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UNITED WAR WORK

The largest campaign for funds, since the outbreak of the war, made its appearance at the University of Nebraska last Friday, when the entire military, student, and faculty body marched to the city auditorium to learn the facts about the United War Work campaign, and to demonstrate its enthusiasm from the very onset.

Through the efforts of the United States War Board, in consultation with President Wilson and General Pershing, permission has been granted for the raising of the largest sum ever asked for benevolent purposes. The request as first passed last spring called for \$175,000,000, and in just the last few weeks this amount has been increased by one-half.

The seven agencies participating in the U. W. W. are the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., Knights of Columbus, Jewish Welfare Board, War Camp Community Service, American Library Association, and the Salvation Army, all of which are recognized as the institutions that are doing the most for the boys at the front and that are contributing very materially to the winning of the war. Six of these organizations are active in the battle zone, and their work has been so standardized that all the work in the field is carried on in the same way.

The various colleges of Nebraska have set the goal at \$50,000. Half of this amount is to be raised by the University of Nebraska. Efficient committees have been appointed under the leadership of Prof. A. A. Reed and Katherine Kohl, who will canvass every person who is a member of this institution. Last year the University oversubscribed its quota. This year the quota is larger than it was last year, but it entails the entire contribution that will be asked during the year for any kind of war funds or relief, with the exception of the Red Cross.

The problem confronting the managers of this United War Work drive all over the country is the recent and expected peace talk. The prospect of the war ending soon is confusing to the people. The idea that if the war is over peace will preclude further war demands. This is decidedly a mistake. If the war is over the need for funds will only be increased. Several millions of soldiers will be relaxed from a nerve racking tension, and will be comparatively idle except for garrison duty. Our men and our allies will be impatient to come home, they will be restless after severe action. In short the morale of the various armies will be in the most serious danger since the outbreak of the war. It is with this in view that the United War Work departments are asking for money to establish universities, vocational schools, libraries, for the men, and to provide for them places of rest and amusement.

Whether Nebraska University shows a patriotism and a gratitude worthy of the men that she has sent to the front depends on the way the students who are to be canvassed this week respond, how they sacrifice.

Watch the Barometer!

A LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Among the most significant indications of public opinion in England in these days, when the issues of peace have become matters for immediate discussion, in the campaign in behalf of President Wilson's program for a league of nations. The two chief societies devoted to the idea have been amalgamated, and the reorganized movement was launched at a meeting October 11, when Lord Grey made the principal speech. Several of Lord Grey's colleagues in the Asquith administration were seated behind him on the platform, but, while the meeting may possibly have had a bearing on the distribution of forces in the coming general election, its political significance, in the party sense, seems to have been small. It is but natural that liberals should take steps to put before the country a practical program for world peace. Moreover, the present war cabinet was represented by Mr. Barnes, a labor member of Parliament, who made a statesman-like speech of which the burden was "If the war ends without a league of nations democracy is lost." The following day a meeting in Manchester was addressed by Prof. Gilbert Murray, known to and admired by American scholars. The prevailing view as to the place Germany should have in a league to prevent war seems to have been expressed by the lord mayor of Manchester, who said: "If the German people are willing to repudiate the acts of their leaders, to establish a constitutional government, and to throw over their wild dreams of world domination, they will be welcomed in a league of nations."—Springfield Republican.

There is reason to believe that at least some of the reports of the former czar's death are greatly exaggerated.

Its victims would like to see hay fever also classed among the non-essentials and barred for the duration of the war.

Whatever else a salient on the western front may be it is no place for a summer vacation.

The skin a good many young men love to touch, take it from the old scout, is the horsehide pocketbook father carries.

One man about whose right to be considered an essential worker there can be no question is the coal miner.

It begins to appear that the American farmer must supply the bread line that is forming around the world.

PERSONALS

Eugene Rouse, ex-'18, of Lincoln, who has been in radio service on a submarine chaser for the past few months, has recently received orders for foreign service.

Valentine Minford, who is teaching at Falls City this year, is visiting at the Achoch house.

Mrs. Willard Polson of Valley is visiting her sister, Frances Whitmore, at the Alpha Chi Omega house for a few days. Lieutenant Polson is stationed near Bordeaux, France.

Kathleen Hartigan of Fairbury is visiting in Lincoln.

Kathryn Howey spent the week-end at her home in Beatrice.

Myrtle Phillips received word that her brother Roy, who is with the Marines in France, has been wounded. Mr. Phillips was a student at Nebraska.

Loretta Johnson is visiting at the Delta Delta house. She is teaching at McCook this year.

Helen Doty spent the week-end at Beaver Crossing.

Gamma Phi Beta held a reception for their chaperon, Mrs. Bolles, Friday afternoon. Mrs. Bolles comes here from Berkeley, California.

