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EDITORIAL

FIRST AS ALWAYS

It is interesting to note that Nevada leads the nation in the percentage of enlistments. Nevada has "gone over the top" 900 per cent in the quota of enlistments called for, her volunteers from April 11, 1917, to February 26, 1918, reaching a total of 1,447, as against a required quota of 162. The average percentage of the volunteer enlistments of all the states is 207 per cent.

We can justly be proud of this record, and it only bears out the achievements made by Nevada in every call made upon it. "The Battle-Born State" has been the surprise of the nation in giving both men and money to the great cause. It bears the proud distinction of being the first to over-subscribe its allotment of the Liberty Loan, of being the only state in the Union to deliver its conscripted army to the government, without a cent of expense to the government, and now of leading its sisters in giving men.

GIVING BOOKS

Under the enthusiastic leadership of Librarian Layman a campaign is being carried on in the state to furnish the soldiers and sailors with good books. He is directing a state-wide campaign but will call on the University and the people of Reno for the major part of the contributions. We should prove by our generosity that his confidence is not misplaced and shower headquarters with our used books that have lost their value to us but may be the inspiration and landmark to success for some soldier or sailor.

We know that our offerings will be appreciated and well thumbed. The abundant leisure time in the life of an enlisted man can be well spent in study and recreational reading. The man returned to civil life will be a better man for the reading facilities supplied by the camp libraries. Books are necessary to the soldiers from Nevada in training in the officers' training camps of the country. They are equally necessary to the soldier in the ranks seeking promotion through efficient preparation. We can imagine how helpful they will be to the young man who for the first time in his life will have the leisure and the opportunity to cultivate the reading habit.

The present supplies in the camps are entirely inadequate to meet the demands of the constantly increasing army and navy. More than 500,000 books are already in the larger training camps, with another 50,000 on the way to the camps. That many more are needed. The campaign opened yesterday and will continue for about two weeks. Don't let the time slip by without looking over what you have and sending in your contribution.

CHINA DISCUSSED BY MEN

The conditions in China and the possibility of establishing a permanent republic in that country was the topic before the members of the Men's Discussion Club at its last meeting. The discussion was led by Wilbur Chan, and much first-hand information was gathered by the members of the club. At the next meeting Brewster Adams will give a short talk, which will be worth while for all of the men to hear.

Bill Whittet, '18, left school yesterday for his home in Grass Valley, California, for a brief visit with his parents before leaving for American Lake with the next draft call. He was among those selected to go from his county.

Robert Carter, ex-'20, and a member of Phi Delta Tau, has been ill with spinal meningitis in a San Francisco hospital for some time but is slowly recovering.

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THE GRAND
 William S. Hart, "Big Bill," will appear in person at the Grand and Rialto theatres in connection with the presentation of his latest Paramount picture, "Blue Blazes Rawden." Hart and a company of twenty-five people have been making snow scenes at Truckee and will finish Saturday. Mr. Hart has been persuaded to make a personal appearance either Friday or Saturday night at both the Rialto and Grand theatres, and a big turnout is expected.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday the Grand will present a picture that should satisfy anyone who wants thrills. It is a film play of Vance's novel, "The Lone Wolf," and Hazel Dawn and Bert Lytell are the featured players. There is an exciting race between an auto and a motor boat, a duel in mid-air between two aeroplanes, a big fire, a plunge by an automobile over a drawbridge and many other exciting incidents. It is a tale of romance, adventure and mystery.



ENGINEERS' DANCE

On Saturday evening the Engineers gave their annual dance. Everyone appeared in his or her oldest clothes to carry out the idea of hard times. This idea was apparent in more ways than one—especially in the small number of students present. However, this did not prevent those who were there from having a good time, and they danced and paid their jitneys until after eleven o'clock. The boys were there with the old yells to liven things up and the girls did their part by entering into the spirit of the dance with their usual "pep," and those present really would have liked to have stayed longer when the time came to go home.

