

## CLASSES UNITE IN ENFORCEMENT OF FRESHMAN RULES

### 45 Soph Special Deputies And Frosh Section Leaders To Begin Action

### PLAN BEGINS THURSDAY

### Freshmen, Sophomores Aver Determination to Give Rules a Meaning

Forty-five picked Sophomores will start showing the way to the rest of the student body toward the enforcement of the freshman rules tomorrow morning. They will receive direct co-operation in this action from the freshman class officers, who will talk to all the first-year sections today, asking for more wholehearted co-operation on the part of the class.

In this scheme, particular emphasis will be placed on the "Hello Rule," because this has been by far the most lax in its enforcement. Although the freshmen are supposed to speak first, the Sophomores for a short time will take the initiative, to set an example for the yearlings and make the rule easier for them.

It is planned to continue this plan of co-operation by the lower classes until Junior Week, when the freshman rules will be lifted. By that time, the Rules Committee is in hopes that the Hello Rule will have grown from a regulation to a custom.

Those Sophomores who have been picked to carry out this enforcement will meet in Room 10-275 this afternoon at 5 o'clock to receive instructions. Attendance at the meeting will not be restricted to these men only; the Sophomore officers hope that all those who are interested in the success of the freshman rules will come around and lend a hand in aiding the enforcement of these rules. The ultimate goal of this plan of co-operation with the Rules Committee is to have the entire student body fall in line with these men and the committee in pushing the success of the rules in the first year of their installation.

## CHEMICAL RESEARCH WILL BE DISCUSSED

### Milk and Rubber Are Topics For A. C. S. Meeting

Chemical research and its applications to the milk and rubber industries will be the subject at the next meeting of the Northeastern section of the American Chemical Society, which will be held at 8 o'clock Friday night in the Main Hall, Walker.

Speaking on "Recent Researches on Milk," Mr. Washington Platt, manager of the Technical Service Department of the Merrill-Soule Co. of Syracuse, will outline the progress and results of modern chemical work in the dairy industry.

Mr. W. W. Evans, the second speaker, will discuss "The Applications of Chemical Research to Problems of the Rubber Industry." Mr. Evans, formerly in charge of the chemical development work of the Goodyear Rubber Company, is now engaged in the development of anti-oxidants which will retard the natural aging and deterioration of rubber goods. The meeting will be preceded by a dinner at 6:30 in the Faculty Dining Room, Walker, directly following which Mr. L. M. Schreff, graduate student of M. I. T. and Harvard, will speak on "Ancient Hindu Chemistry."

## THE TECH Announces A New Competition

Competition for positions in all departments of THE TECH is now starting, and will end on January 18 with elections to the staff. Candidates are wanted especially in the News and Features departments. Students who are interested in the News, Sports, or Features departments should apply at the office in the basement of Walker Memorial; those interested in the Business Department will be made welcome at the office on the third floor of Walker.

## Student Attempts to Snowball a Fire Out

As Robert C. Watson '31 was roaring over the Harvard bridge yesterday morning, his trusty 1913 Mercer emitted a heavy cough, backfired, and began to spit fire. He pulled over to the curb and managed to get out before he was enveloped by spreading flames. As he was afraid the gas tank might blow up, he began pegging snowballs at the fire in an attempt to put it out.

This method was not very successful, so the Boston police kindly offered the aid of a fire extinguisher which was brought out from under the bridge. Pyrene proved to be a much better fire extinguisher than the snowballs and soon put the fire out.

## A. A. RECOMMENDS ATHLETIC AWARDS

### Varsity Cross Country And Track Men Will Get Letters

At the M. I. T. A. A. Executive Committee meeting on Monday the following men were recommended for the award of "cTc" in recognition of their performance on the Technology Cross Country Team this fall: Peter H. Kirwin '28, Norman L. McClintock '29, Charles E. Worthen '29, Newell W. Mitchell '29, Leon S. Thorsen '30, Harold C. Dick '28, and Edward H. Holmes. Later, Kirwin and McClintock were recommended for the award of a "Straight T" for their outstanding work.

