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EDITORIAL MILITARY TRAINING

In the R. O. T. C. issue of the penefits, and that strict multary uis-Davidsonian the cry goes out against cipine tends to destroy initiative and nas been done by the War Depart-peace advocates. They are placed in individuality. In the Great War, who the same class with loud-mouthed agi- were found to be the best soldiers? In of military eauc. tion. tators and narrow-minded mollycoddles. the last analysis, the highly trained This bold stand against peace advocates Germans were found to be autom. tons, is enough to cause every promoter of while the freedom loving Americans, cooperation between nations to classify the writer as one of the newly defined ably superior to all others. In critical brocd-minded men; one who can see positions they used their heads. Strict two sides to every question-his side military training would have ruined Aland the wrong side.

Startling are the revelations made by who performed the greatest individu. I Winthrop D. Lane, which exposed the feat of the World War, according to dogged determination of the War De- Marshai roon, ror this reason, interinpartment in Washington, D. C., to gently planned physical education is fasten militarism upon America. Balked in their attempt openly to force mili- a, the further fact that the exercise tary training upon the youth of Amer- which usually accompanies military ica, the militarists have launched a tr. ining often developes only a maine. more insidious program of military number of muscles and parts of the training, which promises to train a body. Dudley A. Sargent, famous as whole generation of youth in army tac- the former corrector of the Hemanway tics, if their scheme is not exposed gymnasium at Harvard, regards the and stopped immediately.

spirit of militarism should assert itself instances. in the United States, it the same time In these days of enilghtenment we that France and Germany are outlaw- have at last come to realize that it is the training of young men for service ing war between each other. Yet that not necessary to carry a gun on one's to their country. Not for thinks is what is happening. During the last shoulder to participate in the best service alone, but the furnitheast of the school year, that of 1924-25, military exercise. So the fact remains that the highest duties of citizensaip. 10 butto instruction was given in more than 226 fostering of the war spirit in supposed a man puysically, more by; to math educational institutions in the United preparation for the next w.r is the habits of obedience and ideals of loy-States, 83 of which made military train- one and only reason fr othe continuaing compulsory. Two hundred twenty- tion of compulsory military training, this organization's service. Suice onesix maintained units of the R. O. T. C., data the effect is to glorify war rather to which Congress appropriated \$3,818,- than peace. 000.

chance or of the action of local school the teeth. We h d suspicious of Geror public officials. It is encouraged, many in 1917. Most people in this supervised and regulated by the War country conceived German militarism Department, and it does not plan to to be the enemy that we are fighting. stop with what it has already done. That militarism was believed to be Its purpose, apparently is to go on, extraordinary preparation for, and conputting military training into one centration on, WAR. We believed then school after another, until all boys that no nation that required all its over 14 years of age enrolled in the young men to take training as soldiers educational institutions of the United could be strongly devoted to peace. States are being drilled to take part Have we now changed our minds? in war," says Mr. Lane.

educators of America are opposed to as peaceful if we, in fact, become an ing armies are contrary to the very will be abolished from the e.rth is propoganda have gone as far as they peace, liberty, and opportunity in its itself The er institutions of learning in our coun- glorify totin' guns and fighting duels. for the highest type of citizenship. try have not passed the stage when they consider size as everything. They are out for more money so that they can get more students, and are out college for an education. There are bags has become extremely popular. very few who will refuse \$93.60 to The scheme has proved only half way more than \$200.00' and a new suit of successful. Several receive a "noonly" ing. If half as much money were ap- bath tubs.

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propriated by the Federal government for the promotion of peace as for the promotion of military training, it would De use.ses for the Davidsonian to ar gue that "those of us who believe that there will be another war realize that appropriation were made there would .. Associate Editor done by the man who c. rries the gun. ing of young men for service to their country. Not for military service alone,e iuitiliment of the highest duties

ly, morally; to instill habits of obedience and ideals of loyalty and t. ithtion's service. Strict obegience is required. Unswerving loyalty to one s Juntry is set as the ideal." We no-.... Circulation Mgr. tice, however, that if a boy doesn't look as mought he will be able to perform military duty when he becomes or age, the War Department does not c. re to waste time and money on him, that better cutzenship is the object in Member of North Carolina Collegi- giving the instruction. If military discipline is such a panacea for the illis of body, mind, and soul, why don't the prisons adopt it?

