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## CO-OPERATION DINNER OF THE TECH STAFF

Meeting Takes Place Tomorrow  
—All Men Out for the Paper  
Are Guests.

At promptly 6 o'clock tomorrow evening the Managing Board of THE TECH will act as hosts at a dinner given for the news and business departments of the paper. The affair will take place in the smaller dining room of the Union, with Mr. Colton as caterer.

A feature of this meeting will be the presence of the Advisory Council of THE TECH. This body of three members, which is closely connected with the doings of the activity, has been keen to notice the inter-relation of its various departments. The members of the council are expected to have many valuable interesting comments and suggestions to make.

This dinner will be an informal meeting of all men connected with THE TECH. The prevailing spirit will be of the get-together kind, where the news and business wings of this activity, said to be the most important in the Institute, can become acquainted with each other and the other departments. The knowledge and perspective of the dove-tailing of the various branches of the machinery of THE TECH is a distinct help to the individual, and for that reason, in addition to the men who have already won positions on the staff, every promising candidate has been invited and is expected to be present.

Some novel features will be introduced at this meeting.

## ENGINEERING LECTURE.

M. E. Society Invited to Lecture  
by Prof. H. W. Hayward.

There will be a meeting of the American Association of Mechanical Engineers on Friday evening, December 20, at 8 o'clock, to which the members of the M. E. Society here at the Institute have been invited, which is to be held in the Edison building, at 39 Hoyalston street.

Prof. H. W. Hayward, associate professor of Mechanical Engineering at the Institute, will speak on "The Testing Laboratory and Constructing Engineer." He will describe various kinds of engineering laboratories and outline the possibilities of service to manufacturers and constructors.

A number of unique slides will be shown in connection with various experiences which will be related, illustrating lapses and inconsistencies of engineering specifications.

This talk is intended to provoke a thorough canvass of the topic from every angle in the general discussion which is to follow. All interested are invited to attend, whether members of the society or not.

## HARVARD MATCH OFF.

The wrestling match between Tech and Harvard has been canceled, as the managers cannot agree on a date. It lay between tonight and Wednesday night. Tech could not consent to having it this evening, and both thought it impracticable to have it Wednesday, owing to the Harvard-Tech hockey game.

## POSTER COMPETITION BEGINS WEDNESDAY

Publicity Manager G. E. Whitwell Will Meet Competitors in Show Office.

On account of the fact that the music competition began yesterday, the poster competition for Tech Show, 1913, has been postponed until Wednesday, December 18, at 4 P. M. At this time Publicity Manager G. E. Whitwell will be in the Show office to meet all these men who are desirous of trying poster work.

It is hoped that this branch of the Show work will not be left to the Architectural Department alone, for the management wishes any man who can draw at all, regardless of his course at the Institute, to come out. The competition will run until after "mid-years," thus allowing the men plenty of time in which to formulate and execute their ideas. As has been the custom in past years, a ten dollar prize will be awarded for the winning poster.

The poster is to be done in two flat colors and black, the colors to be chosen by the artist. The drawing is to be twenty by forty inches and must contain the words "Tech Show" and the title, "Money in Sight," with a blank space left at the bottom for the insertion of the date and place of performance. The idea embodied in the drawing should suggest the title of the Show only; further acquaintance with the plot of the play is unnecessary.

Of the posters for the past thirteen shows, the first seven were drawn by professionals, while the last six were done by students, and at the present time every thing connected with the Show is done by students with the single exception of the professional coaching, so that it would seem inconsistent were it necessary to call upon outside talent for this year's poster. The management hopes that every man who has, or thinks he has any ability in this line, will come out and make a trial. At any rate, men who are interested in any way can at least come around next Wednesday afternoon and hear what is to be said on the subject.

## PROF. HALE TO SPEAK.

Tech Man Will Give Lecture on  
the Magnetism of Sun.

This afternoon, at 4 o'clock, Professor George E. Hale will give a talk on "The Magnetic Field of the Sun." Professor Hale is a Tech man, having graduated from the Institute with the class of '90. He has spent considerable time studying the magnetism of the sun, and his lecture will relate principally to his own work in determining the exact magnetic field of that planet. His talk will undoubtedly be extremely interesting, and everybody to whom anything of this nature appeals is cordially invited. The lecture will be held in Room 22, Walker.

Some class to our wrestling team.

Wednesday is hockey night and Thursday

## MECHANICAL ENG. SOC. HAS GROWN GREATLY

Course II Society Has Varied  
History—Membership Now  
About One Hundred.

