-elect of the 1918 Cornhusker football machine, has been selected for service in the United States army, and will leave sometime this week for his home at Ansley, Neb., to make plans for going with the draft quota from his district early in May.

#### Is Serious Blow

The loss of "Dusty" is the most serious blow that the football situation has received at Nebraska since the war started and one of the most depressing in the entire history at the Cornhusker institution. Not for a decade has the captain-elect of the football team failed to return to school, when he was eligible for competition. Rhodes will not be missed alone for his ability as a leader, but more for his value as a player. It is probable that had he remained in school "Dusty" would have been an all-western end next season as he has been working hard all year, increasing his speed.

As a freshman, Rhodes looked like an almost hopeless candidate for a backfield position and when Coach (Continued on page four.)

## FACULTY PATRIOTIC LEAGUE GIVES DINNER

Prof. W. L. Westermann of Wisconsin University Makes After-Dinner Address

The Patriotic league of the faculty of the University of Nebraska gave a dinner Monday evening at 6:45 o'clock for members of the league and their husbands and wives. The dinner was given in the Home Economics building at the state farm.

The speaker of the evening was Prof. W. L. Westermann of the University of Wisconsin, who gave an after-dinner address.

## JINX HITS HUSKERS IN DES MOINES MEET

Track Team Gets Only Two Points at Drake

### AMES HERE SATURDAY

Odds About Even—Want Big Crowd Out for Squad's First Home Appearance

#### Earl D. Starboard

Nebraska played with old Dame Fate last Saturday at the Drake relays and suffered considerable hard luck at the hands of the lady. In the face of a wet and heavy snow storm, the Cornhusker athletes battled their way against great odds and against some of the best athletes of the country for a total of but two points. The fact of the matter is, however, that the Nebraskans should have had at least eight or nine more added to their tally card. The track was wet and covered with about two inches of snow. Not only this, but the frozen dainties fell in great gobs all during the progress of the meet, making the runners look like animated snow men by the time they had covered a part of their distance. However, the rest of the teams were at the same disadvantage that the huskers were, and Dr. Stewart is offering no alibis as salve for the lack of scores.

#### Should Have Won Half Mile

Nebraska should have won the half mile event hands down. Up until the last few yards the Cornhuskers were in the lead kicking up snow in the faces of some of the proudest institutions of the west. Everything seemed cinched for the honors when the unexpected calamity happened. Harold McMahon, the last man on the team, was running a pretty race when his ankle suddenly gave way and he nearly stopped dead in his tracks. However, he did manage to go on to the finish, but was unable to prevent Michigan and Illinois from beating him to the tape by a scant foot and a half. This (Continued on page three)

## WELL KNOWN ALUMNUS AT CONVOCATION TODAY

Prof. W. L. Westerman to Give Patriotic Address—Is Well Posted on Subject

Prof. W. L. Westerman, '94 and '96, will give a patriotic address at Convocation this morning in Memorial hall at 11 o'clock on "Making the World Safe for Democracy." Westermann, who is professor of ancient history in the University of Wisconsin, took both his A. B. and M. A. degrees at Nebraska in the department of Greek and Latin. He also studied under Dr. F. M. Fling in the department of European History.

After teaching for several years he went to Berlin where he took his Ph. D. degree, which qualified him to teach any branch of Greek and Roman culture. He studied under some of the most noted German historians of the present time.

Soon after his return Professor Westermann went to the University of Missouri where he taught Greek and Roman history. Later he went to the University of Wisconsin where he gives his whole time to ancient history.

Professor Westermann is one of the most distinguished of the young scholars in this country. Soon after the war broke out he took a very strong stand in favor of the allies and since we have entered the war he has been aiding the cause in every way possible. Living in Berlin as he has done he is in a position to interpret many things which seem incomprehensible to us.

## Dr. Wm. E. Bohn to Speak for Ten Days in Nebraska

Dr. William E. Bohn of New York, formerly professor of rhetoric in the University of Michigan, now secretary of the Friends of German democracy, is speaking ten days in Nebraska under the auspices of the bureau of speakers and publicity of the state council of defense, of which Prof. M. M. Fogg is director. Doctor Bohn, who is the son of a German revolutionist of 1848, and who speaks from first hand knowledge of what has been going on in Germany in recent years, began his Nebraska itinerary Sunday evening at St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church. From Nebraska he goes to St. Louis.

## GREEK STANDING LOWERED BY WAR

Fraternity Records Show Drop From Last Year Rating

### SORORITIES UNAFFECTED

Kappa Alpha Theta Leads Sororities—Bushnell Guild All Fraternities, and Sigma Chi the National Greeks

Kappa Alpha Theta took first place among the sororities in scholarship standing, and Bushnell Guild took first among the fraternities for the first semester of the year, according to the report given out yesterday by Executive Dean C. C. Engberg. Alpha Theta Chi ranked first among the local Greek fraternities with an index of 183.2, and Sigma Chi among the national Greeks with 180.7. Kappa Alpha Theta had an index of 304.4 and Bushnell Guild of 264.1.

