

Charleston, S.C, June 14th, 1915.

The Commencement meeting of the Board of Visitors of the South Carolina Military College was held at the Citadel this day at 10 a.m.

Present, Col W.W.Lewis, Vice-Chairman-Col E.M.Blythe-Gen'l W.W.Moore-Hon: Thomas.M.Lyles-J.E.Swearingen-Orlando.Sheppard-D.A.Spivey-John.P.Thomas-and Col O.J.Bond, Superintendent.

Vice-Chairman Col Lewis, called the Board to order and upon convening Hon Sheppard in a few well chosen and appropriate remarks nominated Col Lewis as Chairman of the Board of Visitors, vice Col C.S.Gadsden, deceased, the motion being duly seconded and put it was unanimously adopted. In assuming the office Col Lewis responded feelingly to the remarks of Mr Sheppard, he said he highly appreciated the honor conferred upon him, the acceptance of the office was the height of his ambition and he would endeavour to discharge the duties of the office always with the view of benefiting his Alma Mater.

Death of Col.Gadsden: The Chairman upon motion appointed the following committee Gen'l Moore, Mr Sheppard, Col Blythe, and Mr Thomas, to prepare and present resolution on the death of our late Chairman, Col C.S. Gadsden, adopted.

The minutes of December 8th, 1914, were duly read and confirmed.

General leave : By request of the Board general leave was granted the Corps of Cadets this day.

Resolutions death Col Lucas: These resolutions as will appear of record on minutes of meeting December 8th, 1914, were read, adopted, and ordered spread on the minutes. The Secretary being charged with the ²⁵⁷engrossing, sending copy to family and etc. adopted.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

The Citadel, Charleston, S.C., June 14th, 1915.

To the Board of Visitors of The Citadel:

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit herewith my annual report of the affairs of the Citadel for the fiscal year now closing.

The enrolment for the year was 240, which is the second largest in the history of the institution. The casualties up to the present time number 34, of whom 3 were in the 2d class, 13 in the 3d class, and 18 in the 4th class. Of this number, 7 were honorably discharged, 4 were dropped, 5 dismissed, 1 expelled, and 17 permitted to resign. The number of casualties will probably be increased by about 20 as a result of the final examinations, and we shall graduate 44 members of the First Class so that the total loss for the year for all causes will be about a hundred. As our Freshman class usually numbers about 100, there is a probability that we may open our next session with as large an attendance as last year, unless financial conditions affect us more than last year. At the December meeting, I reported to the Board that altho we had started in September, with a deficit of over \$2,000-, we hoped by strict economy to recover during the present session. I am sorry to report that our expectations have not been realized. Our heating plant broke down in February, and altho the Chairman of the Board and myself succeeded in getting the Legislature during the very last hours of the session to make an appropriation of \$5,000- (2,500- this year, and the same amount to be provided next year) for new boiler and power house, the emergency which the breaking down of the heating plant in the dead of winter put upon us necessitated using about \$500- of our funds which we had counted on for other purposes. In the hurry of getting estimate

of the cost of building a power-house, installing new boilers, and transferring machinery, we calculated too closely, and the cost will probably exceed the \$5,000-provided by the Legislature by about \$500-. Another item of expense which we did not anticipate was the fixing up of the rifle range at Mt. Pleasant, where we went into camp from April 1st to 15th. We had hoped to take the Corps of Cadets to the Florida State Range, near Jacksonville, but could not get reasonable rates from the railroads. I am glad to report that the encampment at Mt. Pleasant, was in every way successful. Most of the time was taken up with target shooting, in which the cadets took great interest and showed in many cases commendable proficiency.

By authority of the Board, the department of Biology was introduced at the beginning of this year, and I am glad to report that the work done has been excellent and that in my opinion it is a valuable addition to our curriculum. Next year we shall probably have to add to the equipment of microscopes, instruments and material, probably costing about \$100-. During the present summer, I had planned also to make some changes in the physical laboratory and add some needed equipment which will cost about \$300-. Alike amount will have to be expended in equipment in the department of drawing, so that at the beginning of next session it is hardly probable that we shall be any better off financially than last year, although at present we are probably nearly a thousand dollars better off than we were this time last year. We will not be able, however, to make any considerable repairs in barracks as we had hoped.

The College work in all departments has been satisfactory. We have had our usual experience however of finding a considerable number of the new cadets badly prepared, and a number of them not inclined to study, which accounts for most of the casualties in that class.

The Faculty recommend the adoption of the following regulation

"Each Cadet shall be required to make at least 50% on each of the final examinations, provided, however, that he shall be given a second examination in case he fails to make the required 50% on the first one. Also, all grades shall be published in figures, and not letters!"

The annual inspection of the military department was made by Capt S. J. Bayard. Schindel of the General Staff on April 6th and 7th, while the battalion of Cadets was in camp. I expect to hear in the next week or two whether the Citadel has again been designated in the class of "Distinguished Colleges!" In this class last year were the ten follow-

ing colleges and universities:

University of California

" " Illinois

Kansas State Agricultural College

University of Minnesota

" " Missouri

Cornell University

The Citadel

The Agricultural & Mechanical College of Texas

Norwich University

Virginia Military Institute.

