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HARE AND HOUNDS' CLUB HOLDS GOOD MEETING

A. F. Peaslee, '14, Elected Chase Captain—To Hold Inter-class Meet.

A meeting of the Hare and Hounds' Club was held yesterday noon in the Union. This meeting was very important, and the work consisted not only of the election of officers for the ensuing year but also in the planning of the runs which will be held this term.

The officers elected were: Chase captain, A. F. Peaslee, '14; assistant chase captain, L. E. Best, '15. Both of these men have been running for some time and have displayed great interest and ability in this work. They will endeavor to keep the work of the club up to the previous standard.

The work has been planned for this term, and the first run will be held on March 8. The place to which the club will run has not yet been decided, but will be announced shortly. The times and places of the succeeding runs have not been decided upon, but will be arranged for in due time. The road work of the members will begin immediately, and the runs will start from the Gym, as usual. The men will start about 4.15 or 5.15 P. M., and it is desired that as many take these runs as possible.

One of the most important changes which will be made is the holding of an inter-class Hare and Hounds' race, instead of the annual Inter-Course race. This feature met with the approval of most of the members of the club, and the Inter-class race will doubtless arouse more enthusiasm than the Inter-Course race. It is intended to hold this race about the last Saturday in March. Therefore, all who intend to enter should begin their road work at once.

The meeting was very well attended and all the men showed great interest.

TECHNIQUE ELECTIONS.

Exact Function of Electoral Committee Explained.

The following extract from the last edition of "Concerning M. I. T." is printed in order that the Sophomores in voting on the Technique Electoral Committee will have a clear idea of the function of this committee, its history and general worth:

"In March of the Sophomore year the class holds the election for the Technique Electoral Committee. This committee was first organized by the Class of 1891 for the purpose of electing the Technique Board, the idea being that such a committee would select a more responsible board than would be elected by a popular class election. The idea worked out so well that it has been followed by every class since. The Board of Directors prepare a ballot with the names of all the members of the class in alphabetical order, and mail one to each member. The twenty-five men on the ballot receiving the highest number of votes constitute the Electoral Committee.

"At the first meeting of the committee a Chairman and Secretary are elected, and a committee is appointed by the chair to frame a constitution. At the next meeting the constitution is brought up for adoption, and when it has been adopted, the main business of discussing and electing candidates for the fifteen places on the

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GHOST STILL ACTIVE IN THE TECH OFFICE

All Efforts to Capture the Airy Visitant Have Been Futile.

Things are getting more interesting day by day over in THE TECH office. The ghost has left a sentence which seems to be in some sort of code and which may contain the secret of what is due to happen on the fourth of March. The staff has been unsuccessful thus far in figuring out just what the real meaning of this code sentence is. One man evolved a sort of cypher which enabled him to read all but two words. It so happened that these two words are the ones which apparently contain the key to the mystery. The sentence which our friend, the spirit, left is as follows: "It will pay me at cog, now-see?" THE TECH staff man who thought that he had solved the mystery had something which read like this: "See me at——. It will pay——now." Can any bright student supply the missing words?

We are sorry to announce that the trap failed to capture the gaseous Rumor, but we received a suggestion today which seems feasible. Some brainy young engineer thinks that if the ghost were soluble in water it would be a good scheme to arrange a rope to trip him up and have a nice big tub of water handy for him to dissolve in. Then he could be made to give up his secret or remain a solution forever. It seems that this method was suggested by the little sentence published a few days ago: "Is it the spirits of ammonia?" This method of taking the Rumor captive will be tried tonight and the results will be published in Monday's TECH. We expect to be able to state definitely by that time just what will happen on next Tuesday, besides the inauguration of President-elect Wilson. If the solution method fails we will try some other.

TECHNIQUE SIGN-UPS.

Following Men Will Take Names On Monday.

All those men intending to buy a Technique, 1914, must sign up Monday with one of the following men:

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Salisbury,	A. C. Chandler,
A. G. Long,	Whitten,
Owen,	Barker,
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Wyman,	

WATCH THE TECH MONDAY FOR SURPRISING ANNOUNCEMENT.

NEW VICTROLA RECORDS.

Mr. Berliner, Donator of Victrola, Offers New Records.

