

Columbia, S.C., March 28, 1916.

A Special meeting of the Board of Visitors of the South Carolina Military College was called to meet in the office of Governor Manning, this day at 12 o'clock Midday.

Present: Govr Manning, Col Sheppard, Col Spivey, Col Blythe, Mr Thomas, Mr Lyles and Mr Hammond. J.H.

Upon motion Governor Manning was elected temporary Chairman and called the meeting to order. After stating the object of the meeting, Col Blythe in a few well chosen and complimentary remarks nominated Col Sheppard as Chairman of the Board in succession to Col W.W. Lewis, who failed of re-election by the State Legislature. Col Sheppard was unanimously elected.

In acknowledging the honor conferred on him by the above action, Col Sheppard said in part "every pulsation of my heart beats for the welfare of the Citadel. My conception of the duties and responsibilities weight heavily on me. My idea and desire is to do every thing in my power for the up-lift of my Almer mater, and I hope with your assistance I can be useful in making the Institution what it should be"

The Chairman appointed the Executive Committee as follows-Sheppard, Thomas, Blythe. All other committees remain as at present.

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Col Bond, Superintendent, was here invited to a seat and asked if he had any matters he desired the Board to consider. He spoke about legislation in Washington on the McKeller bill, also the standard of entrance examinations, the latter he thought rather high, both subjects were informally discussed without action.

Col Sheppard spoke of the valuable and acceptable services rendered the board by Col Lewis the late Chairman, and appointed Col Spivey, Col Blythe, and Mr Thomas, a Committee to prepare and present suitable resolutions at the next meeting of the Board.

Mr Hammond spoke of the obligations assumed by Beneficiary cadets, he proposed to abolish these obligations or adopt some substitute if he was re-elected to the next legislature.

No further business appearing the board adjourned at one o'clock p.m.

J. E. Smith
Secretary.

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Charleston, S.C, June 14th, 1916.

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

Present-Col Sheppard, Chairman, and Messrs Spivey-Blythe-Thomas-Lyles-Hammond-Swearingen-Moore and Col Bond, Superintendent.

Col Sheppard expressed his appreciation of the high honor conferred in electing him Chairman, he would do the best he could to fill the position worthily and desired the hearty co-operation of the members in all efforts to up build the College.

The minutes of the Regular meeting of December 14th, 1915, and the Special meeting of March 2d, 1916, were read and confirmed.

The report of the Superintendent was then read as follows and ordered spread on the minutes.

To the Board of Visitors of The Citadel:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith my annual report as Supt.

I am glad to be able to state that we are just completing a most successful year. The Academic work has been good, the military work has been of a high order, the health of the corps has been excellent, and we believe that the immediate future of the institution is full of promise of greater usefulness and a larger success.

The Academic Board respectfully presents the thirty one members of the First class to the Board of Visitors with the recommendation that they receive the diploma of the institution. It also recommends that the degree of Civil Engineer be awarded to Mr J.W.Martin, of the class of 1905, who has met the requirements for the degree.

The military work during the past year has been of a high order, and I cannot commend too highly the zeal, energy, and efficiency of the new Commandant of Cadets, Lieut. E.B. Carey. He has been untiring in his efforts to improve not only the military department, but to aid in making the discipline class-room work, and other departments more effective.

I received a few days ago a telegram from the Adjutant General of the Army that as a result of the inspection by the War Department the Citadel was again designated for this year a distinguished military college, and entitled to nominate an honor graduate for a commission in the U.S. Army. The Commandant and I agreed to recommend Cadet Captain Francis W. Sheppard, whose name has, accordingly, been forwarded to the Adjutant-General.

The following recommendations have been made by the Academic Board after careful consideration.

1. That a reorganization of the course of studies, beginning with the Second Class, be authorized by the Board so as to permit a standardization of our work with that of other colleges, and the allowance of a greater latitude in electives to the cadets, and a more thorough course in certain departments.
- 2: That the requirements for admission be fourteen units of high school work with an allowance of two conditions to be renewed the first year. The object of this is to conform to the requirements of the Association of State Colleges, of which the Citadel is a member.

I also recommend that the Board have a measure introduced into the next Legislature to change the time of our scholarship examinations from the second Friday in August to the Second Friday in July.

I would also recommend that the official designation of the classes at the Citadel be changed from the numerical nomenclature to the ordinary college names, -freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior.

The professor of Chemistry recommends that students taking laboratory courses in his department be required to pay fees sufficient to cover the cost of materials used up. I concur in this recommendation.

In view of the fact that it is the purpose of recent action by the Legislature to require all students at the colleges of the State to pay tuition, when financially able to do so, I recommend to the Board that the Superintendent be directed by the Board to notify the city authorities of Charleston that this provision will apply to the city beneficiaries, or that the number of City scholarships will be reduced from six to five.

About six weeks ago, Cadet Coleman, beneficiary cadet from Greenwood County, was accidentally severely injured, and has not been able to resume his studies at the present time. Cadet Coleman was duringg doing very satisfactory work, and I recommend to the Board that he be permitted to return next year and join his class under such reasonable conditions as may be imposed upon him by the Academic Board.

I have to report that the financial condition of the institution is in most respects satisfactory, but that the Quartermaster finds it very difficult to make ends meet. It has been necessary to expend some considerable sums to fit up departments and meet the increasing cost of maintaining the institution.

At the annual meeting of the Board in December next I shall have some recommendations to make regarding the appropriation which the Legislature will be asked to make for maintenance.

