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THE RELAY RACE FOUL.

We sincerely regret the attitude taken by the Bowdoin Orient of Feb. 19, 1902, in regard to the relay race at the B. A. A. Meet. The article in question is not only rancorous, but careful and extended inquiry failed to substantiate the claims that, before the fatal collision, Emerson fouled Bates twice, while the latter was trying to pass the Tech runner, and that Emerson fell untouched by the Bowdoin man. Furthermore, the lead at the finish claimed by the Orient is grossly exaggerated. The decision of the foul, however, rested with the inspector at that corner, Dr. W. R. Mansfield, a man who has had wide experience in track work, and was fully competent to judge whether the foul was due to "jockeying" on Emerson's part or to interference on Bates' part as he tried to take the lead on the pole side when there was insufficient space to pass. His decision was that Bowdoin fouled. As we said last week, we believe the foul was unintentional, and was due to misjudgment. The manner in which our team in succeeding laps cut down the lead, plainly indicated what the result of the race would have been had the accident not occurred.

However, it is gratifying to note that the bitterness evinced against Tech in the Orient is not shared by their track team. Though not satisfied with the decision, their relations with the B. A. A. officials and our team are most gentlemanly and sportsmanlike, and we hope the Orient will follow their lead. College athletics should be clean, generous rivalry, and anything which tends to produce an intercollege hatred should be treated as carefully as possible.

N. E. I. ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

The M. I. T. Athletic Association proposed two changes before the N. E. I. A. A. Convention (the account of which may be found on another page) in regard to the Annual Meet at Worcester: The first change, providing for the discontinuance of the bicycle race, was defeated by one vote, four of the ten colleges opposing
it, whereas a two-thirds majority was necessary to pass it. The defeat was undoubtedly due to the fact that the opposition considered they had point winners in this event, so that it is now up to the other teams to beat these four, and thus convince them of their error. However, we gave notice that we would propose the same change next year, and there is very little doubt that it will be adopted then, for bicycle racing is dead as a college sport, and is a great and foolish expense. The other change, in regard to having the points distributed between four places instead of three, was proposed also by a couple of other colleges, and, after some discussion, was adopted unanimously. The large number of colleges represented warranted this amendment, which is equally advantageous to all.

Two weeks ago Institute men had the pleasure of listening to a very interesting and straightforward address by Pres. Lucius Tuttle of the Boston & Maine Railroad. As is customary at these mass meetings in Huntington Hall, before the entrance of the speaker the students amused themselves by singing and whistling scraps of popular songs, and by applauding the various professors as they entered the hall. Now The Tech has nothing at all to say against this form of amusement; it may not be dignified, but it is certainly a whole-hearted expression of good humor and good spirits. Nevertheless, there is a danger that, like other celebrations of a simple and enthusiastic nature, these few minutes of rollicking may become a really pronounced exhibition of student rowdism. Great care should be taken to keep the fun within bounds. When we get our new song-book, or even before then, for that matter, it might be a good thing for the students to make some concerted attempt at singing a few rousing good songs, which would be just as good fun, and a little more polite than yells and cat-calls.

N. E. I. A. A. Convention.

The Annual Convention of the New England Intercollegiate Athletic Association was held Feb. 21, at 11 a.m., in the Copley Square Hotel. Delegates were present from the following colleges of the Association: Amherst, Bowdoin, Brown, Dartmouth, Maine, M. I. T., Trinity, Tufts, Wesleyan and Williams. H. S. Baker and T. E. Jewett were the representatives from Tech.

The principal business transacted was the renewal of contract with Mr. Bigelow for holding the annual meet at Worcester Oval this spring, and action on the proposed amendments to the Constitution, and on the application of the University of Vermont for admission to the Association. This application was granted, so that Vermont is now a regular member of the Association. Two amendments were proposed by the M. I. T. Athletic Association; namely, to drop the 2-mile bicycle race from the list of events and to change the counting of points from 5, 3, 1 for first, second and third places, to 5, 3, 2 and 1 for first, second, third and fourth places. Dropping the bicycle race was opposed by Brown, Wesleyan, Trinity and Maine, on the ground that it was not fair to those who expected to win points in the bicycle race this spring. As a two-thirds vote is required for an amendment to be made, the proposed amendment was lost by a vote of six in favor to four against it.

The proposed change in counting points was unanimously adopted. The M. I. T. Advisory Council proposed an amendment abolishing the hammer-throw. This was defeated, as was expected.

