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THE BATTALION

STUDENT OPINION

A few years ago, whenever A. and M. staged a big ball, such as the Thanksgiving Hop, the R. V., or the Final Ball, break-ins were an un-known quantity. If a man took a girl to a dance and had a program filled out, he was assured of getting to dance it. In late years with the decline in prestige and leadership of upper-classmen, especially of Sen-iors, the habit of letting anyone who comes along take your partner has developed, with nobody to effectually oppose it. This year, however, this sustam became so injurious to every-one-good time at corps dances that it has been greatly discouraged. The Ross Volunteer Hop is to take place two weeks free now. Every-one who takes a girl has a program which he wants to dance, or he

which he wants to dance, or he wouldn't be going. If breakins are to be allowed, nobody, will have any idea who he is to dance with, and can

idea who he is to dance with, and can only be sure that his own program will be broken into quite freely. And then there is this to consider. The men on the campus who come with their wives are not acquainted with the visiting girls, and so won't break-in on them. But the cadets are applied for the short heathing in on break in on them. But the cadets are quite free about breaking in on their friends, the campus ladies. So when break ins start, the men who have opened their homes to our vis-itors and who hove been so accom-

itors and who hove been so accom-odating, loose their partners, and are forced to "ait out" the encores, the longest part of the dance. It would be doing these men a great favor to eliminate break-ins. These views have been formed af-ter talks with numerous cadets and campus people, who think the same way about the matter. The time is opportune for the hosts at this dance, the Ross Volunteers, to revive the old custom which used to make a big A. and M. dance one worth while. This doesn't necessarily eliminate stags. If they have a program filled they are as welcome as anyone. But it does mean that when a man startthey are as welcome as anyone. But it does mean that when a man started a dance he would get to finish

A SORROW SHARED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM

The common practice of promis cuous use of superlatives has so cheapened words that an honest efcuous use of fort, to express our sorrow, seems so unworthy of the y man like Sear-gent Kenny. More than most men, he was entitled to all the customary praise, but intimate association with him has made us conscious of an indescribable something that caused a big lump to rise in our throats when we heard of his death. Our interests were his interests, our misfor-tunes his misfortunes, and we feel as though we have lost more than just a good friend.

Whenever a man's children press their little faces against the window-pane, expectantly awaiting his roturn from work, and then rup at top speed to greet him, each one tugging and pulling at his clothing to insure a proportionate part of his attention, a proportionate part of his attention, well, sowehow or other, you smile a glad sort of a smile and unconscious-ly mark him as one of a few who are worthy of your implicit confidence, because you know that a man whom children love with abandon must be sincere, and inherently kind-hearted, honest and up-right May-be that helps to explain the feeling that one very near and very dear has passed from among us.

IN THE WAY OF IMPROVEMENTS

Before many moons A. and M. will be one of the best equipped plants in the south. At least appropriain the south. At least appropria-tions are being strongly considered by our Legislature. It is expected that the corps will be given a much needed gymnasium, Sgt. Hyland is looking forward to an armory and a target range, Dean Kyle for a new Agricultural building, Professor Fermier a new M. E. building, the college in general for a new library. It is to be remembered that the M. E.'s have the advantage over the rest of us as their castle is already under construction. For the rest of us, we have hopes for the other improvements.

But there are several other indispensible things that we must have be-fore we can be classed A 1. First, we need an adequate water supply, one that will supply enough water for the fourth floor inhabitants. We need paved streets that will do away with the now prevalent "cow trails." We need a car station where we can wait for the regular and irregular interurban cars, we need a new Chem. building of a new type, one in which any student can enter with-out shuddering. We need a wreck-ing crew to tear down the only wooden edifice on the military walk, and if necessary, we need a separate up-to-date building for Post Exchange.

It is up to us, men, to get them. erseverance conquers all, and although we won't have to growl about what we now have, if we'll keep on "kicking" figueretively speaking, per-haps these needs will be supplied. At any rate lets all pull for more improvements.

CAMPUS NOTES.

At a bridge party Tuesday night Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Marstellar had as their honor geust Mrs. Royal Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Paddock en-tertained the Honey Moon Club, Wednesday night,

Mrs. Boud was hostess at a very pretty bridge party of 9 tables Fri day afternoor

Prof. and Mrs. A. T. Potts as a compliment to the Horticultural Facevening. Their guests were Dean and Mrs. E. J. Kyle, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. McGinnis and Mr. and Mrs. F. Hensel.

"Bill" Dietert, formerly 1st Lieut. Co. "C", and literally in charge of the company since the departure of Captain Rees, has left his bunch for the Staff and is now Adjutant of the First Battalion. Ben Givens is now commanding the company and it will commanding the company and it will be remembered that Ben is one of our few returned "over-seas" men.

Don't gripe if some of your les-sons are harder than others, you've probably got the wrong point of view, and if you examine the situ-ation carefully, will find that some of your lessons are easier than others;—a sort of philosophy pecu-liar to profs.

children love with abandon must be sincere, and inherently kind-hearted, honest and up-right. May-be that helps to explain the feeling that one very near and very dear has passed from among us. We, who have known him, would call him a real man, and there is no nigher tribute.



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