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PRICE TWO CENTS

DANCE-A-STEP

Is there any man in the Institute that likes to dance? Well "Yish-ka-Bibble" is to contain a dance for all those who care to step the light fantastic. It is expected that the vaudeville part of the entertainment will be concluded by ten o'clock and at that time the audience will adjourn to the upstairs part of the Union and enjoy dancing until twelve o'clock.

It almost seems as if "Yish-ka-Bibble" were to be too good. To have given the acts that have been selected would have been sufficient, but believing that only the best possible was good enough for the support of athletics at the Institute it has been decided to include this dance. And it will be some dance. There were some doubts at first as to the fitness of the Union for such a dance as this, but on the advice of one of the best known dancing men in Boston it was concluded that dancing as it is done nowadays would be ideal on the Union floor. If there is anyone that has any misgivings on this point let him go there himself and try out a few tangoes or one steps and it is confidently expected that his doubts will likewise be removed.

And what is to be the charge for all of this? Only FIFTY CENTS for the vaudeville alone and SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS for the vaudeville and dance combined. Nothing could be more reasonable. There is not a single reason in the world why every man now in the Institute should not avail himself of this opportunity to purchase at least two tickets.

See how nicely the whole affair is to work out. Provision has been made for every type of student now

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MECHANICAL TRIPS

Lists Have Vacancies; First Division Starts Tuesday at 1.45.

The first division of the Mechanical Engineering Society will meet on Rogers Steps at 1.45 next Tuesday afternoon for a trip to the Edison Light Company's Power Station at South Boston.

Professor Riley will accompany this division. As there are some vacancies left in each party, names will be received from members of the society until these vacancies are filled; but names will be received from any students whether they are society members or not until the two divisions are complete. F. G. Purinton will receive names for the Tuesday afternoon trip and President Treat will receive names for the Wednesday afternoon trip.

REGIMENTAL HOP A GREAT SUCCESS

Almost a Hundred Couples Are Present—Col. Hamilton Leads Grand March.

Last night the annual "Military Hop," given under the auspices of the Officers Club, was held in Horticultural Hall. The dance was a big success and was attended by about 75 couples, including several couples from outside military organizations.

Two halls were used and both were very prettily decorated with flags and banners. The reception began at 7.45 and lasted until the beginning of the dance which began with a grand march led by Colonel L. F. Hamilton, Major H. T. Bent and Major Parry Keller. All of the officers were in full dress uniform as well as many of the Freshmen class.

The list of dances was as follows: "Where the Red Red Roses Bloom," "International Rag," "Isle D'Armour," "Leg O'Mutton Rag," "Dreaming," "Floating Down the River," "Nights of Gladness," "Chesapeake Bay," "Tres Moutard," "The Balkan Princess," "You've Got Your Mother's Big Blue Eyes," "Mammy Janny's Jubilee," "My Cavalier," "Get Out and Get Under," "Your Never Too Old to Love," "Good-bye Everybody," "Horse Trot," "Peg O'My Heart," "Some Smoke Rag," "Blue Danube," and "The Star Spangled Banner."

The matrons for the occasion were: Mrs. Maclaurin, Mrs. Edwin T. Cole and E. F. Miller. Refreshments were served during the intermission.

"RAMBLES OF A DAM BUILDER"

Civil Eng. Society Sees Country's Largest Dams at "Pa" Coburn's Illustrated Talk.

"Pa" Coburn was the speaker at the meeting of the Civil Engineering Society last night in the Union. Mr. Coburn graduated from Technology in '87 and has since been very prominent in the affairs of the Institute. It was he who was the prime mover in forming the undergraduate constitution last year.

He first told about a dam in West Virginia. The Baltimore papers had a thrilling story about great deeds of bravery, loss of life, a town immersed up to the first-story windows, telegraph operator marooned on a telegraph pole, and other equally thrilling events. Upon investigation it was found that there were exactly two men who were in the country when the dam gave way. Also that there was one small shanty in the river valley which was not in the

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TECH SECOND TEAM WRESTLES ALLEN SCHOOL

Meets Preparatory School at West Newton Tonight—Eight Matches Arranged

The Tech second wrestling team goes to West Newton tonight to meet the Allen school in a match, which will consist of eight bouts. The team will meet at 7.00 o'clock, tonight, at the Trinity Place Station, where it will take a train for West Newton. The final tryout for the Tech team was held yesterday afternoon and a strong team will meet the school boys. The following matches have been arranged:

115-pound class, Demond, Tech, vs. Hopkins, A. S.

135-pound class, Hoffman, Tech, vs. Corral, A. S.

