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WARS LIABLE TO DEGENERATE PEOPLE

So Declares President Jordan of Leland Stanford Junior University.

SECOND CONVOCATION.

Much Enthusiasm Shown at Meeting in Huntington Hall Yesterday.

There seemed to be a return to the ways of the "good old days" at the Convocation in Huntington Hall yesterday. There was noise galore, and everyone was in perfect readiness to hear a most enjoyable and interesting talk.

President Maclaurin introduced Dr. David Starr Jordan of Leland Stanford Jr. University as an earnest worker, and a man of ability and tireless energy who had carried to the West the educational ideas of the East.

President Jordan is one of the best known workers in the cause of International Peace. "Peace," he declared, "is only an extension of the idea of law, and law decides the best way for men to get along together." The same is true of international peace, but though the ordinary man emphatically favors this idea when he is asked his opinion, yet he is always ready to clamor for war at the least provocation. Everyone knows the horrors of war, but it is claimed that if it strengthens a nation, the burden must be endured.

The United States is spending more of its income now on wars that will never occur than on all other things combined. The heavy burden is forcing the laboring classes below that point in the scale of expenses where they can live. The reason men die is because they cannot live. The enormous war debts of European nations—that endless caravan of ciphers—can never be paid. Only the interest will be paid, and that to the capitalists—the real kings who compose the invisible empire which controls Europe. The talk of a war between Germany and England is senseless. Every blow which one of these nations would give would react with as much force on the giver.

Conquest does not now add to wealth because we deal so largely in credit. If half of Germany were captured it would not help the English, because Germans live on the land. Europe is filled with bank checks. There is not enough money there to pay the interest on the several national debts.

War does not stand for progress. No reforms can be undertaken while a country is engaged in combat with another. "During war, law is silent," said the ancient Latins. Everything else that represents the best is likewise at a standstill.

The iron military rule of Germany does not benefit that country. It is a tremendous burden. A great deal of time is taken in the prime of the life of men who do not need to be developed by this soldering process, and many of them are ruined by the diseases that go with barrack life.

Many great heroes stand out against a background of warfare, but cowardice is shown also. Heroism does not appear only in war. Neither does it create anything. Some occasion has to create heroism.

The United States and Canada have thought the world a wonderful lesson by their peaceful relations. The only barrier between these countries is the one of the custom houses, which in time will be destroyed.

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COLLEGE GRADS AT INSTITUTE INCREASING

Harvard, Yale and Imperial Polytechnic Inst. of Shanghai Best Represented.

AGGREGATE VERY LARGE.

A Flattering Tribute Is Thus Shown to Technology's Reputation.

With the passing of the years, Technology's reputation among the colleges of the world has grown steadily until now there are at the Institute graduates from almost every civilized and educational centre of the world. This year's enrollment is exceptionally large. Harvard and Yale Universities and the Imperial Polytechnic College, Shanghai, are among the largest contributors of students. A list of all graduate students now at Technology and their colleges follows:

Amherst College—Pierre Drewsen B. S.; S. N. Whitney, A. B.

Austin College—C. L. Hufsmith, B. S.

Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas—James S. Dean, B. S.; C. W. Homeyer, Jr., B. S.

Armour Institute—H. C. Frisbie, B. S.

Anhin Provincial College—Sing Dji Hi, Yuen Tse Ying.

Bates College—C. A. Magoon, A. B.; C. T. Pomeroy, A. B.; Martha E. Richmond, A. B.

Buenos Ayres National College—V. J. Lacourrege, A. B.; Francisco Fernandez, A. B.

Bradley Polytechnic Institute—J. P. Minton, A. S.

Beloit College—E. O. Scriven, B. S.

Bryn Mawr College—Charlotte V. Simonds, A. B.

Bowdoin College—Felix A. Burton, A. B. (M. I. T., S. B.); C. A. Cary, A. B.; K. B. Kilbora, A. B.; C. A. Smith, A. B.

Boston College—E. F. Coleman, A. B.; James Owen Greenan, A. B.; Harold H. Sharp, A. B.

Brown University—H. C. Damon, A. B.; Albert Harkness, A. B.; W. C. Slade, M. S.; F. C. Taylor, Ph. B.

Canisius College—O. J. Ramler, A. B.

College of the City of New York—F. L. Corts, B. S.; A. N. Herman, B. S.; Alfred Katz, B. S.; Isidore Specter, B. S.

Chili Provincial College—Chee Sin Hsin.

Cambridge University—N. W. D. Worthington, B. A.

Cornell University—E. C. Howe, A. B. (M. I. T., S. B.); Laura K. Johnson, A. B.

De Pauw University—C. Stephens Ell, A. B.

Dartmouth College—John Baldwin Glaze, B. S.; C. L. Levermore, B. S.; Ralph S. Pease, A. B.; L. A. Salinger, B. L.; H. W. Stucklen, B. S.

Dakota Wesleyan University—R. H. Rathbun, B. S.