Mr. Edgar M. Berliner, '06, who so generously placed the Victrola in the Union for the entertainment of the students, has proposed to donate fifty new records every year. While speaking to the Bursar at the Alumni dinner in New York, he made this remark and intends to send down a catalogue each year and let the House Committee choose fifty suitable records, which he would send along later.

REGIMENTAL HOP A GREAT SUCCESS

Over a Hundred Couples Take Part—Col. Clarke Leads Grand March.

Beautiful decorations, beautiful music, beautiful women, beautiful everything was in order at the Regimental Hop last night. To begin with the least important thing, the decorations. The hall was very tastefully decorated with Technology banners and streamers of all sizes and patterns. Over the matrons' booth a design of banners was displayed in symmetrical array and with most elaborate effect. The whole scheme of decoration was most unique and in keeping with the recognized laws of design.

The music was excellent, and the order included selections of all varieties, from "Robert E. Lee" to "At the Devil's Ball." There were many calls for encores, and by the eagerness displayed by those persons present they were willing to dance all night.

The grand march was led by Col. Clarke, and carried out a maltese cross effect. Several designs of intricate pattern were executed, among them a maltese cross, which was contorted by various turnings into a figure sixteen. After this last design the march broke up and the dancing was on and joy was unconfined.

About one hundred and fifty couples were present, which necessitated the use of both halls. The number of uniforms in evidence was large, and they predominated. One especial feature of note was the moonlight waltz.

SHOW ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Arrangements For Out-of-Town Productions Unsettled.

Yesterday afternoon the entire book was read through by the cast at the Show rehearsal. Some of the lines in the book are very humorous, and there are several local hits.

Besides the rehearsals the management is busy with the arrangement of the schedule. The prospect of the performance in Providence is now being investigated and it will not be long before the date for this performance is definitely settled.

It is still hoped that the Show will go to New York, and work is being pushed in that direction. General Manager Weeks is going down to that city in the near future to see what the final decision of the alumnae there is, and this will, in a measure, determine the question of whether a performance will be given or not. There is still a chance for help from some of the active Tech men in this direction. If there are any men here from New York who are interested in this performance it will be of great assistance if they will hand their names to the management, stating how many tickets they can dispose of if the Show goes there.

Stage Manager Fiske requests that all men who came out for the cast but did not make it, to hand in their written parts if they received any from him.

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INTERESTING TALK ON COAL TESTING

Mr. Buhler Explains Methods of Analysis to Chemical Society.

Last night about half the members of the Chemical Society turned out to hear Mr. H. W. Buhler, a graduate of Course III, talk on "The Buying and Testing of Coal." Mr. Buhler brought with him a collection of interesting slides, with which he made clear every point in his talk.

After President Albee had called the meeting to order and disposed of the regular business, he introduced Mr. Buhler as a man who had been connected with coal calorimetry ever since he graduated from the Institute. Mr. Buhler began by explaining how samples were taken. He said that it has been proved that by following the usual method of quartering samples between grindings that the analysis of one gram of coal can be considered to represent a shipload of coal.

Then he told how coal was analyzed for the heat units, for water, volatile matter, ash and sulphur. The heat units are determined in either a chemical calorimeter or in a bomb calorimeter. Mr. Buhler gave a clear and detailed explanation of both forms, saying that the bomb calorimeter yielded by far the most accurate results. The determination of water has been standardized by researches made by the American Chemical Society. This society has also fixed standard methods for the determination of volatile matter and of ash.

The methods for determining sulphur are two: by heating the sample with an alkali mixture, and by analysis of the products of the burning of the sulphur in the bomb. The last method is both simple and accurate, as the sulphur is found on the acid-proof lining of the bombs in drops of sulphurous and sulphuric acids.

Mr. Buhler thoroughly discussed the various coal fields, making clear just what regions produced the best grades of coal. Then he gave several examples of the contracts under which coal is produced.

JUNIORS AND SENIORS.

The Junior Prom Committee wishes to announce that there are only fifty sign-up slips left. Those Seniors and Juniors who wish to sign up may do so with the members of the committee or at the Union with D. G. Crowell this noon, from 1 to 2 o'clock.

If there are any blank slips left after the Seniors and Juniors have signed up these will be open to all others at the Union on Monday, from 1 to 2 P. M.

