

## LT. COL. A. W. CHILTON LECTURES ON ARMIES

Talked to Students in War Issues on "Army Organization in the 19th Century."—Is Instructor at West Point

### GAVE THREE LECTURES

Lieutenant-Colonel A. W. Chilton lectured to the students in the War Issues course this week on "Military Organization in the Nineteenth Century." He gave three lectures, each one to different sections. These were also open to those not taking the course in War Issues. The first lecture was on Monday at two; the others on Tuesday and Wednesday at four. This was the last lecture of the term, as the next lecture periods will be devoted to hour tests.

Colonel Chilton began his lecture with a discussion of the various types of armies, and their merits. He stated that the first stage was the army of the individual, which occurred in the early days when man was a savage, and that only the fittest survived. The next type, according to him, appeared in the armies of early Greece, in which each small state had its own army and that this was followed by the feudal armies, when war became a science, waged by the privileged classes. He said that the next kind were the dynastic armies, bands of mercenaries, hired by kings to support their authority, which last until the end of the 18th century, when the first volunteer armies appeared. He then went on to say that these were soon replaced by the army or universal service, which is now the one in use by all the great nations, and that the first army of this kind was devised in Prussia by Scharnhorst in 1807, but his plan was not generally followed until the middle of the last century.

The lecturer then explained how modern warfare had been improved by the organization of the general staff of the armies, and showed as briefly as possible its success in the various wars of the last century. At the close of the talk, he discussed the organization of modern armies. He divided it into four main divisions—field forces, communications, maintenance, and staff. In explaining these divisions he said that the field forces consisted of the active arms of the service—infantry, artillery, etc.; the communications included the quartermaster and ordnance corps; the maintenance was divided into supplies and personnel, the last of which is the training of soldiers, and the fourth and last division, the staff directed the operations and the organization of the whole. With

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### "Y" ACTIVITIES

A new bulletin board in front of the "Y" Hut calls attention to the fact that it is open to ALL STUDENTS. The Book Exchange, Room Register and Employment Bureau will again be of service to students.

Wednesday evening a Cabinet meet of the T. C. A. was held in the "Y" Hut. Committees are planning an active campaign the first of the year. Full announcements will be made later.

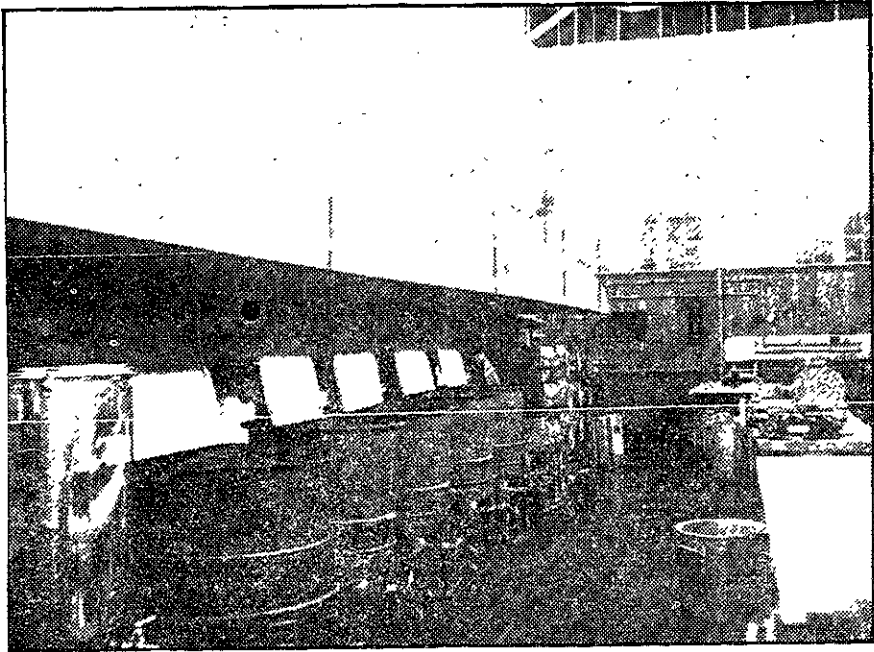
Mr. Palmquist was the preacher at Bates College last Sunday.

At the "Y" Sunday morning at 9 o'clock Mr. Palmquist will give an informal address upon "A Young Man's Man." He is especially anxious to reach the ear of as large a number as possible. At 6.30 the Fireside forum will have the pleasure of hearing Mr. T. Chin speak upon the social and economic conditions of China.