C. Brigham Allen '29, John K. Hallahan '29, Anthony Fleming '28, Bernard B. Brockelman '29, and Miles R. Gray '29, were recommended for the presentation of the "aTa" award as members of the 1926-1927 Track team. These names had been overlooked last year, but were brought up at this time by the coach and manager of the team.

All these recommendations were passed upon by the Advisory Council on Athletics at their meeting last night.

## SHOW ORCHESTRA TO HOLD TRIALS TONIGHT

Trials for the Tech Show Orchestra will be held in the East Lounge of Walker tonight at 7:15 o'clock, when Charles Young, the music coach, will be present and will make his final selections. Men who play any sort of musical instruments are wanted.

Fifteen or twenty men will be carried by the Show this year in its orchestra, and they will be accorded full privileges on all trips. Rehearsals will be held once or twice a week until the last dress rehearsal. At present all the lyrics have been written, so that work by the orchestra can start at once.

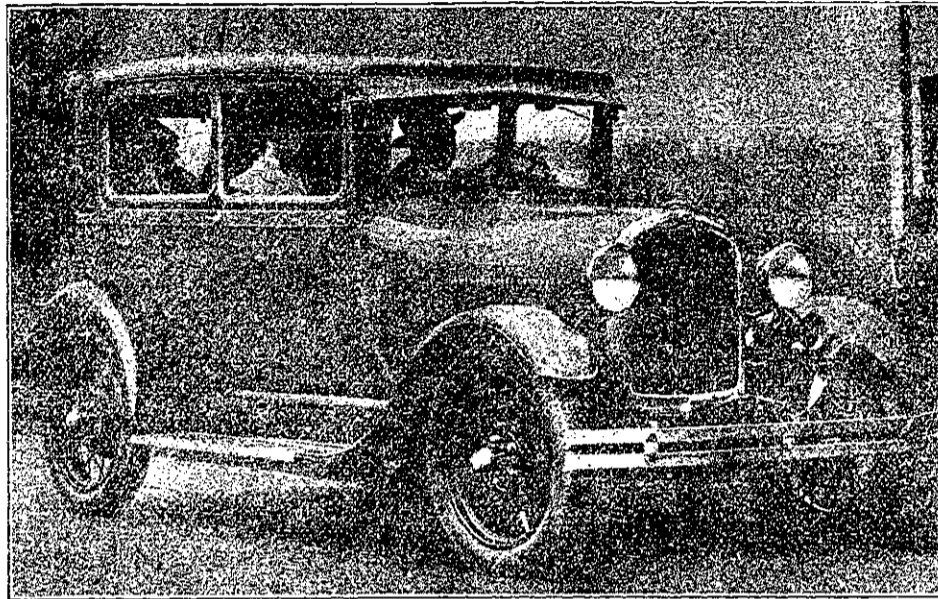
## Harvard-Operated Toll Bridge Was Forerunner of "Xylophone Viaduct"

### Archaic Structure Detested by Both Motorists And Pedestrians

When the present Senior Class was preparing for the College Board Examinations, or in May, 1924, to be exact, a contract was awarded for the repair of the Harvard bridge. A word of explanation may be necessary at this point, for perhaps only the members of the Faculty and a few graduate students remember the bridge. The old Harvard bridge, or then more commonly known under the rather connotative if not complementary name of the "Xylophone bridge," was a tribute to the inefficiency of the Boston and Cambridge Bridge Commission.

"Tech is hell" according to the well known cheer. This was well in keeping with the bridge that most of the students had to cross many times a day, for Milton said, "Long is the way and hard that out of hell leads up to light." And the way was long and hard! The bridge was of cantilever construction so that vibration in any one member was transmitted to all. Most of the floor boards were held down by the kind grace of gravity and by gravity

## How This New Ford Is Built Will Be Shown By The S. A. E. in Movies Friday



## S. A. E. WILL SHOW MOVIES OF FORD

### Detailed Construction of New Model "A" is Shown in Unusual Film

Five reels of official Ford Motor Co. film showing the construction of the new Ford model "A" have been secured for exhibition by the Technology student branch of the Society of Automotive Engineers. They will be shown in 10-250 at 3 o'clock on Friday, and the showing is open to the entire student body and their friends.

