



Heavy artillery in action

THE COLORS

Red, white, and blue—our national colors. Red and black—our school colors. As separate colors or a combination of colors they mean nothing. As a combination of colors representing the ideals of our nation and our school, they are entitled to the same reverence that is accorded our national anthem and our “Alma Mater.”

Both sets of colors are alike in that they represent the best that is in us. Red—the spirit of youth and a progressive nation forging ahead by pure strength and earnest purpose. White—the purity of the ideals for which our country stands. Blue—the true-blue loyalty and spirit of self-sacrifice for an ideal that characterizes every good citizen. The red and black standard of our University means quite the same thing to us. In that unfurled banner we see the honor and loyalty, the toil and achievement of the thousands who have passed before us. Their ideals, their struggle to carry on, and the record of their winning fight are embodied in that flag.



THE R. O. T. C.

Human nature and the economic and geographical security of our enlightened nation are responsible for the fact that there are and always will be “pacifists” and “militarists.” By the term “pacifist” we mean the peace-loving citizen whose very nature rebels at the sight of a man in uniform, and by the term “militarist” we mean the highly sentimental soul who is always ranting about the “glories of war.” The term “pacifist,” properly defined as “one who is not willing to permit the future security of his native land to be jeopardized by a lack of military preparedness” can be applied to every member of the R. O. T. C. and to every other logical-minded citizen.

The R. O. T. C. solves the problems of national defense and national preparedness without creating the economic burden of a standing army. The R. O. T. C. trains a select group of future business men in the principles of military science so that they may form the nucleus of an efficient army in case of a national emergency.

The fact that the enrollment in the advanced course of our R. O. T. C. unit has shown a marked increase in the last few years is sufficient evidence that the students consider their military training an opportunity and a pleasant duty. If questioned on that age-old subject of the love of war, their answer would be, “We do not love war; we hate war; that’s why we’re in the R. O. T. C.”



Big guns at night