### VOO DOO COMPETITION

All men wishing to compete for positions on the Voo Doo should meet in THE TECH office Wednesday, December 18, at 1 P. M.

## THE BATTERY OF SOUP KETTLES IN MESS HALL



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Three hundred and fifty gallons of soup are cooked in these enormous bowls every day. The mess hall is to be the dining-room of the Institute until the work of completing the construction of Walker Memorial is finished.

### DRILL FOR TERM SUSPENDED

Sophomores May Not Have To Drill Next Term

The Technology battalion drill has been suspended until December 30 by order of Colonel Cole. The reason for this was that many men had not yet obtained uniforms. There was also great danger of sickness from drilling in the Cambridge Armony without overcoats and many of the men have none as yet to go with their uniforms. Originally the R. O. T. C. was to drill only forty-five hours this term. So far this year the battalion has drilled sixty hours and has more than covered its course. Since the war is over there is no need for the extra drill.

The S. A. T. C. men will drill next term, but it is not known whether the S. N. T. C. will take drill or not, since they will still be under the supervision of the Navy Department with respect to drill. The navy men claim that they cannot wear an army uniform while in the Naval Reserve. It is understood that the S. N. T. C. will have to have two weeks of naval drill every summer for a period of four years.

Next term there will be three hours of drill a week. Probably only freshmen will take drill. No arrangements for Sophomores have been made as yet. About three hundred junior freshmen will enter the Institute Dec. 30. These men will form one battalion and the freshmen will form another battalion. It is planned to have both battalions drill together on Saturdays.

### LATIN AMERICANS DINE

The Latin American Club of Technology will have a banquet at the Hotel Westminster a week from today. The Circle Espanol of Harvard has been invited, as well as all the Latin American students. The price will be \$4 per plate.

### MAY HAVE AERONAUTIC COURSE AT HARVARD

At the annual meeting of the Harvard Aeronautical Society last night at Sever Hall, E. P. Warner '16, instructor in the Army school of aeronautical engineering at Technology, predicted that both airplanes and lighter-than-air ships will soon come into general use.

A movement has been started in the society for the creation of a course in aeronautics at Harvard. Experiments with the glider which were carried on by members of the society last year will be continued.

The officers elected are A. H. Andrews, '20, president; H. W. Carver '19, vice-president; S. N. Stevens '20, secretary-treasurer.

## TECH SHOW PLANNING

### Kommer's Smoker To Be Held For Next Show

Tech Show is making extensive plans for its 1919 program. Several plays are being written, but owing to the excitement of demobilization they have been only hastily scanned. January 10, 1919 the Kommer's Smoker will be given by the Show to stimulate competition and give the men an idea of what this year's show will be. The Managing Board, consisting of E. P. Whitehead '20, P. Bugee '20, and C. W. Hammond '20 promises that this year's production will surpass all previous ones if the fellows show the proper spirit as in former years.

D. O. Mayer '19, elected general manager of Tech Show, graduated during the summer, and will not direct the next Show. It is hoped by the management that E. D. Ryer '20 will return to the Institute and fill his place. This year's Show will be a musical comedy, according to custom. Competitions for the staff, cast, chorus, etc., will begin directly after the Kommer's Smoker on January 10th. A prize of \$25 has been offered by the Masque for the best play. Books need contain only the scenario and not the complete play, as the relative merits of the different ones submitted will be judged by this. Many positions are open on account of vacancies caused by the war.

The managing board expects to be able to obtain the services of its last year's coach, William C. Duncan, "Freddie" Britton '20, W. S. Frazier '19, E. W. Booth '21, K. F. Akers '20, and J. S. Coldwell, the premier danseuse, of last year's show, are expected to take part in Tech Show 1919. The Show will be presented in Northampton, in Boston, and in some city near Boston, probably Somerville.

### CANDY AT MESS HALL

Since the closing of the Walker Memorial on Tuesday the management of the Mess Hall has transferred the counter where candy, tobacco, etc., may be obtained, to the Mess Hall. The men in the S. A. T. C. appreciate the opening of this "canteen" as the sales to date show. The "canteen" will remain in the Mess Hall until sometime next March, when the Walker Memorial will be reopened. Then the counter will be returned to its former location.

### TECHNIQUE 1920

There will be a meeting of the Technique Board at 6 o'clock Monday. It is very important that all members shall be present. Any information available regarding former members of board who are expecting to return in January, is desired at this meeting.

### STUDENTS FILE CARDS FOR ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

#### Point System Prevents Men From Undertaking More Than Is Feasible

The cards, on which the students were to mark the activities they preferred to try for, are almost all in. No definite information can be given as to the number of men signing up for each activity quite yet. The reason for this is that the cards have failed to reach a few, and some have signed up for more than they should have under the point system.