The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, A. T. Foster, Amherst; vice-president, J. Quint, Williams; secretary, J. T. Maynard, Dartmouth; treasurer, T. E. Jewett, M. I. T.; executive committee, Wilde, Bowdoin; Allen, Brown.
The New Chess Club.

The Chess Club is about to be revived. It is thought by many of the students that there are enough good players in the Institute to place in the field a team strong enough to compete with any collegiate team in this part of the country. Every man who knows anything at all about the game should give his heartiest support to such a scheme, and should be present at a meeting which will be held in Room 22 Rogers, at 1:10 P.M. Saturday. It is to be hoped that the plan will prove successful, as there seems a good chance for chess to occupy a prominent position among the students.

1905 Class Dinner.

The Class of '05 held the second of their series of dinners at the Union last Wednesday night. There were forty-one men present, the invited guests being Dr. Tyler, Dr. Wendell and Mr. Blachstein. S. T. Strickland acted as toastmaster, and introduced Dr. Tyler as the first speaker.

Dr. Tyler laid his speech in three parts, corresponding, as he said, to soup, piece de resistance, and dessert; as soup he extended to the members of the whole class, and especially to the members of his classes, a cordial invitation to call upon himself and Mrs. Tyler at their home in Newton. The next course consisted of reading parts of typical letters which he received in his official correspondence, and the class was kept in a continual roar at the unreasonable and yet absurd demands on the Secretary; as dessert the class was served with possum story a la negro.

Dr. Wendell told the men something of the life of Mr. Kennan, who lately spoke before the Society of Arts on his experiences in Siberia. "Mr. Kennan," he said, "has always lived up to the demand, 'Be a man: don't forget it.'" In his attacks on Siberian methods, in his investigation of Mount Pelee, and in his war on Addicks in Delaware, he has always followed the same lofty banner. Dr. Wendell also told something of the usefulness of tact, illustrating his remarks by anecdotes of foreign travel.

Mr. Blachstein's remarks were in his customary vein of jolly good-fellowship, and were heartily enjoyed by all.

Songs, stories and "stunts" kept the men busy until a late hour, when they broke up with a few of the customary yells.

1902 Reunion.

The first annual reunion of the Class of 1902, held at the Tech Union last Friday evening was a very successful affair, the exceptionally large number of fifty-three members being present. After dinner President C. A. Sawyer, Jr., opened the meeting by a short address and then introduced Dean Burton, the guest of the evening, who gave a few words of advice. The business meeting was then called, and the reports of Mr. C. W. Kellogg, Jr., as secretary, treasurer and trustee of the Walker Memorial contributions, were read and accepted. Mr. Kellogg stated the poor showing of the 1902 subscriptions to the Walker Memorial, and made an urgent request that each member do as much as he is able toward putting them on a more creditable footing.

The following officers were then elected for the ensuing year: President, W. J. Mixter; vice-presidents, W. R. Greeley and C. E. McCarthy; assistant secretary, A. H. Nickerson, Mr. Kellogg holding the office of secretary and treasurer for five years.

The business meeting was followed by singing and story-telling, sheets containing the words of the popular songs being distributed.

Mr. G. M. Wetherbee, who was married June 19, 1901, to Miss Daisy Beem, has the honor of the class baby, Vivian Meserve Wetherbee.
Tech Show.

The call for candidates for places in the Tech Show resulted in a large number of competitors. A number of old men in the chorus, ballet, and principal parts insure a good working basis, while plenty of raw material is at hand to be developed. With plenty of good material and enthusiasm to mark the beginning of the rehearsals, it is safe to predict that this year's Show will far excel its predecessors.

Architectural Society Smoker.

Mr. Clarence H. Blackall, architect, addressed the members of the Architectural Society at a smoke-talk held last Monday night at the Tech Union. Mr. Blackall discussed the Colonial Theatre, and, with the help of a large number of lantern slides, made clear the salient points of steel construction, gallery construction, interior decoration, heating and ventilation, acoustics and staging facilities, especially the stage mechanism used in the production of "Ben Hur." The description of the theatre was clear and comprehensive, and should prove of great value to those who were so fortunate as to be present.

Union Dinner.

A seven-course dinner was served to forty-five men at the Union last Saturday evening. Norman Lombard, '05, was appointed chairman, and it was announced that it would be desirable hereafter that the men should obtain their tickets of some member of the House Committee, or at the President's office, before Saturday noon. Songs, stories, solos, healths and "Giant" sneezes kept the men interested and lively until late into the night. The presence of a few athletic trophies also seemed a great incentive to jollity.

Electrical Engineering Society.

The Electrical Engineering Society enjoyed two excursions last week to the Simplex Electric Company's works in Cambridge.

