IN ASHLAND TODAY

ASHLAND, Feb. 25.—"What are the benefits of an enlistment in the United States army?" is a query the merits concerning which form a basic multer for a compositive essay con-test among public relicol pupils thru-cut the nation, college and only-relly students being barred.

Today marks the beginning of the

advertising compaign locally in be half of the government in maintain ing its military forces at normal strength. On last Friday the essay contest writing in the city achoose contest writing in the city achools was supposed to have been completed. Prizes are in the national, state and local callifications, the major one being a trip to Washingten, all expenses paid, with the pleasure and prestige which such a favor implies. State prizes include medals, caps and cash, while the local distribution will consist either of money or merchanconsist either of money or merchan disc or their equivalents. Already dise or their equivalents. Already business houses, banks and individ-ual citizens have donated towards the prize fund as follows: First National and Citizens and Citizens banks, \$10 each; D. Perozzi, \$5; G. S. Butler, \$10; H. G. Enders & Sons, \$5. Vining theatre 40 tickets, Essays are not to inco-porate more than four hundred words and merit is to be judged upon the basis of originality, expression and sincerity. Supt. Briscop is conducting the essay contest taking place in the city schools. In this contest there is no age limit as applied to these school pupils.

A few days ago Capt. Arthur Doig

of the regular army, visited Ashland and not only addressed the pupils of the high school, but gave an interesting falk at the Vining theatre, inci-dent to which be particularly dwelt upon "the New Army and Its Voca-tional Training" Since his visit Capt. D. Piper, of the Coast Artillery corps, and Lieut. A. K. Robinson, of the 46th infantry, have also visited this section in behalf of the contest as heretofore outlined. Preliminary to the active campaign of advertising the needs of the military service Lieut, D. T. Nelson and four associ-ates arrived in Auhland on Saturday morning, direct from Camp Grant near Chicago, Ill., and will assist in this new and novel phase of furthering enlistments thruout the state.

About the middle of April, Secre

tary of War Baker and Generals March and Pershing, as a trio of experts will pass upon the merits of the essays, their verdict to be followed on May 5, by a trip to Washington in store for three boys or girls who, on Feb. 20, penned the essays which won this signal award. In the mean time local residents are hoping that some fortunate boy or girl will suc-ceed in making this eventful trip to

STATE PASTORS WILL GATHER IN PORTLAND SOON

Over 350 of the 600 pastors of the Protestant churches of Oregon associated with the Interchurch Worl movement, will be present at the State Pastors' Conference, to be held at the White Tennde in Portland

This is the largest congregation of

pastors of the state of Oregon ever to assemble at one time.

A "team" composed of representa-tives of denominations co-operating in the Intercharch World movement will be in Portland to conduct the conference. The needs of the worl and the program to meet these need will be considered in the light of the foreign and home mission survey made by the movement through the nation and the world during the

lost year.

Dr. Ralph E. Diffendorfer, director of the Home Mession Survey department, will head the term. He will present the results of the survey which his denartment has been making throughout the country for the last year and will give several addresses on different phases of the Interchurch World measurent's world program.

The missionaries for accompany this team for the purpose of simularing the forcing mission surveys and relating personal experiences will include Dr. H. S. Vincent of Sam representing the Presbyterian church, the Rev. J. C. Worley of Japan and the Rev. R. D. Marridey of India.

Needs of heightals and houses supported partially or wholly by dourch finds will be presented by Dr. Frant. C. English of Cleveland, Onio, who is the director of the hospitals and house cheartment of the hospitals and house cheartment of the hospitals and house cheartment of the street and the reals of the surveys showing the range of the subrage of muristers and the reading of the surveys showing the range of the subrage of the various ministers. "Lenson funds."

ministers" tene on funds.

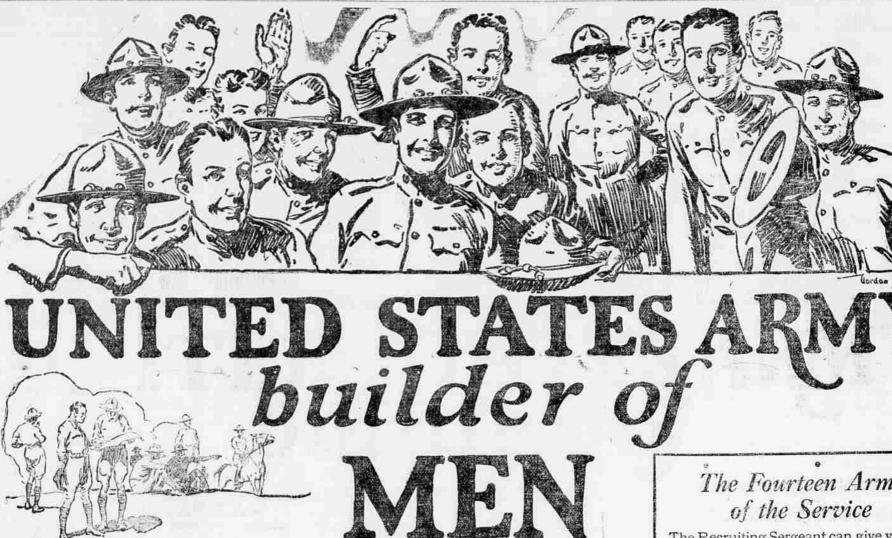
Dr. N. Metash of End, (thinhom, prosident of the Phellips University and former pre-adent of the Spakare University with pre-soit the subjects of American Education and Synagelism while the subject of Religious Education for the Spakare University with pre-soit the subjects of American Education and Synagelism while the subject of Religious Education for the subject of Religious Educations and Synagelism for the subject of Religious Education for the su tion will be presented by Dr. Archie Ball.

