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## U. K. RAISES ONE HALF OF COUNTY'S QUOTA

Letter Received From Chairman of Marne Memorial Campaign

One-half of the amount of \$169.11 accredited to Fayette County in the Marne Memorial Campaign had been raised by the University of Kentucky on March 27, the date first set for closing the campaign. However, the time has been extended one week in order that the county schools may make up their quota.

Professor C. R. Melcher has received the following letter of thanks from W. L. Threlkeld, campaign chairman for Fayette County:

"Permit me on behalf of the Marne Memorial Organization to thank most cordially the young women of the University who so efficiently worked to obtain the contribution for 'America's Gift to France.'"

"I know you will believe me sincere when I say that the results have exceeded our expectations, and are a most substantial evidence of the spirit of sympathy with the object of the Marne Memorial Association. Most hearty thanks are due to the entire student body, who have so generously responded to the appeal and have shown that the friendship between our country and France is shared by the young men and women of our own Commonwealth. What these young people have done will strengthen the ties which were formed between France and the United States during the struggle of the American Colonies for independence, and which were signalized by the bravery, and gallantry, and munificent generosity of LaFayette who cast his life, his sword and his fortune, into the struggle for our liberty.

"Will you not convey our thanks and appreciation to the young men and young women who have so generously assisted us?"

## STUDENTS TO MAKE LIST OF GREAT MEN

Contestants to Select From List of Renowned Heroes

A prize of \$50 will be given to the student who selects the 25 greatest men in the world's history from a list of 123, submitted by Professors Glanville Terrell, Professor Miller and Professor Tigert, who composed the committee appointed by the Senate. Accompanying the selection must be given as concisely and pointedly as possible the reasons for each name chosen.

The characters chosen are confined generally to those who form a part of our Western civilization. All biblical characters, and noted persons now living and those who died recently are omitted for obvious reasons.

According to the committee, the de-

## "The Climbers," Stroller Production, Is Ready for Presentation Thursday Night

COMEDY DRAMA POPULAR; SEAT SALE FOR 1920 PLAY SURPASSES ALL FORMER RECORDS; WINNER OF AD. CONTEST TO BE ANNOUNCED.

TWO NIGHT PERFORMANCES DECIDED ON BY THE MANAGEMENT

Just a week remains until the University will assemble in the Opera House for the biggest event of the University calendar, until that final breathless hush, when the orchestra suddenly quits Miserere-ering and the curtain rises on the first scene in "The Climbers." Rehearsals under the skillful direction of Herndon Evans, stage manager, and Professor Enoch Grehan's supervision find "The Climbers" now practically ready for production on Thursday, April 8, and again on April 9, for the manager has decided that a second performance will be necessary to accommodate all who have applied for tickets.

The drama starts with a funeral and ends with a suicide," but Screech, as "Trotter," Elizabeth Marshall as Miss Godesby, cynical, hardened woman of the smart set, and Claribel Kay as Mrs. Hunter, vain, frivolous widow, furnish most amusing characterizations and all the laughs that a Stroller play always puts over. However, always aiming toward a more difficult test of their ability, the Strollers this season chose "The Climbers," by Clyde Fitch, a comedy-drama, but dominated by a serious note.

It is the dramatic story of Blanche Sterling's striving toward happiness, of Dick Sterling's disastrous struggle for wealth, of Mrs. Hunter's humorous campaign for the highest rungs of the social ladder. Blanche Sterling finds happiness but only after a bitter season of waiting and sorrow; Dick Sterling in his struggle for wealth, kills honor, love, and finally himself; Mrs. Hunter, pretty, foolish, petulant, finds herself Mrs. Trotter at the Waldorf and is quite complacent over her conquest with him who was no Dodo bird.

Emery Frazier, according to custom, in Stroller casts, is leading man. "Frizzy" has appeared as the lead in four Stroller plays, "Under Cover," "The Lion and the Mouse," "Charley's Aunt," and "Father and the Boys" and in other semi-professional and college productions. His convincing stage presence, powerful voice, and ease remove him from the class of amateurs.

All students of the University are urged to enter into this contest.

STROLLER DAY TO BE IN CHAPEL MONDAY

In accordance with the annual custom, Monday, April 5 will be Stroller

As Dick Sterling, gambler and waster, but magnetically attractive, Frizzy has the confidence of the entire University in his ability to fill this difficult role.

The part of Ned Warden, friend of the Sterlings, and a clean, honorable American, is filled by Milton Revill, whose talent was displayed in the former Stroller production of "Mice and Men." Mr. Revill is using a remarkable force and restraint in the delineation of his part.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Downing is one of the first women of the University to receive the honor of being leading lady in her freshman year. Her emotional acting as Blanche Sterling is receiving the praise of competent critics. Miss Downing has appeared in several one-act plays before University and Lexington audiences.

