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GREAT CATASTROPHE AT FRESHMAN TUG OF WAR

Historic Old Post Victor of so Many Struggles at Last Succumbs

After resisting the assaults of class tug-of-war teams for years, the twelve-inch square post at the Gym gave up the struggle last night, snapping off short during a four-minute pull of the Freshman rope stretchers. It seems almost pitiful that this coach of so many teams should have succumbed before taking part in a real Field Day contest. A whole team in itself, it has never been able to win its numerals, although the fence which surrounded it is decorated with the numbers of many classes. Perhaps its absolute lack of class spirit has prevented its acquiring some recognition because until last night it has pulled against one class as hard as against another. Does its final yielding denote lack of ability or desire? It took forty men to bring about this catastrophe and, at its consummation, the entire forty Freshmen sank violently into the dust.

A record crowd reported last night, although the feature card of the afternoon was not advertised in advance. Practice consisted of two four-minute pulls, together with eight short pulls. Tomorrow the team will divide and begin practicing pistol starts, which have not been commenced as yet. Candidates for the team are elated at their first victory and hopes for a second victory on November 4 are high.

During the last two years this motor has been used by the students in tests, and has repeatedly shown up to 18 h.p., and double the speed designed for. Considering the fact that it had carried 50 per cent. overload for so long a time without trouble, the motor shows itself as being very well designed.

CALENDAR.

Thursday.

- 1.00—Rifle Club Meeting—33 Rogers.
- 1.30—E. E. Society Excursion to Medford.
- 4.00—Crew Practice.
- 4.00—1913 Football Practice—Oval.
- 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—Mandolin Club Rehearsal—Union.
- 4.00—Glee Club Rehearsal—Union.
- 4.15—Orchestra Rehearsal—Union.
- 4.15—Final Trials for 1913 Relay—Field.

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.
- 4.00—1913 Tug-of-War Practice—Gym.
- 4.00—1914 Football Practice—Field.
- 4.15—Final Trials for 1913 Relay—Field.
- 8.00—Republican Rally at Union.

Saturday.

- 1.00—Tech vs. Harvard Cross-Country Run over Harvard Course.
- 1.30—E. E. Society Excursion to Medford Gas Engine Plant of Boston Elevated Company.
- 7.00—Orchestra Rehearsal—Union.
- 8.00—Democratic Rally—Union.

STURTEVANT BLOWER WORKS VISITED BY M. E. DOE

First of the Series of Weekly Trips of the Society Proves Interesting

About thirty men went to Hyde Park yesterday on a Mechanical Engineering Society excursion, and visited the Sturtevant Blower Works. All the different parts of the plant were visited in turn. The first process seen was the cutting out of the sheet metal for different blower parts; then the blacksmith shop and forge room were inspected. In the forge room all were greatly interested in the forging of a huge crank shaft, which was being forged out by a mammoth steam trip hammer. The machine shop came next, and was interesting because of the fact that it is one of the best equipped and arranged shops in the State. Here parts of blowers and ventilators were being turned out and engine parts for the famous Sturtevant steam engines were being machined. Then the men went to the foundry and watched the pouring. Two furnaces were poured; the large furnace for iron, and a smaller one for composition metal for bearings, etc. After this the pattern shop, testing room and shipping room were seen. In the testing room it was interesting to see numerous sizes of steam engines being given their final testing before shipment.

The Mechanical Engineering Society has several trips planned for this winter, including some of the largest manufacturing plants in New England. Longer trips than usual will be taken this year, among them probably one to Providence. The real event of the year, however, will be a trip to Buffalo and Niagara, which, it is hoped, can be taken some time this term.

BOOKS FOR TECH SHOW, 1911, DUE NOVEMBER 3.

Books for Tech Show, 1911, are due at the Cage Thursday, November 3, at 5 P. M. The name of the author should not appear on the book. Numbered envelopes will be left at the Cage and each author should ask for one. The number appearing on the envelope should be placed in a conspicuous place on the cover of the book, and the name of the author should be put in the envelope and sealed. The sealed envelope containing the name of the author of the book finally chosen will not be opened until the night of the Tech Show Komers dinner. The date of this dinner will be announced in a day or two. If there are any men who desire any further information in regard to the contest they should leave a note at the Cage for E. H. Scheil 1912, immediately. It is hoped by the management that a large number of plays will be handed in so as to make the choice as varied as is possible. All authors who expect their plays to receive due consideration should bear in mind that all books are due Thursday, November 3rd, at 5 P. M.

The new notes gotten out for the use of Course II men in the Electrical Engineering Laboratory supply a long felt want, and do much toward making that subject more agreeable and interesting.