In this list are only three institutions of the type of the Citadel, the other two being the V.M.I. and Norwich University. The large Universities of the country are taking a great interest in military work, and with their equipment and resources are prepared to contest with us these places on the "Distinguished" list.

I respectfully make the following recommendations:

(1) That a rifle team of cadets be permitted to compete in the National Rifle Match to be held at Jacksonville, Fla in October 1915.

(2) That authority be granted to form in the battalion of cadets a company of reserve coast artillery, the commissioned officers to consist of Academic officers.

I respectfully present letters from Lieut. John. H. Woodberry, U.S.A, Mrs M.H. Calhoun, and Mr Chas. T. Smith, Jr. for the action of the Board.
(signed) O.J. Bond, Superintendent

Mark on Final Examination: "Each cadet shall be required to make at least 50% on each of the final examinations, provided, however, that he shall be given a second examination in case he fails to make the required 50% on the first one. Also, all grades shall be published in figures, and not letters. adopted.

Woodbury request for Degree: The B.S. degree is given by this Institution to Graduates, and the C.E. degree to the Alumni, no authority to grant request of Mr Woodberry, account of his not being a graduate. adopted

Case of Cadet Calhoun: This cadet was honorably discharged at his own request. adopted.

Oratorical Contest: Request was made for the Citadel to participate with Clemson College and the South Carolina University annually in such a contest. adopted.

Summer Uniform: Commandant recommended White Jacket instead of Mess Jacket, the change was thought inexpedient at this time, and the recommendation was not approved. adopted.

Cadet Lucius: Superintendent was instructed to inform father of Cadet that permit to retire will be allowed only on payment of the dues prescribed by the regulations. He being notified within ten days from April 1st, he could have been dismissed. adopted.

Executive Committee: Mr Jno. P. Thomas, was nominated and unanimously elected a member of the Executive Committee, vice C. S. Gadsden, adopted.

Committee Appointments: The Chairman by authority authorized, created, and appointed the following committees

- Executives*
FINANCE COMMITTEE: *E. M. Blythe* ~~Ed. Lucius~~ - Mr Sheppard - Mr Thomas -
Finance " *TH not appointed* -
- MILITARY COMMITTEE:** Gen'l. W. W. Moore, Col. E. M. Blythe, Col. O. J. Bond.
Not yet appointed -
- BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE:** ~~Hon. Orlando Sheppard, J. E. Swearingen, Col:~~
Not yet appointed -
 D. A. Spivey and Col. O. J. Bond.
- CURRICULUM & SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:** Sheppard, Swearingen, Spivey & Bond -
 the Superintendent to be ex-officio a member of each Committee.

Rifle Team: Request to organize a rifle team and bring back a team of cadets before expiration of their leave to practice on the range was referred to Superintendent. adopted.

National Guard Rifle Match: That a rifle team of cadets be permitted to compete in the National Rifle Match to be held at Jacksonville, Fla., in October 1915, and that an appropriation of \$200 be made for this purpose if so much be necessary. Gen'l Moore remarked that unless they reflect credit to the institution they need not be sent. Superintendent was requested to communicate with Ass't Secretary of War, about the suggestion whether the government would pay the expenses to Jacksonville, Fla., in October. adopted.

Reserve Coast Artillery: A committee consisting of the Adj't General, Superintendent, Chairman of the Board and Governor were appointed to look into the advisability of organizing such a company from the Corps of Cadets, period of enlistment to be 2 years. The Commanding officers to consist of Academic officers. The committee to look into the scheme of such an organization and work out the proposition in detail, with power to act. adopted.

Detail of Commandant: The Superintendent stated the detail of Lieut Gaston, had been extended until December 1915, and the subject of the selection of a successor was now in correspondence.

Hazing: After a lengthy and protracted discussion of this subject, the consensus of opinion was that the board proposed to stand by the Superintendent and Faculty in carrying out the regulations of the Institution. The recommendation to have that part of the matriculation obligation administered in the 3d class year instead of the 4th class year, after a long discussion participated in generally by the board the recommendation was withdrawn. adopted.

Election Superintendent & Faculty: The Board desires to express to the Superintendent and Faculty their sincere gratification at the work of the past session and desires to show their appreciation by placing this expression on the minutes. adopted.

Resolved: That Col. O. J. Bend, be elected to succeed himself as Superintendent, with same rank and salary. adopted

Resolved: That the present Faculty be re-elected for next ensuing year at their present salaries. adopted.

BOARD ADJOURNED UNTIL 530 p.m.

Board reconvened with the same members present at 5.30 p.m.

Detail of Commandant: The Military Committee, through the Chairman Gen'l Moore reported that they had decided that Col O. J. Bend, Superintendent, communicate with the Secretary of War and request he submit the names of three officers who in his judgement would be best suited to fill the position of commandant of Cadets, the committee to select one of the three names submitted, appointment to be effective January 1st, 1916, adopted

Graduates: The Superintendent presented the names of the following 44 graduates to receive their B.S. degree with the diplomas, viz-

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Forty-four young men will be given the degree of bachelor of science, as follows: Thomas Loryea Alexander, Ira Burton Armfield, Henry James Bailey, Thomas Beverly Baldwin, Richard Fowler Boyd, Thomas Oliver Cannon, George Albert Chalker, Thomas Pope Cheatham, George William Clement, James Washington Cooley, Augustine William Folger, Edward Judson Fraylick, Benjamin Franklin Gaines, Burmain Austin Grimbald, Claude Green Hammond, Roy David Hardy, Roy Carter Hilton, James Henry Holmes, Jr, Robert Watts Hudgens.

