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SENIOR PORTFOLIO ELECTIONS ANNOUNCED

Heavy Vote Polled By Fourth Year Men In Contest For Positions.

The results of the elections for Senior Portfolio Committee have been announced. The following are the names of the successful contestants, who are to fill the important positions, with the number of votes cast in their favor:—

Thomas J. Duffield58
Howard L. Stone55
Donald G. Crowell51
John C. Morse40
Alden H. Waitt37

All these men have been prominent in various Institute affairs. Duffield is class treasurer, played on his class football team, was secretary and temporary chairman of the Finance Committee, and was also on the Technique Electoral Committee. Stone was on the Technique staff last year, and was a member of his class baseball team. During his Freshman year he held a position on the executive committee of his class. Crowell served on the Junior Prom Committee, besides helping to make up the Technique Electoral Committee. Morse also served in this capacity. Waitt was Editor of THE TECH until recently, besides having been on his class pipe committee, and having served on the Institute Committee for the last three years.

MOVING PICTURES

Huntington Hall Being Used By Boy Scouts.

Many and varied are the uses to which Huntington Hall has been put in the past, but perhaps the possibility of its serving as a theater for moving pictures has never occurred to anyone, and yet for the entire week past it has filled just that capacity. For the purpose of interesting juvenile Boston in the Boy Scout movement, the local organization for its promulgation has been treating the boys of the city to a free exhibition of an eight-reel feature film entitled "The Making of a Scout," using Huntington Hall as its rendezvous. A temporary booth has been erected in the rear of the hall, and a screen placed upon the platform. Members of the various troops already organized are conducting the meetings, which have aroused a great amount of interest and promise to result in a great impetus to the movement.

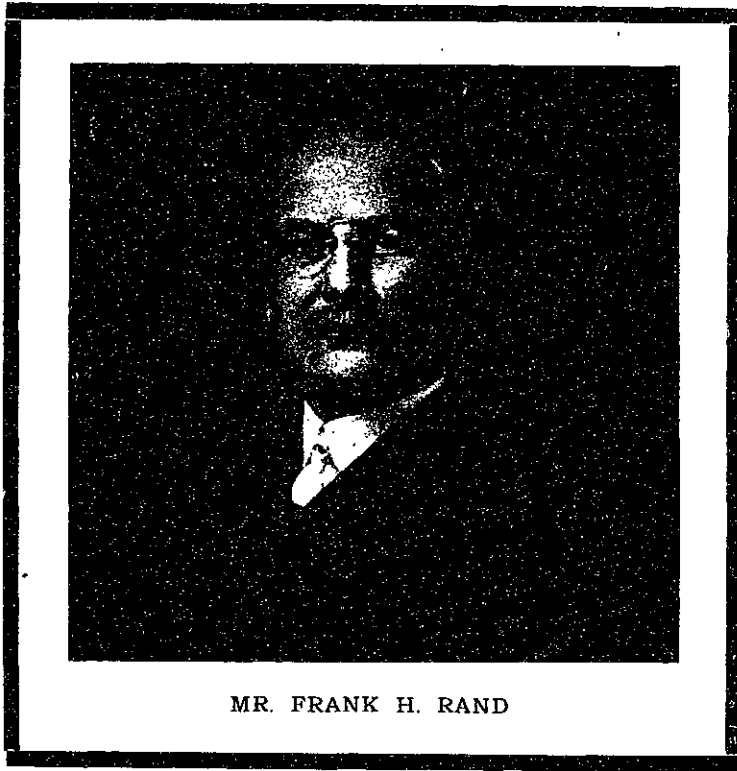
CHOICE OF COURSES

Yesterday afternoon the series of informal talks to the Freshmen by the heads of the various courses was concluded, when Professors Cross Miller, and Sedgwick of the Physics, Geology and Mechanical Engineering Courses respectively met groups of first-year men.

