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PROFESSOR WESTERMANN'S ADDRESS

"History does not 'n the end fail to mete out its punishment of crime." Professor Westermann emphasized in his quiet, forceful way yesterday, Germany's treatment of Belgium he prophesied as "a bitter memory in the world for years to come."

The address yesterday morning by one of Nebraska's own alumni was one of the best of those that have been given here this year. Professor Westermann simply stated facts and when he characterized the methods of Germany as a "cynical realistic policy." the audience knew clearly that it was true because he had shown concretely just why he made such a statement.

Like Miss Frazer's powerful talk of a few months ago there was nothing bitter, nothing that would cause unreasoning hatred in what Professor Westermann said. When the speaker pointed out the political democracy of Serbla, he emphasized at the same time the "economic democracy" of that small country; when he referred to Hungary as "a feudalistic remnant of the dead past of Europe," he cited with the autocratic government the economic autocracy of that nation. The majority of patriotic speakers who have addressed University students this year have not seen, at least have not discussed, so broadly.

Students who listened to the alumnus of their school give an address such as was given yesterday can

MERCHANT After three years of war it has been found by Americans in France that small retail merchants have probably

WAR AND THE SMALL RETAIL CAPT. SILAS M. BRYAN

suffered more than any other class, except artists, whose pictures and statuary are not purchased in war times. Writing on this subject in Every Week, Capt. Michael White says that the artisan, agricultural, and professional classes have enjoyed increased that their services and product have been in greater demand, with a reduction in competition among themselves brought by the thinning of

their ranks for the army. It is his belief that the small retail merchant's difficulty should be understood in the United States as we make our adjustments from peace to war.

Already we have gone far enough into war to realize that the retail merchant, and particularly the food distributor, face difficult problems. Thus far our own merchants have felt the the English club and of the Innocents. pinch chiefly in lessened consumer de- He was a first lieutenant of the cadet mand, dictated by economy, and the decrease in volume of commodities handled, due to scarcity of certain

staples. There is also the restriction of profit margin on staple food necessities.

In countries with a longer war experience the rettailer has been hurt most by the disappearance of merchandise from the market. Not only is food strictly rational, but furniture, utensils, jewelry, musical instruments luxury articles, and many things counted necessities in normal times are unobtainable. Old furniture in England today is eagerly bought up at prices exceeding what was paid for it when new.

It is not probable that merchandise will ever become as scarce in this country unless war continues for a long period. But it may become scarcer than most Americans now realize.

The sharp tightening in food the past year is an instance. It has brought two surprises-first, that war should go quickly and directly affect the average American, and second, that the average American should adjust himself to conditions so quickly

Under present conditions the diffi-

writer may be had up cation to the editor, but a printed if so desired.

HOME FROM CAMP DODGE One of the Youngest to Get Captancy at Snelling-Now an Instructor

Capt. Silas M. Bryan, '15, of Lincoln, who left the Harvard Law school for the first Fort Snelling Training camp, where he won his captaincyhe was one of the two or three young wages and increases, due to the fact est men to win that rank-visited the University yesterday. He is at home on a ten-day leave of absence from Camp Dodge.

Captain Bryan was appointed instructor at the second Fort Snelling camp and was re-appointed instructor for the third training camp at Camp Dodge. He has now been reassigned as instructor at the fourth training camp at Camp Bodge. Mr. Bryan is a member of Phi Kappa Psi and Phi Alpha Tau. He was a member of the intercollegiate debate seminary in 1913, of the freshmen and sophomore class debating teams, of battalion.

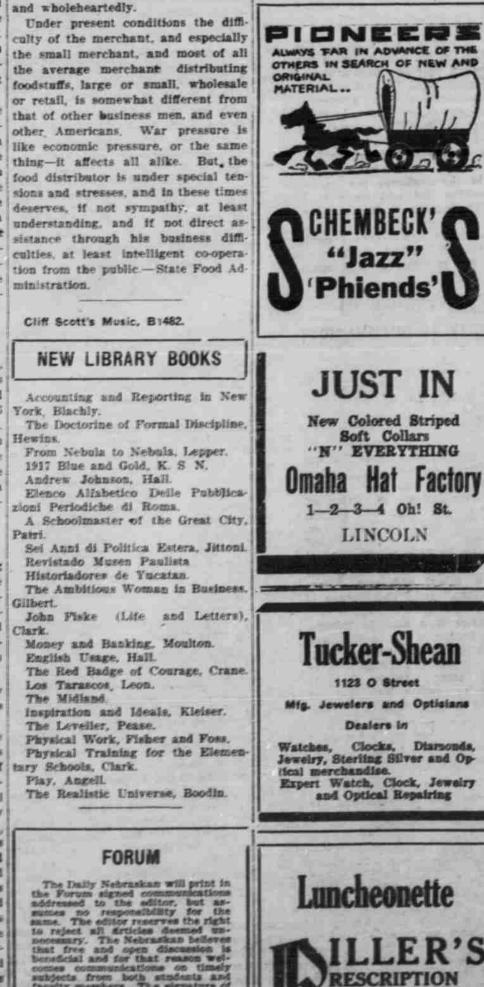
## Camp Fire Girls Plan for Eight Week Clubs

