



EUROPEAN WAR WORST IN HISTORY—DE COU

MATHEMATICS PROFESSOR PREDICTS EARLY END OF GREAT WAR

FIVE MILLION MEN VICTIMS

United States Will be Great Factor in Bringing Conflict to a Close, Says Assembly Speaker

"This is the fiercest war of all history. We don't know when peace is to come or of the conditions under which it will come. But we know that is not very far in the future; for the war probably won't last throughout this year," declared Professor E. E. DeCou, of the Department of Mathematics, in his lecture, "The World's Peace Movement," which he delivered during the assembly hour Wednesday.

"There is an old adage," the speaker said, "In time of peace, prepare for war," and I think it just as applicable to say, 'In time of war, prepare for peace.' The great leaders must now be planning on righteous, lasting peace, which shall do away with the terrific burden which has been carried by the people of Europe, and to a lesser degree, by the people of our own country, for the last twenty-five years. In Europe, the breaking point was almost reached before the war. In America, 70 per cent of all revenues of the United States government go to pay for war, and the results of war. Professor DeCou gave several peaceful uses to which the money, between twenty and thirty millions of dollars, used in the building of a single, great dreadnaught, might be used, such as the construction of many miles of macadam roads, or the carrying out of all the proposed irrigation projects in Oregon, or in the entire Northwest.

"The figures of the cost of the war," the speaker continued, "are too stupendous to be realized. It is estimated that during the first five months of the war, six million men were killed, wounded or captured, and that the monetary cost was seven billion dollars, or from one to one and one-half billion dollars each month. Even such figures as these give very little idea of the cost to the world, or of the effect upon Europe for generations to come. Italy, today, is mourning the death of the grandson of Garibaldi; everywhere the best blood of the world is being spilled.

"Since the method of armed peace does not work, we must consider some other less costly method, which will work equally well or better. The great men of all ages, from Isaiah to Tolstoi, have been dreamers of peace, and it seems that the time is not far distant when their dreams will be realized. There are and have been a great many forces for peace at work. Some of the greatest are: The Hague tribunal and the International Parliamentary Union, in Europe, and the Lake Mohawk Conference on International Arbitration in our own country."

The speaker stated that there were two practical ways advocated as to the method of bringing about world peace. One which is set forth by Hamilton Holt, editor of the Independent, and is practically the same as that championed by ex-President Roosevelt is this: To build upon the foundation laid at The Hague, but to secure an executive body for this tribunal. The other plan is, that a great league for peace shall be formed among the nations anxious for it, and that an allied army and navy for the defense of any one of these nations, against possible molestation by others, not members of the league, should be maintained. These are not purely Utopian schemes, in Professor DeCou's opinion, but are set forth by

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KIRK INVADERS MEXICO AND REVIEWS VILLA'S FORCES

Junior Traveller Not Impressed With the General's Soldiers, and is Satisfied with Oregon

"The U. S. A. is good enough for me," said Walter Kirk, who returned yesterday from a four weeks' trip, during which he attended the national conclave of Alpha Tau Omega, at Nashville, Tennessee, as a delegate from the local chapter.

Kirk saw a good deal of the map in the course of his travels, stopping at Spokane, Chicago, New Orleans, Galveston and various other cities of the United States. In addition he invaded Mexico, visiting Jaurez, which is just over the American line.

"General Villa and his staff were in Jaurez while I was there," said Kirk today. "They came to meet with General Scott, of the United States troops, concerning shooting over the line during the skirmishes along the border. I didn't see Villa, but I saw about 8,000 of his troops. They were the saddest looking soldiers I ever saw. They were more dilapidated than the Frosh contingent after the underclass mix. Most of them were bare-footed and only the officers wore anything resembling a uniform. They all looked like they hadn't looked a meal in the face for a week.

"All the public buildings in Jaurez are battered by the fighting that has taken place there. It's a great town for bull fighting, cock fighting, horse racing and roulette, though."