The average of the fraternities is 15.3 lower for the first semester of this year than for the same semester last year, or 168.9, but is above the average of two years ago when it stood at 147.1. Dean Engberg said in commenting upon this year's drop, that he believed it was due to the fact that the fraternities had given their older and stronger men to war service.

#### Sororities Average High

Kappa Alpha Theta and Alpha Chi Omega both came through the first semester with indexes of over 300.0, a very unusual happening. The first semester of last year the highest index was 297.5 made by Gamma Phi Beta, and there has been no other time when two sororities went over the 300 mark. The average of all sororities has been practically the same for the first semester of the past three years. For the first semester of 1915-16 it was 262.0; for the first semester of 1916-17, 267.8, and for the past semester 262.6.

Some very remarkable jumps in standing have been made, especially among the fraternities. Sigma Chi which ranks first among the national Greeks the past semester with an index of 180.7, ranked in 20th place last year with 120.0. Delta Tau Deltas jumped from 14th place to second for the past semester and Sigma Nu from 16th to third. The sororities ranked (Continued on page four)

## FIX DATE FOR ANNUAL COMPETITIVE DRILL

Military Department Sets May 3d—Much Interest Already Manifested

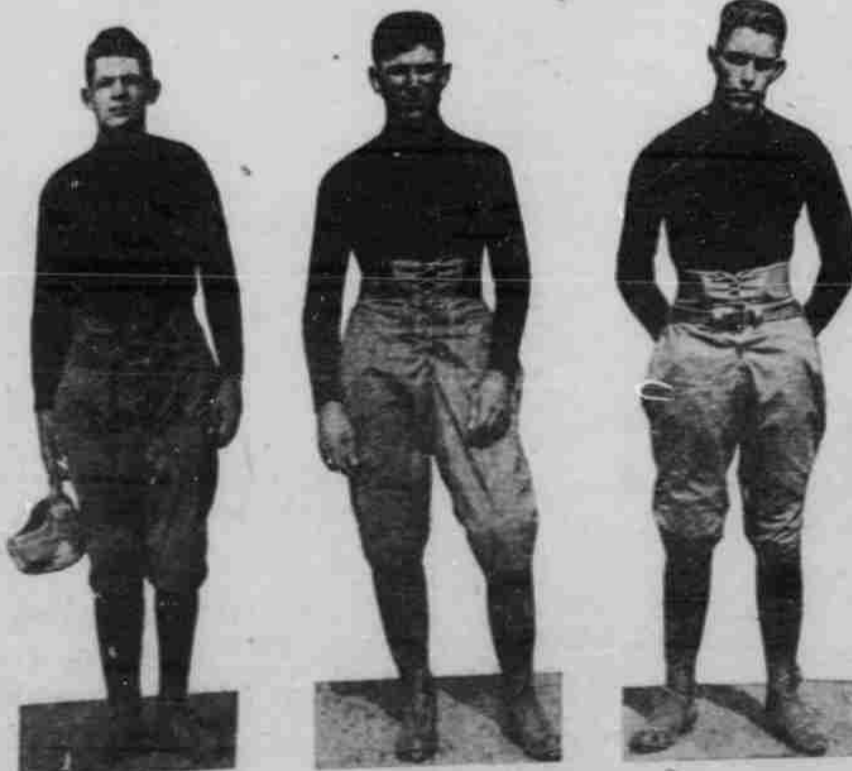
The annual competitive drill will take place on May 3d. This was the announcement made Monday by the Military department. One special feature of this year's compet is that it will not mark the close of the activities of the department of Military Science and Tactics, for drill will continue until the close of school. Interest in the event is becoming greater every day, and already company spirit and a feeling of keen competition between companies is appearing.

Last year compet was not held, on account of unsettled conditions in the Military department, when Captain Parker, then commandant, was called as instructor at Fort Snelling. For this reason, as well as because of the conditions due to the war, it is expected that a great deal of pep will manifest itself during the contests.

In the evening, following compet, the annual shirt-tail parade will take place, in which the regiment will march through the downtown districts, not in the military form shown at the Liberty parade, but in hilarious single file, through every theater, and have a general good time. The "parade" will be led by the winning company, followed in order in the places they won, by the rest of the companies. As the name indicates, the costumes worn will be rather unusual.

In 1916, compet was won by Company C, commanded by Captain M. H. Schlesinger. Sergeant Earl B. Douglas won first place in individual drill.

## Three Husky Anti-Germans



Roscoe Rhodes

Ernest Hubka

Wayne Munn

The Cornhusker squad was further depleted when Captain Rhodes, Munn and Hubka were called into service. All three of the men were to be pivot men for next year's machine and their loss, in the face of the hardest schedule ever attempted, is particularly depressing. This is the first time in a decade that a captain-elect has failed to return to school.