Two afternoons were kindly set apart so as to better accommodate the large number who wished to visit this most interesting place. Mr. Henry A. Morss, '93, gave a preliminary explanation of the processes of insulating copper wire, and of cable making. Then he and his brother, Everett Morss, '85, conducted the parties over the works, explaining the machines more in detail. These excursions were the most satisfactory of the year, and the Society greatly appreciates what was done.

Freshmen Meetings.

The Class of '06 held a meeting in Huntington Hall Saturday morning. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. W. A. Redding was elected manager of the baseball team. It was voted to take up contributions for the support of the baseball team. Ten dollars was appropriated for decorating the Tech Union, and five dollars for the care of the Trophy Room.

It was moved to put up a class cup for the member winning the highest number of points in athletics. This is reserved for further discussion. It is requested that all members of the class who have not yet paid their assessment should do so immediately. A large number are still due, although it is very late.

A meeting was held in Huntington Hall after Military Science last Saturday, to discuss the formation of a society among the non-commissioned officers of the Cadet Battalion. F. E. Dixon was elected temporary chairman, and the meeting then adjourned.

Will Technique have its picture of Professor Bates before or after taking?
The Tufts-Tech Meet.

It is unfortunate that more Tufts men did not enter the B. A. A. Meet. As it is, Tech men won three firsts and three seconds, while Tufts made, aside from her relay race with the University of Maine, scarcely any showing at all; therefore we have almost no chance to compare the two track teams which will meet at the Tech gymnasium on Wednesday, March 4.

The fine showing of the M. I. T. men in the meet just passed has made the students rather sure that we will have a decided walkover when we meet the "boys from the hill." This is not a wholesome spirit. Tufts is far from downhearted, and is preparing to do her best to beat us on our own territory. Her relay team made about the same time that the Bowdoin team did in the M. I. T.-Bowdoin race, and the Tufts men are running races nearly every day. Besides this team, Tufts places great reliance in her sprinters and through these expects to win a good many points. Aside from this little boast about the sprinters, Tufts men will say little or nothing about their track team, being peculiarly close-mouthed in the matter. Whether or no she has "something up her sleeve," Tufts is not planning to descend from her heights to fall an easy prey to our team.

It is useless, so soon after the B. A. A. meet, to repeat much about our men, and the work which may be expected of them. Considering the squad which represented us there, it is not to be wondered at that Tech is a bit confident of a decisive victory, but those who can get into the gymnasium on that night are sure to see a contest which will do credit to both colleges.

Willie killed his Uncle Ned,—
Drove a Hatchet through his Head.
Mama saw what he had done;
"Such Games are rude, my little Son."

CALENDAR.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26.

1 P.M. 1903 CLASS MEETING, Room 11 Engineering B.
4.15 P.M. TECH SHOW REHEARSAL for Chorus at the Union.
6.30 P.M. EXETER CLUB DINNER at the Tech Union.
8 P.M. MUSICAL CLUBS' CONCERT before the Old Belfry Club, Lexington, Mass.
8 P.M. THE SOCIETY OF ARTS will hold their 577th regular meeting in 22 Walker. Professor Derr will exhibit new apparatus for illustrating certain electro-magnetic phenomena.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27.

4.15 P.M. TECH SHOW REHEARSAL, for Ballet at the Union.
7 P.M. TECH BOARD ANNUAL DINNER at the Winter Place Tavern.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28.

1.10 P.M. NEW CHESS CLUB. Meeting to form this club in 22 Rogers. All interested are requested to come.
6.30 P.M. STUDENT DINNER at the Union. Every man will be welcome. Good cheer and informality. Tickets, 25 cents.

MONDAY, MARCH 2.

4.15 P.M. TECH SHOW REHEARSAL, for Chorus at the Union.
8 P.M. CHEMICAL SOCIETY "SMOKER" at Tech Union. Dr. Norris and Dr. Burns will speak.

TUESDAY, MARCH 3.

4.15 P.M. TECH SHOW REHEARSAL, for Ballet at the Union.
4.10 P.M. Y. M. C. A. Meeting at Room 11, Pierce Building; speaker, Rev. J. A. Francis of the Clarendon Street Baptist Church.

THURSDAY, MARCH 5.

4.15 P.M. TECH SHOW REHEARSAL, for Chorus at the Union.
7 P.M. 1904 DINNER at the Union. Tickets, 75 cents.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6.