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Hiram Hutchison, Toney Beauregard Jackson, Bohun Baker Kinloch, Robert James Kirk, Jr, Clyde Shelley Lawrence, Joseph Wallace Marshall, Thomas Willis Martin, Robert Lee Meares, Walter Allan Moore, Jr, William Cheney Moore, James Henry Morris, Arthur Edward Nimitz, David Henry Owen, Robert Duncan Porter, Kenneth Duncan Ransom, Samuel Lafayette Reid, Robert Duryea Schroder, Robert Leon Seay, Jr, Paul Kistler Shuler, Howard Owens Speed, Robert Hunter Tarrant, Edgar Allen Terrell, Hughey Tindal, William Clifton Wallace and Guy Wilson Wilkes.

Uniforms: The Superintendent was authorized to award the contracts for uniforms without advertising for bids. adopted

S. I. A. A. Scholarship Medal: This request from the Faculty committee on Athletics, to award annually a medal to that prominent athletic cadet in Graduating class who for past four years made the best record in scholarship & etc. Referred to Committee on Curriculum for report.

The Board recessed until 10.45 a.m., June 15th, when they attended the Annual Commencement exercises in the German Artillery Hall. In the presence of the Chairman of the Board and six members, Cadet Felger delivered a very carefully prepared address on "The Higher Patriotism" and judging by the applause it was well received.

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Dr Henry N. Snyder, President of Wefferd College was the Annual orator, the distinguished speaker made a splendid address, he received marked attention and was loudly applauded at its conclusion.

The Board finally adjourned after these exercises.

Respectfully

J. E. Smith
Secretary Board Visitors

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FORTY-FOUR CADETS ARE GIVEN DEGREES

Annual Commencement of the
Citadel Held in the German
Artillery Hall

HONORS ARE ANNOUNCED

Appointments of Cadet Officers
Published After the Return
to Barracks

In the presence of a large audience, in which the gentler sex, bringing gifts for martial friends, predominated, the annual commencement of the Citadel was held yesterday morning in the German Artillery Hall. On the stage were Chairman W. W. Lewis and Messrs Orlando Sheppard, Edgeworth M. Blythe, D. A. Spivey, John P. Thomas, Thomas M. Lyles and W. W. Moore, of the board of visitors; Superintendent O. J. Bond and other members of the faculty; the Rev James H. Thayer and the members of the graduating class. Col Bond presided.

Under the command of officers about to graduate, with their band in the lead, the cadets marched from the Citadel to the hall. With military promptness, the exercises opened at 11 o'clock with a selection by the band, Mr Carl H. Metz, directing. The Rev James H. Thayer, class of 1902, made the invocation. Cadet Lieut A. W. Folger delivered an address on "The Higher Patriotism," this bringing heavy applause. Dr Henry N. Snyder, president of Wofford College, was the annual orator, the distinguished educator making a splendid address.

Presentation of Medals.

Company C, Capt Hudgens, was announced as the victor of the annual competitive company drill, and Cadet G. Nicholls as the winner of the B. H. Teague (Star of the West) medal for the best drilled cadet, these medals being presented by Gen W. W. Moore, of the board of visitors. The medal for the best-round athlete was presented to Cadet John L. Weeks by Capt John W. Moore, of the faculty. The John O. Willson ring was presented to Cadet Gaines by Major H. S. McGillivray, of the faculty. Mr Orlando Sheppard, of the board of visitors, presented the gold medal for the first-honor graduate to Cadet T. B. Jackson. O. A. Palmer was awarded a gold medal as the best marksman. Marksmen's medals to the total number of twenty-four were awarded.

Col W. W. Lewis, chairman of the board of visitors, conferred the degree of bachelor of science on forty-four cadets. It was pointed out that this was one of the largest and best classes to be graduated at the Military College.

Names of the Graduates.

1915, at 9 A. M., with the exception of the cadets named below:

The following named cadets will report at the Citadel on Saturday morning, September 18, 1915, at 9 A. M.: Cadet captains, J. Mood and W. Cothan. Cadet lieutenants, A. Cook, Anderson, C. Chalker and Claytor.

Cadet 1st sergeants, A. Nichols, Merritt.

Cadet sergeants, Savage, Rogers, Dickson, Dinkins, E. Poulnot, Chumbley, Fowler.

Cadet corporals, G. Cromer, Turner, Price, W. Mood, Larkins, Platt, Foy, N. Cromer Stroup, Bell, Bolt, W. McKittrick.

By order of Col Bond.

John W. Moore,
Captain and Adjutant.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev James H. Thayer. Mr Thayer preached the baccalaureate sermon at the Citadel Square Baptist Church Sunday morning.

Selections by the Cadet Band were well played and the band's instructor, Mr Carl H. Metz, was congratulated on the musicianly proficiency of his military musicians. With Mr Metz as host, the members of the band enjoyed an informal collation after the exercises.

