

A. A. Chooses New Officers For 1940-41

Men Elected Are Myers, Meier, Williams, And Tirrell

NEW POLICY ANNOUNCED

Joseph H. Myers, '41, was elected president, Robert J. Meier, '41, vice president, Robert S. Williams, '41, secretary, and Stanley A. Tirrell, '41, treasurer, at the annual M.I.T.A.A. election of new officers on Tuesday night in the East Lounge of Walker Memorial. These men succeeded Thomas F. Creamer, '40; William W. Merrill, Jr., '40; Edwin H. Seim, '40, and J. Herbert Hollomon, '40, in their respective positions.

Myers, when asked about the policies to be followed by the new officers, said that they would strive for a more unified organization this year. An attempt will be made to inculcate in the captains of the various sports, more interest in the A.A. In the past, the managers have been the only ones to show enthusiasm. Joe Myers entered the Institute in his Sophomore year, transferring from Principia College in St. Louis, Mo.

Meier Former Publicity Man

Meier, the newly elected vice president, was formerly publicity manager for the association. When he accepted this position, he stepped into a department that had been run in a very shabby manner, and built it up to one of the best departments of the A.A. He standardized the publicity information, and spread the information to the various house groups. He also entered Technology in his Sophomore year.

Williams, the new secretary, was formerly the Equipment Manager, which post he received from Edwin

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Robinson Will Give Peace Day Speech

Professor Clark S. Robinson, of the Chemical Engineering department has consented to be the fifth speaker at this year's Peace Day program sponsored by the Technology Peace Federation in Huntington Hall, Room 10-250, on Friday, April 5, at 4:00 P.M.

Professor Robinson, active in industrial cooperation with the Army, will discuss the Army's point of view on the subject of how the United States can stay out of war.

The other four speakers at the meeting are to be President Karl T. Comp-ton, Dean Robert G. Caldwell, David T. Morgenthaler, '40, and Seth I. Levine, '40.

Institute's Room-Naming Spree Results In Honoring Of Walker Memorial Halls

The institute is in a re-naming mood these days. This time Walker Memorial has been the beneficiary of the Institute's honoring spree.

The main dining hall of Walker has been named Morss hall, after Everett Morss, '85. Mr. Morss was a powerful influence in the obtaining of Walker Memorial, and he personally supplied the funds for the painting of the murals which are Walker's pride and joy.

North Hall Renamed

Henry S. Pritchett, President of the Institute from 1900 to 1907, has been honored by having North Hall named in his honor. President Pritchett was the originator of the movement to have a dining hall where class din-

Walker Dining Service Releases Official Statement To The Tech

The Management of the Dining Service has seen fit at this time to release as their official statement the following report submitted to the Institute Committee, March 28th, 1940, by Franklin E. Penn of the Class of 1940.

Signed:

A. W. BRIDGES
W. HAMILTON CARLISLE, JR.

A Report Submitted to the Institute Committee, March 28th, 1940

Primarily as a member of the M.I.T. Student Body, but also as a member of the Walker Memorial Student Staff, I wish to bring before the Institute Committee the matter of the flagrant abuse by The Tech of the right of free speech—a right which has been and is a cornerstone of our own democracy. I refer specifically to the recent editorial titled "Bread and Without" which appeared in The Tech of March 26th, 1940.

In this editorial, The Tech saw fit to make certain damaging and untrue statements concerning the Walker Memorial Dining Service. Similar statements made in any one of the nation's newspapers and unsupported

by any factual testimony might possibly lay the paper in question open to a suit for libel. Such action would not of course be compatible with the situation as it exists here in the Institute. I do not mean to suggest that the right of free speech be denied to The Tech or to any other student organ, but I feel most strongly that any such obvious violation of this right should be seriously be considered by the members of the Institute Committee.

Before making any specific references to the editorial in question I should like to pass on for consideration certain remarks concerning the Dining Service from a competent individual in which I was told in effect that: the Walker Dining Service has been drawing steadily increasing patronage since its organization in 1919; that there is no such thing as a guaranteed clientele composed of dormitory students since there is no compulsion attached to eating at Walker; and that the best evidence which can be offered in defence of Walker against such allegations as those re-

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Dorms, 5:15 Club Hold Spring Dance In Walker Tonight

Handsomest Man Attending To Be Crowned King In Contest

Technology's "King of Spring" will be chosen this evening as the dormitories and 5:15 Club present the second annual informal Spring Dance in the Main Hall of Walker Memorial at nine o'clock.

The board selecting the "King" will be made up of the dates of the dance committee's members. Their choice is to be from the handsomest men of the Institute. Roy Elwood popular twelve-piece orchestra will be featured at the dance.

Committee Members

5:15 Club members serving on the dance committee are Norman I. Shapira, '41, chairman; Warren H. Kate, '42; George H. Hite, '41; Francis B. Hollibly, '42; John O'Meara, '43; Richard P. Gillooly, '42; Louis A. Jacobacci, '42; James F. Hoey, Jr., '42; Walter S. Eberhard, '42; John T. O'Connor, '42; John F. Tyrrell, '43. Dormitory members of the committee are Norman R. Klivans, '40, chairman; Charles A. Wales, '41; William Kussnaul, '41; Milton McGuire, '41; John Weingarten, '42; Marshall McGuire, '42; Clayton K. Baer, '41; John McKerron, '40; Gordon Hill, '42; and William Watkins, '42.

ners and organization dinners could be held.

Up until the time that the Institute moved across the river from Boston to its present site, it was the usual thing at meetings of the engineering societies to have a keg of beer for refreshment. This was true in the dining hall which President Pritchett obtained for the students. With the advent of prohibition, however, this custom left the Institute for good.

Lounges Get New Names

The lounges in Walker have also been named. The upper East Lounge, the location of the Cilley Library, has been formally designated as the Cilley Library. The upper West

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Elections Are To Be Held This Wednesday, April 10

Along with other class elections to be held on Wednesday, April 10, the Class of '40 will elect a permanent president and a permanent secretary. The Elections Committee state that the same rules apply to this selection as to all others. Nomination blanks are available now at a table opposite the Cashier's office and must be returned to the same table between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, April 3, and 8:30 A.M. and 1:00 P.M., Thursday, April 4.

