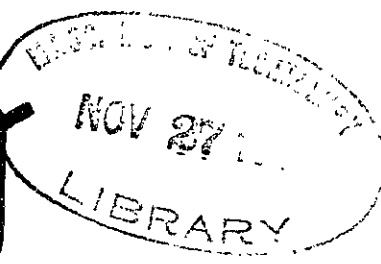
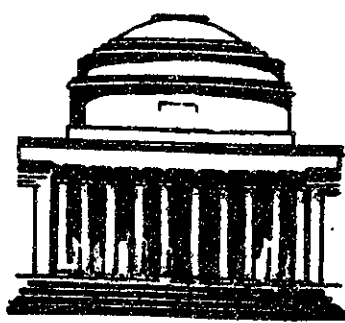


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# SOLONS RETAIN VOO DOO POWER

## Walker Octet To Sing Carols At Xmas Dance

Friday, December 13, Is Date For Informal; Price Set At \$1.75

Entertainment variety in the form of the Walker Staff Octet is planned for the 10th Annual Christmas Dance to be held in Walker next December 13. Permission to feature these singers was granted by the Assemblies Ball Committee to Gordon H. Hill '42, chairman of the Christmas Dance Committee. The dance is informal and lasts from 9 to 1.

Christmas Carols by this group and dance rhythms by Ralph Burns and his Orchestra are expected to form an interesting contrast during the evening. These Walker Singers enjoyed such a success last year at the Assemblies Ball that numerous requests were made for their reappearance.

Tickets for the affair will go on sale in the Main Lobby of Building 10 next Monday, December 2. In the meantime, the tickets may be purchased from members of the committee. The price is \$1.75 per couple.

### Dance Committee Listed

The committee in charge of the dance consists of Hill, chairman; Charles F. Hoffman, '42; Edward S. Campbell, '42; Marshall J. McGuire, '42; David B. Mitchell, '42; William F. Watkins, '42; L. Gerald Firth, Jr., '43; Gregory G. Gagarin, '43; John G. McMullin, '43; Harry Ottinger, Jr., '43; Bert E. Picot, '43; John A. Thorerle, '43; Kenneth L. Warden, '43, and Hans R. Wittels, '43.

## Wellesley To Treat '43, '44 With Dates, Dinner, And Dance

### And The Pace Changed —Or, Humor Saves Stuff

Grave and serious had been the long discussion over the fate and future of Technology's humor magazine. Never before had our top group of "BMOC" seemed to concentrate so hard on the subject of the moment. The Litchfield Lounge was packed with intently listening spectators and the peak of the debate had been reached and major points had been agreed upon, when, from the end of the table, a committee member arose, groggily shaking his head. As the throng waited in hushed expectancy, he curiously asked: "What about the Peace Federation's budget?"

## Chem. Engineering T. E. N. Subject; On Sale Today

Dr. Frohlich, Professor Whitman Contribute Articles

Chemical Engineering in its varied aspects is the motif of this month's issue of the Tech Engineering News on sale today, tomorrow, and Friday throughout the Institute.

Featured in this number are articles by several outstanding men in the field of chemical engineering, including Dr. Per K. Frohlich, director of the chemical laboratories of the Standard Oil Development Co., and Professor Wittels, '43.

Dates, dinner, and dance are to be furnished to 150 Sophomores and freshmen from Technology at the first annual Welltech Barn Dance to be sponsored by Wellesley College, at Alumnae Hall, Wellesley, from 7 to 12, Tuesday, December 3.

To form closer interrelations between the under-class men of the two schools was the hope of the Wellesley committee, who plan to establish this acquaintance dance as an annual affair on its social program.

### Dinner Provided

The Wellesley C.A. will supply both the dinner and the dates at 7:00 P.M. on the balcony of the girls' swimming pool. After the dinner the group will adjourn to the Alumnae Hall where the more informal business of the evening is to take place in rustic style.

All underclassmen including those who are vaguely interested in their

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## 5:15 Club Holds Banquet Saturday

Charms Will Be Given To Basketball Team And Executive Comm.

The Five-Fifteen Club will hold its annual banquet for members of the past year's Board of Directors at the Hotel Sheraton Saturday evening November 30 at 6:30 P.M.

In addition to the former directors of the club, members of the 5:15 basketball team which competed in the Beaver Key Basketball Tournament of last year and past members of the Executive Committee have been invited to attend the dinner in the Raleigh Room of the hotel.

### Charms Given

To members of the team which represents the Club successfully in the basketball tournament, specially designed charms will be presented for their endeavors. Charms, also of a unique design according to John E. Bone, '41 who is in charge of the affair, will likewise be tendered to the former members of the Executive Committee who are present at the banquet.

