

# THE TECH

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## TECHNIQUE BOARD HOLDS SECOND MEETING

### B. T. Ross Elected to Position of Class History Editor

The Technique Board held its second business meeting yesterday. The general management of the book was discussed and the color of the paper decided on. The question of whom it should be dedicated to was talked over, but no decision reached. B. T. Ross 1912, was elected Class History Editor, in place of D. H. Radford 1912, who had resigned from the board. Reports were received from each of the departments showing what had been done and just how much progress had been made.

The Board of the Technique 1912, is as follows:

H. E. Kebbon, Editor-in-Chief; D. F. Benbow, Business Manager; A. Eicher, Athletic Editor; P. W. Dalrymple and K. Cartwright, Statisticians; D. E. Bent, Treasurer; D. M. Wyman, Grind Editor; R. Cremer, Professors' Editor; H. Greenleaf, Assistant Business Manager; G. I. Edgerton, Art Editor; F. W. Barker, Societies Editor, and B. T. Ross, History Editor.

It has been decided to hold board meetings every Tuesday at 4.15, in the Union. Competition is now open in several of the departments for assistant editors' positions.

Over \$50,000 was earned by Columbia students last summer.

## CALENDAR.

### Wednesday.

1.00—1913 Mass Meeting—H. H. Rogers.  
1.00—Theatre Tickets on Sale—Rogers.  
4.00—Crew Practice.  
4.00—1913 Football Practice—Oval.  
4.00—1913 Relay Practice—Field.  
4.00—1913 Tug-of-War Practice—Gym.  
4.00—1914 Football Practice—Field.  
4.00—1914 Relay Practice—Field.  
4.00—1914 Tug-of-War Practice—Gym.  
4.00—1911 Nominations for Class Officers Close.  
4.00—1914 vs. Somerville H. S. at Broadway Field, Somerville.

### Thursday.

1.00—Rifle Club Meeting—33 Rogers.  
1.30—E. E. Society Excursion to Medford.  
1.00—Theatre Tickets on Sale—Rogers.  
4.00—Crew Practice.  
4.00—1913 Football Practice—Oval.  
4.00—1913 Relay Practice—Field.  
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4.00—1914 Tug-of-War Practice—Gym.  
4.00—1911 Nominations for Class Officers Close.  
4.00—Mandolin Club Rehearsal—Union.  
4.00—Glee Club Rehearsal—Union.  
4.15—Orchestra Rehearsal—Union.

### Friday.

1.00—Last Call for Theatre Tickets—Rogers.  
1.00—Theatre Tickets on Sale—Rogers.  
4.00—Crew Practice.  
4.00—1913 Football Practice—Oval.  
4.00—1913 Relay Practice—Field.  
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## HISTORY AND PURPOSES OF INSTITUTE COMMITTEE

### Has Large Scope in Overseeing and Aiding Student Activities

Editor's Note.—Those just entering the Institute have been hearing of committees, commissions and systems that exist around the Institute. To explain a few of them to these men, and to refresh the minds of the rest, The Tech will publish from time to time articles on these various institutions.

When the class of 1893 first conceived the idea of an Institute Committee they had little idea of its possibilities. Starting from a committee that was purely advisory, the first marked change came in the year of 1907-1908, when the heads of many of the activities were placed on the committee. This was a decided improvement, for it made possible a first hand consideration of important student relations. The purposes of the committee as given in The Tech at that time were as follows:

To bring about reforms in the conduct of student activities.

To ask the faculty for reforms in methods of instruction and methods of administration in dealing with the student.

Or, in general, to investigate abuses that have any connection whatsoever with the student.

These purposes are more or less theoretical, however. What this committee, as is in fact the case with every committee, does, depends not so much on its ideals as upon the ideals and energy of the members composing the committee. During the year of 1907-1908, largely through the influence of H. W. Hoole, 1908, who was then Editor-in-Chief of The Tech, the committee was reorganized and energized, with results that are common enough to us now. As for example, the institution of bulletin boards, the Point System and the present Union itself. These were not accomplished during the year, but they were successfully started and the following year saw their completion.

With the creation of the new Union many new opportunities sprang up, such as the administration of the dining room, the living rooms and the Friday evening entertainments. The Institute Committee delegated this work to committees appointed by it from among the men of the Institute. These committees will continue their work with various modifications at the present time.

Last year the work of the committee consisted largely in attending to its own stability by asking for constitutional recognition from the activities. But its chief work for the year was the establishment of the Finance Commission, an idea which had been brewing for two years, and which finally culminated in the appointment of a commission to consist of three non-student members, who were to have in brief the powers to force the activities to keep their accounts straight, and to see that the name of the Institute was not hurt by contracting debts which could not be met.