Dramashop Picks Dietzgen As Head

E. J. Kingsbury Announces "Cyrano de Bergerac" As Financial Hit

Joseph E. Dietzgen, '41, was elected president of the Dramashop for the coming year at a meeting held in the Dutch Room of the Graduate House last Wednesday, March 27. Janet Norris, '42, and Bernard A. Greenes, '42, were elected secretary and treasurer respectively.

Edward J. Kingsbury, Jr., '40, announced that "Cyrano de Bergerac", the society's most recent production, was a financial success.

Program Committee Appointed

A new program committee consisting of Pauline H. Morrow, G. chairman, Louis A. King, '41, George E. Power, '41, Janet Norris, '42, Lisa Minevitch, '42, and Hans J. Haac, '43, was appointed.

Phillip H. Weatherill, G, was assigned the task of obtaining a hall for the performance of next year's plays. Freshmen Gage H. Crocker, Lewis G. Firth, Jr., and Henry Faul, Walter H. Lob, '41, and Eloise Humez, '42, were elected to membership in the organization.

Menorah Society Dance Planned For Saturday

A dinner dance is to be held by the Technology Menorah Society Saturday evening, March 30, from 6:30 to 12 P.M. in the North Hall and Faculty Room of Walker Memorial. Thirty-five couples are expected to attend.

Major Archibald D. Fischen of the Military Science department is to be guest speaker at the dinner.

Committee To Confer With Dining Service Selected; C. P. S. Out

The appointment of a committee to confer periodically with the Walker Dining Service management and the expulsion of the Combined Professional Societies highlighted a hectic, hour-and-a-half meeting of the Institute Committee last night.

After four investigating groups over a period of two years each failed to reveal a worthwhile purpose justifying its existence, the Combined Professional Societies as an activity was dissolved last night by the vote of the Institute Committee.

C.P.S. President, Frederic W. Hammesfahr, '40, chairman of the investigating committee, advised this action in a report prepared by himself and the members of his committee, David T. Morgenthaler, '40, and William R. Ahrendt, '41.

New Activity Planned

In place of the dead C.P.S., the committee recommended that an Institute sub-committee, similar in structure to the Walker Memorial Committee, and to be known as the Institute Relations Committee, be formed to carry out a program advised by the investigating group.

Other business transacted by the committee included approving the names of Franklin P. Seeley, '42, and Edward S. Campbell, '42, as associate members of the Elections Committee. Officers in the Athletic Association and the Scabbard and Blade as well as members of the Sophomore Board of the Walker Memorial Committee were also approved.

Dark Room Needs \$1,500

A report was given by the chairman of the committee in charge of the recent \$650 appropriation given to the four publications who declared that approximately \$1500 would be needed to equip the proposed dark room. Major items in the budget included \$300 for a power circuit, \$250 for plumbing, and \$462 for carpentry work, exceeding the \$650 appropriation granted.

The constitution of a new Class B activity, the News Photographer's Guild was tabled until a later meeting, after considerable discussion con-

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Sussman and Burr To Debate N. Y. A.

Climaxing the battle of words conducted via a series of letters which appeared recently in The Reader Speaks column of The Tech, William Sussman, '40, and John Burr, '40 will hold a debate on the N.Y.A. and American Youth Act on Wednesday evening, at 7:15 P.M. in Room 6-120. William Sussman, president of the A.S.U., will take the affirmative on the topic "Resolved: American democracy can be best preserved by (1) increasing the government expenditures for N.Y.A. and similar agencies, (2) passing the American Youth Act, and (3) eliminating armament expenditures."

Debate Precipitated by Editorial

John Burr, a former editor of The Tech, accepted William Sussman's challenge of last week, tendered after the series of letters had been exchanged. The two wrote on opposing views of an editorial which appeared in The Tech on February 27, 1940.

According to Norman Klivans, who is acting as chairman of the debate, William Sussman will first speak for ten minutes. John Burr will then speak for fifteen minutes and Sussman will speak for five minutes more. After this, the two will answer questions from each other and from the audience.

Two students from each residential group together with two Faculty members will make up a permanent committee, with the managers of the Dining Service and discuss with them any problems concerning food and service which might arise.

Penn Protests

Selection of the committee followed a strong protest by Franklin E. Penn, '40, against an editorial in The Tech criticizing the Dining Service. Penn charged that many of the article's accusations were false and unfair.

Quoting from a report of the 1932 investigating committee and records of the Dining Service, he said that statements regarding decrease in patronage and restaurant "monopoly" were inaccurate.

Apology Motion Defeated

An official reprimand to The Tech for its editorial comment on the Dining Service asked by Valentine deV. d'Olloqui, '40. He moved that The Tech be ordered to print an apology for the manner in which it presented its criticism.

The motion was defeated after a vigorous defense of The Tech from Carl L. McGinnis, '42, who lauded the decisive stand taken. He said that for the first time since he can re-

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Phelps A. Walker Commands ROTC

135 Cadet Officers Listed In New Appointments Of Seniors

One hundred thirty-five Seniors have been appointed cadet officers of the Reserve Officers Training Corps Regiment. Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Thomas-Stahle, head of the Military Science department, announced recently. The officers will assume command next week.

Phelps A. Walker was assigned the position of Colonel of the regiment. New Lieutenant Colonels are Byron W. Wheeler, Jr., and John B. Titherington. Charles S. Godfrey, Norman R. Klivans, James G. Magee, Louis Michelson, Schrade F. Radtke, and Edwin H. Seim have been given the rank of Captain on the regimental staff.

