

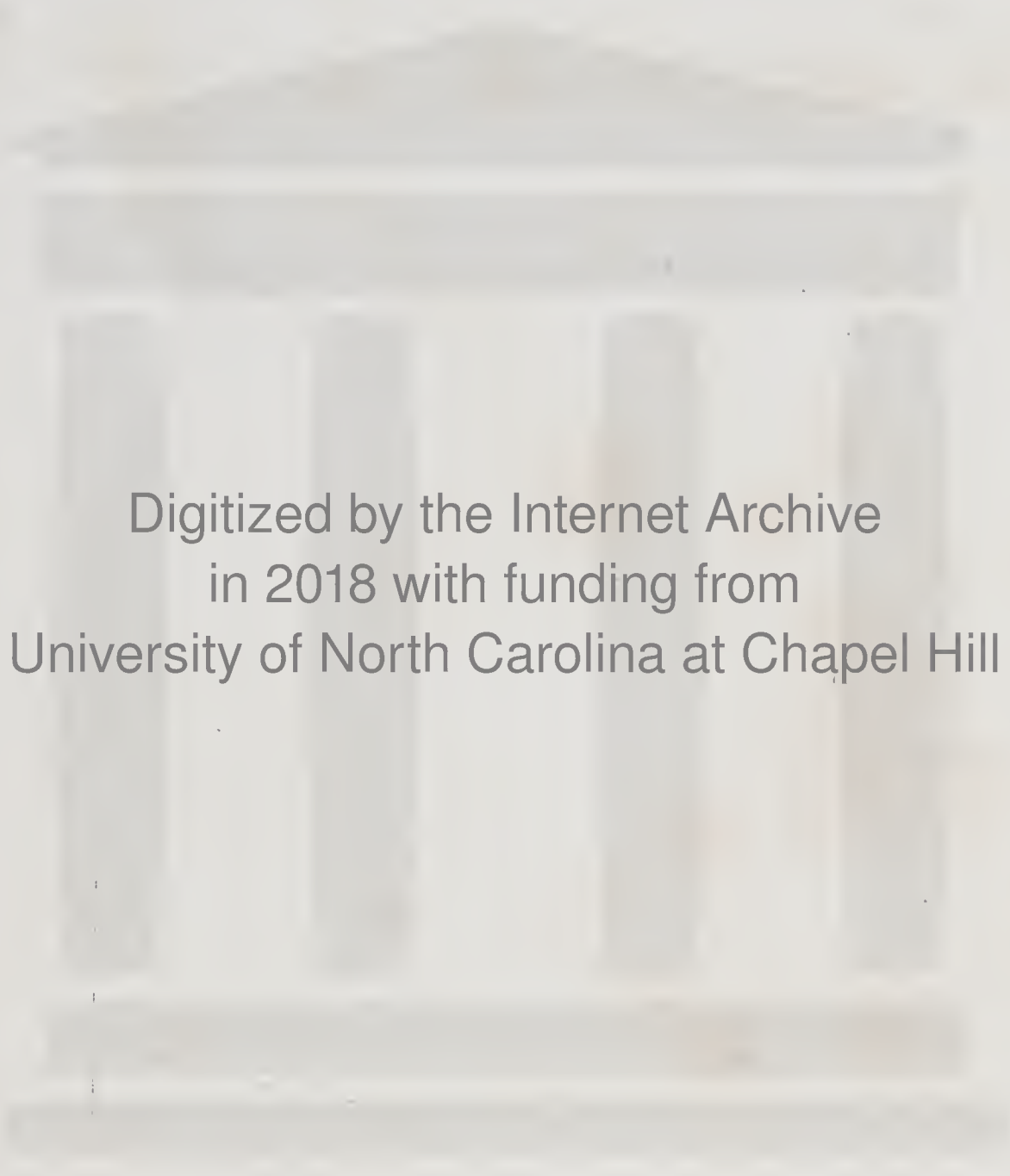
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Thoughts in Connection With the Monroe Doctrine.

ESSAY READ BY W. C. OVERMAN.