135-pound class, Stebbins, Tech, vs. Prouty, A. S.

140-pound class, Crosby, Tech, vs. Manning, A. S.

140-pound class, Stevens, Tech, vs. Hauson, A. S.

150-pound class, Peterson, Tech, vs. Blinn, A. S.

160-pound class, Bond, Tech, vs. Horgan, A. S.

170-pound class, Norton, Tech, vs. Gustafson, A. S.

INSPECT NEW SUBWAY

Electrical Engineering Society Sees Boylston St. Tunnel.

This afternoon the members of the Electrical Engineering Society who have signed up for the trip will walk through the new Boylston Street subway. This will be the first trip of the Society for the term and will inaugurate the new policy of holding excursions to points other than those of electrical interest. Through the courtesy of Mr. Hugh Nawn, the subway contractor, the party will have opportunity to examine in detail the work as thus far carried on in the section underground, extending from the Public Library to Park Square. President H. B. Richmond of the Electrical Society, who will be in charge of the trip, urges all men who have signed up to be at the Lowell Building before 2 o'clock as the party will leave promptly on the hour.

SENIOR PORTFOLIO

A week from today is the final date at which Seniors can sign up for sittings for Portfolio pictures. Men having proofs of pictures already must turn them in at once to the photographer. This matter is very important since the committee is held up pending their arrival.

TECHNOLOGY MONTHLY PHONES TO CHICAGO

Alumni Hear Direct About the New Magazine: THE TECH Gets Convention News

Telephone communication was established last night between the news office of THE TECH in Boston and the Technology Clubs Associated, assembled for the great All-Technology Reunion in Chicago. THE TECH announced the news verbally to the Convention at Chicago that the first issue of the New Monthly will appear early in March and that it will contain articles of interest to all Technology men. The support of the alumni was asked and other announcements pertaining specially to the alumni were made.

It was considered essential that these announcements, which cannot yet be made public to the undergraduates, be placed before the alumni at their convention. But on account of the scarcity of time, which is figured down to two-minute periods, the Convention could not be reached in any ordinary way. Hence the use of the telephone.

In answering the telephone in Chicago at the University Club, Mr. Charles L. Anson, secretary of the class of '06, promised the speaker in Boston that the announcements would be made following the address by President Maclaurin on the Co-operation agreement with Harvard Graduate School of Applied Science and the four Technology courses. He promised the New Monthly the support of the alumni and assured THE TECH that the alumni are with us in the establishment of the new undergraduate activity.

SOPH CROSS COUNTRY

The Sophomore Cross Country Team will meet at Notman's Thursday noon at 1.15 to have the picture taken instead of Wednesday as was announced.

NOTICE

The exercises of the Institute will be suspended on Monday, February 23rd.

A. L. MERRILL,
Secretary.

CALENDAR

Saturday, February 21, 1914.
3.00—Hockey Game, Williams vs. Tech at Williamstown.
7.30—Track Meet, Providence, R. I.
8.00—Wrestling Meet, Tech 2nd vs. Allen School at West Newton.

WEATHER

Boston and vicinity—Generally fair today. Moderate variable winds, becoming northwest.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1913

Editor in charge of this issue, W. F. Johnson, '17.

We are pleased to see that the promoters of Yish-Ka-Bibble are just as active as those of similar entertainments in the past. The Athletic Association of the Institute does not receive the support which it ought from the student body; consequently at about this time each year it is necessary to do something to make up their deficit. Yish-Ka-Bibble is the result of that necessity for the present year, and deserves your hearty support. Tech's athletics mean a great deal to her, and will mean even more after she is established "across the river," for then she will have to take a still more important place in the college life of the country. This fact makes it necessary that our athletics grow stronger than they are at present—a thing which cannot be accomplished without the hearty support of the undergraduate body. Get together and push now for athletics in general and Yish-Ka-Bibble in particular.

The lack of interest shown by the Senior Class in the matter of photographs for the Portfolio should not pass without comment. The committee has a hard and thankless position at best, without having to contend against an indifferent and procrastinating class. Particularly inconsiderate is the failure to sign up for the book, since without a sufficient number of signers the committee can not be sure of making ends meet financially.

The student show at Worcester Tech will give two performances again this year as was the case last spring.

COLLEGE NEWS

According to an editorial in the last issue of the Evergreen Washington State College now claims the title of "The Cornell of the Northwest."

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the Chapter House of Delta Phi Fraternity at Lehigh University last week. Much of the furniture and personal valuables of the students were saved, but the loss will amount to between \$15,000 and \$20,000, partly insured.