## Klyce Continues Work With Magazine Board For Next Issue

### Case Unsettled After Month Of Conflict

With a decision to retain the supervisory set-up under which Voo Doo has operated for the past three weeks, the Institute Committee postponed definite action on the month-old fight for at least four weeks. The final verdict may not be reached until January.

The affair began on October 31, when the Inst. Comm. voted a probe of Voo Doo's purposes, functions, and personnel. A week later the investigating committee, headed by Jack M. Klyce, '41, reported unfavorably for Voo Doo on the several points questioned.

### Solons Take Control

Charges and counter charges filled this hotly contested meeting. Voo Doo presenting a strong defense. Inst. Comm. sentiment sided with the Klyce committee report, however, and complete control of Voo Doo was taken by the Institute Committee.

Given entire charge of the humor magazine with power over its managing board, Klyce proceeded in publication of a new style of periodical. Several men not previously connected with Voo Doo were asked to help. They and some regular staff members produced, under Klyce's direction, the November issue which was sold last week end.

This issue, a considerable departure from the usual Voo Doo, was a combination of cartoons, photographs, and serious and humorous articles. Student reception of the magazine was apparently mixed, but the Institute Committee seemed, from its attitude last night, to approve of the new idea.

### Discussion Before Action

Preceding the Institute Committee's initial action was discussion among many activity leaders. Complaints against Voo Doo from students, Faculty, Alumni, and others, relayed to these prominent students, had convinced them that a radical change in the magazine was necessary. Charging continuous mismanagement and poor publications policy, they sought legal action—successfully. The investigating committee resulted.

This preliminary, more-or-less private discussion of the problem provided Voo Doo its first cause for complaint. The proponents of the investigation were attacking the magazine stealthily, behind its back, the management asserted.

### Again Charge Unfairness

After the Inst. Comm. had taken control of the publication, Voo Doo again made accusations of unfairness. Many

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### Compromise Effected At Voo Doo's Suggestion

Voo Doo is to remain under complete control of Jack Klyce, '41, for the next issue, it was decided at last night's meeting of the Institute Committee. A "clarifying" motion, introduced by William M. Folberth, Jr., '41, asking that Klyce be given power to appoint such members as he sees fit to the staff of Voo Doo, was passed.

Action on Voo Doo started when President Murdock called for Klyce's report covering his action as supervisor of the last issue of Voo Doo. An estimated financial statement for the month of November was then submitted by Richard F. Cottrell, '41, general manager of Voo Doo. Motions and amendments ranging from return of complete control to the old Voo Doo staff to the installation of a new Managing Board were discussed in rapid succession. Most of the debating was carried on by Klyce, Cottrell, Harold E. Dato, '41, Walter P. Keith, '41, Carl L. McGinnis, '42, and Robert S. Reebie, '43. Final action resulted in the extension of Klyce's powers over Voo Doo for another issue.

### Mann Appointed

Other business of the meeting was the appointment of Martin Mann, '41, to the Walker Conference Committee, after Dato's resignation from that committee had been accepted. As President of the Sophomore Class, Reebie announced that a report of the Sophomore Dance would be forthcoming at the next Institute Committee meeting.

Klyce, in his report, said that the last issue of Voo Doo could not be considered perfect in any way, but that the trend was for the better. "The experiment in my opinion was successful," he stated.

### Cottrell For Supervision

Cottrell, throughout the discussion, advocated Klyce's supervision for the next issue. He asserted that he and Klyce could get along well together and that there would be no lack of cooperation. The financial statement, submitted by Cottrell, showed an estimated net loss for the month of November of \$136.81.

Dato was actively opposed to compromise in any form. He recommended either the reinstatement of the old board with absolutely no supervision by the Institute Committee, or the establishment of an entire new board.

### Meeting Next Week

The next meetings of the Institute Committee are scheduled for December 5, December 19, and January 2.

## VOO DOO CASE PRINCIPALS



Prominent figures in the conflict over Voo Doo have been Jack M. Klyce, '41, (above) and Richard F. Cottrell, '41, (left) Klyce retains the control of Voo Doo he has exercised during the past three weeks. (Staff photos).

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## New Hobby Shop Photo Contest Includes All Types

Prints May Be Entered Now, Will Be Judged On January 13

In order to enliven competition the second annual Hobby Shop Photographic Contest, now underway for more than a week, is open to all classes of pictures as against last year's limitation on all but stroboscopic photos. Prints may be entered now at the Hobby Shop, although the contest lasts until January 13, 1941.

