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Our Plea For War

Another war editorial? That's what this is, and this time we're all for the war.

The World War caused the deaths of 5,315 Kentuckians during the eighteen months of this country's participation in the titanic struggle. Tuberculosis destroyed 7,947 of our citizens within the same period. Perhaps in our anxiety to keep out of a general war among nations, we have forgotten our private war against disease.

Tuberculosis does not have any highly-organized propaganda machine, nor does it mask its actions under any claims of "fair play" or "justice," but relentlessly and unceasingly it maims, cripples, and destroys.

Without regard for sex, color, or age, this disease killed 89,517 persons in Kentucky alone during the twenty-seven year period ending with 1937. Approximately 51,000 of these were cut down in the active period of life. Some of these were students preparing for leadership in state and nation. Some were fathers whose loss left families without support. Some were mothers whose deaths sent children to orphan's homes and foster parents. All of them were filling a place in some family or friendly circle.

Some of our greatest leaders have declared that a general European war is sooner or later inevitable. And so is our war against this disease if we are to continue to exist. Unlike a war among nations in which even the victor has seldom achieved what he sought as he entered the conflict, an educational and scientific war against tuberculosis would save lives instead of "honor."

The tragedy of this disease is that it grows increasingly menacing yearly. In some cities the increase in mortality rate last year amounted to as much as 50 per cent. The country as a whole showed a definite rise to a death rate of 55.4 per cent per 1,000.

And it could be entirely wiped out! Although difficult to detect and hard to cure in its later stages, this disease could be controlled and cured in its early stages by a conscientious and educated public. And the campus seems the logical place to start in any educational movement. A war against disease can be much more effective and worthwhile than a war against "aggression," "dictatorships," or "injustice."

What To Do About What They Said

Three professors of political science, Doctors Warwick, Wilcox, and Bensal, Sunday afternoon engaged in a round table discussion of the United States foreign policy on the University of Louisville's radio hour. Like all other such discussions and forums, everyone agreed that peace is what we want, but as to the method for gaining it there was some disagreement.

However, from the talks came three definite points upon which all agreed. (1) Not Chamberlain nor any other foreign statesman has come forth with any feasible plan for lasting justice in the world. (2) Only on justice can the world have any hopes for peace. This "justice" includes revision of new and old treaties and agreements. (3) If we are to have peace, the democracies must stand ready and willing to make definite concessions in territory and trade.

The whole situation seems to have passed the remonstrance or bluffing stage, yet it certainly hasn't reached the point where we must be dragged into war. Perhaps it is impossible to remain entirely aloof and apart from the European struggle, but at the same time we should guard against those who would have us pitch in and whip the dictator states. After the recent report that Chamberlain is interested in a certain German company, we can not even be sure that the democracies would not turn on us later.

All of which comes to no logical conclusion. The question still is: "How to keep out of war?"

With statesmen growing grey-headed over the problem, members of THE KERNEE staff do not feel justified in trying to influence 5,600 students to take a certain course. What THE KERNEE does urge, though, is that each student attend the convocation and night meeting on Thursday. An informed student body may not solve the problem, but by keeping alive to the question, it certainly will be much less easily influenced by the cries and entreaties of war-mongers.

Do We Appreciate What Makes It Tick?

Although on the campus less than a year, the Union building is already being "taken for granted" by most of the University's students. All of which is very good if we don't overlook the time and labor of individuals and organizations spent to make the structure what it is.

Too few of us realize the excellent work done by the art committee under the direction of Oscar Patterson with the capable advice of Prof. Edward Rannels who has even placed part of his private collection of art work in the Union halls.

A new grand piano has just been purchased for the music room by Union and University music committees. Complete operas, concertos are given repeatedly in this music room—open to every student.

Chess, checkers, horseback riding, ping-pong, billiards, cards, hobbies—all of these have been sponsored and encouraged by the Union management. In fact, any types of recreation or activities in which students have shown an interest have been actively promoted by the Union.

Although interest in these activities is increasing daily, not nearly enough students know of the advantages and opportunities offered. We shouldn't become so smug in our acceptance of what's placed before us that we fail to realize and appreciate the hard work necessary by Union committees to offer real service to students and the University.

Behind The Eckdahl

By ANDREW C. ECKDAHL

A Sad Tale In Springtime

They're both seniors... He's a leader in the CRSG... She's petite, pretty and pined—but not to him... Years ago they attended the same high school... There they experienced the great emotion... They swore to be forever true... He called her "Bubble Eyes"... She called him "Angel Feet"... Now, majoring in the same department, they see each other daily... But nothing remains between them... "Bubble Eyes"... "Angel Feet"... Gone... Gone...

The local press informs us that the DAR's are holding some sort of convention in Washington. Which reminds us, Mr. Jimmie Howell, that delonair Sigma Nu, thinks that DAR stands for d-d-d ancient relics.

In case you want to know what d-d means, come around and we'll tell you. But we can't print it. Gotta protect your morals, you know. Gotta protect your morals.

Old Saw

A bird in the hand is worth two in the broof.

While listening to radio station WLAP (We Let Anybody Play) the other day, we heard an announcement concerning the opening of the local races in which Keeneland was referred to as a "non-profit track." If there ever was an understatement that is it. From our experience in picking Keeneland winners, the track is not non-profit but absolutely no profit.

Don't take that above reference to WLAP too seriously. They have one program which, were it on a national hookup, you would listen to as regularly as you brush your teeth. We're referring to Tom Fike's "Amusing Lives of Jake and Jonah."