First Battalion Officers

Officers of the first battalion are: Majors: Marshall P. Bearce, Douglas L. Eckhardt, Wesley J. Van Sciver; First Lieutenants — (Adjutant): John W. Blattenberger, Roy M. Tuttle, Jr., John L. Joseph. Commanding Company A are: Captains: Morris I. Gabel, Joseph C. Jefferds, Joseph J. Casey; First Lieutenants: Arnold Arch, Paul V. Bollerman, Lawrence E. DiVenuti, Ralph M. Hayward, Jr., James F. Levis.

Second Lieutenants of Company A are: John A. Berges, David R. Goodman, Kingsbury T. Jackson, Lawrence G. Jones, Andrew F. Kopschiansky, Fred P. Lobban, John McMullen, III, Martin A. Abkowitz, Cornelius R. Andrews, Wesley Barker, Jr., Henry Brewer, Jr., Harvey H. Brown, Donald G. Bry, George W. Carnrick, Carlton A. Chamberlain.

Company B Officers

Company B leaders are: Captains: Delos B. Churchill, Winfield H. James, John M. McKee; First Lieutenants:

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THE READER SPEAKS

Dear Editor

At last The Tech has got a campaign that is neither political nor petty. The Walker Dining Service is indeed an abomination as are also certain other profit-making organizations about the school. Walker is neither a good cafeteria, nor one restricted to students, viz, the innumerable outsiders at lunch. Because of its location Walker has a steady clientele which it ignores. That good food can be served—food that is tasty and appealing—we have no doubt for the banquets are good. But anyone who has eaten more than one meal there can hardly but be impressed by the lack lustre of the food and the curtness of the serving staff. This is no reflection on the student staff but those hired help who are both unpleasant to look at and unpleasant to be served by. This is not the usual college displeasure with dining service food but a real displeasure and must be heeded. Because the dining service, a virtual monopoly, is on school grounds is no reason why it should take advantage of the fact.

Congratulations to The Tech for bringing the real problem out into the open.

NORMAN M. KARASICK, '41.

Editor, The Tech:

Re Tuesday's editorial concerning the Walker Memorial Dining Service.

As a member of the student staff, I feel myself qualified to answer the charges.

May I first point out that the report read at the Inst. Comm. on Nov. 17, 1932, was never published in The Tech. Was it that the results were too favorable to Walker? Was The Tech afraid to "lose face" when its charges were proved wrong?

The results of the questionnaire, answered by 3,000 showed much to be praised and little to be condemned about the service. A copy of the official report is in possession of the officials of the Dining Service, should anyone wish to inspect it.

Nobody is forced to eat in Walker. There are many restaurants, etc., in the vicinity which, if run as well, could take business away. People eat at Walker by their own decision, not anyone else's.

People who have eaten in restaurants, hotels, etc., have found much to praise and little to condemn about Walker compared to the others.

I hereby challenge The Tech to publish the findings of the investigating committee as shown in their report.

ROBERT S. HESS, '40

March 27, '40

To the Editor of The Tech

Congratulations are due the Tech for their recent editorial suggesting changes in the Walker Dining Service. The never ceasing complaints by the students make it evident something fundamental is wrong. The smaller defects mentioned, such as the lack of spoons in the sugar bowls and plates which are not large enough, merely aggravate the basic trouble; they are not the cause. Yet it seems that during the past three years only minor faults similar to these have been righted.

To me, the real cause of dissatisfaction is obviously the general tastelessness of, the oft soggy, the unappetizing appearance of, and the excess foreign matter in, the food. Now this complaint is mighty severe, but not unfounded; consequently drastic action should be inevitable.

One or more of many reasons might be the cause of the food's condition; but for the casual observer, like myself, to say which is the fundamental reason is impossible. The chef may be at fault, a result of skill or even possibly stagnation from long servitude. The methods of preparing or storing might be at fault. The quality of food could very likely be the source. Or perhaps some other reason entirely, may be the cause of the food's condition.

I thoroughly agree with The Tech that it is high time an investigation committee of Tech members or even of outside food technicians be called in to study the food situation.

Sincerely yours,

ROGER G. BLUM, '41

March 27, 1940

Editor, The Tech:

It is our opinion that the intelligent, professional editorials of Vol. LIX are sorely missed. They have been replaced by a crusading type of editorial that in the case of the Dining Service, leaves much to be desired in so far as being a fair report of the results of the probe of 1932 are concerned. It is a fact that the report was generally favorable to the Dining Service and that most of the points mentioned in the editorial have long since been remedied. Had the Tech taken the trouble to investigate whether or not "service and food at Walker had reached the state where patronage was dropping off daily", they would have discovered that this was definitely not the case. Such a misrepresentation of the facts in an editorial is absolutely inexcusable and certainly discredits you and your paper.

Perhaps if the Editorial Board put a little more preparation into their editorials, they might be able to avoid printing fantastic ideas concerning "Promettes", space wasters like "Social Blitzkrieg", and gross inaccuracies such as the Dining Service Story.

Sincerely,

T. WALKOWICZ, '41
 R. GROSSELFINGER, '40

Editor, The Tech:

It appears to us that the important objectives with regard to the Walker Memorial Dining Service are first, to improve the food, and second, to develop some means of maintaining the standards permanently once they are achieved.

We haven't found the water glasses hot, the silver in need of inspection, or the "excess of foreign matter" present in the food. However, we are unable to tell the vegetables apart without the close visual inspection which is also occasionally, although by no means generally, necessary to locate them on the plate.

We all notice the favorable first impression of Walker food upon our friends and parents. We also feel the daily loss of appetite as we pick up our battered trays knowing just what's waiting for us and exactly how it will taste.

In short, retaining a bit more flavor in a larger variety of foods would do the job.

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Dining Service

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Recently made by The Tech is a study of the trend of trade figures in comparison with the Institute registration.

I shall now quote the customer trade figures of the Dining Service over the period from July, 1935 to July, 1939 and list the registration figures for the same period.

Year	Registration	% Increase
1934-1935	2507	—
1935-1936	2544	1.1
1936-1937	2793	9.8
1937-1938	2966	6.2
1938-1939	3033	4.3

Year	Customers	% Increase
1934-1935	270,496	—
1935-1936	350,544	29.4
1936-1937	414,752	18.3
1937-1938	396,761	-4.5

The decrease represented in 1938-1939 may be traced to the opening of the Graduate House Dining Room in November, 1938.

