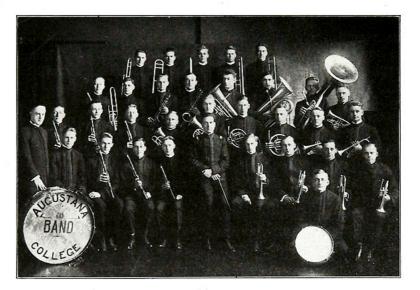
AUGUSTANA OBSERVER



THE SIXTH REGIMENT BAND OF ILLINOIS.



Augustana College Band has been in existence for forty-three years, and has become an integral part of the life of the school. It has always done splendid work, and has ever been ready to serve the institution as best it was able. Especially has it attained a high degree of efficiency under the guidance of its present director, Mr. Carl H. Kalquist. In recent days it has magnanimously responded to our country's call by enlisting bodily in the service of

the U. S. In this step it has entered a wider field of usefulness, in which we believe it will achieve distinction. Augustana is proud of its band and the country appreciates its patriotic spirit. E. F. BARTHOLOMEW.

THE 1917 BAND TOUR.

THE Augustana Band has completed its first annual tour and with such marked success that it elicited admiration and praise from all the places visited. The tour of the band is the result of a steady growth toward perfection. The remarkable improvement in the last two years, due to the efficient leadership of Director Carl H. Kalquist, offered the opportunity to the Board of granting permission for a concert tour. The work of arranging the series of concerts was not a small undertaking, inasmuch as the organization had no prestige beyond its immediate confines, and to contract engagements on the force of its reputation was therefore not to be expected. The assurance that the band would give satisfaction was the only inducement offered. That the people were not disappointed was evidenced by their expressions of admiration and appreciation.