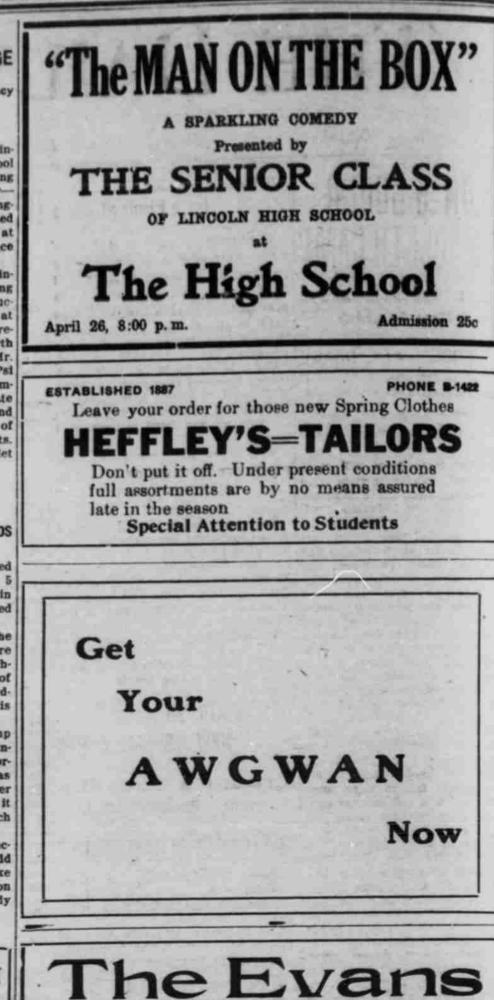
An unusual large number attended Vespers Tuesday afternoon at 5 o'clock, in the Y. W. C. A. rooms in the Temple. Ruth Straight presided and Fern Oman gave a solo.

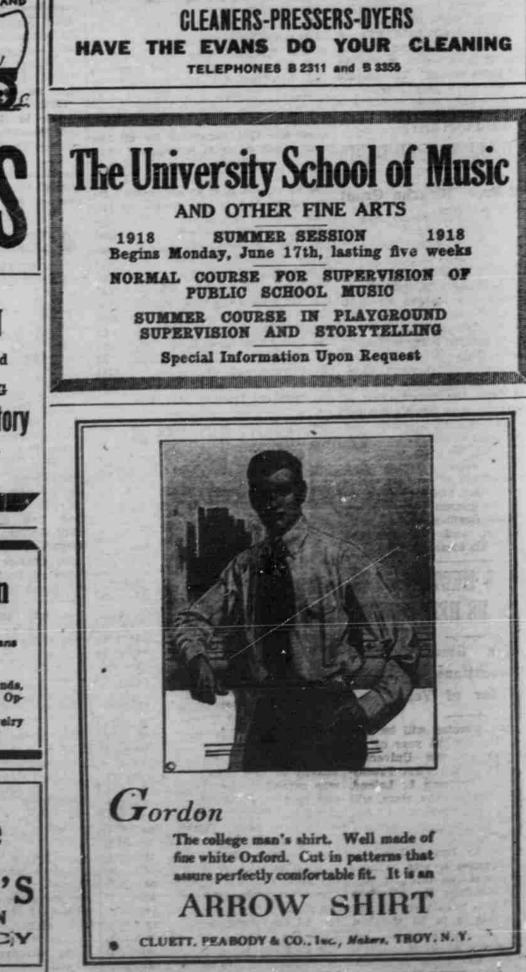
Elizabeth Stewart spoke about the Eight Week clubs. These clubs are organized for the purpose of teaching the younger girls the process of canning fruits and vegetables according to the new methods. In this manner much food is conserved.

Marion Wyman told about the Camp Fire girls organization. This organization is national and has been organized about ten years. It has spread to England, France and other foreign countries. The purpose of it is to encourage thrift, and to teach the girls their duty to each other.

"The responsibility of reconstruction depends upon us," Norma Kidd said, "its your opportunity to make good. Form your clubs well and on firm basis. Have your plans ready before vacation."







get a glimpse of what they may make of their lives if they choose. When Professor Westermann was in college his work was not noticeably above the average. The rhetoric themes of a national-famous Nebraska playwright are little, if any, better than the average student can write. Success usually means, it seems, having a definite purpose in mind and simply accomplshing the purpose.

HONEY IN ICE CREAM

An ice cream concern in Spokane, Wash, has effected market savings in sugar by using 6 pounds of strained honey and 3 pounds of sugar to 46 York, Blachly. pounds of milk and cream in its mix. While honey costs a little more than Hewins. sugar, it makes a fine grade of ice cream, this concern reports, and the saving in sugar justituies a little extra outlay for the substitute sweetener .--State Food Administration.

#### WISCONSIN'S TROUBLES, TOO

Governor E. L. Philipp in a rousing patriotic address at the war course yesterday joined hands with the Cardinal, students and faculty in denouncing eastern patriots who scattered false charges of disloyalty and is taking steps to prevent similar speakers from coming here.

Over 1,000 students cheered wildly when he shouled near the end of his address

"I am tired, and you no doubt are tired, of having this institution, its faculty and its students accused of tary Schools, Clark. being disloyal by a lot of carpetbargers who come here to unravel their shriveled-up, kiln-dried orstory that never could reach a human heart, and complain because their efforts are not enthusiastically received and would have the country understand that this institution is disloyal. It is a type of impudence that is indulged in by a class of self-asserted patriots who are the greatest menace in the untry today, because they discourage what the country needs above all things during this crisis, and that is the hearty co-operation of all people in support of the war."-Daily Cardi-241