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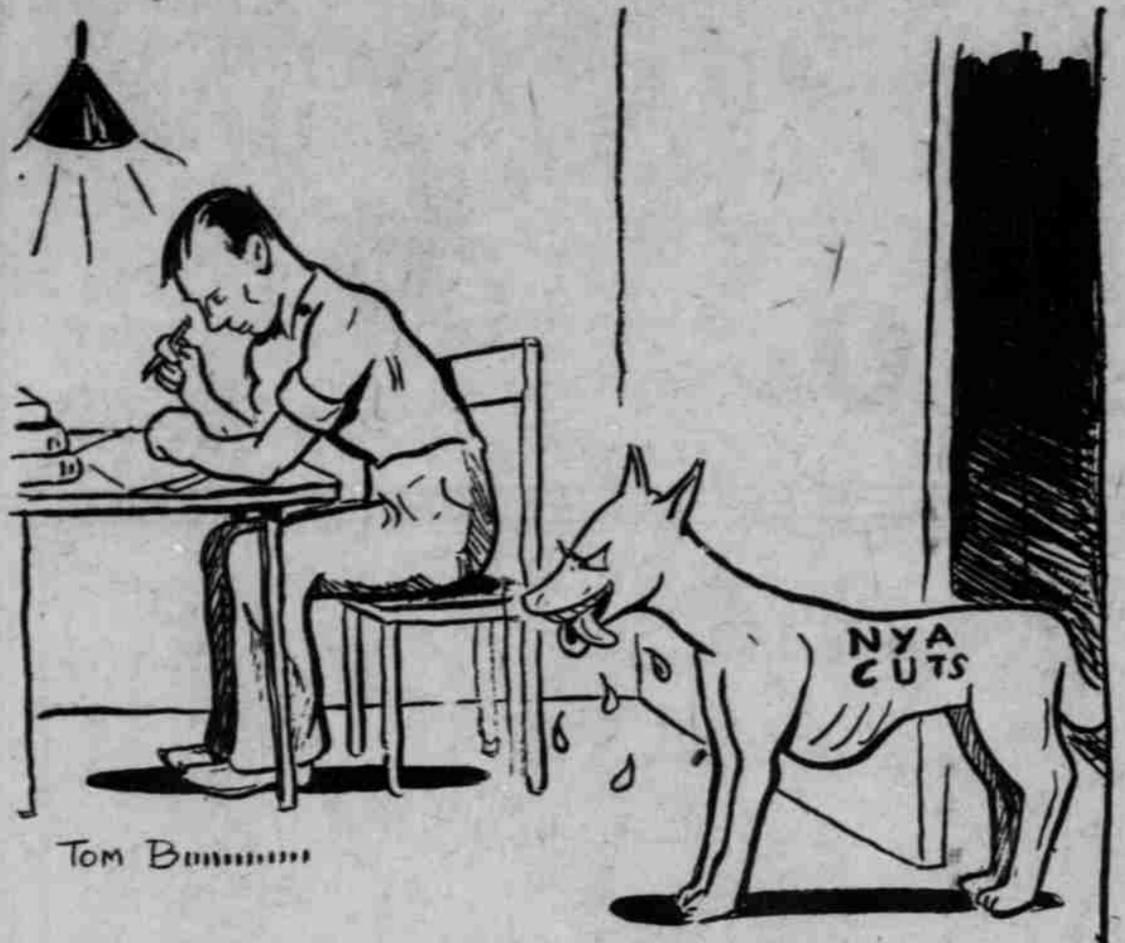
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'Wolf at the Door'



Those Wagging Tongues...

Editorial

There are two false rumors floating around. Both are ridiculous. Both concern us and the campus and 75 NYA students, some of whom may not be able to return to the University after Christmas.

First is the notion that there is no use in soliciting further student body contributions for the \$3000 still needed for the \$8300 goal because the campus is so upset because of the war. That's bunk. Sure the war has affected us, but just as surely it hasn't given the student body a miserly or don't-give-a-damn attitude. Principal reason for only 1200 out of 4000 students contributing has been those University club members who have not found time to do the job with which they were entrusted. Some members, particularly the coeds, have done a thorough job. Others have not yet started to solicit or else have done the job as if they were taking up laundry.