While running under a heavy load recently, the 12-h.p. Gray motor, loaned the Institute by the Gray Motor Company of Detroit, was disabled by the breaking of the shaft which will soon be replaced.

FRESHMEN LOSE TO SOMERVILLE HIGH

Great Improvement, However, is Shown Over Previous Games

In a game filled with all sorts of football, Somerville High defeated the Freshmen by a score of 11 to 0.

The score does not tell the whole story, however, and only for the fumbling on Somerville's part when near 14's goal line, the former's total would have been larger.

Twice Somerville was within fifteen yards of Tech line, with a score certain, and twice they lost the ball on fumbles. Tech was never dangerous except in the last half, they coming within one yard of Somerville line in this period, only to lose the ball on downs. The Freshmen at this point rolled right down the field and Somerville's brace came almost too late to save their goal line.

The game started off with a rush; Tech kicked off. Somerville's fullback gained 25 yards through their left tackle, but they were not held, five yards being their best on the next two downs. Somerville then kicked and Tech brought the ball back about ten yards.

Tech vainly tried the line and then kicked. Garland and Doane of Somerville rushed down the field with gains of five to six yards on each down until the 1914's goal was crossed. Doane made the touchdown and Colson kicked the goal.

Garland caught the kickoff for Somerville, but gained only about 3 yards. Somerville fumbled and the ball was Tech's on Somerville's 30-yard line; the period ended at this point.

When the interval was over the teams lined up with only one change, Snow of Somerville going in for Dardis.

Tech lost the ball on a fumble, evidently not understanding the signals. But one of Somerville's star men, Doane, was nailed for a loss on the next play, and Somerville very quickly punted, Tech bringing the ball back ten yards. Somerville's line held for two downs. Fox then did the unexpected and gained ten yards on a forward pass. The unexpected was good when it was unexpected though, for Fox tried the same formation again, and the move was apparent to even a spectator, the forward pass being intercepted and the ball went to Somerville on downs.

On the first down Somerville made no gain on the next play, but only for Fox of Tech, Doane would have gone right down the field, Fox stopping him after a 25-yard gain. Garland then helped with 4 yards, then Doane 2, Garland 10, Garland 2, the Freshmen stiffening. Somerville tried the forward pass and the ball was Tech's. Tech immediately kicked the ball, going offside. Garland was called upon but gained only about 3 yards. Somerville again used the forward pass, but Roberts broke through and nailed the Somerville man almost in his tracks, this play ending the first half.

Somerville kicked off, Van Etten getting the ball and going back about 5 yards. Tech lost the ball, it not making the distance. Somerville tried a quarter-back run, 5 yards being the result. Doane then made five more, the play laying out Roberts of the Freshmen, however. He was kicked in the scrimmage and was taken out. Mitchell replaced him. On the next play Somerville tried a forward pass, the ball going to Tech on its own 25-yard line.

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REPUBLICANS TAKE STRENUOUS MEASURES

President Taft Sends Two Cabinet Members to Ohio to Deliver Speeches

The Entertainment Committee is making a new departure in the line of Friday night entertainments this year by holding two big political rallies. On Friday night a Republican rally will be held, and Arthur D. Hill, former District Attorney, will speak on behalf of the Republican policies and candidates in the State election of November 8. The Democratic rally follows on Saturday night, October 29, and a representative from the Democratic campaign committee will address the students on behalf of the Democratic policies and candidates. The students are urged to attend these rallies which, if successful, are to be a precedent for similar mammoth rallies next year on behalf of the National election. The Entertainment Committee hopes to stir up the voters in the school to their obvious duty at the coming election.

There will be no Friday night entertainment on November 4th, on account of Field Day, but the committee hope to secure for November 11th Mr. Wm. Lord Smith, who has traveled extensively in Africa and on other continents. He has been asked to give his very interesting lecture on "Tiger Hunting." Subsequent to November 11th there will be something in the line of entertainment every week.

President Taft has decided on taking strenuous measures in stemming the Democratic tide in the State of Ohio. As the result of an urgent request from State Chairman Laylin, two members of the President's Cabinet will be sent to Ohio to deliver speeches and to do everything in their power to impress on the people the worth of Republican doctrines. The two Cabinet members selected are Secretary Knox, the President's Premier, and Secretary of the Treasury McVeagh. The former will deliver speeches in Cincinnati and Columbus, while the latter will speak to the citizens of up-State towns. These drastic measures show that the Republican party realizes that it is imperative that their doctrines of protective tariff be expounded and extolled, even in the districts of the strongest protectionist feeling. The remarks of Mr. McVeagh will be particularly interesting, for he is a fearless and impressive speaker.