> Many of the best educators of the country are agreed that mulitary training ages not produce the best physical canadians, and Australians were probvin York, the Tennessee mountaineer,

.c.ng recommended, and becausew

drill that usually accompanies military It would, indeed, be a tragedy if the maining as " cruatly narmitur in man,

we naturally have suspicions of that "The training is not the result of person or nation which goes armed to Can we expect other nations to look It is well known that the leading upon our extensive military campaign

RADICALISM

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PACIFISM vs. R. O. T. C. Why have military training in our American coneges!

ins question has been agitated dur ing the past lew years since the world the way to delay its appearance is to war and today it stands forth as a repare for it, because if such an problem in t concellas the future equcational system of our country.

The United States government, so far, has not paid much altention to "The R. O. T. C.," says the David- mese paciness who decry the fact that somun, has for its purpose the train- | the giorious young mannood of our iair iand are being prepared as cannon toquer. in several coneges and universities the discussion as to whether the military training received is peneficial, has been much mooted. the students of the College of the city of New York staged an unseccessiul revoit against such training in December but their enorts were neralded widely enough to cause the pacifists to add fuel to their fires of disturbance.

> the comptaint against R. U. T. C. been made more by loud-mouthed agiators and narrow-visioned mollycoddies rather than by the student who are actuany concerned with it. There is in Congress today a party who have .. ken a very decided stand upon this question, and their viewpoint is that such enforced minitary training is detrimental to the youth of this country. Organized societies have spread their propaganda inroughout the states in

> meir enoris to pentue the good that it one would look at the records of the State and War Departments ne would undoubtealy find many of those

> who are at present agitating pacifism on the list of those who so violently denounced the action taken by Congress in declaring and carrying on war with the Imperial German and Austrian governments. Their holy cries of horror at a policy or activity have not used down.

the late war taught the terrible price which a country pays for unpreparedness. We spen, billions in moning and equipping expeditionary forces to compat a foe who had never reached our shores. Seventy mous. nd young nives were shuned out and many mousands more were disabled for life. the Athes paid in men and millions. THE C. CUL IS HU. UV.I. and HEVE. Le as long as misiory lasis.

the K. U. I. C. Has for he purpos any to one s country is set as the ideal. cachee is required. Unswerving loy a.iyio ones country is set as the ideal. those of us who believe that there will be another war realize that the Lest way to delay its appearance is to prepare for it. Theodore Koosevent pelieved in this. Had we heeded some of his wise advice in regard to the late war, money and young manhood would nave been saved. We should never be in th. t position again.

R. O. T. C. stresses the all-round development of a boy. Any boy that takes four years of this military training with a summer or two at a camp, will enter upon the duties of manhood with firmer convictions, more knowl militarism. Its spirit and large stand- armed camp? The only way that war edge of human nature, and a better understanding of his obligations to his genious of the American republic. Then o apply to the world the same funda- fellowmen and to his country. This why is it that such a scheme and such mental principles that have given military education is not primarily concerned with the fitting up a man to smaller territorial and political units, go to war but with the training and when the facts are known. Most high- and these principles did not teach and development that rounds out a man

The local unit of the R. O. T. C. has a most successful history behind it. Its officers have always been of Some of the College radic: Is have the highest type of American manfor more students so they can get more money. And money talks with the up the college." The administering lege has progressed greatly. The efaverage boy who is struggling through of shower baths by means of paper- fect of the training received is readily apparent. More Juniors are taking the course this year than have ever taken it before. Under the guidance clothes, a new overcoat, and so forth, bath but it necessitates keeping a man of Captain Weems, there is a bright in return for a year of military train-ing. If half as much money were ap-bath tubs.