Miss Martha Buckman, as Miss Ruth Hunter, the splendid-souled aunt of the Hunter daughters, is one of the most charming characters in the play. Miss Buckman had the part of Mrs. Rossmore in "The Lion and the Mouse" and is one of the outstanding students in the University in dramatic circles. With her plays Preston Cherry, who as Mason, the family lawyer, a sensible, matter-of-fact gentleman, is displaying his recognized ability.

Johnny Trotter, a foolish young person, also climbing toward the coveted social heights, is well taken by Grover Creech, '19 stage manager, who is predicted a decided hit of the evening. A talented, popular newcomer to Stroller circles is Claribel Kay, who as Mrs. Hunter, vain, frivolous widow, is succeeding admirably. Miss Kay took the part of "Ma" in the prize skit of Amateur Night, "How the Ham Saved the Homestead."

Elizabeth Marshall's talent, already mentioned as Miss Godesby, first appeared before the University in the '19 Philosophian play, "The Two Virtues," where she showed her ability as a decidedly clever actress.

The two daughters of Mrs. Hunter, Clara and Jessica represent two

types; Clara, spoiled, indulged, selfish is filled by Louise Connell who will appear in the play despite her painful accident of March 19. Miss Connell, a popular freshman, won the prize on the Amateur Night program for the individual skit. Jessica Hunter, good, self-effacing, sympathetic, allows Carlisle Chenault of the "Under Cover" cast to exhibit a delightful gift for dramatic expression. She was on the cast of "Overtones," produced in the Campus Playhouse the night of the formal opening.

The Stroller Advertising Contest, managed by Dr. Tigert among the pupils of his advertising classes is arousing much enthusiasm. The winning ad will appear in the city papers and the prize offered is a ticket to "The Climbers."

Ed. Gregg was the winner in the program cover design contest. Tickets for the play are selling fast. Wednesday the downstairs seats were all sold with the exception of four rows, five rows in the balcony are already sold, and boxes have been reserved for a month by fraternities, represented in the cast. Students are urged to see Robert Ratble, business manager, in the Stroller Room, at the fifth hour daily and engage seats immediately in order not to be disappointed.

The entire cast of "The Climbers" is the following: Richard Sterling, Emery Frazier; Ned Warden, Milton Revill; Frederick Mason, Preston Cherry; Johnny Trotter, Grover Creech; Howard Godesby, Fred Augsburg; Dr. Steinart, Auryne Bell; Jordan, J. R. Finn; Leonard, Terrill Corn; Ryder, Harry Brallsford; Master Sterling, Nancy Smock; servants, Frank Wedekemper, J. E. Williams, John Land; Mrs. Sterling (nee Blanche Hunter), Mary Elizabeth Downing; Miss Hunter, Martha Buckman; Mrs. Hunter, Claribel Kay; Jessica Hunter, Carlisle Chenault; Clara Hunter, Louise Connell; Miss Godesby, Elizabeth Marshall; Miss Sillerton, Margaret Smith; Tompson, a maid, Norma Rachal; Marie, a maid, Mary Lyons.

Day in chapel and all students and members of the faculty are requested to be present. A short program will be given by the Strollers and a brief address will be made by one of the old Strollers. The play will be discussed and the members of the cast introduced.

## BLUE RIDGE PROGRAM AT JOINT Y MEETING

Film of "Land of the Sky" Is Shown; National Secretary Talks

Motion pictures and speeches about Blue Ridge composed the program for the joint meeting of the Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. Sunday night at Patterson Hall. Miss Amanda Nelson, a National Board representative, gave a short talk about some of the problems which will be discussed at the Y. W. C. A. convention to be held in Cleveland April 13.

"A peace program is to be decided upon," she said. "Worldwide interest in girls and women; the stand to be taken on industrial problems, and the basis for student membership are some of the important questions which will come up for discussion."

Adele Slade then gave a brief sketch of the setting of the Blue Ridge conference, describing the trip of the delegates and the wonderful, natural beauties of the place itself.

Lora Robertson told about one day's program beginning with reveille at 6:30 a. m. and going through morning watch, classes, discussion groups, committee meetings, dinner, quiet hour, athletics, stunts, supper, singing and night services to taps.

George Gregory, who said that the girls seemed to have done as much in one day as the boys did in ten, gave only an appropriate quotation from "Thanatopsis" and turned the rest of the hour over to Mr. Owens who operated the motion picture machine and explained the pictures of Blue Ridge scenes as they went along.

After the program, refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

## GENERAL SUMMERALL TO SPEAK AT CHAPEL

Commander of First Division Will Be Here Tuesday.

Major General Charles P. Summerall, commanding general of the First Division at Camp Taylor, Louisville, will speak at the weekly chapel exercises of the University April 13. An acceptance of an invitation extended him several weeks ago by Capt. A. S. J. Tucker, commandant of the University cadet battalion, was received Tuesday.

Captain Tucker who served as a major under General Summerall with the First Division in France, extended the invitation to General Summerall several weeks ago and the acceptance received Tuesday indicates that General Summerall expects to spend a short vacation in Lexington the week of April 12. Captain Tucker stated Tuesday that a reception and tour of the Bluegrass will be arranged for General Summerall during his visit here.