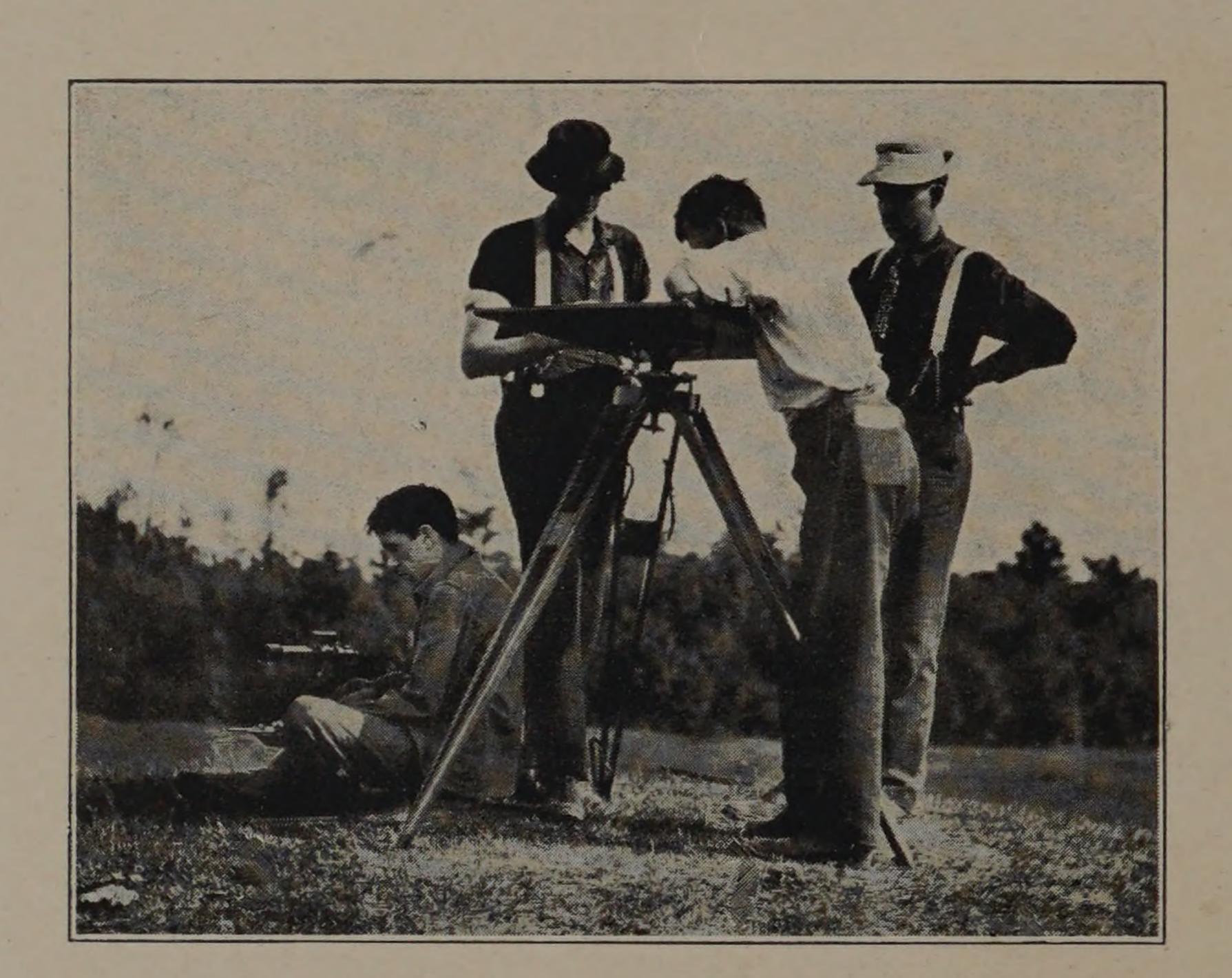


Naturally all were delighted with the thought of having a "horse" in the party which could be used any time it might be needed. There was no other excitement until evening, when Dick and Ellington, while trying to arouse some enthusiasm among the passengers, became acquainted with a charming "young" lady. Needless to say, they were molested by not a few of their fellow shipmates.

About two A. M. the bunch landed in Ludington, little the worse for lack of sleep. All of the fellows except "Sturdy," Packer, Guerin, Dick and Ellington either lacked the price or else the inclination to get rooms at the hotel. Instead,



they walked the streets and otherwise amused themselves until breakfast time. After breakfast, a few strolled about town in order to see it by daylight, and at 9:30 all boarded the "dummy" which was to convey them to Hamlin Lake.

When the mob descended upon the Bugg House, the management hardly knew what to do with such a hungry horde, but order was brought out of chaos and when the dust settled,

sixteen of the "youthfuls" found themselves housed in a cottage, otherwise known as "chateau," alias "shanty." The rest were shoved into the hotel, where they lacked the freedom enjoyed by the "shantyites." The first afternoon was spent in getting acquainted with the place and playing ball. That same afternoon some one made the discovery that instead of only one horse, Ebert had two "ponies." To be sure, they were young, but all declared that if they were not overworked they would grow.

As the class arrived at their destination in the middle of the week, the only work that was attempted was the adjustment of the instruments and the laying out of the true meridian. This was done under the ever watchful eye of Prof. Phillips, while "Sturdy" took care of the "Freshman bunch" and the water pail. For the first two weeks the work went along smoothly and all worked hard, as they were trying to make as good a showing as possible. It was certainly a hungry lot that always presented themselves for meals and very few were late.