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E. E. SOCIETY HOLDS MEETING TOMORROW

General Discussion of the Trip to New York Will Come Friday Night.

The Electrical Engineering Society will hold a meeting Friday evening at 8.15 P. M., in the Union. The meeting will be of great interest to the members, as some very important matters are to be discussed. The speaker of the evening will be Mr. Blood, a senior member of the Stone & Webster corporation, and a very interesting talk is expected. His subject has not as yet been announced, but the talk is expected to be of a somewhat informal nature.

The chief business of the evening will be the passing on the new men who have applied for membership to the society. This will be followed by a general discussion of the big trip which the society has arranged for the week of February 2. This trip, as announced in an earlier issue of THE TECH, will comprise a sojourn through the principal cities of New York State, and is open to all men, whether members of the Electrical Society or not, on the payment of the set price of \$33.75. Any non-society men desiring to go are requested to make application to the officers of the society at once.

This meeting will be the only one during the first part of January, as the meeting scheduled for the evening of the eighth has been called off, owing to the fact that the speaker, Mr. Osgood, finds it impossible to be in the city at that time.

PLAN ORGANIZATION.

Technology Clubs Associated to Be Voted on in New York.

One of the most important matters that is to be considered during the Technology Convention in New York is the formation of the Technology Clubs Associated. If the general plan for the formation of the new organization is approved it is proposed on the afternoon of January 17 to adopt a constitution, elect officers, and indicate a place for the annual meeting in the following year. The acceptance of this plan will be a big thing for the Technology Clubs in the various parts of the country, and will help to bind them together more closely than they have ever been before. The proposed organization will hold annual meetings in various parts of the country, and in co-operation with the Alumni Association strive to promote social intercourse among the members of the local clubs and associations and develop their activity, thus not only contributing to the welfare of the local associations, but to that of the Alumni Association and the Institute as well.

Copies of the proposed constitution are to be sent to the secretary of the local clubs throughout the country with requests for criticism and suggestions. Then, on the seventeenth of this month, the vote will take place which will decide for or against the existence of such an organization. The voting is to be by clubs or associations, each club or association having representation in the Alumni Council to be entitled to become a regular member of the organization and to cast one ballot, all other clubs or associations to be entitled to associate membership.

BIG ALUMNI REUNION COMING THIS MONTH

New York to Be Visited by Crowds of Tech Graduates and Students.

Three trains, loaded with six or seven hundred Institute men, are going down to New York on January 17 and 18. The fellows that are going will have a great time—but why are they going? Because one of the greatest reunions that Technology has ever had is going to be held there then.

All the old graduates are going to turn out in large numbers, great stunts have been arranged, and something will be doing every second. The New York Alumni Association has charge of this reunion, and it is under the personal direction of Ben. Hurd, '96. He has arranged a program covering from Friday, the 17th, until Sunday.

Special arrangements have been made for private trains to take the students down to little old New York. The New York Club wants every student in the Institute to come down, and they promise that every one who goes will return with so much Tech spirit that they will be hoarse for

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WRESTLING TEAM.

Bout With Salem Y. M. C. A.—Harvard Bout Possible.

The wrestling team, which is progressing finely, has arranged a meet with the Salem Y. M. C. A. team to be held on January 16th. It is expected that a meet, to come off about the middle of next week at the Tech Gym, can be arranged with the Harvard team. Friday, at a meeting to be held in the B. A. A. rooms, it is expected that Tech will become a member of the N. E. A. A. U. and be allowed to compete in its meets, but nothing definite can be said as to the arrangements that will be made.

Smyth-Martin has changed over from the 145-pound class to the 135-pound class. Treat has been putting on weight and is strengthening his class considerably.

MUSIC COMPETITION.

Sanger Probably Comes to See Show Music Saturday.

The music competition for Tech Show, 1913, is to come to a close on Saturday of this week. Quite a few men have been working on this music during the Christmas holidays, and from the reports made by several of the writers it seems as though there would be a good variety of work completed by Saturday.

It is expected that Coach Sanger will be in Boston on Saturday to go over the work that will be submitted at that time. The Show expects all the music writers to have their material in such shape that he may be able to go over it rapidly and be able to make his selection at this one meeting.

This part of getting ready for a successful Show does not seem to be receiving all the attention from the student body that its relative value to the Show might be expected to demand, for without good music this year's Show would fall far behind the standard set by former Shows.

YOUNGEST SOCIETY FLOURISHING NOW

Arch. Engineering Society Finds Its Place in Group of Professional Societies.