Syracuse is to have a psychological laboratory for carrying on experimental work.

Statistics show that for the last hundred years at least fifty percent of every English Cabinet has been composed of graduates of Oxford.

Recent extension has been made to university telephone exchange at Penn. This work is part of the plan to install a general intercommunicating phone system for the students' convenience.

Cornell objects to meeting Oxford in a four mile race at the international relays to be held this spring on account of the fact that Oxford has no one-year eligibility rule. This would allow Tabor, a former Brown star, who has just entered Oxford, to compete. Other American Universities have expressed their view on the question as that the spirit of the one-year rule is not violated and that it is simply a case of Oxford being lucky enough to secure an unusually fast miler.

The Michigan Students Union has 2800 voluntarily paid memberships, and is the largest union of any college in the United States. In twelve months it has entertained 60,000 persons and has staged 600 separate and distinct social events, dances, dinners, lectures, banquets and meetings.

DANCE-A-STEP

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at the Institute. The "fusser" is enabled to purchase two of the combination tickets and give the young lady of his choice the time of her life. The "fusser," who doesn't dance, has the opportunity to buy two of the fifty cent tickets. The man who neither "fusses" nor dances can enjoy two hours of solid amusement with the feeling that he is helping out a good cause for fifty cents and the stag can get in on both the vaudeville and the dance.

Then there is another splendid feature of the whole affair. The evening will be entirely informal so that there will be no necessity for dragging the "Glad Rags" out of the moth balls. Everyone is expected to have a wonderful time and it is believed that this end can be accomplished better if the entertainment is made as free and easy as possible. So there will be no necessity for the full dress apparel.

The tickets are on sale this morn-

ing and are in the hands of twenty-five of the ablest ticket-sellers in the Institute. GET YOUR TICKET RIGHT AWAY BEFORE THE RUSH BECOMES SO GREAT AS TO MAKE IT DIFFICULT SO TO DO. Don't delay, and buy from the first man you see selling the little blue and white pasteboards.

TECH RIFLE CLUB

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology Rifle Team lost its sixth match to the West Virginia University team by a score of 956 to 885, according to the official report from Washington. Tech is now tied with Norwich University for eighth place, having won two and lost two matches. The race for first honors is very keen among the twelve teams in class A of the Intercollegiate League. Michigan Agricultural College leads the list with a record of six games won and none lost.

COURSE IN AESTHETICS

Lectures by Professor Bates in Rogers.

About thirty students attended Prof. Arlo Bates' first lecture of an informal course on Aesthetics in Room 11 Rogers Building yesterday given primarily for the benefit of the architectural students. It is a course which from the first lecture promises to be of a most broadening nature. The course consists of six lectures.

MRS. STOKES TO ADDRESS T. C. A.

Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes, the well known social worker, will address the students at 1.30 next Tuesday noon in the Union. Her talk will be from the workers' standpoint and on labor problems.

Mrs. Stokes was an immigrant from Russia, who labored for some time in the silk mills of Paterson, New Jersey. There she made the acquaintance of Mr. Stokes, the Settlement worker, and was subsequently married to him. In this way she became interested in the work being carried on in the settlements. At the present time Mr. and Mrs. Stokes are actively engaged in the labor movement and other works of a like nature, both settlement and philanthropic.

SHOW REHEARSALS.

There is to be no Tech Show rehearsal until Tuesday. The men should study their parts over the holiday and have all their lines in the first act learned for the next rehearsal.

Those who are kept for the chorus are to meet in the dining room of the Union at four o'clock, Tuesday. The cast will rehearse at the same time in room B.

LECTURES ON ART

On Sunday afternoon at the Museum of Fine Arts there will be given two lectures which will be of interest to men in the architectural courses at the Institute. The first

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lecture will be given at 3.00 p. m. by Mr. Wm. H. Kennedy on "Greek Terra Cotta Statuettes. The second lecture will be given at 3.45 by Mr. L. E. Rowe, who will speak on "The Art of Persia.

NOTICE.

If there are any members of the Technology Aero Club now in the Institute would they kindly communicate with J. M. Livermore, '15, by leaving their names at the Cage.

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least harmed by the breaking of the dam. He said that the moral to be drawn from this is "Don't believe a newspaper story that deals with technical matters."