The life of a nation is analogous to that of an individual. Each nation is a member of a family of peoples, and each one has its period of infancy, growth, young manhood, ripe maturity, and aged decay. History has repeated itself many times since man first set up a government, and the nations that have lived have grown and decayed with the same certainty as the waxing and waning of the physical strength of the individual, leading from insignificance to importance and power, then down again through the weakness of a second childhood into final dissolution and death.

A nation has also its characteristics, as marked and peculiar as those of an individual. The French people is noted for excitability and fickleness. The Spanish nation is cruel, bigoted and chivalrous. The English are fond of liberty, the sea and beer. The characteristics of the Amer-

ican people are as diversified as the nationalities of the individuals which compose our mixed population. But our nation has a few outstanding peculiarities which may well be called American, and in these we are fortunate because of their being somewhat picturesque and spectacular, and such as appeal readily to the human sympathies and command the admiration of mankind.

Passing over some very striking American qualities, I wish to refer in this case to only two of our national characteristics, one being the spectacular manner in which the United States has always demanded her own rights. At the very birth of the nation the world was astonished and almost amused at the seemingly preposterous demand made by backwoods colonies against the strongest of all mother countries—a demand that Great Britain should repeal a tax, not at all because the tax was expensive or hard to pay, but solely because it had been imposed without colonial consent. The spectacular element was not lacking when in 1812 the infant republic, still in its long dresses, demanded by war unimportant sea rights that had been violated by the flag under which Nelson fought—demanded by open war these rights from the only power on earth that could withstand the world-king Napoleon. Then in the early nineteenth century, when all other nations paid blackmail to the Barbary pirates, little baby America shamed the powers of the world by a spectacular denial of the piratical rights, and backed up her refusal of tribute with such vigor and powder and bullets that the Barbary sea highwaymen were compelled to abandon their outlandish claims against the United States and against the world.

Besides America's manner of defending her own rights, I wish to call attention to her characteristic demand of rights and a square deal for others. The phrase, "a square deal," is American, given its note and general use by Mr. Roosevelt, the highest and most representative type of American. There are many incidents we might mention as exemplifying America's spirit of fairness and protection for the weak. But time forbids reference to them except

in a general way in a brief discussion of the Monroe Doctrine.

Perhaps some explanation of the circumstances and conditions which obtained at the time of the announcement of the Monroe Doctrine might make clearer the meaning of its principles, and might not be amiss in this connection. At the end of the first quarter of the nineteenth century the the United States had about gained firmly her footing among the powers. In Europe the Catholic nations formed the famous Holy Alliance. This coterie of nations declared that Spain should recolonize and reorganize the territory she had lost in South and Central America. Great Britain, Protestant, said that if reorganization by Spain and the Catholic Alliance should be consummated, English trade interests in American territories would be injured. So England proposed to the United States that the Catholic nations should not be allowed to recolonize the American territories. England pledged the use of her fleets to the United States in case our government should agree to proclaim against the Catholic recolonization. At that time James Monroe was President, with John Quincy Adams, Secretary of State, and John Calhoun, Secretary of War. Thomas Jefferson being still influential in politics through his party letters. Mr. Monroe was somewhat reticent on the subject as proposed by the British Minister, but Adams and Calhoun, with Jefferson's inofficial aid, fought the matter through the Cabinet. Monroe being President, the manifesto as it was finally given to the world received his name.

England's proposal to preclude Spanish recolonization started a movement in the Cabinet which in its development finally excluded England also from colonization in America. The substance of the Monroe Doctrine is: That the two western continents are never again to be considered subjects for colonization by any European power; and that any attempt at coercion by any European power would be considered by the United States as an act of hostility against herself.

Such is the gist of the great Doctrine, and the history of its origin. Since its proclamation it has played a significant part in history. As the United States has grown in size and power, international respect for the Doctrine has grown proportionately. The influence of it has effected chiefly the South American provinces and Mexico. No surmise can say what the geography and history of Southern America would be if the United States had permitted European colonization. There is at least a possibility that the history of the world would be radically different from the present record.

