

## HIGHEST TECH HONORS GIVEN AN ALUMNUS

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Commander in French Le-  
gion of Honor—Now Holds  
Prominent Position As Food  
Director of Europe

### WENT ABROAD WITH HOOVER

A verbal laurel wreath, in the form of a letter from George L. Gilmore '90, bearing testimony of the bestowal of a great honor upon one of Technology's worthy sons, has reached the Institute as its destination. Its contents inform us, as a part of the world at large, that Mr. W. B. Poland, of the Class of 1890, has recently been made Commander of the Legion of Honor.

Mr. W. B. Poland graduated from Technology in 1890 from course I and while a student at the Institute, was one of the most active men of his class. Dean Burton tells us that he was a live wire at the Civil Engineering camp, then in the Catskill Mountains, and one of the most popular of several men who have since distinguished themselves.

His first position after graduation was with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad as civil engineer. Here he remained until 1909 when he became vice-president and, contemporaneously, chief engineer of the Philippine Railway company, with his headquarters at Manila. During two years he was a great factor in the development of the road, and at the end of this time accepted the dual responsibility of chief engineer and general manager of the Alaska Central Railway company. After holding this office for three years, he came to act in the same capacity for J. G. White & Company of New York.

In the latter part of 1915, Mr. Poland associated himself with the Belgium Relief commission, and subsequently, in the spring of 1916, he went abroad under Mr. Herbert C. Hoover, where he has been on active duty ever since.

The tenth of July, 1917 saw the Cross of Chevalier of the Legion of Honor conferred on Mr. Poland, who was at that time director in Holland of the American Commission for Relief in Belgium. The Cross was bestowed "in consideration of the courage with which you denounced before the German authorities and the American Government the deportations made in northern France." At present, Mr. Poland is Food Director for Europe, and is acting in that capacity when this latest and superlative honor, a commission as Commander of the Legion of Honor, was accorded him.

### DR. WELLS APPOINTED AS MEDICAL ADVISOR OF INSTITUTE

Dr. John Milton Wells has been appointed by the Institute committee as the medical advisor of Technology, and may be found in his office, in room 8-10, on any week day except Saturday between 4.30 and 5.30.

Doctor Wells was born at Florida Court House Virginia and received his education in California and Oregon. He graduated from the medical college of the University of Oregon in 1890. He practiced two years in Oregon, and during that time was surgeon for the Union Pacific Railroad at Pendleton. Doctor Wells then went to New York, and received a degree in the medical department of the University of New York. He returned to Oregon and for a time was lecturer in pathology in the state university. He then carried on private practice with his father in Oregon and Washington until a few years ago when he moved to Chelsea, Mass. Doctor Wells made a specialty of minor surgery, and in accident work for insurance companies besides carrying on a large general practice.

Doctor Wells is anxious to meet and know the students of the Institute. He says it is his job to keep the men well, and strongly urges them to see him in case of even slight trouble so that matters may be taken care of before serious developments occur.

### ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY AT- TEND FIRST DORMITORY DANCE

With a total of one hundred and sixty couples present to make use of the opportunity offered them, the first of the series of Dormitory Dances took place last Saturday evening, February 1st. According to all reports the event progressed without a hitch, and the participants and managing committee both have expressed their satisfaction with the outcome.

Numerous comments were made on the fine quality of the music, which was furnished by Lowe's orchestra from the Hotel Brunswick. There were three informal numbers given between eight fifteen and eight forty-five at which time the first of the twelve regular dances took place. At the end of the sixth dance an intermission was provided, during which refreshments were served. Confusion in serving was avoided by having four tables at which the refreshments could be obtained. After the intermission the dancing was resumed and six more numbers were given before the affair terminated at twelve o'clock.

President and Mrs. Richard C. MacLaurin spent the first part of the evening with the students and their partners. Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Ford were also present, remaining until the close of the event. Colonel and Mrs. Cole were listed among the patrons and patronesses, but were unable to attend.

On all sides enthusiastic comments have been coming in from students who participated in the affair. They state, without exception, that the music was all that could be desired, that the refreshments were excellent, and that the evening passed away most pleasantly.

Similar dances are being planned by the Dormitory Executive Committee, and announcements of these will be posted in THE TECH when the arrangements have been completed.

