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Third Prize, \$1,000, John Tompkins. A supplementary prize of \$100 was awarded to Raymond M. Hood.

WHY more young men do not enter the draughting vocation and what can be done to secure more draughtsmen is to be the subject of study for a committee of the Wisconsin Chapter.

IN OREGON, the Commission handling the State Bonus Bill has received 7,000 applications for funds for building homes for returned soldiers, under the provisions of the Act creating the Commission. Loans of this kind are limited, it is reported, to \$3,000; they must be amortized in 20 years and will bear 4% interest. The Commission is interested in the work of the Architects' Small House Service Bureau, Northwestern Division, the members of which are preparing actively to co-operate in seeing that the soldiers get the best possible homes for the money.

SAN DIEGO is likely soon to be headquarters of a new Chapter of the Institute, according to the report made by Mr. Bergstrom to the Southern California Chapter. This will give the Institute an even fifty Chapters, including the new Westchester Chapter of New York.

MOUNTAIN Division, Architects' Small House Service Bureau, is distributing advance sheets from the catalogue soon to be issued by the Bureau. The designs cover a wide range of types, carefully studied in their adaptability to conditions such as are found within the territory of the Bureau. Those desiring further information as to the activities of the Bureau are referred to the Secretary, 415 Chamber of Commerce Building, Denver, Colorado.

MOLIERE'S three hundredth anniversary (he died in 1622) was observed by the Department of Drama, College of Fine Arts, Carnegie Institute of Technology, by the presentation of two plays, "Les Femmes Savantes," and "Don Juan." During the same period, when seven performances were given, the Faculty of the College gave an exhibition of their work in the Galleries of the Institute. The Department of Music gave a symphony concert, including Goldmark's "Sakuntala," Symphonic Variations by Franck, and a Cello Concerto by Lalo. The exhibition remained open through the greater part of February, and afforded another indication of the great value of the collaborative work organized by Professor Bossange, who is Dean of the College, which includes the Department of Architecture, of which Professor Harry Sternfeld is the head.

THE last meeting of the Wisconsin Chapter was much taken up with a discussion, inaugurated by Mr. Rotier, on the subject of a Bureau of the Architects' Small House Service. Mr. Rotier offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Resolved, That the Wisconsin Chapter, A. I. A., approves of the formation of the proposed North Central Regional Bureau of the Architects' Small House Service Bureau of the United States, Inc., and encourages it to carry on its program with all dispatch and energy."

New Members Elected

ALABAMA: Jacob E. Salie, *Birmingham*. CENTRAL ILLINOIS: Harry J. Reiger, *Springfield*. CENTRAL NEW YORK: L. J. Kaley, *Binghamton*. CLEVELAND:

Harry A. Fulton. ERIE: William F. Frank. FLORIDA: M. Leo Elliott, *Tampa*. ILLINOIS: James R. M. Morrison, Walcott S. Russell, *Chicago*. INDIANA: A. Frank Wickes, *Gary*. NEW YORK: Bevan Jones, Eugene Henry Klaber, *New York City*. PITTSBURGH: William R. Lewis, *Bluefield, W. Va.* TENNESSEE: Richard L. Seig, *Memphis*. TEXAS: Guy Lewis Frazer, H. C. Trost, *El Paso*; George Willis, *San Antonio*. WASHINGTON, D. C.: Alexander H. Sonnemann.

Obituary

Evarts Tracy

Lieutenant Colonel Evarts Tracy, D. S. C., died on Tuesday, 31 January, after a short illness in Paris, while engaged in reconstruction work in the devastated regions around Rheims. A graduate of Yale in the Class of 1890, he studied for three years at the École des Beaux Arts and after a short time in the office of McKim, Mead & White commenced independent practice of his profession in 1896, and formed the firm of Tracy & Swartwout four years later. The work done was extremely varied in character,—some domestic and commercial, but the bulk of it monumental. The Hotel Webster and the Home Club in New York were early examples and of the later work won in competition, the Denver Post Office, the Missouri State Capitol and the Milford Town Hall were the most prominent. The Victory Memorial Building for the George Washington Memorial Association, the cornerstone of which has just been laid, was won in competition in 1914.

Tracy had always a great interest in military affairs, was at Plattsburg for two years and on the outbreak of the war was commissioned Major of Engineers. He served with distinction here and abroad and was in charge of the Camouflage Section and an instructor in camouflage, and has written many articles on that subject. He was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and was recently awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. Personally, Tracy was a very lovable character. At college he was the most popular man in his class and in his profession and in the Army he was the friend of everyone who knew him, and he knew everybody. He was at home everywhere and was vitally interested in everything that went on. His specialty, as he often said, was miscellaneous information. There was not a subject on which he could not converse intelligently: with the medical profession he talked like a doctor and among lawyers he would pass as a lawyer, and when he entered the Army it seemed as if he had been a soldier all his life. He liked it and he looked it, and he gave his life to it, for the fatal attack of heart disease which carried him off in the midst of his reconstruction work was directly attributable to an accident in a trench at the Front. He lived his life to the full and he enjoyed every minute of it. He died as he would have wished to die, in the vigor of life and in the midst of the work he had loved. He was a man and a lovable man, and the fact of having known him is a pleasant memory. E. S.

Lowell A. Lamoreaux

Elected to the Institute in 1907
Died at Minneapolis, Minnesota, 1 February, 1922.