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PROF. NOYES FAVORS HONORARY SOCIETY

Important Matter to Be Decided By Seniors in Near Future.

Two years ago the question of the establishment of an Honorary Scholastic Society at the Institute was inaugurated by R. F. Goodwin, then president of the Senior class. The matter was discussed long and carefully, but there was not enthusiasm enough to warrant the establishment of such a society.

A few weeks ago the Institute Committee received a communication from the Faculty requesting a conference in regard to the matter. The Institute Committee appointed D. E. Bent 1912, J. E. Whittlesley and Bates Torrey a sub-committee to investigate the matter in connection with the Faculty.

The choice in the event of forming such a society seems to lie between forming a local society here at the Institute, with no connection with any other society, or petitioning either Sigma Xi or Tau Beta Pi for a charter for the local society. The former is a scientific fraternity, and was the one under consideration two years ago. Professors Jackson, Shimer, Bugbee, Wickenden, Warren and Wilson of the Institute Faculty are members of this society. The latter is an honorary engineering fraternity, and although not as well known as the former, has its particular advantages to students of an engineering or technical school. Both of these societies are being considered seriously by the committee, and the mutual advantages of each will be put forward in an article in these columns the latter part of the week.

Professor Noyes, for several years Acting President of the Institute, in a personal interview stated that he felt that there was a pressing need of an organization that would bring together men of a high scholastic standing and men who, due to interest in their work, or for other reasons, had been unable to get into contact with men through the activities. He felt that the honorary part was not the most important feature of society, but that the idea as a whole was a very practical one. It is supposed that President Noyes' views are those of the majority of the Faculty on this subject, and that if the matter is brought up before that body they will act favorably on it.

Dean Burton in a personal interview also expressed himself as heartily in favor with the movement.

If the project is to be thought of at all seriously it will be necessary for a large number of Seniors to take hold of the matter and work up agitation on the matter and put it forward in the best possible way, trusting to the Class of 1912 to decide the matter for or against, as may seem the best solution. For this reason it is up to every member of the Senior Class to follow this discussion and form his opinion in regard to this subject and not leave the matter to be looked into by a few who may happen to be particularly interested. Every one should make it a particular point to consider the possible advantages and accompanying disadvantages to the establishment of such an organization, and when the opportunity is offered voice his sentiments.

WIRELESS CLUB MEETS AT 4.15 IN UNION

Of Importance to New Men—Dr. Pender to Speak—New Outfit.

The Wireless Society will hold a meeting this afternoon at 4.15, in the Union. All who expect to become members should come, for Dr. Pender, the representative of the society, with the Faculty, is going to tell the society how it stands in relation to the school, and what its members are expected to do when wishing to use the tools and apparatus of the various departments for research work.

Since the last meeting the committee appointed to procure a new roof for the station has found that the college will have the carpenter make one. This roof will be the finishing touch, for already the instruments, both for sending and for receiving, are installed and working. The station has now a standard capacity condenser, so that members are able to calibrate their own condensers by it. The other receiving instruments in the society's outfit have already been calibrated.

After the arrival of a better transformer, which is due next week, the sending capacity will be increased more than ten times. At present the station is in communication with the stations of five members who have both sending and receiving sets, as well as with the twenty odd receiving outfits of the other members. A list of these has been posted inside the station. In order that this list may be complete the members are requested to give the secretary their name, address and call number. He intends to get out a list of all amateurs in the vicinity of Boston, giving call numbers and wave-lengths where possible.

That the Wireless Society is active this year is shown by the big increase of membership, and by the imposing list of talks that the officers have already arranged for. Several members have already arranged to present papers at some future meeting.

WRESTLERS PROGRESS.

Largest Squad Ever Promises a Great Team This Year.

This year the privilege of being excused from the gymnasium has been granted to Freshmen who report regularly for wrestling practice. As a consequence a larger number of candidates than have ever reported for this sport before have been coming out, and the team is going to be a strong one.

Captain Smythe-Martin is putting in faithful work coaching the new men, and they are making rapid progress in learning the holds. The majority of the wrestlers are feather-weights, but there are one or two one-hundred and seventy-pounders who look like "white hopes."

The evidence seems to point this year toward a wrestling team of which the Institute will be proud.

Forty-five Chinese students are enrolled at Columbia University.

Edward L. Perkins has given \$24,000 to Williams.