I lay this evidence on the table for consideration by the Institute Committee as a general indication of the soundness of the basic structure that is the Walker Dining Service.

I now wish to point out certain statements contained in the editorial in question which do not agree in the slightest with information which I have at hand.

The Tech secured their information from a preliminary report submitted by the Walker Memorial Cafeteria Investigating Committee on November 17th, 1932, from which article they chose to quote only that section labeled "Criticisms", making no mention of the suggestions of the Committee or of the detailed and factual information relating to their findings. The report was approximately 60% in favor of Walker. Many of their suggestions have since been acted upon as mentioned by The Tech and likewise many others have been left uncorrected, but the evidence tends to deny the statement made by The Tech as follows:

"Since that time, over seven years ago, the defects made evident by the following suggestions and criticisms of the Committee have not been remedied:"

This statement introduced the list of criticisms a few of which I might refute directly as follows:

"4. Put spoons in all the sugar bowls. To my own personal knowledge, and this I back with what reputation I possess, spoons are placed in all sugar bowls at least once daily in the morning and usually several times during the day. The Cafeteria can not be held responsible if the Students choose to remove the spoons and use them because they forgot to take any at the entrance to the Cafeteria.

"5. Put ash trays on all the tables and more than one on the round tables. This, according to Mr. Bridges, was tried out but was discontinued because the ash trays vanished too rapidly.

"2. Allow the water glasses to cool before being used. The Cafeteria has on hand 1,000 glasses. During the

noon hour approximately 800-900 customers are served on week days. Within about two thirds of the customers each using two glasses, the turnover is obviously high. It is quite impractical for Walker to maintain a larger inventory of glasses because of storage and breakage difficulties which are not in use, and yet in order to keep up with the customers, they must be cleaned at least once and often twice during the luncheon hour. To be cleaned thoroughly, hot water must be used. The Department would welcome a sound, practical, feasible solution to this problem.

On February 9, 1939, at the invitation of the Dining Service, the Dormitory Committee was invited to a dinner for the purpose of bringing before Mr. Bridges and Mr. Carlisle, Superintendent and General Manager, respectively, any complaints, suggestions, or criticisms which had been received by members of the Dormitory Committee. Notes were taken at the meeting and the ideas placed before the personnel of the Department. Mr. Bridges and Mr. Carlisle in their regular meetings with the hired personnel and with the Student Staff.

These meetings have since been held at intervals of several months (March 16th, 1939, November, 19, December 18, 1939, and March 7, 1940) and the recommendations have been taken down. Where reasonable and practicable ideas have been submitted these have been acted upon. From notes taken in these succeeding meetings, it is quite apparent that corrections have been made in many instances and that in others nothing has been done. But it is quite evident that the Department is sincere in its desire to cooperate with the Student Body and remedy any undesirable situations. I might add that this is a direct contradiction of the following statement made in the editorial:

"Correcting the situation seen to be difficult. A customer complaint, the usual cause for improving conditions in a restaurant doesn't seem to work."

Another statement made by The Tech is as follows:

"At that time, (referring to the fall of 1932 when the investigation was made) service and food at Walker had reached that state where patronage was dropping off daily."

May I quote from the official version of the Report which was submitted by the Investigating Committee on February 8, 1933, pages 7 and 8.

"However, there is no real solution to a problem which does not exist because the truth of the matter is that the patronage has not decreased, but, to the contrary, there is a percentage increase in patronage over 1931.

DATA ON THE TRADE OF THE WALKER MEMORIAL DINING HALLS FOR THE SEVEN DA PERIOD ENDING, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1932, AS COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD IN 1931.

Data taken from the regular cafeteria reports for returns of the three days.

Year	Number of Customers
1931	7626
1932	7200

426 decrease

Enrollment in 1931 3162 students

Enrollment in 1932 2808

354 decrease

"This is a decrease in registration of 11.2%. The Dining Halls according to the above figure have lost patronage to the extent of only 5.6% or a gain in patronage on the year's figures of enrollment of 5.6%."

May I again quote the editorial in the following statement:

"The Walker Memorial Dining Service in operation as a strictly competitive cafeteria would be shut down. The guaranteed clientele consisting of many of the dormitory residents is its salvation. These steady patrons should obey the dictates of their appetite should Walker be forced to compete with real restaurants and cafeterias, an immediate reorganization soon would be brought about."

I challenge the Editorial Board of The Tech to produce figures or any information other than pure conjecture or personal opinion which would support the above statement. If they can not do so, it is not their place to print such a statement in their editorial column—in space which is

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

A great deal of confusion has arisen from the editorial about the Walker Dining Service printed in the last issue of The Tech.

We shall attempt to clarify the matter with a few simple statements. Our initial premise is that Walker is the students' dining hall and that it should be operated so that the students are satisfied.

The problem as we see it is "Can Walker be improved without excessive expenditures, and, if so, how?"

Some of the arguments which have been advanced in favor of the present conditions are:

1. The majority of the students are satisfied with things as they are.
2. Food is in charge of one of the best chefs in Boston.
3. Business is increasing.

Arguments in favor of change are:

1. In general the food is unappetizing.
2. The attitude of the outside hired help is condescending.
3. A great number of students are not satisfied.

No one can say for certain, which arguments now represent the majority opinion. But whether the students who object to Walker food are a majority or a minority, we believe that their feelings should be recognized.

In our last issue we asked that a committee be formed by the Institute Committee to sound out the situation and report finally to the Corporation should its findings merit further proceedings.

The preliminary report of the committee in 1932 was introduced by us to point out that direct appeal to Walker did change some conditions, but that despite the action taken, similar basic faults still exist.

Last night the Institute Committee recognized that fact when it appointed a committee to meet in discussion with the Dining Service. It is up to the committee to make a complete study of all the details involved in the present situation and to see that their conclusions reach the proper authorities if they warrant action.