Second false notion is that many of the campus NYA students do not deserve their jobs because they use the money for pocket change. There must, of course, be a few of the 300 students here who don't absolutely need the money. A small number of such misappropriations are almost inevitable when that many apply for jobs at a university which for a long time has had the reputation for aiding needy students. But these cases are very few, and it is utterly unjust to pan a drive essential to the welfare of almost 75 students because of a few who have been able to deceive the self-help administrators. Besides, it is certain the cut appropriations will force the administrators next quarter to investigate student need more closely and to avoid such mistakes again.

If the drive is to have any chance of success and give 75 students a chance of continuing their education, solicitors must use today and tomorrow with a great deal more effort than they have wasted the last 10 days.

Turn Back the Clock

Weekly Tar Heel Ignored Last Declaration of War

By Billy Webb

An unusually apathetic Carolina student body calmly received the United States' vitally significant 1917 declaration of war against Kaiser Wilhelm's "invincible" German Empire. The Weekly Tar Heel ignored the declaration which followed close upon the heels of the sinking of the Lusitania, and instead of evincing excitement blandly bragged of Carolina's preparedness with her ROTC unit.

In contrast to the current lightning-like and treacherous attack upon United States territory, perhaps the declaration in World War I was anticipated to such a degree that comment was thought unnecessary. At least the University had been prepared for war since the first of March when 400 students reported for ROTC training under a former Canadian officer who had seen a year's active service in the muddy Allied trenches.

Carolina's first military unit came as a result of "long agitation on the part of students and faculty" who were determined to have army-directed military training. Immediate action was taken after a petition signed by 344 students from a student body of 1000 was presented to the president of the University, and Carolina obtained a ROTC unit whose classes were to be incorporated in the regular curriculum and whose enrollment was to have a minimum of 100.

Patriotic students drilled two nights a week on the especially illuminated "large athletic ground behind South Building," taking turns using the 256 rifles supplied by the US Army. Students also were required to buy their own uniforms, usually costing about \$15 excluding shoes.

Tryouts Scheduled For Next Operetta

Preliminary tryouts for leading roles in "The Pirates of Penzance," first major Playmaker production of the winter quarter, will be held nightly by Clyde Keutzer in Hill Music hall beginning Monday.

Tryouts will be arranged for anyone who is interested and can not meet the night appointments. A schedule of appointments will be posted on Hill hall bulletin board and candidates are asked to sign before 5 o'clock each day of tryouts.

DTH Not to Be Printed Again Until Thursday

No DAILY TAR HEEL will be published tomorrow. Instead the campus daily will be circulated Thursday, December 18. The change in schedule is being effected so that latest developments in military training and war news as they affect the campus will be made available to students. The DAILY TAR HEEL continues its career of farsighted service to the campus.

Proposed Bill Will Classify Males over 18

Rumanian Officials Declare War on US; Reds Crush Germans

WASHINGTON—Legislation compelling every male between the ages of 18 and 64, inclusive, to register for military duty was rushed to Congress today as the nation primed its war machine for defeat of the axis.

Brigadier General Lewis B. Hershey, selective service director, estimated that 10,000,000 between the ages of 19 and 44, inclusive, would be available for Army or Navy duty. The remainder of the 40,000,000 would be on call for non-combatant service.

WASHINGTON—French chews of all French vessels now in American ports are being removed from their ships, the State department announced today.

WASHINGTON—The War department today announced development of a plan for prompt suspension of radio broadcasting when enemy air raids impend anywhere in the United States.

WASHINGTON—Legislation authorizing an increase of 30 per cent, or 900,000 tons, in the fighting strength of the US Navy was introduced today by Chairman David I. Walsh, Democrat, Mass., of the Senate Naval Affairs committee.