4.15 P.M. TECH SHOW REHEARSAL, for the Ballet at the Union.
6.30 P.M. WALKER CLUB DINNER at the Tech Union. After the dinner the club will hear a lecture on Australia, to be illustrated by lantern slides.
The Tech Board regrets that Mr. H. W. Goddard, '04, has had to sever his connection with the staff on account of leaving the Institute for this term. Mr. Richard O. Marsh, '05, has been elected to fill the office of secretary.

As a result of the Championship Run last fall, the emblem $C$ is awarded to Thurber, '06, Riley, '05, Lorentz, '05, and Sweet, '06.

We call attention to a mistake in our last issue. It was Currier Lang, '04, who won second place in the 40-yard novice at the B. A. A. Meet.

At a meeting of the Mining Engineering Society held at the Union last Thursday, Professor Hoffman spoke on last summer's trip of the course in summer school, also "Copper Smelting in Montana."

The House Committee of the Tech Union met in the Trophy Room last Saturday afternoon. H. S. Morse, '03, reported that permission had been given to move the trophies, and accordingly this will be done. Some of the trophies were moved that afternoon, but the majority will be moved this week.

The Class of '87 held a reunion at Young's Hotel Saturday evening, Jan. 21. There were twenty-five present. The following officers were elected: President, H. Souther; vice-presidents, M. W. Cooley, H. C. Spaulding; secretary, E. G. Thomas; treasurer, G. O. Draper. President Souther presided at the evening's jolly affair.

The following men were elected to represent '06 on the Institute Committee: H. J. Mann and J. W. Williams, Jr.

The M. I. T. Basket-Ball Team was defeated Wednesday, Feb. 18, by the Harvard Freshman team with a score of 42 to 23. This was the first game for M. I. T., and though they played well in the first half, at the end of which the score was only 19 to 18 against them, in the second half they showed a lamentable lack of training and endurance.

Last Monday they played the Boston Y. M. C. A. second team, and were defeated with a score of 53 to 18, which shows pretty plainly the standing of the team.

The new Catalogue will be out the first of next week.

Mr. Humphreys is away, and all students are referred to Dr. Tyler until Monday.

W. H. Keen, '05, has returned after a month's confinement at his home with diphtheria.


Election will be held Tuesday, March 3, in Room 22, Rogers.

Naval Architectural Society Smoker.

The promise of several important papers and the election of officers drew more than the usual number of members and several graduate members of the Naval Architectural Society to its Smoker at the Union, Tuesday evening. The following officers were elected
for the coming year: President, George H. Powell; Vice-President, Calvin P. Bascom; Secretary, Charles L. Steinroek, and Treasurer, Austin Y. Hoy.

After the business meeting Mr. Wehuer read a most interesting and instructive paper on "Draughting Room and Construction Methods in Use at the New York Ship Building Company's Yard." This company has made use of the templet method, employed by all bridge companies, with excellent results.

Following this, Mr. Shulte gave an amusing account of his boiler-room experiences on the Lake steamers "Northland" and "Northwest." Having served as water tender for three months, he was able to give an instructive account of the workings and failings of the Belleville boilers. A lively discussion followed the reading of each paper.

Potato salad, frankfurts, beer, songs and a general good time closed the evening and the members dispersed to play "hunt the pillow," a game which they were ready to enjoy.

Fencing; Tech vs. Y. M. C. A.

The Tech Fencing Team was defeated by the Y. M. C. A. in the Gym last Wednesday in a very well contested match, by the score of 5 to 4. As this was the first match any of the Tech men had ever entered, and as their opponents were men of over thirty years of age and experienced by years of fencing, the result was exceedingly commendable for Tech. The work of the Sage brothers was especially good, each winning two out of three bouts, and fencing in splendid form, while Leh's work was good under the circumstances. Shaw for the Y. M. C. A. was the cause of Tech's downfall, winning all of his three bouts while his associates won but one apiece. Each of the nine bouts was close and exciting, two resulting in draws, which had to be fenced over, and afforded close interest to about fifty spectators.

'87. John W. Adams has been placed in charge of the elevators and the general grain business of the Great Northern Railway.

'88. Henry J. Horn, I., has recently been appointed assistant general superintendent of the Northern Pacific Railway.

'90. Charles Hayden, IX., has been appointed an aide-de-camp, with the rank of major, on the staff of Governor Bates of Massachusetts.

'91. S. W. Wilder, Jr., X., has been advanced from manager of the Merrimac Chemical Company to treasurer.

'93. Samuel P. Waldron, I., has recently been appointed engineer in charge at the Berlin works of the American Bridge Company at East Berlin, Conn.

'94. Charles G. Abbot, VIII., has been elected Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

'98. H. L. Cobb, VI., is aid to the chief engineer of the Brown Hoisting Machinery Company, Cleveland, Ohio.