The film, which has had no public showing before, has been in the State of Massachusetts only a few days. It was secured through the courtesy of Professor Charles F. Park '92 and Mr. W. A. Francis, general manager for New England of the Ford Motor Co. The picture is not a sightseeing or advertising vehicle, but shows the actual details of construction, and is therefore notable. Close details in the construction, assembly, inspection and testing of the new model are shown, as are also the numerous new features and new and more exacting standards of measurement.

## ELECTRICAL MOVIES FOR A.I.E.E. MEETING

A meeting of the Electrical Engineering Society will be held in Room 5-330 at 3 o'clock today, when two motion picture films which the society has secured through the courtesy of the General Electric Company will be shown. Titles of the films are respectively: "Revelations by X-Ray," and "Power Transformers." The meeting is open to students of any course.

## WHITING PROGRAM CONSISTS OF BACH

### Crowded Hall Greeted Well Known Musician in First of Year's Concerts

Arthur Whiting was greeted by a crowded hall when he gave his first concert of the year to a Technology audience yesterday evening. The program consisted entirely of Bach's music, and Mr. Whiting, who played the harpsichord, was aided in presenting it by a corps of five first-class musicians.

Mr. Whiting, in his introductory talk, emphasized the importance of becoming acquainted with the fine arts, especially here where the average student gets so little culture in his curriculum. Music is one of the most enjoyable of these, appealing to the senses, the emotions, and the intellect. With the untrained person, music makes an impression only on the senses, but soon, after hearing an appreciable amount of good music, and an explanation and criticism of it, the average person can develop adequate understanding of it.

He then gave a short summary of the life of Johann Sebastian Bach, who was one of the most famous of the early classical composers, and lived in the early eighteenth century. Following this, Mr. Whiting gave a general explanation of Bach's music, and later, preceding each piece, gave a specific explanation of the movements it involved.

Bach's masterpieces are among the earliest in the development of classical composition in Europe. They are usually formal, but afford an excellent chance to begin the study and appreciation of music.

## DRAMASHOP SET FOR INITIAL PERFORMANCE

Satisfaction with the progress of the cast for "The Hairy Ape" was expressed yesterday by the management of the Tech Dramashop. Although there are still some few points that will require attention, it is confidently expected that a very creditable presentation will be given at the invitational performance for the instructing staff of the Institute, which is to be given Friday night. There will be two more dress rehearsals before the final presentation.

## PROM NOMINATIONS ARE DUE SATURDAY

Nominations of men to the Junior Prom Committee must be turned in at the Information Office, Room 10-100, by noon on Saturday. All nomination blanks must have the signature of five Juniors and also the signature of the nominee. Elections will be held next Wednesday, when five will be elected. According to the rules of the Elections Committee, nomination blanks must be submitted in the following form:

We, the undersigned members of the Class of 1929, do hereby nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for membership to the Junior Prom Committee.  
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## ADVISORY COUNCIL RULES FIFTH YEAR VI-A MEN ELIGIBLE

### Will Add to Funds on Hand to Pay for Cross Country Winter Outfits

### PASS A. A. CONSTITUTION

### Teams Must be Recognized by Council to Use Name "Technology"

Technology students in their fifth year in Course VI-A are now eligible for athletic competition on Varsity teams, according to the new ruling passed by the Advisory Council on Athletics at its meeting last night. This is exactly contrary to a temporary decision which was made by the Council early this fall.