SPORT SLANTS

by Harvey Kram

This week-end will herald the finale of the '39-'40 winter sports at Technology. Both the fencing and rifle teams have left Cambridge for the week-end to represent Technology in the national intercollegiate of these two sports.

But this will all be past history soon, though by no means forgotten, and all Beaver sporting fans will be turning their attention towards the Spring athletics. Already the M.I.T. crews, the Varsity and freshmen lacrosse teams, the trackmen, and the golfers are getting ready for their approaching competitions.

In addition to these sports, tennis and sailing will soon be in the Beaver sport spot-light. To many, sailing may not appear to be a form of intercollegiate competition. However, this is far from true. Besides the regular sailing program for the student body, the Nautical Association maintains a crew which competes against other colleges in various meets throughout the Spring and Fall.

In this field of competition the name of M.I.T. is highly respected for its ability. The Beaver sailors have begun to establish the Institute in a position, in regard to intercollegiate dinghy racing, similar to that of Dartmouth in the skiing world, and McGill in hockey competition.

In addition to the Spring sports, two winter athletic activities will start training next week. The soccer team will begin to get ready for next fall's competition, and the Beaver football fans will be out taking advantage of the recently organized Junior-Senior football program.

One of the most popular intercollegiate sports, and probably the most favored Spring Sport in America is crew. And the Tech man is no exception, for much of the Beaver sporting gossip is already centering on the activities of the Tech oarsmen.

Because of the enthusiasm shown for shell racing at Technology as well as at most of the other colleges and universities in this country, it might be interesting to look back at the early history of this sport.

The sport of rowing was in its infancy in America when it had already taken a prominent place amongst the English amateur athletics. The first American exponent of it was the Detroit Boat Club organized in 1839. The first college to adopt this sport was Yale University in 1843. Harvard, not to be outdone by its great rival, quickly followed by establishing crew in 1846, and the first intercollegiate race took place in 1852 between these two colleges on Lake Winnepesaukee, New Hampshire.

One of the most eventful of early large regattas was that of 1874 at Saratoga, when nine boats entered. Harvard and Yale, having adjoining stations, became engaged in a dispute as to "water", and were left disputing by the other boats. Harvard got away from the entanglement first, leaving Yale with her rudder and one oar broken, and vainly went in pursuit of the others. Thus was the spirit of rivalry among crews.

The first crew races between Harvard and Yale took place with eight men rowing for each crew in addition to a coxswain. Later on they began using six men shells with no coxswain. However, this "no cox" type of boat was soon discontinued.

Beaver Fencers Hope To Place In Intercollegiates

Foilsmen Have Best Chance In Years Of Winning Championship

With their best season's record in recent years behind them, the Beaver fencers enter the intercollegiate in New York today, with high hopes of success. The cardinal has never yet managed to win the team title although it has placed men, such as Joe Levis, the present coach, in the championship positions. This year the team is conceded a good chance of winning or placing in both the individual and team sections.

Tech's record as a team this year, compared with the records of the other eleven colleges entering, is the chief reason for the probability of a team place. The Engineer squad has dropped only one meet this season; that to Columbia, who later went down 17-12 to Harvard, the team which Tech defeated 14-13. The Beavers were a little off form that night; hence, the Harvard comparison seems to indicate little to be feared from Columbia.

N. Y. Teams Dangerous

Yale, Dartmouth, and Hamilton are three other entrants whom Tech has beaten fairly easily. Thus it seems that, aside from Harvard, none of the teams on the 1940 institute schedule will give Tech much trouble. The chief danger lies in the New York area teams who are in the tournament, particularly Seton Hall, present holders of the championship. It is captain Johnny Bech's expressed opinion that "We stand a very good chance of at least placing".

In the individual section, Bech and Adelson are Coach Levis's chief hope in the foil and sabre sections, while Krieger and Kellogg should give a good account of themselves in epee. Since the season records of these four men are quite impressive, they stand good chances of winning titles. The Engineer chances, however are best in the team section.

April 1 To Be First Day Of Spring Grid Practice

Spring training for the Junior-Senior football team will begin on Monday, field conditions permitting, and will continue for one month, according to an announcement by Manager Will Compton.

Lt. Stanley Wray of the department of Military Science, will be in charge of practice, which is to consist mainly of offensive drill. Since no equipment will be issued, there will be no contact work.

Wrestling Bouts Will Start April 3

Over 35 Already Signed-Up; Coach Rivers Wants More Entrants

"I want forty more entrants in the coming All-Tech Wrestling Tournament," declared Coach Joe Rivers yesterday, as he discussed the annual competitions which are held this year on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, April 3, 5, and 6 in the Hangar Gym from 4-6 P.M.

Already over 35 men have signified their intention to compete in the tourney, more than three men having signed up for each weight class. For these contestants and those who sign up before 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the wrestling mentor announced that weighing-in facilities will be available anytime up to 3 o'clock. The contestants who wrestle on the following days will be obliged to weigh in before their match being allowed not more than one pound over their specified weight.

Team Competition

A team score will be kept during the tournament, with the team divisions modelled after the Beaver Key Tournaments. Any points that a contestant scores will be added to the team he specifies. The point scoring system will be in accord with national tournament rules.

Expert Marksmen End Season



Rifleman whose shooting placed the Institute well up among the leaders in intercollegiate competition this year are: Capt. Joe Myers, Jean Lewis, Val De Ollouqui, Dick Gannon, Doug Crawford, Sgt. Harold McDonnell (coach), and Herman Meyer.

