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SQUARE DEAL FOR FOREIGN IMMIGRANTS

T. C. A. Speaker Says We should Show Brotherly Love To Foreigners.

Immigration was the subject of the T. C. A. talk yesterday, given by the Rev. N. M. Thomas, chairman of the American Parish of New York. Mr. Thomas emphasized the importance of immigration to this country. He said that the work which the immigrants are doing to build up the country and the problems of coalescing the different kinds of foreigners are very interesting.

He said that the reason for immigration is economic. Foreigners do not come here because they want freedom, but because of the good wages they expect. In this respect they are like those ancestors, who came over in the Mayflower, and who did not really leave Europe so much on account of religious persecution as on account of the chance to do better in a new land. These immigrants are the backbone of America's industrial system. All engineers are likely to come in contact with these people, and for that reason Tech men should know something about them. Mr. Thomas emphasized the fact that though native Americans often despise the "dagoes" and "hunkies," yet it is these same "dagoes" and "hunkies" who do all the hard manual labor, and without them laboring conditions would change completely.

Foreign immigrants have their faults, declared the speaker, but they should not be thought of as black hand criminals, nor as men who take money out of the country without giving any in return. They are industrious, and their labor amply pays for the money they earn. It is true that they send their savings home, but they have a right to dispose of their own. They are also very ambitious. The shams on the East Side in New York are not like the shams of European cities, because our foreign-born citizens, though poor, have high ambitions. Mr. Thomas considers the desire for better things the best side of the immigrants.

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1917 NOMINATIONS

All Papers Must Be Passed In By 4.00 P. M. Today

In THE TECH of Thursday there was a notice that Freshman nominations would close Saturday, Nov. 15. This was an error, for all nominations were due Thursday, Nov. 13, at 4 o'clock. Considering the fact that some nominations may have been detained on account of this, the time for the closing will be extended to Friday, Nov. 14, at 4 o'clock. All papers received after this date will not be considered.

1916 RELAY TEAM

Manager Uhlinger of the 1916 Relay Team wishes all the men who were on the team to meet him at 225 Newbury Street at 4 o'clock to pick out their sweaters.

CHEMICAL SOCIETY TO HAVE SMOKER

All Chemical Men Invited—W. W. Duncan '04 To Talk About Tires.

The Chemical Society will hold a smoker tonight in the Union at 7.30. All members of the Chemical Society are requested to be present, and all other men who are taking chemical courses are cordially invited.

The speaker of the evening will be Mr. W. W. Duncan, who is a graduate of the Institute, from Course V, and at present is head chemist of the Hood Rubber Company at Watertown. Mr. Duncan spoke here two years ago and was enthusiastically received. He has been prominent in putting the Hood Rubber Company at the head of its field. Among his achievements are methods for casting aluminum and for coloring rubbers. Mr. Duncan will speak on "Rubber Tires," and his talk promises to be most interesting. A large crowd is expected to attend. Free smokes and a free feed are in order. Come around and enjoy yourself and get some real live dope from a real live man. Members are admitted free by tickets which can be obtained from officers of the Society.

PEASLEE SECRETARY

Finance Committee Meeting Last Night.

A. F. Peaslee '14 was elected secretary of the Finance Committee at its meeting last night. The men absent were: L. F. Hamilton, Chemical Society; W. M. Shakespeare, Class of 1916; P. C. Leonard, Class of 1917. C. W. Wood, Institute Committee; and R. H. House, T. C. A. With the exception of B. F. Hamilton, all of these men submitted reports.

1916 TUG-OF-WAR

All men who made the 1916 Tug-of-War Team are requested to leave orders and measurements for sweaters with Wm. Read and Sons of 107 Washington Street before next Monday. All class dues must be paid if a man wants a sweater.

COMMUNICATION

In the synopsis of C. B. Rowley's talk to the Mechanical Engineering Society published in yesterday's TECH the process for insulating walls should have been as follows:—

For wall construction, pure cork sheets are erected in Portland cement and finished with the same material. For cheaper wall construction, though not as efficient, regranulated cork is used as filling between studs. In insulating floors, hot asphalt is usually put between the courses of cork and the top surface of cork is mopped with the same material before laying on the finishing concrete floor.