The Architectural Engineering Society was organized in the fall of 1911 by members of the fourth-year, Course IV, Option II class. Their reasons for starting such a society were because it was believed that more talks along engineering subjects would be beneficial to both options of Course IV. Also they thought that co-operation between the Architectural Society and the Engineering Society would be of great help to the Architectural course in a general way.

Last year's officers were: C. E. Morrow, president; C. W. Somers, vice-president; L. A. Bailey, secretary.

There were four very good talks given last year by Prof. Lawrence, Mr. Beekman, Mr. Hague and Mr. Schaefer, '10. The latter's talk was a feature of the year. Mr. Schaefer is a member of the firm of Cass & Gilbert, architects, New York. His subject was on "The Difficulties of Construction in the Woolworth Building." It proved to be a very interesting and instructive talk. Mr. Schaefer was kind enough to give the department a set of drawings of the Woolworth Building.

The year ended very successfully for a society only one year old, and the prospects for the coming year are very bright. The first smoker was a very successful affair in every way, and the talks by Prof. Lawrence, Prof. Taylor and Prof. Hayward were much enjoyed.

A method is to be adopted which will be of benefit and instruction to the members, in that along with talks articles from engineering journals will be read and discussed by the members, in order to make them feel at home on the floor. All smokers will be run at a minimum cost, with the greatest number of interesting features.

Arrangements have been made for a number of excellent speakers for next time. It is hoped by the officers that they will be able to arrange joint meetings with the Architectural Society, and if possible, with other societies in the future, in order to bring these allied societies more in contact with the Engineering Society.

This year about thirty new members have been taken in. The officers for the coming year are: T. S. Byrne, president; H. E. Crawford, vice-president; C. E. Stucklen, treasurer, and M. C. Schelos, secretary.

SUBWAY BUILDING.

In spite of the fact that there is a veritable army of workmen in the pits and bores of the Lexington Avenue and Broadway subways, New York City, more than three horse-power of Edison service is being used by the contractors to every one man at work, or, to speak in figures, there are 3280 men laboring in the excavations and 10,000 horse-power of electric current employed in helping them build these future arteries of transit.

The power is used in numerous ways, from the operation of air compressors to the heating of soldering irons. Heavy hoists and derricks are being worked by it, light is being furnished by it and practically every apparatus needing more than man power is harnessed to it.

BISHOP THOMAS TO SPEAK MONDAY NOON

Talk on Wyoming to Be Given in Union by T. C. A. Speaker.

The State of Wyoming, for which the Right Reverend Nathaniel S. Thomas, D. D., is bishop, is one of the least known parts of our country. Its population is only one hundred and fifty thousand, although in area it is larger than New England, South Carolina and Delaware combined.

The resources of the State are almost unlimited, and as yet they have been very little developed. They offer abundant opportunities in countless ways to Technology men, and the address by Bishop Thomas next Monday, is sure to be of great interest to all students.

Until recently the Episcopal Church in Wyoming was under the care of various church officials from other States. This fact handicapped its work. But on May 6, 1909, Dr. Thomas was consecrated the first bishop of Wyoming. To take up this work he left a fine position as rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles, in Philadelphia. Since that time, under his leadership, the work has shown a remarkable growth.

The work presents great difficulties owing to the widely scattered condition of the population. In going from post to post Bishop Thomas has many experiences which are far away from the conventional life of the ordinary minister. The pictures shown on the T. C. A. posters on the various bulletin boards give a good idea of the country where he lives and of the manner in which he does his work.

Bishop Thomas speaks under the auspices of the T. C. A. in the Union next Monday, at 1.30, this meeting taking the place of the regular talk today. His topic is "The Last of the Frontier."

NEW BANJO MUSIC.

Several Selections to Be Given Out at Rehearsal Today.

This afternoon, at 5 o'clock, the Banjo Club will hold its first rehearsal of the new year. To make the meeting especially important the new music for the year will be given out, and the officers wish a full attendance, in order that the explanation of the music may reach every member.

During vacation all of the music for the coming year was chosen. Among the selections to be distributed today is one of especial interest, because it is one which has never been tried out in public before, being used by the Banjo Club here.

Next week the club will have rehearsals on Monday and Thursday, at 5 o'clock.

CALENDAR.

Thursday, January 2, 1913.

1.30—1914 Class Pictures Distributed.

4.00—Orchestra Rehearsal—Union.

5.00—Banjo Club Rehearsal—Union.

Friday, January 3, 1913.

1.30—1914 Class Pictures Distributed.

8.15—Electrical Engineering Society Meeting—Union.

Saturday, January 4, 1913.

Show Music Competition Closes.

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A WISE COURSE.