Marksmen To Shoot Championship Matches

Beaver Team Has A Good Chance Of Winning Competition

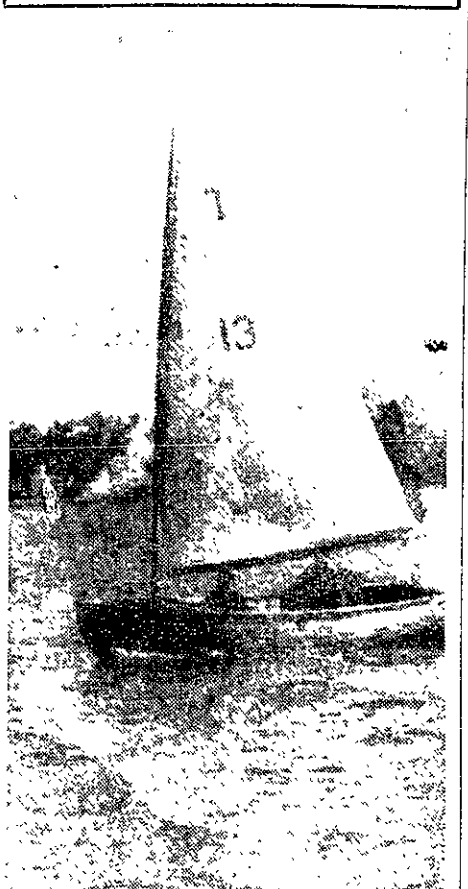
The Technology rifle team will travel to Connecticut over the week-end to participate in the New England Intercollegiate at New London on Friday and the Nationals in the Goff Street Armory in New Haven on Saturday.

In Friday's meet, the Beavers stack up against Harvard, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire, Worcester Tech, Bowdoin, Brown, and Northeastern. Approximately 40 teams will compete in Saturday's event, which is sponsored by the National Rifle Association.

Beaver Chances High

If the past performances of the Technology squad are any criteria, it stands a good chance to place in both events. In the New England league, the riflemen finished in second position behind Yale and just ahead of Harvard.

First Dinghy



Staff Photo

Bob Insand, at the tiller, with Walt Kern as crew, is shown sailing yesterday afternoon the first Tech dinghy to be placed in the water this Spring.

Sailors Commence Yachting Season

Opening the 1940 yachting season at the Institute, the first dinghy was put in the Charles yesterday, while the Nautical Association pennant was raised for the first time this spring.

On land, over 200 aspiring novice yachtsmen have attended the Shore School sponsored by the M.I.T. Nautical Association. Speaking afternoons at five in Room 1-190, Sailing Master "Jack" Wood is initiating landlubbers into the mysteries of good sailing procedure.

Football Announcement Clarified By Creamer

Official clarification of the football announcement presented in Tuesday's issue of The Tech was offered last night by Thomas F. Creamer, '40, president of M. I. T. A. A. Creamer stated that the use of the word "varsity," resulting from misinformation was incorrect.

He explained, "The Advisory Council has recognized an upper-class football team, consisting of Juniors and Seniors, to compete with outside teams. This is not a varsity team, as was stated in The Tech of Tuesday as a result of the Tech being misinformed."

Rally To Be Held On Briggs' Roof

100 Track Men Expected To Attend And Hear Carens Speak

George Carens, noted sports writer, will be present as guest speaker, when an expected one hundred track candidates jam the roof of Briggs Field House at five o'clock Monday afternoon. The occasion will be a rally ushering in the 1940 Spring track season.

Also on the program are short talks by Captain Vernon Kyllonen, who will be master of ceremonies, Coach Oscar Hedlund, Field Coach Bob Bowie, and Trainer Johnson; announcement and discussion of the Spring schedule by Manager Ken Bohr; and presentation of the 5:15 Club Spring Interclass Cup as a permanent trophy to be awarded to the winning class of each Spring Interclass Meet.

All undergraduates who intend to participate in varsity or freshman track this Spring are expected to attend and sign up. Track activities move from their winter quarters at Barbour Field House to Briggs today.

Booters To Start Practice April 4

The Institute Soccermen will begin spring practice on Thursday, April 4, at 4:30 P.M. on the Coop Field.

The varsity squad will, thereafter, hold regular practice sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays on the Coop Field. Freshmen interested in the sport are invited by Manager John T. O'Connor, '42, to come out and practice with the varsity.

The tentative first team will play a practice game with an aggregation from Harvard on Open House Day, April 27.

Frederick C. Herzog, Jr., succeeds Russell L. Haden, Jr., '40, as captain of the squad.

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Hall, Stewart And Coles Are P. T. Winners

Two Old Records Equalled By Track Leaders This Year

GOOD SCORES MADE

P. T. Competition in track for 1940 came to an end last evening with "Sid" Hall, the winner and Larry Stewart and Charlie Coles second and third, respectively. No startling performances were made this year, however, the leaders' points being but a little above average.

Hall, the champion, had the highest percentage in three of the eight events. In the 50 yd. dash, he made a 100% score by equalling the previous record of 5.4 secs., set up by J. F. Lyons, '41. He also took top score of 78 points in the 440 yds.

Jumps 19' 9"

In the broad jump his speed again served him well. High score in this event with a best jump of 19' 9" earned the New Hampshire boy a score of 75. Consistent good work in all the other events built up his total to 494—67 points in the 880 yds., 60 in the 60 yds. hurdles, 58 in the high jump, and 50 in the shot put.

Stewart, the second man in the competition, was also well up with the leaders in the running events. Shaded by Hall in most of these events he managed to take the 60 yd. hurdles with a 100% score gained by equalling a record set up by L. Allen, R. Bell and C. Hill, all of the class of '34.

Second With 480

The record equalled was 7 secs., a good time for the run. Stewart fell off a little in the field events, but consistent performances won him second place with a total of 480. His scores are as follows: 50 yd. dash—80; 60 yds. hurdles—100; 440 yds.—65; 880 yds.—61; shot put—52; broad jump—64 and high jump—58.

Coles, in third place, was a field man with a total of 468. He had the best score in the high jump with a leap of 5' 8", which gained him a 78.

Shines in Jumps

The third place man was good in the field events, particularly in the jumps; but he also turned in some good times in both the long and short distance runs to bring his total to 468. His event scores were 65 in the 50 yd., 85 in the 60 yd. hurdles, 63 in the 440, 55 in the 880, 56 in the shot put, 66 in the broad jump, and 78 in the high jump.