This is the second of a series of articles on the various Course Societies which is to be run in THE TECH. The first was on the Civil Engineering Society. Course I, and appeared in the issue of December 5th. The Mechanical Engineering Society was organized in the term of 1881-1882 by members of the Mechanical Engineering Course, with the purpose of aiding its members to gain a broader knowledge of mechanical subjects and also to help them acquire a degree of readiness in debate. During its earliest years the club took several trips, one of which was through Western Massa-



J. G. RUSSELL.

chusetts and Connecticut. A few years ago it died out, but it was reorganized and has thrived ever since.

This year it elected the following officers: President, J. Gordon Russell; Vice-President, H. D. Peck; Secretary, J. B. Farwell; Treasurer, L. L. Custer; Governing Committee, E. W. Brewster, M. L. Waterman and W. H. Brotherton; Program Committee, Prof. E. F. Miller, Prof. G. B. Hoven and Messrs. R. J. Tuller and E. Hirst. The President, J. G. Russell, has been connected in the past with the Tech Show, was one of the committee on the All-Technology dinner, and is a member of the Institute Committee. The Vice-President, H. D. Peck, is also well known about the Institute, having been (Continued on Page 3, Col. 2.)

## E. E. SOCIETY DINNER.

This evening, at 6.30, the members of the Electrical Engineering Society will have a dinner in the Union. It is hoped that a large number of men will turn out, and there is no reason why they should not, for the society has secured an excellent attraction in Mr. Valentine. Mr. Valentine is an experienced telephone engineer, and he will speak to the men on "Problems in Telephone Engineering." His talk promises to be a very interesting one.

## E. E. SOCIETY TRIP COMES MID-YEAR'S WEEK

Itinerary Is Arranged to Include  
Principal Electric Plants of  
New York.

Tonight the completed plans and expenses of the proposed E. E. Society's trip will be laid before the meeting for adoption. The trip is to include a two days' stay at Niagara Falls and Buffalo, one day at Schenectady, and two more days in New York City.

Several complete itineraries covering in detail the six days' trip have been arranged and all accommodations will be provided for in advance. This feature will probably be secured through one of the tourist agencies.

The trip will not be made unless ten or more agree to go, although the present outlook is that there will be no trouble in securing this number. Special sleepers for the night runs and special coaches for the day runs have been secured. The party will stop at the Hotel Imperial at Niagara, and at the Hotel Prince George or the Imperialist at New York.

The trip will begin on Sunday, February 2nd, and will officially end in New York City on Friday night, February 7th, at which time members may take the 5 o'clock boat for Boston or remain in the city as long as their cash holds out. One member of the Faculty has already signified his intention of going.

On account of the number making the trip special rates have been obtained, and the total cost will be low enough to tempt many to spend mid-year's week "on the road."

The trip will be open to all students of the Institute. Complete details will be given tonight by Mr. J. A. Tennant, chairman of the Excursion Committee, at the society's dinner in the Union at 6.15 P. M.

The society is assured of admittance to the following plants: At Niagara Falls, Acheson Graphite Co., makers of graphite electric furnaces; Shredded Wheat Co., electric equipment; Canadian N. F. Power Co.; Electrical Development Co. of Ontario; Ontario Power Co. and its Transformer Substation, No. 1, 110,000 volts. At Buffalo, Sackawana Steel Co., large blast furnace gas engine equipment; at Schenectady, General Electrical Co.; in New York City, Waterside Station, No. 1 and No. 2; New York Edison Co., which has the largest turbines in the world, with a capacity of 20,000 K.W., and the 59th Street station, which has the largest combined reciprocating engine and exhaust steam turbine unit in the world.

## WEATHER.

Forecast for Boston and vicinity: Fair Tuesday; moderate westerly winds.

## CALENDAR.

Tuesday, December 17, 1912.  
5.00—1916 Basketball Practice—Gym.  
6.30—E. E. Society Dinner—Union.  
8.00—Meeting of Masons—Union.  
Wednesday, December 18, 1912.  
8.15—Hockey, Tech vs. Harvard—Arena.

**E. E. SOCIETY DINNER TONIGHT--6.30 IN UNION**

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As an example of gross misrepresentation of facts and disregard for the truth, the following article which appeared in an exceedingly well known college publication recently can hardly be surpassed. The last statement is the only one which even approaches the real facts of the case. The entire article as it appeared is as follows:

"THE TECH, the daily paper at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, has temporarily suspended publication. The two editors who were in charge of Monday's issue left for their homes in different parts of Massachusetts on Saturday night without making arrangements for the publication of the paper on Monday. A meeting of the editorial board was hurriedly called on Monday and the resignations of the managing and athletic editors were received. The business manager has assured the students that the paper will soon resume publication. Those who are well informed are certain that the paper is not in poor financial circumstances, but that the cause of the trouble is lack of undergraduate support."

This incident calls to mind a strong desire which the entire staff of THE TECH can express most advantageously with the above statement as an introduction.