The students of the New York Agriculture School have organized a Student Loan Association for the aid of needy students. \$10,000 has been raised as a capital to start the organization

BURSAR FRANK H. RAND DIES SUDDENLY AT PINEHURST, NORTH CAROLINA

Institute Flags Lowered To Half Mast At Twelve O'clock Yesterday Noon Upon Receipt Of Telegram From The South



MR. FRANK H. RAND

Frank H. Rand, Bursar of the Institute and Assistant Treasurer of the Corporation, died suddenly yesterday morning of heart failure at Pinehurst, North Carolina, where he had gone with his wife and six-year-old daughter for a vacation. The first inkling the students had of the death of Mr. Rand was the appearance at noon yesterday of all the Institute flags at half mast. These were ordered to be lowered by the President, Richard C. Maclaurin, who received word from Mrs. Rand at Pinehurst.

The Bursar was born in Irasburg, Vermont, in 1861, and when two years old his home was changed to Newport, Vermont, on the shores of the beautiful Lake Memphremagog. At the age of fourteen he removed to Springfield, Mass., and exchanged the country school for the more highly organized school of the city. He was about two years younger than the majority of the pupils, but this did not prevent him from holding his own for the year he remained. The next move was to Troy, Vt., where his father was employed in the customs service. The lad entered a railroad office. He applied himself so diligently to the study of telegraphy that in the year following, when he was but sixteen, he was made chief operator at Wells River. His position was one of great responsibility, for he had to handle all the telegraph work of three railroads. Later he was promoted to be night train dispatcher in the superintendent's of-

office of the South-Eastern Railroad. After a year of this employment he was recalled by his father to enter Eastman's Business College, at that time the only institution of its kind in the country.

After completing the course at college in record time, he returned to Vermont, and while yet seventeen was, during the absence of the proprietor, put in charge of the general store. This practical experience was an excellent sequel to his business course. He was fortunate in having for his employer a merchant of the old school, a man of sterling worth and ability, and one whose business methods were worthy of adoption, while the experience he gained in dealing with men was of great value in his later life.

The next step in his career Rand took by reading law in the office of State's Attorney, and later in the Law School at Albany. He graduated and was admitted to the bar in New York and Vermont. For a time he practiced law in Orleans County, but as the practice was not as successful as he desired, he accepted a position with the J. C. Ayer Company at Lowell, Massachusetts. He traveled for three years through the Southern States in the interests of the company. He had many interesting experiences, for this was during the bitter Reconstruction Period, while the embers of the Civil War were still glowing hot.

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WRESTLING TEAM AT MARBLEHEAD TONIGHT

Will Meet Y. M. C. A. Team In Four Classes—Date With Yale Arranged.

Tonight the Tech Wrestling Team goes to Marblehead to meet the Marblehead Y. M. C. A. Team. Captain Kelley, when interviewed by a reporter from THE TECH, said that he had no doubt whatever but that his men would win the majority of the matches tonight for all the team have been showing up exceedingly well in practice during the past week.

Manager Smythe-Martin has just made definite arrangements for the Yale meet on Saturday evening, March 14, at New Haven. Preparations are also being made for the Brown meet to be held here on the tenth of January. The tickets for this meet and the one with Harvard will be out immediately after vacation. He also states that the members of the Tech Athletic Association, when interviewed, seemed favorably disposed towards having interclass wrestling bouts, so that undoubtedly later on in the year teams will be formed and the winners will be given numerals.

The men representing Tech tonight will be as follows:—

In the 125-pound class—Loo, and two of the following: Means, Rounds, Bone and Stebbins.

135-pound class—Kelly and Smythe-Martin.

145-pound class—Treat or Morse

158-pound class—Walter and Goodell.

BASKETBALL

The Freshman Basketball Team won from Reading H. S., 24 to 23. No report has been received up to time of going to press as to the outcome of the Sophomore-Winthrop High game.

WEATHER

For Boston and vicinity: Fair and colder.

