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IMPORTANT MEETING OF C. E. SOCIETY OFFICERS

A Statement of Past Season's Work and Finances was Made

ENGINEERING PAPER DISCUSSED

Important Amendment to Constitution of Society to be Made

A meeting of the recently elected officers of the Civil Engineering Society was held last Tuesday afternoon and after stating the reasons for the meeting, President Powell gave a resume of the work of the Society during the past year and the financial condition at the present time.

The advantage of an early start in its work, by the Program Committee was pointed out and the hope was expressed that the members would do as much as possible during the summer so that the program for the coming year might be completed as nearly as possible by the time the fall term opens. It was the opinion of the officers that the Vice-President should be Chairman of the Program Committee, and an amendment to the Constitution to that effect will be made as soon as possible.

Meetings will be held every two weeks if possible. Smokers and dinners will alternate with afternoon meetings. It is hoped that the members of the Society will take advantage of all opportunities this summer to get information and photographs of interesting engineering work which they may see. It is hoped to have papers and illustrated talks by the member during the year.

The advisability of publishing a magazine was discussed thoroughly. It was deemed inadvisable to publish a journal monthly. If the co-operation of the other professional societies could be secured an engineering journal might be successfully undertaken and published either monthly or bi-monthly.

IN THE LIMELIGHT

Don't fail to purchase a bunch of the Special BUSINESS LAW Issues of *The Tech* to-morrow. We guarantee you will pass if you buy one. All our Students passed last term.

Did you know that Basket Ball had been canned at the Institute for next year? Well, I guess that there is no other way out of it than to "mosey along" with Track and Hockey with a couple of Burlesques known as Class Basket Ball games thrown in.

Well, the crew failed to get their desired insignia. Cheer up, better luck next time.

How are you coming out this year?

The "Tech" board for next year will be announced at the Annual Banquet Friday night.

The *Tech* will suspend publication with Saturday's issue. A resumption will be made during Senior Week.

TECHNIQUE 1913 ART COMPETITION STARTS

Art Editor North Explains to Crowd of Men, the Rules of Competition

At one-thirty yesterday afternoon, R. H. North, Art Editor of *TECHNIQUE* 1913, addressed a group of Sophomores and a Freshman on the rules governing the art work of next year's *TECHNIQUE*.

The size for the full page drawings is 4 3-4 inches by 6 1-2 inches. For the the headings, the size is to be 1 1-2 inches by 4 3-4 inches.

Art Editor North gave some hints to the style of drawing preferred. The cuts should be as simple as possible—poster style in fact—with heavy lines so as to reproduce well.

He then explained to the 1913 men the rules governing the competition for the Assistant Art Editorships, two to be elected. For the competition, a full page heading for either "Athletics," or "Junior Week" may be made. This is to be in line work entirely, black ink on white paper.

These pictures are to be sent to R. H. North, R. F. D. No. 3, Oxford, Maine. No cuts bearing a post-mark of later than June fifteenth will be considered in the competition. All 1913 men are eligible to compete. Art work may however be sent to the Art Editor by men of any other class.

M. E. SOCIETY TO HAVE PINS

First Student Branch of the A. S. M. E. To Have This Privilege

The Mechanical Engineering Society have finally succeeded in obtaining a pin to be worn by the members. The M. E. Society at the Institute, which is a branch of the A. S. M. E. is the first student branch of the American society to have the privilege of wearing the society's insignia. The pin designed by Foster Russell 1911, is a shield shaped affair with a narrow gold border. In the center is the regular four leaf clover of the A. S. M. E. Above this design are the words student section and below it, M. I. T. in a dark red back ground. A careful list is to be kept of all men purchasing pins as they are to be worn only by regular members of the M. E. Society. The pins are \$1.00 each with a safety clasp.

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Competent Teachers Give Assistance To Students Who are Deficient in Their Studies

TUTORING AT COST

The Aim is not to Keep the Incompetent in College, but the Unfortunate

Lehigh University has recently devised a scheme for helping out lagging students and preventing them from having to pay extortionate prices for coaching. A separate department in charge of several members of the faculty holds evening sessions for consultation with students seeking assistance. The idea is not so much to enable the student to pass an examination as to put him on his feet and help him to handle his work unassisted by giving him a better knowledge of methods of study and the best way to accomplish his work.