All fees from pay cadets have been collected except the last instalment of Cadet McCully. It has been impossible for both the Quartermaster and myself to get Mr McCully to pay these fees. I recommend that the Superintendent be directed to notify Mr McCully that if these fees are not promptly paid, his son will be dismissed for non-payment of fees.

I also recommend that the Board instruct the Superintendent to suspend ~~###~~ cadets, when the fees have not been paid within ten days of the time due, proper notice having in all cases been sent by the Quartermaster.

There are a number of matters affecting the Citadel in the new Army Bill which has recently been passed by Congress. As soon as these matters are in definite shape, I shall present such of them as need immediate action to the Chairman. I should like to ask now for the official approval of the Board to organize units of Reserve Officer's Training Corps in the Corps of Cadets next year. Also to get such quartermaster stores and military equipment as will be needed next year, and also to apply for the detail of a non-commissioned Army officer for duty at the Citadel. These are matters which it may be necessary to act on before your next meeting.

I recommend that the salary of Lieut. Guthrie, assistant professor of physics, be raised from \$1.000-a year to \$1.200-a year, the same as that given to the assistant in other departments.

I also ask authority to send the cadet rifle team to Winthrop, Va. for instruction this summer, the cadets to arrange for paying their own expenses.

Also to send the team to Jacksonville in October to engage in the National Rifle Match, and that an appropriation of \$400-be made to defray the necessary expenses.

In view of the increased cost of so many articles provided for cadets, the fees charged pay cadets are insufficient to cover the actual cost of maintaining them. The allowance of \$62.00 for clothing the first year is hardly sufficient to cover the cost of uniforms and parents have to supplement this amount for shoes and under clothes. After a cadet's first year, however, it is our experience that \$50. would be sufficient to cover the cost of uniforms,

and I recommend that the maximum allowance be placed at that amount after after the first year, and that this allowance, if not expended for clothing, or the items chargeable to this account, it be not refundable to cadets in cash, as has been the custom heretofore.

I respectfully recommend to the Board the substitution for the matriculation promise as now required by the Regulations, of a simpler form, as a suggestion, I would submit something like the following-

"I hereby engage to serve as cadet in the Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina until graduation or until I shall be discharged by proper authority, and I promise to support loyally the constituted authorities thereof while I remain a member of the Corps of Cadets."

I respectfully present for the consideration of the Board the report of the Commandant, the Surgeon, and several of the professors.

Respectfully submitted

(signed) O.J. Bend. Superintendent.

After reading the report of the Superintendent the several recommendations made were taken up in detail and acted upon as follows-

GRADUATES: It was moved that the diplomas of the College be given to the 31 cadets of the Graduating Class. adopted.

James Tillinghast Moore, Oren Allston Palmer, George Anthony Patrick; Trentlyn Dudley Paulling, Paul Cooper Pearson, Carl Reah Perkins, George Byrd Reynolds, Francis Wilkerson Sheppard, Francis Johnstone Simons, Wilson McKay Spann, Avritte Rufus Temple and George Hampton Yarborough, Jr. 288

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The following cadets are members of the graduating class: James Anderson, Ellison Smythe Blake, James Karl Bolton, William Miller Bouknight, Robert Cummings Brunson, William Carl Byrd, (Charles William Chalker, Edward McCrady Claytor, Andrew Annan Cook, Horace Crane Cooper, Thomas Perrin Cothran, Jr, James McMakin Gilbert, John Albert Gibert; William Capers James, Charles Francis Kilgus, John Hancock Lafitte, David Henry Laird, Julius Andrew Mood, Jr.

DEGREE CIVIL ENGINEER: This degree was recommended by the Academic Board to be awarded to J.W. Martin, class of 1905, ^{also} and Col: T.B. Ferguson, class 1861, ^{also} that the latter ^{was} be granted his diploma. adopted.

HONOR GRADUATE FOR COMMISSION U.S. ARMY: The Superintendent and Commandant of Cadets agreed to recommend Cadet Captain Francis W. Sheppard, for appointment as a Commissioned officer in the U.S. Army. adopted.

COURSE OF STUDIES: The recommendation of the Academic Board that a reorganization of the course of studies be authorized by the Board so as to allow of a greater latitude in electives to cadets of the Second class, adopted. 2d. That admission requirements be 14 units as a maximum and 12 a minimum, the above was agreed to conditionally upon strict enforcement by all other colleges, and discretionary with the Superintendent to use it this year. adopted.

EXAMINATION BENEFICIARIES: The recommendation that the Legislature change the time for the scholarship examinations from second Friday in August to second Friday in July. adopted.

OFFICIAL DESIGNATION CLASSES: This recommendation that classes be changed to ordinary college names, as freshman & etc, was rejected.

CHEMISTRY LABORATORY COURSES: Recommended that students taking these courses be required to pay fees sufficient to cover cost of material used. adopted.

CITY BENEFICIARIES: Account of recent action by Legislature to require all ## students when financially able to pay tuition the Superintendent was authorized to write Charleston City authorities that this law applies to the City beneficiaries or that the number of scholarships will be reduced from six to five. adopted.

CASE CADET COLEMAN: Not being able to continue his studies account of severe accidental injuries this cadet upon recommendation of the Academic Board will be permitted to return and join his class under such reasonable conditions as may be imposed. adopted.

CASE CADET McCULLY: Account of the nonpayment of the last instalment of fees due by this cadet, the Superintendent was directed to write the parent, that unless these dues were paid promptly the cadet would be discharged. adopted.

FINANCIES: Superintendent reported the financial condition of the institution in most respects were satisfactory, altho the Quartermaster finds it very difficult to make ends meet. as information.

UNPAID FEES: Upon proper notice by Quartermaster, when cadets fail to pay fees within ten days the Superintendent was instructed to suspend them. adopted.

