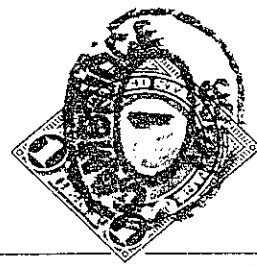
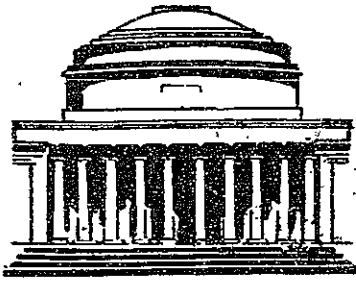


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## Sikorsky Speaks On Flying Boats For The Future

Noted Designer Predicts Europe  
To Be Reached In Trip  
Of 16 Hours

Slides Shown of "Air Giants"  
Having Promenade And Porch

Balanced Floating In Water  
Among Problems Faced  
By Engineers

Europe will soon be only sixteen hours away, predicted Igor Sikorsky, internationally known designer of flying boats, in a lecture yesterday afternoon.

Because less brake horsepower is required to propel the plane as it increases in size, expansion is almost limitless, Mr. Sikorsky said. A 150-ton ship is a present project of the Sikorsky firm. In less than ten years the 250-ton plane is expected. Air travel in flying boats will reduce the size of the globe to the extent that a long air trip will become impossible, Sikorsky explained showing slides of actual plans for an immense flying ship featuring dining rooms, shower baths, and luxurious staterooms practically everything but a swimming pool.

Mr. Sikorsky showed slides of some of his first "air giants," one of which featured a promenade deck on the top of the fuselage, and a front porch. He described the sensations of flight while standing on this promenade.

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Sikorsky

## Joint Musical Concert Is Presented Sunday By Tech - Radcliffe

Singers Assemble In Walker,  
Handel and Bach Works  
On Program

Over one hundred and fifty musicians will sing and play this Sunday afternoon, at 3:00 P. M. in the Main Hall of Walker Memorial, when the Radcliffe Choral Society will be the guest of the M. I. T. Musical Clubs in a joint concert.

The Radcliffe Choral Society has become quite well known recently, having made recordings in conjunction with the Harvard Glee Club, and will soon appear with that group in Symphony Hall, singing Beethoven's "Missa Solomnis."

Opening and closing the program with combined numbers, the groups will sing first "May No Rash Intruder," by Handel, Miss MacDonald conducting, and end with Bach's "To Thee Alone Be Glory," conducted by Mr. Henry J. Warren. The Tech Glee Club will then sing four numbers, followed by the Radcliffe singers presenting six. Among these songs of the Radcliffe club will be group of three Madrigals:—"I Go Before My Darling," by Morley; Nothing Fairer

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Musical Clubs

## Debates With Fulton, Bates Set For Monday

Arguing the subject of unicameral legislation, Robert Treat, Jr., '38, and Howard Schlansker, '38, will meet a team from Bates College Monday at 8 P. M. in a debate to be held in the Lecture Hall of the Boston Public Library.

This debate is a scheduled contest of the Eastern Intercollegiate Debate League, the championship of which Technology now holds. At the same time, Nicholas Shoumatoff, '38, and Joseph Bryan, '38, will debate the Fulton Debating Club on the subject of New Deal business regulation. Institute students, faculty members and their friends are cordially invited to attend these debates.

### Designer of Flying Boats



Staff Photo  
Igor Sikorsky

## T.C.A. To Sponsor Annual Embassies

Several Large Dinners Planned;  
Drs. Kinsolving And  
Lovett Speak

With twenty fraternities, the dorms, and the Graduate House enlisted the Second Annual Tech Embassy will get under way on Tuesday and Wednesday March 29 and 30.

In running the Embassy which once a year enables Tech students to seriously consider religion, the Technology Christian Association has planned several large dinners and meetings. This year the T. C. A. has secured as principal speaker Reverend Arthur Lee Kinsolving of Trinity Church of Boston who originated the idea of college embassies at Amherst eleven years ago. He will speak on "Religion in Life" in Room 10-250 at 4 P. M. on Tuesday. Dean Bush will preside.

On Tuesday night each of the twenty fraternities will have as its guest for dinner and bull session, a member of the clergy; the graduate house 5:15 Club and the dorms will have dinner meetings in Walker and will be addressed by speakers on the same subject.

On Wednesday Dr. Sidney Lovett will follow up the discussions of the previous day in a general meeting. Dr. Lovett is the Chaplain at Yale University.