The plot referred to in calculating the proper thickness of cork should have as ordinates thickness in inches, and as abscissas tons of ice melted per year, per one thousand square feet, per one degree Fahrenheit difference in temperature.

CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM LEAVES FOR HANOVER

Coach Kanaly Has High Hopes Of Bringing Back First Honors.

The M. I. T. Cross-Country Team will leave Boston this morning to participate in the N. E. I. A. A. race to be held at Dartmouth Saturday. The men will get their last training this afternoon when they walk over the course that they run tomorrow. The run was held over the Tech course last year and Technology finished third with Dartmouth and Brown leading them.

The men on the team are in the best of shape and feel confident that they have a good chance of winning the run. Marceau of Dartmouth and Preti of Maine are the main contenders for the individual honors. Marceau, from the present outlook, is expected to win the run, with Preti a close second. Last year Marceau finished fourth in the race, but his work since has been of such a standard that if he keeps up to the present mark he will be the individual winner.

Teams that will probably be the main contenders are Technology, Brown and the U. of Maine. Maine has defeated Dartmouth over this same course and also won the Maine Intercollegiate championship. Brown has beaten the M. A. C. team, while Tech defeated Holy Cross and won from the B. A. A. men.

Brown's star men are Capt. Cook, Coup and Litchfield, who work well together. The U. of M. team has Capt. Towner, Bell and Dempsey, besides Preti.

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DU PONT TRIALS

The trials in the Du Pont cup competition will be continued next week until Thursday. At present Ober '16 is the only one that has taken the trials, but a large number have signified their intention of doing so later. At the present the outlook is more favorable than any previous year as a larger number of men are taking an interest in the event. Owing to the cross-country runs on Saturday there will not be any other trials held this week.

1917 BASKETBALL

Although there is much fast material among the twenty-two men that have turned out for the 1917 Basketball squad, more men are wanted. Arrangements have already been completed for a game with North Abington Y. M. C. A. at North Abington on November 29, and with Oliver Ames School at North Easton on December 6.

COSMOPOLITAN DANCE

The annual dance of the Cosmopolitan Club is to be held this evening in Hotel Tuileries, 270 Commonwealth Avenue. The hall is to be decorated today by the committee in charge, which consists of K. McFarlin, L. W. Snow, R. J. Murphy, A. H. Waitt and C. E. Fox.

KOMMERS DINNER LARGELY ATTENDED

Name Of Show Not Announced—Speeches, Cheers And Songs Predominate.

Last evening, the attendance at the annual Kommers dinner in the Union was large and very enthusiastic, 118 men being present to partake of one of Steward Colton's finest productions. The lively and keen interest aroused by this meeting was to a great measure due to the clever toasts offered by W. P. Keith, general manager of the Tech Show. He opened the talks by a short sketch of the history of the Show from its first performance in 1882 when only a minstrel show was given up to last year's grand success, which included performances in the Boston Opera House.

Dean Burton headed the list of speakers and commenced with an account of the first show in '82, adding that he had attended almost every show since. The Dean touched the keynote of all the talks of the evening when he spoke of the advantages to be gained from the work done in any activity, and more especially the Show. He emphasized the importance of getting out and doing something to help along the student activities. The good results cannot be overestimated; he first spoke of the benefit derived from singing the songs in the Show as it helped in turning out a bunch of fellows who could not only make a noise, but who are able to sing very creditably. The business experience to be gained from a connection with one of the various departments on the business end are often of great assistance to men after leaving the Institute.

The Dean made an important criticism of previous shows; namely, that they lack variety. He suggested that an attempt be made to bring out something which would show individuality and which would therefore make it impossible for men in other colleges to play it merely with slight modifications. He remarked, in closing, that Tech life would be much dryer if it were not for the Show.

The Show has what is known as an advisory council, composed of two alumni and one undergraduate member. One of the alumni members of the council, Mr. Emerson, was unable

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CALENDAR

Friday, November 14, 1913.

2.00—E. E. Trip to Simplex Wire Cable Co.

2.30—C. E. Trip to Commonwealth Pier.

4.00—1917 Nominations Due—Cage

4.00—1917 Basketball—Gym.