Appointments and Promotions.

The exercises being completed, the battalion, minus the forty-four graduates, marched back to the Citadel, where, after an interval, the list of appointments and promotions of cadets commissioned and non-commissioned officers was published:

Headquarters of the Citadel,

Charleston, S. C., June 15, 1915.

General Orders No —: With the approval of the superintendent, the following appointments in the corps of cadets are announced:

To be cadet captains: J. Mood, Sheppard, W. Cothan, M. Gilbert.

To be cadet lieutenants: A. Gibert, Paulling, A. Cook, Anderson, Spann, C. Chalker, Claytor, Patrick, Palmer.

To be cadet lieutenant and quartermaster: Byrd, (to rank after Spann.)

To be cadet lieutenant and commissary: Brunson, (to rank after Byrd.)

To be cadet sergeant major: G. Nicholls.

To be cadet 1st sergeants: A. Nichols, Merritt, Muckenfuss, Jeter.

To be cadet quartermaster sergeant: Hope, (to rank after Green.)

To be cadet commissary sergeant: F. Poulnot, (to rank after Hope.)

To be cadet sergeants: Witsell, Green, Stevens, Lea, Holladay, J. Weeks, Savage, Switzer, Rogers, Whisenhunt, Dickson, Dinkins, E. Poulnot, Chumbley, C. Moore, Fowler.

To be color sergeant: Switzer.

To be cadet corporals: G. Cromer, Turner, Price, Doolittle, W. Mood, Larkins, Platt, Foy, N. Cromer, Stroup, Bell, Bolt, W. McKittrick, Zemp, Adickes, Cunningham, Bowers, Sparks, Waring, Way, Barshay, J. Wallis, Farmer, White, McFadden, Cordes, Gaffney.

By order of Col Bond.

John W. Moore,
Captain and Adjutant.

Headquarters of the Citadel,

Charleston, S. C., June 15, 1915.

General Orders No —:

The corps of cadets is hereby furlough until Tuesday, September 21,

CADETS TO MAKE UP ARTILLERY MILITIA

Board of Visitors Endorses the
Proposition, Empowering
the Superintendent

LIEUT GASTON TO REMAIN

Extension of His Detail to the
Citadel as Commandant

Until December 31

Enthusiastic approval of the proposed formation of a company of coast artillery militia from the members of the Citadel corps of cadets was given by the board of visitors at its annual meeting yesterday morning. Col O. J. Bond, superintendent of the Citadel, will begin an investigation of the matter in the near future, working out the details of the proposed organization, and will consult with the war department, he said last night.

The board also approved the sending of a cadet rifle team to Jacksonville in October to compete in the national rifle match on the rifle range there. Fifteen men will represent the Citadel in this match. The team will be selected from a squad of twenty-four cadets, who will report to the Citadel one week before the opening of the next term, in order to put in a week's practice on the target range at Mount Pleasant.

Gaston's Detail Extended.

The twenty-four men to compose the squad will be the twenty-four who made the highest scores in the target practice during the recent encampment at Mount Pleasant, Col Bond said. A number of excellent scores were made by the cadets, and it is believed that a team of fifteen men can be selected that will give other organizations in the country a close race for the highest honors in the national competition.

It was announced at the board meeting that President Wilson had issued an order extending the detail of Lieut Jesse Gaston, U. S. A., commandant of cadets, until December 31 of this year. Col Gaston has been connected with the Citadel the last three years, and such authority was necessary for him to be permitted to exceed that period of service.

Col Bond sounded the board upon the matter of the Citadel entering a triangular debating contest, the two other members of the contest to be Clemson College and the University of South Carolina, and he met with no objections to the proposition.

Splendid Health Record.

Routine business was disposed of by the board during its session. All members of the faculty were re-elected. The report of Col Bond as superintendent, covering the course of affairs at the institution during the last term, was read, and found very satisfactory.

Much pride was manifested in the part of the report showing that the health record of the institution was last year the best for a considerable number of years.

It was reported to the board that the new department of biology, incorporated in the curriculum of the Citadel as an elective course, had met with much success, and that it would be continued, and extended as conditions warrant.

In the afternoon the board of visitors reviewed the cadet battalion and witnessed the final parade of the year on Marion square.

CLOSING EXERCISES OF THE CITADEL TO-DAY

Programme to be Carried Out in the German Artillery Hall This Morning

The grand finale of the commencement exercises of the Citadel, which have been in progress since Friday, will be held in the German Artillery Hall, on Wentworth street, at 11 o'clock, when the third largest class of students, in the history of the institution will be graduated. Diplomas will be awarded to forty-four young men who have completed the prescribed course of study.

Dr Henry Nelson Snyder, president of Wofford College in Spartanburg, will deliver the graduating address. Members of the board of visitors will participate in the exercises and Col Bond will make certain announcements in addition to presiding over the exercises.

The individual competitive drill, for the Star of the West Medal, was held yesterday afternoon on Marion square. Announcement of the winner was withheld until the closing exercises to-day. Following the drill, the cadet battalion passed in review before the board of visitors, after which the final parade of the year was held.

The company competitive drills were held Friday, and the announcement of the winner of this contest will be made to-day.