PI BETA PHI

On Tuesday night last week the active chapter of Pi Beta Phi entertained their alumnae and the members of Delta Rho at a chafing dish party in the recreation room at Manzanita Hall. At six o'clock supper was served, after which marshmallows were toasted over the fire. The Delta Rho's put on a stunt for the Pi Phis and after this the Pi Phis were prevailed upon to show their skill in the dramatic art. According to the rules of the hall, the gay party had to end at eight o'clock, but before departing all joined in singing the fraternity song, "U. of N. So Gay," and "The Star Spangled Banner."

D. K. T.'s HONOR MRS. CLARK

Saturday evening D. K. T. entertained at the home of Mrs. Frank Humphrey in honor of Mrs. Clark. After a buffet supper Alice Kincaid entertained at the piano and Helen Mace and Helen Fuss danced. James Whitcomb Riley's "An Old Sweetheart of Mine" was given in shadow pictures. Then dancing and singing were enjoyed and the party closed with the singing of the sorority song and college and patriotic melodies. The guests were: Mesdames Walter Clark, Theodore Clark, Wortham, Schmidt, Turley, Ambler, Barker, Schadler, Finney, Misses Mack, Hofstetter, Shartel, Hale, Hanna, Lathrop, Bailey, Rains, Moody, Damm, Drumm, Vann and Hyatt; the members, M. Bertschy, Helen Mace, Grace Fuss, Laura Ambler, Alice Kincaid, Fru Wortham, Owa Clark, Neva Clark, Louella Murray and Helen Fuss.

Send a paper to an enlisted man.



The World Outlook Committee had charge of the Y. W. C. A. meeting last Wednesday. The program was quite different from the usual one and the meeting place was changed from Stewart Hall to Manzanita Hall. The committee presented two scenes, one representing the Y. W. C. A. house in Yokohama, where Miss Matthew, the Y. W. C. A. secretary to Japan, works. The second scene reproduced a scene in America between a traveling secretary and a Japanese girl who had just recently arrived in this country. At the close of this the girls were invited into tea. The purpose of the meeting was to present the work of Miss Matthew and to raise Nevada's share of her salary. Twenty-four dollars were pledged at this meeting. Miss Matthew is supported by the colleges and normals of the Pacific Coast field.

Erastus Hansen was forced to leave school last week and return home. Sickness among his family caused him to give up his course.

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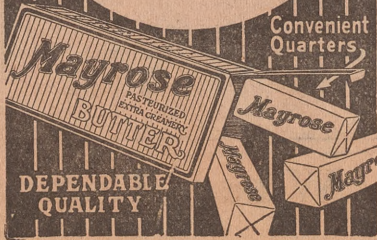
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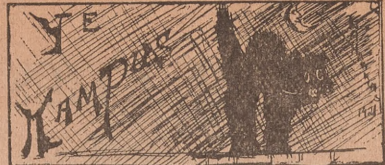
PRESIDENT CLARK MAKES A HIT IN FALLON ADDRESS

The following excerpt from the Churchill county Standard is self-explanatory and serves to show the way in which the people of the state are receiving the President:

"The introduction of President Walter E. Clark of the University of Nevada gave the larger portion of the great audience their first opportunity of a personal acquaintance with the head of the state institution of learning in which every citizen should have such deep interest.
"Were the judgment of those pres-

ent Friday night who heard the impassioned patriotic address of their newly appointed President to be recorded, it would be one of sincere gratification that in all that makes for successful leadership of the youth of our state, President Clark possessed these qualities to an eminent degree."

Seniors of Ohio State College have voted unanimously to work from eight to six o'clock six days in the week for the rest of the semester in order that they may graduate early. This was done after the faculty had refused to give a degree to a drafted man unless he had completed the required work.



FRAN MARTIN NOW IN SERVICE IN FRANCE

Former Football Star Arrives Safely in France, and Serving in Aviation Corps.

Fran Martin, captain-elect of last year's football team, is now in France, according to dispatches received by his family. Martin enlisted early last June in the aviation service as a private in the 85th aero squadron. He was stationed at San Antonio, Texas, for a few months and later sent to Belleville, Ill. He was then promoted to a sergeancy, and when a corps was ordered to France last month his squadron was selected to go.



Fran was a prominent student while at the University and a member of the senior class. He was also a member of S. A. E. fraternity and Coffin and Keys.