### CREW WORK STARTS

#### Men Use Rowing Machines To Get Into Good Form.

This week work begins in earnest for all crew men. The men up to the present time have been working on the track but now the rowing machines have been set up in the room next to the track house which was formerly used for boxing, and work will begin on them at once. Schedules designating the time for each man's practice have been posted in the track house. The number of machines is somewhat limited in view of the number of men out for crew, so it is essential that the men are prompt in reporting for practices. Men failing to report will be dropped from the squad. In a few weeks Mr. Manning of the Boston Athletic Association will be on hand to coach the crew. At present the coaching is being done by upper classmen who have had crew experience. There are about 85 freshmen out and from this number 4 crews will be picked, a first and second four, and a first and second eight. The schedule is still incomplete but a number of good races have already been booked; one of the hardest races will be a two-mile race with the Harvard second freshmen on May 10. The Harvard Regatta will come about the last week in May and Technology will enter at least two fours and two eights. The first and second fours will race with the Brookline High School on May 10. An eight oared race is scheduled with Middlesex on May 21 and the first freshman four will race with the Pomfret School, May 24. The race with Exeter will be about

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**1922 BANQUET COMMITTEE**  
All the officers of the freshman class and the following men should report to Room 10-250, Friday, February 7, at 5, to discuss the plans for the freshman banquet.

## LOOK OUT BELOW!

### Lt. Aldrin Will Land On Tech- nology Parade Ground Friday —Flight From Dayton, O., Begins Tomorrow

The first of what may be a series of aeroplane flights between various points in the west and Boston will be completed sometime Friday when Lieutenant Aldrin, an officer formerly connected with the military school of aeronautics at the Institute, will land on the parade ground at Technology. Lieut. Aldrin left the Institute Monday for Dayton, O., and he will leave the aviation station there, which is now under the command of Major Humphreys, on Thursday. His flight will be by way of New York city. The Institute parade ground has been chosen as a landing place because of its openness and Lieut. Aldrin wishes to warn all students and others who may be in the vicinity on Friday to give clear passage if they sight a machine in the offing in order to avoid disastrous con-

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### WRESTLERS LOST MEET WITH ANDOVER MAT MEN

The Institute wrestling team on Saturday afternoon received a setback at a preliminary meet at Andover getting two decisions out of six bouts. Although somewhat handicapped for various reasons, the men from Technology put up a spirited battle all the way. On the 159-lb. bout "Jack" Wood '20 changed a draw into a decision in his favor in a two minute overtime bout. The team was deprived of the services of Captain E. W. Freeman '20, who is nursing a slight injury to his knee, "Jack" Wood being acting captain. So far this season the team has been laboring under adverse conditions, notable instances being the lack of a coach and unsuitable training quarters. With Walker opened up to student activities practice will be held there in the future and Manager J. C. Deyette '21, says that there is still a chance for newcomers, as experience is not necessary but interest and enthusiasm. The summary of the Andover meet follows:

119-Pound Class—Harris, Technology, won decision over Upson (A). Time, 9m.

129-Pound Class—G. Houk (A) threw Addicks, Technology. Time, 2m. 42s.

139-Pound Class—Hale (A) threw Robertson, Technology. Time, 6m.

139-Pound Class—J. Houk (A) threw Barker, Technology. Time, 3m. 35s.

149-Pound Class—Scott (A) won decision over Bowles, Technology. Time, 9m.

159-Pound Class—Draw between Wood Technology and Williams (A). Time, 9m.

In a two minute overtime bout Wood won decision.

### ELECTRICALS TO HOLD SMOKER

The Technology Branch of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers will hold a smoker this evening at 7:15. The event will take place in Room No. 4-370, and a large attendance is expected.

As was announced at the last meeting of the Society, the speaker for the evening will be Mr. N. H. Daniels, who is known as the "hiring and firing man" of the Stone and Webster Company. Mr. Daniels' talk will be of a non-technical nature and will deal with the subject of becoming a successful engineer.

In addition to the main feature of the evening there will be an abundance of "smokes" and "feats." Owing to the fact that the trip of the Society to Lynn last week was so very successful, the officers are making preparations for a large audience tonight.

Members of the society desiring to purchase the regulation pin are requested to sign up for them at the office, Room 10-203, before February 15. The price of these pins is thirty-five cents.

### SHOW MANAGERS.

The following Freshmen on the Business department of Tech Show should report Thursday at 5 at the Show office to Manager Bugbee.

Kebile Pesine, Clarence W. Perkins, Harry E. Rockefeller, Thomas M. Taylor, Wm. W. Baimbridge, Jr., Wm. E. Williams, Jr., A. P. Munning, S. J. Copelman, R. A. Stone, Wm. F. Baker, Donald R. Waugh, Roderick Haskell, Kermit E. Madden, Royal Sterling.

### DINING ROOM IS OPEN

#### Dean Burton Makes Speech To Dor- Monday Evening.

Last Monday night the Dorm Dining Room in the North Hall of the Walker Memorial was formally opened by Dean Burton. After most of the diners were through eating, and all the late arrivals had found seats, Dean Burton was introduced by Mr. C. W. Reed '20. The Dean started his speech by remarking that he was very pleased to see that at last a real student dining-room was under way.