The fact of America's prestige has largely prevented warlike application of the Monroe Doctrine. That our government should decree a thing has usually made the Doctrine proof against transgression. There have been numerous instances, however, in which we have seen fit gently to remind the nations of our policy. These reminders have been accepted gracefully in almost all cases. The nearest we have ever come to an actual clash was with Great Britain, when in Cleveland's administration the American government was forced to use strenuous language to prevent imposition upon Venezuela. England was finally induced to see the propriety of decision by a board of arbitration.

At present the boundaries of the South American provinces have developed into definite lines, so there is small likelihood of our ever being forced actively to emphasize the Monroe Doctrine. But our principle of a square deal for the weak is spreading itself far beyond the limits of the Monroe Doctrine and the South American provinces, until it embraces now all humanity. We have but recently shown this in the liberation of Cuba, and there are prophets by no means blind who believe that America's mission and destiny will not be achieved until all the downtrodden peoples and all the nations that are weak and that labor and are heavy laden, shall come and find rest and peace and blessing under the protecting wing of the American Eagle.

Editorial.

The Year of 1906-'07.

The end of our annual encampment at Jamestown on Friday, May 24th, closed what may be termed a red letter year for Horner School. The year has been a successful one in every department of the school both academic and military. There was not a member of the senior class who did not pass successfully on his final examinations. All are fully qualified to enter college next fall, and it is needless to say that North Carolina will have her usual quota of Horner boys next year. Great spirit has been shown by the cadets in the military department, and every man has worked hard and faithfully to promote the welfare of his company. The result of this work was plainly seen at Jamestown where no military school was represented by a better drilled battalion than that of Horner Military School. The HORNER CADET has also been a decided success. This is the first time in several years that a school paper has been kept up here for the entire year, and we want to thank our friends and patrons for their assistance which has helped a great deal toward enabling us to keep the magazine going. Besides having been a year of successful work the past year has been a pleasant one for the Horner boys and will always be remembered by them as one of the most pleasant of their lives. Although the boys were glad to see their vacation days at hand, yet there were but few who left the old Horner Hill and Oxford without a feeling of regret and a desire to live the year over again. For this we must thank our faculty who have done so much to make the year a pleasant one for us in our school life, and the people of Oxford who have been so kind to us throughout the year, and made it such a pleasant one in our social life.

A word to the Horner boys of 1907 and 1908. Although

this has been the first year in the life of the HORNER CADET, it has been a very successful one and there is no reason why its life should not be continued by you and your successors for years to come. It is true there is some work connected with it for those who undertake the publishing of this magazine. The financial part of an undertaking is generally one of the first to be considered, and usually one of the most difficult to overcome, but in the case of the HORNER CADET you will find that it is practically self-supporting, and with proper management you ought to have no trouble from this source. The literary work is the hardest part of the whole business. Especially will you find this true in the first few issues, but as the staff become more accustomed to the work it becomes easier and more pleasant. The benefits which are received from this kind of work cannot be fully comprehended until you have completed your work and then look back and note your improvement. The training which a contributor to the columns of the magazine receives is well worth the labor, and no other means will give such thorough training as writing articles which are to appear in print. The HORNER CADET is a source of great pleasure to, and a great interest is taken in it by, the parents and guardians of Horner boys, and especially those who subscribe for it, as they can see what their sons are doing in their school. It alone serves as a means to keep the Horner boys all over the South in touch with the Horner boys of the present time, and to keep them in touch with their Alma Mater. No one is so glad to receive his copy of the HORNER CADET as the last year's Horner boy who is now completing his education in some college, or the one who has already started to work for himself. He is anxious to see what his old school-mates are doing, and how his company or society is getting along.

So, boys, don't let the magazine go down, but keep it going, and may you have the luck with it that we have had this year.

School Directory.

Battalion Organization.

STAFF.

Commandant.....	Major L. W. Smith
Adjutant.....	W. C. Overman
Sergeant-Major.....	T. B. Eaver
Color Sergeant.....	L. W. Thompson
Buglers.....	L. L. Lamb and E. P. Davis

A COMPANY.

Captain.....	F. G. Whitney
1st Lieutenant.....	W. H. Powell
1st Sergeant.....	B. C. Mayo
2nd Sergeant.....	P. B. Johnson
3rd Sergeant.....	T. M. Warlick
1st Corporal.....	J. H. Durham
2nd Corporal.....	A. C. Blount
3rd Corporal.....	L. H. Williams

B COMPANY.