Dr. J. P. Crowther, master of the First Methodist church of Scattle and

igious pageant which had a manth's ciseo conference and continue through partment of the Intercharch World tween employers and employees sneessful run in Madison Samare to the Spokane conference. Movement will out Garden of New York, will be with the Brose Faxter of New York repres the department in

the author of the "Wavforer," the re- team, beginning with its San Fran- senting the Industrial Relations de labour a better understanding be

RIO JANFIRIO, Summey, Feb. 22,—
Announcement is made that Albert, are being renovated to receive the
king of the Belgians, will visit this
royal guests.



EN years ago it was necessary for the United States Army to argue men into its ranks.

But, today the Army like every other great university, points with pride to its graduates.

Four million of the nation's choicest young men were entrusted to the Army's care.

MOST of them are back in the ranks of industry today; and every parent in America, every employer, every teacher knows that they are better, abler men for their experience.

They stand straight upon their feet, a symbol of physical fitness.

They have learned how to execute orders, and how to give them.

THERE is, in their characters, a maturity beyond their years, a vision and a self-confidence that are fundamentals of success.

The months that they gave to the Army were not lost months; the records of the future will show more rapid progress for them because of the qualities which those months developed.

Where the U. S. Army serves

American troops are serving in Panama, Hawaii, the Philippines, Alaska, China, Germany, Siberia and here in the U.S.A. The Reand here in the U.S.A. The Re-cruiting Sergeant will gladly give you all the details.

"Like every one else in the Armyfrom General to Buck Pri-vate, you're under orders and if outfit moves and you're needed elsowhere your duty is

THE United States Army is open I for enlistments today. It wants no inferior applicants; it seeks young men of character and purpose; and it promises those young men that the term of their enlistment will be fruitful years.

They will come back to civil life in perfect health - their muscles, their eyes, their bearing all evidencing the finest professional care.

IT IS the purpose of the War Department to develop in the American soldier those qualities which are the essentials to success in any trade or business and are the prime requisites in an American

Congress nas appropriated \$2,000,000.00 to be used in Educational work in the Army Schools. In many camps and posts men are being trained in the skilled trades and at practically all Army stations, schools are in operation in which the soldier can improve his education.

Through enlistment the United States Army offers opportunities to travel. It provides good food, good clothes and good care. It gives a training which brings health-physical development - mental quickness and self-confidence. It sends you back to civil life better equipped for American citizenship than when you enlisted.

A Personal Interview Involves no Obligation

THE NEAREST U.S. ARMY RECRUITING STATIONS ARE:

123 East Main Street, Medford, Oregon (OPPOSITE 1ST NATIONAL BANK)

Traveling recruiting parties are frequently in Ashland, Klamath Falls, Grants Pass and Roseburg on recruiting duty.

The Fourteen Arms

The Recruiting Sergeant can give you the information that will help you decide which branch fits you best. In all of them you will get the fine training as a soldier the United States offers all its men-in many branches you can get highly specialized training.

INFANTRY—The men who have made the name of "doughboy" feared and respected throughout the world welcome you to the comradeship. Fine fellows-good fun and good training in any school at the post you go to.

CAVALRY-When the horses are champing at the bit and the "yellow legs" mount up and the troop rides forth, there is a thrill that no old cavalryman can ever forget. Horse of your own-a good outdoor life and training for future success.

FIELD ARTILLERY-"Action Front" comes the command-then watch the boys with the red hat cord snap into it. A happy outfit-with the dash of mounted service added to interesting work that calls for head and hand. Motors if you wish.

CORPS OF ENGINEERS - Army engineering is known the world over for its excellence, and an enlistment in the Engineers can be the start of a young man's training in the various branches of Engineering and in any of the mechanical and building trades.

COAST ARTILLERY-Living on the sea coasts, guarding big cities with big guns, getting time for study and a wide and good technical training, the C. A. C. man is preparing for a useful life and good pay and is having a good time while he's learning. The C. A. C. also mans the mobile big gun regiments throughout the country.

AIR SERVICE (including BALLOON CORPS)-The man who gets the early edge in experience with aeroplanes and balloons has a chance to cash in big on his army training. For flying is only in its infancy and its going to be a profitable business for men with the right experience.

ORDNANCE DEPT .- The ordnance is appealing to the studious young American. To wide opportunities for study, it adds a business as well as a technical training.

SIGNAL CORPS-Whether its laying a wire from a reel-cart at a gallop or installing a wireless station that will flash its message half around the world, the Signal Corps is there and a man who learns radio telegraph and telephone work in the Signal Corps is always valuable.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT-Good experience, good pay and training in all branches of hospital work and in the Dental Corps. Excellent opportunity for future success. The Veterinary Corps teaches the care of horses as well as meat and milk inspection.

TANK CORPS-The man who knows gas motors and tractors or who wants to know them is invited to join the Tanks. Radio, machine gun and ordnance work are all part of the Tank Corps work.

QUARTERMASTER CORPS-The corps that feeds and clothes the Army offers a valuable training for future business. Interesting work for the man who likes horses in the Remount Service.

CONSTRUCTION DIVISION-Practical work in the many trades is part of the every day life of the Construction Division. Many opportunities to learn the trades of highly paid specialists.

CHEMICAL WARFARE SERVICE-For a man with a little knowledge of chemistry or for any ambitious young man who would like to get that knowledge, there is interesting work and rapid advancement in the C. W. S.

MOTOR TRANSPORT CORPS-A thorough practical training in motors and their accessories, and in driving as well, is given in the well-equipped schools of the Motor Transport Corps.