President Drinker's explanation of the system is substantially as follows:—

"Lehigh believes in a policy of so limiting the number of her students that special care may be given to each man. She believes in trying to keep men in college when they have been once deemed fit to enter, and while eliminating those who, after trial, are proved to be not of college timber, in giving every reasonable aid to the man who may be in need of temporary aid or encouragement.

"We all know of and probably all disapprove of the coaching schools and systems involving payments of from \$1.00 to \$5.00 an hour for cramming to pass a quiz or examination. While it is probable that assistance will always be needed and sought, it is very important that all help be given in such a way as to increase the student's power of independent study and not to weaken his self-reliance, and that only that amount of assistance be given him to enable him to regain his grasp and then go on by himself. To best deal with this problem, we have instituted here at Lehigh what we call our conference department, which we believe to be the way to accomplish the best results for both the students and faculty.

"The director of the department is an experienced teacher, a professor of mathematics, and a man having a strong personal, sympathetic interest in students. Able, mature teachers from the departments of physics, chemistry, and modern languages represent those subjects in the conference school, which sits on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings from 7 to 9 for consultation with freshman or sophomore who desires aid in mathematics physics chemistry, and modern language.

"The school is run at cost, the charge for the four full sessions being \$1.50, and the school sits on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons from 2 to 4 free of charge for the benefit of those students who can not afford to pay even the above nominal charge. The great advantage is that the student is not aided by an outsider, but by a competent teacher engaged in the same subjects in which the aid is sought. The aim is not to carry along lazy and incompetent students to put on his feet a worthy man after a fall"

It was rather hot work in the Armory yesterday.

Don't be late to the *TECH* Banquet or you'll miss all the excitement. 6.30 is the time, the New American House, the place; no girl.

FINAL BANQUET OF E. E. SOCIETY AT THE NOTTINGHAM

Mr. Elihu Thompson of the General Electric Company to be Chief Speaker

VARIOUS STUNTS BY MEMBERS

A Good Time and an Excellent Menu for all Those Who Attend

The annual banquet of the Electrical Engineering Society will be held this evening at the Hotel Nottingham. This affair promises to be the greatest social success of the year. The committee in charge of the entertainment has been putting forth their utmost diligence and sagacity in making elaborate plans for the affair. The committee has been most fortunate in securing as the special guest of the evening, Mr. Elihu Thompson, of the General Electric Co., in Lynn.

Mr. Thompson has been for years an electrical engineer and has been very successful in this line. He was the founder of the old Thompson-Houston Electric Company, which is now the General Electric Company of Lynn, one of the greatest companies of its kind in the world, its center being at Schenectady, N. Y. He was at one time president of the American Society of Electrical Engineers.

The subject which Mr. Thompson has chosen has not yet been announced, but he will be sure to speak on something that will be of great importance and interest to prospective electrical engineers.

There will be other interesting stunts that will take place. "Charlie" Barker, who hails from Marlborough, has a stunt entitled "Me and Minnie," which is sure to cause a great deal of merriment. Darrow will probably do a gymnastic stunt, and Fryer will be there with some red hot stories. Barton will ask a few of his famous questions and Dennie will tickle the ivories with a few chords.

President L. P. Ferris, of the Society will be the toastmaster of the evening. The dinner will start at 6.30 sharp. A good dinner is promised by the management of the Nottingham, and the menus will arrive on time.

Tickets are still on sale at \$1.25 each, and may be obtained from any of the following men:—L. P. Ferris, D. P. Sailhard, H. Fryer, O. B. Dennison, 1911, J. L. Barry, H. D. Kemp, P. L. Flansburg, 1912.

At the University of Washington, there is a senior eighty years old.

The regents of the University of Missouri have voted to abolish all inter-collegiate athletics after next Fall.

CALENDAR

Send all notices for calendar to E. W. Taft 1913 Institute Committee at the Care.

Thursday, May 11.
6.30 E. E. Soc. Annual Dinner—Hotel Nottingham.
Managing Board Meeting to-day, at 4 p. m. Important.