RESERVE OFFICER'S TRAINING CORPS: Assent was given to organize a detail of non commission ^{officers} ~~officers~~ for service in the State organizations as officers in Reserve Corps, under conditions as recommended by Superintendent. adopted.

LIEUT GUTHRIE: The salary of this officer as Ass't Professor Physics, was increased from \$1.000- to \$1.200-per year. adopted.

CAPTAIN'S MOORE AND RAINES: These officers salaries were raised \$300-per year, making the total \$1.800-, and they were also given the rank of Major, account of faithful and very efficient services rendered for past 10 years. ^{adopted.}

RIFLE TEAM, WINTHROP, VA: Authority was granted Superintendent, to send Cadet rifle team for instruction this summer to Winthrop, Va, without expense to this college. adopted.

NATIONAL RIFLE MATCH: The recommendation of the Superintendent to send a team to the National Rifle Match to be held at Jacksonville, Fla., October 1916, and that an appropriation of \$4000 be made if so much be necessary to defray expenses was adopted.

CLOTHING ACCOUNT: As recommended by Superintendent the maximum allowance for clothing was placed at \$62. first year and \$50. there-after, and that no cash on this account be refunded cadets. adopted.

HONOR MARK SYSTEM: The Superintendent suggested a new matriculation premise ~~was suggested by~~ ^{as follows:} "I hereby engage to serve as a cadet in the Citadel, The Military College of South Carolina, until graduation or until I shall be discharged by proper authority, and I promise to support loyally the constituted authorities thereof while I remain a member of the ~~Corps~~ Corps of Cadets." adopted.

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To the Superintendent:

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I recommend:

1st. That a Dentist be engaged to examine and chart the teeth of the Corps of Cadets at least once each year, and that the parents of cadets in need of treatment be so advised. *adopted*

2. That the exchange be increased to include such articles as are needed by the cadets, in order that they may take full advantage of the Government offer of selling clothing and other articles at cost. *adopted*

3. That the institution maintain its own tailor shop and pressing club, based upon the establishment at West Point. This to be inaugurated as soon as practicable after careful investigation. This will involve initial expense and a great deal of hard work, but the end is worth it. *Further Consideration.*

4. Sergeant Adamt is of greater value to the institution than his pay would indicate. It is necessary for him to run a pressing club in order to live comfortably. I believe that he is worth \$75 a month to the institution. *not approved*

5. That more proper bathing facilities be provided for the cadets. *informal*

6. That some plan be devised to give sufficient water pressure to flush the latrines on galleries B. and C. *information*

7. That a detachment of cavalry, 32 horses, be established here under the provisions of the recent Army legislation. *Continued*

8. That the Band be enlarged by 3 clarinets, 2 cornets, and 1 saxophone. *Information*

Respectfully submitted:

E. B. Gary,

1st Lt. Inf., Commandant of Cadets.

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Insert report of ~~Commandant~~ Surgeon.

13th June, 1916.

Col. O. J. Bond, Superintendent,
The Citadel,
Charleston, S. C.

Sir:-

I have the honor to make the following report:

The general health of the cadets during the session of 1915-1916 has been excellent. The only cases of serious illness were:

Cadet Dunbar, T.E., concussion of the brain and severe shock; supposed to have resulted from a sparring match.

Recovery.

Cadet Paulling, ventral hernia and chronic appendicitis; this cadet had a hernia on his admission to The Citadel resulting from an operation done for appendicitis six years ago. Operation for removal of appendix and radical cure of hernia.

Recovery.

Cadet Coleman, K., depressed fracture of skull above right ear extending into the base and severe concussion of the brain. This cadet was seriously injured as the result of a fall from a trolley car when returning from the cadet picnic. He was operated upon and up to the present time has made a good recovery. He was practically normal when he left The Citadel and I feel that his recovery will be complete and that there will be no permanent ill effects from the accident.

Contagious diseases have been confined to one case of mumps. That contagious diseases have been limited to one case is evidence of the efficiency of the hospital and the nurse in charge, Miss Florence J. Gasque, whose services it gives me

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pleasure to commend.

At your request I am enclosing with this a comparative report of the height and weight of the cadets of the 4th class on admission and on June 12, 1916.

Total number of cadets re-examined June 12, 1916, 85

Total gained in weight, 70

" " " height, 70

" lost in weight, 11

" same weight, 4

Greatest gain in weight 21 lbs.

" " " height, 2 inches.

Very respectfully,



Surgeon, - The Citadel.

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REPORT OF SURGEON: Resolved-That the Surgeon be congratulated on his report and be assured of our high appreciation of his efforts to look after the health and welfare of the Corps. adopted.

LEWIS RESOLUTIONS: The Committee consisting of Col Spivey, Col Blythe, and Mr Thomas, appointed by the Chairman to prepare resolutions upon the loss to the board of the services of Col Lewis, late Chairman, were granted ~~for~~ further time in which to make report, with request that report be sent to the Secretary and he to record and forward to Col Lewis. adopted.

NEW ARMY BILL: Attention was called to the law that insignia of rank is clearly prohibited by the regulations except by regular Army officers, and that it be suspended by the Citadel officers. Rec'd as information.

ELECTION SUPERINTENDENT AND FACULTY: Resolved, That the Superintendent be re-elected at the same salary and that the present Faculty be also re-elected for next ensuing year at their present salaries, this to include the action taken in the cases of Lieut Guthrie, and Majers Moore and Raines. adopted. 295

HEALTH OF COL. COWARD: Superintendent Bend was requested to write Col Coward sympathizing with him on the condition of his health and expressing to him this action of the board and the further hope that he may be quite soon fully restored to his usual good health. adopted.