## Final Vote Tabulation In Faculty, Student M. S. Poll

Open to both Faculty members and students, will be a Spring Photographic Exhibition to be hung in the second floor corridor of Building 3 on Wednesday, April 6.

The exhibition which is sponsored by the Faculty Club will include subjects of any description. Prints must be delivered to the Placement Office, Room 3-213, on or before April 4. Selections are to be placed in the halls outside the office.

## Commons Room In Rogers Originated As Testing And Foundry Laboratory

Dramashop's twenty-second and final production at Rogers on April second, will mark the close of the Commons Room's colorful role in student life at Technology.

The Commons Room originated many years ago as a testing and foundry laboratory. Now, however, only the anvil block lingering in the center of the entrance remains. Ralph A. Crane, who was Chairman of the Department of Agriculture during the war, likes to refer to the old post as the execution block, and to the wrought iron hook above it as the grim resting place of bloody severed Technology heads.

Laboratory Changed to Playroom  
In 1919 William Emerson came to Rogers as head of the Department of Architecture. His practical architectural eye spotted the possibilities

# Optional R.O.T.C. Favored By Students And Faculty; Scattered Voting In Poll

## Faculty Count For Voluntary M. S. Is 104-68

## Also Favored By Large Student Majority In Survey

Technology opinion, as shown in The Tech's polls of both faculty and student body, leans toward liberalization of the Institute's present official attitude on R. O. T. C., indicating a preference for optional rather than compulsory Military Science courses.

The faculty count, made on the preferential basis, revealed an intensification of the liberal trend displayed in the preliminary count earlier this week, with 104 for voluntary R. O. T. C. against 68 for compulsory R. O. T. C. with exceptions for conscientious objectors, in the final tally.

In the student poll, held in conjunction with the general Poll of Student Opinion last Wednesday, there was an even more pronounced favoring of voluntary Military Training, with 227 voting for this option as compared with 71 for outright compulsory training and 69 for compulsory training with exceptions for conscientious objectors. Forty-three were in favor of having no R. O. T. C. at (Continued on page 3)  
R. O. T. C. Poll

## Officials Confiscate Photographs Taken By Technology Student

## Professor Walter Voss Rebukes Newspapers For False Publicity

Professor Walter C. Voss, head of course XVII sent an angry denial yesterday to the offices of the Boston Globe and American for the false publicity given to Tomas de los Reyes, '39, an engineering construction student, who was accosted by police for taking views of the Navy Yard with a small camera from the Suffolk courthouse structure. The articles accused de los Reyes as being a Japanese spy.

De los Reyes, who is a Filipino, was in a group of Tech students who were inspecting the construction under Howard R. Staley, M. I. T. instructor. The film, which contained views of the city besides some personal shots, was seized by Navy officials.

## Sophs Wreak Vengeance On Dummy Created By Freshman

Allegedly representing the typical Institute Sophomore, a dummy advertising the coming freshman dance was erected by the dance committee Tuesday at noon in the Main Lobby.

About three-quarters of an hour later a group of Sophomores, after reading the derogatory note pinned to the figure, tore the dummy down. They destroyed it and escaped with some of its clothes.

The effigy, before desecration by the Sophomores, was dressed in a dark coat and shoes, lighter trousers and white work gloves. It was hung by its pin-head to a gallows on which was pinned a card with the numerals 1940.

## Inst. Comm. Hears R.O.T.C. Proposal

## Abolition Of Vice-Presidential Class Offices Proposed To Committee

Presentation by the American Student Union of a resolution advocating the establishment of the R. O. T. C. at the Institute on a voluntary basis, approval of the Junior Prom Committee's final budget, and abolition of nominations to the office of Vice-President in class elections featured last night's meeting of the Institute Committee.

Prompted by the results of The Tech's recent faculty poll on military training, the Technology chapter of the A. S. U., represented by Joseph L. Shill, '40, laid before the Committee for consideration a proposition which would place the present Military Science Department on a strictly voluntary basis, with optional courses under the Division of Humanities, one of the four major divisions of instruction at the Institute.

William F. Wingard, '33, chairman of the Junior Prom Committee, made a report of the financial result of the affair held by the Class of 1939 on (Continued on page 3)  
Institute Committee

## Tau Beta Pi Selects New Chapter Members

## Prof. Whitman And Ten Juniors Honored By Election

Tau Beta Pi national honorary engineering fraternity, announced the election of Professor Walter C. Whitman and ten Technology Juniors to membership in the Institute chapter Tuesday night.