The activities committee had these cards made in order to have a list of the men who think they have sufficient ability to become proficient in some particular line. The managers of the various teams are to have access to these cards and by this means will be able to find out how much material they may expect for the coming season. Some men indicated preference for as many as six or eight activities. Although this shows the proper spirit, nevertheless it appears that many men are ignorant of the point system of regulating activities in vogue here. The point system is under the management of a committee which has ordained that no man shall carry activities totalling more than ten points except in the case of men in the musical clubs or athletics when a man may carry another office although the two together amount to more than ten points. Each activity has been given a certain number of points, according to the amount of time it takes. This insures that a man will not undertake so much outside work that his scholastic standing will suffer. Now that activities are running at full tilt again, the desire of all the big men in the Institute is that every man shall come out for something and stay out. These cards show every man, what activities the Institute affords and enables him to pick out the one which is his particular forte.

### REGISTER ON TIME

Dean Burton stated that men who intend to return to Technology late, i. e. after December 30, had better beware, saying that there may be some difficulty getting into the Institute after that date. He explained that the Institute is taking in men with shady records, men who have not passed all their subjects, and that these men especially should take care, for they will have the most difficulty getting in.

A great deal of time has been lost so far this year, and there is no need to lose any more. If so much time had not been lost, the students probably would not have had to return to the Institute until January 2. Returning late it is understood will also give the instructors a bad impression of a man. Dean Burton said that he would not advise any man to come back after December 30th. Men returning late will have to pay a five dollar fee for late registration. Despite all threats many men have signified their intention not to return till January 2.

### CORPORAL OF THE GUARD

There were wild happenings just outside of the barracks last Thursday evening. Calls of Corporal of the Guard, Post Number Four, and Corporal of the Guard, Post Number Two resounded all the night. The first call was the call for the arrest of Company C. It appears that the whole company was late to formation. The arrest was made at about eight o'clock. The next call was shouted a few minutes later, when a figure flew frantically by and jumped the fence, with a muttered "My God." Then Mr. Guard tried to arrest an officer who was bringing him orders. And so it continued all night.

## MINSTREL SHOW GIVEN BY MEN IN NAVY UNIT

Smokes, Cider And Music Make Performance in Walker Memorial A Success—Broudy Makes Hit

### ENSIGN PIERCE IN CHARGE

The Navy gave another exhibition of its get-together spirit in the minstrel show it gave on the top floor of Walker Memorial last night. The singing and music were excellent, the acts were clever, and the whole affair was a success in everyone's opinion. Credit is due to the committee in charge for getting out such a good show. The committee consists of Ensign Pierce, chairman; Dooley, Gahagan, Hines, and Logan. About a hundred and fifty dollars was collected, with which cider, doughnuts, cheese and pretzels were bought. About fifteen hundred cigarettes were distributed.

The program consisted of seven acts. The first consisted of selections by the jazz band. Then there were boxing and wrestling matches between the navy's champion athletes. A short humorous act followed, called "Request Mast." This was a take-off on the various excuses the "gobs" give in order to get liberty. This was followed by another short piece, called "Raveille." The next act was a sleight-of-hand performance by Blanchard. Next came a "Danse Orientale" by Broudy, who appeared in a costume scanty enough to make a chorus-girl blush.

Then came the last, the biggest, and the best act, the minstrel show. This was divided into nine parts, of which the first was the Opening Chorus, "Hula-Hula." Saxe then gave a rendition of "Oh, Susie," followed by selections by the quartet. Dooley then sang a clever song entitled "Ain't Got Rested Yet," Perrin was the next singer, and then Jakobson sang "Darky Sunday-School." He was followed by Potter, and then Saxe reappeared with "Till We Meet Again." The closing chorus, in which everybody took part, "In the Navy," ended the program. The "eats" were then passed around, and then all went back feeling that the Navy minstrel show had been a success.

### JAMES PHINNEY MUNROE '82 TO LECTURE AT TECHNOLOGY

A lecture by James P. Munroe, class of '82 on the subject of General Reconstruction Problems is to be given next Monday at two o'clock in the lecture hall. Mr. Munroe is well versed on this topic, especially the educational end of it. This lecture is intended primarily for the benefit of the third term students although others may come if they so desire.