Last night the commencement hop of the cadet corps was held at the Isle of Palms. A large part of the students escorted their girl friends to the Island resort and they spent several pleasant hours in the terpsichorean pastime.

The winners of various medals, for athletics, scholarship and other lines of cadet endeavor, will be announced to-day, and the medals will be presented to the winners.

The members of the graduating class are: Thomas Loryea Alexander, Ira Burton Armfield, Henry James Bailey, Thomas Beverly Baldwin, Richard Fowler Boyd, Thomas Oliver Cannon, George Albert Chalker, Jr, Thomas Pope Cheatham, George William Clement, James Washington Cooley, Augustine William Folger, Edward Judson Fraylick, Benjamin Franklin Gaines, Burmain Austin Grimball, Claude Green Hammond, Roy David Hardy, Roy Carter Hilton, James Henry Holmes, Jr, Robert Watts Hudgens, Hiram Hutchinson, Toney Beauregard Jackson,, Bohun Baker Kinloch, Robert James Kirk, Jr, Cyde Shelley Lawrence, Joseph Wallace Marshall, Thomas Willis Martin, Robert Lee Meares, Walter Allan Moore, Jr, William Cheney Moore, James Henry Morris, Arthur Edward Nimitz, David Henry Owen, Robert Duncan Porter, Kenneth Duncan Ramson, Samuel Lafayette Reid, Robert Duryea Schroder, Robert Leon Seay, Jr, Paul Kistler Shuler, Howard Owens Speed, Robert Hunter Tarrant, Edgar Allen Terrell, Hughy Tindal, William Clifton Wallace and Guy Wilson Wilkes.

After the return of the cadets from the German Artillery Hall the final orders of the session, providing for a summer furlough for the students and making the appointments and assignments of cadet officers for next year will be published.

LARGE CADET CLASS WILL BE GRADUATED

Forty-four Young Men Will Get
the Degree of Bachelor of
Science June 15

PROGRAMME OF EXERCISES

Annual Address by Dr Snyder
and Baccalaureate Sermon
by Rev J. B. Thayer

Commencement exercises of the Citadel will begin on the afternoon of Friday, June 11, with a competitive company drill and a dress parade. That night at 8 o'clock in the reading room at the Citadel the Citadel Club, of Charleston, will hold its semi-annual meeting.

Sunday morning, June 13, at 11.30 o'clock, the baccalaureate sermon will be preached by the Rev James B. Thayer, class of '02, at the Citadel Square Baptist Church. Monday afternoon, June 14, the individual competitive drill for the B. H. Teague (Star of the West) medal will take place on Marion square. After this drill, the final review and dress parade of the year will be held.

Tuesday morning, June 15, in the German Artillery Hall, at 11 o'clock, the commencement exercises will be held. The address will be delivered by Dr Henry N. Snyder, president of Wofford College. Tuesday night the annual reunion of the Citadel alumni will be held, a collation to be served in the cadet mess hall under the supervision of Capt Henry E. Raines, Citadel quartermaster.

The commencement hop will be held Friday night, June 11, according to the programme. Thursday night the members of the senior class were guests of Mr and Mrs James H. Holmes at dinner. Mr James H. Holmes, Jr, is a member of the class and senior captain of the corps of cadets.

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CITADEL PROGRAM COMMENCEMENT

Forty-four Cadets to Re-
ceive Degrees at German
Artillery Hall

Commencement exercise of the Citadel will be held this year June 11 to 15. The ceremonies will terminate on the morning of June 15, when degrees will be awarded 44 young men at the German Artillery Hall. The commencement address will be delivered by the eloquent president of Wofford College, Dr. Henry N. Snyder.

The inaugural feature of commencement week will be the competitive company drill and dress parade on Friday of next week, June 11. The individual competitive drill and final dress parade will occur on Monday afternoon, June 14.

Baccalaureate Sermon

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered on Sunday, June 13, at the Citadel Square Baptist Church, by the Rev. J. H. Thayer, of the class of 1902. The baccalaureate service will commence at 11:30 a. m.

The program of exercises and list of graduates included in the particularly attractive invitations that have been issued by the faculty and graduating class is as follows:

Program

Friday afternoon, June 11, competitive company drill; dress parade.

Sunday morning, June 13, 11:30 o'clock, baccalaureate sermon by Rev. J. H. Thayer, class of 1902, at the Citadel Square Baptist Church.

Monday afternoon, June 14, individual competitive drill; final dress parade.

Tuesday morning, June 15, 11 o'clock, commencement address by Dr. Henry N. Snyder, at the German Artillery Hall.

Charleston, S.C., September 27th, 1915.

A Special Joint meeting of the Executive Committee and the Curriculum and Scholarship Committee of the Board of Visitors of the South Carolina Military College, was held at the Citadel at 3 p.m., this day.

Present-Hon: Orlando Sheppard, Hon: J.E. Swearingen, Col: D.A. Spivey, Mr Jno. P. Thomas, Col: O.J. Bond, and by invitation Mr J. Walter James, and Mr C.N. Muldrow.

The meeting was called to consider a protest in awarding the Beneficiary scholarship in Darlington County and other matters.