CALENDAR.

Saturday, March 1, 1913.

8.00—Wrestling Match, M. I. T. vs. Beverly Y. M. C. A.—At Beverly Gym.

1.2—Prom Sign-up Books in Union—Open to all.

1.30—Socialist Meeting in Room 9, Engineering C.

4.30—Tech Show Rehearsal in Union. First Act Men Report.

5.00—Meeting of all Candidates for the Circulation Department Competition in Upper TECH Office.

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TECHNIQUE ELECTORAL COMMITTEE.

There seems to be some misunderstanding among the Sophomores as to the use and meaning of the Technique Electoral ballot which is now before them for consideration. We therefore take this opportunity of printing in another part of this paper that portion of "Concerning M. I. T." which bears directly on the Electoral Committee and explains its function.

HIGH TIME FOR REFORM.

Mr. Lawrence's communication regarding the affair that took place in the Union living room yesterday is, indeed, a point well taken. We most heartily agree with him, and should like to reiterate with ten-fold intensity that "it is high time" some definite action was taken.

We feel that this is a matter which, under the present circumstances, comes directly within the jurisdiction of the Class Presidents. They represent and lead their classes, and it is they who should endeavor to control the general action of the Class body within reasonable bounds.

The traditional feeling which existed in the Union at one time has been largely lost simply for the reason that the Class officers have failed to instill their men with the spirit and feeling that should be in them.

Can we not expect a decided change within a very few days in Union matters and conditions?

BUSINESS COMPETITION.

Contest to Encourage Men to Enter Circulation Dept.

In order to induce men to come out for the circulation department of THE TECH, Circulation Manager Fleming has introduced a competition among the men who are interested enough in work of this sort to try their hand at it. The work consists of collecting bills and doing work of a clerical nature about the office of THE TECH.

Anyone is eligible as an entrant in this competition, and it is hoped that a large number of men will respond. The work is interesting as well as beneficial, and the man who engages in this work will gain some very useful business experience. Any one who is interested may get further information by calling at the upper office of THE TECH any day between 5 and 5.30 o'clock, where he will find Circulation Manager Fleming, who will be glad to explain the nature of the work.

NAVY TRAINING FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Not Required to Enlist But Must Observe Requirements of Ship Discipline.

That the students may have further information concerning the training of college men on board the battleships than was given in Captain Marsh's talk, the following excerpt from a communication from him is given below:

A limited number of third and fourth-year men will be eligible for this training. These men will be chosen from those recommended by the authorities of the Institute. They will not be compelled to enlist, but they will be required to agree to observe the laws of the Navy and of the ship, and to obey the orders of all those placed in authority over them.

The men will have opportunity to receive training in almost all the departments, as well as in the usual routine of shipboard life. They will also be allowed to specialize, and as far as practicable the choice of the specialty will be left to the student.

The men will be required to pay for their own clothes and food. The cost of the food will amount to about forty cents per diem. The outfit, consisting of one blue dress uniform, two white undress uniforms, two white hats, two or more undershirts of uniform pattern, one blue flannel shirt, one suit of dungarees, a hammock mattress and two mattress covers. These will cost them about \$22.00. Boots, shoes and articles of clothing not previously mentioned need not be of uniform pattern.

COMMUNICATION.

To the Editors of THE TECH:
 Greetings! Also cursings! How long do you intend to keep up this foolishness about a ghost appearing in your offices and writing various cabalistic messages on your typewriters? If you want to know what I think of the whole procedure you had better see me personally as I am afraid to send my opinions through the mails or entrust them to paper—they might scorch the paper or burn the mail sacks. In spite of myself I am wrought up and am fast becoming a nervous wreck. Of course I do not believe that you really are receiving visits from a real gaseous Rumor, because such apparitions are so few and far between that it hardly seems probable that you should be selected to entertain one of them. But you have, to use a vulgar non-Batesian expression, "got me going" on the score of what you are trying to advertise. Please, for my sake, and for the sake of the future temperature of your own soul, put me "hep" to what you are up to. If I only knew what it was I should die happy. Of course you want money. No one ever goes to the trouble of writing up a mess of mystery unless he expects to receive adequate return for his troubles. Are you trying to arouse interest in the new Constitution and By-Laws of the M. I. T. Association, or is the New Site after more cash? Please, dear Mr. Editor, tell me what it is you want and I will gladly pay anything in reason for the relief which it will afford my mind. I promise not to tell anyone at all; no, not even though they tear me apart with wild horses and drive hyperbolas down my spinal vertebrae! Hoping that you may see fit to trust me with your secret, I remain,

Wonderingly yours,
 J. C. V., '13.