James P. Munroe is one of Technology's most prominent graduates and a man who has always exhibited the greatest interest in all public problems. When the new Technology was celebrated with the giant jubilee of 1916, Mr. Munroe was the man chosen to deliver the "big talk" of the entire affair, on the glorious past of Technology. Of all our graduates probably none are better acquainted with the Institute history than Mr. Munroe. He holds many important positions in the Institute, being Secretary of the Corporation and a man of great influence in the Alumni Council. By trade he is a paper manufacturer, President and Treasurer of the Munroe Felt and Paper Co.

For the past year Mr. Munroe has been at Washington in the service of the government. At present he is a member of the board of the Federal Commission for the vocational and education rehabilitation of crippled men who are returning from the war. This is a vast field as many wounded soldiers who come back will have to be taught new trades which they are capable of mastering. Mr. Munroe has always been interested in educational problems, is the author of a well known book on that subject, and for that reason will probably lay special stress on this particular angle of the work of reconstruction which must be done in Belgium and France.

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## IN CHARGE OF THIS ISSUE

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## THE BEST PART OF IT

NOW that we are out of the S. A. T. C. we can look back on the experience in a less prejudiced attitude and see that the training has not by any means been entirely lost. One big gain has been the bringing of the men together into close association so that they know one another much better than they could if they had not lived in the barracks. Then again, the utter lack of spirit and college life has made every one determined to come back full of pep and determined to work hard to make the undergraduate life worth while.

## THE VOO DOO

AT last we hear from the VODOO again. We are told that instead of hibernating until next fall as was originally intended, we will see him bright and early in the spring. This means that a good many freshmen will be needed to try out. The Voodoo will be the combination of the Technology Monthly and Woop Garoo. The present plans are to make it a comic magazine, very much like the old Woop, in addition to which there will be a section of pictures and stories about undergraduate doings.

## HOW ABOUT A HOCKEY TEAM?

With winter here it is time to think about organizing a hockey team, if we expect to do anything in that line this winter. It is high time that the Technology A. A. sent out a call for candidates.

THE TECH takes pleasure in announcing the election of Scott H. Wells '20 to the position of Circulation Manager and E. J. Allen '22 and T. W. Alder '22 to the position of second-assistant advertising managers.

## BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR MUSICAL CLUBS SHOWN BY ATTENDANCE

On Thursday and Friday, Dec. 12 and 13, the M. I. T. Combined Musical Clubs held very successful trials. The three clubs, banjo, glee, and mandolin drew out some of the most talent that Technology has ever heard. Both the leaders and the management were pleased at the showing. The number of men that tried out for the Glee Club was well over forty, and approximately thirty men came out for the Mandolin and twenty for the banjo clubs. All trials were carried out in good order and lots of the old-time Technology spirit and enthusiasm was shown throughout the evening. These trials were not the last chances that men will have to try

out for the clubs. However, all candidates should make it a point not to come too late. The competition will close in the near future, and those who try out early will stand a better chance of being accepted.

The Management wishes to announce that a special competition for Novelty Acts will be held next week, beginning Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock in Room 10-250. All candidates are requested to report to the publicity manager of the clubs, whether they have previously done so or not, some time before Tuesday evening, and to leave their names with a description of their offering and the time consumed by it. This competition will probably last until the end of the week. Candidates will please take note that no names will be accepted after Tuesday.

## PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Otto C. Winestock, of Perkinsville, Vt., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lillian Clara, to Captain Halbert Hale Neilson of Lexington, Miss. Miss Winestock is a former student at the New England Conservatory of Music. Captain Neilson is stepson of former Governor Noel of Mississippi. He is captain in the 11th Cavalry, and since last June has been detailed to aviation service at Park Field, Memphis, Tenn.

Carl A. Funk, a structural engineer, who has been in the employ of the Government in Newark, N. J., died yesterday at the home of his sister, Mrs. Charles A. Ness, 115 Westbourne terrace, Brookline, after a short illness of pneumonia. He was twenty-eight years of age, the son of Mrs. Annie Funk and the late Charles Funk of Brookline. Mr. Funk was born in Newton on Jan. 2, 1890. He was graduated from Brookline High School, and later had charge of the construction of several buildings in Boston. For the past year Mr. Funk had been in Newark working for the Deslauries Aircraft Corporation, where he was in charge of manufacturing devices for the Government for aeroplanes by which the operator could telephone to the ground. He returned to Brookline to spend Thanksgiving with his relatives, and it was then that he was stricken. He was a member of the Beth Horon lodge, A. F. and A. M., and a member of the Brookline Baptist Church. He leaves a wife, who was Leah Rosenthal of Allston; his mother, a brother, George C. Funk, a Boston architect, and his sister, Mrs. Ness.

