

vision of an able professor, but the student is required to do his own work and make his own experiments.

EQUIPMENT.

As the agricultural features grow and the equipments are improved the time of the student is economized, and he is therefore fitted for the work he has on hand. In this manner the new Agricultural building, with its improved equipment, will be of vast assistance to students of this course. Further growth is promised, in that appropriations have been asked by the Honorable Board for the purchase of additional pure breeds of live stock, and for the establishment of several sub-experiment stations throughout the state, and these will probably be granted in the near future. The United States Experiment Station here at College gives the agricultural student the opportunity to familiarize himself with methods and results of experiments conducted with live stock, field crops and horticultural products. In a future issue I shall try to show in what ways the agricultural and allied departments, under the present administration, are doing a most important work for Texas, agriculturally and commercially.

NEW FEATURES.

To give some idea of how much the school has improved since its foundation and more especially how much the agricultural course has improved, I will quote Judge Charles Rogan, one of the first graduates of the college and now state land commissioner under Governor Sayers. He says, when he arrived at College, "The only buildings on the grounds were the Main Building and the Mess Hall. The campus extended from the Main Building to the Brazos river. Sage grass and broom weeds took the place of lawns, walks, drives, shrubs and ornamental trees. There was no enclosure to turn trespassing stock or jack-rabbit hunter. The Mechanical department was equipped with a grindstone and the Agricultural department with a hoe and a broken rake. The state's showing for a gymnasium was an axe and a wood pile; the broom weed was the stock in trade for botanical instruction; *and the material for improved stock culture was a Texas maverick.*"

In marked contrast with this last statement the students now receive the benefit of a well organized live stock and experimental farm, with all of the new improvements used in connection with a farm of this character.