7.15—Chemical Smoker—Union.

8.00—Cosmopolitan Club Dance—Hotel Tuileries.

9.00 A. M.—Cross-Country Team Leaves North Station.

Saturday, November 15, 1913.

2.14—Hare and Hounds—Leave No. Station for Wakefield.

4.00—1916 Nominations Due—Cage.

N. E. Intercollegiate Cross-Country Run—Hanover, N. H.

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In Charge of This Issue:

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Ask a man why he is going to stay in and study tonight; nine times out of ten he will answer something to the effect that he must do so in order to pass. This idea that the passing mark, or, rather, that sum total of all passing marks, the diploma, is the ultimate goal toward which all our efforts are directed, is the one great joke of modern American education. In Europe the true aims of study are much more generally realized; men work to prepare themselves for life, not to attain a particular slip of paper which represents a certain amount of routine work waded through. Here, on the contrary, except in very rare instances, we do just so much more work as we estimate will secure the coveted P at the end of the term.

Let us not be understood as telling men to neglect their daily work. On the contrary, we advise getting as much out of it as possible, instead of as little. The main point, after all, is the attitude we take toward it; one can pick up much more by the wayside, as well as get infinitely greater enjoyment out of the progress, if he is pulling forward and taking an interest in the accomplishment, than if he is dragging back and being spurred on from behind.

Here at the Institute we have every facility for an ideal preparation for life, but only a very small

JOHN N. FERGUSON '94 SPEAKS TO C. E. SOCIETY

Plans And Lantern Slides Of New Commonwealth Pier Shown.

Mr. John N. Ferguson, Assistant Engineer for the Directors of the Port of Boston, spoke at a very large meeting of the Civil Engineering Society yesterday afternoon in 11 Engineering B. Mr. Ferguson, who graduated from Technology in '94, has had an active part in the construction of the two immense Commonwealth Piers, which he told about in his talk.

Statistics on Boston Harbor and its importance among American ports were first given. Mr. Ferguson then took up the construction of Commonwealth Piers Nos. 5 and 6. Part of Pier No. 5 was finished last spring for the use of the Hamburg-American Line. It is 1,200 feet long, and will probably accommodate any ship that will ever be constructed. This pier was finished almost within a year of the time when it was decided to build it, a feat scarcely paralleled in the history of engineering. Pier No. 6, which is under construction, is expected to be finished next spring, taking a total time of 15 months. Both piers are being built by the State of Massachusetts. Pier No. 6 has been leased for fifteen years by the Boston Fish Market Corporation. A fish exchange is to be erected at the end of the pier, with the markets running back to the in-shore end. The conglomerated traffic at "T" Wharf will soon be a thing of the past.

Mr. Ferguson next took up the proposed dry dock which is to be built to the south of the two Commonwealth Piers on a ledge of rock. This rock is about the right depth to make an ideal dry dock location. At present there are twenty-five transatlantic liners that cannot be dry-docked on this side of the water. This is a surprising statement to make about one of the leading seaports of the world. The proposed dry dock, however, will be 1,200 feet long, 40 feet deep, and will have a mean width of about 128 feet. Needless to say, this will accommodate any modern ship, and will probably accommodate any ship of the future. Mr. Ferguson showed a plot of the lengths of ships in the past, which, if continued, would bring the ships to a length of 1,200 feet in 1920. It is, of course, impossible that any ship will ever reach this length.

The Civil Engineering Society is to take a trip to the Commonwealth Piers this afternoon, leaving the steps of Engineering A at 2.30. Those who cannot leave at this time can join the party at the piers, which may be reached by continuing out Summer Street, past the South Station.

part of this material is forced down our throats by the faculty. Is it better to be content with this, or to branch out and absorb some of the other mental nourishment that may be had or the asking?

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INSTITUTE COMMITTEE MEETING YESTERDAY

Appointments Ratified—Uniform Constitution For All Classes.

At the Institute Committee meeting yesterday afternoon several committees which had been appointed by the Executive Committee were ratified. They were the Point System Committee, Snow '14, Spear '15 and Wallis; the new appointments to the Bulletin Board Committee, Sully '16 and Dunham '17; and to the Union Committee, Keller '15 and Bickford '16.

