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Commuters Also Asked To Join Open House

The Dormitory Committee has invited commuter students to join the Open House. The Open House will be held on Sunday, April 12, from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Commuters are encouraged to attend and learn more about the Tech.

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It is reasonable to suppose that this negative response indicates an apathy in regard to religious matters on the part of the Technology student, coupled with a distaste for "preaching" and for the Sunday night church social. But we cannot overlook the possibility that lack of interest in the Emlynai may also be seen as an active disapproval of the tenets of organized religion.

Although our churches are loath to admit the fact, religion seems to be waging a losing battle against skepticism aroused by scientific progress, and against a lack of respect for religious teachings manifested by changing standards of "good" and "evil." Secular workers should thus be very much interested in the results of the TECH poll on April 15. Knowledge of the scientist's attitude is necessary; if religious ideas are to be adapted to a changing world in order that the onslaught of skepticism, destroying fundamental concepts of dogma, may not sweep away with it the moral standards on which civilization is based.

**Letters to the Editor**

To the Editor:

In a letter in your column on March 29 two students asserted that the recent peace poll conducted by THE TECH was not conclusive because of the small number of votes cast. In particular, the writers claimed that the voting did not prove that there exists in the Institute an overwhelming sentiment against compulsory R. O. T. C.

Believing that there is a great interest in the question of compulsory versus voluntary military training, the American Student Union decided to hold a debate and open forum discussion on this subject. We planned the discussion for Wednesday, April 5, 1938 and attempted to secure faculty members to speak in favor of the respective opinions. Professor William Greens agreed to speak in favor of voluntary drill, but we have been unable to obtain a man to defend compulsory drill.

Because many non-military Professors as well as students have expressed themselves in favor of the voluntary system, we believe that the program will be launched early next week.

Joseph Shill

**TIME OUT FOR THOUGHT**

Last evening the Tech Open Forum held a meeting to discuss the question, "Religion and the student." The number of class members who attended the two hours devoted to Technical subjects at the Institute should be decreased." Much time was wasted with one speaker who, by heroic speeches in defense of science and engineering while the problem that probably suggested the discussion was scarcely mentioned.

In order to avoid the uselessness of the Institute, it is necessary that at least the present number of technical subjects be available and drilled into the students who come here to learn a vocation. For that group, our present system has shown that it operates very nicely, but there is something more than a meal ticket that should be served at the Institute.

A large number of great men have graduated from the Institute, but we cannot point to the subjects they studied as ones creating genius or culture. Most of their development was due to their own effort. It is probably true that there is a great need for trained engineers, but the men of whom the Institute can be most proud will be those who really learn to think.

Without demanding unusual privileges with regard to routine work or jeopardizing his scholastic rating, the student cannot acquire the necessary time to practice thinking independently. Certainly, thinking may start with graduation, but it would be much more useful if it began two or four years before.

At present there is a special privilege system in Electrical Engineering and it has been tried in other courses, but in fact, regular parts of each course, much of the information and culture available at Technology will be lost mainly because the students are not encouraged to think.

**RELIGION**

Is the student interested?

W Hether it or not the dismally poor student response accorded the T. C. A. Emlynai last week is any manifestation of the incomparability of religion and science, it indicates at least that the future scientists at the Institute are disinterested in conventional religious questions.

The two main lectures attracted about sixty or eighty students. Of these, at least half were members of the faculty and staff, and the audience was appreciably too large for the absence of many of the ranking officers of the Christian Association itself. Attendance at the dinner was also poor, except at the fraternities where speakers addressed regular groups of diners.
One of the things always interesting about this year’s teams is what sort of show three will be next year. There’s a great deal of optimism among the freshmen teams. And right here we have a whole bunch of statistics on that. Encouraging statistics that is sure to please.

Oarsmen may have a devil of a time getting there, but there have been 10 freshmen teams under 20 points, and a point is all the more than usually good. For our benefit he mentioned a few performances that sound pretty lousy and material.

For instance, there is Berkeley who in the Tiffany meet wanted eleven feet and eight inches. There is Brook who couldn’t break the head of the bocce jump pit. There is Yonge who ran a five and a fourth second forty-yard dash. There is Yale who broke the chest of four feet and four-thirds inches, breaking the record; but and have a five foot ten and seven-eighths high jump, only an eighth of an inch short of the record. There is Wallace who in the broad jump, or rather turned on a mule in four minutes and forty-two and twenty-five seconds.