He went on to say that this move went a long way in proving that the existing dorms were a success and that this was much to be desired, as the fate of the dorms that are to be, rest with those of the present. For, he pointed out, a great many men in the alumni committee and on the Institute council regard the present dorms as an experiment which, although they appear on the surface to be putting through with flying colors nevertheless are an uncertain quantity, and ought not be added to until they indisputably prove their worth. Therefore the present residents of the dorms have a heavy responsibility to bear. The Dean then proceeded to explain to the fellows how the dorms happened to be given their present names. The first thing was to find men for this honor, and then determine if these men were numbered among the living or not—for, as the Dean put it—the Institute council wanted to make sure that these men would commit no faux pas after the dorms were once built. Professor Runkle was first chosen. He was a man of sterling worth, who was temporary president of the Institute, in one of the most trying times of its career, when President Rogers was sick, and who devoted his whole life to the welfare of the Institute. Professor Akinson was next explained. He was a professor of English literature, who in spite of the dryness of the subject made it interesting to his classes. He also died at his post, working in the

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## M. E.'S MEET FRIDAY

### Technology Graduate To Tell Experience In Tank Corps

Mr. Atwood P. Durham, who has seen active service in the Tank Corps in France will tell some of his experiences to members of the Mechanical Engineering Society at the meeting which is to be held this Friday at 7.45 o'clock in the Dorm dining room on the second floor of Walker. Mr. Durham is a graduate of the Institute and was a Course II man, so that he can present his talk in a way that will be especially interesting to members of the society.

At this meeting, the chairmen of the various committees will outline briefly their plans for the work of the year and details concerning the one hundred percent "Spring Drive" will be explained. Trips to some of the biggest industrial plants in this vicinity are being arranged for and engineers of wide experience are being looked for future meetings.

An innovation will be instituted at this meeting in the form of refreshments, the old stand-by of "cider and doughnuts" to be replaced by a more substantial diet.

## FRESHMEN SWIM LOSE TO PHILLIPS ANDOVER

Technology 1922 Team Scores  
25 Points Against The Academy's 28—Relay Results In Tie

### BIDELL STARS IN ALL EVENTS

In the swimming meet with Phillips Andover Academy last Saturday the Technology freshmen lost by the score of 28-25. From the outset it was expected that the meet would depend on the relay and if Technology had won this they would have had the meet. This contest resulted in a tie, however, thereby leaving Andover with the majority of points.

Andover was especially strong in the plunges winning first and second places in that event. Andover broke the tank record at Andover by plunging 73 1-2 feet in 57 seconds. He probably would have plunged to the end of the tank (75 feet) if he had been allowed to remain his full minute in the tank, but the coach at Andover wanted to save that for Andover's next meet.

Biddell was the principal point maker for the Institute freshmen. He won the 50-yard dash and the dive besides taking part in the relay thereby making 11 points out of the 25 won by the freshmen.

The result of the meet follows:  
Relay, Andover, Smith, Colgate, Whipple, and Pole. Technology, Fish, Rand, N. J. Greene and Biddell. Dead heat.

Plunge, First, Anderson (Andover). Second, Stillwell (Andover). Third, O'Daly (Technology). Distance, 73 1-2 feet.

50-Yard Dash—Won by Biddell (Technology). Second, Smith (Andover). Third, Colgate (Andover). Time, 26 sec.

200-Yard Swim—Won by Marshall (Andover). Second, Greene (Technology). Third, Van Patten (Andover). Time, 3 min. 26 1-5 sec.

Dive—Won by Biddell (Technology). Second, Foote (Andover). Third, Purinton (Technology).

100-Yard Dash—Won by Biddell (Technology). Second, Marshall (Andover). Third, Fish (Technology).

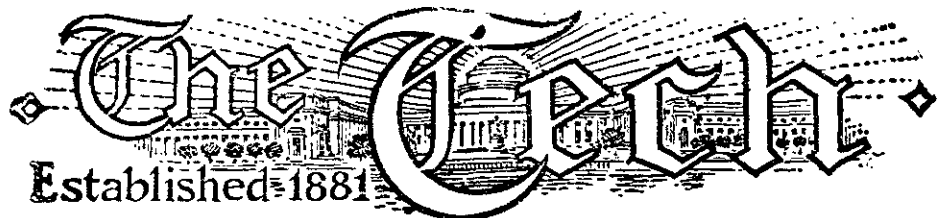
Manager McKay announces that Ralph Geckler and Miles Morgan have won the competition for assistant manager of the swimming team.