In a short time the Freshmen will be asked to signify their choice of course for continued study at the Institute. This selection is an all-important one, which colors the rest of a student's life. A large number of men come here because engineering appeals to them as a life work, but with no definite branch in mind. During the first half of the Freshman year a taste is given, so far as is possible of each general course. To further aid in a wise selection, conferences are appointed, at which a representative instructor from each course outlines the work in his particular field, and answers questions suggested by the student's point of view. The dates for these conferences have appeared in a recent issue of THE TECH and are posted on the bulletin boards.

The advisability of attending these conferences and asking questions cannot be over-estimated. Before entering a course a student should know what it is and to what it leads. On determining this preference the desires of the student should be a leading factor. To succeed in any line of endeavor a man must work with not only his brain and sinew, but with his heart as well. Boredom does not lead to supremacy. A loss of love for one's work means thankless labor and makes him a shining mark for failure.

Freshmen, realize the responsibility that is yours in the selection of your course. Look ahead rather than back, and make a choice that will in after life give scope to your activities, a breadth to be limited only by you. Get what you can from these conferences and "pump" the professors. Quiz the upper classmen and get their experiences. Learn everything you can and wisely use your information. And may the remainder of your study here be a happy one.

TRACK SCHEDULES.

The 1915 and 1916 track schedules are at present very incomplete. The Freshman and Sophomore managers have done their best to arrange meets with several schools, but nothing definite has been reached as yet. There is a possibility of a meet with Exeter against our Sophomores and Juniors combined, while Lowell is considering very favorably a proposal for two meets, one with the Freshmen and another with the Sophomores.

CHESS TOURNAMENT APPROACHES ITS CLOSE

Semi-Finals Will Be Played Off By the End of the Present Week.

The chess tournament, which has been progressing for the last few weeks, will be finished soon. The second round is over, with but four men in the field. These men play in the semi-finals, which must be completed by the end of the present week. The two high men in these contests will play for the championship during the week of January 4th.

The results of the second round were as follows: Brown defeated Merrill by a score of 2-0; Kaufman won from Baker by default; Hoyt took his game from Woodbridge by a 2-0 score, and Paris won from Johansen by a score of 2-1. In the semi-finals the first two victors, Brown and Kaufman, will play together, while Hoyt and Paris will likewise fight for place.

The chess men are also hard at work trying to arrange for outside matches. Games have been requested of Brown, Tufts and Amherst, but nothing definite in regard to them will be known until next week. The date of the Harvard return game is not definite, but it will not be until after the mid-year exams.

CLASS PICTURES HERE.

Those 1914 Class Pictures have come at last. They will be distributed to the men who ordered them at 1.30, in the Union, today and tomorrow. Pictures will be given only to those men who ordered them in advance, but any other men desiring copies can secure them by depositing a dollar with an order given today or tomorrow. A second delivery of pictures will be made in a week or two to these men.

ALUMNI REUNION.

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weeks. Further particulars about the trains and the accommodations will appear shortly in THE TECH.

A few of the plans that have been decided upon are as follows:

Friday, January 17.
12.00 M.—Registration at the reunion headquarters, The Plaza, on arrival.

1.00 P. M.—Luncheon at The Plaza (arranged according to classes and courses).

3.00 P. M.—Big mass meeting at The Plaza. President Maclaurin will speak. Mr. John R. Freeman will arouse enthusiasm and speak about the New Site. Professor D. R. Dewey, Professor A. A. Noyes and Professor W. T. Sedgwick will also speak.

4.00 P. M.—Formation of the Technology Clubs Associated, a new organization to be formed. The purpose of this organization is to maintain a central federation.

5.00 P. M.—Tea at The Plaza. Friday night is left open so that the men can see the city if they so desire.

Saturday, January 18.
8.30 P. M.—Clubs and societies breakfast at The Plaza.

1.00 P. M.—Class luncheons, to be arranged by the classes.

7.00 P. M.—Annual banquet of the Alumni Association of Technology at The Plaza, presided over by James W. Rollins, '78, president.

The Technology Club, 17 Gramercy Park, will keep an open house, and everyone is requested to pay them a visit. The club has arranged for a large number of students and it remains for the latter to help them make this one of the best of the reunions.

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Tomorrow afternoon the Chemical Society will hold a business meeting in 23 Walker, at 5 o'clock. The society has had no business meeting as yet this year, and so there is much to be considered. There are also several important changes in the constitution to be discussed, especially in regard to whether or not the dues shall be changed for that year.

The Program Committee have been arranging for speakers for January, and it is possible that a definite announcement can be made as to the speakers' plans for this month.

As this meeting comes directly after Laboratory it will be easy for the members to attend. It is not expected to make the meeting very long on account of the lateness of the hour.