"A dam," the speaker said, "is theoretically a wall of masonry of triangular cross-section so constructed that when water is at the top of the dam the heel of the dam has zero pressure." But it is always assumed in a dam that the water is acting under the base of the dam at the full pressure, which makes it necessary to have the base of the dam much broader than would otherwise warrant. A dam so constructed will resist any overturning force that it will ever be subjected to. It may break or it may slide, but it will not overturn. On the Westfield river there is a dam which is probably subjected to as severe conditions as exist anywhere. One time during an overflow, the railroad on the riverbank, portions of the surrounding country including bridges, etc., were completely washed away, but the dam withstood the pressure.

The description of these structures was made much more vivid by the excellent lantern slides. One picture showed a dam in Colorado where there was no room for the power house anywhere within several miles, so that it was found convenient to build the power house under the dam itself. Another power house similarly situated, received its light through windows in the dam over which four feet of water were pouring.

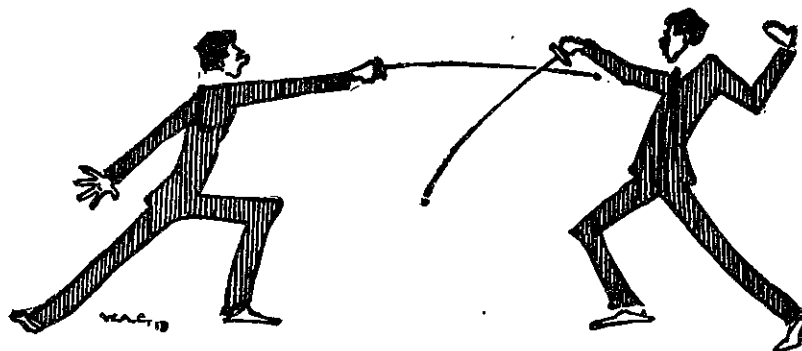
The speaker next took up the subject of dams that have failed. In the case of the Johnstown Flood, a dam that had once been in use had been abandoned and the power house was used for a hunting club. The structure began to disintegrate, and when the water rose over the top, it cut down through seventy-five feet of masonry in no less than forty-five minutes.

The failure of the West Virginia dam was due largely to carelessness. The engineer's son was left to watch the dam and to report any leak that might occur. One morning he noticed a leak but did not say anything about it. The leakage grew worse from day to day. After about three days the engineer at the mill phoned to his son instructing him to open the gate and let him have more water. His son replied that there was enough leakage in the dam to supply all the water he needed. By this time it was too late to do anything to prevent the disaster.

Some very interesting pictures of wrecked dams were next shown. The speaker cited a case where a huge block forty feet square and five feet thick was lifted up and carried a long distance down the stream by the force of the flood. Another dam gave way in the middle on account of a spring under its foundations. The spring had been tapped off before construction began, but apparently this precaution was insufficient. The foundations were blown away after about two years.

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SOPH BASKETBALL

Tomorrow night the 1916 basketball team is to play the Quincy Y. M. C. A. seniors. This game has been arranged in order that the team may be in the best possible shape for the Freshman game next Wednesday night. The prospects of next Wednesday night's game seem to be in favor of the Freshman team but neither team will win without an extra hard struggle.

Students at Ohio State University will present an oratorio during commencement week this June. It is expected to have a chorus of at least two hundred voices.

The sixth annual production of the Rolster Doisters of the Mass. Aggies will take place this evening. The presentation will be Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors."

The Glee Club of Washington State College has just completed its seventeenth annual tour. This year concerts were given in over ten cities.

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1916 TECHNIQUE BOARD

Holds First Meeting—Loomis Elected Temporary Chairman.

The Technique Electoral Committee of the Sophomore Class held its first meeting yesterday afternoon. A. C. Dorrance spoke for a few minutes, outlining the duties and obligations of the committee. Loomis was elected temporary chairman of the committee, while Dean was chosen vice-chairman and Storm secretary and treasurer. A committee was also appointed to look up the constitution of last year's Electoral Board and to make such changes in it as deemed advisable.

The next meeting of the Committee will be held Tuesday, Feb. 24, at four o'clock in 27 Rogers.

LABOR PROBLEMS

The class in Labor Problems will meet hereafter on Tuesday at 9 a. m. and Saturday at 12 m. in 26 Lowell.
WALTER HUMPHREYS,
Registrar.

WRESTLING TEAM PICTURE

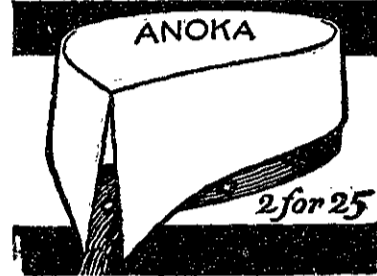
The picture of the Wrestling Team will be taken at 1.15 today at Notman's Studio, 3 Park Street.

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