### NAVAL UNIT DANCE TO BE HELD IN WALKER ON FEB. 15

Tickets for the dance to be given by the Naval Unit of the Students Army Training Corps are on sale every day from 12 to 2 in the Lobby; they can also be obtained from the following men on the committee in charge of the dance: J. W. Logan '20, M. A. Michaels '19, J. F. Pierce '20 and A. N. Bromback '20. The tickets can only be bought by naval unit men this week, but after Saturday they will be on sale at the Harvard Co-operative store open to all Institute men. There is to be only a limited number of tickets on sale and the policy of "first come first served" will be followed. The dance is to be held in Walker Memorial on the fifteenth of February and the Brunswick Hotel orchestra has been secured to furnish music for the occasion.

### CALENDAR.

Wednesday, February 5.  
8.00 Catholic Club election meeting, Room 2-190.  
7.15 Electrical Engineers smoker, Room 4-370.  
5.00 Banjo Club Rehearsal, Room 1-190.  
Thursday, February 6.  
5.00 Institute Committee, Room 10-275.  
3.00 Glee Club Rehearsal, Room 10-250.  
Friday, February 7.  
5.00 Mandolin Club Rehearsal, Room 1-190.



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ALL FOR TECHNOLOGY—TECHNOLOGY FOR ALL

THE All-Technology Smoker last Friday was a glorious success. Never before in the Institute's history did such an occasion receive so perfect a response from the student body, and enthusiasm was never known to run so high. For four and a half hours the student body was treated to an entertainment worthy of Technology's highest ideals.

At no other institution in the country is there a finer alumni monument than our own Walker Memorial. It is the embodiment of the hopes and beliefs of a wonderful body of men. The building was made possible only by the spirit of our Alumni and by their deep love for Technology.

The recent smoker and the beautiful memorial building should squelch forever the thought among our undergraduates that there is no Technology spirit. The spirit here may be different, or it may be shown differently than at other colleges, but it is none the less sincere or true. Go where you will, talk with whom you please, everywhere it is said that no other alumni association is as strong or enjoys as fine a spirit as our own.

THE DORMITORY DINING ROOM

THE Dormitory dining room is at last a reality. And without doubt, it is a step in the right direction. Students living in the Dormitories have heretofore been exceedingly distressed by the question of food. Students living at home in Boston and the vicinity, and those living at fraternity houses are able to get at least two square meals a day. At noon a snatch at Walton's is all they need. The Dormitory men, on the other hand, have had to take such food as Walton's puts out, three times a day. This is no reflection on Walton's nor the other restaurants around the Institute. Their service is excellent so far as it goes, but one cannot eat at such places three times a day and be satisfied.

Alumni Notes

INSTITUTE MEN ON PEACE BOARD

Maj. Monaghan '01 and C. T. Main '76 in France

Maj. James F. Monaghan, Ordnance Bureau, U. S. A., of Boston and Waltham, has been appointed an attache on the staff of Brig Gen. McInstry, under Col. F. M. House, on the Peace Commission in Paris.

At present he is a member of a board of investigation to determine the value of all the textile plants in France and Belgium destroyed by the Germans.

The other members of the board are Charles T. Main of Boston, Maj. D. C. Jackson, head of the Electrical Engineering Course at Technology.

Maj. James F. Monaghan has lived in Waltham for several years and is a well-known architect and civil engineer. He was formerly connected with the 101st Engineers and later was made chief of the Civil Engineering Bureau for the supply division of his department.

He was graduated from Technology in 1901. In October, 1917, he was commissioned a captain and last June was promoted to the rank of major. He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Boston Society of Civil Engineers, New England Cotton Manufacturers' Association, Waltham Council K. of C. and Waltham Lodge of Elks.

Charles Thomas Main, a resident of Winchester, with business offices at 201 Devonshire street, Boston, sailed for France on Dec. 5 as one of the party of men to be sent by four engineering societies of the United States to France to aid the French Government in restoring devastated regions there and possibly in Belgium. He was born in Marblehead Feb. 16, 1856, was graduated from the Institute in 1876 and was an assistant instructor there until 1879, when he became connected with the Manchester Mills, of which he soon became superintendent and engineer.

For a time he was also with the Pacific Mills, and later took up private engineering practice, designing many important industrial plants. He is a trustee of many widely-known organizations, a member of the corporation of the Institute, a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Boston Society of Civil Engineers, National Association of Cotton Manufacturers and New England Water Works Association. He is a member of the Exchange, Engineers and Technology Clubs and of the Engineers' Club of New York.

Maj. Dugald C. Jackson is an international authority on electricity and has been called abroad several times on civil matters in connection with public service corporations. With Mr. Main and others he went to France on Dec. 5.