GRADUATING EXERCISES: The graduation exercises were held in the German Artillery in this city, on the 15th inst, diplomas were given the 31 graduates by Col Sheppard, Chairman. Medal for first honor Graduate was delivered to Julius A. Meed, Jr of Summerton, S.C, by Col E.M. Blythe. STAR of the West medal was presented to Sergt F.R. Rogers, by Mr ^{James} ~~J.H.~~ H.H. Hammond. Athletic medal was won by Sergt J. Weeks, and was presented by Mr Jno. P. Thomas. The White medal awarded annual to the Captain of the best drilled company was presented to Capt. A.A. Cook, ^{by Syles} Co D, Dr W.T. Ellis, of Swarthmore, gave and excellent address on the "WORLD WAR", it was highly commended by those who were fortunate enough to heard all of his address, as the heavens wept copiously on the occasion.

Respectfully

J.E. Smith
Secretary Board Visitors

COMMITTEE BENEFICIARY APPLICATIONS:

The Chairman appointed Messrs J.H. Hammond, J.E. Searingen, and Col O.J. Bend, on this Committee.

Commencement Exercises

—OF—

The Citadel

GERMAN ARTILLERY HALL,

Thursday, June 15, 1916.

MUSIC: Selection "Faust," *Gounod*.

INVOCATION: Dr. Mercer P. Logan, St. Paul's Church.

MUSIC: Song for Cornet, "A Perfect Day," *Bond*.

ADDRESS: "America's Call to Arms," Cadet James Anderson,
Easley, S. C.

MUSIC: Aria, "Good Bye Girls, I'm Through," *Caryll*.

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS: Dr. W. T. Ellis, Swarthmore, Pa.

MUSIC: Serenade, "Visions of Yesterday," *Rosenkrans*.

AWARDING MEDALS:

MUSIC: Characteristic, "Are You From Dixie," *Cobb*.

AWARDING DIPLOMAS: By Mr. Orlando Sheppard, Chairman,
Board of Visitors.

MUSIC: Medley, "Citadel," *Bryant*.

BENEDICTION: Dr. Logan.

MUSIC: March, "The Path of Honor," *Jewell*.

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31 CITADEL CADETS RECEIVE DIPLOMAS

Mr T. B. Ferguson, Class of '61, Unable to Come for His Official Sheepskin

CORPS GIVEN A FURLOUGH

New Officers Are Appointed by Commandant of Cadets.

Address by Dr Ellis

Thirty-one graduates of the Citadel received diplomas at the commencement exercises of that institution in the German Artillery Hall yesterday morning. Dr W. T. Ellis, of Swarthmore College, delivered the oration and Mr Orlando Sheppard, chairman of the board of visitors, presented the diplomas to the graduating cadets. Dr John O. Willson, who has given the "Willson Class Ring" for the last six years, presented the ring yesterday personally, for the first time since it has been awarded. Medals were awarded to the winners by members of the board of visitors.

Col O. J. Bond announced that Mr T. B. Ferguson, of Washington, a member of the Citadel class of 1861, who failed to receive his diploma that year because of the civil war, had been expected to be present at the exercises yesterday to receive the certificate that he earned fifty-five years ago, but had been unable to come to Charleston, according to a telegram received from him at the last moment.

Cadet James Anderson, of Easley, delivered an oration on "America's Call to Arms."

New Officers Appointed.

After the commencement exercises the three undergraduate classes were marched back to the barracks, where the final orders of the scholastic year were read. Appointments of officers of the cadet corps for next year were announced and a general order was published, furloughing the corps until September 20.

The degree of C. E. was conferred on J. W. Martin, of the class of 1905.

The Cadet Band, under the direction of Mr Carl Metz, furnished music for the exercises. The Rev Mercer P. Logan, D. D., rector of St Paul's Church, pronounced the invocation and benediction. Cadets of the undergraduate classes acted as ushers. The heavy rain that set in just at the hour of 11 o'clock, when the exercises started, prevented an exceptionally large attendance, but there were many relatives and friends of the graduates in the audience. The beating of the rain on the roof of the hall, agmented by much thunder in heavy rolls, interfered considerably with the audience in hearing the remarks of the speakers.

Presented by Dr Willson.

The "White" medal, given annually by the president of Lander College to the graduate voted by members of his class to be the "most manly, purest and most courteous," one of the most coveted honors to be won at the Citadel, was presented to Mr T. B. Paulling, of St Matthews, by Dr Willson.

The medal for the first honor graduate was presented to Julius A. Mood, Jr, of Summerton, by Col Edgeworth M. Blythe, of Greenville, a member of the board of visitors.

The "White" medal, awarded annually to the captain of the best drilled company, was presented to Cadet Capt A. A. Cook, of Philadelphia, who commanded D company. The presentation was made by Mr Thomas M. Lyles, of Spartanburg.

Cadet Sergt F. R. Rogers, of Charleston, was presented with the "Star of the West" medal for being the best drilled man in the corps. The presentation of this medal was made by Mr Lyles simultaneously with that of the "White" medal.

Cadet Sergt J. Weeks, of Charleston, received the athletic medal, for the second consecutive time, from the hands of Mr John P. Thomas, of Charleston.

Cadet T. P. Hayne, of Congaree, was presented with the marksmen's medal by James H. Hammond, of Columbia. Col Bond announced that in the shooting at the Mount Pleasant rifle range fifteen cadets qualified as experts, each having a rating of 84 per cent or better; twenty-nine qualified as sharpshooters by making averages of not less than 76 per cent, and twenty-three attained the grade of marksman by making an average of 64 per cent or better.