Who says that the merchants down town do not guarantee their goods. A certain student on the Hill recently bought a new suit of clothes, I believe some time during last November, and after sitting in numerous poker games during the winter complained that the seat of the trousers were getting worn out and that the suit had been guaranteed for a year. Having reached this conclusion, he hurried down town to the merchant, and although we do not know what kind of a talk he put up, we do know that he got a new suit in the place of the other, so if you see the gentleman blossoming out in a new suit you will know who said person is.

Red has a new song. Evidently he has found out what he "never knew," for now his melodious voice rings forth in the Hall telling the world that he's "Sorry He Made Her Cry."

Edna Clausen must have a strange power of reading the future, for she has skillfully retained a man to replace Dutch in his absence. In these war times we'll have to admit that she is some clever.
The library was the setting of a very thrilling and dramatic scene the other day when two ardent lovers were represented by none other than Blanche and Jawn Belford. The Kampus Kat votes him a tin medal, for Tiny's an awfully big man.
"Stork" Pflaging is again on the campus, having registered in a regular course. Stork has been quite a stranger on the Hill since graduation, and we are sure glad to see him back again, even if it is for a course in "nature study" only.
To have your face all fixed for a box of nice home-made candy as a birthday present and then to find therein only an Irish spud is tragic. So saith friend Hop.



Marian had an officer, His suit was olive drab; It is the common belief That she got him in a grab.

She poses at her mirror Before her rouge and cream, Fixing all her features To insure her future dream.

To Marian came a coat one day, 'Twas of a drabish hue, Accompanied by the message, Sew this coat up by two.

The buttons one by one she sewed, While the girls all danced and sighed. She coyly turned her nose up high And a gleam of victory grew in her eye.

The officer wandered to the Hill Not his former maid to see, As A. Paige comes to him now, Sad the result to one poor Fee.

Rose looks at the world no more With that bright and cheerful glance, All the sights are dimmed from view Unless the goggles drop askance.

At a meeting of the M. M. M. (Manzanita Manless Maidens), Miss Emma Lou Singer, former president, was impeached and put out of office. She having fallen by the wayside was picked up by Empty. After the minutes were read and approved a new president, Hon. M. Nelson, was elected. The cabinet consists of Rose Harris, who has lately adopted goggles, as the dignity of the position demands such. Miss F. Daoust, who was disappointed on account of a furlough, asked admission into the society, and it was granted.

The petition of Mildred Griswold was considered and it was decided that she could come in on probation.

A. Hillhouse's name was brought in. It was voted that she would be admitted into the society for the duration of the war.

The meeting was disturbed many times by frantic phone calls from the engineers. But said engineers finally gave up the attempt to engineer girls away from the meeting.

This was followed by heavy refreshments. The M. M. M.'s spent a very pleasant evening together, manless but happy.

Mrs. J. J. Jordan, who has been visiting her niece, Lessie Wardle, for the past two weeks, left Thursday night for her home in Goldfield.

GIRLS TAKING TO INDOOR BASEBALL

Coach Whisman has organized baseball classes for the women of the University. There are two classes definitely scheduled which come at four-thirty on Monday and Friday.

The girls have shown great enthusiasm, and in a short time Coach Whisman expects to have a fine team.

If the men do not have track this semester it is possible that the girls will have intercollegiate baseball with Mills and Stanford.

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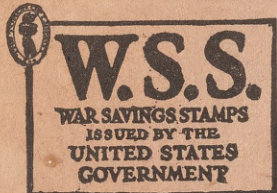
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THE IMPORTANCE OF MAINTAINING ATHLETICS

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Our country proposes to call together an army of about two million men. They must have some form of recreation, for while they will be busy most of the time, they will also have hours when they need a change from their strenuous military work. What is the army to provide in the way of environment? The answer is suggested to them at once by the experiences of the colleges, which have learned the best methods to occupy the spare time of the youths committed to their care. There is something in athletics that appeals to all healthy young men, and the development of a system of athletics in the colleges will, in the present emergency, point the way for similar methods with the army. The qualities needed in a soldier, aggressiveness, fortitude and endurance, are the qualities that are found in an athlete. It is to the colleges that the country looks to maintain its steady flow of youth, with preliminary training that best fits for the career of an officer. It is very important that college athletics be continued to equip young men for the reception of military training. To attract young men to colleges nothing is more important than the continuation of athletic sports. There is one criticism that may be found regarding college athletics—and that is the wrong men are oft-times developed. The big, strong men are taken and much attention is given them so that they may be developed into specialized athletes, while the weak are left to play the part of observers.