OLD STARS TO BE WITH KOMMERS SATURDAY

Dinner in Union at 6.30 on December 2—Tickets for Sale At Cage Now.

Attention of everyone interested in our most famous and largest "Activity" is called once more to the sixth annual Tech Show Kommers' banquet that will be held in the Union at half-past six o'clock Saturday evening. Tickets are being sold by members of the Show management and at the Cage, and everyone who has not yet purchased his ticket should get it at once so that satisfactory arrangements can be made in the dining room.

This dinner has always been as enjoyable as any before the Christmas holidays, and the standard shows no indication of falling, because several speakers have been secured who will entertain the crowd. Among others, Dean Burton, Professor Jackson and Mr. Blachstein, all of whom are greatly interested in student activities, will be there. Mr. Harold S. Wonson, '07, one of the best music writers in the history of the Show, and the author of the greatest of all Tech cheering songs, "Dear Old M. I. T.," has promised to be present and will tell of his experiences while he was connected with the Show. His advice and criticisms will be of the greatest value to all who are intending to enter the competition for lyrics and music for Tech Show, 1912. Mr. Wonson wrote successful music for "William, Willie and Bill," "The Freshman," "That Pill Grimm" and "Over the Garden Wall," and is well qualified to speak.

"Dolly Carter," who appeared before us for only eight short hours during the performances of "Frenzied French," last spring, has been persuaded to appear again at the Kommers' dinner, and will probably have a few words to say to the fellows. Harry Havens, the "Grind" (?) will render his "Mr. Sherlock Holmes," with variations, and Louis de Florez, as the French Chauffeur, will tell about the "Blitzenbumble."

ST. ANDREW DINNER.

Technology Club Entertains Brotherhood Tonight.

There will be a dinner tonight at the Technology Club, under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, at 6 o'clock. The dinner is in charge of Rev. Mr. Kneeland and Mr. Achard, Secretary of the Brotherhood, and all of the members are urged to be present.

At 8 A. M. on Thanksgiving Day, Corporate Communion will be observed at St. Paul's Church on Tremont street.

The local assembly of the Brotherhood will hold their annual meeting on Friday, December 1st, at 8 o'clock P. M. The meeting is to take place at the Parish House of St. Stephens, No. 3 Decatur street, Boston.

Arlo not only shows Walker Club that he not only analyses but writes English.

The new society in Course IV seems sure of success. It welcomes both Civils and Architects.

ARCHITECTURAL ENG. FIRST GATHERING OF

Smcke Talks by Professor Lawrence and Dean Burton—Eats Later.

Last evening the Architectural Engineering Society held their first meeting, which was well attended. Mr. Merrill, the President of the society, first introduced Professor Lawrence, who was received with hearty applause. He opened his talk by giving an anecdote about a country minister who was to address a strange congregation and forgot his notes, where upon he said he would have to speak as the Lord put the words into his mouth, though he hoped to be better prepared. Following this he congratulated the men on forming the society. The architectural men were likened to missionaries being sent out to teach the heathen the architectural doctrines. Professor Lawrence stated that there is no really representative architecture in the country at present. In the old times, when the Colonial style was used, it showed the quaint ideas of the people who were products of the old world.

Owing to the rapid growth of the country and new ideas of the people, this type of architecture was upset, simplicity and good taste were reversed, conditions in the country not being right to give attention to art and architecture. The support of the community is necessary. The designer and engineer should work together and mutually admire each other to obtain unity in the resulting structure. The work should be done through a love of the beautiful, and high ideals are necessary to guide and inspire this work. The men from this school have to be the teachers in this work, but are handicapped from putting a sufficient amount of thought into their special line of learning, other subjects breaking in to disturb. Consequently the men cannot get the time to consider the broader aspect of the subject, merely thinking of the routine work. Professor Lawrence gave his idea of what the men's ideals should be, and the positions they are to occupy in architecture. His only fear upon hearing of the formation of the society was that Option 2 should grow and ultimately become a separate course. Both Options need the help of the other because it is necessary that the engineer and the architect work together, the plans must be

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CALENDAR.

Wednesday, November 29.

1.30—English High School Club Meeting—Union.

4.15—Gym Team—Gym.

4.15—Wireless Club Meeting—Union.

4.15—Orchestra—Union.

6.00—All Hockey Candidates at Arena.