Friday, May 12.
4.15 1913 Baseball Practice—Field.
4.15 Technique Electoral Com. Mtg.—27 R.

6.30 Tech Annual Banquet—New American House.
Track Meet with Dartmouth—Hanover, N. H.

Saturday, May 13.
8.00 Cosmopolitan Club Mtg—Union.

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EXCHANGE NEWS

Purdue has a new hydraulic laboratory with a floor space of over 8,500 square feet.

Dr. S. N. Reep of the Sociology department of the University of Minnesota is planning for a class in European travel this coming summer. While the tour is not directly under the auspices of the university, it will consist largely of Dr. Reep's students and will begin sometime in June. All of the important cities of the old continent will be visited, including London, Paris, Rome, Berlin, Venice, Milan, Florence, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Geneva, Cologne, and many others.

Dr. James K. Paterson, President of the University of Kentucky, has recently retired. In point of service, he is the oldest college president in America, the duration of his career being forty years.

Wisconsin University has an arrangement by which all students may have the privilege of medical advice, calls and medicine at the rate of \$1.00 per semester.

A double quartette from the Music department of the University of Colorado is to make a tour of that state in the spring

The present enrolment of students at Cornell is 3748, an increase of 152 over last year.

The English department of the University of Washington is offering a prize of ten dollars for the best original composition on the character of Hamlet.

One thousand four hundred and eighty-two periodical publications are regularly received by the libraries of the University of Michigan.

A prize of one hundred dollars has been offered in the University of Michigan for the best poem by an undergraduate student.

Kansas University has, according to reports, suspended four of her students for crooked work in class politics.

A lively monkey, intended to be used for dissection, got loose recently in the biological laboratory of Minnesota University.

Freshmen at the University of Wisconsin are not allowed to walk on the campus. They are compelled to run from building to building with their caps in their hands.

Manager Mack of the Grand Opera House of New Haven has asked the Yale students to co-operate with him in fighting the ticket speculators. One speculator has been arrested.

Sophomores at Lafayette a short time ago attended a theatre performance, but Easton's police force of two officers persuaded them to cut short their approval of the show.

An Amateur Detective Association has been formed at Purdue which has for its object, the development of the powers of observation of its members. Each member of the club will at different times commit various acts which have been defined as crimes by the rules of the club, and will cover up his crime as far as possible. The other members are to do the Sherlock Holmes act, and prove the crime was committed.

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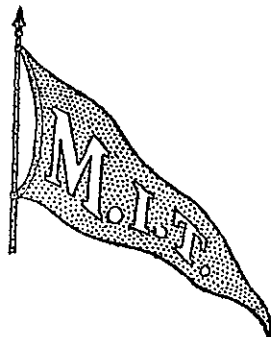
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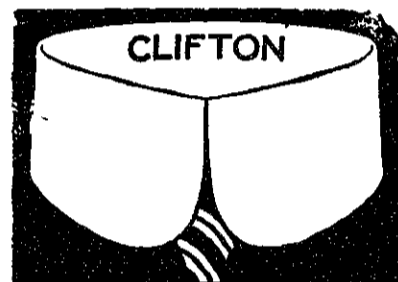


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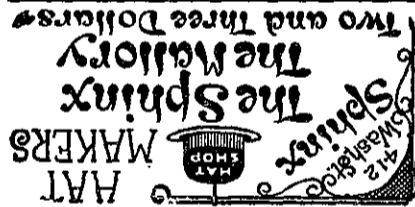


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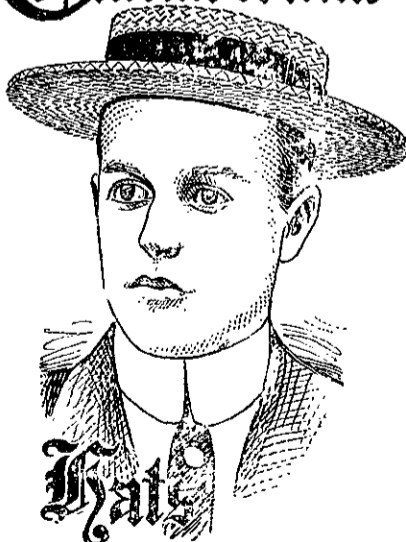
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