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## 'No Armistice With Evil'

"We sought not peace, but righteousness!  
Truth we sought, and human dignity,  
And freedom for the soul of man!  
We sought not peace, nor do we seek it now,  
Save peace which comes when men and nations learn  
That there can be no armistice with evil."

(from "Endless Columns" by Hal Borland,  
published in The New York Times Magazine  
section, November 8, 1942)

Armistice Day is more important to students than any other observance. The deep significances of Christmas and the Fourth of July have lent at least a part of their meanings to the commemoration of the end of World War I.

Proclaimed at first with great jubilation and rejoicing, the long years between that first joy and this year of 1943, have created what appears on the surface to be a mockery. The mockery of kingdoms and powers which labeled a truce with the name of peace.

In these years bitter disillusion has been the mood of the world. The present generation of students has known nothing but this mood. They have never known anything but war, or the threat of wars, they have never escaped the terrible aftermaths, the dragging wastes of conflict. Now, on this Day of Armistice, 1943, what can they work toward, what can they believe possible? The war has reached its final stage, of undetermined length to be sure, but the prospect now is toward the end. With the end of World War II will come another armistice, and what can the young generation say of that armistice?

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In stating that Armistice Day borrows portions of the meanings of other great days, the words freedom and evil must be the keys.

In his Armistice Day proclamation for 1941, the President called upon the people of the United States "To show gratitude for the past, to rededicate the nation to the fundamentals of human liberty, and to defend our future." Here the key "freedom" is handed to the new generation, "defend the future."

The observance of Christmas is founded on the defense against evil. This generation has seen evil; they have lived it. That sight caused General Charles P. Summerall to review the last war, and to make this pointed observation, "Many thousands . . . suffered wounds and broken health, and for them the war can end only with life itself."

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The students of today know that no treaty, no scrap of paper—however well meant, however powerful—can stop the long march of "the endless columns" into the Belleau Woods, the Marnes, the Verduns, the Bataans, the Stalingrads unless they also declare, in support of their specific armistices, that there shall be "no armistice against evil."

If this be idealism, as the critics of that sensibility use the word, it is nevertheless an ideal to teach children, it is something necessary, and in the refining process of history, something practical. This Armistice Day and the days to come are vital to this generation. If and when its chance comes, those memories of freedom and evil will blaze pathways cut with better steel.

—M.M.

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### NEWMAN'S GROTTTO

## Letters to the Editor

(Ed. note—The following items about ex-Webfoots now in marine training at UCLA appeared in former-from-Oregon character Roy Paul Nelson's column in the Bruin paper. This news appeared without the knowledge and consent of anyone except Mr. Nelson. We now present it here without the consent of Mr. Nelson. Question: Why are we so nice to people?)

I noticed they was some Oregon boys on the list, like . . .

Bob "Ha, ha" Simpson, who always buys two servicemen's tickets when he takes a girl to a show, and . . .

Nick Bergleries, who used to throw round baseballs at Oregon, and . . .

Bob Newland, who used to bounce round basketballs, and . . .

DeWitt Hamel, right-fielding third baseman, and . . .

Bunny Potts, in the corps referred to as Rand, who is a plenty smooth athlete, and . . .

Paul "Who's got a cigarette?" Moore, and . . .

Stan "Wee-ber" Weber, who stood near the front door at muster yesterday morning holding on to a piece of string and crying, "Everybody climb the rope before you go out!" and . . .

John "No bull" Noble, and a host of others. . .

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## WAA Solves

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find this impossible, some equipment will be on hand.

Mary Alderson, assisted by Ruth Shipler and Evelyn Marshall, will see that volleyball games get under way. Nets will be set up in the main gym.

Refreshments, consisting of apples, cokes, and doughnuts, will be sold by Connie Walters and Doone Eccles.

## Infirmary Welcomes 4; Senior Still Needed

With the exception of a senior, new entrants to the infirmary today could hold a convention with Sam Benceniste, freshman; Lee Roberts, sophomore; and Barbara Browne, junior are all present to represent their class. Sole army man to sign the sick list was George Barker, engineer.

Those who remain are: John Adkinson, Seymour Blank, Don Herndon, Mary Jane Hurd, Orlyn Lewis, Mary Frances Ross, Chester Rydell, John Witty, and John Woolley.

## Clips and Comment

### By MARGUERITE WITTEW

One-fourth of the students of the law school at the Louisiana State university are women. The second ranking student of the school is a girl and one of the law professors is a woman. The international president of the Quota club is one of the women graduates of that school and another graduate is practicing law in New Orleans . . . The stork once brought men too.

The 1300 ASTU G. I. Joes at Louisiana State contributed \$2700 to the community war chest drive held there recently. The privates agreed they were not "hot boxed" or forced into giving anything, and the officers said contributions were purely voluntary. One corporal pledged \$20 from his next pay check.

### Lest We Forget

In memory of the 62 Northwestern university men and the one Northwestern woman who have died in the line of duty, Northwestern's President Franklin B. Snyder, proposed the building of a memorial chapel after the war has ended, in a recent address before the board of trustees.

Already, row by row the crosses are going up all over the world; and already people talk of memorials for those who gave the last measure of devotion. How many freshmen and soldiers here at Oregon know that the green gates by McArthur court and the sidewalks in front of the

library are both memorials to Oregon's men of other wars.

### The Kaiser Influence

The University of Minnesota is operating a war production plant turning out parts for defense manufacturers as a project of the mechanical engineering department. The shop which was started a year ago to help combat the shortage of men, materials, and machines, makes semi-finished products for such defense plants as the Twin City ordnance plant and Northern Pump.

At present, eight lathes, a power saw, and an automatic screw machine which turns out as many as 40,000 pieces a job, are being used in the university plant.

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