The present committee is composed of the President and two representatives of each class, and of the major activities; Tech Show, The Tech, Technique, Musical Clubs T. C. A., and the engineering societies. The Executive Committee is composed of five members from the upper classes, chosen by the committee from among

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## BIOLOGICAL SOCIETY HOLD DINNER

### Prof. Sedgwick Tells of His Recent Trip Abroad—Prof. Porter Speaks

With an attendance of forty-five men at its dinner last night, the Biological Society started its year's work.

Early in the evening Messrs. Babbit and Schmidt introduced each man to those present so that everyone would feel that he knew everyone present. Witty remarks in many cases helped to create a spirit of informality.

Professor Sedgwick was the first speaker of the evening, and he took for his subject a description of his recent trip abroad. He had with him last night the glasses that were given him by the society last spring, and these showed that they had been used quite a good deal.

Professor Sedgwick's trip started from New York, and the last sound his party heard from the wharf was a Tech yell given by some Institute men. The first stop on the journey was at Maderia—an island that looks beautiful enough from a distance, but which is rather disappointing on a closer inspection.

The next point of interest was Gibraltar, which does not look like the pictures one sees. Here on the European side are the monkey caves, where live the last wild monkeys in Europe.

The approach to Genoa was most beautiful—not only on account of the city itself, but because of the background of snow-capped Alps and beautiful villages of the Riviera. Genoa is called La Superba by the Italians, and it is a very commercial community.

The Island of Elba, which has such an interesting place in history on account of Napoleon, was seen, as was also Capraea, where Garibaldi lived for a while.

On the night before Naples was reached a glow was seen on the horizon, and this proved to be the reflection of the lights of Rome on the sky. From Naples the travelers went to Brindisi, on the heel of Italy, where there is a most wonderful art museum and aquarium. In the museum are the originals of the "resting echo" and the bronze Narcissus.

The journey through Greece was made with American friends in a special car. Athens was quite a disappointment on account of the smoke nuisance there. This smoke hid the Acropolis so that it could not be seen from the harbor. Corinth was also visited, as was Epidaurus, where the god of healing was supposed to have lived. There is a temple there in his memory. There is no wonder that people whose ailments were not serious were cured here because the country is such a place of great well-being.

Corfu was also visited, and was described as one of the most beautiful and most picturesque places in the world. It is a small island surrounded by a sea, a light opaline in color. The hillsides are covered with orange trees, and the whole makes a beautiful picture.

The "Ship of Ulysses," where are the summer estates of European crowned heads, was touched at, and some of the oldest olive trees in the world were seen.

Roumania and Constantinople were seen, and then a through express was taken to Paris. Then London was visited, and a steamer taken back to Boston.

Professor Porter spoke next and

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## COURSE I. NEWS C. E. SOCIETY ACTIVE

### Men in Courses I and XI Have Several Trips and Talks Planned

A partial canvass of the present Senior class in Courses I, XI, shows that a large number of the members spent their last summer's vacation in engineering work of one kind or another, gaining a practical, though necessarily brief, experience in some particular branch of civil engineering. Last June the members of the class scattered all over the country, and nearly every State had one or more of them employed within its borders. The letters which President Hausman of the C. E. Society received, discussing the proposed journal, bear out this statement.

All the members of the Course are interested in knowing what the other fellow did in vacation, and want to compare it with their own experience.

The positions of some of the well-known men are published today, and more will be given out at the next issue of the Course I and XI news.

Carl G. Richmond and H. M. Davis gained a valuable experience in the methods of highway construction and maintenance as carried on by the Massachusetts Highway Commission, both being employed in this department of the State, while H. P. Ireland was in the employ of the Metropolitan Water Commission.

H. L. Manley and D. W. Stewart spent the summer in the service of the engineering department of the Boston Elevated, their work being mostly in surveying.

G. W. Rapelli has been traveling in Europe, having visited France, Switzerland and England.

A. L. Myers was employed in the Standard Construction Company of Dallas, Texas, in the office of the Chief Engineer.

G. C. George was with the Lombard Governor Company of Ashland, Mass.

S. E. Bates was engaged on the construction work of the Canadian Pacific Railroad. He was transit man with a party working at Wardner, British Columbia.

C. H. Sutherland was also in Canada, having been connected with the Dominion Bridge Company, Winnipeg.

Isaac Hausman was employed as an inspector of a reinforced concrete bridge at Westbrook, Conn.

C. H. S. Merrill and L. M. Sandstein were with the Boston & Maine Railroad.

### News of the Society.

Those who failed to attend last week's meeting of the C. E. Society missed some valuable points on the construction and handling of instruments. Mr. Wardell, who gave the talk to the meeting, took a typical transit completely apart and explained in detail and plainly the part each piece played in the complete assemblage, and the care necessary in constructing. He showed how the engineer in the field could profit by a slight knowledge of the construction of his instrument, by saving the time lost in sending the instrument away for repairs. The collection of transits and levels which Mr. Wardell brought with him were closely inspected by the members of the audience at the close of the lecture.