In addition there are rows of a transfer student, ineligible this year, who can run a mile in around 1:40.

In fact, there seems to be a number of hot freshmen teams this year. The fresh squads in basketball, tennis, and crew are above average. More power to them next year!

The freshman class this year owned the first prize in some of the fireworks and the firecracker, and a place in the overalls. However they seem to fade out of the picture quite as efficiently as the sophomore class when baseball is concerned. There is a game between the two classes scheduled today, and it looks fine. It should be a complete washout. It will be a good sign that the freshmen have put out to make one team, much too, if it is all that it is shown. There are two games in the afternoon, or rather two quarter miler from Mer- ritt, Center, and Hunsaker, household. Manager George W. Bower, ’94, predicted a victory for Tech next Saturday when the team plays R. I.

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Olsen Is High Man In Weekend Sailing

Two Race Series Towards Vase Cup Led By 9-Point Allamst Sullio’s Weather

Competition for the Vase Cup got well under way over the weekend. The second series of elimination races was closed Saturday, in which Olsen carried top man, 46 points, ahead of H., and the Sunday third, when Elgin ploughed through water to nearly 20 points.

The race Saturday took place under excellent conditions, but the wind was from various directions, and there was a very small breeze which lasted only to force formation of three divisions, but to cause a bit of excitement during the afternoon.

In Saturday’s races the high points were in Division A, consisting of 11 boats, were: Kwo, 37; Dorr, 28; Jones, 23; Park, 22; Welch, 19; Kolk, 17; Downer, 16; Neilson, 13; Hodgins, 12; Sedgewick, 11. In Division B, consisting of 11 boats, were: Atwater, 37; Dark, 30; TKolk, 28; Neilson, 26; Knatt, 23; Downer, 33; Gouzoule, 30; Sedgewick, 27. In Division C, four boats, was won by Atwater, 23 points.

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5:00 P.M.—5:15 Club Meeting—East Lounge.
5:00 P.M.—Bible Study Lecture—2:300.
7:00 P.M.—Physical Colloquim—East Lounge.
7:00 P.M.—Ordnance Reserve Officers Meeting—Faculty Dining Room.

WEDNESDAY
4:00 P.M.—E. E. Colloquim—Essex Lecture Hall.
Metallurgy Colloquim—Room 4:301.
Faculty Club Photography Exhibits—Building 2.
5:00 P.M.—Bever Key—East Lounge.
5:50 P.M.—German Group Meeting—Room 10:330.
6:00 P.M.—Graduate Home Dinner—North Hall.
6:15 P.M.—Quadrangle Club Dinner—Faculty Dining Room.

THURSDAY
12:00 Noon—Tae Koda Lunch—North Hall.
4:00 P.M.—Marriage Lecture—Room 10:250.
4:00 P.M.—Physical Colloquim—Eastman Lecture Hall.
5:00 P.M.—Institute Committee Meeting-East Lounge.
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6:00 P.M.—Clubs Counselling Dinner—North Hall.
8:00 P.M.—Chemical Science Lecture—Room 9:130

IFC Weekend
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Three judges will grade the teams on a percentage basis. Only one, Mr. Harry J. Warren, moderator of the M. I. T. Glee Club, and a member of the executive committee of the New England College Glee Clubs Association, has as yet been chosen.
The groups will be judged on four considerations—tone and intonation, diction, musicality, and general effect. The competitions will probably be held in Walter Memorial, according to a committee spokesman.
F. Louis Orval, Jr., '38, general manager of the Combined Musical Clubs, is in charge of the I.-F. C. glee. The chairman of the Dance Committee is G. Edwin Hadley, '38.

Freshman Dance
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be available through a date committee.
The Freshmen Council is also sponsoring a Freshman Hobble Exhibit for Open Stacks. This has been held for the past several years in building two.
Freshmen are requested to contribute to this project. Each exhibits as photography, maps, model airplane, model ship, and flour Goldberg collections are expected. Anyone wishing to exhibit products of his space work should notify his section representative as to the type and size of his project.
This idea has been very successful in past years. Two years ago the Class of 1939 filled twenty classrooms of building two with their exhibits. This year's committee would like to see a similar or even better turnout.

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