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## CLEMSON SOPHOMORES LEAVE THE COLLEGE.

SIXTY-NINE CADETS MARCH AWAY IN  
A BODY.

They Stand By Their Comrade—Considered  
Suspension of Cadet Thornwell a Gross  
Injustice—Sympathy of Other  
Cadets.

[Special to The State.]

Anderson, April 29.—Today 69 of the 74 members of the sophomore class of Clemson college quit and went home. Two of the remaining five secured discharges and left also and it is understood that the remaining three will leave tomorrow.

The action of the students in leaving was the result of the action of the faculty in suspending Cadet Thornwell of Fort Mill a few days ago. When Thornwell was suspended the sophomore class petitioned to have him reinstated. This the faculty refused to do and therefore the class agreed to leave.

This afternoon this correspondent visited the college for the purpose of getting at the facts of the case. He talked with President Hartzog and a number of members of the faculty and also with a great many of the students. Both sides of the story agree very closely though there are some differences.

THE FACULTY MET.

This afternoon after the students had gone there was a meeting of the faculty at the close of which the following statement was given out. It was written by Col. R. W. Simpson, chairman of the board of trustees, and was endorsed by President Hartzog. It is as follows:

"The faculty last week awarded punishment to a student of the sophomore class by suspending him until the end of the session. The sophomore class petitioned the faculty to reinstate the student. The faculty met again and heard a committee of the class but saw no reason to grant their request. Thereupon a number of the class left and went to their several homes. While the faculty regret this action on the part of the students they feel compelled to maintain discipline.

TOOK GLASS TUBES.

The offense Cadet Thornwell was guilty of was taking four glass test tubes from the chemical laboratory without permission. The members of the faculty say they have been troubled a great deal by action of this kind and determined some time ago to break up the practice. Notice was given that the next offender caught would be severely dealt with. Cadet Thornwell was caught and his suspension followed. These tubes which are of small glass cylinders with little or no value may not have been taken with any wrong intent, the faculty say, but the taking of them was a violation of the rules. As a matter of fact the faculty say the college has been annoyed a great deal by the disappearance of a number of small articles such as tools, wrenches, etc., and it was so considered absolutely necessary to put an emphatic end to the business.

STATEMENT FROM STUDENTS.

The students side of the question is this. They admit that there is a rule that no test tubes or other college apparatus shall be taken for use by any of the students without the consent of the professors, but they say it has not been observed generally. Cadet Thornwell did take four of the tubes from the general store to his desk or stand, as it is called, in the building but that he took them for use in class work and they consider his suspension an outrage, as no wrong was intended. The students say they thought the facts had been misrepresented or exaggerated to the faculty and petitioned for a rehearing of the case in order that all the circumstances might be brought out. When the faculty refused their request they felt that loyalty to their classmate demanded that they should leave the college in a body and this was done.

The main point urged by the students is that the punishment inflicted on young Thornwell is in excess of

that warranted by the case. For instance they say there is a college rule that a student found with mess hall property in his room shall be given 10 demerits, yet here was a student who simply violated a rule and unwittingly took certain college property for use in his class work, without removing it from the building and was suspended therefor.

This correspondent this afternoon talked with a great many college students on the campus. The students are very much wrought up and are overwhelmingly in sympathy with the sophomores. The senior class met this morning and adopted a resolution of sympathy for the sophomores, endorsing their action. A copy of the resolutions will be sent to the family of each of the students who left. When the reporter was leaving the grounds a notice was being sent around calling a meeting of the junior class for the same purpose.

MONEY ADVANCED BY COMRADES.

When the sophomores decided to leave many of them did not have money enough to get away on. Money was furnished them by the members of the other classes and the college societies exhausted their treasuries. The departure of the cadets was conducted in a quiet and orderly manner and there was no demonstration or excitement but a great deal of feeling and determination.

President Hartzog and the other members of the faculty said this afternoon that they regretted the matter very much, but they felt that they had simply discharged their duty as required by the circumstances. "It was simply a question," said Col. Simpson, "as to who would run this college, the faculty or the students. The faculty felt that they were the ones to run it and have proceeded accordingly."