At long last we know what a Southern gentleman is. One of the characters in "Kiss The Boys Goodbye," a play that is wowing 'em on Broadway, says, "If you can ride like a South Carolinian, shoot like a Virginia, drink like a Kentuckian, make love like a Georgian, and be as proud as an Episcopalian, then sub, you're a Southern gentleman."

Some unkind people—notably Harry Williams, John Ed Pearce and Don Irvine—of-time make sarcastic comments concerning puns, particularly our puns. To prove we are not alone in the ability to dish out punishment we offer the following reprint.

Baseball player—You didn't do so well with that millionaire's daughter; you did terrible. No hits, no runs, no homers.—Aggravator.

And everyone has heard of that certain world traveler. He wanted to take his pet cat to Europe so he wrote to Washington for a passport.

Hi Yo Silverman, away.

Construct Field House Before Pool, Say 61 Per Cent Of UK Students

To swim or not to swim, was the question put before the student body last week by a group of KERNEE interviewers, and the students—or at least 61 per cent of them—decided that they wouldn't. That is, if the erection of a swimming pool on the campus was to rob them of a field house.

The question, "Which would you rather have now, a field house or a swimming pool?" was asked 150 students, representing an accurate cross section of the campus population. Of these 61 per cent answered, "Yes," to the field house proposition, while 33 per cent loved us how they'd druther swim—or try to. Six per cent of those interviewed said that a field house would look mighty good to them, but, then too, a pool had its appeal. The interviewers were instructed to mark them down as noncommittal.

No such indecision was noticeable on the question of student government. Students were asked, rather vaguely, "Would you support an intelligent movement for student government on this campus?" The resulting score was 92 per cent pro, 8 per cent con. The affirmative stand was runned up rather neatly by an Arts and Science freshman who answered, "Yes, if it's intelligent!"

The principal spokesman for the negative was another freshman in the same college who handed us this to mull over: "We don't want to be governed by our friends. Students with that much responsibility would be apt to feel that they had to be strict in order to prove that they were conscientious."

The KerneE poll is to be conducted each week by a group of nine interviewers under the direction of the editor. Questions pertaining to timely campus issues will be asked 150 students each week. Students to be interviewed are chosen from a group representing an accurate and carefully tested cross section of the student body. A proportionate number of students from each class and college, as well as a proportionate number of men and women are interviewed.

Students engaged in making the interviews are June Cooper, Eleanor Edwards, June Hammond, Rita Sue Larle, Ruth Lewis, Bob Nash, Ann Parks, Margaret Ellen Smith and J. Howard Watters.

CROFT TO LECTURE

Dr. Lysle W. Croft, personnel director and assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, will speak on "My Future and Yours" at the April dinner-meeting of the Lexington Business and Professional Women's Club, at 6:30 p. m. today at the Lafayette hotel. A group of dancers will present a short program of entertainment.

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THIRD BATTALION MARCHES TODAY

Today at 11 a. m. the third battalion will inaugurate the annual spring parades in which students of the military department will show in actual performance what they have learned in the last seven months of classroom work and squad and platoon drills.

After three battalion parades, the battalions will form together to march in the four regimental parades which follow, said Col. Howard Donnelly yesterday.

"Military discipline in a well-ordered company can be likened to the performance of a good football team," Colonel Donnelly said. "The cadet officer, like the football captain, issues his orders which are carried out by each member, insuring a good performance by the organization as a whole."

Colonel Donnelly and other members of the military department will observe the performance of different companies during the parades in order to select the best company and cadet officer of the year. Prizes will be awarded these on field day.

Selection of the best company is a process of elimination, he explained. Two companies will be chosen to march alone on field day. The one giving the best performance will receive the award.

"Military parades give the student lessons in cooperation and organization which will be of value to him in any business or profession," asserted the colonel.

STRAND LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY STARTS TODAY The GAYEST FASTEST SNAPPIEST SLAP-HAPPYEST FUN-FEST OF 1939! HAL ROACH presents "TOPPER TAKES A TRIP" CONSTANCE BENNETT ROLAND YOUNG PLUS—MARGARET LINDSAY JOHN LITEL

Although the department has several machine-guns, Colonel Donnelly said that facilities at the University did not allow maintenance of a machine-gun company. "Thus we have only three rifle companies in a battalion. Otherwise the set-up in the department is the same as any regular army."

Rood Will Lecture On Elementary Aid

A four-week course in elementary first aid, under the direction of Miss Elma Rood, assistant professor of hygiene and lecturer in public health nursing, will open Tuesday. The class will meet on consecutive Tuesdays from 7 to 8:30 p. m. in Room 205 of the Health building.

The purpose of the course is to prepare students to meet ordinary emergencies and to teach first aid and safety in summer camps, clubs, and schools.

No fee or credit is attached to this course and a maximum of 30 students will be accepted. Students who desire to enroll must make application before the opening date. Each student is required to bring one square yard of unbleached muslin, one two-inch roll bandage, one small roll of adhesive and one pair of scissors.

Milwaukee State Teachers College is organizing a reducing class for coeds who are 20 per cent or more overweight.

To Tour South Members of the American Society of Civil Engineers will leave Lexington, Tuesday, April 18, for Knoxville and Chattanooga. They intend to visit Norris dam, the Volunteer Cement plant, American Aluminum company of Alcoa, and to take a scenic trip through the Great Smoky mountains. At Chattanooga they will attend the spring meeting of the southern section of the ASCE and will inspect the Chickamauga dam. The Milwaukee State Teachers College, via-groups, have just purchased 12 sea green swim suits.

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