In 1911 he went to England to examine and appraise the entire telephone system of England. Prof. Jackson, though less than 50, has had a notable career in the engineering world. He was graduated from the Pennsylvania State College at the age of 20 and devoted two years to electrical engineering at Cornell University. St. Joseph, Mo., Omaha, Salt Lake City, and other cities owe their present lighting plans to his work. He was a professor at Technology, and last May was commissioned a major in the Engineer Reserve Corps. Maj. Jackson was expert advisor of the Massachusetts Highway Commission and president of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

J. E. Osgood '18 was promoted to Lieut. (j. g.) in the Naval Flying Corps on Nov. 23, 1918. He has served as Inspector of Naval Aircraft in charge of the Burgess Aeroplane Co. since April 15. He expects to be transferred to the Bureau of Construction and Repairs at Washington in connection with work on navy dirigibles in a few weeks. Lieut. J. A. Lunn '17 is the only junior officer at the Peace Conference. Lt. Lunn went abroad last spring in the Engineers Corps and has since been transferred to the Chemical Warfare Service.

Alumni personals, news of class and alumni associations, and other alumni activities will be gratefully received. The prompt arrival of such information will facilitate the work of the Associate Editor in making the department as timely and complete as possible.

The Reverend Stephen Norton, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Woburn, officiated Monday evening at the wedding of Miss Anna Burdett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Burdett, to Donald Osborne Friend '17 of Brooklyn and Waterbury, Ct. The ceremony was performed at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents on Alshawum road, Woburn.

Friend is a graduate of Technology, class of 1917, and is a member of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity. He is a chemical engineer. Miss Burdett is a graduate of Wellesley College and had several of her classmates as attendants. Her father, Charles A. Burdett, is president of Burdett College.

COSMOPOLITANS TO DANCE

Club Announces the Program of Initial Affair

The Cosmopolitan Club will give its first entertainment of the season, in the shape of an informal dance and entertainment at the Walker Memorial Saturday, Feb. 8, at 8 o'clock, President

voiced the opinion that the entertainment will be the finest ever given by the club. It will consist of Lithuanian folk dances and songs presented by a company of four. These entertainers were procured through the kind offices of Mr. Zuris of the University of Syracuse who takes great interest in the activities of the club. The company consists of Miss E. Stankus, Miss M. Monika, Miss O. Yurnis and Mr. Y. Luitkus, who will furnish an attractive program, composed of several songs by Miss Monika accompanied by Miss E. Stankus, a dance by Miss O. Yurnis and a piano solo by Mr. J. Luitkus.

The whole affair its sponsor, Mr. B. H. Denbin said, will take about an hour and after that there will be dancing until 11.30 when the party will break up. An opportunity for quenching "that thirst" will be given after the fifth dance when refreshments will be served. This affair is not exclusively for members of the Cosmopolitan club alone but for all students in the Institute. Free tickets will be given to those members of the club who have paid their dues for the coming year. The price of admission for everyone else is \$1.00 for each couple. Tickets will be on sale at the Walker Memorial and at the Coop. They may also be procured from any of the following men: A. W. Dumas, '20; H. A. Minet, '20; F. F. Wei, '20. President Dumas also wishes to urge that all who want to attend the dance should purchase their tickets early as the attendance will be limited to a maximum of 150 people.

PHYSICAL TRAINING TO BE GIVEN IN WALKER MEMORIAL

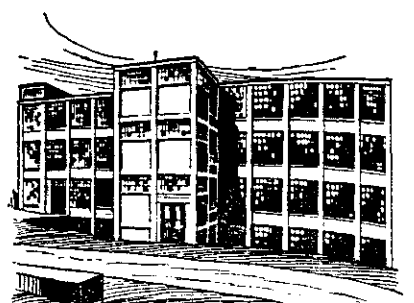
At last physical training has started in the Walker Memorial gymnasium. Although the athletic department has threatened this move for a long time many of the unlucky participants of calisthenics thought that they would have to freeze all winter in the court. On last Monday, the first work in the gymnasium was started.

Coach Kanaly has charge and the hours are the same as those usually set aside for calisthenics. The monotony of the exercising is varied by free arm dumbbell and wand exercises while the latter part of the hour is devoted to work on the various apparatus. The training will be light at first, working up by degrees until the student is able to master all of the most difficult of the machines. Students of the Institute and members of the Faculty are invited to take advantage of the well equipped gym. The only time when the gym is closed to outsiders is when a class is being conducted, then if anybody outside of the class wishes to join it the coach said he would have no objections.

TECHNOLOGY MEMORAH SOCIETY TO HOLD SMOKE TALK

The Technology Menorah Society will hold a smoker in the north room of the Walker Memorial building, Thursday, at 7.45. This is to be the opening meeting of the society, and an enjoyable evening has been promised to everyone attending. Dean Burton will tell of the beginning of the Menorah movement, and will tell of what the society contributes to the social and intellectual life at Technology. Professor Armstrong of the Economics department will talk on the subject of Socialism. Both of the talks are certain to be very interesting, and the managing committee urges everyone to attend. As an added inducement refreshments are to be served.