In addition to the high scores recorded by these men, there were three other individual winners. They were: Cochran, who won the 1/2 mile; Cale, who won the mile; and McJunkin, who won the shot-put.

The first ten men were as follows:

Place	Name	Points
1	S. L. Hall	494
2	L. Stewart	480
3	C. Coles	468
4	T. Cale	447
5	E. J. Czar	400
6	B. Horst	365
7	R. M. Casagrande	362
8	L. F. Hosley	344
9	M. Stephens	340
10	A. J. Kelly	332

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CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

- 9:15-6:00 P.M. Electronics Conference -- Eastman Lecture Hall--Room 6-120.
- 5:00 P.M. Hobby Shop Meeting--Math Conference Room--Rm. 2-051.
- 5:00 P.M. 5:15 Club Meeting--West Lounge.
- 6:00 P.M. N. E. Foundry Conference Dinner--North Hall.
- 6:30 P.M. Class of 1898 Dinner--Silver Room.
- 8:00 P.M. M.I.T. vs. Wesleyan Debate--Room 6-120.
- 9:00 P.M. Dorm 5:15 Spring Dance--Main Hall.

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

- 6:30 P.M. Menorah Society Dinner Dances--North Hall.

MONDAY, APRIL 1

- 5:00 P.M. Track Rally--Briggs Field House.
- 5:00 P.M. 5:15 Director's Meeting--East Lounge.

Experts Discuss Electronics At 1940 Institute Conference

Thermionic constants, cavity resonators, magnetrons, ignitron tube ignitrons, . . . these mysterious terms are every-day language to the scientists attending the 1940 M.I.T. Electronics Conference, which will come to a close today.

Many of the outstanding research men from the big electric companies have joined the electronics experts of the Institute in this two-day conference. They include such outstanding men as Dr. Saul Dushman, Assistant Director of the Research Laboratory of the General Electric Company, and Dr. R. N. Bowie of the Hygrade Sylvanite Corporation.

Dushman Talks on Fluorescence

At a pre-conference dinner meeting at the Graduate House, Dr. Dushman, who is an authority on electrical discharge in gases, discussed and demonstrated several fluorescent phenomena.

"Studies of Evaporation of Barium from oxide covered cathodes" was the subject of an interesting discussion by three scientists from the Bell laboratories at today's session. They measured the rate of evaporation of

barium, at one time testing a tube for 20,000 hours. They found that the evaporation rate was about 1/1,000,000th of a gram per 1,000 hours. This research becomes important in the design of commercial radio tubes.

Magnetron Described

Professor Wiltner L. Barrow and Mr. E. C. Dench have designed a "Cavity Resonator Magnetron", a new type high frequency emitter, which may be employed in ultra high frequency radio for navigation, aviation, and secret communication. The new emitter operates at a wave length of 14 to 16 cm. It has a higher frequency stability, and a power output at least as great as existing emitters.

Professor Wayne B. Nottingham described a number of experiments proving the existence of thermionic phenomena, results which cannot be explained by any existing theory.

M. S. Elections

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Henry A. Burr, Charles V. F. DeMailly, Robert G. Fife, John F. Martin, Walter F. Schuchard, Norman R. Scott.

Second Lieutenants: Graham Brush, Jr., George S. Burr, Frederick Lange, Norman L. Laschever, Robert A. Parent, Charles F. Sargent, Norman T. Thomas, Charles R. Wieser, Roy W. Brown, Jr., Ralph M. Chambers, John O. Crum, Roland G. Daudelin, Gordon A. Fairbairn, Warren C. Francis, Hyman M. Freedman.

Second Battalion Officers

Officers of the Second Battalion are: Majors: Francis J. Crimmins, William H. Hagenbuch, Stanley C. Skeiber; First Lieutenants--(Adjutant): George E. Brandon, Jr., Roger B. Hodgson, John J. Casey. New Company C heads are: Captains: Gerald J. McCaul, Frederick F. Noonan, Robert S. Nedell; First Lieutenants: Edward Lee, Edgar B. Lemberger, Samuel A. Goldblith, Saul Namyet, John J. Piotti, Jr., Stuart R. White.

Second Lieutenants are: Donald R. Harper, Wylie C. Kirkpatrick, Robert J. Cohen, Herman L. Meyer, Harry K. Sedgwick, Ian M. MacLeod, Thomas McElrath, Jr., Jean L. Lewis, Albert W. Becker, David L. Mower, William P. Ready, Fredyum Henrickson, Jr., Richard E. MacPhaul, Howard M. Woodward, Arthur C. Cook, Frederick F. Schaller.

Company D Officers

Leading Company D are: Captains: Norman B. Duffet, Russell L. Haden, Oliver K. Smith; First Lieutenants: Harry Bushloff, Paul M. Butman, Donald M. Cole, Jr., James H. Moore, John W. Read, Marion L. Wood.

Second Lieutenants: Richard D. Gerges, James R. Gilman, William T. Green, Harry J. Heimer, Herbert B. King, Thomas P. McConville, Robert G. Millar, Philip C. Morgan, Jr., Peter C. Park, Samuel Rabinowitz, Donald W. Ross, William R. Stein, Robert W. Stewart, Harold V. Wallace, Richard H. Wheeler, Jr., William R. White, George M. Wolfe.

M. I. T. A. A. Elects Four Officers To Cabinet

President Explains That The New Policy Will Be In Effect

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H. Seim, '40. Seim is the one who built up this department, and Williams carried on his good work.

Tirrell Is Treasury Man

Tirrell, newly elected treasurer, has been connected with the treasury department in the past. He has done some notable work for this division, instituting better methods for handling the budget situation.

The M.I.T.A.A. is composed of the captains and managers of the various sports which are recognized at the Institute, together with the publicity managers and the three undergraduate members of the Advisory Council on Athletics. Because of the fact that at Technology all athletics are under the supervision of students, and not paid athletic managers, the function of the association is to promote and supervise all athletic interests at the Institute.

