

custom there of giving you a diplomas as soon as you matriculate, so you are sure of getting one (Laughter). I thought it was a very good custom. Well, as soon as we matriculated, we received our diplomas. There were about 200 of us who came together one day to get our diplomas, and we were all foreigners. The director of the University came in, with a gold chain around his neck, and gave us a nice little speech of welcome, and when as he went out, two clerks came forward to give us our diplomas. They had a big pile, and they would call out a name. I noticed that as they called the Egyptian names, the Arabic names, the Turkish names and the Russian names, they didn't have much difficulty, so far as I could see,- these men came forward and got their diplomas without much trouble. But when they came to the American names, they were pretty badly off in trying to get them across. I remember when they called Woodbridge, and Blakeley thought they said Blakely when they said Woodbridge, which showed the difference between German pronunciation and American,- they said "Wood-brick-en", and Blakely rushed for it, thinking it was he. I remember Paul Cotten was to get one, and they said "Cooten - - Herr Cooten", and it was some time before he realized that it was for him. But when they came to my name they were absolutely stumped; they never heard of a name like mine, that had a capital letter in the middle of a word, and it had a "c" at the end of a syllable without a "k" after it, and ending in the letters "ae",- just absolutely impossible, and so he said "Herr Muck, Muck, Alexander Muck" (Laughter). Well, about that time I rushed forward and received the diploma. (Laughter).. And so I realized how very hard it is to get foreign names correctly and to keep them accurately correct.

One time I bought a little suit to go for a trip in the mountains. And I said, "Now get this right" (for they often spell my name "M-a-c-k-a-l" instead of "M-a-c-R-a-e), I said, "It is capital R-a-e", and I underlined the "R" - MacRae. I said, "Will you have it to me by 2:00 this afternoon?"