proved by Governor Stephens and has been forwarded by him to President Wilson with an urgent plea for action by the federal government to solve California's and the nation's petroleum problem.

The report consists of 12 chapters, as follows:

Chapter I. Letter of Transmittal.

Chapter II. World Petroleum Situation.

Chapter III. California Petroleum Fields.

Chapter IV. Production of California Petroleum.

Chapter V. Storage of California Petroleum.

Chapter VI. Transportation of California Petroleum.

Chapter VII. Refining of California Petroleum.

Chapter VIII. Utilization of California Petroleum.

Chapter IX. General Review—Production and Consumption.

Chapter X. Production—Maintenance and Increase.

Chapter XI. Conservation.

Chapter XII. Conclusions and Recommendations.

Chapter XII. contains the committee's conclusions and recommendations, and the two preceding chapters deal with the possibilities, respectively, of increasing the supply and of decreasing the consumption of California petroleum and its products.

## THE STATES RELATIONS SERVICE AND AGRICULTURAL INSTRUCTION

Resolutions were passed at a conference in Washington on May 5, 1917, by representatives of the National Association of State Universities, the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations, the Association of American Universities, the Association of American Colleges, and the institutional committee of the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education, requesting the advisory commission to recommend to the Council of National Defense that it approve the plan of developing and issuing at once through the States Relations Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture a statement of a comprehensive policy of cooperation between the government and the universities, colleges and other schools which will make for the most effective use of these institutions along agricultural lines throughout the duration of the war. In order to carry out this program the States Relations Service has appointed the following committee:

Professor G. A. Works, Cornell University.

Mr. L. H. Dennis, director of vocational agricultural instruction.

Professor H. F. Cotterman, Maryland State Col-

Dr. C. H. Winkler, University of West Virginia.

Professor F. B. Jenks, University of Vermont, secretary.

Mr. C. H. Lane, States Relations Service, chairman.

The States Relations Service will bring this committee together in Washington from time to time, as may seem expedient, with the committee on education of the advisory commission for the consideration of the best methods of maintaining, adjusting and strengthening the agricultural instruction of the country in order to meet the emergencies of the war and to plan for the period following the war.

## MEDICAL STUDENTS AND THE DRAFT

THE Provost Marshall General has sent the following to governors of all states:

The President prescribes the following supplemental regulations governing the execution of the selective-service law.

First. Hospital internes who are graduates of well-recognized medical schools or medical students in their fourth, third, or second year in any well-recognized medical school who have not been called by a local board may enlist in the Enlisted Reserve Corps provided for by section 55 of the national defense act under regulations to be issued by the Surgeon General, and if they are thereafter called by a local board they may be discharged on proper claim presented on the ground that they are in the military service of the United States.

Second. A hospital interne who is a graduate of a well-recognized medical school or a medical student in his fourth, third, or second year in any well-recognized medical school, who has been called by a local board and physically examined and accepted and by or in behalf of whom no claim for exemption or discharge is pending, and who has not been ordered to military duty, may apply to the Surgeon General of the Army to be ordered to