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Kellogg of 56 Church street, Winchester, announced this week the engagement of their daughter, Mary Goddard Kellogg, to Dr. Miles Standish Sherrill of 83 Longwood avenue, Brookline.

Miss Kellogg, assisted by Mrs. Marshall Cutler Bouve, Miss Ruth McCall, Mrs. James Fuller Lord, Miss Natalie Jewett and Mrs. Clarence C. Miller, presided at the engagement tea given at her home.

Miss Kellogg, playwright and dramatic producer, is a well-known dancer. She attended Radcliffe College, later studying in New York. Among her successful productions were "In the Pasha's Garden," produced at Bar Harbor, and "Coming Back," played at the Neighborhood Theatre in New York.

Dr. Sherrill, professor of chemistry at Technology, is now in Washington as research chemist, Explosive Section of Ordnance Department.

The wedding will be in January.

Philadelphia, Dec. 11—Announcement was made yesterday that Frederick Holbrook has tendered his resignation as president and director of the American International Shipbuilding Corporation, which acted as agent for the United States Shipping Board in the construction of the Hog Island shipyard.

According to Peter O. Knight, vice-president and general counsel, the American International Corporation, the holding concern for the American International Shipbuilding Corporation, is endeavoring to obtain the services of M. C. Brush, formerly president of the Boston Elevated Railway Company, as Mr. Holbrook's successor.

Mr. Holbrook, who took the presidency of the shipbuilding corporation during the war emergency, will resume the position he held formerly with the American International Corporation and take charge of the Russian affairs of that concern preparatory to going to Russia.

Announcement is made by Mrs. Walter L. Hill of 226 Massachusetts avenue, Arlington, of the engagement of her daughter, Miss Marion Squire Hill, to Vernon Gregory Sloan '12, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Sloan of Littleton, formerly of Arlington Heights. Miss Hill is a graduate of Wellesley College, class of 1911, and is connected with the chemistry and research department of the Harvard Dental School. Mr. Sloan is now an ensign in the Naval Aviation service, and is stationed at present in Garden City, L. I.

## COMMUNICATION

To the Editor of THE TECH,

Sir: In your issue of December 7 there appears a letter signed by Trebor '20, urging that class elections be held at the earliest possible date.

Some time ago a committee was formed to keep alive the organizations of the undergraduate activities and with the signing of the armistice this com-

mittee began to lay plans for starting the various activities as soon as conditions permitted, and made arrangements for the All-Technology Smoker.

When the matter of elections came up, in the absence of the Institute Committee, and with the above committee already organized, with the approval of the Alumni, Dean Burton appointed it, with some additions and changes, to take charge of the elections.

Arrangements are now being made to open nominations the first day of next term and to hold elections as soon after as is possible. The exact details of the nominations and elections will be announced within a few days.

The Committee on Undergraduate Activities.

## DORMS ARE FILLED

One-hundred and One Assignments Made So Far—Rooms Being Repaired

When the official word came that the S. A. T. C. and S. N. T. C. were to be disbanded at the end of the term, the Bursar's office was flooded with applications for rooms in the dormitories. There were far more applications than there were rooms available, consequently those fellows who put off signing up found themselves disappointed in their hopes of getting lodging in the dormitories.

Up to date Bursar Ford has made about one hundred and one assignments, which include both single and double rooms. There are still a few double rooms not yet assigned. This fact, however, does not hold out much encouragement to those who have not put in their applications, or have done so only lately, as there is a long waiting list.

All assignments are not permanent however as the men have only up to December 21 to make their initial payment. Men failing to make this deposit signify their intentions of forfeiting their rooms. Every year there have been lots of fellows, who at the last minute have given up the idea of living in the dormitories, thereby making some vacancies.

Over at the dormitories, all is activity. Painters, carpenters, and decorators are hurrying the work of getting the buildings ready for the students next term. Macaferly, the superintendent, is very happy once more. "Now for the good old days, and the good old times once more," says that genial gentleman, who is glad to see the "boys" back again.

There is a report current that the Naval Aviators who are left will be moved over to the S. A. T. C. barracks. If this is so it will greatly hasten the date at which all the rooms will be open for the students use. The official plans now are to have the Atkinson and Nichols halls open for the fellows on December 30th. Holman is expected to be ready and open January 6. Runkles will not be finished until the 20th of the first month of the new year.

The fraternities are opening up their houses for the accommodation of their members. Already members of the D. K. E.'s are anxiously waiting to get in. The Delta house is not so fortunate. Members of that fraternity seem scattered around, and as yet there has been no great rush for rooms.