CALENDAR

Saturday, December 20, 1913

1.00—Greater Lynn Club Ballots due—Cage.

5.00—Third-year Students file choice of second term General Study.

8.00—Wrestling Meet—Tech vs. Marblehead Y. M. C. A.—Marblehead.

Monday, Dec. 22—Saturday, Dec 27, included.

Christmas Recess.

Monday, December 29, 1913.

9.00—Classes resumed.

5.00—First-year Students file choice of course.

The University of Wisconsin Dramatic Society is planning to stage six plays this winter.

Will the man who took the wrong overcoat from the Armory Wednesday, December 17, return it to the Cage and receive his own in exchange.

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In Charge of This Issue

Editor—K. D. Kahn '15.
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Burial Rand

The death of our genial Bursar leaves a void in the hearts of all connected with Technology. His natural ability and thorough grasp of his life work have earned him the esteem of the Corporation and of his associates in office; his tireless efforts on behalf of the students rendered him especially popular with them; while his love of good fellowship, his generous sympathy, and his keen but kindly insight into men and affairs, have inspired the admiration and loyal devotion of all who have known him personally.

His specific accomplishments on behalf of the students are discussed with his biography in another part of this issue. Our purpose here is merely to add our mite to the universal expression of regret at our loss.

Harvard Criticised

A criticism of Harvard University, written by a graduate, is attracting considerable attention across the river, and has been discussed in an editorial in the Crimson. The latter quotes what it regards as the kernel of the criticism, as follows: "Harvard fails to stimulate the majority of its students to take advantage of its opportunities," "furnishes a totally inadequate intellectual discipline, and instead of teaching a man good habits of work and steady concentration, it encourages lazy and vicious habits." This is a criticism which could hardly under any circumstances be applied to Technology.

COLLEGE NEWS

The following rule was established at Illinois recently: Resolved, That we, the dancing clubs of the University of Illinois, are in favor of the late dances if danced in a manner of unquestioned propriety, and in order to carry out the foregoing policy we have adopted a system of censorship.—Daily Illini.

The contest for the annual prize in oratory given by the State of New York will be held on March 13, 1914, at Colgate University. The seven colleges which competed in this year's contest at the College of the City of New York, are expected to enter again next year together with several additional ones. The complete list to date is: New York University, Colgate, College of the City of New York, Cornell, St. Stephens, Fordham, Columbia, Syracuse, and St. Lawrence.

The seventh international convention of the Seventh Volunteer Movement will be held December 31st, at Kansas City, Missouri. The chief purposes of this convention, which is held every four years, are to consider foreign problems and to promote greater interest among the students in the foreign mission work. Over seven hundred colleges and universities throughout the United States and Canada send representatives and the attendance at this conference is expected to reach six thousand.

A Senior at Bowdoin has agreed to present the Mask and Wig Club with a number of books dealing with the stage and college theatricals to form a nucleus for a library of dramatic literature. The library is to be called the Joseph Jefferson Library in memory of the "kindest and most lovable of that group of American actors characterized by William Winter as players whose presence made an audience sweetly and comfortably glad."—The Bowdoin Orient.

PROM COMMITTEE MEETS

Chairman Of 1914 Committee Gives Advice.

C. E. Fox, chairman of last year's Junior Prom Committee addressed the 1915 Committee yesterday at five o'clock in the Union. He advised the men to communicate immediately in case of difficulties with the Institute Committee. He outlined the duties of the individual officers of the committee and gave the men some pointers on the method of procedure. He impressed upon the members of this year's committee the advisability of quick action and prompt decisions.

T. C. A. TALK

At the next Thursday noon talk of the T. C. A., Dean Burton of the Faculty, who is on the Advisory Board of the Association, will speak on the subject "What the T. C. A. Can and Should Accomplish." It is the custom of the Dean and President MacLaurin to speak once a year at these gatherings, and the announcement of the date of their talks always awakens much interest throughout the Institute.