Beneficiary Scholarship, Williamsburg County:

This vacancy having occurred after the regular examinations had been concluded, the Committee awarded the scholarship for 4 years to William Edward Hurt, of this County. adopted.

Scholarship City of Charleston:

One of the successful applicants for this scholarship having failed to pass his physical examination, it was awarded to J.T. Witsell, the next highest applicant. adopted.

Beneficiary Scholarship Jasper County:

The Committee awarded this scholarship of 4 years to Paul H. McCleary. adopted.

Beneficiary Scholarship Berkley County:

This scholarship was awarded A.H. DeHay, he having failed by a small margin to pass to the third class last year, and there being no other applicant from this County, he was appointed for three years, entering the third class. adopted.

Beneficiary Scholarship, Darlington County:

This was a protest from Mr C.N. Muldrow, of the action of the Committee in giving the appointment to W.E. James, on account of his father being sufficiently able to pay for his tuition. After hearing statements from Mr J. Walter James, why the committee should award the scholarship to his son and Mr Muldrow contra. The Joint Committee confirmed the action of the Scholarship Committee in awarding the scholarship to W.E. James, and dismissed the protest. Chairman Sheppard announced the decision of the Committee in a few timely and well chosen words.

The Committee adjourned at 4/30 p.m.

Respectfully

J.E. Smith
Secretary.

The Annual meeting of the Board of Visitors of the South Carolina Military College was held at the Citadel, this morning at 10 o'clock, a.m., after an inspection of the Corps by the Board.

Present, Col. W. W. Lewis, Chairman, and Governor Manning, Col Blythe, General Moore, Col Spivey, Hon Sheppard, Swearingen, Laney, Thomas and Col Bond, Supt.

Upon motion of Mr Swearingen, the legislative committee consisting of Senator Williams and Representatives Sanders and Carter were invited to be present during the deliberations of the Board and they accepted.

The minutes of the Commencement meeting of June 14th and Special Joint Committee meeting of September 27th, 1915, were read and confirmed.

Resolutions death Col C. S. Gadsden:

The Committee appointed to prepare and present resolutions on the death of our late Chairman C. S. Gadsden, of which Gen'l Moore, was Chairman made the following report which was unanimously adopted and ordered spread on the minutes and a copy sent to the family.

"The death of the Chairman of this Board at the beginning of the present year not only calls for an expression of appreciation of his services, but leads to a contemplation of the character of the man and the influence which he exerted in the development of the Institution with which he was so long connected.

Only twice in the long history of the Citadel has the Board been called upon to pay tribute to the memory of a deceased Chairman. Gen Johnson Hagedorn died on January 4, 1898. Maj C. S. Gadsden, his successor, died on January 11th, 1915.

South Carolina Military Institute

In the ante-bellum period of the Citadel's history, Gen. James Jones, occupied the chair of the Board from the foundation of the Institution in 1842 until its close in February, 1865, when he resigned. It is true that Gen R. J. Davant was appointed to succeed Gen. Jones, but the hopelessness of re-opening the Institution was seen apparent, and the Board dissolved in December, 1865. It is also true that a Board in succession to this was appointed by Gov. Orr, but it never had occasion to exercise its functions.

The whole history of the State Military College up to the present year is, therefore, comprised under the administration of three Chairmen, all notable men of the State, and the last two distinguished sons of the Institution over whose affairs they presided.

Christopher Schulz Gadsden, was born in Summerville, S.C., the son of Rev. Philip and Susan B. Gadsden. Under the careful training of his father, who combined the work of teaching with his pastoral duties, he was prepared at the early age of fourteen and a half years to enter the Arsenal Academy at Columbia, where his studious habits and native ability won him the distinction of being the first although the youngest member of his class. In January, 1850, he was transferred with seventeen classmates to the Citadel, and the records show that at the end of his third year, in spite of his youthfulness, he held the highest military rank in his class, - First-Sergeant, - a fact which speaks well for the seriousness and trustworthiness of the young man. There are alumni of the Citadel still living who were Cadets at the Citadel when C. S. Gadsden, was a senior, who testify to his high qualities of character as a Cadet. It was common in the Corps in these days for Cadets to say, "Look out. Gadsden is O.D. to-day", which meant that the young officer had a strict regard for duty, a characteristic of the man through all the years of a long life.

In his class, some of his more mature companions outstripped him, and in his junior year he stood eleventh in a class of twenty. It is worthy of note, however, that this year he stood third in the department of mathematics, showing the bent which later determined the occupation which he

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would pursue throughout his life.

He was graduated in November, 1852, standing fifth in a class of nineteen and a few weeks afterwards he began his career as a civil engineer with the New Orleans, Jackson, and Great Northern Railway. For the next eight years, he followed the work of railroad construction, laying the foundation for his later work of railroad operation, which he was to continue till his death.

When Mr Gadsden was engaged in building railroads, the great transportation systems of the present day were un-dreamed of. At that time, when his principal work was that of the location and construction of the Charleston and Savannah Railroad, he probably had little idea that he was assisting in forging one of the links in what was to be one of the great railroad systems of the country, and that his personal career was to be identified with it for more than half a century.