Such a ruling is made possible because of the fact that VI-A men, although they are students for five years and are then candidates for their master's degree, are on leave of absence from Technology for an entire academic year, and do not obtain their bachelors' degrees until the end of their fifth year. However, this new regulation does not conflict with the three-year eligibility rule, in that these men can only have three years of Varsity competition. Consequently, a note of explanation to this effect was placed under the A. A. ruling which declares all candidates for advanced degrees ineligible for athletic competition.

**Vote Money for Cross Country**  
Acting on the request of the manager of cross country, the Advisory Council voted that the additional money needed for the purchase of winter outfits for the Varsity cross country team be appropriated. At present there is about two-thirds of the required sum available from the sale of apples in the Track House.

Due to the infringements on the Council ruling with regard to the use of the name "Technology" by the various teams, it was stated emphatically that before being permitted to use the name "Technology" in connection with any team, that team must have the official recognition of the Advisory Council. In particular, this name has been used incorrectly by the proposed M. I. T. Squash Club, whose team has as yet received no official recognition.

As the final business of the meeting the new Constitution and By-Laws of the M. I. T. A. A. were passed upon after they had been thoroughly discussed and frequent amendments made. These have been made necessary because the Association has undergone such a change in recent years as to make the former Constitution inadequate and inefficient.

Continuing the discussion of the last meeting, it was deemed inadvisable to permit Field Day football teams to play post-season games after Field Day since a number of their men would be ineligible for such competition, and thus the team which would play would be of an inferior quality, and would have a bad influence on the reputation of Technology.

## STUDENT'S AUTO IS STOLEN IN BACK BAY

William B. Thomas '29 left the meeting of the Advisory Council at the Engineers' Club early last night to study for some quizzes. But on reaching the street he found that his Chevrolet touring car, which he had counted on for transportation, was missing. A somewhat similar Chevrolet was parked not far away, but since it was out of commission, the theory of a possible mistake was discarded. That Thomas studied much at all last night is rather doubtful.

## CALENDAR

Wednesday, December 7  
12:30—Corporation XV Luncheon and Inspection Trip, Copley Plaza.  
7:15—Final Trials, Tech Show Orchestra, East Lounge, Walker.  
Thursday, December 8  
5:00—Radio Society, Room 10-200.  
Friday, December 9  
8:00—Northeastern Section American Chemical Society, Main Hall, Walker.  
8:00—S. A. E. Shows, Building of M. I. T.

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RELIGION—FELLOWSHIP—BUNCHES OF TRIPE

THERE appeared in this column of the Monday issue of THE TECH a rather provoking editorial, taken from "The Dartmouth," on the subject of the hypocrisy of the usual college fraternity man. At that time no comment was made by us upon the very radical attitude of the writer, in order that our readers might first draw their own conclusions as to the truth or falsehood of the statements.

This editorial was very obviously the work of one who either knew very little of the actual fraternity life or who was inclined to judge the entire fraternal world by the failure of one chapter to come up to the usual standard. Since Monday we have discussed the question with members of a large number of national fraternities which have chapters here at Technology, to every one of whom most of the ideas expressed by the Dartmouth paper appeared grossly absurd and without any resemblance whatever to the conditions in their own houses or to their formal business meetings held once each week.

In a very ludicrous attempt to show the similarity between the failures of both the Church and the fraternity, the writer first made the mistake of trying to compare two entirely dissimilar ideals—religion and fellowship—subjects as far removed from each other in their basic purposes as they could be. It would have been wise in making such controversial remarks to have begun a bit more rationally.

Professor William Adams Brown has just defined religion very inclusively as "the practical relation of the whole man to whatever he conceives to be ultimate in this universe." There is no mention at all of fellowship, of "well-done religious ceremony," or of anything that could be thought "a bunch of tripe." It is true that a fair proportion of college students have dropped any physical connection they might once have had with denominations in their earlier youth, but it is by no means true that they have lost any sense of, or respect for actual religion. Many of these men attend church services simply for the beauty and the relaxation that they offer; but whether they accept the various creeds or not, every one of those men has his own creed, vague and unformed as it may now be, to which he adheres just as reasonably and as firmly as the most staunch believers among the congregation. There is not a man in this world with the intellect of the average student who is not forming a personal conception of the ultimate in this universe—his own religion. Would he call this a "bunch of tripe"?