Owing to an error made by a typist, the Finance Committee reports were not sent out to the various treasurers. The latter may get them by applying at the Cage.

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All members of the New England Wireless Society are reminded of the regular monthly meeting of the society which is to be held tonight in the Jefferson Physical Laboratory, Harvard College. Dr. Chaffee of that University is to address the meeting on the subject of his system of wireless telephony, and a very instructive evening is expected. To reach the laboratory from the city take a Cambridge subway train at Park street and go to Harvard square. There take any outward bound surface car for Arlington or North Cambridge and leave the car as soon as it comes to the surface. The laboratory is a brick building on the right-hand side of the street, and is easily located.

CHESS CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The Chess Club announces that a tournament will be held among the members of the organization. The entries for this tournament closes at 12 o'clock on March first. Those who enter must pay their second term dues before any matches can be played. The drawings for the match will be published in Monday's TECH. The club will allow one week for each round until the semi-finals and finals are reached. Two out of three games constitute a win. Moves are to be chosen by lot. Alternate color each game, whether win or draw. Harvard vs. Tech, Saturday, March 8 Union, 7 P. M.

FRESHMAN SCHEDULE.

Three More Meets Before Close of Indoor Track Season.

The schedule of the indoor meets for the Freshman track team has been finally settled. The next meet is Wednesday, March 5, with Medford High School. Saturday, March 8, comes the annual Freshman-Sophomore meet, and Wednesday, March 12, will be held a dual meet with the Boston College High team. All three of these meets will be held in the Tech Gym.

This closes the indoor season, and no more meets will be scheduled, except outdoor ones. It is hoped to get some good local teams for meets at Tech Field this spring.

WRESTLING MEET.

Team to Meet Beverly Y. M. C. A. This Evening at Beverly.

The wrestling team will meet the team of the Beverly Y. M. C. A. at Beverly tonight, in a match in which Technology will be represented by nine men. Beverly has a very strong team, and it is predicted that almost all of the bouts will be close ones. By way of comparison, Beverly lost to Salem by a score of 8 to 1, while the Tech team beat Salem 4 to 2. Since these meets both teams have improved, but the odds still remain in favor of Technology.

The following is a list of the Technology entrants and their class:

- .115 pounds—Loo, Sayer.
- 125 pounds—Means.
- 135 pounds—Martin, Blodgett.
- 145 pounds—Alexander, Kelly.
- 153 pounds—Treat.
- Heavyweight—Crowell.

At the recent meeting of the Advisory Committee the matter of making wrestling a Varsity sport was considered, and after a thorough discussion it was decided that wrestling should be a recognized sport. The decision as to the awarding of an insignia was postponed until later. With this evidence of encouragement the wrestling team will have a greater incentive to do their best.

The men will leave the North Station at about 6.45 o'clock this evening for Beverly. Any man who is desirous of seeing a good meet will be pretty sure of the fulfillment of his desire if he will follow the team this evening.

TECHNIQUE ELECTIONS.

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 1.)

Technique Board is commenced. The officers of the board, consist of an Editor-in-Chief, Business Manager, Treasurer, Faculty Editor, Art Editor, History Editor, Society Editor, Athletic Editor, Photograph Editor, Statistician, Grind Editor and as many assistants in both the Business and Art departments as seemed advisable. These men are selected from the class as a whole, and are judged with regard to their ability to turn out a worthy Technique. Many of those on the Electoral Committee are elected to the board, but this happens only after the other members of the class have been carefully considered.

"This 'making' the Technique Board is regarded as one of the greatest honors that can come to a man in the Institute for the standing of past boards has been high. At the electoral meetings seldom more than one man is elected at a time, and the discussion of candidates is sometimes so searching that the meeting closes without resulting in an election. The meetings are held weekly through the latter part of April and May, and the Technique Board is seldom completed much before the end of the term."