EX-CHAMPION LIKES COLLEGE ATHLETES

CORBETT SAYS COLLEGE ATHLETICS BUILD CHARACTER AS WELL AS PHYSIQUE

Adheres Strictly to Diet of Baked Apples, Toast, Porridge and Postum. Oregon Songs Taste Good

"I like your college men, especially your athletes. Football, track and other collegiate sports are the best builders of human character I know of." This is the opinion of James J. Corbett, former heavy weight champion of the world, and otherwise known as "Gentleman Jim," who was a dinner guest at the Beta Theta Pi house Tuesday evening. The title of "Gentleman Jim" was earned because of his fair tactics in the ring during his prize fighting career.

"Clean, moderate living is necessary for any kind of success, whether you intend to become a preacher or a prize fighter. Be careful of what you eat. Although I have been out of the ring for nearly fifteen years, I adhere to a strict diet. For breakfast, a baked apple, two pieces of toast, porridge and a cup of Postum are sufficient, and for the other two meals I practice moderation."

Corbett evinced considerable enthusiasm over the Oregon songs which were sung for his benefit. The prize fighter was the head-liner at the Rex Monday and Tuesday.

MRS. CHAS. GRAY HOSTESS FOR THE OREGON BUILDING

Mrs. Charles A. Gray, patroness and house mother of the Chi Omega fraternity, has been appointed one of the two hostesses for the Oregon Building at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

Mrs. Gray has been a resident of Eugene during the winter months for the last three years. Prior to this time Mrs. Gray lived in Salem and Portland.

Mrs. Gray does not know when she will leave Eugene for San Francisco, but she will probably remain here until the close of the University year.

HARDEST TIMES IN 23 YEARS SAYS STRAUB

WORK FOR STUDENTS BECOMING DIFFICULT TO FIND SAYS DEAN OF MEN

NO PROVISION YET IN SIGHT

Better Conditions Expected When Farmers Start Work in Spring. Seven or Eight Leave School

"Never during my connection with the University have I found a year when it was so hard to get work for students as during the present time," stated Dr. John Straub, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, in discussing the extent of unemployment now prevalent among the University students. "Not even in 1892, when we had the panic, was it so difficult to secure employment for the students as it is now."

"Last fall I attempted personally to obtain positions for some of the students, but was successful in securing places for only eight or ten in the sorority houses and in the stores down town. One reason why it was difficult to secure small weekly jobs for the students was because of the influx of so many unemployed from the outside, drawn here by the advantages of cheap meals, offered by the Eugene Coffee Club. This is not intended as any reflection whatever upon the Coffee Club, but is simply incidental. I am under the impression that times will be much better in the spring, and that by fall they will have improved sufficiently, so that most students desiring or requiring some assistance in order to pursue their studies here may be accommodated.

"As I understood last fall, there were probably a dozen or so students who would not be able to finish the year unless they could secure some definite work. In fact, seven or eight students have already been compelled to leave because of not having been successful in this matter.

"The entire town has been combed by the Y. W. C. A. and the Y. M. C. A. in order to relieve this condition, and the Guard and Register, at my request, have freely offered their columns to appeals for help, which in several cases have brought about results. One thing I would like to mention here, is the liberality that the town papers have always shown in the matter of giving free space to the University whenever such appeals were made, and some definite mark of appreciation is due these papers for their help at all times to University students."

"No definite plans have as yet been formulated to secure work for students in the future, for the simple reason that no plan can make work where there is no work to do."

Charles W. Koyl, Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., states that this organization is planning to add a chairman of employment to their cabinet at the beginning of the second semester. This chairman, together with five or six men who will help him, will have the work of rustling for jobs for students in Eugene and the farming districts surrounding. Mr. Koyl states that he expects conditions will be much better when the farmers are able to commence spring work.

Of the athletes of the University of Cambridge who have answered the call to arms, 28 are from Rugby football, 12 from association football, 34 from rowing, 27 from cricket, eight from lawn tennis, five from boxing. Twenty-six others are representatives of minor sports.

President Campbell is suffering from an attack of la grippe, and has been confined to his home since Monday. He expects to be at his office not later than Friday.