The new student members are Woodson W. Baldwin, Jr.; Harold Chestnut, John R. Diver, Roy C. Heacock, Stuart Paige, George G. Poulsen, Charles T. Ryver, Jr.; Paul E. Sanborn, John G. Vyverberg, Jr., and William F. Wingard.

Among the qualifications necessary to attain the honor of Tau Beta Pi membership are very high scholastic standing and a certain degree of prominence in extra-curricular activities. The fraternity's standards are high and selection for membership tends a student distinction conferred by few other honors, scholastic or otherwise.

Among the organization's senior members are such well-known student leaders as John F. Wallace, Frederick J. Kolb, Jr., Dale F. Morgan, Welcome W. Bender, and Franklin S. Atwater.

## National, Foreign Policies Show No Unanimity

## Majority Of 409 Votes Only For Defense, Optional R.O.T.C.

Marked by widely scattered voting, Student Opinion Poll results show that Technology students in general are uncertain about their positions on domestic and international issues facing America today.

A majority of the 409 students who filled out questionnaires Wednesday agreed on only two questions, that of defending the United States in case of invasion and that of making R. O. T. C. optional in all non-military schools and colleges.

## Condoned Only Defensive War

Although 280 declared that they would defend continental United States in case of invasion, only 95 are willing to fight in any war declared by the United States. Only 31 said they would enlist in no war whatsoever, while 62 will fight in defense of American rights abroad.

Opinions on how to keep the United States at peace varied widely. (Continued on page 4)  
Student Poll

## Dramashop To Present "The Devil's Disciple" Beginning Next Week

## Play By George Bernard Shaw To Be Shown In Rogers For Three Days

George Bernard Shaw's, "The Devil's Disciple," will be presented by Dramashop on March 31 and April 1 and 2. The setting is Revolutionary New England.

At the beginning of the play, Mr. Dudgeon has just died and left his fortune to his prodigal son Richard. The British, advancing from the nearby city, hang Richard's uncle as a traitor, and come to take the village minister. Through a case of mistaken identity, the Devil's Disciple divulges his true character and wins the respect of the community.

The cast is as follows: Jack F. Chapin, '38, the Devil's Disciple; Theodore S. Lasherger, '38, the Rev. Mr. Anthony; Marion L. Harper, G. as Judith An'erson; Vernon G. Lippitt, '38, as Gentleman Johnny Burgoyne; Nicholas E. Carr, Jr., '39, as Major Swinton, and Marjorie Whitcomb, '39, as Mrs. Dudgeon.

Tickets are on sale at the T. C. A. office, the information desk, and in Room 2-178 for 50 cents.

## 5:15 Sponsors Banquet For Fathers and Sons

The 5:15 Club will hold its third annual Father and Sons banquet at 7 P. M. Friday evening in the North Hall of Walker Memorial. The dinner will be followed by an address given by Professor Robert E. Rogers who spoke at the same function last year.

Following the informal dinner the group will adjourn to the Walker gymnasium where boxing, wrestling, fencing and tumbling exhibitions will be given.

Although Professor Rogers will be the only speaker, other professors have been invited, and a total of 130 people is expected to attend.

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Commons Room

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## VOLUNTARY R.O.T.C.

### FOR TECHNOLOGY

ONE of the most vital questions of student life, voted on in the poll this Wednesday was that of the R.O.T.C. The results show that more than half of those who voted were in favor of volunteer military training, while only about ten per cent advocated no R. O. T. C. at Technology.

Further than this, the poll showed that almost three quarters of the voters would be willing to fight if the United States were invaded, while less than a quarter wanted to fight for American rights abroad, or in any war the Government might declare.

Assuming that this poll is representative, it may be that the students interested in the defense of our nation would take the training whether it is required or not and at the same time those who were not interested would not be required to drill during their first two years.

A great improvement that will arise from making R. O. T. C. optional is that the military caliber of the men electing the courses will be much finer because of their genuine interest in the work. At present many freshmen and Sophomores are apt to regard the R. O. T. C. courses with little respect, and "getting away" with something in these courses is considered clever and fashionable.

The student poll has definitely shown that Technology men are not in favor of having R. O. T. C. forced down their throats whether they wish it or not. But the number of men who claimed an interest in compulsory military training is large enough to warrant the continuation of an extensive optional military science department at the Institute, a department compact and efficient with students interested in the work offered.

Other arguments for voluntary training need not be enumerated here. They may be summed up, perhaps, by the statement that voluntary military service in peace time has always been one of the principles of our government and that students come to the Institute with the desire to be trained for a scientific, not a military career.

The students are in favor of the optional course, the faculty is not adverse. Why not make the change?