## INSTITUTE REPRESENTED

Twenty Profs Working on Chemical Warfare Problems—Many Have Commissions

Since the beginning of the war many of the chemistry professors of the Institute have entered the Chemical Warfare Service. Much of the splendid work which has been accomplished in the service during the war is due to the efforts of our own professors. Our chemists have done distinguished work both in this country in research and in active service in France.

The present American gas mask is considered by far the most efficient that was in use during the last few months of the war. To turn these masks out in sufficient quantities to supply the enormous army which we are maintaining

abroad, and yet be sure that every one is perfect as it must be, has been one of the biggest jobs that presented itself. The chemistry department of Technology has given twenty men to the Chemical Warfare Service, fifteen of whom are commissioned officers. Most of the professors who remained here have been doing consulting work for the government. Dr. Henry P. Talbot who is head of the chemistry department, although continuing his work here, is a member of the consulting board of the Bureau of Mines, is also on the consulting board of the War Department, especially in regard to Gas Defence. Doctor Warren K. Lewis, the youngest professor at the Institute, deserves particular credit for his work, according to The Retort, the newspaper published by the American University Experiment Station. Dr. Lewis is assistant to the director of the Gas Defence Department, his particular work being the working out of the defence problems. Other men from Technology who occupy important positions in this service are Col. William H. Walker, Col. Dewey, Maj. Samuel P. Mulliken, Maj. L. T. Sutherland, Maj. Robert E. Wiedon, Capt. John B. Dickson, Capt. F. Hastings Smyth, Capt. John S. Little, Capt. William B. Leach, Lt. Wilfred A. Wyde, Lt. Edwin S. Wallace, Lt. Charles L. Burdick, Lt. Earle P. Stevenson, Sgt. Stanley L. Christolm, Corp. James F. Maguire, Jr., Corp. Walter F. Hall, Pvt. Clarence L. Nutting, and Pvt. Stephen G. Simpson. Besides these men there are three men who obtained commissions for overseas service, and have been in active gas defence work for some months. They are Lt. Col. James F. Norris, Maj. Hugo H. Hanson, and Maj. Frederick G. Keyes. Professors Noyes, Moore, Millard, Sherrill, and Kneeland are doing research work, Professor Noyes being on the National Research Committee.

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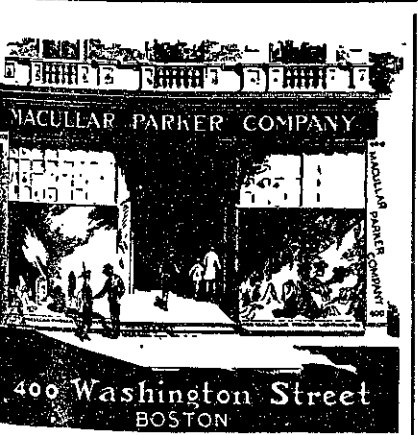
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## COURSE IV STARTS A NEW

Architectural Course Offers Splendid Opportunities—Work to be Repeated

It seems that Course IV has suffered its share, along with the other courses. The S. A. T. C. appears to have been the cause of this disaster. For this reason it has been planned to start the work over next term, and give the students a new chance and a fresh start. Professor William H. Lawrence, when interviewed, emphasized the fact that there will be a wonderful opportunity for architects during the coming years.

Those students interested in architecture will be glad to learn that next term will see a new start in the architectural department. This department has suffered as much from the S. A. T. C. as any other, and is going to begin all over again. For those in their second and third years, the work of the next two terms will be the same as if the regular school year were beginning. This is for the purpose of bringing the men up to the point where they would normally be after a year of study at the Institute. When the course opens on December 30th new students will be admitted, along with the special students. The real result of starting the work over again would be to compress the terms from 15 to 11 weeks each. It is understood that now is an ideal time to study architecture, as there has been little, if any, building going on at all during the last two years, and although many contracts have been held up, labor is still high, and investors very dubious, the jobs will start up again soon.

Professor Lawrence said that architectural firms are holding up their openings for older men, but the enormous amount of construction work which will spring up in the near future will require many more men than are at present available, continuing that the next four or five years will witness a tremendous boom in building and a consequent increase in activity in the architectural firms. He said that a future such as this should appeal to a great many men, and largely increase the enrollment of Course IV next term.

### LIEUT.-COL. CHILTON'S LECTURE

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this consideration of the modern army, the lecture ended.