CATHOLIC CLUB.

Next Wednesday the Catholic Club will hold its first meeting of the new year. The officers of the club have long planned to have a series of talks on Evolution as it is viewed by Catholics, and they have secured, with the assistance of Father Scanlon, the first speaker for the meeting Wednesday.

COLLEGE NOTES.

Two hundred and fifty candidates reported at the first meeting of the musical club of the University of Pennsylvania.

The first plutocrat to be initiated into Phi Beta Kappa is Webb Vanderbilt. He is said to be the first millionaire's son at Yale to be elected to this national scholarship fraternity.

The Freshmen at Reserve committed an unpardonable sin last week by raising their flag to the top of the campus flag pole. The halyards were cut, and it required the services of a steeple-jack to remove the offending "rag."

The "ad" rustlers and student salesmen of the University of Utah are organizing a salesmanship and advertising club for the purpose of studying their line of work, and secondly, for the purpose of aiding Utah undergraduate activities.

Michell Doeraz, a Greek graduate from a college in Constantinople, has entered the University of Pennsylvania. He is now playing on the Freshman football team of that institution. In Greece, he was a famous wrestler; he puts the shot forty-four feet. In 1908, he took second place for the javelin throw at the Olympic games.

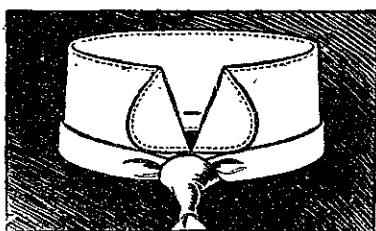
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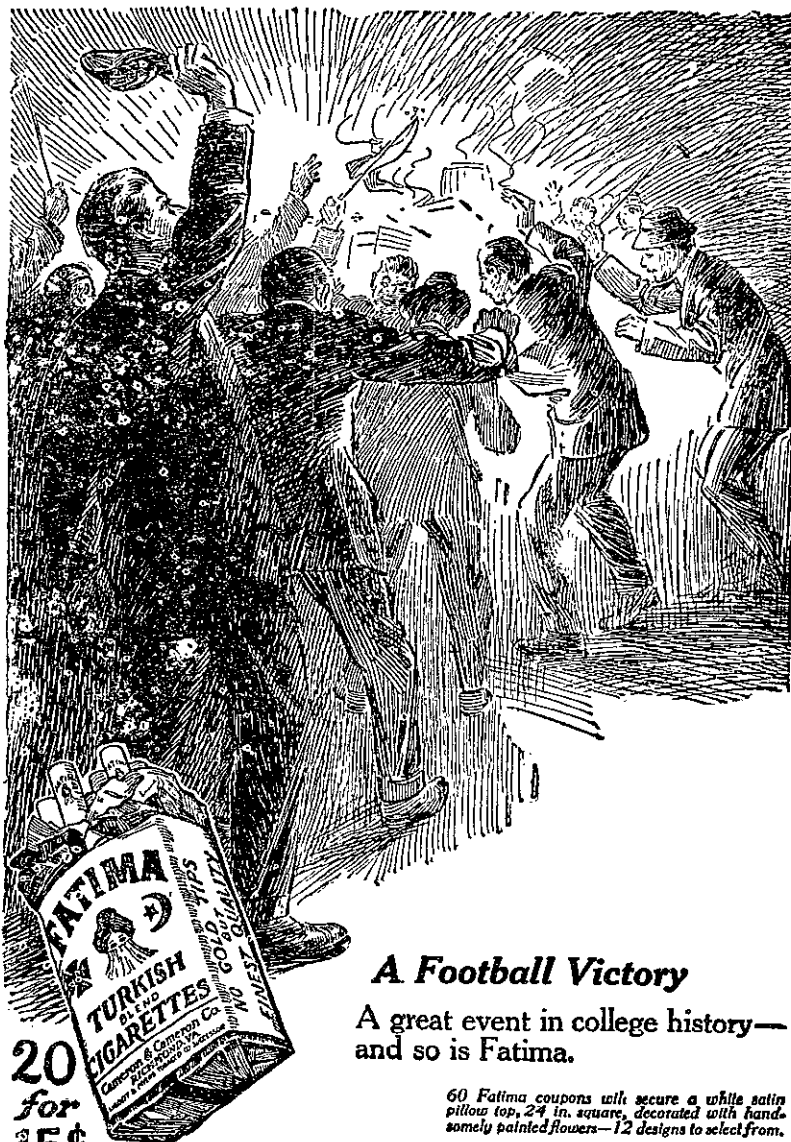
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