## ALUMNI BOMBARDED

### BY FUND DRIVE COMMITTEE

TO the undergraduate who is in a position to observe the operations of alumni fund campaign, the recent operations of the committee seems the most promising yet. Within the past two weeks there have been sent to the alumni the first five of a series of short,

snappy circulars with the apparent intent to catch the attention of the busy ex-student and in no small measure shame him into a pledge or the enlargement of a pledge already made.

During the first months of the fund drive, the committee glided along, depending on the publicity of the first announcement of the new gymnasium, aided by a few lengthy letters signed by various personages including President Compton. But after the novelty of the first idea had worn off and all the alumni had seen the plans for the new gym and had a chance to criticize the proposed architecture, the volume of pledges and contributions began rapidly to fall off long short of the quota.

Undoubtedly, the recent dinner meeting of the local fund drive committee, got the ball rolling anew and gave rise to the recent bombardment of alumni resistance. The circulars seem to be about as effective a means of awakening the slumbering alumni as could be imagined. Following one after the other in rapid succession, they take little jibes at the ridiculousness of the present gymnasium facilities in comparison with the adequacies of the Institute layout as a whole. In one was a picture of the Institute as it would look in a warped mirror; another showed the buildings about to tumble down for want of repair and tin cans and goats in the great court, and the most recent shows a close-up of the storm battered entrance to the hangar with the subline running something like "bronze furnished grand entrance to the Technology gymnasium, showing the remarkable interior lighting." It appears doubtful that even the most resistant of alumni could for long withstand such a barrage of literature; it seems that all are bound to give in before long if for no nobler reason than to put a stop to these ghastly reflections upon the unbalanced situation caused by abominable condition of athletic facilities of the alma mater.

Of course it is unfortunate that this time was picked for raising of money; a time when it seemed that prosperity was on the way in but when conditions were actually to take an unforeseen turn for the worse. But, once the plans have been laid and the drive started, it is too late to turn back and the best procedure seems to make the best of conditions and eke out the necessary cash shekel by shekel.

## Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

Though the ideas put forward in the letter from the Executive Committee of the Technology ASU in your issue of March 22 are attractive to the emotions I do not think that they will stand rational consideration.

Fascism as a national disease is caused or at least aggravated by lack of an assured supply of raw materials. (The fundamental cause, is the general frailty of human nature.) The cure proposed by the Executive Committee is to deny to the fascist nations what raw materials they are at present able to obtain.

The United States could impose sanctions of the sort suggested with fair safety to herself. It is quite different however with the nations with whom she might be expected to cooperate. They are not named in the Executive Committee's letter but it may be assumed with reasonable certainty that they are France, Great Britain and Russia. If these nations were to apply effective economic sanctions the first result would almost certainly be war as each lies within easy striking distance of at least one of the fascist nations and these are far more likely to try to scare the sanctionists out of sanctioning than to submit tamely. It would be asking a lot of the United States to expect it to stay out of a war which its sanctions had a great part in starting.

I would suggest that instead of collective action to deny the fascist nations raw materials, etc. what we need is collective action to ensure that they get their fair share. Their present phase is certainly rather trying to the rest of the world, but it must be remembered that it is the outcome of twenty years or so of wrong and unfair treatment. A few years of good treatment should suffice to relieve the most distressing symptoms.

A Graduate.

## Reviews and Previews

**FINE ARTS**—Mayerling, with Charles Boyer and Danielle Darieux, French sensation recently "found" by Hollywood, is the main attraction at this house.

**UPTOWN**—The new show here features Grace Moore in *I'll Take Romance* and *The Big Broadcast of 1938*, with W. C. Fields and Dorothy Lamour.

**PARAMOUNT AND FENWAY**—Warren Williams, Robert Montgomery and Virginia Bruce star in *The First Hundred Years*, while Edward G. Robinson is featured in *A Slight Case of Murder*.

**SCOLLAY AND MODERN**—Starting today, Sally, Irene and Mary, with Fred Allen, Jimmy Durante and Alice Faye, alternates with *The Daredevil Rider*.

**MEMORIAL**—Shirley Temple's latest picture, *Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm*, has been held over by public demand as has Bill Robinson, who is the main stage attraction.

**BOSTON**—After a record seven week first run showing in Boston, Walt Disney's *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*, has been retained for the third week at this theatre. Featured on the stage is the *Variety Review*. An hour of short subjects completes the program.

**METROPOLITAN**—Claudette Colbert and Gary Cooper are starred in *Bluebeard's Wife*, new comedy here which has its premiere at this house. Mr. Moto's Gamble, with Peter Lorre, shares the screen.