The annual Mystic Fish banquet and initiation was held at the Lincoln Saturday at noon. There were thirty-five members present and the fifteen newly elected members were taken in.

Dorothy Davis, who is teaching at Tecumseh; Constance Lyford, who is teaching at North Platte, and Mrs. John B. Stoddart, were guests at the Pi Beta Phi house last week.

RALLY AND PARADE START BIG DRIVE

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St. Paul's M. E. church Friday morning at 10 o'clock, in perhaps the biggest rally in the history of the university. Rev. Whitmore took the place of "Jimmie" Taylor, worker with the British forces since the beginning of the war, who received word Friday morning that his son lay dead on the battlefields of Flanders.

The university drive for the United War Work Fund opened with the parade from the campus of the entire student body and faculty, headed by N. T. C. detachment in company formation. All classes between ten o'clock and two o'clock were dismissed, and all laboratories and libraries closed during the time of the rally.

Regent E. P. Brown, who presided over the meeting in the auditorium, said in introducing Rev. Harmon, that one of the more than 4,000 stars on the university's service flag represents Dr. Harmon. The latter has just returned on furlough from France where he has been with the American soldiers at the front. "When I heard just now, the 'U-U-N-I' I had the homiest feeling I've experienced since I left my brave Marines at St. Mihiel," Dr. Harmon began. Dr. Harmon told of what the Y. M. C. A. does for the soldiers. When the men come, damp and cold, to the "Y" dugout they find a fire to warm them. The first thing they want is their mail, which the "Y" has waiting for them and the next thing they want is to write a letter home, for which the "Y" has tables with writing material.

Chaplains Appreciated

Officers and men find no words to express their appreciation for the chaplains. It is the little personal services which mean so much, that the "Y" man does—sending money home for the boys, trying to get messages for them from home, ministering to those fallen on the field. At the second battle of the Marne, where the Americans pushed back the German offensive and held the lines, lines so thin they had to wait for reinforcements, the "Y" men marched with them, gave them supplies, carried them water and food, and even went over the top to help as stretcher-bearers.

"Even if peace is very near, there will be long days of waiting before the boys come home," said Dr. Harmon. "They will want books, canteen supplies, magazines and stationery. The Y. M. C. A., Knights of Columbus, Salvation Army, Jewish Welfare Board and all kindred organizations work together in harmony," Dr. Harmon declared.

Rev. Whitmore Speaks

"It's the going over the top in the

drives that appeals to me," said Rev. Whitmore, of Omaha, who recently returned from Y. M. C. A. work in France. "There is hypocrisy in every Hun peace drive. Back the boys until the high principles for which the Stars and Stripes, the American people, and the allied armies stand—principles of truth, justice and democracy—will rule over Germany and the whole world."

Captain MacIvor, in a short talk, said that we must return appreciation for victory, and that everyone must make sacrifices just as our brothers over there are doing.

Prof. A. A. Reed told of the fifty per cent addition to the \$17,000,000 quota promised when there would be 1,000,000 men in France, since there are now 2,000,000.

The rally was concluded by the singing of patriotic songs under the leadership of Mrs. Carrie B. Raymond.

MacIVOR DEFINES ARMY DISCIPLINE

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conduct, but all were to suffer the punishment. Saturday morning inspection found the barracks in better condition than since their occupation. Captain MacIvor again personally inspected the quarters, making whatever corrections he deemed necessary. The soldier boys worked all day in the barracks, washing every window and cleaning everything. The result was only too apparent—Captain MacIvor found that the men were going "fifty-fifty" with him, and so he withdrew the restrictions.

Meaning of Discipline

When asked to express his opinion regarding the disciplinary measures taken at this time, Captain MacIvor said: "Discipline in the army means carrying out to the last letter, any order, memorandum, or even suggestion issued by the commanding officer. My idea of discipline is similar to that which General Pershing conveyed to his men of the first A. E. F. General Pershing said that he wanted all of his men imbued with military courtesy and discipline; otherwise, they would be useless in this war. Such discipline means subconscious obedience at all times, and at all places."

"Until the men of this unit arrive at a high degree of discipline and better type of military courtesy, I will not let down one bit on any pressure. It should not be considered a duty to show 100 per cent discipline and military courtesy, and it will be to the biggest advantage to the men to cultivate that at once. I feel that they will realize the real importance of the same in future years.

Being Trained for Leadership

"The men of the S. A. T. C. are stationed here to train for leadership and to be real officers in the United States army. If I recommend a man, I want to feel that he will make good wherever he is sent. I look forward to a decided improvement in military courtesy and discipline in the entire unit stationed here. The university of Nebraska has a wonderful reputation all over the United States, and as commander of the student army unit stationed at this university, I do not intend to allow that reputation to be spoiled. To the contrary, I will see that the reputation of the University of Nebraska is held higher than ever. All that I ask of the men is that they shall meet me 'fifty-fifty.'"

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