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Students.

Mr. Richard Bennett of the "Damaged Goods" company spoke on the subject of the play before an audience at Boston University yesterday noon. Tech men were invited to the gathering through the endeavors of Mr. Talbot, and a goodly number were present. The speaker was introduced by Mr. Talbot.

Mr. Bennett emphasized that his first trouble was in the getting of actors and actresses to take parts in the play. This difficulty overcome, the question of a suitable theatre in which to stage the production arose. He found that no high-grade theatre in New York would take the Brieux play, and in other cities as well objections were raised by managers.

Finally a plan was adopted whereby the play was to be presented to private audiences only. A club was formed, membership to which was open to the public on the payment of initiation fees, and before which the play was given in "private." Owing to a strong public sentiment in favor of the production, the subterfuge was successful, the police not interfering. After the performance had in this manner established itself upon a firm basis, little question was raised as to its propriety, especially in view of the support given it by numerous medical journals.

In answer to questions which were asked after the speech, Mr. Bennett said that only two minor changes had been made in the original text of the piece as it is presented in Boston. Mayor Fitzgerald at first desired changes in many lines and scenes, but after a long conference with him—a conference which was brought about largely through the kindness of Mr. William Randolph Hearst—Mr. Bennett succeeded in inducing him to let the production go through in a form essentially identical with that in which it was written.

Mr. Talbot desires to express his thanks to the Tech men for so hearty a response to the invitation. More than a third of the audience were Tech men, many of the Faculty being present.

TALKS AT MUSEUM

The Museum of Fine Arts will hold a Docent Service next Sunday at 3.00 P. M. At 3.45 Mr. Henry L. Seaver, Assistant Professor of English at the Institute, will give a talk in the second print room on Auguste Raffet. In the third gallery of modern paintings there will be a temporary exhibition from the Fogg Art Museum of Harvard University. Mr. Edward W. Forbes, Director of the Fogg Museum, will give a talk in this gallery. Both talks will be free to all visitors.

RIFLE CLUB

The First Cadets Armory will be available for practice for members of the Rifle Club on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday of the Christmas week. The team squad is particularly urged to practice for the first match. Targets left for members may be had at the Cage today. Those men who want to shoot will please notify E. J. Casselman '15, who will be in charge.

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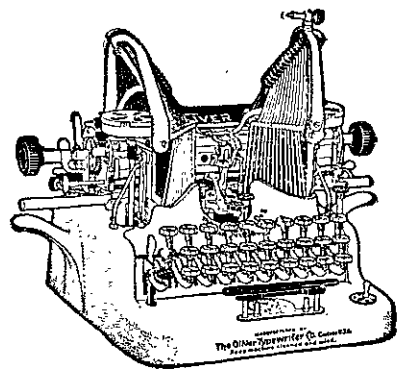
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On January 22, 1887, Mr. Rand married Miss Mary Augusta Batchelder of Lowell, Massachusetts. Soon after he went to New Jersey as superintendent of a large manufacturing plant; but after a year, accepted a more desirable position in the old Third Bank of Boston. He remained in this position for twelve years. Upon the consolidation of the bank with another, he was for a year in a bond house in Rhode Island. And in 1902 he came to the Institute as Bursar, which position he has since filled so successfully.

The wide practical experience which he had passed made Mr. Rand's way sure from the first moment of his connection with the Institute. He began by reorganizing the office, introducing the latest and most improved methods of book-keeping, and organizing the well-nigh innumerable accounts which the bursar must keep in order. He arranged the accounts dealing with the income, whether from the state, from investments, from donations or from tuition: the essential, though petty accounts, which have to do with chemical breakage, locker keys, and the many details of a similar nature; the salary accounts, the account for the maintenance of the buildings; for the equipment of the numerous laboratories; the scholarship accounts; those dealing with the purchase of periodicals and books for the library; and such other reckonings as postage, in itself a matter of two or three thousand dollars a year. All these things were reduced to a system which works as precisely as well-oiled machinery.