**EXETER**—International Settlement features Delores Del Rio and George Saunders, while Jane Withers is starred in *Checkers*.

**STATE AND ORPHEUM**—Robert Taylor's latest vehicle, *Yank at Oxford* has been held over for another week. The companion feature is *Little Miss Roughneck*, with Leo Carillo.

**UNIVERSITY**—Edward G. Robinson is starred in *The Last Gangster*, while *Love Is a Headache* shares the screen. Starting Sunday *Sonja Henie* is featured in *Happy Landing*. You're Only Young Once will also be shown.

## Musical Clubs

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Have I Seen; The Nightingale, by Weelkes.

The M. I. T. Orchestra, under Mr. Walter B. Scheirer, will then play three numbers, "Selections from Tannhauser," by Wagner; Intermezzo from Goyescas, by Granados, and a tango, *Jalousie*, by Gade.

The second half of the program will be similar to the first, the Technology Club singing first, then the Radcliffe singers, and a joint number at the end.

### Next Concert Is With Lasell

The next concert of the M. I. T. Glee Club will be with Lasell Junior College, at Longwood Towers, on April 9. This will be the first of two concerts with Lasell, the second one being on May 7, at Lasell.

## Nautical Association Opens Racing Season

### Three Intercollegiate Regattas Are To Be Featured

With three intercollegiate regattas on its program, the Nautical Association will open the spring racing season on Saturday, March 26, one week ahead of schedule.

On April 23 and 24 Technology will be the host of The Intercollegiate Yacht Racing Association, and will again try to capture the Morss Memorial Trophy in a field of seven other Eastern colleges including Harvard, Brown, Dartmouth, Yale, Cornell, Williams and Princeton. Last year the Institute team far outclassed the other schools and won the trophy by a margin of 15 points. Again on May 6 Technology will hold its biannual invitation event, the Boston Dinghy Club Regatta, which was also won by the Institute team. Invitations for this meet, one of the largest intercollegiate dinghy races held in the East, may have been sent to thirty-two colleges in the United States and Canada.

Besides these two regattas which will be held on the Charles, the Tech Sailors will journey to Providence to participate in the final event of the season to be held by Brown.

### Amendment

All undergraduate organizations are required to amend their constitutions to include the following:

(a) Duties of the President:  
 "The President, within the first month of his active term of office, shall review the copy of this constitution on file with the Institute Committee and certify to its correctness."

(b) Duties of the Secretary:  
 "The Secretary shall transmit to the Walker Memorial Committee the names of all members elected or appointed to any office in the . . . organization. This notification shall be made at the time such election or appointment becomes official."

(c) Duties of the Treasurer:  
 "The treasurer shall submit to the Budget Committee such financial reports as the Budget Committee shall request, and shall keep the Budget Committee informed of the financial condition of the . . . organization at all times."

(d) Amendments:  
 All amendments shall be submitted to the Institute Committee for approval, and shall not take effect until that approval has been granted."

Notice that the changes which have been made shall be filed with the Institute Committee before Thursday, April 7, 1938.

RICHARD B. YOUNG,  
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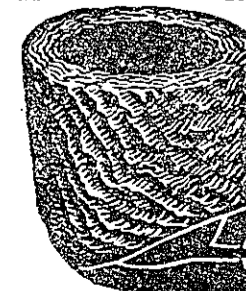
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### Tabulation of Student Opinion Poll Voting

Following are figures summarizing the opinions of 409 Technology students on questions of paramount interest to the world today. Statements under each heading were not mutually exclusive and voters checked all statements of which they approved. The poll was conducted Wednesday by The Tech in conjunction with the Brown Daily Herald and the United States Peace Committee.

Questions:

- I favor adoption of American policies in the Far East of
  - Application of a popular Consumer's Boycott against Japan 160
  - Withdrawal of all American forces in China. 153
  - Application of the Neutrality Act. 86
  - Declaring Japan an aggressor and stopping all relations with her. 113
  - Collective action with Great Britain and Russia to stop Japanese aggression in China. 119
  - Repeal of the Oriental Exclusion Act. 28
- I favor adoption of policies with regard to R.O.T.C. of
  - Making it optional in all non-military schools and colleges. 277
  - Making it compulsory in State land grant colleges. 116
  - Abolishing it entirely from non-military schools and colleges. 49
- I favor adoption of policies for keeping the United States at peace of
  - Unqualified neutrality in all foreign wars. 152
  - Participation in economic sanctions against aggressor nations. 158
  - Positive collective action with Great Britain, France and Russia to maintain peace by any means, military sanctions if necessary. 109
  - Complete isolation. 41
  - Entrance into a revised League of Nations with provisions for peaceful change and revision of treaties greatly strengthened. 106
  - Discontinuance of Neutrality in favor of Spanish Loyalists. 51
  - Discontinuance of Neutrality in favor of Spanish Rebels. 18
- I will fight
  - If continental United States is invaded. 280
  - In defense of American rights abroad. 62
  - In any war the Government may declare. 95
  - In no war the Government may declare. 31
- I favor a military and naval policy of
  - Reduction in naval expenditures. 57
  - Passage of the present billion dollar naval appropriations bill. 188
  - Progressive disarmament in cooperation with other powers. 156
  - Reduction of the navy, but an increase in the army for defense of continental America. 30
  - Stabilization of the army and navy at their present level. 108
- I favor at Technology
  - Compulsory R.O.T.C. 71
  - Compulsory R.O.T.C. for all except conscientious objectors. 69
  - Voluntary R.O.T.C. 227
  - No R.O.T.C. 43

### A. B. Booth Victor In P. T. Track With 520

#### Wallace, Sumner Gain Places In Annual Competition

Alfred B. Booth was announced today as the winner of the annual P. T. Track Competition. His topflight score was 5220 points. Following him the next nine men and their scores are: John F. Wallace, 481; Edwin V. Sumner, 457; John F. Lyons, 436; John J. Nagle, 420; Warren J. Ceyers, 411; Lewis T. Jester, 405; William L. Babcock, 390; Camille J. Kosztyla, 386; David S. McNally, 375.

The high points of the competition were the two records broken during its course. Nagle broke Jim Thomson's shot record with a heave of 47 feet 9 1/4 inches. The other record breaking feat is of somewhat dubious legality. Lyons broke the long standing fifty-yard dash record when he ran it in 5.4 seconds in a strong wind. The previous record of 5.6 seconds was held by a number of runners and has been in existence for years.

### Frosh Gymnasts Beat Sumner High School

With thirty Institute freshmen competing, the freshman gym team defeated a squad from Sumner High School by the score of 21 to 15, scoring on a 3-2-1 basis.

- The results:
- High Bar—Bestosso (S), Higgins (S), Ingersoll (T).
  - Rope Climb—Holley (T), Higgins (S), Berquist (T).
  - Side Horse—Anthony (T), Ackerson (T), Stamm (T).
  - Parallel Bars—Higgins (S), Bestosso (S), Card, Neal (tie) (S).
  - Rings—Ackerson (T), Higgins (S), Fletcher (T).
  - Tumbling—Ackerson (T), Frost (T), Hirata (T).

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### M. I. T. Fencing Team To Meet B. Y. M. C. U.

Having lost four of their last six meets this season, the varsity fencers will endeavor to extend their wins to four this week-end when they engage Boston College Friday at 5:30 and Boston Young Men's Christian Union Saturday at 2:30. Both tilts will take place in the Walker gym. Although both the invaders have good teams and should provide stiff competition for the Beavers, the Tech aggregation is expected to come out on top without much difficulty.

Representing the Institute will be Bill Postman, '39; H. Isbenjian, '40; Ray Krieger, '40 and John Bech, '40.

### Sikorsky

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The flying boat is, and will continue to be the biggest vehicle of air travel, the speaker said. This type of ship presents five problems to the engineer, according to Sikorsky. It must be capable of balanced floating while standing still in the water; it must be able to move at steamship speed, in a balanced condition; it must fly; and finally, its hull must give the service of a landing gear.

The Sikorsky hulls are tested by towing models with a motor boat and later making more accurate tests in an indoor basin. Mr. Sikorsky is known as the pioneer of the flying boat and the multi-motored air giant.

### Sixty Candidates Out For Baseball

#### Hecker, Peskoe, Arch, Seabury Are Interclass Managers Of Baseball Teams

Attended by over sixty, the mass meeting of baseball candidates held last Wednesday opened the baseball season for Tech with a bang. The first practice was held yesterday with the twenty or so fellows who came merely throwing the ball around for the most part. It was a warmup practice to stir some of the rust out of the boys.

At the mass meeting managers of the class teams were elected. They are: R. H. Seabury for the freshman team, A. Arch for the Sophomore team, I. Peskoe for the Juniors and H. C. Hecker for the seniors.

In connection with the discussion on the interclass teams, it was emphasized that all graduate students are welcome.