At the next meeting, which will be held within a week, Mr. Churchill, M. I. T., 1899, will speak on the "Progress of Engineering in India." At the meeting the new men whose names are up for membership will be voted in. The

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1910.

Nominations open today for 1912 class officers. This is perhaps the most important year in the history of the class, and it is essential that the best men be chosen to guide it during the year. More than the absolutely required number of nominations should be made so that, with an ample choice, the election of the right men will be assured.

The Theatre Committee in charge of the sale of tickets for Tech Night at the Colonial Theatre reports very satisfactory sales so far. In fact, the Sophomore class seems to be the only class which is taking any interest in the matter, and this class has probably bought more tickets than the other three classes together. The Freshmen should get together and make their share of the demonstration. Sale of tickets closes Friday.

A handsome incentive towards athletics has been presented to us by the Advisory Council on Athletics in the form of the new Dupont Cup. The competitive events include a choice in the running in the field, and in the weight events. Thus, all-round development is the winning asset for the cup. A complete list of point rating in each event is given in yesterday's issue of The Tech.

This season competition is open to all classes, but hereafter it will be limited to the two lower classes. Thus, this is the only year for men in the three higher classes to compete for the cup. The trophy will surely be one of the most highly coveted athletic honors at the Institute, so every possible candidate should strive for the honor. The winner is awarded a replica of the cup and his name is inscribed upon the original, which is to be kept permanently in the Union.

The women of the University of Minnesota have started a campaign to secure the right of voting in the Athletic Association elections.

Students and Faculty of the University of Utah are considering the practicability of instituting student control of that institution.

President Northrop of Minnesota has taken action to abolish the gambling alleged to be going on in cigar stores about the University campus.

## GENERAL NEWS.

A violent cyclone and snowstorm swept along the Italian coast yesterday, destroying many interesting historical places and resulting in no small loss of human life. The famous baths of Lucullus at Ischia, a mecca for all foreign tourists, are reported completely destroyed. In addition to the wind and rain, volcanic eruptions occurred in various places and large lava flows have also done much damage.

The unique high road from Sorrento to Amalfi, which is bordered by gardens and terraces, has been in places completely washed away. Land slides and washouts have also occurred in many of the famous spots of south-central Italy.

Over one hundred persons have lost their lives, but fortunately among these are no Americans. Everyone is giving the cholera zone a wide berth.

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its own members, or from the student body. The regular time of meeting is every other Wednesday, at 4.15. The President's Assistant was last year given the right to speak at meetings without the right to vote.

Among the various customs of the Institute Committee the following may be mentioned: The presidents of the Senior, Junior and Sophomores are the president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer of the committee, respectively. It is possible for anyone to listen to the sessions of the committee, but this is seldom done. The responsibility is placed right up to the members of the committee to accomplish the work. Any and everyone can place matters before the committee by means of written petitions, but the usual custom is to see some of the individual members, who will lay the matters before the committee.

The Twentieth Committee has many matters ahead of it for consideration, but its chief duty will be to carry out thoroughly the idea originated and adopted by previous years.

The baseball nine of the University of Chicago, at present playing a series of games with Keio and Waseda Universities of Tokio, Japan, has won two from Waseda and one from Keio University. The team visited Japan on a challenge from Waseda University, and the games are said to be exciting much interest and enthusiasm on the part of the Japanese.

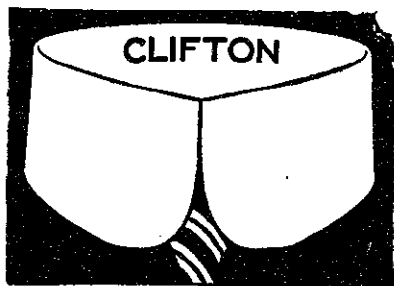
Two prizes have been awarded for two designs, out of a hundred and fifty which were submitted for a new seal for Cornell University. The committee is still dissatisfied, however, and the search for a more suitable design

At the election of officers every member is wanted present. The position of manager of the orchestra offers opportunity for some man to make a name for himself.

