

THE CITADEL

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The Citadel
The Military College of South Carolina
Charleston.

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To the Board of Visitors of The Citadel.

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit herewith the following report of the operations of The Citadel for the session of 1932-1933 now drawing to a close.

ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT.

The enrolment for the session was 528, distributed among the four classes as follows: Seniors, 108, juniors, 95; sophomores, 160; freshmen, 165.

The percentage of South Carolina cadets was 73. One hundred and forty-three came from other States, three being from Porto Rico and two are Chinese students.

Of the South Carolina cadets, 40 are from Charleston, 32 from Greenville, 32 from Richland, 16 each from Florence and Orangeburg, 14 from Spartanburg, and smaller numbers from the other Counties. There were no Counties without representation.

After the graduation of the large senior class on June 2d, and the normal casualties at the close of this session, the number of old cadets who may be expected to return next year is estimated to be about 325. With a freshman class of 135 new cadets, the anticipated enrolment for the session beginning next September is, therefore, about 460.

While this prediction indicates a falling-off of about 13 per cent from this year's enrolment, I do not consider it surprising or alarming in view of present economic conditions. It is to be regretted that we shall not need probably all of the members of the present faculty, but with the expected reduced number of cadets, a few of the assistants in the several departments can hardly be usefully employed next session.

The action of the Legislature in the closing hours of the session in retaining the beneficiary cadets at The Citadel was especially gratifying, as it permits us to keep this select group of seventy-eight young Carolinians who would otherwise be deprived of the inestimable benefits of higher education. I rejoice that this time-honored feature of the school is to be continued, and would recommend that in the enforced economies which it will be necessary for us to make under a reduced lump-sum Legislative appropriation, no reduction be made in the allowance for the maintenance of these cadets.

In this connection I would call the attention of the Board to the provisions of Sec. 71 of the Free Conference Report on the General Appropriation Bill which raises tuition for the scholastic year beginning September 1933, to \$60.00 for residents of South Carolina, and providing that "no student shall be granted free tuition", as was formerly done in special cases.

In this same Section 71 there was stricken out at the last moment a provision abolishing the State scholarships in institutions of learning. I presume, therefore, that these scholarships are unimpaired in their former benefits which included free tuition. Otherwise, the payment of sixty dollars a year

for tuition would very seriously impair the value and usefulness of the scholarships. I shall go upon the presumption that the scholarships include free tuition as heretofore unless otherwise instructed by the Board. Perhaps the Board may desire a ruling upon the point by the Attorney General.

Section 71 requires that all non-residents of South Carolina shall pay \$150.00 tuition; and also that "no fee for student activities in excess of \$15.00 shall be compulsory." These latter fees at The Citadel at present amount to \$22.00 a year, but will be adjusted to meet the requirements of the law.

Other Sections of the Appropriation Bill affecting the State institutions of higher learning are as follows:

- Sec. 53, Regarding contracts for service.
- Sec. 54, Method of drawing vouchers.
- Sec. 56, Method of paying salaries.
- Secs. 58 & 61, Travel and expense allowances for officers and agents of the State on official business.
- Sec. 72, Retention of tuition fees for certain purposes.
- Sec. 79, Fixing of salaries after April 1, 1933.

In the academic department a request has been received from Captain M.B. Kennedy, associate-professor of English, for an extension of the leave of absence granted him by the Board a year ago in order for him to complete his University studies for the doctor's degree. A similar application has also come from Lieut. R.M. Lyon, assistant-professor of Education. I take it to be the policy of the institutions of higher education to encourage the members of their faculties to continue advanced studies looking to the improvement of their teaching ability, and recommend the approval of both of these applications, and also that the present teachers in these departments who have been substituting for Professors Kennedy and Lyon be retained as such for the next session.

It is the opinion of the heads of departments that the work of the college can be properly conducted next session with one less teacher in each of the departments of mathematics, English, civil engineering, physics, history, and modern languages. This would release Lieut. J.A.L. Saunders, Lieut. G.P. Smith, Lieut. F.B. Fitch, Lieut. H.D. Ussery, Lieut. St. J. R. Childs, and Lieut. L.J. Willis. I therefore recommend that these members of the faculty be not re-elected for the next year. I will ask the Board, however, to authorize me, acting with the Chairman, to employ additional assistants if a need for them shall become apparent at the beginning of the next session.

A NEW SCHOLARSHIP.

I am pleased to report to the Board the establishment of a scholarship at The Citadel of a value of \$550.00 a year made by Colonel Dennis P. Quinlan, U.S.A., who, while visiting in Charleston recently was so impressed with the Corps of Cadets that he was prompted to make this very handsome gift. I submit to the Board for its approval the proposed regulations for the award of this scholarship which are attached to this report.

HONORARY DEGREES.