It was definitely decided to organize an independent team to meet outside opponents, such as college Jay Veas, etc. The name tentatively proposed for the independent team was "Cambridge Intercollegians."

### Tech Riflemen Clinch League Championship

#### Outcome Decided By Victory Over U. of Vermont

Announcement yesterday of an eleven point victory over the University of Vermont clinches for the Beaver rifle team the New England Intercollegiate League Championship. According to a bulletin received from the National Rifle Association, the Shooting Engineers were on the long end of a score of 1359 to 1348.

This match is the final league match on the schedule and gives the marksmen a standing of eight victories and one defeat, a percentage which is high enough to take first place. Next is the United States Coast Guard Academy with seven victories and one defeat, while Vermont brings up third with seven victories and two defeats.

**Leave for Intercollegiates**  
 This afternoon the sharpshooters leave for New London, Conn., where they are to shoot in the regional intercollegiate which are being held this year on the range of the Coast Guard Academy. The team will be composed of Charles H. Maak, '38, the team captain; Robert W. Pratt, '39; Humbert P. Pacini, '39; Seymour E. Heymann, '39, and Norman L. Davis, '40.

### Inst. Com.

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March 4. A reading by Wingard of the final budget of the Prom Committee disclosed a total expenditure of \$2290 and total receipts of \$2290, netting no profit or no loss. The budget was approved.

Passage was also effected of the proposed amendment to the Elections Committee By-Laws, namely that "in the election of class officers there shall be no candidate for Vice-President. Votes cast for President shall be so recorded that the first candidate to receive a majority shall be declared Vice-President."

Considering the advisability of the Combined Professional Societies' proposal to absorb the Student-Faculty Committee, Gibson, asking the cause of the need for a change from the present set-up, called for an explanation. James B. Hess, '38, replied on

## SPORTS COMMENT

Unorganized baseball sort of stole a march on organized baseball here at Tech this week. While the various committees were lumbering into action, after the fashion of all committees; the spring-like weather of the past few days lured many extemporaneous teams into action on the "campus".

We even saw a bunch of dorm rumors mixing it up basebally with some small lads from out Cambridge way. Both sides were having a swell time.

Jack Wood will probably be known from now on as "also the big wig in charge of the Dinghy House". However in spite of his new responsibilities, he will still undoubtedly be very much in view at the boat house. It was in connection with this that we noticed particularly an article in last Sunday's Herald Tribune.

The article was a resume of a survey by Mr. Wood on intercollegiate yachting, and reflected much glory on Tech. He brought out that intercollegiate yachting is of quite recent origin, having been started about 1929, but that it has gained tremendous impetus since then. Thirty-one colleges are now listed as participating in this sport. Twenty-three of these colleges have 1,333 listed members, with the Institute topping the individual totals with 479. Most of the colleges use dinghies, of various types; although the Naval Academy has a fleet of Star boats. A total of 161 boats are listed by the colleges.

The boxing tournament has been crippled by the prevalence of typhoid inoculations now going the rounds of the school. About twenty are now signed up for the tournament, with perhaps half again as many more expected to compete. Coach Rawson says the interest in boxing is much greater this year than it has been for a long time, particularly among the upper classmen. He reports that many members of other teams are coming to him for coaching in boxing.

With all this evident interest, why shouldn't it be feasible to reinstate boxing here, if not as an intercollegiate sport then as an intermural sport? There is a growing feeling here in favor of intermural sports. Witness the Beaver Key's intermural program, the intermural baseball, squash, bowling. Why not include boxing, and wrestling, in this program?

Tech men may not be able to get into condition to face intercollegiate opponents, but they can certainly face each other.

The rifle team has certainly been going great guns this year. It is now a cinch for champ in N. E. Intercollegiate League, seems a pretty good bet for the Eastern Championship, which will be shot off this Saturday, and is slated for second in the Hearst Trophy. The reports from this last have not been officially issued yet though. In addition the team is rumored to have one of the Hearst individual championships, although this also cannot be confirmed until the official scores of that have been issued.

behalf of the C. P. S.; Dale F. Morgan, '38, of the Student-Faculty Committee.

After further discussion, the motion was sharply defeated.

Other business transacted at the meeting included the approval of the budget for the freshman dance and the new Dormitory Constitution.

Under unfinished business, Frederick J. Kolb, Jr., '38, announced that all recognized activities had been informed of the pending motion of the Institute Committee which requires that all such activities "modify their Constitutions to include the new Section 22, Article X, amendment to the Institute By-Laws." He then proposed a motion that such amending shall have been accomplished by the next regular meeting of the Institute Committee. After some discussion, the motion was passed.

