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#### WRITING HOME.

Our predecessor in office, Mr. Fea-  
gin, had occasion last year to urge  
students to write oftener to the folks  
back home. There can be no doubt  
that there is too much neglect on this  
score. There's more than one stu-  
dent here whose parents are eating  
frugal meals and wearing old clothes  
to keep him here, but who never thinks  
to write them about what he is doing.

Get out your paper and write home  
now. Don't tell them about the foot-  
ball game; they are not interested in  
that. They are interested in you.  
Tell the little things. Tell them how  
your shoes are holding out, and about  
your trip to Mount Bonnel, and whom  
you met, and about your friends and  
your boarding house. Remember, they  
will want to know about your courses  
and your instructors. And don't for-  
get to be cheerful. That helps the old  
folks most of all.

But, while we are on the subject,  
we wonder if the father and mother  
always write like they should. "The  
governor," we suspect, is sometimes  
too prone to inclose thirty dollars  
with the brief injunction to make it  
go as far as possible, as times are  
hard, and his signature. And only  
too often the box of goodies from  
"mommer" is unaccompanied by any  
message other than that they are all  
well at home. Parents, did you know  
that a fellow gets so hungry for home  
that he is just aching to know about  
Bulger and whether Sookey has weaned  
her calf yet? We are interested in  
common place things, too. Let us  
hear more of them from home.—Daily  
Texan.

#### DO YOU KNOW WHAT "ALL RIGHT" MEANS

The Blue Book contains in simple  
and direct language the regulations of  
the military department, and among  
these will be found a statement of the  
conditions under which cadets may  
leave their rooms during study hours.  
Having placed a printed statement of  
these conditions in each room, the  
military department has given us per-  
mission to leave our rooms for these  
legitimate purposes on condition that  
we will report "All Right" on honor  
to all sentinels whose posts we cross  
while out of our rooms. In thus giv-  
ing us the privilege of leaving our  
rooms merely by reporting "All  
Right" to the sentinel, the military de-  
partment has assumed that we will act  
the gentleman by not taking undue ad-  
vantage of the privilege and thus vio-  
lating the report we have made on  
honor.

But it is a common occurrence for  
cadets to visit openly during study  
hours and to unhesitatingly report "All  
Right" to whatever sentinels they may  
meet. This is a thing which the stu-  
dent who has the proper idea of what  
honor is will not do, and if he con-  
tinues such practice he will soon find  
that he can break his word of honor  
on other occasions with as little re-  
morse. The ultimate result will be  
that he will completely stifle his sense  
of honor. The same remarks will ap-  
ply to all reports made on honor.

If we value our own honor, it is up  
to us not to make the report "All  
Right" when conditions are not all  
right.

#### WE HAVE COMPANY, IT SEEMS.

An editorial in the T. C. U. Skiff  
of the past week states that there  
were 81 errors in the four-page issue  
of the preceding week because of neg-  
lect on the part of the printer. We  
were feeling a little crestfallen be-  
cause of 20 errors, more or less, which  
appeared in the eight-page Battalion  
of last week, but when we read that  
we took heart again. When one con-  
siders the many thousands of errors  
which might be made on a single  
printed page, the wonder becomes  
that as few appear as do. However,  
we are not endeavoring to shift the  
blame of last week's errors from our  
own shoulders, but instead we shall  
hereafter redouble our efforts to put  
out a clean sheet.

Those county clubs who wish to ad-  
vertise A. & M. in their home towns  
should send the Battalion to the senior  
class in the high schools. The cost of  
a subscription to these clubs per mem-  
ber would be negligible.

All subscribers who are not receiv-  
ing their copies of the Battalion will  
please notify the business manager  
at 22 Mitchell, so that the matter can  
be attended to.

#### Local Notes

Invitations have been received an-  
nouncing the marriage of Martin D.  
Loring, a former member of the class  
of '15, to Miss Gladys Ellebracht of  
Mason, Texas. Loring attended A. &  
M. for three years, entering the sub-  
freshman and leaving at the end of  
his sophomore year.

Lem Adams, a recent graduate of  
A. & M., writes the Battalion from  
Inkon, Idaho, sending his regards and  
expressing his pleasure at the pres-  
ent bright outlook for the growth of  
the college. He is assistant engineer  
of the Oregon Short Line.



Who is that fiery orator, that fair-  
minded advocate of justice, that man  
with the beautiful auburn hair? "Red"  
Allen is his name. A favorite son of  
Palestine, he came to A. & M. in 1911  
and since the beginning his career  
has been indeed illustrious.

Whenever there is a difficult task  
to be performed, an unpleasant or  
delicate duty to be discharged, who  
is always picked for the work—"Red"  
Allen.

R. R. Allen first proved his ability  
when he was a Sophomore. As a cor-  
poral in "K" company he proved most  
efficient and showed that he contain-  
ed a spark of military genius. In his  
Junior year Allen was first sergeant  
of "K" company. He discharged his  
duty without hesitation and showed  
no partiality to anyone. As a Senior  
"Red" is major of the Third Battalion  
and he handles his men in a way that  
makes him admired and respected by  
everyone.



R. R. Allen, President Y. M. C. A.

Allen's popularity is well attested  
by the numerous offices to which his  
fellow students have elected him. He  
is president of the Y. M. C. A., and as  
such he injects such enthusiasm and  
vigor into the meetings that a good  
attendance is always assured. Upon  
certain occasions he has been known  
to increase Y. M. C. A. attendance  
by five hundred per cent within the  
short space of twenty minutes.

In addition to being president of  
the Y. M. C. A., he is business man-  
ager of the Long Horn. He has the  
ability to secure the funds necessary  
to turn out a fine book, and many of  
his most careful plans have not yet  
been placed before the public. Allen  
has the confidence and support of his  
classmates and everyone feels that  
he can do anything which he sets out  
to do.

He is the originator and chief pro-  
moter of the proposed trip of the  
corps to San Francisco in 1915. He  
secured all the information necessary,  
found out what arrangements must  
be made and communicated with the  
parents of all cadets in the college.  
Due to Allen's aggressive spirit, there  
is a strong likelihood of the corps,  
making this trip, one of the finest in  
the world.

It is the men who are optimistic,  
ambitious and energetic who make a  
class famous. "Red" Allen has all of  
the qualifications and more. He is  
friendly and affable to everyone. He  
will do anything in his power for a  
friend. He will work himself to the  
limit to make anything that he has

undertaken a success. He is a man  
of whom the class of 1915 may well  
be proud.

Light up—Pocket flash lights at  
Room 7, Foster.



#### PLAY

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