In endeavoring to carry out the function of THE TECH and aid its progress toward the ideals which, we hope, will be reached in the fullest degree, we earnestly desire to have at all hands the frank criticism of any person who has any point on which to disagree with us, whether it be in publication, form, material advertising or circulation. If there is any way you think the paper could be bettered, by the introduction of new features or by the removal of certain features, we shall be only too glad to know of your suggestions.

The fact that the onlooker is much better able to judge than the actor is a truth that applies to the publication of a student newspaper as readily as to any other condition, and we sincerely ask for your co-operation in the endeavor to make each issue a better one than the last.

### BAD POSTERS.

The posters and notices placed on the bulletin boards certainly need attention. Some of them are very bad, and a large percentage show very slipshod work. Often times words are misspelled, and there has been posted

## DR. MACLAURIN WILL BE T. C. A. SPEAKER

President of Institute to Talk at This Week's Meeting in the Union.

The T. C. A. expects that the attendance at its regular Thursday noon talk this week will surpass all previous records, for the speaker is the President of the Institute, Dr. Richard C. Maclaurin. The speaker's subject has not been announced yet, but he will probably speak on some phase of the work of the Association and its relation to Institute life. However, the Association feels that the mere announcement that President Maclaurin is to speak ought to assure a crowd that will tax the Union to its utmost capacity. Last year four hundred men turned out to hear Dr. Murlin, the new president of Boston University. Many more than that number are expected this week to hear our own President.

Dr. Maclaurin finds it possible to speak only a very few times in the course of a year at student gatherings, and the fact that he has arranged to speak for the T. C. A. shows that he recognizes the important place held by the Association in Technology life. The President is extremely busy at all times, and more so than usual just at present, since much of the work incident to the planning of the New Technology falls upon him. Hence the T. C. A. is especially fortunate to secure him for its noon meeting.

All the men who have heard the President know that whatever he says will be of great interest. Every Tech man will look upon it as a duty to show his respect for Dr. Maclaurin by attending this meeting, even at a sacrifice.

The meeting is at 1.30 o'clock in the Union. It begins according to Boston time, not necessarily by Union time, which is apt not to be the same.

### BIOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Have Been Invited to Lecture at Harvard Medical School.

Dr. Cleveland Floyd extends to the members of the Biological Society through E. M. Tolman, its president, an invitation to attend the meeting of the Boston Society of Medical Sciences, this evening, at 8 P. M. The lecture will be held in Building D of the Harvard Medical School.

Three papers, including one on pathology, will be read. There will also be moving pictures of typhoid bacilli in motion, besides showing many protozoa. The films are among the finest and yet the most difficult that have ever been made.

The Biological Society urges all its members to be present, as it is seldom that they have such a splendid opportunity to hear a lecture on this important subject.

recently a placard in the Lowell building, placed probably by the 1916 Ballot Committee, in which the word "treasurer" is spelled with the "s" turned backwards. Such lack of care and display of ignorance is certainly inexcusable.

We hope that care will be taken in the future with these notices, for they are one of the first things that catch a visitor's eye on entering any of the buildings, and embryo engineers should at least be able to letter correctly.

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**MECHANICAL ENG. SOC.**  
(Continued from Page 1, Col. 3.)

ing been the president of last year's Junior class and treasurer the year before. This year he is a member of the Institute Committee. E. W. Brewster was connected with "Technique" last year, and is now a member of the Institute Committee.

Three years ago Foster Russell, then secretary, succeeded in securing affiliation with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. This was a fine thing for the society as it increased its importance and brought it in contact without outside affairs and with important and influential men.

Two years ago Prof. E. F. Miller, head of the Mechanical Engineering Department, after unceasing efforts, was able to secure, with the assistance of Prof. I. N. Hollis of Harvard, the Student Branch Pin. Up to this time the students felt that they were attending the meetings of the society without having an real connection with it, and were in a way outsiders, and so desired the means of recognition relative to the society afforded by this pin. The society permitted the use of the four leaf clover with the four letters A. S. M. E. on some background to show it to be the Tech branch with the letters M. I. T. on it.

Recently the society enjoyed a trip to the Watertown Arsenal at Watertown, where many of the large guns and projectiles for the navy are made. The members were taken through the entire establishment and shown the methods employed in all the different processes of manufacture. The making of the guns was followed from the pouring for the steel casting to the making of the exceedingly accurate parts to be used in connection with the fine sight adjustments. The method of procedure in the making of the projectiles was also explained.

Lastly, the students were shown the complete details of the two machines for testing materials in tension and compression, one of which is the largest in the world. It is here that so many tests have been carried on relative to the strength of materials which have been of much benefit to the scientific world.