The Constitution of The Clef, new organization of students interested in music appreciation, was accepted. The motion to approve the Constitution had been on the table since the last meeting of the Committee.

### R.O.T.C. Poll

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all. Second choices were not provided for in the student ballot.

The faculty first choices revealed much the same distribution, except there was not so high a differential between the voluntary and compulsory with the exceptions for conscientious objectors, 40 favored outright compulsory and 16 wanted no R. O. T. C.

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# CALENDAR

## Friday

12:30 P. M.—Graduate Committee Luncheon—Silver Room.  
6:30 P. M.—5:15 Club Father and Son Dinner—North Hall.  
7:00 P. M.—Orchestra Rehearsal—East Lounge.

## Saturday

1:00 P. M.—Chess Club Meeting, East Lounge.  
3:00 P. M.—Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Delta Kappa Epsilon basketball—Hangar Gym.  
6:30 P. M.—Boston Bacteriological Society Dinner—Faculty Room.

## Sunday

10:00 A. M.—Chinese Students Club Basketball—Hangar Gym.  
3:00 P. M.—Combined Musical Clubs—Main Hall.

## Monday

12:30 P. M.—Electrical Engineering Luncheon—Silver Room.  
5:00 P. M.—Technique Meeting—East Lounge.

## Student Poll

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with unqualified neutrality and its antithesis of economic sanctions against aggressor nations slight favorites over collective military action and revised League of Nations activity.

In keeping with the sentiment favoring non-military tactics, more than 150 indicated a desire for progressive disarmament in co-operation with other powers. A larger group, 188, urged the passage of the present billion dollar naval appropriations bill, however.

### Optional R. O. T. C.

In addition to favoring the establishment of voluntary military training courses at Technology, voters Wednesday extended the preference for this type of R. O. T. C. to training courses in all non-military schools and colleges. Comparatively few, 9, wished to have the entire R. O. T. C. abolished.

As in most of the other issues, opinion on American policies in the Far East was not very decisive, preference being shown, however, for a Consumer's Boycott against Japan and withdrawal of all American forces in China.

The complete tabulation of votes will be turned over to the Brown Daily Herald to take its place with nearly 900 more college poll results. Nationwide figures will be released April 25.

## A.S.U. Chooses Theme For Open House Exhibit To Be Held April 30

### Resolution Favoring Optional Military Training Adopted

Science's dual role as a creator in time of peace and a destroyer in time of war will be the central theme of an Open House exhibit being prepared by a committee chosen at Wednesday's meeting of the American Student Union. The co-operation of several student photographers has already been obtained and the assistance of any other students who are interested in this topic will be welcome, according to Harold L. Posner, G, chairman of the committee.

A resolution in favor of making R. O. T. C. optional and offering an alternative course under the Department of Humanities on the causes of war and the possibilities of peace, was unanimously adopted at the meeting.

Following a report by Joseph L. Shill, '40, president of the Chapter, on the recent District A. S. U. Convention, Alfred J. Green, '40; Richard Hanau, '39, and Shill were unanimously ratified as members of the newly-formed New England District Committee.

## Commons Room

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to the outside world. The sense of dignified simplicity and charm of the tiny theatre—it seats only two hundred—urged H. T. Parker, the Boston Transcript's renowned drama critic, to liken its spirit to that of the famous Abbey Theatre in Dublin.

Already the end of the present Commons Room is in sight. Many of its furnishings have been packed away and labeled for shipment—and after next week's performance Technology's unique theatre will probably have seen its last great crowds, except for the Alumni Day gathering in June. The architects hope that the atmosphere of mellow friendliness will be carried over to the new Commons Room in Building Seven.

## Institute Secretaries Hold Informal Supper

Over 150 of Technology's secretaries and their invited guests were present at an informal supper and social hour held last Tuesday evening in the Emma Rogers Room. Entertainment for the affair, which was planned by Mrs. Barbara Thomas, of the Physics Department and Miss Marjorie Fuller of the Technology Review, was furnished by Miss Leone Herrell, News Service, who gave monologues and dramatic representations.

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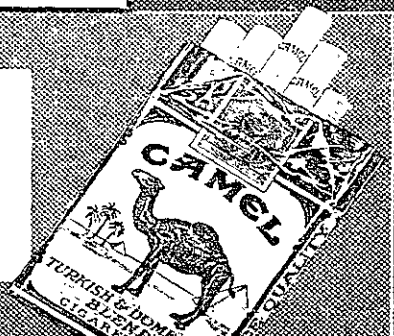
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