Ecole Polytechnic, Montreal—T. E. E. Lafreniere, C. E.

Escuela Industrial, Buenos Ayres—Alberto Lavenas, Fernando Lavenas.

Franklin and Marshall College—R. E. Zimmerman, Ph. B.

Gouzago College—J. A. Roberts, A. B.

Grinnell College—C. M. Whitmore, B. S.

Hamilton College—T. H. Smyth, A. B.

Holy Cross College—E. W. Larkin, A. B.

Harvard University—J. W. S. Brady, A. B.; S. H. Brown, Jr., B. S.; E. N. Fales, A. B.; Louis Grandgent, A. B.; D. M. Hunting, A. B.; C. A. Linehan, B. S.; F. A. Reece, A. B.; Everett St. John, A. B.; H. S. Waite, A. B.

(To be Continued.)

NEW PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR THE TRACK TEAM

Winter Training Begins Tuesday at 4 O'Clock, at Gym on Garrison Street.

TRYOUTS FOR ALL EVENTS.

Every Effort Will Be Made to Win a Championship—Dinner Plans.

On Tuesday, November 29th, every man at the Institute having the interest of track athletics at heart, or having had previous track work, is expected to report at the Gymnasium on Garrison street at 4 P. M. Unlike other games, this call is for conditioning in all events—not merely relay, as the policy this year is to have a long training for next year's intercollegiate track meet, when we really intend to show the other colleges that we can win a championship.

This year we are to have two relay teams—a one and a two-mile team—and we expect to be matched with the very best teams in the collegiate world.

The annual winter interclass games, the Sophomore-Freshman dual meet, Freshman meets with outside schools (providing more Freshman interest is shown), the Columbia intercollegiate relay championship—with a possibility of sending individuals to partake in the open events if they are of the proper calibre, and the B. A. A. meets are the principal fixtures on the indoor schedule.

Let every man report at once and bring his interest with him. This can be a banner year if all will start Tuesday.

The dinner for all interested will be held in the near future. Proper notice will be given as soon as arrangements are completed.

RECORD-BREAKING COMPETITION FOR HOCKEY TEAM

Regular Practice at the Rink Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Owing to a misunderstanding on the part of the rink management, the hockey team was unable to practice yesterday. Arrangements have been definitely made, however, for regular practice at the rink three evenings a week until further notice. Practice will be on Saturdays from 6.15 to 7.15 P. M., Mondays from 6.15 to 7.15 P. M., and Thursdays from 6.45 to 7.15 P. M.

A record-breaking number of candidates for the hockey team have reported this Fall. Forty-four men have signified their intention of coming out for the team, and of this number twenty-five or thirty reported last evening. A number of the new men have had considerable experience on college and school teams.

The defense is at present the uncertain element of the team. All of the defensive positions have been vacated by last year's players, and must consequently be filled by new and untried men. It is expected that competition for these positions will therefore be strong.

The team was denied practice last evening through a slip on the part of the rink management. The rink accommodates two teams at practice, and by mistake, arrangements were made last evening with three teams. Tech being the third team, was consequently denied use of the rink.

SENIOR DINNER COMING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6

Committee Composed of C. H. S. Merrill, C. F. Hobson, H. C. Davis and President Ex-Officio.

NEW STUNTS PLANNED.

Intended to Make Last Event One to Be Remembered in Annals of 1911.

President Stevens announced that the Senior Dinner Committee, composed of C. F. Hobson, C. H. S. Merrill, H. C. Davis and the President ex-officio, has arranged for a new sort of a dinner to be held Tuesday, December 6, at 6.30, in the Union. The price will be the customary fifty cents.

Although the 1911 Board of Directors held its initial meeting only yesterday, two of the speakers have already been secured—Dean Burton and Professor Sedgwick. Among the others who will be asked are Dr. Maclaurin and Homer Albers.

The only official business of the evening will be the announcement of the Senior portfolio elections, the nominations for which closed yesterday. The Senior dinner has always been the most successful of all class dinners, and the committee is planning to make this year no exception. Several new stunts are being planned.

This dinner is the occasion of the last relapse before the strenuous labors of the final trials. This is the last regular gathering of the Seniors until all is over and the Faculty notices alone are awaited. The men know each better now than at any time before and, relieved of any immediate cares of work on activity, a feeling of genuine enjoyment is always in evidence at this mid-winter dinner.

More details of arrangements will be announced by the committee in coming issues; 1911, watch for them.

CALENDAR.

Saturday.

2.00—Orchestra Rehearsal.
6.15—Hockey Practice—Arena.

Monday.

12.45—E. E. Excursion to Fore River.
.400—1913 Cross-Country Practice—Gym.
4.00—1914 Cross-Country Practice—Gym.
5.00—Basketball Practice.
6.15—Hockey Practice—Arena.

Tuesday.

1.00—Tech Board Meeting with Lunch.
4.00—Gym Team Practice—Gym.
4.00—1913 Cross-Country Practice—Gym.
4.00—1914 Cross-Country Practice—Gym.
4.15—Technique Board Meeting—Room C.
7.30—N. Y. State Club Meeting—Union.