Captain.....	F. E. Fariior
1st Lieutenant.....	A. A. Zollicoffer
1st Sergeant.....	E. H. Bellamy
2nd Sergeant.....	O. V. Jones
3rd Sergeant.....	R. W. Winston
1st Corporal.....	W. C. Hardison
2nd Corporal.....	H. M. Stubbs
3rd Corporal.....	G. A. Pruden

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President.....	F. G. Whitney
Secretary.....	W. J. Yarboro
Essayist.....	W. C. Overman
Disclaimer.....	P. B. Johnston
Debater.....	J. W. Morris
Orator.....	L. H. Williams

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President.....	A. A. Zollicoffer
Secretary.....	H. M. Stubbs
Essayist.....	T. B. Eaver
Disclaimer.....	E. H. Bellamy
Debater.....	S. A. Thomas
Orator.....	A. W. Graham

The Annual Oratorical Exercises.

The custom at the Horner Military School is to hold a declaimers' contest in which any cadet in barracks may enter. This year we dispensed with this contest, on account of the encampment at the Exposition. In addition to the general declaimers' contest, the Washington and Franklin Literary Societies always appoint a set of orators and debaters to represent them on the rostrum. In these exercises, which we held this year as usual, Cadets L. H. Williams and Pinkney Johnson declaimed for the Washington Society, A. W. Graham and E. H. Bellamy for the Franklin. J. W. Morris, Jr., and S. A. Thomas debated for their societies respectively. Essays were read by W. C. Overman for the Washington and by Thomas B. Eaver for the Franklin Society.

The exercises were opened and presided over by A. A. Zollicoffer. His salutatory was very fine, and well delivered. He introduced as first attraction, W. C. Overman, whose essay was entitled "Thoughts in Connection With the Monroe Doctrine." The next essay, by T. B. Eaver, was on the popular subject of "The South's Future." Both essayists received hearty applause.

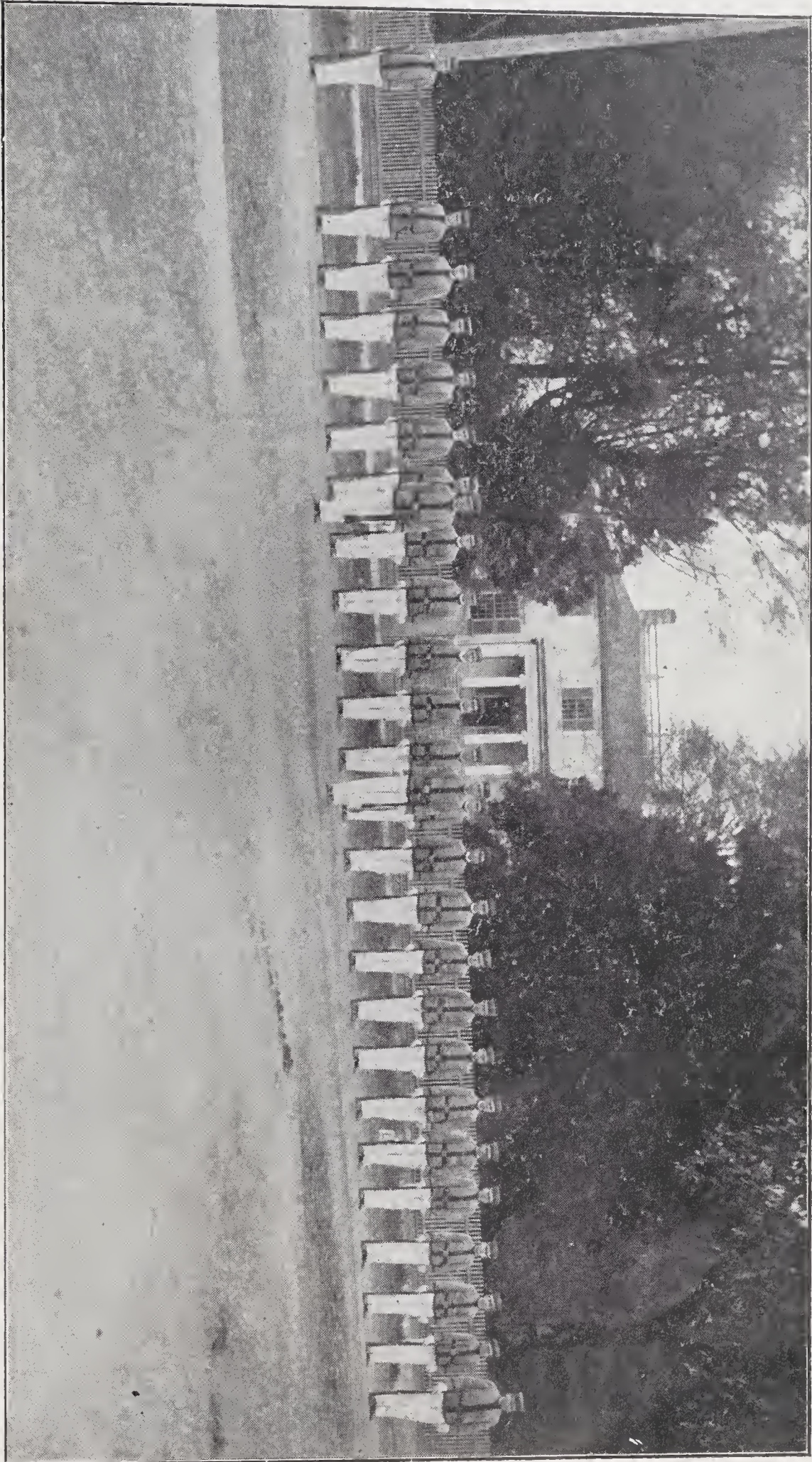
Morris' debate was a well composed and well delivered argument for "County Option Between Prohibition and the Dispensary" as a solution of the liquor problem. Thomas' debate was against efforts to establish any world-tribunal of arbitration. His delivery was particularly forceful.