NO MEETING OF BOARD.

"There will be no meeting of the board of trustees," said Col. Simpson, "because there is no need for it. The incident, while very much deplored has occurred and has ended, and the college will proceed as though nothing had happened. We deeply regret the hasty action of the students and we believe no one will regret it more than the students themselves when they realize what a mistake they have made."

A. M. C.

TEXT OF COMPLAINT.

The following is the text of the complaint by the sophomore class: To the Faculty and President of Clemson College:

The sophomore class has asked for a reconsideration of Cadet Thornwell's case, and we herewith present our reasons.

Our action is based upon the belief that we consider Cadet Thornwell's punishment greater than his offense deserves. For example, it is obvious that the faculty does not consider Cadet Thornwell's offense the same as that of stealing, else they would have expelled him. If not stealing, we consider that his punishment should not be made so much severer than that inflicted for similar offenses.

Cadet Thornwell only took the test tubes for use in the laboratory without the professor's permission. We can not cite no case of exact parallel. We do know, however, that two years ago when bottles and chemicals were taken from the laboratory, not even were reports entered against the boys in whose rooms they were found. In cases where property taken from the mess hall is found in the student's possession, the penalty is not suspension, but only ten demerits.

In both of these instances we consider the offense evidently worse than that of Cadet Thornwell, inasmuch as the articles taken were for private use and not for class work.

Cadet Thornwell is not guilty of an unusual or peculiar crime. He simply did what has been the practice of the entire class during its course in chemistry.

We, therefore believe that the faculty laboring under the misunderstanding, or has been led to regard with great seriousness an offense

which has not been so regarded in the past.

We appreciate the position of the faculty, when it takes the stand that the college should be protected. But we do not believe that this position should be maintained at the expense of one cadet, when so many others have committed similar offenses and been released.

It is because, therefore, of a deep conviction on the part of the sophomore class that the faculty has been led into some misunderstanding, possibly through the failure of Cadet Thornwell to present his case in the proper manner that we ask for a reconsideration.

Clarence Norton,  
Chairman Committee.  
V. B. Hall,  
O. M. Roberts.

THE JUNIORS' RESOLUTIONS.

These were the resolutions adopted by the juniors:

We the members of the junior class do hereby resolve:

First, That the sophomore class has been treated unjustly by the faculty and that the steps taken were taken in defense of their rights and honor.

Second, That after considering the action of the sophomore class we heartily commend every step that they have taken.

Third, That we commend the sophomore class on the gentlemanly manner in which they acted on this occasion; furthermore at no time was any member rash or ungentlemanly.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be given each member of the sophomore class. Class '03.

FOUR HUNDRED MORE BOYS WERE ABOUT  
TO LEAVE—COL. SIMPSON ASKED  
FOR TIME.

[Special to The State.]

Anderson, April 30.—A telephone message from Clemson college this afternoon said that everything was quiet there but there was a good deal of excitement this morning. The junior and freshman classes met last night and resolved to leave the college this morning in a body unless the faculty called for a meeting of the trustees and had the entire sophomore class including Cadet Thornwell reinstated.

The college authorities got wind of what was going on and got Col. R. W. Simpson, the chairman of the board of trustees, to deliver a talk to the students in one of the class rooms. Col. Simpson reasoned with them and finally persuaded them to defer action until the trustees held a meeting and took action. It is stated that there will not be a special meeting of the trustees, but that their next regular meeting will be held early in June. Col. Simpson has a great deal of influence with the students.

The outbreak at Clemson, it appears to those conversant with the facts, is the culmination of a trouble which has been brewing ever since the opening of the present session and possibly longer. The students are very bitter against certain members of the faculty and openly charge them with vacillation and inconsistency and unfairness in enforcing discipline. The feeling is not confined to a few students but practically the entire student body is involved.

Col. Simpson, aided by other cool heads, has succeeded in diverting further trouble for the present, but the matter is not yet ended and it will require a very thorough investigation by the trustees to satisfactorily settle the difficulty.