Wednesday.

12.45—E. E. Excursion to Fore River.
4.00—Basketball Practice—Gym.
4.00—Gym Team Practice—Gym.
4.00—1913 Cross-Country Practice—Gym.
4.00—1914 Cross-Country Practice—Gym.
6.00—Catholic Club Dinner—Union.

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Institute books are distributed through practically one agency. For this reason it seems that the question of supply on hand should be largely eliminated. But lately this agency has been little more than a student's ordering department, where those in need of certain books can register their requests and make their deposits with the possibility of securing the books in the course of a few days.

It seems that the following is the method of procedure: The Institute instructors turn over to the book agent the list of books that will be required by their classes. The book seller makes a liberal discount from this list because many may use second-hand books. This method is decidedly advantageous to the book-seller, who thereby is able to turn over his stock very quickly, but it is decidedly disadvantageous to the student who is held up in his work by not being able to get what he needs.

And moreover, it seems entirely unreasonable that after all these years in the business, capital is so low as to prevent the keeping of a sufficient stock always on hand, although, of course, it may interfere with the business of selling such nick-nacks as frogs that have spinal meningitis and many more ornate creations in the line of divers fanciful what-you-ma-call-ems that are guaranteed to amuse those in first or second childhood.

To take specific examples of books that were not in stock, the following two may be mentioned which are used by eight courses in the upper classes, namely, Lyon's Electrical Problems and Berry's Entropy Diagram. These are standard works. Why is not the supply complete?

COMMUNICATION.

To the Editor of The Tech:

The Bulletin Board Committee has noticed that persons putting up signs and posters on the bulletin boards around the Institute do not put them up according to the requirements of the Institute Committee. Not long ago a large number of signs were taken down from the small board in the Union because they did not meet the requirements of the committee. This did not seem to do any good, since several signs had to be taken down yesterday. Hereafter, unless all signs and posters conform to the rules, which are posted on every board, they will be torn down.

CHAIRMAN OF BULLETIN BOARD COMMITTEE.

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Wars drain a people of the best of its young men. At the Magenta, in the crypt of the church, are piles of skulls with bullet holes, covered with spider webs, which form a silent monument to the defeat of the Austrians at that place. The skulls of the men killed in Napoleon's wars would make a tower twenty times as high as the Bunker Hill monument.

This drama of the lands' youth has left its effect on Europe. It is the keynote of why she has not risen to the heights commensurate with her early glory, even with all the modern advantages of science. One generation determines what the next generation will be. If the best specimens of men are killed and the worst survive, degeneration will surely begin. Rome did not die because of the luxury of the Romans, because there were few Romans left. Only cowards remained, because the best of the warriors had been killed in battle.

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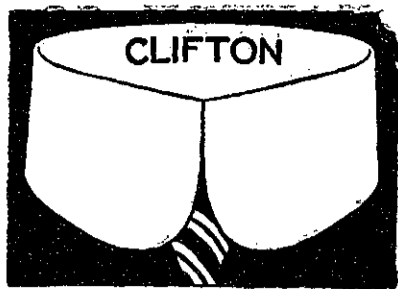
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Finally Cad shut his Schwamb and Merrills with a bang. "Say, Billiken, can't you forget for a while that you were down in New Mexico last summer? This joint is not an angel's roost, I'll admit, but that's no reason that because you are a Senior and because you've been—"

"Shut up or I'll put you in a worse place than New Mexico in about three seconds," responded the Billiken with a sour attempt at a laugh. "If you had some of the experiences I've been having lately at this confounded Institute you—"

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"Hang the Freshman. Let him go out if he doesn't like it. But just take a look at this nice little pile of letters I received today from the registrar. I am going to have them framed. They will be a nice souvenir of this joint. 'Your petition to take Elements of Engineering epidemics is not granted. Please see Professor Heissdraht.' That makes the sixth course I've tried to take and been turned down. Oh, yes, I interviewed said prof, several times in fact. Strung him with a well prepared line of talk, and each time he signed his name to my petition. 'Let's see, I met you down in Kennebunkport last summer, didn't I? Nice place, isn't it?' while he was signing his name. A lot of good it did though, and I have only a 480-hour schedule this term, too. Oh, well it might be worse, so much more time for Swellessely and Peyland Lowers, you know."



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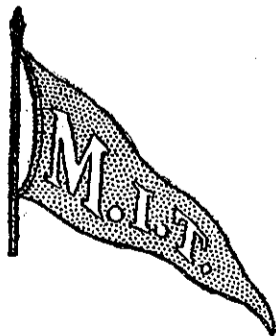
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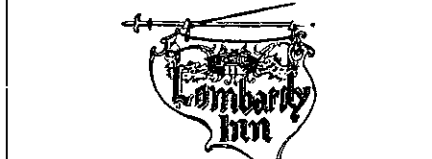
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