6.00—Brotherhood of St. Andrew Dinner—Tech Club.

Thursday, November 30.

Thanksgiving Day. No exercises.

Friday, December 1.

Competition for Assistant Manager Technique Closes.

Saturday, December 2.

2.14—Handicap Race, Wakefield—North Station.

6.30—Kommers' Dinner—Union.

KOMMERS DINNER SAT. DEC. 2. UNION

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IN CHARGE OF FRIDAY ISSUE.

EDITOR—Cary, C. A., 1912.
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Tomorrow is Thanksgiving Day, and we are able, by the kindness of the Faculty, to enjoy the privileges of a day of respite. THE TECH hopes that all the men will make good use of the enforced day of rest and eat all that they can stand, forget their books and the everlasting grind for the day. We are sure that the professors will be a little lenient the day after the holiday, and if you are not as well prepared as you might be they may have compassion on your poor little systems and recollect how full (of turkey) you were the day before. Remember, however, that Roll Call is read in ALL classes the day before and the day after all holidays.

The file of exchanges in the Union is placed there by the Exchange Department of THE TECH for the benefit of the Faculty and the students, particularly those who come from other schools. A few men evidently think that this file has been placed there for their own particular benefit and remove the papers from the files as fast as they are placed there. We hope that the light-fingered members of our body will have more respect for their fellow students in the future and give them a chance to read the exchanges from the other schools and colleges.

THE TECH wishes to congratulate Captain-elect Nye of the Cross-Country Team. Losing but three men of this year's team by graduation, and with a number of good men to draw upon to fill their places, the chances for a winning team look remarkably good. We hope that the men will stand back of the new captain and give him their full support.

COMPETITION CLOSES.

The competition for Assistant Business Manager of Technique closes on Friday, December 1st. It is imperative that all contracts be presented to the Business Manager, Claude F. Cairns, by 6 o'clock of that day, and no contracts received at a later time will be counted as assets to the competitor.

"POP" CONCERT TO BE HELD IN UNION

Tickets for December 8 at Cage—Orchestra Will Play—Refreshments.

The Entertainment Committee of the Technology Union has made preparations for a "Pop Concert" to be given on Friday night, December 8th. The evening will be a great success, and it is hoped that a great number of students will avail themselves of the opportunity to get in closer touch with their fellow Tech men.

The Institute Orchestra will play selections from familiar operas and theatres, and the good old Tech songs will fill a large part of the program. Printed copies of the words of the college songs are to be distributed, and the men who are present will be invited to participate in some rousing melodies. Fitting refreshments will be served during the concert for the small fee of fifteen cents. The exact nature of these refreshments has not been definitely decided upon yet, but you may rest assured that they will be of the first order.

At the Union on Friday evening, December 8th. Remember that date. Tickets may be obtained at the Cage or from Mr. Achard, chairman of the Entertainment Committee.

ARCHITECTURAL ENG.

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 made, taking into account the materials for building.

The growth of the cities demanded higher buildings in the congested districts, and in 1885, when steel beams were made, this demand could be more easily met than previously. But here the architect and the engineer separated, thus causing great trouble between the planning of a building and the actual construction. Option 2 was created in response to just such a demand. However, as was said before, the designer must work with an engineer or confusion will result.

Dean Burton was present and talked for a short while, stating that he is well pleased with the formation of the society, and that such a large number of men have started the work. It will bring the men in the course nearer together, and a number of meetings should be called for the purpose of helping the men in their work. Social fellowship will be developed in this way and a chance given to those men who have to be forced out, similar to the way in which they have to take gymnasium work, which is good for them, so the Dean says.

At the close of the talk by the Dean an article was read from the Engineering News regarding the collapse of a building in Boston, following which refreshments were served to those present.

ANOTHER "BENEDICT."