In the appointment of cadet officers for the next session Cadet John Weeks, of Charleston, was made senior captain and will command Company A.

row, boasting, selfish and self-centred nationalism, respectively.

"The deadliest microbe that has entered the hearts of Americans in the last fifty years is the idea that the supreme purpose of life is to have a good time. Must we have a war to tear out this canker?" asked the speaker. "Once it was said 'a man must live.' Who said it? The war has taught us that there are times when a noble death is a thousand times better than to live under certain circumstances," Dr Ellis said.

The Graduating Class.

The graduates of yesterday were: Julius Andrews Mood, Jr, Robert Cummings Brunson, George Anthony Patrick, Wade Rushton Cothran, Jr, John Hancock LaFitte, William Capers James, Trentlen Dudley Paulling, Wilson McKay Spann, James Anderson, Francis Wilkerson Sheppard, William Carl Byrd, William Miller Bouknight, Andrew Annan Cook, Ellison Smythe Blake, David Henry Laird, George Byrd Reynolds, Carl Reah Perkins, Francis Johnstone Simons, Paul Cooper Pearson, Horace Crane Cooper, James Karl Bolton, Oron Allston Palmer, Edward McCrady Clayton, Avritte Rufus Temple, George Hampton Yarbrough, James McMakin Gibert, Thomas Perrin Cothran, Jr, Charles Francis Kilgus, John Albert Gibert, James Tillinghast Moore and Charles William Chalker.

New Cadet Officers.

The following explains itself: "Headquarters South Carolina Corps of Cadets, Charleston, S. C., June 15, 1916.

"Special orders, No —

"Upon the approval of the superintendent and the recommendation of the commandant, the following appointments in the corps of cadets are announced:

"To be cadet captains: Weeks, Green, Q. Jeffords, Lea.

"To be cadet lieutenant and adjutant: Switzer.

"To be cadet lieutenant and quartermaster: Hope (to rank after Chumbley.)

"To be cadet lieutenant and commissary: Howard (to rank after Hope.)

"To be cadet lieutenants: Jeter, A. Nichols, Rogers, F. Poulnot, Chumbley, E. Poulnot, McRae, Savage, Muckenfuss, King, O. Moore, Dinkins.

"To be cadet first sergeants: G. Cromer, Turner, W. Moore, Boykin, Sparks.

"To be cadet sergeant-major: Gibson.

"To be cadet quartermaster sergeant: White.

"To be cadet commissary sergeant: N. Cromer.

"To be company quartermaster sergeants: K. Simons, Gaffney, Waring, Stroup, Doolittle.

"To be cadet sergeants: Way, Adickes, Foy, McKittrick, Plat (color sergeant,) Middleton, Thurston, Barshay, Zemp, Bolt (color sergeant.)

"To be cadet corporals: Weathers, H. Coleman, Tatum, Taber, Whitelaw, Hagan, Taylor, Sanders, P. Ashe, G. Ashe, Witsell, F. Cothran, Oeland, Marshall, Still, Fair, Jones, Keels, F. Thompson, Steel Fuller, Brown, A. Reynolds, Huggins, Eason, Baker Lawson, McDuffie.

"2. Assignment to organizations will be made in September.

"By order of Lieut Col Garey,

"W. M. Spann,

"Cadet Lieutenant and Adjutant."

THE NEWS AND COURSE

MOORE AND RAINES RAISED TO MAJORS

Members of Citadel's Faculty Are Promoted by the Board of Visitors

JUNIOR CLASS ELECTIVES

Change Authorized by Board of Visitors—Cadet Rifle Team to Practice

The Citadel board of visitors held its regular meeting yesterday, and provided for several changes in the conduct of the College. Capt John W. Moore, professor of history and economics, and Capt Henry E. Raines, quartermaster, were both promoted to the rank of major, the standard of entrance was raised to fourteen units, provision was made for the study of an elective in the junior class and units of the officers' reserve training corps were authorized.

Col O. J. Bond, superintendent of the Citadel, said last night that the changes made will result in a raising of the standard of the institution and a higher course for the students who enroll each year.

Capt Raines and Capt Moore have been members of the Citadel faculty for several years. The former has held the position of quartermaster, while Capt Moore has been professor of history and economics, as well as post adjutant.

Entrance Standards Higher.

In the future, according to the decision yesterday of the board of visitors, students will be required to have fourteen units, or at least twelve units, as the minimum for entrance to the Citadel. All the colleges and universities of the State have now adopted the fourteen-unit standard for entrance.

The choice of a course in the senior year has been offered for the last several years by the Citadel. At one time the student had no choice, but was required to follow a prescribed course through the four years of his cadetship. About a dozen years ago it was decided to give the cadet an option as to the work he should do in his senior year. Four elective courses were mapped out, and they being engineering, English, physics and chemistry. It was decided yesterday that the choice should be extended to the cadets of the junior class. The curriculum will be revised to conform to the plans outlined, according to Col Bond.

The board of visitors approved the sending of a cadet rifle team to Winthrop, Va, for rifle practice during the summer; Capt W. W. Harlee, U. S. M. C., having invited them to take part. This team will be sent to Jacksonville in October to compete in the national rifle shoot at that time. Col Bond said last night that about fifteen members of the corps would attend the practice work in Virginia.

Units of the officers' reserve training corps, within the corps of cadets, were authorized by the board of visitors. The cadets who desire, and who qualify, will be assigned to this corps.

Revised Curriculum.

There will be a general rearrangement of the curriculum because of the rule to allow an elective in the junior class in the future. Col Bond stated last night, but he said that the details of the arrangement had not been worked out as yet.