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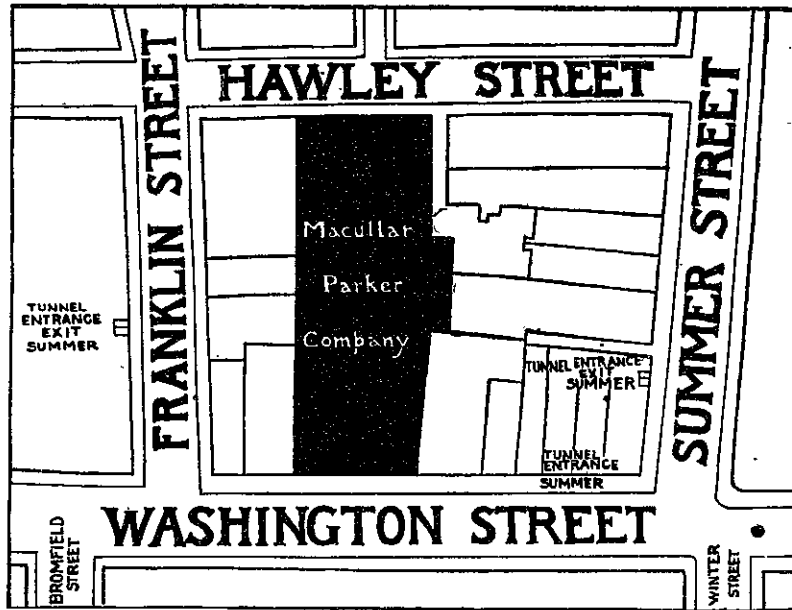
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and gave an appreciation of Professor Sedgwick's talk. He expressed his interest and that of Course XI men in the society, and advised that the society have joint meetings with the similar organizations at Technology during the year. Doubtless this plan will be followed. He also suggested that trips be taken to various points of interest around Boston.  
The meeting was then adjourned.

### NAVAL ARCH. SOCIETY

The first regular business meeting of the Naval Architectural Society was held at 4.15 yesterday afternoon, in Eng. Building C. There was a discussion regarding the plans for meetings and entertainments for the rest of the year, and a motion was passed to hold a dinner, at which the new men of the course would meet for the first time. It was decided to have a committee of three appointed by the President, Mr. W. P. Allen, to obtain speakers for the dinner, and accordingly Mr. S. W. Cornell, Mr. A. S. Herreshoff and Mr. Roberts were appointed. No definite time was assigned for the dinner, but it was agreed to hold it on some Tuesday or Wednesday evening, at 6.30, within the next month. The Sophomores and the new men of the Junior class taking Course XIII were elected into the society. In regard to further plans for the year suggestions were made that the society should be modeled on the existing engineering societies of the country, and that papers pertaining to naval architecture be read by the different members at the meeting. A trip to the Fore River shipyards was also discussed, but it was decided to postpone the trip till later in the season, when more of the members would be able to go. There will probably be no other important meetings of the society until the dinner.

Iowa will introduce inter-department football this year. Director E. G. Schroeder says that many football players of good calibre are brought under the eyes of the coaches that way—players who might never attempt to play the game at all.

### C. E. NEWS.

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names of all those who have signified their intention of joining up to date are posted on the bulletin board of the society in the lower corridor of Engineering A. Other men desiring to have their names added to the list should leave them in Box 14, at the Cage.

The trip to Cape Cod, which has been planned by the advice of the Harbor and Land Commissioners, has been postponed until spring. At this time the work on the Cape Cod Canal can be seen to better advantage. While on the trip the works of the Keith Car Company will also be inspected.

The officers of the society are planning an Alumni night for the C. E. Society Alumni, and expect to have more dinners and smokers this year than has formerly been the custom. At these meetings, which will be rather informal, different students will be called on to give informal talks on any subjects they choose.

Members of the society are reminded that there are two tables in the Union Dining Room reserved for their use, and that if the attendance at any time warrants it more will be reserved. President Hausman has just had two neat signs announcing the reservation of the tables hung over them from the ceiling of the dining room.

University of Missouri Freshmen are compelled by the second year men to carry suit cases for upper classmen and Sophomores as they arrive on the trains.

The subject offered this year to the students of Stanford University in the Bohemian contest is, "The Ethical Aspects of Intercollegiate Rivalry."

Extensive alterations have been made in the grand stands and the other accommodations for spectators at Brown University, in order to provide for the crowds which are expected at the Penn. and Carlisle games.

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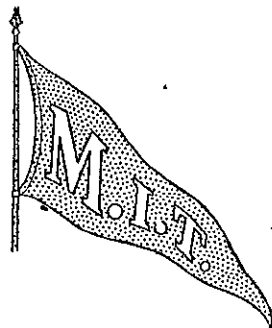
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C. H. CARPENTER.  
D. E. BENT.

The "Dartmouth," the newspaper of the college, has appeared in a new form this year. A four-page sheet printed three mornings every week takes the place of the larger magazine formerly published twice a week.

**Theatre Tickets.**

Seats for Tech Night at the theatre will be on sale in Rogers corridor from today until Friday, October 28, from 1.20 to 2 o'clock. Those not obtaining seats before Friday, October 28, from the theatre committee, will be compelled to go to the box office for them. No seats reserved without payment.

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