The Menorah society was started at the Institute about five years ago, and has for its object the study of Jewish culture and ideals, although it is non-sectarian. At its meetings it usually has prominent men from Boston and other cities who speak on the important topics of the day which are directly or indirectly connected with Judaism. On account of the war conditions the society was not able to start its meetings as early as usual, but hopes to hold at least five meetings before the end of the year. The election of officers of the society will be held Friday evening at 5.05 P. M. in Room 10-275.



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TECHNICALITIES By J. B. F.

OUR LITTLE SMOKER

Were any of you chaps ever spitted? Of course some of you would say you were, just on the general principle that nothing ever got by you, but I wouldn't believe you anyhow so lets go. What I had in mind was that there All Tech Smoker. That scramble for the eats was the nearest thing to spiffication that I ever got into. Now I like to be squeezed—so do we all—but we kind of like to choose our squeezer. Som wise gazam once said that anything worth having is worth working for—now I'll tell the world I earned my feed that night. As I look back now, however, I think that that smoker was the smoothest thing of the kind that we have pulled in a long while. And say!—the joys were many. Did you pipe the Klecophon—well I guess mebbe we're not the real casperootie; eh, what? Did you get the Dean's bif-ful smile in their direction? I guess Technology doesn't really kill all natural hooman instincts after all. And the movies; on the level, there is some one in these precincts with artistic tastes and I'll bet doughnuts to cider that he does not belong to cour-e-tour. We ought to start a fund to give him a medal. About the Glee club well they struggled nobly, but their's is a misnommer, it should be the glue club. They're all right tho', but we must humor them along for I guess its a pretty hard game for a Technogvite to persuade the world that he is a songster. Our little Walker Memorial is some shack, all things considered. No longer need there be any excuse for lack of a rousing "All Tech Spi it." All of you dead ones; get wise to yourselves, look alive and help Technology to go down in the annals of fame as the one spot in Greater Boston where there is a little pep. You owe it to your collee, yourself and posterity—now get on the JOB.

All reports of Treasurers who are on Finance Committee must be handed in to George Bent, '20, the chairman of the Committee before Saturday, February 6.

SEEK TO UNIONIZE ALL TECHNICAL MEN

Announcement that a Nation-wide movement has been launched to unionize all technical men, in order to obtain better working conditions and higher pay, was made in New York today by James Haines, president of the Architects', Civil, Mechanical and Electrical Engineers' union, the first professional organization admitted to the American Federation of Labor.

"Some technical men may think they are better off than the day laborer," said Mr. Haines. "They may even say they belong to a higher and more intelligent class, owing to their special training, and that, therefore, they can more easily compromise with the employer than the manual laborer, but these ideas are antiquated."

Mr. Haines said the union was at present primarily interested in obtaining for its members a higher wage based on a certain defined minimum, a seven-hour day, double pay for overtime, guarantees against arbitrary discharges, promotion after a certain length of service with one employer, guaranteed vacations, consideration for sickness, and recognition of the value of technical men.

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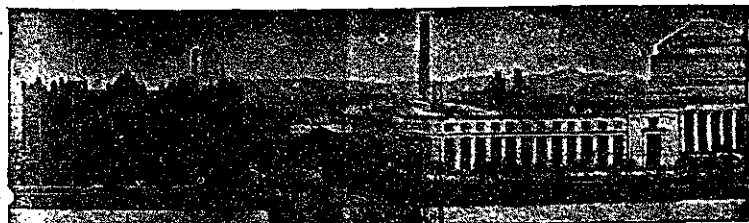


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### INITIAL ISSUE OF VOO DOO TO APPEAR FEB. 20

The first issue of the new Technology humorous monthly, the Voo Doo, is to be ready for circulation on February 20th. The magazine will be placed on sale in the main lobby of the Institute on that date.

A large amount of material is already on hand. There will be several special features incorporated in this issue, among them being a section on feminine stars of the stage, a subject which the managers expect will rapidly create a shortage of available copies. There will also be a large variety of comic cartoons, short jokes, and three or four literary selections of some length. There will be twenty-four pages of reading matter, making the publication of the same size as its predecessor, the Woop Garoo. It has been decided not to offer subscriptions this year, but plans are under way for an extensive canvass for subscriptions next year. This step was taken because of the destructive effect of the Student Army Training Corps on college publications.