'98. David C. Fennor, II., is in charge of the crucible steel department of the Bethlehem Steel Company.

'02. Harry G. Koch, IV., is with H. C. Koch & Co., architects, Milwaukee, Wis.


'02. Francis J. Field, XI., is with O. E. Parks, civil engineer, Westfield, Mass.

'02. Farley Gannett, XI., is levelman with the Board of Public Works, Harrisburg, Pa.
A vacation is a good thing, but one does not appreciate the value of a vacation unless he has been obliged to do without one. "All play and no work makes Jack a—Lounger." The policy of Tech in granting the twenty-second and twenty-third days of February as a season of rest and recreation is an occurrence too delicate for The Lounger's galvanoscope to detect. That the Faculty, in general somnolence assembled, should cause two holidays to grow where only one grew before, transcends the limits of the conceivable and falls outside the curve of the plotted tests of the past. There must have been a mistake somewhere. Perhaps when the State or Nation, or "whatnot," (i.e., the Republican party) declared Monday a legal holiday, Mr. Humphreys had not sufficient time to prepare a tabular view and order of exercises for Sunday, and was, in consequence, driven to one of two disagreeable expedients: either to render himself guilty of a breach of etiquette toward the government, by keeping the Institute open on Monday, and thus honoring the birthday of the Great Hatchet Carrier Father of the American Nation and stepfather of Carry, rather in the breach than in the observance, or, second, by disregarding all the venerable traditions of the Institute, by allowing a holiday to fall upon another day than the Sabbath. It was in the desire to ascertain the true cause of the phenomena that The Lounger took upon himself the pleasant task of interviewing certain members of the Faculty in regard to our late lamented holiday. Dr. Tyler averred that the extra day was given in hopes that while the students would probably work as usual, the professors might have a little surcease from their labors. When The Lounger inquired of Professor Sedgwick why two days were celebrated instead of one, he was dismissed with the reply: "Perhaps Washington was twins,—we can't tell." Professor Lanza confessed that he had voted for a free day Monday from personal motives—in fact, that he had an engagement to sing in the special matinee at Steinert Hall, which he was very anxious to perform, as he had disappointed the company several times already. Professor Chandler was much surprised at The Lounger's inquiries, protesting that he had not heard of the extra holiday. Yes, he had been at the Faculty meeting, and had pursued his usual plan of voting "Yes" upon the first, second, fourth and fifth matters of business. As to what the particular business of the last meeting had been he could not say. The meeting was over, and what difference did it make now? The Lounger next secured the services of Mr. Derby as interpreter, and thus equipped sought an audience with Professor Despradelles. After an excited conversation of about fifteen minutes Mr. Derby reported in full to The Lounger as follows: "Mr. Despradelles says that Sunday is a curious American custom." The Lounger paid Mr. Derby double and gave him an honorable discharge.

The Lounger went over to the Chapel the other day to have something on the quiet. He would have preferred to have had it on one of his friends, but—well, they had said they had classes that hour, yet from where The Lounger sat he could see them still loitering on Rogers steps. "But 'like begets like,'" as the biologists say, and so as the spirits of Bacchus diminished the spirits of The Lounger increased until he imagined himself graduated from the 'Stute and rolling in wealth. But how invest this enormous sum! Just then the ticker started up and The Lounger eagerly seizing the tape, found himself connected with an Exchange in Oak Park, III.

Market Reports.

"Eggs are opening up lively, while coffee, which yesterday was considered very strong, is weak and considerably mixed. Cheese is being traded in to some extent, and is considered on the whole the strongest thing on the market. Sausage shows some signs of life, while beer is steadily going down. It being so soon after New Year's, young men are reported as unusually steady. Girls are lively and generally in great demand, papas are firm but declining, mammas unsettled and waiting for higher bids, while old maids are going cheap, with no takers. Yeast is gradually rising, wheat is a grain better than barley, and fresh fish are active and slippery.

"Boots and shoes fluctuated more than any other security yesterday, and were constantly going up and down. They remained averagely quiet during the night, and on the market this morning are sold. Owing to the reported cyclones in Kansas, barbed wire lost several points during the night. Contrary to bull expectation, all breadstuffs seem unusually heavy. Ammonia is strong and spirited, tobacco has a constant downward tendency, while mercury is not so high as in the summer months. Silver is close, but not close enough to touch, and there seems to be no change in underwear.

"Stocks are not nearly as much in evidence as they were during the summer months, except soup stock, which is generally weak and very little traded in, owing to the suspicion that it is pretty thoroughly watered."