The subject of Johnson's selection was "The Man With His Hat in His Hand," written by John Temple Graves. He spoke well and received hearty applause. Williams' selection was the immortal "Thanatopsis." He practiced diligently for the occasion, and the audience will not soon hear Bryant's great masterpiece delivered better than Williams did it. Williams and work can do anything.

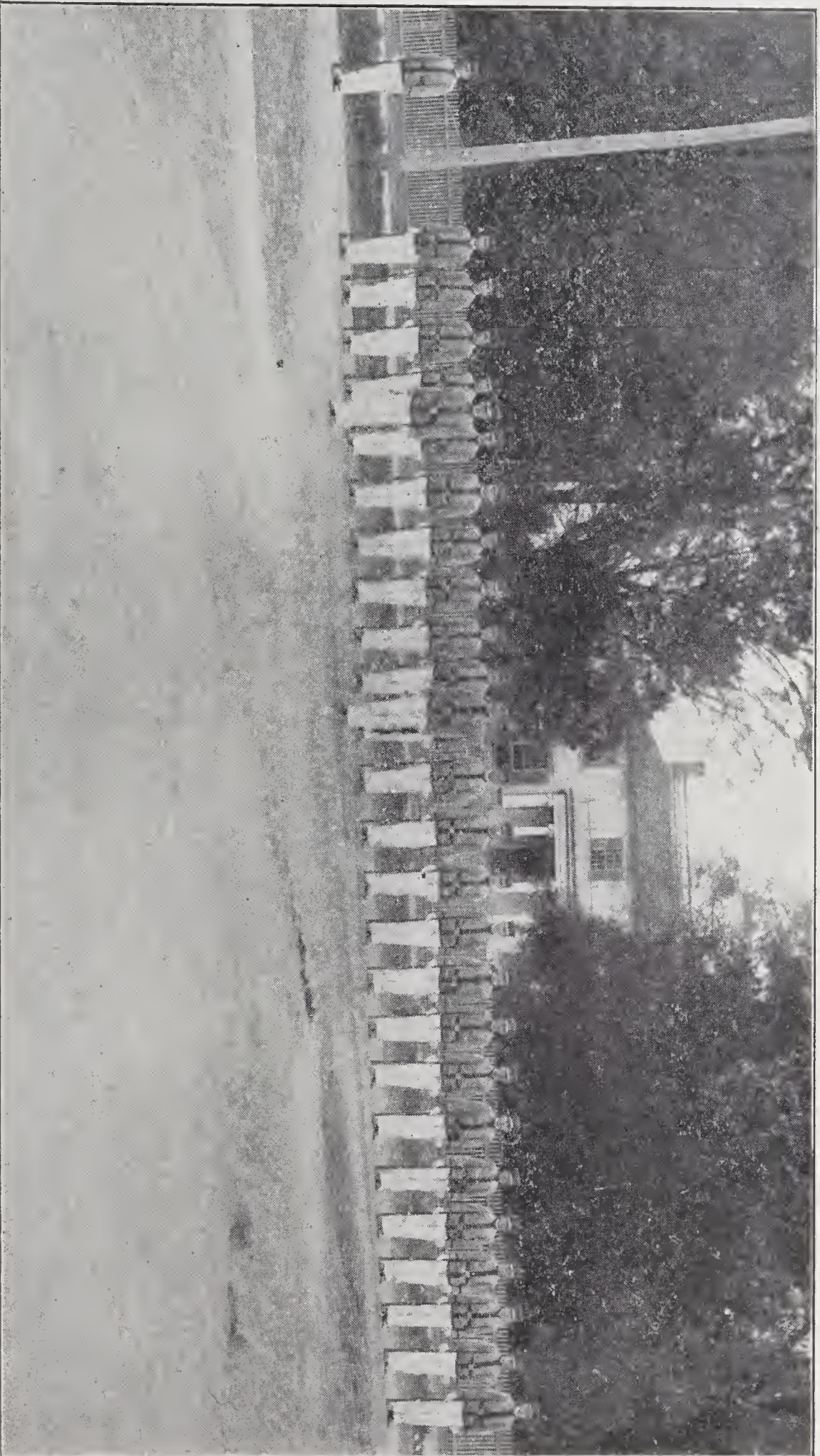
Graham always does well. He maintained his record again this year, using the selection, "The Home." The



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applause of the audience showed the appreciation of Graham's skill. Bellamy spoke last. It must be acknowledged that he carried off the palm. He spoke on "The Unknown Rider." His voice is good, his gestures strong, his spirit thrilling. Prof. Hay took especial pride in the results of his training of Bellamy. We hope he will some day use his talent for the honor of his State; and that his father may reach the Governor's chair in the next election!



The Annual Encampment, This Year at the James- town Exposition,

The Horner Military School undertakes to do a number of things for its cadets. First, it does its best to train the mind. Among other things it aims at making a *gentleman* of each cadet. Whenever there occurs an event the attendance at which will add to the general culture of the cadets, the Horner School tries to give them an opportunity of enjoyment. So this year, although extra expense was incurred by Col. Horner, the school encamped in the Exposition grounds at Norfolk, instead of going into the country as usual. The Exposition authorities gave us the use of the militia tents, which are sanitary and conveniently located in the grounds.

We left Oxford by special train over the Seaboard on Wednesday, May 15th, arriving at the Exposition in time for dinner at the great Military Pavilion, where the Horner Cadets took their meals during the whole stay at the Exposition. Lieutenant Cootes of the Regular Army showed us to the row of tents assigned to our corps. We were placed under Gen. Frederick Grant, son of the ex-President and Federal Commander, now one of the leading generals in the United States Army. By his orders the Horner School battalion drilled each afternoon at half past five on the Lee

Parade Ground just inside the main entrance. The West Point gray coats with white duck trousers were used, making a pretty show. Our cadets drilled always with snap and precision, and all the visitors were highly complimentary.

On Monday, 20th, the North Carolina Military Academy of Red Springs, also on encampment, offered to appear in a prize drill contest with a company from our corps on the Lee Parade ground. A coin was tossed for a choice between our companies, and the lot fell to Company A. Our school won by considerable odds, the percentage being 90 to 75 in our favor. An officer of the Regular Army, 23rd Regiment, awarded the decision. Regular army officers in the grandstand applauded our cadets, especially at the successful execution of the extended order drill, which was not even attempted by our competitors. Major Smith has been complimented on all sides for the excellence of his battalion.