WASHINGTON—The Senate tonight assessed, by voice vote, America's first wartime money bill—a huge \$10,572,350 supplemental appropriation to provide more ships, more guns and more planes for a nation engaged in a two-front war.

LONDON—Russian troops, in a terrific offensive north and south of Moscow, have smashed 21 German divisions of almost 300,000 men, killing 85,000 of them outright, and have recaptured more than 400 towns and villages, the Moscow radio announced tonight.

KUIBYSHEV—A declaration by the official Communist newspaper, Pravda, See NEWS BRIEFS, page 4

Studio Announces Future Programs For Coming Week

The campus radio studios in Caldwell hall will present a full schedule of programs during exam week.

Sunday from 3:00 until 8:30 over stations WRAL, WAIR, and WBBB the University Round Table will discuss "War, Taxes and Inflation."

Monday afternoon over stations WDNC, WBIG, WSJS, and WSTP:

2:30-2:45 TODAY IN AMERICA. Dean Francis F. Bradshaw talks on "Youth and Morale in Their War."

2:45-3:00 NEWS OF THE WEEK AT CAROLINA.

Tuesday afternoon over stations WRAL, WAIR, WBBB:

2:30-2:45 Recital by Clyde Keutzer, tenor, of the Music Department accompanied by Herbert Livingston of the Music Department.

2:45-3:00 OUR AMERICAN NEIGHBORS. Dr. J. C. Lyons of the Romance Language Department will interview J. W. Banner and W. A. McKnight of the Romance Language Department on "Mexico Today."

Wednesday afternoon over WDNC, WBIG:

2:30-2:45 BOOKS, PLAYS AND PROBLEMS. Dr. Almonte C. Howell of the Department of English will make an address on Godspeed's American Translation of the Bible.

2:45-3:00 AFTERNOON MUSIC.

Excerpts from the Messiah by Bernice Eltinge, Genie Loaring-Clark, and William Mehaffey, students of Clyde Keutzer of the Music Department.

Draft Information Available Today

There will be a question-answer program on the draft and war this morning at 10:30 in Gerrard hall. Those interested in hearing latest developments on the world conflict have been asked to attend.

Student Body Meets Tonight To Hear Latest Information

Smeared Warren Text Will Be Revised for Use

Manuscript of Much-Publicized History Will Be Changed and Published by State

Jule Warren's fifth grade North Carolina history text which roused a storm of controversy last spring will be used in public schools under an agreement reached yesterday by Warren and the state board of education.

When Warren's book, "North Carolina Yesterday and Today" was chosen by the state over the recommendation of the textbook commission that a history written by Drs. Hugh Lefler and A. R. Newsome, University professors, be purchased, former DAILY TAR HEEL managing editor Charles Barrett exploded allegations of favoritism in the choice.

Leaders Push CVTC Effort

Over 260 Students Apply for Service

With less than a week's time passed since the whirlwind entrance of the United States into the war arena, the University yesterday sped action to organize the Carolina Volunteer Training Corps, spontaneous student military effort.

At the first meeting yesterday, which summoned all students with previous military training, over 260 applications for membership were filed. Further classification of these students modified this list: holding reserve commissions, four; holding reserve certificates, twelve; four or more years military training, 23; three or more years training, 19; two or more, 581; one or less years, 146.

Applications Available Applications may be obtained at Dean F. F. Bradshaw's office or at the YMCA information desk, it was announced.

To clear up current misunderstanding, Henry Wisebram, temporary officer, issued the following statement: "First: the members of the CVTC will not be obligated in any way to the regular armed services of the United States.

"Second: because of this, the members of the CVTC will not be exempted from the draft or other governmental obligations.

Third Request "Third: If the government grants an ROTC unit to the University, then the CVTC will be dissolved.

"Four: the CVTC will be run by a general staff and will not be influenced by campus politics."

Temporary offices have been established. See CVTC EFFORT, page 3

Errors Rampant

More than 1,000 errors were discovered in the Warren text of "a factual, grammatical, and typographical nature" after the state had spent \$46,200 in buying 105,000 copies. The Newsome-Lefler text was definitely out, notwithstanding public opinion and tirades in the state press.