Alexander Wheeler Chilton was born near Frazee, Minnesota. He entered West Point Military Academy in 1903, and was commissioned second lieutenant in 1907. From 1908 to 1911, he was stationed in Hawaii, at the end of which period, he received his commission as first lieutenant. He became instructor in the department of English and History at West Point, and remained there until 1913. He was sent to the Philippines to take part in the Pershing expedition to take part in the Pershing expedition to Mexico in the summer of 1916. He received a captain's commission that year, and also an appointment as assistant instructor of history at West Point. While he held this position, he helped to write the book on European History which is being used in War Issues. While at West Point, he received a promotion to the rank of major, and this year was made a lieutenant-colonel. He expects at any moment to be sent to Chile as military attache.

### "GUARD MOUNTING"

Every afternoon at 5 o'clock the new guard relieves the guard which has been keeping vigil over the post during the last twenty-four hours. The technical term for this ceremony is "Guard Mounting." Shortly before five the new guard of about twenty-one men is drawn up in front of the Company "A" barracks and inspected by the new Officer of the Day. The old guard is drawn up on the opposite side of the drill-ground facing the new guard. The new guard is then marched across the field and passes in front of the old guard which executes "Present Arms." The new guard is given "Eyes Right" and brought into place beside the old guard. The O. D.'s salute one another and the guards present arms. The old guard is dismissed at the conclusion of these ceremonies.

The sergeant of the guard divides the new guard into three reliefs and assigns the men to their posts. Two squads participate in the ceremonies at retreat, standing in front of the guard-house. A corporal and two privates of the guard lower the flag. The sentries stand guard for two hours and are relieved for four hours. The sentries are inspected during their watch by the O. D. Sentry-boxes have been placed about the yard for sheltering the sentries in cold, severe weather. As a rule the guard is chosen entirely from one company, and is so arranged that no man has guard duty again until every other man has had his turn.

### LETTER RECEIVED BY MR. HOMER FROM SON

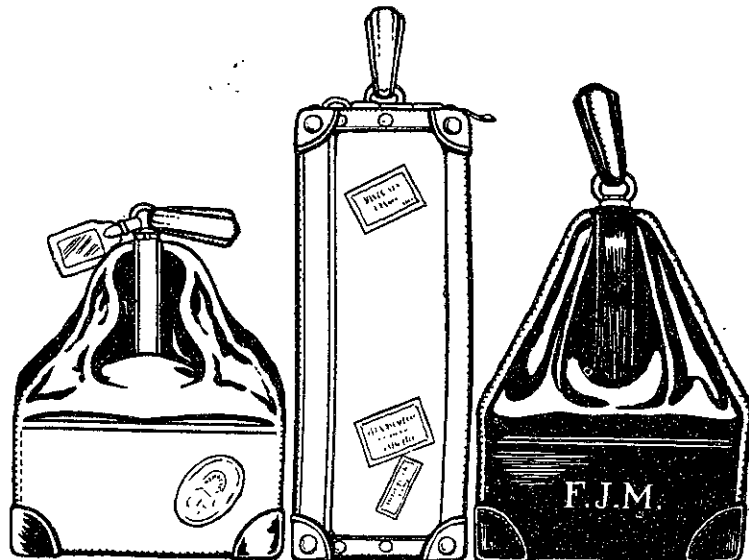
It would be strange to see a soldier discussing such themes did we not know that France had poured out of her very best and finest of character, intellect, cultivation and artistic professions of all sorts, into the trenches and the drear and dreadful vigils, broken into by combats only less horrible than the suspense—fortunately now, all over in time for Thanksgiving and Christmas—had we not, likewise, sent over the finest flower of our youth. The family of one of these young heroes, of a Brookline origin, whose position in the war was that of naval aviator, pilot of an English dirigible in the observation service and in the conveying of transports over the English Channel, had had two days of serenity and content after the confirmation of the armistice, when official news reached them of a different sort, a despatch from the Bureau of Navigation announcing the death of the young aviator. A little later came the cable that was intended to precede it, stating that he was ill in a London hospital with pneumonia. Two days of peace rejoicing and expectation of holiday reunion with their only son were all! The end had come Nov. 9, and peace so nigh! Not long before, in reply to a letter from his father, asking him to give his parents some idea of his sensations in flight before dawn, the aviator had dashed off the following note, words of remarkable beauty and dramatic vividness and power:

South Coast of England,  
July 10, 1918.

Dear Father—Yours of the 15th ult. at hand and contents carefully noted. I wrote you one long and very poetic let-

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**LETTER FROM HOMER.**  
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ter about the sunrise over the clouds. It is gorgeous—sublime—incomparable—untellable. One doesn't feel very poetic after one has been out in the darkness and fog all night—but when the sun rises and lights up the tops of the mist one forgets the war, the cold, the cramped legs, and glories in the beauty of the scene. The sun comes up out of its cloud of gray, turning it to a shell-pink. Then, as it climbs higher, it sets the whole sea of clouds sparkling and seething—a myriad of rainbows, a mass of majestic, rolling, heaving beauty.