Rather mistaken indeed is this writer who puts religion and fraternal organization in the same category simply because each has its ritual in its own peculiar form. The editorial has classed ceremony as a "bunch of piffle." Were the writer to give a little thought to his words, he would find that in tossing ceremony to the winds he was scoffing at the customs of an entire world. There is scarcely a living man who does not go through day after day of contact with his fellowmen without ceremony in a hundred forms, a lack of which would leave life a comparatively dull and dreary monotony. The mere greeting of a friend with "Hello" is nothing but ceremony. Touching one's hat on meeting a lady is also ceremony—or custom, as you will. The handclasp, perhaps our closest symbol of fellowship, is ceremony once again. We wonder if that writer would willingly sacrifice these and a thousand more bits of ritual as "piffle."

Fraternity ceremony, except that it is on a greater scale, is only this sort of custom or tradition that is intended to impress upon the members a sense of the fellowship in which they live; it is by no means ineffective, any more than is firmly gripping the hand of a comrade on meeting or on parting.

We wonder in just what sort of society this writer was a member that he should claim to the world that a fraternity deserves no glorification and is only a social club—a waste of time. It is our earnest opinion that he has been guilty of a decided misrepresentation of the fraternity cause before the non-fraternity world; we are extremely out of sympathy with the writer's generalizations, based as they are upon illogical assumptions and a fatal lack of understanding of both religion and the actual fraternal motives.

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# M.I.T. SOCCER TEAM HAS POOR RECORD

Dr. Meiklejohn, president of the Experimental College of Wisconsin University, strongly objects to the modern college methods of rating the scholarship of students. He states that "No observation of what people are doing under certain conditions can be conclusive as to what they would be capable of under radically different conditions; and the plain fact is that our educational procedure does not as yet justify us in saying of what our students are or are not capable."

## HOCKEY TEAM TRAINS FOR HARVARD GAME

Tentative Lineup Will Be Selected Tomorrow

Tomorrow morning the Technology hockey team will have its last practice session before the opening game of the season with Harvard. The men are gradually getting into form but they have had so little action that the team that starts on Friday night can be considered only a tentative one. Capt. Crosby is going good and Mead Nock, and Fahey, veterans of last year have been doing well on the forward line. Lucey, Sophomore star, is going to be a good wing. White and Duplin have been playing defense, and four or five men have been playing goal.

## Next Year's Prospects Brightened by Return Of Seven Letter Men

### 1927 VARSITY SOCCER RECORD

	M.I.T.	Opponents
Northeastern .....	0	5
Worcester .....	2	1
Bradford Durfey .....	4	3
Clark .....	0	2
Springfield .....	0	3
Harvard .....	1	1
New Hampshire .....	1	2
Army .....	0	5

By Stuart Westerfield '31

Technology's soccer team has had a rather poor season this year, winning only two and tying one out of the eight games played. Their two victories were achieved at the expense of Worcester and Bradford, both teams being of average calibre. The tie was with Harvard, and was a considerable setback to the Crimson players, who expected to win this game.

Mong probably leads the list of the outstanding players of the year with Wyman a close second. Both of these men will be back again next year and will greatly aid to the strength of next year's team. Only four men will be lost this year and the team is looking forward to a successful season next year, with seven veterans returning.

Northeastern was the first game of the season and they defeated the Engineers without much trouble. The team played poorly and looked as if they didn't have much chance of winning games. However, Northeastern proved to be one of the leading New England teams as they have only lost one game which was to Springfield. In their recent selection of an all opponents team they chose Hawkins as one of the fullbacks on the mythical team.

In the next encounter Technology handed Worcester a 2-1 defeat. This was a very hard fought game, neither team scoring until well into the third period when Mong kicked a ball into the goal tender's hands who promptly dropped it letting Delahanty score. Worcester soon evened up the count and it would have been a tie game if Mong hadn't managed to sneak another one through the goal late in the period.