But there are not enough star athletes in our colleges to fill our army. What the nation requires is that all our young men attending school shall have the benefit of physical training so as to develop their bodies and make them proper material for filling the armies of the country in the present emergency. The colleges have already played an important part in the war, but their work is not finished. The government will continue to call upon them for the educated and superior personnel from which to train and select officers. College athletics must not be considered as merely a means of diversion and recreation. They

play an important part in developing the youth of today, and their beneficial results may be seen from our experiences with the training camps.

After a few days' instruction they acted in many ways like seasoned soldiers, almost instantly adapted themselves to discipline and the spirit and accuracy with which they carried out orders illustrated very clearly the results of the team play which they had learned in college athletics.

The officers' training camps, held by the government, were attended by thousands of young men whose minds had been trained in colleges and high schools of the country, and whose splendid athletic condition was due to the collegiate and high school system of athletics.

It therefore becomes more important to spread the benefits of college athletics as widely as possible throughout the student body, and to prevent them from being monopolized by a few selected representatives. Both the training and the spirit of the athletic field lend themselves readily to military service. Young collegians who had been trained in athletics were seen to possess a great advantage over their associates who had denied themselves time to develop their muscles. The encouragement of college athletics by intercollegiate games is in itself stimulating and beneficial when it does not lead to such specialization as restricts the values of college athletics to a few specialists and denies it to the student body at large.

It ought never to be forgotten that the primary purpose of collegiate athletics is a large number of sound bodies rather than a small number of athletic stars. Most colleges have added military instruction, and this training, coupled with college athletics, will make the youth fit for the service calling for strength and ability to endure hardships. In every branch college men are proving in modern education that a sound body must go with a sound mind. Softness is out of the question when affiliated with efficient military service. How will our young men be made ready for what they will shortly be called upon to do? Colleges will answer that question by encouraging college ath-

letics, and emphasizing those games which insure that all the student body will be benefited by them. We must try and make men find actual pleasure in playing as well as in winning. We can take at this time a lesson from the war camps, both in America and in Europe. They have had to devise at a short notice an effective system for the education of millions of young men. They have found outdoor games essential to the morale of the troops. They are advised to play both for physical and mental reasons. The physical benefit is obvious, since military drill is not conducive to the highest physical development. The chief reason why the soldiers need organized play is that it furnishes a change—release from tension of spirit, from long hours of monotonous toil. And this is precisely the reason why our colleges need athletic training, especially in war time.

Thus we should take a lesson from our camps and provide for a far more general participation in games by college students. The army has no interest in developing a few great men. It is interested in a campaign to develop every man in the line.

In military instruction the greatest efforts are thrust upon the soldier who knows the least. The college should see that some form of sport be required of every student, and that special attention is given those students and not kept away for the stars in the athletic sports. The problem, it seems to me, of the army and the college is about the same. The principle job is to train raw material into efficient men who are alert, resourceful, aggressive, trained in team work, and fitted to undertake the particular

technical training to which they may be called, whether it is a matter of war or the business of life.

Thus college sports, I think, should be maintained, not alone for the benefit of its good athletes, but also for those who do not know how to play, and therefore do not know how to live.

ROSE HARRIS ELECTED BASKETBALL CAPTAIN

At a meeting of the basketball girls last week Rose Harris was chosen to captain the team for 1918. The captain-elect was one of the best players of last year's team, playing at the forward position. She is a member of the sophomore class.

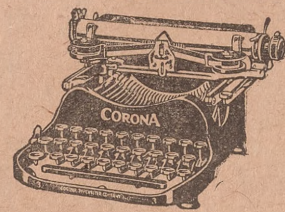
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