Warren's book was recalled pending further investigation. Under the agreement reached yesterday Warren authorized the state department to reprint his book "after all the necessary changes and corrections have been made therein." Corrections are to be made only after they have been agreed upon by Warren, state superintendent of public instruction Clyde B. Erwin, and "a person recognized as a North Carolina historian to be designated by the Governor."

Only the manuscript of Warren's text will be used and the agreement states that the history will be used "until the state has been fully reimbursed in the sum of \$46,200 expended in the purchase of 105,000 of said histories."

After the state has been reimbursed all rights will revert to Warren although he will not be mentioned as the author of the book. Each text will carry a foreword stating that it is based on the Warren manuscript.

For Bookworms:

Silent sanctuaries open to worried students each night beginning tonight and lasting through exam week will be rooms 203, 205, 207, 208, 101, 104, and 111 in Alumni and 102, 106, 205, and 317 in Bingham, the Dean of Students' office announced.

Hobbs Will Speak On Current Plans For Military Unit

At a hastily-convened meeting of the executive committee for Civilian Defense yesterday afternoon, in an effort to keep up with the fast flying rumors, the board formulated plans for the assemblage of a general session of the student body tonight in Memorial hall.

At the meeting, which will directly precede "Proff" Koch's reading of the "Christmas Carol," Truman Hobbs, president of the student body, will briefly address the students, informing them of the latest Washington and campus developments in the selective service requirements and the rapidly forming plans for student military training.

Important Meeting

"It is essential that all students attend this meeting. Correct, authoritative information obtained from the program's long distance contacts in Washington will be passed on to the student body," said Louis Harris, student coordinator.

In addition to other activities, a regular information bulletin will be issued to the students during the suspension of DAILY TAR HEEL publication next week.

Training Needed

"Civilian training is as important in this crisis as military training. Complete facilities will be available for all phases of Civilian Defense from air raid wardens to nutrition to home guard," said Harris.

No word has been received from Washington in response to the University application for an Army Reserve Officers Training Corps, but high sources intimated that a unit will be installed on the campus before three weeks of the winter quarter have passed.

NROTC expansion may be "expected shortly," it was learned yesterday.

Daily Tar Heel Today Is Miracle Newspaper

This is a miracle.

Depleted funds can keep the Mag from coming out; the legislature can keep Tar an' Feathers from coming out; Graves can keep the Weekly from coming out; Maggie can keep Jiggs from coming out; and the rain can keep the sun from coming out; but nothing can keep the TAR HEEL from coming out.

It started at three o'clock—this run of bad luck. A business staff underling walked into the office of rosy-cheeked Bill Schwartz, dropped a pile of yellow paper on a desk, announced he'd gotten 100 extra inches of advertising. That ran the total over the 300 mark—an all time record.

Editor Orville Campbell scrapped the editorial page. Columns, edits, crossword puzzle were tossed in a convenient corner. Managing Editor Sylvan Meyer black-penciled all copy, leaving bare skeletons where once blossomed the budding vocabulary of many a freshman scribe.