The individual competitive drill was held yesterday afternoon on the Citadel Green. The winner will be announced to-day.

Dr John O. Willson, of Lander College, the donor of the Willson ring for the graduate who is voted by his classmates to be the purest, manliest and most moral man in his class, will be presented by Dr Willson, himself, at the graduating exercises in the German Artillery Hall this morning. The ring has been awarded annually for several years, but this is the first year that Dr Willson has found it convenient personally to present it to the winner.

The graduating exercises will be held at the German Artillery Hall this morning, beginning at 11 o'clock. Dr W. T. Ellis, of Swarthmore College, will deliver the oration. Mr Orlando Sheppard, chairman of the board of visitors will present diplomas to the thirty-one members of the graduating class. Winners of honors and medals will be announced.

Commandant to Graduates.

At the final dress parade...

for the next session Cadet John Weeks, of Charleston, was made senior captain and will command Company A.

A Mission of Humanity.

"America should stand ready, prepared to give all mankind that leadership in democracy that all the world looks to her for now. Her mission is one of humanity and her riches at the present day should not be considered solely in acres, or manufactures, or dollars, but in the ideal which she holds up for the human race," declared Dr Ellis in his address on the "World War."

Dr Ellis in the course of his remarks used many illustrations and drew comparisons from material he had gathered in travel that has taken him over the world to the most out of the way places. Some of the lessons and probable results of the European cataclysm were sketched by the speaker.

"This is the first time in the history of civilization that all continents, all religions and all races are engaged in the same enterprise and thinking about the same thing—the war," said Dr Ellis. The war, he said, was a melting pot in which the scepter, crown and throne of every royal head in Europe has been cast, and from which will arise the force that will establish a new social order, with the elimination of the caste and class traditional to Europe.

Acid Test of Humanity.

The war has challenged all the standards that have been set up by civilization, according to the speaker. Humanity is being tested by the conflagration that is loose in Europe as it has never been tested before. In all the strife of the war the multitudes are looking to America. No empire that ever existed, Rome or Babylon, ever wielded the influence over the hearts of mankind that this nation now wields, Dr Ellis declared.

Dr Ellis referred to President Wilson and Col Roosevelt, contrasting them as the disciple of humanitarian Americanism, and an apostle of a nar-

Commandant to Graduates.

At the final dress parade of the Citadel battalion yesterday-afternoon, Col E. B. Garey, commandant, spoke as follows to the cadets of the graduating class:

"This is an excellent opportunity to flatter you gentlemen with a lot of soft phrases, but I have no intention to avail myself of that opportunity.

"You have accomplished your mission. Your class started with ninety-eight men. Thirty-one of you are graduating. Two have fallen by the wayside where one has survived. You stand on your own merits. Your graduating from the Citadel speaks for itself. It tells its own tale.

"You have had problems to solve, difficulties to overcome, tiresome routine to endure. These are as nothing compared to what lies before you.

"The ideals of this institution are broad culture, not the profession of arms. Yet your commandant hopes that you are stepping into the broader fields of endeavor with the fighting spirit. There are more battles to be won off of the battle field than on it. I hope that your nerve has been strengthened, your muscle fibre tempered and your senses pitched in a higher key by the course of training that you have received here. And that you are better prepared to take a strong man's stand on the side of righteousness, justice and good citizenship.

"In extending my best wishes to you I want to advise you that you have not reached the goal—only a goal. Your work has but begun. To leave these stern buildings and this exacting course with that mental attitude, makes your chances of competing successfully with virile American manhood the better.

"I congratulate you." 299

Charleston, S.C, December 12th, 1916.

The Annual meeting of the Board of Visitors of the South Carolina Military College was held at the Citadel, this day at 10.30, o'clock a.m.

Present Hon. Orlande Sheppard, Chairman and Col. D.A. Spivey, Gen'l W.W. Moore, Messrs J.E. Searingen, Thomas. Laney, Jno. H. Hammend and Col. O.J. Bond, Supt. absent Govr R.I. Manning, Col. E.M. Blythe and Mr Lyles.

The Board inspected the Corps of Cadets, they made a very fine appearance and appeared to great advantage, after inspection general leave was granted until retreat.

The minutes of the Commencement meeting of June 14th, read and confirmed.


Col. W.W. Lewis, Ex-Chairman: The Committee appointed to prepare a paper relative to the retirement of Col. Lewis as Chairman of the board made the following report- 300

To the Board of Visitors,
The Citadel.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee appointed by your Chairman to prepare a suitable paper relative to the retirement of Col. W. W. Lewis as a member of this Board, and as its active Chairman, beg to submit the following, which we will ask to be incorporated in our minutes and copy of same be transmitted to Col. Lewis.

Yours very truly,


John P. Shearer

A change in the Chairmanship of the Board of Visitors has been a rare occurrence, and we feel that the importance of the retirement of Colonel Lewis from that position on March 1, 1916, deserves more than a passing consideration.

Col. Lewis was first elected to the Board in 1900, and was chosen vice-chairman in December 1914, when Col. Gadsden requested, on account of failing health, to be relieved from the responsibilities of the chairmanship. After the death of Col. Gadsden, in January 1915, Col. Lewis succeeded him, being formally elected by the Board as its Chairman in June 1915. His brief tenure of the office expired on February 1, 1916, when he failed of re-election to the Board by the Legislature.