BASKETBALLERS LEAVE FOR WEEK-END TRIP

DOWN-VALLEY GAMES INCLUDE TRYSTS WITH WILLAMETTE AND DALLAS

TEAM IMPROVES ON OFFENSE

O. A. C. Puzzles Over Center Position. Washington Will Come Back Strong for Championship

By Harry Kuck.
Coach Bezdek and a string of seven basket tossers will leave tomorrow noon on a down-valley trip for the week-end.

Friday night they will lock horns with Willamette University, at Salem, and Saturday evening's engagement will probably be staged in Dallas. Manager Tiffany has written to Carl Fenton at Dallas for a game, and the opponent will probably be the Dallas Athletic Club.

Both these teams are reckoned to be worthy opponents for the Varsity, and close, interesting games are expected.

The coach will take his five regulars, Dudley, C. Bigbee, Sharpe, Boylen and L. Bigbee, and two alternates. He hasn't decided the latter yet.

The Lemon Yellow wasn't reckoned as a very formidable contender for championship honors at the opening of the season, but stock rises as the season progresses. This may be due to the fact that the boys have had an easy time so far with High School teams, but the fact remains that a scoring machine has been perfected which cannot be sneered at.

Down Benton county way the chief trouble seems to lie in developing a center. Mix did the jumping last year, but Stewart realizes that Mix is really a guard, and hopes to play him in that position.

Blagg is another possibility for center. He was a second string man last year and is showing well this season. In Captain King and Sieberts "Doc" has a stellar pair of forwards. Sieberts is about the most accurate shot in this neck of the woods.

In all probability Dewey and Mix will have charge of the Orange and Black defense. Dewey is the swiftest man on the team, but according to Assistant Coach May, the Admiral slows up the team work.

It is a little difficult to see how any team is going to win many games from the veteran Washington brigade. "Old Reliable" Savage will again be found at the wheel and he ought to have pretty easy picking with any of them this year.

Captain McFee and Fancher are fixtures at guard and opposing forwards will have to be clever to get away from them.

Robinson and Schroeder are likely candidates for forward berths. Both were on the team last year.

Well, the conference struggle will commence in about two weeks, and then we'll have some real figures to ponder over.

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSES VOCATIONAL TRAINING

The old saying, "Choose your profession while young," has not proved true among the University professors and citizens of Eugene who constitute the Round Table, as shown at a meeting held Tuesday night at the Osburn Hotel. The average age of the members for choosing a profession was found to be 21.

The discussion arose as the result of a paper read by George Hug, Principal of the Eugene High School, on "Vocational Guidance," in which he advocated vocational high school training.

The Round Table is a club in Eugene composed of University instructors and townspeople.

SOME SENIOR DANCE FOR NIGHT AFTER JUDGEMENT

Committee Promises to Dispel Any Gloom that may Remain After Examinations

Sixth of February's the date when all good men should find a mate,

For on that night in Hayward Hall there will come off a mighty crawl; Exams and worries will be o'er as gay we trip upon the floor,

Dull care will wear a funny face, for merriment will rule the place.

That's the date, the hour is eight, when all good sailors of the one-step should wise themselves up on the 1915 Terpsichorean Rules for Steering in a Crowd, and, with consort in tow, should lay a course for the Gym, where, for the trifling remuneration of a semi-washer, the Senior class will unload a cargo of sport, fun, and amusement.

In the words of one of the wool-growers, "this is going to be a regular dance." The music will be Hendershott's best, and, according to the Committee To Blame, Elton Loucks, Bert Jerard, Frank Staiger and Boyce Fenton, arrangements have been made that will dispel any depression that may come from the exams and will iron out any study-chiseled wrinkles in the brows of the co-eds.

It's the Senior Dance, February 6, the night after the judgment, and the damage, don't forget, is half a dollar.