After the Christmas vacation the Mechanical Engineering Society expects to be able to get a representative of the Leutz Engineering Co. to give an interesting and instructive lecture with lantern slides.

The Journal, issued monthly by the American Society, contains all the transactions of the society and many discussions of questions of vital importance to the mechanical engineer, and is a paper which the officers of the Mechanical Engineering Society advise its members to read.

After graduating from the Institute a mechanical engineer may become a junior member of the society, securing the necessary blanks from the secretary. Being a member of the A. S. M. E. is of great value to the engineer in that it permits him to keep in touch with the latest investigations, and by association brings him in touch with many prominent engineers which would otherwise be impossible. Then again it permits him to submit to any of the members or committees a question upon which he is in doubt.

The society has grown rapidly and now is one of the largest professional clubs in the Institute, having a membership of about one hundred.

**CHESS TOURNAMENT**  
**PROGRESSING FAST**

**First Round Is Already Completed—Hope for Big Games After Holidays.**

The Chess Club is preparing to take more scalps. Last week it won renown by defeating the strong Harvard team; but not satisfied with that, it is now looking for "more worlds to conquer." No more big games will come off until after the Christmas holidays, and possibly not until after the mid-year's, but the men are hard at work preparing for what is to come. Last week was marked by the first round of the club tournament, which is to test out the club's material and unearth any wonders who may lurk under the veil of modesty. The result of this round was as follows:

Merrill won over Weaver by a score of 2-0; Brown defeated Alger by a like score; Baker won over Dunning to the tune of 2-1; Kaufman took his game from Smith by default; Hoyt won from Norwood by a score of 2-1; Woodbridge won from Reese by default; Johansen beat Drummey, 2-0; Paris won from Johnson by a score of 2-0.

The second round, which must be played off by the end of the present week, will be as follows: Merrill vs. Brown, Baker vs. Kaufman, Hoyt vs. Woodbridge, Johnson vs. Paris.

The winners of the first two matches will then play together, as will also those of the last two; the two winners of these matches then play and decide the tournament.

**EPISCOPALIANS MEET.**

**Discussion Class in Form of Smoker at 22 St. James Ave.**

This evening, at 7.15 o'clock, the third of a series of conferences, given under the auspices of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, will be held at 22 St. James avenue.

These meetings, which partake of the nature of smoke talks, are conducted by the Rev. Mr. Van Etten, who is the assistant rector of Trinity Church. The topic for discussion is opened by him, and after a few remarks a general discussion ensues, in which everybody present joins and gives his opinions.

The meetings were originally intended as a preparation for Christmas, but as they have been very successful they will be continued after the holidays. Although there has been a good attendance to the former meetings it is hoped that a larger number will turn out tonight. All are cordially invited, whether or not members of the Brotherhood.

**CHESS TOURNEY.**

Tuesday evening, Tech's rejuvenated chess team visited the rooms of their Harvard rivals and took the scalps of the Harvard second team to the tune of four and one-half to one and one-half. Tech did remarkably well considering what little chance they had to practice, by winning three games, tying three, and not losing any. Norwood, Baker and Merrill beat Lange, Tabens and Coggeshall, respectively; Chandler, Hoyt and Brown tied Hurley, Beers and Levy.

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SENIOR Portfolio Nominations will be due at the Cage before 4 P. M. Friday, December 20.

ON MONDAY, DEC. 16, at 1.30 P. M., Mr. George M. Hall, of the Industrial Commission of Edmunton, Alberta, will speak in the Union on "Openings for Engineers in the Canadian Northwest." The meeting will be held under the auspices of the T. C. A. (Signed) Richard C. Maclaurin, President.

**FACULTY NOTICE.**

The English Department has decided to establish next term a special section in First Year English (140) for men who are engaged in work on THE TECH. The section will be limited to twenty, and no student will be admitted who has received a mark below P in the first term. Fifteen out of the thirty hours will be allowed for work on the paper, and all articles published will, after publication, be gone over by the instructor for criticism. The amount of written work actually done must not be less than thirty-five hundred words, to be made up of copy printed by THE TECH or of special articles submitted to the instructor. The department reserves the right to refuse to count anything which in workmanship or in taste falls below a reasonable standard. Those who wish to join this section should notify the department before the close of the present year.

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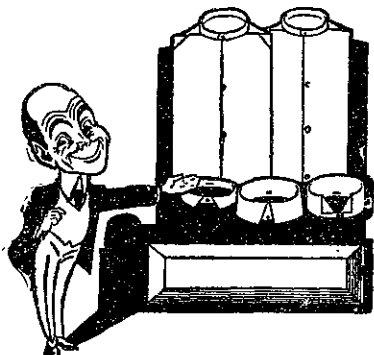
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