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THREE THOUSAND IMMEDIATELY.

There is only this to say in addition to the facts presented elsewhere about the gift to the Cruiser Yale. The sum of \$3,000 is needed at once to enable the committee to foot the bill. The step taken was one in accordance with the overwhelming sentiment of Yale graduates and undergraduates, and the committee felt that Yale was particularly fortunate in being able to secure the guns for the cruiser. Subscriptions of any amount are, of course, welcome, but the original idea of practically limiting the amount to a dollar from each, must now be changed and everyone is urgently requested to increase his gift, if he has already made one, as far as he feels it possible to do so, and those who have not yet subscribed are urged to make their checks as large as possible. The Committee desire to express the hope that the response to the plan that has now definitely been formulated may be as general and generous as was the answer of Yale to the original proposition.

YALE IS ALL RIGHT.

The following appears in the New Haven correspondence of the New York Evening Post:

"The undergraduates have greeted with a good deal of enthusiasm the renaming of the steamer Paris, which is to serve as a cruiser under the title Yale, and subscription lists have been in circulation to secure for her a gift. But among the Faculty in general the new name of the cruiser is disapproved, in view of the peaceful aims and methods of an educational institution, and one professor in that connection suggests the criticism that would follow should England name a war-ship after one of her great universities or schools. Opposition to the war and severe criticism of the policy and temper of Congress in bringing it on, have hitherto been most universal in the Yale Faculty."

It is generally difficult to find any inaccuracies in this careful and interesting column, but it is certainly in order to express the hope that what is said about the Faculty in this paragraph is very far from correct.

What pertinence, pray, has any reference to the "aims and methods of an

educational institution," when a war is on us, in which every member of the Republic and every institution which is in any way a part of this country, is under bond to discharge the first and fundamental duty of citizenship? Why name a cruiser "New York"? Why name a battleship "Massachusetts" or "Iowa"? Aren't these the names of political institutions which were founded and which are carried on with the prime purpose of insuring to their members the highest blessings of civilization and the constitutional rights of life and liberty and the pursuit of happiness? Why associate them with the horrors of war? Is that what they were founded for? Is that the controlling genius of their methods of government? Why link these political institutions, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of New York, with all the diabolical mechanism of modern war?

For no other reason of course, than that they are integral parts of our nation and every act which associates them more closely with the general welfare, of which the most important part at such a time as this is the general defense, binds them all the more closely to the nation.

Is Yale not a part of the nation? Do the University's official documents and official spokesmen ever fail to emphasize that Yale draws her sons from the widest limits of latitude and longitude which this country affords? And do we ever miss an opportunity to glory in the spirit of Yale as exemplifying in the highest degree the native spirit of our national institutions? Do we ever deny the wisdom which makes Yale University the creator of men of action, who go out into the world to serve their day and generation under the same controlling principles of obedience to the general will and sacrifice for the general good which are the principles of the Yale student life which is exemplified on field and river?

We have no personal knowledge of these grumblings and growlings among the official family of Yale against the high honor which the Government has accorded to this institution and we shall not listen for them. We refuse to believe that there is any considerable evidence of such a remarkable spirit. We cannot be persuaded that there is any other idea in Yale to-day than the controlling idea of national defense and national unity, and the humane and Christian motive of carrying this great country as speedily as possible through the awful ordeal of war. To believe that the educators of Yale are principally busy to-day with the discussion of the relative and theoretical methods of Governmental policies, leading to the situation of the present hour, rather than with the exigencies themselves of the present crisis, is to do little less than to insult them.

The spirit of Yale, as the students of Yale have themselves drunk it in, is certainly not of this nature. Their increasing and deepening interest in the struggle, their numerous enlistments and their quick grasp of any opportunity to show their endorsement of their Government, as in their subscriptions to the fund for the gift to the Yale, are evidences that Yale is all right.

UNDERGRADUATE LITERATURE.

In a speech at Orange, Prof. Phelps laid in some interesting testimony in regard to the interest in English by Yale students, in the form of their contributions to current literature. He mentioned the contribution to the *Atlantic* by Mr. Fisher, '98. He referred also to the story written by Mr. Emer-

son Taylor, Yale, '95, and a member of the Graduate School, in *Harper's* last Summer, and the story by Gouveneur Morris, of the present Senior Class, in the *Century* about the same time. Some more work of this kind is also in evidence. Mr. C. U. Clark, Post Graduate, has an article in the April number of the *Forum*, entitled "The Kalevala" and in the same issue is another article by another Yale graduate, Prof. C. B. Bliss, '90. It is now also reported that Mr. Charles E. Merrill, Jr., of the Senior class is editing a new work which will be published in the near future. These things are properly in evidence and it is a pleasure to any man whatever his opinions of the present method of conducting the English Department to observe these signs of the genuine literary life here. It is an unusual thing to see much activity among undergraduates, and to find articles in current magazines as worthy of their place, as these have been.

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