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## Government Pie Counter.

OUR HUNGRY OFFICE-SEEKERS GATHERED IN WASHINGTON.

Positions at the Table not to be had Except for Services Rendered or to be Rendered—Out-and-out Republicans, Like John G. Capers, Have Most Influence and Will Get the Best Offices.

[Special to News and Courier.]

Washington, April 28.—Lawson Melton will not be reappointed United States marshal of South Carolina. It is probable that Postmaster Cunningham, of Charleston, will be transferred to the marshalship, leaving the postoffice open to a score of applicants to scramble for.

A. C. Kaufman is here after the vacancy to be thus created with endorsements formidable enough to justify his appointment in the Cabinet, or to a foreign mission, but the Republican leaders in the State say he is not to have the Charleston postmastership. A dangerous dark horse in the race is said to be W. L. Harris, a pension examiner, temporarily stationed in Charleston. He has lived there long enough to claim citizenship, he owns some property in the State and his wife is the first cousin of Major Micah Jenkins. His name has been strongly urged upon the President. Mr. Hagood, Mr. Mowry and a number of others are in the field, but it is understood that no action will be taken in that matter for several weeks to come.

John G. Capers, Republican national committeeman of South Carolina, spent nearly an hour with the President today, having come to Washington upon the invitation of President Roosevelt. Mr. Capers was not inclined to talk when he emerged from the private room of Mr. Roosevelt, but your correspondent gathered enough to know that as a national adviser of the Administration in South Carolina. The President appreciates his responsibilities as well as does Senator Hanna, and those who know Mr. Capers are aware of the fact that he is an untiring and aggressive force, and he proposes to look after the Republican party and have Republicans appointed to office, with an entirely proper and loyal regard for the McLaurin men, who are bravely standing by "the broad national principles" proclaimed by the junior Senator.

Mr. Capers would not advise any one of the details of his conference with the President, but it can be stated that if Marshal Melton is not reappointed he will be taken care of as a consul to Cuba, and in that event a simon-pure Republican recommended and appointed United States marshal and further that if Revenue Collector Koester is with drawn or fails of confirmation he, too, will be provided for, and a Republican, well-known for years as such, appointed collector. Mr. Capers will recommend none other for Administration offices, except occasionally for postmasters, where he is more than willing to accord some recognition to Senator McLaurin's friends. He does not think the proposed new Federal district bill has the remotest chance of passing at this session.

Miscellaneous business, Reports of Committees, Election of Officers, etc.

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By order of the Executive Committee.

C. C. Langston, Secretary.

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the entire trip of a week cost about \$30 for actual expenses. I have done nothing so far in perfecting arrangements for this trip, as it was the understanding that we were to go to Charleston from Georgetown, but as the Exposition is to close the day we adjourn, it will not be advisable to take this trip.

The Boston trip will be a delightful and restful outing and can be made at a nominal expense. I will not undertake it, however, unless as many as twenty five signify their desire to take it, and I must know not later than the 10th of May in order to perfect arrangements. Those who have already written me or spoken to me, will please drop me a card at once and others who desire to go will please do likewise. If I do not hear from twenty-five by the 10th of May, I will not arrange for the trip. As soon as I hear from the requisite number, detailed announcements will be published.

I want to say, also, that I have just had a conference with the citizens of Georgetown, and I want to urge upon every editor and publisher in the State the importance of attending the annual meeting. The people of Georgetown are noted the world over for their open hearted hospitality, and on this occasion it is their purpose to excel all former records, and what they undertake in this line they generally accomplish. If any editor fails to attend it will be his loss. I am very anxious to have a large attendance and I earnestly urge every editor in the State to lay aside for four days the routine of daily work and take a pleasant outing. It will do you good and give you strength and energy for your duties. Let no editor or publisher in the State fail to attend this meeting.

I would be glad to know as early as possible the names of those who expect to attend the annual meeting, so that arrangements for their entertainment can be made.

Don't fail to write me at once if you desire to take the Boston trip.

Sincerely,  
E. H. Aull,  
President.

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