Col. Lewis is still, and we hope will long be, an active and loyal supporter of The Citadel, but the Board feels that the occasion of his retirement from this body and from its chairmanship, requires that some record should be made of him in the official archives. The following facts in connection with his life are stated for that purpose:

He was born in Rock Hill, S. C., September 23, 1867, but his parents soon removed to the City of Baltimore where he received his early education in the public schools of that City. The family removed to Chester, S.C. about the year 1880, and he attended the Chester Graded School until he entered The Citadel in 1885. As a cadet, Wm. W. Lewis was recognized as one of the most substantial men of his class and was early made a cadet officer in the Corps, finally becoming, in his Senior year, Cadet Captain of Company "A", the highest office in the Corps of Cadets. His excellent scholarship is attested by the fact that he stood second in his class.

For five years after graduation he taught in the public schools of Rock Hill and York, and was for one year Commandant of Cadets and Professor of Mathematics in the Georgia Military Institute, at Atlanta.

Having decided to enter the profession of the Law, he began his legal studies shortly after his graduation and was admitted to the bar in 1894. Since this time he has made an enviable reputation in his profession.

Col. Lewis has always taken a great interest in all that concerns the welfare of his community and the State. He was elected chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Yorkville Graded Schools in 1898, but resigned this position when he was elected on the Board of Visitors. In July 1905 he was elected Colonel of the 1st Infantry, N.G.S.C., and served as such for a period of ten years. In his position as Colonel of this Regiment he showed marked ability, and on a number of annual encampments received the commendation of the U.S. Army Officers in charge.

Col. Lewis is universally recognized as a man of sterling character and uncompromising adherence to principle. He has been called upon for public addresses in various parts of the State, and we confidently look forward to his future career as one of consequence and value to the State.

In speaking of this report the Chairman said "It gives the Chairman pleasure to substantiate the sentiments expressed in this report and I appreciate the fact that the services of Col Lewis if ever needed will be cheerfully given" report was unanimously adopted and ordered spread on the minutes, copy to Col. Lewis.

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Report of Superintendent: The Superintendent submitted his report as below-

The Citadel, Charleston, S.C., Dec. 12, 1916.

To the Board of Visitors,

Gentlemen: I have the honor to report the transactions at the Citadel for the year as follows:

The enrolment this year is 222, which is about 30 less than the enrolment for last year. The reason for this is the advanced requirements for admission, which I estimate cut down our Freshman Class from over a hundred to 76. I believe, however, that from every consideration, the maintaining of the standard as adopted by the Association of Colleges is necessary. I have received assurances from two counties that steps have immediately been taken to put the schools in condition to meet the higher standard of the colleges, and I believe that if the colleges maintain the present standard, that the benefit to the high schools will be felt at once, and that the colleges themselves will not suffer for more than a year or two.

We still have a few cadets absent with the troops on the Border. It is not yet known when they will be back, and it will be a question whether they can join their classes when they return. If the beneficiary cadets who are absent miss a year, by reason of their absence with their regiment, the Board will have to decide whether their scholarships will be extended to five years so that they can complete the course and graduate. *

Cadet Coleman, K. of Greenwood, injured last May, and furloughed since that time, hardly feels able to return now. I respectfully ask for instructions as to his case.

I am pleased to present to the Board the following letter in reference to the founding of a scholarship at the Citadel by the Daughters of the Confederacy, and to recommend its acceptance.

① I present herewith two recommendations from the academic board. One regarding a condition in studies I can not at present approve. The other regarding deficiencies in studies I would recommend.

② I respectfully ask the Board to fix the limits of the Christmas holidays.

I have heard from one or two sources that there may be a movement started in the Legislature this year to abolish scholarships in the State Colleges. I think the abolition of the beneficiary scholarships at the Citadel would be a serious blow to the institution. Not only has the scholarship feature of the Citadel been one of its strong appeals to the people of the State ever since the foundation of the institution nearly seventy-five years ago, but the beneficiary student-body in the college has been the back-bone of its discipline and its scholarship, and the system has been of a benefit to the indigent youth of the State which it would be hard to estimate. To me, it would seem to be a calamity if this feature of our institution were abolished.

The appropriations asked for the ensuing year are as follows:

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| Maintenance, | \$40,000. |
| Insurance, | 2,250. |
| Laundry, | 4,600. |
| Kitchen, | 1,000. |
| Bathrooms, | 2,000. |
| Departments, | 1,280. |
| Cadet barracks, | 2,000. |
| | <u>\$53,130.</u> |

* The new system of electives in the Second Class, approved by the Bd at the last meeting, has been introduced and is working with great satisfaction.

Of these items, I consider the first two and the next to the last of extreme necessity. The others are desirable, and we have need for every dollar asked for, but we can get along without them this year.

I beg to state for the information of the Board that under the new law of Congress, we have established four units of the Reserve Officers Training Corps in the Corps of Cadets. The Commandant has introduced the prescribed course of military studies, and has scheduled and is carrying out the practical instruction necessary.

The War Department at Washington has not been able yet to put the whole of the legislation made by Congress at the last session into effect, or to make rulings on a number of points which affect our institution. Appropriations, also, have not been made for certain items of subsistence and uniforms which will be of considerable consequence to us, but these matters are expected to be adjusted in the course of the next few months.

The matter of our next encampment is one which will have to be taken up with the War Department. We are in hopes that we may be able to hold a two weeks encampment in April as usual, but it may be that under the new law, the encampment will be held in the summer, and it may be for a longer period than two weeks.

One change required by the new law is in the appointment of officers in the cadet companies. All members of the First and Second Classes must be appointed officers, so that they can get the experience in the duties of officers. As a consequence of this, there are First Classmen who are Sergeants, and some Second Classmen who are Corporals,--which was not true under our former plan of having the officers from the First Class only, the sergeants from the Second Class, and the Corporals from the Third Class.