During the stay at the Exposition the boys were taken as a body to Old Point, Fortress Monroe, Hampton, and Newport News. On Sunday we went together all to St. Luke's church in Norfolk. On our last day at Jamestown Col. Horner courteously took the battalion out to visit a battleship. There were two whole launches full of us.

On Thursday afternoon came the final prize drill between our companies. Army officers acted as judges. Capt. Whitney brought out Company A first to the Lee Parade Ground. As soon as A had finished, B was marched out into view by Capt. Farrior. After the company drill, a manual at arms drill was conducted. Jones, O., and Johnston, P., stood up last, the award finally going to Johnston. He was given a neat medal. The company contest was won by Company B.

To the satisfaction of all parties the scholarship medal went to L. H. Williams.

After the prize drill there was nothing more to do but to break camp for home. This we did on Friday, leaving the grounds with a feeling that our ten days there had been, educationally, the most profitable ever spent by us.

Official Reports on Competitive Drills.

BETWEEN NORTH CAROLINA MILITARY ACADEMY AND HORNER MILITARY SCHOOL.

CAMP CAPTAIN JOHN SMITH,
JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION VA.,

May 20, 1907.

*The Commanding Officer,
Camp Captain John Smith,
Jamestown Exposition, Va.*

SIR:—In compliance with verbal instructions, Headquarters 23rd Infantry, of this date, the Board submits the following report of the competitive company drill between the North Carolina Military Academy and the Horner Military School.

The company from the Horner Military School consisted of three squads, and drilled in close and extended order, the manual, the firing and bayonet exercise. The company from the North Carolina Military Academy consisted of two squads and drilled in close order and the manual of arms.

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Each company drilled well, that of the Horner Military School meriting the decision for its excellent execution of the various movements. The percentage of merit of this company was 90 per cent., of the other company 75 per cent.

The members of the winning company were painstaking in their efforts and showed a very commendable familiarity with their drill.

Respectfully submitted,
F. HALSTEAD, Capt. 23rd Infantry,
President.

THOS. T. DUKE, 1st Lieut. 23rd Infantry,
Member.

W. T. MACMILLAN, 2nd Lieut. 23rd Infantry,
Rccorder.

FIRST ENDORSEMENT.

HEADQUARTERS 23RD U. S. INFANTRY,
 CAMP CAPTAIN JOHN SMITH,
 JAMESTON EXPOSITION,
 NORFOLK, VA., May 24, 1907.

Respectfully forwarded to the Superintendent Horner
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 Exposition Station, Norfolk, Va.)

PHILIP READE, Colonel 23rd Infantry,
Commanding.

SECOND ENDORSEMENT.

HEADQUARTERS UNITED STATES TROOPS,
 CAMP CAPTAIN JOHN SMITH,
 EXPOSITION STATION,
 NORFOLK, VA., May 25, 1907.

Respectfully transmitted to the Superintendent Horner
 Military School, Oxford, North Carolina.

By command of Major General Grant:

JOHN S. MALLORY, Major 12th Infantry,
Adjutant General.

BETWEEN COMPANIES OF HORNER MILITARY
SCHOOL.

CAMP CAPTAIN JOHN SMITH,
 JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION, VA.,
 May 24, 1907.

To the Adjutant 23rd Infantry.

SIR:—I have the honor to inform you, that pursuant to
 instructions contained in par I., S. O. 24., c. s. Headquar-
 ters, 23rd Infantry, the officers named therein, judged the
 competitive drills of the Horner Military Academy, Oxford,
 N. C., and find the figure of merit of the organizations, and
 individuals participating therein, to be as follows:

COMPANY DRILL.

First—Company "B."

is undecided what he will do next year. Pinkney Johnston, of Yanceyville, N. C., will probably go to the University. M. S. Moore, of Williamston, is undecided about next year, as is also W. C. Overman, of Elizabeth City. W. H. Powell, of Whiteville, N. C., will be at the University next fall. Herbert Ray, of Raleigh, is undecided about next year. H. M. Stubbs, of Williamston, will go to Carolina. T. M. Warlick, of Hickory, will be at Davidson. F. G. Whitney, of Bessemer City, N. C., will go to Carolina, as will also L. H. Williams, of Faison, N. C. The Zollicoffer boys, A. A. and J. P., both intend to be at the University.