The following are the contest rules:

1. The contest is open to any student at M.I.T.
2. The closing date is 5:00 P. M., Monday, January 13, 1941.
3. There will be two divisions, Stroboscopic and General.
4. Judges shall have final authority on all matters pertaining to the contest.
5. The Hobby Shop shall get a copy of each picture receiving an award or honorable mention or higher, and shall have the printing or publication rights of those pictures.
6. No prints smaller than 5" by 7" will be accepted. All prints must be mounted on standard 16" by 20" mounting board. A separate entry blank must accompany each print. These may be obtained at the Shop.
7. No print will be accepted that has previously won any M.I.T. contest.
8. The prizes will be as follows: One Grand Prize of \$5.00 to the best picture in the entire contest; One First Prize of \$3.00 to the winner in the division that did not receive the Grand Prize; A Second Prize of \$2.00 and a Third Prize of \$1.00 in the General division; A Second Prize of \$1.00 in the Stroboscopic Division.

All prints entered will get recognition of the fact that they were in the contest by a sticker which will be put on the back of each print. No marks which may identify the owner are allowed on the front of any print.

### Voo Doo

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of these charges arose over a difference of interpretation of the motion giving Klyce control of the magazine. The Voo Doo board claimed in addition, however, that it was given no opportunity to cooperate in the publication of the November issue.

Last night's action leaves the situation practically unchanged. Both Klyce and Richard F. Cottrell, '41, Voo Doo general manager, asserted, however, that the friction prevalent during the past three weeks would be eliminated.

#### Climax Still Awaited

Deferment of further action until after the next issue of Voo Doo, which will probably appear in the week of December 16, indicates that a decision can not be expected until the Institute Committee meeting on December 19 or possibly January 2.

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Professor Walter G. Whitman of the department of Chemical Engineering.

#### "Ersatz" Rubber Discussed

Chief article is "Synthetic Rubbers" by Dr. Frohlich and Mr. J. R. Brown, also of the Standard Oil Development Co. which deals with wide advances made in the development of several substitutes for natural rubber.

Other articles include Professor Whitman's on the expanding future for

the chemical engineer both in war preparations and during normal peace time; a discussion of petroleum processing by Dr. E. R. Smoley and the "Chemical Engineer's Part in Preparedness" by Mr. S. D. Kirkpatrick.



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- Catalogue for the academic year
- Summer Session Bulletin
- Educational Opportunities at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

### VOO DOO

Voo Doo stands today right where it stood three weeks ago as a result of the Institute Committee's action then and now. Ultimate power is still vested in an Inst. Comm. representative. The ambiguity concerning the limits of this power yet exists.

Now there is only one hope for the successful solution to all the problems concerning Voo Doo. That is for the cooperation of all parties involved in the magazine's production. That such cooperation would be available was vouched for by Klyce and Cottrell. That such cooperation was missing over the past three weeks is vouched for by the evidence.

We wonder at the dilemma that must face the underboards of Voo Doo and new talent which wishes to work on the magazine. From whom are they to take orders, Klyce or the Senior Board? Should Klyce countermand an order of the former heads of the publication, has he the right to substitute one of his own, or must he wait another of the board's orders which he may countermand?

The Senior Board of VooDoo and Klyce will have to get together immediately and clear up this ambiguity, for the Institute Committee has failed to do so. For Voo Doo's own good they themselves will have to create some system out of this chaos, and, together, the Senior Board and the Inst. Comm. representative will have to explain their working plan to the younger men on the publication.

We hope they can do it.

### Wellesley Dance

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own social advancement in the direction of Wellesley, are requested to sign up for the dance on the bulletin board in the T.C.A. outer office. Students planning to attend the dance, should meet at the steps of Walker, at 6 P.M. Tuesday night, dressed in their old clothes. Transportation is to be furnished by the T.C.A. for those who are unable to obtain it.

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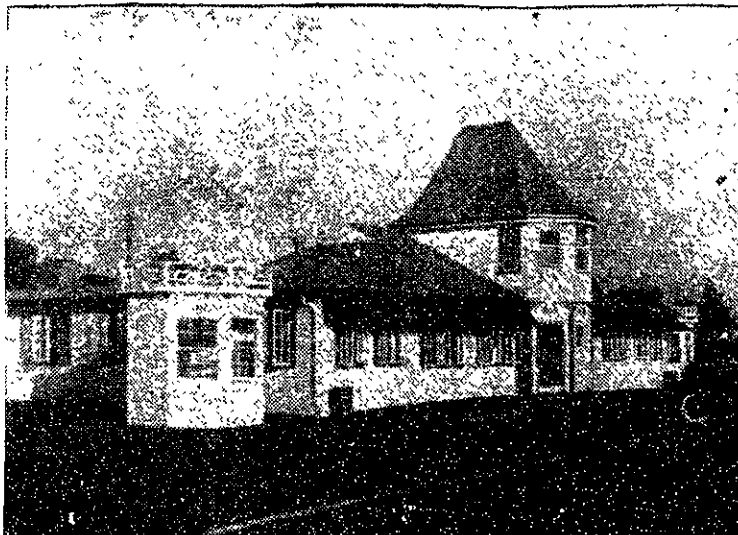
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