I am pleased to report to the Board that the Association of Graduates bore the expense of the subsistence of the Cadet Rifle Team at the practice at Winthrop, Md last summer, and therefore the Citadel was at no expense for this valuable training, as the cadets themselves paid their railroad fare. The value of this practice was apparent in the standing which the team took at the national match. Last year, the team was at the bottom,--this year it was 31st in 55 teams. I wish in particular to call to the attention of the Board the great interest which was taken in the Cadets by Major Wm C. Harllee of the Marine Corps, who was in charge of the match. Major Harllee has made an enviable record as an officer in the Marine Corps, and has a wide reputation in all branches of the service as an executive officer.

I am also glad to call the attention of the Board to the number of our graduates who have won appointments during the past few months in the Army and the Marine Corps. About twenty have received commissions as second lieutenants.

I have to announce to the Board that on Friday and Saturday last the colleges of the S. I. A. A. met in this city as the guests of the Citadel. The sessions of the annual convention were held at the Charlest Hotel, and on the final afternoon the visitors were taken on a steamer trip to the jetties and Fort Sumter.

The Board will note that in December of next year the Citadel will be 75 years old. It may be the desire of the Board to celebrate the occasion in some public manner, and therefore it may be your purpose at this time to appoint a committee to consider the matter and make a report at the next meeting in June.

Respectfully,

David

O. J. Bond

Superintendent.

Cadets on Border: The Governor, Adjutant-General and Superintendent, was requested to again take up with the Secretary of War, the return of the cadets from the border, with the view of getting the seven cadets now in service relieved from duty in order that they may return and take up their studies at the College. adopted.

Cadet Coleman: That under the circumstances this cadet be allowed to return to the college and take up his studies where he left off. adopted.

Scholarship Daughters of the Confederacy: That the Daughters be allowed to establish the scholarship, and that Col Bend, Superintendent, be requested to reply, expressing the grateful acknowledgements of the Board for this worthy and thoughtful kindness. adopted.

Conditions in Studies: In addition to the changes already made, the Faculty hereby petition the Board that they sanction two more minor changes, which will, we believe, put us more in line with the best colleges in the country, (I) At a meeting of the faculty early in the session, the following resolution was adopted by a majority vote:-

Resolved, that the Board of Visitors be requested to sanction the following change in the Regulations: Hereafter, a cadet will be permitted to enter the next higher class with one condition in the class below, upon the recommendation of a committee of the faculty appointed to consider his case; this condition is ~~approved~~ to be absolved by examination at such time as the faculty may designate, before he may graduate. disapproved.

(If) Resolved, that the Board of Visitors be requested to sanction the following rule, to be known as the Automatic Rule:-

1. If at the end of the first month of the first or second term of three months, a cadet's grade is below 50c/e in more than half his studies, he shall be publicly warned. 2. If at the end of the second month of the term, the cadet's grade is still below 50c/e in more than half his studies, he shall be notified that he has been placed on probation. 3. If at the end of the term, the cadet's grade is below 50c/e in more than half of all his grades in all subjects for the term of three months, he shall be automatically dropped from the roll. 4. A cadet so dropped may not be readmitted during the same session, but may be readmitted at the opening of another session or during the course thereof at the discretion of the Supt. 5. This rule shall be printed in the Catalogue or Academic Regulations each year, so as to be easily accessible to all cadets.

Notes: (1) The third term consist of only two months and is pretty well covered by existing regulations.

(2) The phrasing "below 50c/e in more than half" has been designedly used in preference to any statement about average grade, in order to pre-

vent extra arithmetical work for the Adjutant, who states that the rule as

stated will require only a few minutes study of his records each month.

This recommendation adopted by the board.

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Christmas Holiday: That the Corps be granted leave from the afternoon of December 22d, to 9.a.m, January 3d, 1917, adopted.

Association of Graduates: Letter from Mr Thomas.P.Lesesne, President of the Association of Graduates, asking the co-operation of the Board in the building up of the membership and assisting the Athletic Association in defraying the expenses of engaging a coach. Col.Bond, Superintendent, was requested to reply to letter of President Lesesne, expressing the appreciation of the Board in paying the expenses of the team, and that the board go on record assuring the Graduates of their deep interest and co-operation in all things that advance the welfare of the Citadel.adopted.

75th Centennial Citadel: A committee composed of Col.Blythe, Col.Spivey, Mr Hammond, Thomas and Col.Bond, was appointed to consider the advisability of celebrating the 75th centennial of the Citadel, this event occurring on December 17th 1917, and to report at the June meeting. adopted.

Return of Col Blythe: A committee composed of the Chairman and Supt was requested to write Col Blythe, expressing the regret of the board at his enforced absence and their appreciation of his efforts in the part he has taken in the defence of his country. adopted.

Athletic Association: The Chairman of the Board express their appreciation and delight at the success of the team during the past season, particularly the record of Capt J.L.Weeks, of the foot ball team.adopted.

Engineering Department: The Board gave expression to the idea that an active man associated with Maj R.G.Thomas, professor of Mathematics, from a military stand point is very desirable.

Financial Statement: The Superintendent's report of the Receipts and Expenditures from January 1st, 1916 to November 30th, 1916, showing a cash balance in bank of \$ 807.29, received as information.

Appropriations: A committee composed of Senator Laney, ^{Representative} ~~Col Spivey~~ and ~~Hammond~~ and Col.Bond to co-operate in obtaining from the Legislature the annual appropriation of \$42,000-to maintain the college.adopted.

Board adjourned at 1.20 p.m.

Respectfully

H.E. Smith
ret.