

**CLEMSON OFFICERS
MAKE STATEMENT**

President and Discipline Committee Review Causes Leading to Men's Exodus. Yells of "Bolshevik" at Disturbance Monday.

Clemson College, March 10.—A serious disciplinary situation has arisen at Clemson College. Many of the students have already gone to their homes and others may leave. The great majority of the sophomore and the freshman classes have left and the juniors are considering going. It is not believed that the juniors will go. The great majority of the students that this correspondent has talked with said that they did not want to go but felt honor-bound to keep their promise to their class mates to stand with them. Your correspondent secured the following from the president and discipline committee.

Last Sunday morning the cadet in charge of dining room scholarship students reported to the commandant that on account of sickness he lacked six or eight men. The commandant, the president with knowledge, thereupon issued an order, stating that an emergency existed, and that six men would be detailed each day to assist the scholarship students in the mess hall until the emergency was relieved.

Monday morning the president was waited upon by several of the class co-operative committee, who stated that the cadets very bitterly resented the order referred to. Immediately steps were taken to meet the emergency and during the forenoon by offering higher pay, a sufficient number of cadets to fill out the quota of dining room scholarship was obtained. The order of Sunday was revoked at the Monday dinner hour, and two cadets who had been placed in arrest because of failure to obey the order were released at 4:15 p. m. When the dissatisfaction was at its height on Monday afternoon, and the threat was made that some of the students would return home, two sophomores who were in arrest in the guard room on account of having exceeded the limit of fifty demerits, disregarded their arrest and proceeded to pack up their trunks. The cadets were last night tried by the discipline committee for breach of arrest, pleaded guilty and received the usual punishment for this offense, dismissal. The college does not forcibly restrain students who are under discipline, but places them in arrest. They are expected to observe the arrest. If they

will not do so, the only recourse is to send them home.

"Another student, a freshman, who had never been detected by the commandant, the only one of many participating in the disorder Monday afternoon, was given local punishment which he could serve without interruption to his education.

"Today, Wednesday, after the dinner hour the freshmen and sophomore classes, without permission, as required by the regulations held a mass meeting on the athletic field and from there marched to the president's office. The president of the freshman class asked the president to appear before the two classes. As spokesman for the two classes, he demanded that the two sophomores whom the discipline committee had dismissed be immediately reinstated, and that the freshman who had been given local punishment be likewise immediately relieved of this punishment. The president stated to the cadet that there was a regular and proper procedure provided in the regulations, whereby any student who had been punished by the discipline committee could appeal to the board of trustees, also that the cadets concerned could appeal for rehearing by the discipline committee if they so desired but that he would not take action under any stress of class or student demands. With that the meeting broke up, the two classes indicating intention to go home in a body.

The present action is probably a culmination of a discontent which has been growing in the corps since Christmas. During the disturbance on Monday, red badges were displayed, and the yell of "Bolshevik" was frequently heard. There were a great many students in the corps, probably nearly 300 who have seen military service in one way or another, and some of these tired of it. Furthermore the student army training corps, war measure, at the college last session, created a distaste for military discipline. Then too, on account of labor and transportation troubles and high cost, the cadet mess has not been as good as heretofore. The whole matter will be referred to the board of trustees and while the college may proceed with the work with the students who remain at the institution. Since it is a military college, any matters in controversy will no doubt be passed upon in the light of these laws and regulations. The college authorities of course deeply regret the students' action, knowing that under stress of excitement many students



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felt compelled to follow their classmates, rather than be governed by their own judgment. However, the disciplinary authorities at the college have no option in the matter but to proceed along the lines of the regulations, and this will be done.

Following are the members of the disciplinary committee: President W. M. Riggs, Colonel J. M. Cummins, Prof. W. S. Morrison, R. N. Brackett, S. B. Earle, F. H. H. Calhoun, Hale Houston, S. M. Martin, H. W. Barre, D. H. Henry, D. W. Daniel, J. C. Littlejohn.

WILL AWAIT WORD FROM WILSON ON RAILROAD WAGES

Washington, March 12.—In all quarters concerned over the bituminous coal controversy a disposition was evinced tonight to await President Wilson's word before taking any action.

The majority report arising from the split in the commission appointed after the coal strike last fall to make a settlement was at the White House but the minority report of John P. White, miners' representative on the commission, still was uncompleted. Neither of the documents, it was said at the White House, would be made public until the president determined whether Mr. White and his associates, Henry M. Rembrandt Peale, the operators' representative could reconcile their views.

John L. Lewis, president, and other officials of the mine workers' union on the ground, kept in close touch with the situation today, but refrained from comment. It was made apparent, however, that the organization would

not move until the president reached his determination of the issue. Likewise the operators' representatives said they would wait. Chairman Robinson has left Washington, for his home in California, and Mr. Peale has returned to New York, leaving Mr. White the only member on the ground.

The majority report recommends that the men be given a 25 per cent increase in wages, including the 14 per cent, awarded them by former Fuel Administrator Garfield and that local differences in pay and allowances between different mining districts be referred to another commission. Mr. White will recommend that the increase be fixed at approximately 35 per cent, it is understood. The only factor regarded as serious in the differences is the hour schedule. The original demand of the mine workers was for a 30 hour week, a 60 per cent increase in wages, and local adjustment of the differentials arising in and between districts.

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