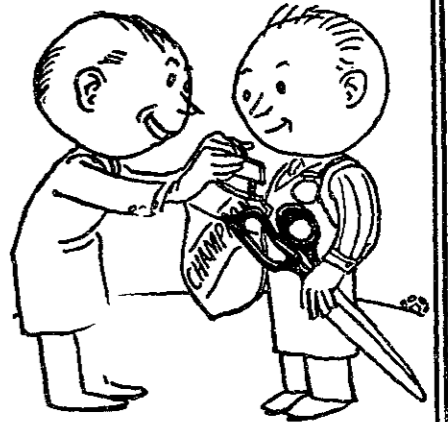
Technology just nosed out Bradford 4-3, on the following Wednesday in what proved to be one of the best

games of the season. The last ten minutes of this game was marked by some of the fastest and best soccer playing that had ever been seen around the Institute and neither team could be sure of the game until the final whistle.

After these two victories Clark handed the team a 2-0 setback in what was probably the poorest played game of the year. The playing was ragged throughout and the team didn't look at all like the outfit that nosed out Bradford Durfey on the previous Wednesday. It was in this game that Wyman's ability as a goal tender were brought out.

Springfield easily defeated the Engineers in the next game of the season, being a team of much higher cali-

bre than the Technology team was. They outclassed the Cardinal and Gray (Continued on Page 4)



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### NOTICES

#### SWIMMING

All men who plan to compete in the Interclass Swimming Meet must report at the University Club pool between 5 and 6 p. m., Wednesday, December 7. Time trials will be held at that time.

#### CORPORATION XV

Forty selected members of Corporation XV will be the guest of the Copley Plaza at a luncheon at 12:30 today. The lunch will be followed by an inspection trip through the hotel.

#### TECH SHOW ORCHESTRA

Final trials will be held tonight at 7:15 o'clock in the East Lounge, Walker.

### POOR SOCCER YEAR COMES TO FINISH

#### Seven Letter-men Eligible For Next Season's Varsity Promises Well

(Continued from page 3) from the start to the finish and there was never any doubt as to the outcome of this game.

Harvard was held a 1-1 tie chiefly through the wonderful fight that the Cardinal and Gray put up. The Crimson were a better organized team, but they could not get any of the breaks and the Engineers were a little too fast for the boys from Harvard.

Technology should have won the game with New Hampshire on the following Saturday, but they were nosed out 2-1. It seemed that the Wildcats got all the breaks and that none of the Technology men could get any scores across. This was probably one of the breaks of the season as the Wildcats are of about the same calibre as the Engineers.

A 5-0 defeat at the hands of the Army marked the final game of the season. The Army was one of the best teams that was met during the year, and it was also one of the roughest, as more men received injuries in this game than in any other.

ing for money matters; business is good, but most of his customers owe him big bills, and don't pay, and it seems as if he must go into bankruptcy. Then one of the few friends who hasn't deserted him in his need comes to his aid, and everyone lives happily ever after.

Walter Gilbert, in the role of Tito Lombardi, was almost the whole show. His interpretation of the dressmaker, an artiste, who speaks in that same sort of dialect which has made T. A. Daly famous, is capital; it is the best work we have yet seen him do. Clara Joel as Daisy, a mannequin, is responsible for much of the comedy. Day Manson, whose acting has always heretofore been amateurish and unconvincing, gave a most interesting performance as Richard Tosello, a "Vermicelli King."

W. J. D.

Some interesting facts have come to light as a result of the freshman physical examinations at Harvard. There is an increase of ten percent in the number of men who smoke, two percent more wear glasses and there is an increase of two percent in the number of men who have had appendices removed. As a result of a new ruling this year all men entering had to present a certificate showing that they have been vaccinated.