A committee consisting of R. D. Salisbury, F. L. Hurlburt, and C. P. Fiske was appointed to establish closer relations between the Musical Clubs and the Institute Committee.

According to the report of P. H. Buxton for the committee appointed to distribute constitutions among the two lower classes, 800 constitutions have been given out.

A motion was passed to have a committee consisting of the four class presidents draw up a uniform constitution.

Those absent were F. Whitten, Z. Y. Chow, H. Crowell, R. E. Wells, and W. E. McPherrin.

1916 BALLOT COMMITTEE

The members of the 1916 Election Committee are requested to meet in the lower office of THE TECH at 4 o'clock Saturday, to pass on the nominations received.

T. C. A. TALK

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side of immigration. The different races entering the country bring their racial prejudices. For this reason the politicians have to consider the Italian vote, the Hungarian vote, and the "vote" of all the other peoples. Such antagonisms are detrimental to the unity of the government, and if the United States is to preserve its unity it must find some way to combine the elements. The foreigners must be taught patriotism. This does not mean that they must forget their native land but that their patriotism for America must be first and foremost.

Another difficulty connected with the problem of immigration is that of the new social conditions which they encounter in this country. They live, as a rule, in crowded tenements, and do not often go far from the block in which they live. Pleasant home-life is impossible, and the children are forced to find amusement in the streets. Here they naturally drift into criminal "gangs" which are so dangerous. The older gangsters are on the lookout for children who can be taught to steal and for those who are good fighters, and many of the younger generation are led into crime through no fault of their own.

Labor troubles among the foreigners is another difficulty. Mr. Thomas said that the average foreigner is not the one to blame for these disturbances. He comes to America with the

HARE AND HOUNDS RUN ON SATURDAY
Freshmen Expected To Go—Trials Tuesday at Gym For Andover Run.

The Hare and Hounds Club will hold a run over the Wakefield course on Saturday afternoon. All the men who have been doing cross-country work and the Freshmen that are substituting cross-country for gym are expected to take the run. The going will be slow as the Varsity men will not be present and the run is to show the course to new men who are going in the handicap run later in the season. The run will be the easiest one of the year, and over the best course that Tech has, and no one need feel that it will be too fast for him.

All Freshmen that are doing cross-country work are required to go as the trials for the class team that is to run in the Intercollegiate-Freshman run at Andover the 21st are to be held the following Tuesday, and it is the last chance that they will have to get in the necessary preparation. The trials will be held on Tuesday regardless of weather conditions and will probably start and finish at the Gym, although there is a possibility of running over the Tech course. There are a large number of men in the class that are substituting track for gym, so that many will probably take the trials.

Freshmen that run at Wakefield Saturday are not to report for work today.

T. C. A. WORK

Men Wanted To Teach English To Foreigners.

The T. C. A. would like a number of men to do work among foreigners, chiefly Italians and immigrants. The work consists to the largest extent of teaching English to the foreigners, and later in teaching more advanced subjects such as civics and government. It requires about one hour a week, and the field is so large that opportunities are practically unlimited. D. M. Hughes '15 has charge of the matter, and any men interested at all are requested to see him, or the General Secretary of the T. C. A.

idea of making money easily, but he is not acquainted with conditions here, and his ignorance is made use of by more sophisticated countrymen to their own advantage. The "padrones" exploit their countrymen unmercifully. Working under political and police protection, these men are so successful that their victims are often stirred to violent revolt. The speaker said that if immigrants are expected to be always peaceful they should be given that justice and protection from sharpers which their ignorance prevents them from obtaining for themselves.

Engineers, said Mr. Thomas, are in a position to help the foreign population. They may have more influence than ministers in this direction, because they come in contact with immigrants in all branches of industry. These men are needed in the development of America, and it is right that in the treatment of them Americans should try to live up to ideals of brotherhood and Christianity. By treating foreigners squarely, by aiding them to combine with the rest of the population, and by extending real brotherly help to them, the engineer does great service to the country and to the world. Americans must show the world that they can combine all races into a Christian democracy of brotherly love.