Louis Gregori, the French military writer, who shot Major Dreyfus on the day that Zola's body was placed in the Pantheon, died yesterday, and with him the Dreyfus affair which has divided France into two hostile parties, is said to perish at his trial. Gregori was acquitted on the charge of attempted murder because of the wish of the judges to prevent all reopening of the old wounds and prejudices, because Dreyfus sympathizers were threatening all good lovers of law and order.

Professor Miller gave a lecture last night before the American Institute of Steam Boiler Inspectors at Berkeley Hall. He discussed the discharge capacity of safety valves at varying pressures and lifts.

Of the 80 applicants who took the recent Civil Service examination for smoke inspection in the Metropolitan district, the three to qualify were all Technology graduates.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1910.

If we are to believe in omens, yesterday's "victory for 1914" in the tug-of-war should encourage the supporters of the Freshmen in their predictions for Field Day. The occurrence at yesterday's practice is the kind of omen that can be depended upon as a forecast of future events. Some of the Sophomores have been over-confident of the ability of their class to pull the rope over next week Friday, relying rather upon the weights of their representatives than upon the regular practice of a large number of earnest men. Enthusiasm and the skill acquired by practice are as important factors in winning an event of this nature as natural beef and avoirdupois.

There are always a number of men who hand in their names as competitors for positions of responsibility in activities of the Institute. In our own case, for instance, we must confess that every fall a number of men report as heelers for The Tech, and after the first few assignments become half-hearted and unreliable. If they are not dropped from the list they continue in the same indifferent way and then wonder why the editors are so unjust as to advance the other man instead. The Tech is sorry to feel that it is not the only organization which has to deal with such men.

To complete our contrast we must mention the men also who work enthusiastically from the start,—who seem to have been born with the single idea at heart of the perfection of the Institute and her activities. They have ideas of their own, yet realize their own position and the absolute authority of the man above. Above all, they are absolutely reliable and they strive to do more and better work than is strictly required of them. Such men are sure to show their ability. They are the men who ultimately fill the positions of responsibility for which they have trained themselves.

Positions of mere honor are not to be found among Institute activities. They are the recognition of reliability, enthusiasm and proved worth.

Course II men are busy looking up and arranging for their thesis. In a later issue mention will be made in these columns of some of these interesting investigations.

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The Somerville quarter carried the pigskin behind Tech's line, the ball being given to the Freshies on their 25-yard line. Tech kicked and Somerville's quarter ran back 25 yards, he making a high jump to get the ball.

The next few plays were of the line-smashing type, Doane and Garland finding holes in the Freshies' left for from 5 to 25 yards. Somerville simply tore along for a touchdown, Doane making it. The ball was far to the right of the field, and although Doane made a beautiful kick out, the attempt to kick the goal failed.

Tech kicked off, Somerville running the ball in about 10 yards. Tech now interrupted a forward pass, but were penalized ten yards for interference. Somerville now kicked, but their line did not hold and the punt was blocked, the ball going to M. I. T. The final period now began. The opening play netted Tech 10 yards; then Bryant got 6 more, Mitchell 6 more. Somerville here stiffened and Tech lost the ball on downs. After a small gain Somerville fumbled, Tech getting the ball on Somerville's 20-yard line. Van Etten now plugged the centre for a few yards, Mitchell through tight tackle for 4 more; then Van Etten again, the ball being finally on Somerville's one-yard line on the third down. Somerville immediately lost ball on a fumble, but in the next play Tech was penalized 5 yards for being offside. Fox then tried a forward pass, but Somerville got the ball behind its own posts, the teams lining up on Somerville's 25-yard line. Garland now made 20, then 20 more. Somerville on the next play was penalized 5 yards for offside. Garland then made 5 yards. Tech was penalized five yards and then, after a five-yard gain by the indefatigable Garland, time was up, with the ball on Tech's 25-yard line.

SOMERVILLE. TECH 1914.
 Duncan, r. e.....r. e., Morrison
 Giles, r. t.....r. t., Burnham
 Rowell, r. g.....r. g., Saner
 Milmore, c.....c., Benjamin
 Pierce, l. g.....l. g., Smith
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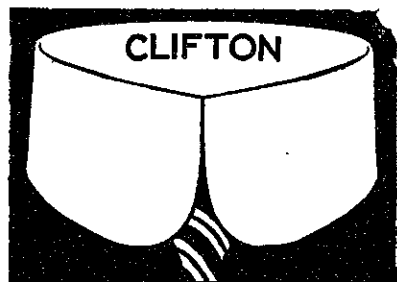
l. h. b., Mitchell, Roberts
 Garland, r. h. b.....r. h. b. Bryant
 Doane, f. b.....f. b., Van Etten
 Touchdown, Somerville—Doane 2.
 Goal from Touchdown—Milmore.
 Field Judge—Cheethem.
 Umpire—McCarthy.
 Head Linesman—Fales.
 Referee—E. Garland.