The editors specify that all copy for the next issue must be turned in by noon of next Saturday, February eighth. This is the latest date at which contributions will be accepted. They also state that hereafter, all members of the managing and literary departments will be held responsible for assignments which will be posted in Voo Doo office, Room 309 of the Walker Memorial, and that inactivity on the part of many of the assistants must be done away with. The managing board is still calling for candidates for the various departments, and all those who have any ability along artistic or literary lines are eligible to compete.

A complete list of Voo Doo competitors is published herewith:

Managing Board:—Warren G. Waterman, Edward Edwards, Reginald Smithwick, Richard J. Spitz, Teodorico Quirós.

Business Department:—W. G. Thompson '22, R. I. Bradley '20, S. A. Gayley '22, C. Maloney '20, D. J. Swift '21, W. F. Herbert '22, H. E. Williams, Jr. '22, C. O. Avery '21, K. R. Sutherland '21.

Literary and Art Department:—V. Kruse '21, H. W. Armington '22, D. J. Kaplan '20, P. C. Craft '22, M. F. Child '22, E. J. Thimme '22, J. W. Hemphill '22, L. D. Kahn '20, W. H. Erwin '21, R. B. Chase '21, J. Stam '19, M. Knight '22, R. B. Frost '21, A. W. Skilling '21.

### DINING ROOM IN OPEN

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Institute till the last. Professor Holman was in the physics department. He was stricken with paralysis while still in his thirties, but kept on at the Institute nevertheless, and, like the other two mentioned above, died at his post. Then last but not least Professor Nichols, who was in the Chemistry branch of the Institute.

After the Dean's speech, Mr. C. W. Reed '20, again arose, and announced that he was glad to see such a splendid support of the project, and that he hoped the diners would all like it. This, the supper broke up, the first supper in the dorm dining room ended.

### GRINDS DEPARTMENT DECIDES TO GIVE FREE BOOK AS PRIZE

The following letter has been written by J. H. Coyle '20, Grinds Editor to the TECH explaining the plans of the Grinds department of Technique 1920:

Dear Sir:  
On the day of the TECHNIQUE RUSH, the board will present a copy of TECHNIQUE 1920 to the individual, club or fraternity which has supplied the Grind's Editor with the most creditable collection of material. The book will be marked on the cover with the name of the winner in gold letters.

The rules governing the contest are few. The material is to be bound together such as the reports required in various classes,—written on one side of the paper only. Cartoons are to be at least twice the final size and drawn in black on unruled white paper. The name of the contestant is to appear on the book; i. e., a group may not hand in its material under the name of an individual and have the book marked with the name of the group. In the contest, individual effort will be as highly considered as that of a group.

Gather up all of that original wit and humor—both accidental and intentional—and turn it in. It may be in the form of cartoons, "bones," short poems, Limericks and humorous articles—in short, anything and everything concerning Tech life, the S. A. T. C. or otherwise, that will make for a snappy Technique.

There will be a call about February 20th for the first installment and another about two weeks later. The material submitted at both of these calls will be bound together at the office. From the time that it is submitted to the time that Technique 1920 appears, the Board claims full right to all material. After the book appears, the Board will relinquish all claim to the material not used.

Technique 1920 is not to be a "Picture Book." The many rumors to the effect that nothing except photographs and snap-shots will be included in this year's publication are without any foundation whatever. It is true that the Technique 1920 board intends to include in their book, snap-shots and informals of every student and of every class-room which they can but these are not mere substitutes but instead they are additions to the former Techniques. The other sections of the book are to undergo only such changes as are necessary to make Technique a book of the entire Institute and of the Institute life. The "Informal" section has been added only because the board felt that this was vitally necessary, to make a truly representative book which would include everyone.

The plans for this section are very extensive including fully a hundred pages and divided into sub-sections to be devoted to the various classes. L. W. Freeman, the Photographic Editor has made all preparations to carry on a very extensive campaign to obtain these pictures and to even take them himself. He is equipped to take any size photograph from a vest-pocket to a large 10 by 12 inch plate. In addition to this he has made arrangements for motion picture cameras to care for such scenes of action as the Technique Rush in order to further the purpose of Technique in making a permanent record of Institute affairs.

With this out-lay he expects to photograph everything of interest in the neighborhood of the Institute, every man coming or going to the buildings, the various class rooms which have been the scenes of unusual torture and all of those little happenings around the school which will be of interest to us later. Technique is drawing absolutely no limits on the number nor variety of pictures which they will use. A special tour of the buildings will be taken from time to time and everything of any possible interest will be snapped.

The board is very anxious to get any suggestions from the students, as to the subjects of these informals, and must call upon the undergraduates for help. These suggestions need not have a signature in order to obtain consideration by the board and need only to be mailed in an unstamped envelope in any Institute mail box.