Before attaining the age of 26, that is, in 1850, he was appointed Chief Engineer of the Port Royal Railroad, and was engaged in the construction of this road when war between the States broke out. In that great struggle in which six of his class-mates gave up their lives for the Confederacy, Mr Gadsden felt that his military training should be placed at the service of his country, and he was elected Major of South Carolina State troops for service on the Coast. But the value of the railroad in the defense of low-Carolina was so apparent that he was shortly recalled to resume the work of its construction.

For two years after the War, Maj Gadsden's ~~was engaged as Engineer in~~ ~~long career as a railroad~~ the reconstruction of the Charleston and Savannah Railroad, and in 1867 was made Superintendent of this road, a position which he filled for 34 years. In 1901, he was made Vice-president, and a little later President of this road, and upon its absorption into the Atlantic Coast Line, he became Second Vice-president of the whole system, a position which he occupied at the time of his death.

Such, in brief, is the record of Maj. Gadsden's long career as a railroad man. In his mature years, he found time amidst the duties of his position to give to the service of his City and State. For these twelve years he was a useful member of the City Council of Charleston; he was an ~~an~~ esteemed member of Grace (Episcopal) church and an active member of its vestry for many years; and he took a prominent part in many civic activities and social organizations.

Maj. Gadsden married May 9th, 1861, Miss F. J. Merrall, of Beaufort, S. C., who with four children, George M. Gadsden, of Savannah, Philip H. Gadsden, Mrs. Richard B. Smyth, and Mrs. Dewar. Garden, of Charleston, survive him. For years before his death, he lived mostly at his Summerville home, and it was here in the village of his birth, that at the ripe age of four score years he fell asleep.

Personally, Maj. Gadsden, gave the impression of austerity rather than approachableness. The strict observance of duty which distinguished him as a cadet, was characteristic of him through life, and in his administrative duties he expected the employes under him to show the same spirit of fidelity. But there is abundant testimony that his was really a kindly spirit, and that much light humor lay behind the natural dignity of his bearing.

Major Gadsden was appointed a member of the Board of Visitors by Gov. Thompson January 29th, 1886, in place of Gen. C. I. Walker, who resigned. In this first year of his service, he was called on to assume large responsibilities, for, being the only member of the Board resident in Charleston, the damage done to the Citadel buildings by the earth quake of that year, and the political situation in the State in which a serious opposition to the Institution was making itself heard, threw a burden of work upon him which required the exercise of all the energy and influence that he possessed.

By reason of his intimate knowledge of the affairs of the Citadel, his forceful character, and of his prominence in various public activities,

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Maj Gadsden was recognized as one of the most influential members of the Board from the time of his election, and when Gen. Hagedorn died in 1898, the mantle of the Chairmanship logically fell on his shoulders.

In the first year of his chairmanship, the Board was called on to meet one of its most serious problems in what is remembered as the "rebellion" of 1898! The resolute stand of the Board at that time unquestionably saved the Institution as a school of discipline, and established its reputation in the State. It took several years to recover from the blow, but Maj Gadsden lived to see it grow in size to double its former proportions, to see its reputation extend far beyond the borders of South Carolina, to see the political opposition to it dissipate and die out and to see it securely established in the regard and affection of the people of the State. Just a few weeks before his death, he expressed satisfaction that now that he began to feel the infirmities of age coming on him he could leave the Institution which he had served so long safely entered on its career of usefulness, with no cloud upon the horizon.

We, his colleagues on the Board, desiring to place on record our high appreciation of his character, our recognition of the important services which he rendered the Military College through many years, and our deep sense of the loss we have sustained in his death, hereby-

Resolved: That a page in our Minute book be inscribed to his memory, and that the above inadequate sketch of his life be recorded in the archives of the Board.

(Signed) E.W. Moore, Chairman

Orlando Sheppard, Committee

E.M. Blythe "

John P. Thomas "

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General leave to the Corps: A motion was made and seconded by Governor Manning, that leave be granted the Corps of Cadets until 4 o'clock when they were to be inspected by Governor Manning and Governor Stuart of Va., adopted.

Reserve Coast Artillery: Col Bond, for this committee reported progress, he further said they were awaiting action of the War Department? Gen'l Moore stated he thought the War Department advocated the organization of the Company. adopted.

New Commandant: The Superintendent reported the detail by the War Department of Lieutenant Enoch B. Garey, 18th Infantry, as Commandant of Cadets, effective January 1st, 1916. a motion was then made to request the Governor to commission Lieut Garey as Lieut Col on his staff. adopted.

Col. Gasten:- A vote in the form of a resolution expressing the high appreciation of the Board of the services of Lieut Col Gasten as Commandant of cadets was unanimously adopted. After the inspection of the Corps by Govr Manning and Stuart of Va, the Chairman in the presence of the Corps, in an appropriate and inspiring address told Col Gasten of the high appreciation the board entertained for him as Commandant, and the good service he had rendered the Corps and the Institution.

Report of Superintendent:

To the Board of Visitors of the Citadel:-

Gentlemen:

The new session opened on Sept 18th with the enrolment of 105 new cadets, making a total of 250 cadets in the Corps. This is a very satisfactory showing, exceeding last year's enrolment by ten.

Among the new cadets are representatives from California, Idaho, North Dakota, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio, besides our neighboring Southern States from which we receive every year a number of recruits.

