

A Word of Appreciation

WE have often wondered if the men who were in the Armour Institute Students' Army Training Corps and the Naval Training Unit ever stopped to realize what a task it was to start this movement and bring it to a successful finish. When school began in September, did we know anything about the S. A. T. C.? Did we know where we were going to sleep and eat, or how our daily schedule was to be arranged? It was the members of the Executive Council of the Institute who did the work.

What a task it must have been for the Comptroller, Mr. F. U. Smith, to arrange for the housing of some four hundred and fifty men, and see that the Mess Hall was ready when the men in the Training Corps came for their first meal. Although the worries of Mr. Smith must have been many, he always greeted us with a smile whenever we met him.

The schedule of the subjects to be taken by the men was altogether different than we had before. We had a hazy idea of what these subjects were to be but no one knew definitely, not even the Deans. We can readily see that it was no small undertaking to attempt to make a schedule of classes and studies that would fulfill the Government's requirements and at the same time be convenient with conditions in and around school. When October the first came, the men were inducted, and Dean Raymond was there, bright and early, ready to enroll the men in their classes.

Classes started the next day, and as time went on we began to realize more and more, what a relief it was to come into Dean Monin's class in War Issues, where we could put aside all troubles and worries and listen to him tell of the issues that led up to the war; better still, some of the exceedingly interesting facts of diplomatic warfare and what a big part it played. It was a subject new to everyone. In fact, so new that the subject of its foundation was still "boiling over" from the heat of war. All of the material that Dean Monin used he was forced to obtain from current publications, which was no easy task, to say the least.

We must not forget the Registrar, Mr. Allison, to whom credit is due for the part he played in helping to make everything a success.

It is to these men that we, the S. A. T. C. and the Naval Training Unit combined, wish to extend our thanks and appreciation for the work they so successfully accomplished and without whose help the movement at Armour would have been a dismal failure.