

## NEWS DEPARTMENT

### *Absent for Work at Harvard*

Charles W. David, Instructor in European History in the University of Washington, is absent on leave for the third quarter and will return for full work during the fourth or summer quarter. He will devote the third quarter to research work at Harvard University, where he will complete his examinations for the Doctor of Philosophy degree. His thesis on Robert of Normandy has been accepted and will be published in the Harvard Series.

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### *Joins the Colors*

Victor J. Farrar, Research Assistant in the University of Washington, has enlisted in the Base Hospital Number 50 under Dr. James B. Eagleson, major in command. Mr. Farrar is to serve as Registrar of the base hospital. He was born in the State of Maine on January 1, 1886. His university training was obtained at the University of Wisconsin, where he obtained the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1911, the Master of Arts degree in 1912 and then spent two years there as graduate assistant while doing work toward the Doctor of Philosophy degree. His position at the University of Washington is saved for him while "detached on military service." Readers of the *Washington Historical Quarterly* are familiar with some of Mr. Farrar's painstaking work. They will all wish him well as he enters this patriotic service of his country. The history staff now has three men in service. The other two are Assistant Professor Ralph H. Lutz, a lieutenant at headquarters, Camp Kearny, California, and Graduate Assistant H. E. Brown, a yeoman in the United States Navy.

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### *Illustrated Talks in the Training Camps*

In the last issue of this *Quarterly* mention was made of a course of lectures prepared by the National Board for Historic Service under the auspices of the Educational Committee of the War Department's Commission on Training Camp Activities. That work is now in full swing at all the cantonments in America. Professor Norman F. Coleman has been promoted in the Y. M. C. A. work and has headquarters at San Francisco. His work at Camp Lewis has been divided and the educational portion goes to Professor Brewer from the Montana Agri-