There is no use in my trying to explain it—one must be in it and surrounded by it—the only bit of humanity in all the vast firmament—then only can it be appreciated.

It seems that the "long and very poetic letter" to which he referred never reached the father, alas! The true interpretation of the tragedy has been fitly framed in this poignant quatrain:  
J. W. H., Jr.  
1897—1918

experimenters have come to see that a students' army training corps, unless under exceptional conditions, makes neither good students nor good soldiers.

"The men who write the history of American education through these war times will have material for a stirring chapter on this September-December experiment of 1918. But they will not write it as they should unless they judge the enterprise not only by its meagre results but by the official good intentions to which it owed its existence."

**REVIEW OF SOCCOR SEASON**

The Chinese students opened their season at Andover, October 19, when they downed Phillips Academy 5-2. The following Saturday, October 26, they met the strong Worcester Academy team at Worcester, and again came home victorious having beaten by the score of 2-1. Not willing to admit defeat, the Andover team played a return game, November 2, but again the Tech team showed its superiority, and defeated the prep school men 2-1. The following week, November 9, the Chinamen journeyed to Harvard Square, and took the measure of Harvard's warriors by the comfortable margin of 4-1.

The lineup of the team for these games was as follows: T. F. Wei, goal; Y. L. Yih, rfb; C. Y. Huang, lfb; H. Huang, chb; K. K. Chun, lhb; L. Hsi, rfb; T. K. Lin, cf; K. C. Li, rlf; T. K. Liang, rof; S. S. Chen or K. P. Hu, lf; S. S. Kwan, lf; A. T. Kung, L. G. Moy, and C. P. Ede, subs; K. F. Mok, Mgr. S. S. Kwan is the captain.

The scoring was done largely by T. K. Lin, who scored all five goals in the first Andover game. As a result, when the team went to Worcester, the Academy had three men covering Lin, who, as a result, who, as a result, was unable to make a goal. T. K. Liang scored both times in this game. In the second Andover game both Kwan and Liang scored, while in the Harvard game Captain Kwan and Lin scored two goals each.

Four of the players have captained teams before coming to Technology. S. S. Kwan captained the Phillips Andover team for the year of 1911-12, while both of the Huang brothers were captains of the Tsing Hua Government school at Peking. At least six players on the team are from this school. T. K. Lin was once the captain of the St. John's University team of Shanghai.

Five of the members of the Technology team are affiliated with the Chinese team of New York. This combined team played a team composed of all stars from Connecticut at Bridgeport September 15, the game resulting in a tie. The combined team will play in league games, but so far it has drawn byes, and the second round has not started yet. Secretary Cahill of the league plans to have the team make a trip through the western states during Christmas vacation, if the showing is good up to that time. Games for the combined team are under contemplation both with the Irish-American team of Boston and the Belgian team.

**REGARDING THE S. A. T. C.**

The following editorial which should appear of interest to teachers as well as students of the Institute appeared in the Boston Herald a short time ago.

"With the order to demobilize the students' army training corps in half a thousand American colleges by Dec. 21 the public sees the sudden close of an educational experiment unprecedented and instructive.


"In many institutions the soldier students had but just seen the carpenters and steam fitters leave the improvised barracks. In others the uniforms and rifles had but just been given out. In all the colleges the registrations and re-registrations, the standardizing of the courses under 'regional directors,' the adjustments of the academic and the military discipline, had as yet been hardly worked through. Yet since the signing of the armistice, many members of the corps had lost their one incentive for work: they could no longer hope for transfer to officers' training schools or for the silver bullet that should kill the Kaiser. Here and there the commanding officers and the college authorities, in their new and delicate relations, had developed feelings as warm as those of the allies and the Huns themselves.

These nine weeks of the experiment fair means, then, of judging what the outcome might have been after a year or two of steady practice. But even so, the institutions, with the authorities at Washington, have learned not a little. They now see better that colleges are as individual in their ways and their service as persons; they can no more be 'standardized' than artists' studios, inventors' shops or family circles. They see, too, that colleges cannot handle students whose preparation for college work consists in having lived pleasantly for eighteen or nineteen years or even in having taken perfunctorily a high school diploma. The colleges' entrance requirements have once for all been proved a safeguard to the students that can meet them and an unmistakable kindness to the students that cannot. And through these nine weeks, most of the

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