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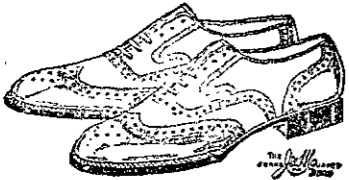
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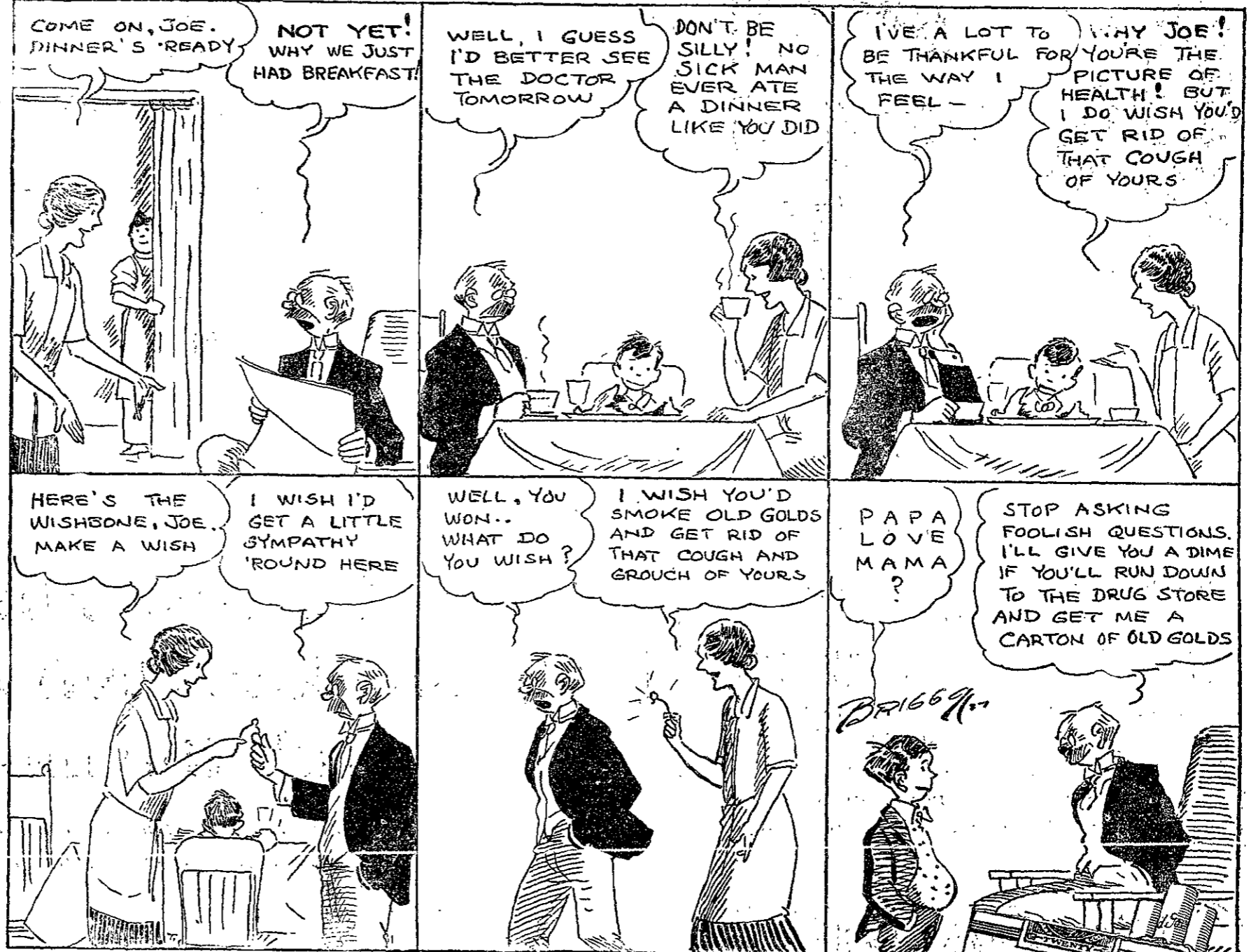
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