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to attend, but sent a telegram regretting that he could not be here. The other member, Mr. Litchfield, told a little about his experience while in the Show as end man in '82. Six or seven years ago a step was taken which proved a very wise one, that of turning the profits of the Show over to the Institute Committee to be used mainly for athletics. It is Mr. Litchfield's opinion that the Show, for various reasons, should not make any attempt at present to try to go to New York. He said that greater efficiency should be attained and that the Show ought to make a larger profit than it has as yet. He complimented Coach Sanger very highly, telling in a general way how he has to work to bring out the finished production.

Dorrance, the undergraduate member of the committee gave his best wishes to the success of next year's Show.

The management was very fortunate in having Mr. Parlin '07, manager of the '06 Show, to tell the fellows of some of the benefits which he had derived from his connection with the Show. He also told of some of the difficulties encountered when it was first proposed to present the Show in Providence: the opposition of the Faculty.

Shell '12, stage manager of the '11 Show, gave a fine little speech, emphasizing the fact that the Show has a reputation which must be upheld, because the productions are closely observed by outsiders.

Last year's stage manager, Fiske, spoke of the benefits to be derived from making acquaintances and mixing with the fellows. Publicity Manager Whitwell outlined the management of the Show, advertising, poster competition, and other features on the business end.

Although seven excellent books were submitted for approval for this year's Show only two were seriously considered, and after great hesitation Coach Sanger selected one of these, but the management of the Show has not fully decided on the book which will be used. The announcement of the book and the winning author will be made in about a week in THE TECH.

Two young ladies lent dignity to the affair and added their remarks. They were "Dorothy Applegate," Owen '16, and one of the members of last year's chorus.

The advertising manager says that it is his aim to increase the amount of advertising this year to about \$2000 or more if possible. This year, the leader of the orchestra is to be one of the students, Surl. His plans for the year were made known and a successful year predicted. This year's treasurer, Munyan, and Mr. Blackstein completed the list of speakers. The meeting closed with the singing of the drinking song in last year's Show, and a regular M. I. T. with three Tech Shows on the end.

LATIN AMERICAN STUDENTS MEET

**Advisability Of Club Discussed—
Next Meeting Sunday Evening.**

On Wednesday evening, over twenty Latin-American students met at the Hotel Westminster to discuss their mutual relations and the means of making these closer.

Dean Burton and Mr. Sturgis, ex-president of the Spanish Club of Boston, were the speakers of the evening. Dean Burton emphasized the fact that the Latin-Americans were neglecting the opportunities they have of meeting the other fellows at the Institute. He thought that they should be united under the Cosmopolitan Club and there meet, not only the Americans, but the men from other countries.

Mr. Sturgis spoke of his work at the Spanish Club and gave many valuable suggestions for the formation of a Latin-American Club. Both ideas were discussed and criticised and it was finally decided to leave to the individuals to determine whether or not they should join the Cosmopolitan Club.

A resolution was passed to the effect that it would be of benefit to all Latin-Americans to form a club. A meeting to bring the resolution into effect will be held at the home of Mr. Sturgis, 133 Bay State Road, next Sunday evening. To this meeting, all Latin-Americans are cordially invited in order to have a truly representative gathering; in addition to the regular business to be talked over, a chance will be given to hear some Spanish music.

CROSS-COUNTRY TEAM

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The Tech team will probably be the most evenly balanced aggregation that will start. The men running are Capt. A. F. Nye '14, H. S. Benson '16, F. L. Cook '15, C. T. Gue-thing '16, C. H. Wilkins '14 and C. S. Lee '14. Lee, Benson and Wilkins are all members of last year's team and should make their experience count. The most promising part of the training season has been the ability of the men to bunch together in a race. This was shown in the A. A. run, when they came in within a few seconds of each other, and in the Holy Cross run.

The team is composed of the first seven men to finish in the Holy Cross race last Friday. This has excluded Best, who finished second in the B. A. A. run. Best has been having trouble with his foot lately, and consequently has been in poor condition. Cook is expected to star for M. I. T. in Saturday's race. This man finished first last Friday in the Holy Cross run.

The Hanover race will be a fine preliminary for the I. C. A. A. A. run at Columbia on the 22d, when Tech will run against Dartmouth, Brown, Cornell, Harvard, Yale and Princeton.

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