It is the opinion of the officers who teach the fourth class that the scholarship qualifications of the new class are above the average, and it is hoped that the casualties due to failure in studies will not be so heavy

this year as usual, in which case we may look for a steady growth in the size of the Corps.

It is the recommendation of the faculty that the Board approve the raising of the requirements for admission next year to eleven High School units to conform to the approved plan of the Association of State Colleges.

The military work of the Institution has been kept at its high standard. I wish particularly at this time to commend the services which have been rendered in this department by Lieut. Jesse Gasten, whose detail expires at the end of this month. For over three years he has been in charge of the military work, in which he has shown initiative, zeal, efficiency, and interest and I think it is but giving him due credit to state that it is to his efforts that the high standard of military excellence of the Citadel has been preserved.

Although notified last summer of the action of the Board requesting a renewal of the detail of Commandant, the War Department has but very recently taken up the matter. I was notified by the Chief of Staff on December 6th, that First Lieut. Enoch B. Garey, 18th Infantry, would be detailed, his term to January 1st, 1916. At my request, Lieut. Garey, will report to the Citadel on the 20th Inst, so that he can learn the general scope of his duties and some of the details of the office before Lieut. Gasten retires.

Among the measures to be considered by Congress concerning "Preparedness", will be some bills of particular interest to the Citadel. How soon, however, and in what final form these measures will be passed, is so uncertain, that it is hardly worth while for the Board to give consideration to the matter at this time.

The financial report of the Quartermaster is submitted herewith. It shows that our condition is as satisfactory as at this time last year, and if the appropriation asked for is granted by the Legislature, we hope at the end of the year, if nothing untoward happens, to show a clean balance sheet. It is

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evident, however, that we are working on a small margin, and that with a few thousand dollars more a year we could do much for the improvement of the Institution.

I should like to have the Board consider again the Athletic regulations with a view of making any changes which they may consider proper.

I would also recommend the application for a supply of harness for the two field pieces, and an occasional drill with horses.

Respectfully,

(signed) O.J. Bend.

Superintendent.

Entrance admission: The recommendation of the Faculty that the entrance examinations be raised from IO to II High school units, otherwise an open examination next year, to conform to the approved plan of the Association of State Colleges, who admit on certificate of II units, was adopted.

Labratory increase: Recommendation of Prof Physics, giving an itemized statement of labratory material needed amounting to \$2850- was freely discussed and finally it was agreed that the annual budget be increased this amount and that request be made to the legislature for \$2,000- additional for necessary equipment in the various departments. adopted.

Christmas Furlough: Leave was granted the Corps from night of December 23d, to 9 a.m., January 4th, 1916. adopted.

Base Ball Team: It was ordered that the Superintendent make suitable expression to the Corps of Cadets complimenting them on the standing of the team, being new State champions, also referring to the very gentlemanly way they have conducted themselves in the conduct of all these games. adopted.

Athletics: Paragraph 4 on page 135 of the Minute book was amended to read "The Football team will be allowed to play four games outside of Charleston, during the season, on Saturdays, Fair week, and Thanksgiving day.

The regulations of the Baseball team stand as at present, also that the time and place of the games of Basket ball be left to Athletic Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND

RECEIPTS.

Balance Cash January 1, 1915,.....	\$ 170.15
Board of Visitors Beneficiary Fund.....	32,083.26
Board of Visitors Pay Fund,.....	40,038.00
Charleston City Fund,.....	1,500.00
Special Appropriation for Band Instruments,.....	1,000.00
" " Boiler House (One-half \$5,000)	2,500.00
Quartermaster's Sales (Including Book Fees & Breakage).	2,204.58
Interest on Deposits.....	115.32
Proceeds Note Carolina Savings Bank,.....	2,992.43
Insurance,.....	145.50
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	\$ 82,799.24

EXPENDITURES, THE CITADEL, JANUARY 1st, 1915 to NOVEMBER 30th, 1915.

EXPENDITURES.

January, 1915, Paid as per Vouchers audited Aug. 3, 1915, \$	9,205.95
February, " " " " " " " " " "	7,023.43
March, " " " " " " " " " "	7,509.33
April, " " " " " " " " " "	10,389.63
May, " " " " " " " " " "	6,105.63
June, " " " " " " " " " "	7,780.01
July, " " " " " " " " " " Nov. 26, 1915,	5,862.15
August, " " " " " " " " " "	3,214.71
September, " " " " " " " " " "	7,209.53
October, " " " " " " " " " "	9,132.05
November, " " " " " " " " " " herewith,	8,380.87
Cash Balance November 30, 1915,.....	985.85
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	\$ 82,799.24

Recapitulation.

Salaries,.....	\$ 21,285.06
Subsistence,.....	19,814.84
Clothing,.....	11,908.33
Quartermaster's Sales,...	2,506.26
Administration,.....	6,806.62
Property,.....	582.50
Repairs,.....	5,004.79
Heat, Light and Water,...	4,293.93
Laundry,.....	1,198.93
Hospital,.....	1,734.57
Departments,.....	673.02
Spec. Approp. New Boiler	
House,.....	6,004.54
Balance November 30, 1915,	985.85
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	\$ 82,799.24

Respectfully
J. C. Smith
Secretary