M. I. T. SCORES WELL IN NEW ENGLAND MEET

Several Tech Men Win Places in the Annual Indoor Meet.

At the annual indoor track and field championships of the New England Amateur Athletic Association Union, held last night, the several representatives of the Institute showed up remarkably well. J. W. Bolton, Jr., '14, displayed special speed, winning second places in both his heat and the finals of the three hundred yard dash in very good time. In the high hurdles, T. J. Huff, '15, won second place after a very hard fight. The mile run was won by Hedland of the B. A. A., and R. E. Palmer, '13, romped in an easy second, after running a very strong race.

The Institute athletes did remarkably well, considering the extraordinary talent of the men with whom they competed.

FRESHMAN SCHEDULE.

Sophomore-Freshman Track Meet To Be Held Next Week.

The Freshman track schedule is now ready and is as follows: March 5, Medford High School; March 8, Sophomore-Freshman meet; March 12, Boston College High. All these meets will be held in the Gym, and will be the only meets scheduled until the outdoor season begins.

Both Medford High and Boston College High have very good teams, and are among the best in the vicinity of Boston. The meets with them are certain to be very interesting, and the Freshmen are practicing hard for them.

The big meet of the indoor season, however, for both Freshmen and Sophomores, is the annual dual Sophomore-Freshman contest. This is always a source of great rivalry, and bids fair to be one of the most exciting meets of the season. It also gives an opportunity for the Freshmen to win numerals, something which very few of them have been able to do so far. The meet is to be held on Saturday, and the teams desire a large attendance of their classmates to help them, especially as there is usually no cheering because of a scarcity of spectators.

COMMUNICATION.

Editor of THE TECH:

Dear Sir:—Friday noon, while playing bridge in the Union, I noticed a disturbance. The disturbance increased in volume to such an extent as to interrupt the game we were playing. Cheers of various descriptions and calls of "Votes for Women" were particularly noticeable. The whole affair was of a very turbulent character.

Not being of a very inquisitive turn of mind, I paid but little attention to the affair and thought but little about it until, after finishing the game, I started to leave the room. Then I noticed that the cause of the disturbance was a young lady who was attempting to take subscriptions for several magazines.

Her presence in the Union was, or should have been, a guarantee that she would be received as a lady by a gathering of supposed gentlemen. Instead, the deportment of many was disgraceful, into the details of which it is unnecessary to go.

The crowd in the Union at the time mentioned was large, and might be said to be representative of the student body. The damage wrought by this incident can not be overestimated nor can it be eradicated.

It is, indeed, high time that some strenuous steps were taken toward better conditions in the Union.

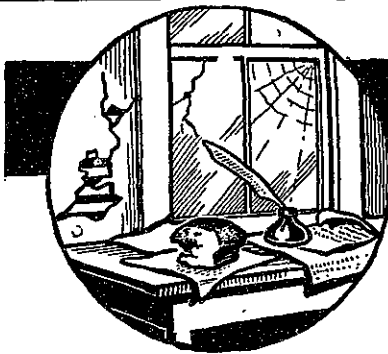
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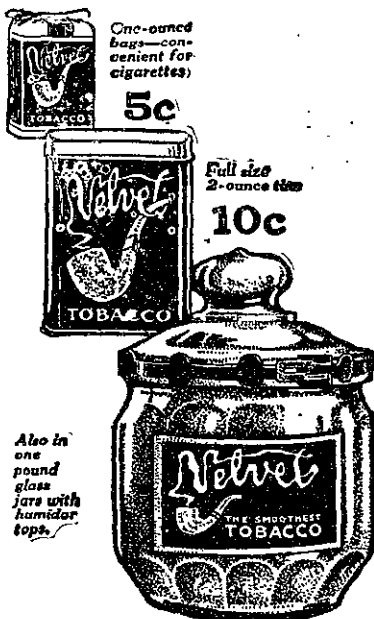
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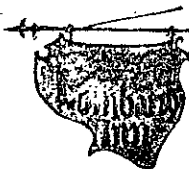
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 (Tues. Feb 25-5t)

FACULTY NOTICE.

The First-Year English Section for foreigners meets Tuesdays, at 4 o'clock in 21 Rogers. Enrollment in this class cannot be allowed after February 25.

FACULTY NOTICE.

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