The faculty presents to the Board the names of the following gentlemen for the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws,

Colonel Clark Williams, of New York and South Carolina.
 Mr. Lewis W. Haskell, Class of 1889, now U.S. Consul-General at Zurich, Switzerland.
 Mr. F. Barron Grier, Class of 1890, attorney, Greenwood, S.C.

Also the name of Mr. Walter M. Smith, Class of 1889, civil engineer, Chicago, Ill., for the degree of Doctor of Science.

DISCIPLINE.

The discipline of the cadets during the past session has been efficiently administered by the Commandant and the military staff. An improvement in the dress and appearance of the cadets and in the police of the rooms in barracks is noted by the Commandant and attributed by him to the system of awarding merits for excellence in these particulars.

The casualties during the year amounted to 46, classified as follows:

Honorably discharged,	28
Dropped,	4
Resigned,	7
Dismissed for serious infractions of the Regulations	7

HEALTH

The general health of the Corps of Cadets during the present session has been excellent. Dr. Cathcart reports that there have been fewer illnesses and a less number of serious cases than in any previous year since he has been connected with the institution.

The facilities for the care of ordinary cases of sickness at The Citadel are complete, but in surgical cases, such as appendicitis, where extra nursing and other expenses are incurred, cadets are removed to the Infirmary at Roper Hospital. Dr. Cathcart's intimate connection with the City Hospital and the Medical College enable us to have the very valuable facilities and assistance of those institutions when they are needed.

LIBRARY

The Citadel Library is open daily from 9 A.M. to 6 P.M., except on Sunday.

Mrs. Gaillard, the librarian, has no assistant, and not only attends to the issue and return of books, and the supervision of the reading-room, but also does a great deal of work in repairing worn volumes and keeping the library in condition.

During the year, 373 books have been added to the library by gift and purchase, and the number of bound volumes now catalogued is 11,134. Also, the Government reports, which had been left at The Old Citadel, have recently been brought up and stored on the fifth floor, where they will be made accessible for reference.

CADET ACTIVITIES

ATHLETICS

During the past session, intercollegiate competitions were limited to foot-ball and basket-ball; and much more attention was given to intramural sports.

The financial condition of The Citadel Athletic Association made it necessary to curtail expenses in every possible way. During the past year or two, the attendance by the public at collegiate athletic contests has greatly diminished, so that all of the colleges in the South, except a few whose teams had made national reputations that insured adequate public financial support, have found themselves "at the end of the season" with serious deficits.

At the beginning of the present session, the deficit of The Citadel Athletic Association amounted to about \$8,000. The budget committee of the Board in Control, consisting of the Commandant, Colonel Lang, Mr. George C. Rogers, alumnus, and Captain McAlister, Director of Cadet Affairs, immediately put into effect drastic reductions in salaries of coaches, cost of supplies, and travel expenses. A campaign also was made among the alumni for contributions, and \$1,223.00 was raised from them toward paying off the deficit. The cadets also contributed over \$500.00 in addition to their athletic fees; and other funds have been made available, so that I am assured at the beginning of the next session on September 9th, the Association will be clear of debt. I wish to express my appreciation of the labors of Colonel Lang and others which have brought this about, and also the loyalty of the alumni and cadets who have helped, and of the fine spirit of the coaches who have worked faithfully at greatly reduced remuneration for their services.

Y. M. C. A.

The cadet Y.M.C.A. continues to perform a useful function in the spiritual life of the cadets in which work we are pleased to record the active assistance of the clergy and other friends in the City.

The important work of The Citadel postoffice is administered satisfactorily by the Secretary of the Association and his cadet assistants, and other indispensable services are rendered to the cadets by the organization.

FINANCES

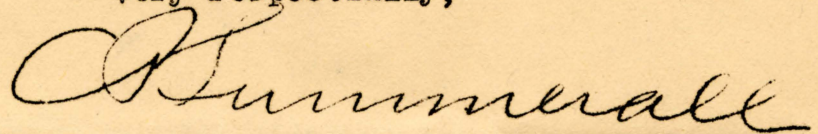
The Quartermaster's statement submitted herewith for the period ending May 1st shows the college finances to be in a satisfactory condition. The lump-sum appropriation made by the Legislature to cover not only the first six months of this year but also the new fiscal year ending June 30, 1934, will be carefully adjusted to meet the needs of the college as far as possible.

An improved system of accounting has facilitated checking all receipts and expenditures. The careful administration of the finances by Major E.M. Tiller, Quartermaster, has assured a balanced budget.

To Sergeant R.A. Schellin, U.S. Army, Retired, is due the credit for maintaining the mess, including the overhead, on the small fee for that purpose. There has been no change in the high standard of variety, preparation and service of the food.

I desire to make acknowledgment of the loyalty and efficiency of all officers, staff and employes in the performance of their various assignments during a year of peculiar hardship.

Very respectfully,



C.P. Summerall,
President.