Even if Mr. Rand had stopped there, he would still have been an official of unusual effectiveness. He went, however, much further. Having gotten the business of the office in order, he turned his attention to helping of needy students.

His idea, as given in his own words, was "to build up a fund, the income of which shall be used to assist students who give promise of becoming efficient engineers, but who for some reason have in some one term failed to secure scholarship assistance, and need aid to enable them to complete the school year. There are many such cases, men who are unable to secure aid from the Scholarship Committee and who would, perhaps, be obliged to leave the Institute but for the timely assistance in the payment of a part of the term's tuition."

Another arrangement of great convenience to students which Mr. Rand initiated is a banking system by which students may keep at the bursar's office a deposit and draw upon it as a bank. The city bank would not open an account unless the depositor put in at least three hundred dollars. By the bursar's arrangement, a student may keep on deposit any sum from five dollars to five hundred dollars. Over fifty thousand dollars a year is handled for the students by means of this admirable banking system. Another of the devices of Mr. Rand for student comfort is the Tech Union Lunch. This was opened on September 26, 1906.

It is in connection with the Union and Kommers that the late Mr. Rand

has best been known to the students. The great bulk of his valuable work was invisible to the general student body, but the wonderful power of telling stories, which has been so generously exercised at the Saturday night meetings, made the Bursar dear to every man in the Institute. Until Mr. Rand took them in charge in the fall of 1905, the Kommers were uninteresting and dull; but he made them so attractive as to draw together large numbers of students, and their influence in the development of the social life of Technology has been invaluable. In co-operation with a House Committee composed of representatives from all the classes, Mr. Rand succeeded in the not always easy task of forcing the most unsociable and preoccupied to enjoy himself and, for the time, to become a human being in touch and sympathy with his fellows. He secured outside speakers, suggested means of entertainment, and whenever a breach occurred, came forward himself to fill it, he being the most entertaining speaker of any and every evening.

No catalogue of what Mr. Rand has done, privately or publicly for Technology students can be complete; for hardly a day passed without some active kindness known only to the Bursar and the student.

The remarkably varied experience through which he went and which fitted him for his position as if he had been in training for this special post all his previous life made it possible for him to appreciate the widely differing characters of the undergraduates—their needs, their prejudices, their shortcomings, and their virtues. That which was best in him, however, was not so much training as character. The students appreciate what he did and what he was constantly trying to do. But whether they reason it out or not, they will some day come to realize that what most attracted them, which most truly created their friendly feeling is that kindness of spirit, that unselfish generosity, and that genuine sympathy which were shown by his every act and word in matters which in any way concerned the interests of Technology students.

President Maclairin, in an official statement to THE TECH last night, expressed deep personal regret at the death of Bursar Rand. Mr. Rand's position with regard both to the student body and to the Faculty, he said, was one which required the exercise of administrative tact and appreciative sympathy the possession of which made him a unique figure, not alone at the Institute, but among college administrative officers the country over. He was much more than a financial agent—he was the type of man who does his work well and is interested in the doing of it. His personal enthusiasm, said the President, was so great that in spirit he lived in and for the Institute, was constantly devising schemes for the helping of students in financial difficulties, often without the knowledge of the men whom he hoped to benefit. The loss of Bursar Rand will be felt as that of an administrative officer, but more strongly still will be felt his loss as that of a close personal friend.

Trinity announces excellent prospects for tennis next year.

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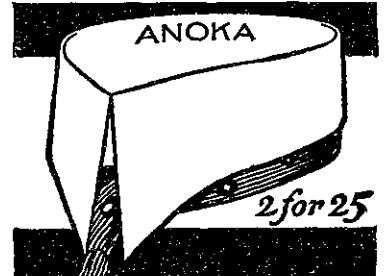
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