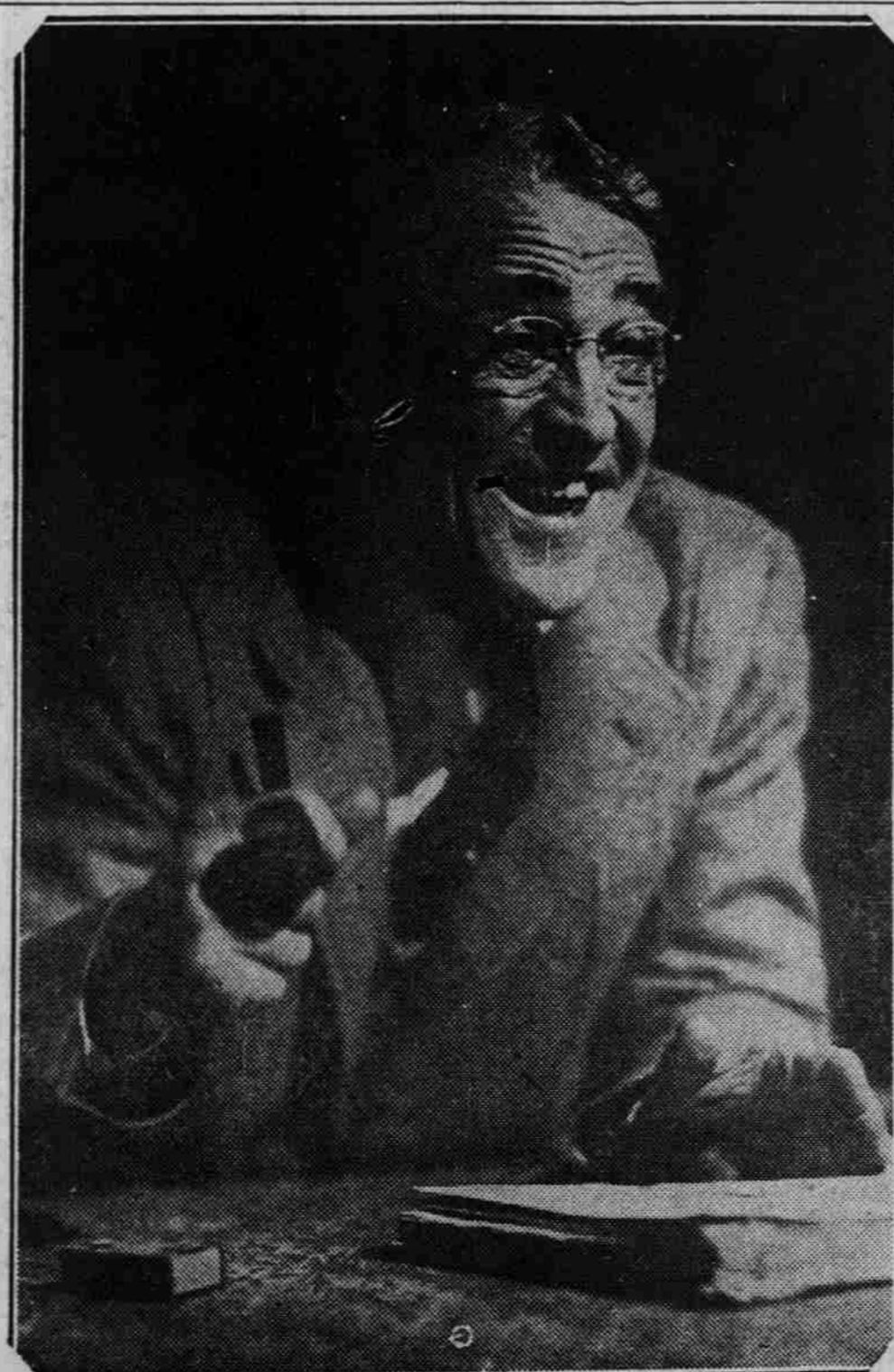
All was ready until the "walls caved in" at 11:30 between the yawns and growls of the night staff. The power went out; linotype machines, press, saws, Henry, Bob, all stopped. Fe - man Hoenig stopped. The composing room crew and the night editors swapped jokes and digs until a kindly gent from the electric company pushed a lever at 1:30.

Now you're reading this circular-newspaper. "Neither ads nor power nor time nor machines can stay these. . ."

Christmas Tree Party To Be Given Sunday

Decoration of a large Christmas tree in front of the YMCA building Sunday night will feature activities of YMCA-YWCA members in its revival of old Carolina Christmas tradition.

Singing of Christmas carols and rendition by a men's quartet will highlight Sunday's ceremonies. YMCA officials have extended invitations to the affair to the entire campus.



CHARACTERS from the "Christmas Carol" live again tonight as "Proff" Koch, Playmakers' founder-director, presents his annual reading of Dickens' famed Yuletide epic in Memorial hall tonight at 8:30.