In addition to Mr. Freeman, arrangements have been made with the Notman Photographic Company to take any photographs for which an appointment can be made. The Technique board feels that the efforts which are being made along this line will be well spent in making Technique letter able to fill its need in the life of each undergraduate as well as to give the Alumni a permanent record of what is really going on at the Institute.

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**FAST TIME MADE SATURDAY IN ALL TECHNOLOGY HANDICAP MEET**

Great enthusiasm was aroused last Saturday at the All Technology handicap track meet on the board track. Practically every man on the squad turned out and showed excellent form to the great delight of Mr. Kanaly, the coach. Mr. Kanaly is exceedingly well pleased with the work being done and thinks that some of the new material which has turned out will later prove to be the basis of a great track reputation for Tehnology.

The time in all the events was unusually fast; especially so, considering the conditions, as it was bitterly cold and a strong wind blew across the track. The events were listed to alternate novice runs between those of the Varsity. In many cases the time run by the new men was hardly below that of the old veterans. Special mention should be made of the running of Arnold '22 and Bervers '22, who made splendid showings from scratch in the 1200, while Allen, another new man is expected to star in the high jump. Robbins '21, put up an unexpected showing in winning the 1500.

**A recapitulation of the events show:**

**Varsity**  
Event, 1500 yds., won by Robbins (45 handicap). Time, 4 min. 7 1-2 sec.; second, Purcell (scratch); Stone, third.

Event, 370 yds., won by Scott. 1st heat won by Scott, 45 3-5 sec.; Rollins, second (scratch); Poole, third. 2nd heat, won by Mills, time 44 2-5 sec.; Spitz, second; Evans, third.

Event, 750 yds., won by Brickett (scratch). Time 51 2-5 sec.; Couch, second; Atwood, third.

Event, 50 yd. dash, won by King, time, 6 1-5 sec.; Driscoll, second; Wilson, third.

Event, High Jump, won by Emery, height 5 ft. 8 1-4 inches; second, tie between Boli, Brimblecom; Allen, third (scratch).

**Novice**  
Event, 50 yd. dash, won by Hamburger, time 6 1-5 sec.; Driscoll, second; Laird, third.

Event, 1200 yds., won by Gurney, time, 323 4-5 sec.; Hallock, second; Fox, third.

Event, 300 yds., won by Brokaw, time, 35 2-5 sec.; Haskell, second.

Event, 600 yds., won by McDonald, time 124 1-5 sec.; Murdough, second; Godfrey, third.

Event, shot put, won by Rollins (scratch), distance 41 ft., 5 in.; Liect second; Hays, third.

Event, hammer throw, won by Hays, distance 133 ft., 4 in.; Town, second; Liecty, third.

Event, discus, won by Hays (scratch), distance 100 ft., 2 in.

**LOOK OUT BELOW**

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sequences both to themselves and to the operator.

This, flight, which will probably be the first of a series of trials, is being made with the view to establishing an aviation station somewhere in this vicinity and possibly at the Institute itself. It has been thought that the proximity of such a station to the Institute would be valuable in many ways but as yet no definite information has been released concerning this.

**VISITORS AT PARIS BUREAU**

The Technology bureau of the American University union at Paris has sent notice of the following visitors there who are students or Alumni of the Institute.

December 26th, 1918:  
Howard S. MacKirdy '18, Harold R. Crowell '16, Henry P. Thomas '16, S. Spaulding '16, P. L. Small '15, E. S. Carter, '18.

December 27th, 1918:  
J. J. Hart, Jr. '13, C. A. Coleman '16, Clinton L. Bond '20, James E. Wallis, Jr. '17.

**CREW WORK BEGINS**

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the first of May. Other races are pending with Boston Latin School, Cambridge Latin School, Browne and Nichols, Huntington School and Stone School.

There are a great many people who wonder why the Institute does not have a varsity crew, the chief reason is this: when the original student tax was established by the student body it was decided not to appeal to the Alumni for money to support athletics, and the Advisory Council on Athletics, as much as they realize the need for varsity rowing, can not see their way clear to lay aside this agreement. One of the aims of the Rowing Association is to raise a sufficient fund to take care of inter-rowing of all kinds. The present equipment is far from adequate to do this.

The first call for sophomores has been issued by the management. To date they have not appeared in very large numbers, but it is hoped that now that the machines are ready, they will come out stronger. Periods for their practice, have been set aside on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 5 to 5.45 and from 9 to 12 every day. It is practically assured that one of the events of the coming Field Day will be a crew race and as this will probably come early in April, it leaves no time to spare in getting the crews into shape.

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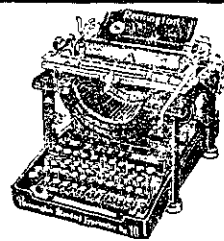
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