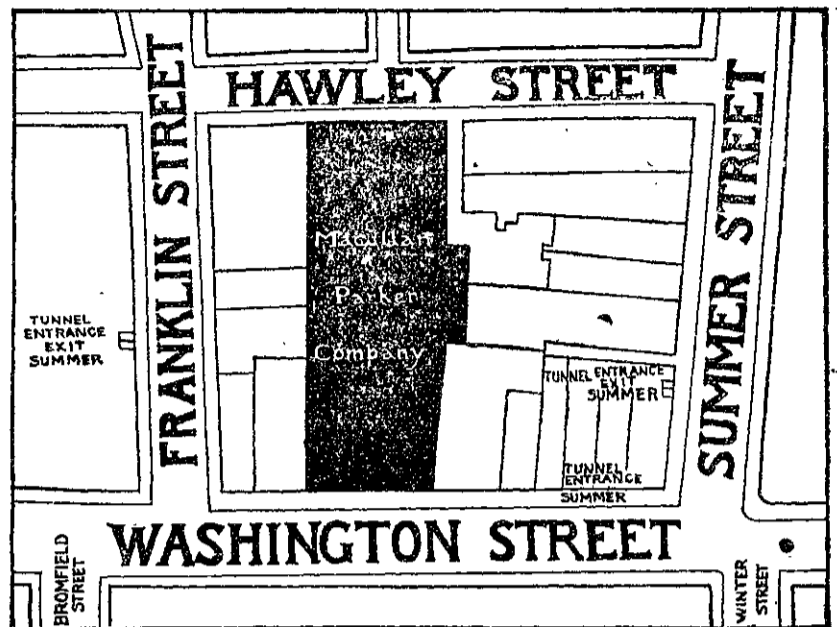
Dr. Phillips of Mathematics Department to Be Married.

The engagement is announced of Henry Bayard Phillips, Johns Hopkins, 1906, to Miss Barbara Kilby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Kilby of Boston. Dr. Phillips is one of our genial mathematics instructors, and is beloved by all the students who have come in contact with him during their courses at the Institute. They all wish him long life and happiness.

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WALKER CLUB BUSINESS MEETING LAST EVENING

New Members Elected—New Poem, "The Battle of New Orleans," by Arlo Bates.

Last evening the Walker Club held a dinner and meeting at the Technology Club at 6.30. The time of the meeting was largely occupied by business affairs, nomination and election of new members. The results of these elections will be announced as soon as possible. The number present was not very large, but everyone that was there enjoyed the dinner and speakers, who were Professor Miller and Professor Bates. The latter read a poem, "The Battle of New Orleans," of which he is the author, that was much appreciated by his auditors. Besides these Dean Burton, Professor Tyler, Mr. Kneeland and Mr. Blachstein were among the members present last evening.

CROSS-COUNTRY ENTRIES.

The annual Fall Handicap Cross-Country race is to be run in the near future and entry books have been placed in the Union for it. Entries will close 4.30 Friday, and everybody intending to enter should sign up at once. All members of the Hare and Hounds' Club are eligible, and all are urged to compete. Dues are fifty cents a year, payable to R. M. Ferry. Only one cup will be awarded to a man. In case anyone wins two he will be allowed to take his pick, and the other will be given to the second best man. The race will be run over the new course at Wakefield.

MUSICAL CLUBS MEET.

Good Concerts Scheduled—Men Urged to Work.

The Musical Clubs met yesterday afternoon for a business discussion in the Union. Various matters of interest were mentioned and the members were told of the advancement made toward the western trip. President Franzheim and Manager Partridge both urged the men to sell tickets for and to make every effort to advertise the winter concert and dance which is to be given by the combined Musical Clubs on December 15th, in Copley Hall.

On the success of this concert will largely depend the success of future trips, and it is hoped the men will give it their best support.

Manager Partridge told the men of various concerts which he has booked after mid-year's, all of which will be most enjoyable affairs. Among them are concert dances at Wellesley and Roxbury.

The Mandolin and Banjo Clubs will give a short concert before a Masonic order in Roxbury on Monday, December 11.

FREE SCHOLARSHIPS.

Cambridge Association Desires Foundation of Several.

In anticipation of the coming of Technology to Cambridge, the Cambridge Public Association at a recent meeting voted to take steps to secure from the Institute several scholarships for the benefit of the Cambridge student at the Institute. It is not known what the Association has to offer in return for the establishment of the scholarships. In fact, after diligent search on the part of THE TECH, no one could be found who knew of the existence of such an organization.

Interesting reading—the arguments printed last month between Professor Bates and Professor Sonnsbury of Yale. Ye men of 1915, with whom do you agree?

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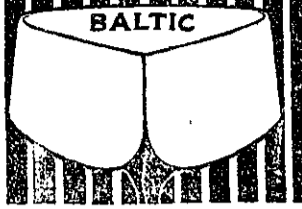
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