The executive Committee of the



Joseph H. Myers, '41, who heads the 1940-41 M.I.T.A.A. board elected at the annual organization meeting Tuesday.

M.I.T.A.A. also awards all class numerals, and passes upon and recommends all other insignia awards to the Advisory Council on Athletics which awards them.

C. P. S. Out

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cerning the purpose of the Guild and its bearing on the four publications.

Five Functions Recommended

Before finally tabling the motion to accept the Institute Relations Committee as an activity five functions of this new organization were outlined to the members of the Institute Committee. The responsibility of Open House was recommended to be the first duty of this new activity, while conducting the Stratton Prize contest, arranging to take charge of groups of visiting preparatory schools during the odd years when no open house is scheduled, correlating Technology exhibits, and keeping files of these exhibits were other suggested duties.

New Committee

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member The Tech has taken a definite stand on a controversial matter, and that he feels that The Tech should be commended.

Professor Douglass Chosen

Professor Raymond D. Douglass was named to the committee. The student members appointed are Jack M. Klyce, '41; Arnold S. Mengel, '41; Harold E. Dato, '41; Lester W. Gott, '41, and Ernest C. Crocker, Jr., '43. An additional Faculty member and two more student members are yet to be chosen.

Cosmopolitan Students To Hold Mexican Fiesta

A Mexican Fiesta will be held by the Cosmopolitan Student Club of Boston on Sunday, March 31, at 7:30 P.M. at the club headquarters at 190 Beacon St.

Miss Hazel Johnson, a graduate of the University of Southern California, will show colored moving pictures of old Mexico, taken on a recent vacation in that country. The price is 20 cents for members and 30 cents for non-members.

Goldberg Trophy Will Be Awarded At 5:15 Carnival

Goldberg, Soap - Modelling Contests To Be Held With Affair

A permanent trophy designed by a second cousin of Rube Goldberg will supplement the 15 gallon keg of beer to be awarded as first prize in the second annual Rube Goldberg exhibit contest for the Tech Carnival, May 3, according to Joseph H. Gavin, '41, chairman of the exhibit committee.

The exhibits will judged on their advance of hopeless research in Rube Goldberg style and the application of mechanical advantage to perform a simple operation with the aid of applied science, said Gavin. The machines will be returned to the owners after the carnival, if desired.

Contest Open to All

The contest sponsored by the 5:15 Club, is open to fraternity, dormitory and Graduate House groups. Leaders of these groups will be asked to name a man to take charge of their entries. Runner-up in the contest will receive a case of beer, while the reward for show position will be a case of ginger ale.

Soap-Modelling Contest

In addition to the Rube Goldberg contest an intercollegiate soap-modelling competition is also scheduled to be held. The prize-winning model will be judged on its artistic and humorous qualities on a humorous subject. Subjects suggested by the committee are such as "Life at the Institute", "A Tech Man Steps Out", and "A Technology Co-ed".

Members of the committee in charge of the soap modelling contest will visit the various colleges in this vicinity and ask them to submit entries. The prizes for this contest are as yet unannounced.

Dining Service

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served for the general statement of policy which The Tech is responsible and which has its unconditional approval.

Listen again to the phrase, "If these steady patrons should obey the dictates of their appetites . . . an immediate reorganization would soon be brought about." It would seem to me that the customer trade figures previously quoted bear strong testimony on the fallacy of this statement.

In closing, I should like to suggest to the Editorial Staff of The Tech, that it might be advisable, before printing in their pages a hastily composed editorial, containing untruths and statements attaching an individual or organization, to first consult with that individual or organization and firmly establish the grounds for the attack. It might even be in order to recommend that in the future the editorial policy of The Tech be examined by some qualified person to prevent any further abuses by the Editorial Staff of the power which is theirs in controlling such an influential organ as The Tech.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN E. PENN

Six Finalists Are Selected

Stratton Prize Contestants Include One Co-Ed And Five Men

The committee in charge of the Stratton Prize Competition has announced the six contestants who will participate in the finals to be held April 10. The six competitors including one coed, were chosen by means of preliminary eliminations under the direction of the various professional societies.

The contestants who will compete in the finals are Robert G. Millar, '41, XV, whose subject will be "The De Index"; David B. Hoisington, '40, VI, "The Cyclotron"; Leona R. Norman, '41, VII, "Sulfanilamide"; John Beattie, '40, VIII, "Modern Aspects of Rocketry"; David M. Johnstone, '41, VII-B, "Smoke"; Lester Lees, '41, IX-B, "Boundary Layer". The judges of the preliminary orations were Dr. Robert G. Caldwell, Professor Frederick G. Fasset, Jr., and Mr. Nathaniel McL. Sage.

Competition Started in 1930

The Stratton Prize Competition was established in 1930 by the late President Samuel W. Stratton, and at his death a fund was established in order to continue the competition each year. It is open to all undergraduates regardless of course registration. Prize of fifty, thirty, and twenty dollars are offered for the three outstanding presentations of technical subjects. The talks are not to exceed 15 minutes.

The object of the Stratton Competitions, according to the committee is not only to afford an opportunity for students to prepare a technical report, but also to give valuable experience in delivering a talk to an audience. The competition is under the direction of the Stratton Prize Committee, whose chairman is Professor Samuel C. Prescott, Dean of Science.

Miss Norman is Second Coed Finalist

Miss Norman, one of the finalists is the second coed since the founding of the Stratton Prize Competition to reach the finals. The only other coed to reach this position is Miss Anne A. Person, '39, who was selected for the finals in 1937. Her subject was "Glass in Architecture".

The three winners of the finals will be announced in the Commencement Program. The judges for the final have not yet been announced but will probably include men not directly connected with the Institute.

Walker Lounge

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Lounge remains the Faculty Lounge. The Lower West Lounge has been named for Dr. Harry W. Tyler, '84, who was chairman of the building committee of Walker, and who was active in opposing the union of Technology with Harvard. The lower East Lounge has been given the name of Litchfield, in honor of Isaac W. Litchfield, '85, who was instrumental in obtaining the funds necessary for the construction of Walker.

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