During the present term the secretary will personally see and talk with every man in the third and fourth years in Course II. It is hoped that the men will avail themselves of this opportunity to become acquainted with society affairs. The object of this canvass will be to get new members, subscriptions to the Journal, to sell shingles, and in general to work up interest in the society.

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MECHANICALS TO HAVE WEEKLY EXCURSIONS.

Will Be Held on Wednesday and Friday Afternoons—News of the Department.

The first mechanical Engineering Society excursion of the year was held yesterday, when the men enjoyed a trip to the Sturtevant Blower Works at Hyde Park. The party was accompanied by Professor Haven of the department.

From this time on excursions will be held each week, either on Wednesday or Saturday afternoons, which ever seems most convenient to the men. Certain plants do not run on Saturday, which, of course, means that they will have to be visited on some other afternoon, although a few men are inconvenienced thereby. A new departure this year will be the attendance of department professors on these excursions. One or more will accompany each party, and will in this way be able to get into closer touch with the students, as well as being able to point out subjects of interest in connection with class-room work.

The excursion to Niagara Falls is being worked on, and will soon be put before the students. This excursion will probably cost \$30 or \$35 per man, although nothing definite can be stated at this time.

Mr. Lawrence S. Smith has changed his office from 13 Eng. B to Professor Lanza's room in Eng. A.

The Institute carpenter is making a wooden model representing the surface of a perfect gas, of such size that an actual card can be drawn on it. This will do away with the old "string" model and will be of some help to students in thermo-dynamics.

Provision has been made on the new power plant logs on which are kept the daily records of coal consumption, kilowatt output, etc., for recording smoke observations. By the aid of Ringelmann charts these observations will be taken in the future.

A few words regarding the act providing for the abatement of smoke in and about Boston might be of interest. This act provides that smoke shall be

classified by use of the Ringelmann charts just mentioned. These charts consist of a number of squares ruled in black lines, and are varied by increasing the width of the lines, at the same time decreasing the size of the spaces.

The method of classifying smoke is to set up the chart in some convenient position at a distance of about 75 feet from the observer, who then looks at the smoke with one eye and at the chart with the other, and thus by comparison decides on the blackness of the smoke, each chart of course being numbered. Smoke-stacks are classified according to their area at the top. Class 1 includes all stacks whose inside area at the top is not greater than the area of a circle five feet in diameter; class 2 between a circle five feet in diameter and one of ten feet; class 3, all over ten feet.

According to the law, plants having a stack in class 1 are only allowed to make smoke of grade 3 (dark), for a period of 6 minutes in any one hour during 1910. In 1911 this is reduced to 4 minutes; in 1912 reduced to light grey smoke for 8 minutes, with no black at all, and in 1913 again cut down to 6 minutes of light grey, which practically means smokeless chimneys.

A most remarkable step and a most praiseworthy one is to be taken by President Taft, according to Washington despatches. A negro, Mr. Wm. H. Lewis, is to be appointed to the position of Assistant U. S. Attorney-General, an honor never before accorded to one of that race. Mr. Lewis is now District Attorney here in Boston, and is a man who has gained much distinction for remarkable work as long as he has been in public life. This great honor was decided upon by President Taft in order to carry out his ideas, that the negro should be given all possible recognition of worth.

Mr. Lewis attended Amherst, where he was captain of the football team in 1892. He then went to Harvard and attained great distinction there, both in scholarship and athletics. In 1895 he passed his bar examinations and since that time he has becoming better and better known in his profession. In 1902 he was elected to the Legislature, an honor most rare in this part of the country. Since 1903 Mr. Lewis has been Assistant District Attorney in Boston.

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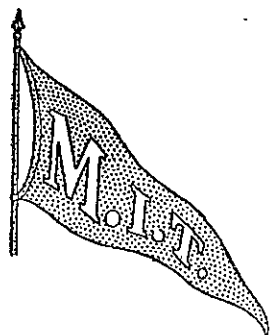
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1912.

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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.

NOTICE.

The exercises of the Institute will be suspended on Friday, November 4th, after 12 o'clock M., for Fall Field Day.

A. L. MORRILL, Secretary.

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