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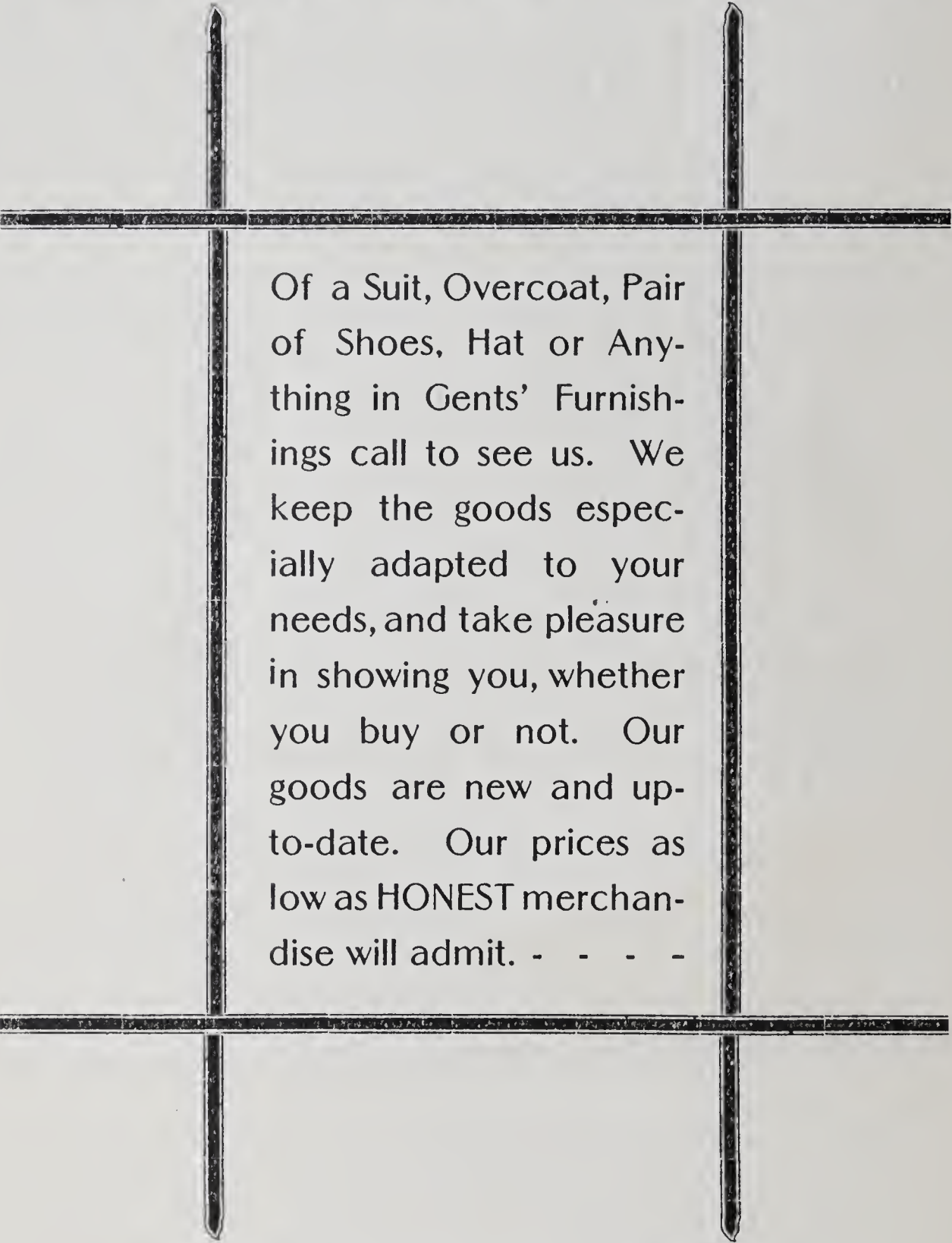
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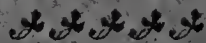
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