JEFFERSON HIGH WANTS TO MEET VARSITY TEAM

FRANK BILLINGTON, SOCCER COACH, ASKS THAT CONTEST BE IN EUGENE

Prep Soccer Players Tied for Portland H. S. Championship Last Year

Frank Billington, soccer coach of Jefferson High School, of Portland, has asked for a game with the University. He asked that this game be played on Kincaid Field Saturday, January 16, or on January 23. Jefferson High School last year tied with Columbia University for the championship of the Portland Inter-scholastic League.

Mr. Billington, in a letter to Professor Dymont, says, "The boys are anxious for a game at Eugene, and I know that it will be a good one."

If the "preppers" are not here January 23, a second game will be played with the Lane County British team.

Next Saturday the blacks and whites will play again. A probable lineup of the whites is as follows: oal, Goreszky or Kennon; right back, Spellman; left back, Campbell; center half, Rathbun; left half, Pearson; right half, Ralston; outside right, H. Ford; inside right, Crockett; center, Tuerck; inside left, Sheehy; outside left, N. Ford.

A wet field made it impossible to practice last night.

PHOTOS OF OREGON SCENERY ARE DESIRED FOR EXHIBIT

The Geological Department of the University wishes donations of clear-cut photographs of natural scenes in Oregon. An exhibit is being arranged for the new quarters of the Condon Geological Museum, and these photographs will be a part of the exhibition.

Good photographs of mining scenes, rivers, sea beaches and cliffs, pictures of waterfalls and geological formations are especially desired.

In cases of donations from professional photographers, the exhibit will contain the name of the donor, and the same with any other donations where the giver makes known the wish.

Y.M.C.A. CREATES JOB FINDING DEPARTMENT

ABOUT 35 MEN MUST LEAVE COLLEGE UNLESS WORK IS PROVIDED

SITUATION BECOMES CRITICAL

Newly Formed Body is to be Cabinet Portfolio. Employment Agency Exhausts Resources

Steps toward providing employment for needy students who will be obliged to leave college if they cannot find work here were taken at the regular meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Cabinet yesterday afternoon by the creation of a new Cabinet portfolio, the Department of Employment.

The chairman of the new department will be appointed at the next meeting. He will at once appoint the other members of his committee, which will carry on a thorough campaign among the business houses and private residences of Eugene in search of jobs.

"The situation has become critical and has reached a stage where something must be done, or the University will lose a number of students," said Charles W. Koyl, General Secretary of the Association, this morning.

"I personally know of six men who were unable to return to college after the Christmas vacation because of a lack of finances. From all indications, there will be from 25 to 35 more who will be unable to stay after the end of the semester unless something is done for them.

"The Association's employment agency has exhausted all of its facilities for supplying jobs. There are three men for every job. On Saturday mornings there are from 25 to 30 men who report at the office, but are turned away because we have nothing for them to do. Besides this number, there are 15 or 20 more whom we could call over the phone if necessary.

"We hope to alleviate to some extent these conditions of unemployment through the agency of the new department. The employment committee will undertake a thorough canvass of the city and will attempt to locate every available job. I believe that if the situation as it now exists is presented to the people of Eugene in the proper light, favorable results will be secured.

"These students are willing to do anything that will not interfere with their studies to too great an extent. It is earnestly hoped that if anyone knows of any jobs, such as putting in wood, dish-washing, washing windows or janitor work, he will not fail to notify us at once. If the fraternities and sororities having wood to put in the basement will telephone us concerning the job, they will aid materially in assisting the unemployed students."

DRAMATIC CLUB CONSIDERS GIVING INSIGNIA TO MEMBERS

Owing to a conflict and misunderstanding in the matter of dates, the Dramatic Club tryout scheduled for last Tuesday night was postponed to some date which has not been definitely decided. A meeting of the members of the club was held and plans for a play were discussed. While no definite conclusion was reached, some satirical comedy will be presented on March 19. "The Man From Home" is under consideration for that date.

Plans for the giving of some sort of insignia, probably a pin, to the members of the club who have participated in a play, were gone over and committee consisting of Carl Naylor and Margaret Pratt was appointed to act upon the matter.