



## FDR To Speak For The Tech On Presidency

**Noted Commentator Invited To Banquet At Ritz-Carlton**

Franklin D. Roosevelt, ex-president of the United States, will be guest speaker at the annual banquet for The Tech staff to be held Friday, Feb. 24, in Main Dining Hall of the Ritz-Carlton.

Mr. Roosevelt, noted radio commentator and political columnist, has chosen for the subject of his speech, "Twelve Years in the White House", or "Never Again." Included in his talk will be a discussion of the famous "Treaty of 1942," and its international importance.

### Other Guest Speakers

Other speakers at the banquet will include Mr. Adolf Hitler, former painter, now with Barnum & Bailey, whose subject will be "What America Has Done For Me," and Mr. Harold L. Likes who will tell how he made a fortune from woodburning automobiles.

Presentation of awards to twenty members of the freshman staff for outstanding work during the term will be held immediately following the dinner, at which time the Marmaduke Q. Vestring Medal will be given to the most valuable man on the staff.

The new Managing Board will be formally inducted into office immediately after the banquet at the Fox and Hounds Club—as usual.

## Voo Doo Veteran Queries The Tech

**General Manager Seeks Info From Interviewer Before His Retirement**

Unearthed finally from the covering of slime on the Voo Doo office, Robert S. "Hawk" Shaw, veteran General Manager of that lowly publication, admitted that the present volume of The Tech has been the best issued during his eight year regime in office.

"Our policy of accepting for our staff only students who have attended freshman classes for at least three years is not the best," he admitted to his interviewers, "but how can The Tech possibly teach inexperienced freshmen how to turn out such a wonderful newspaper without professional help? We can't."

Gazing soulfully at the annual list of Voo Doo staff members flunked out, he continued, "And how does your entire staff manage to walk away with all scholastic honors in addition to turning out the finest publication on the campus?"

Shaw, whose sole duty during his eight years in office has been to wipe the dust off the subscription list, will peddle this year to the unexplored depths of South America to peddle the jokes which have filled Voo Doo for the past ten years to the only people who have not as yet heard them.

## Editorial Printed In N. Y. Times

Smashing a century-old tradition, the New York Times reprinted an editorial from The Tech entitled "College Youth Against The Nation" as a typical example of the voice of youth today.

Described as a "brilliant summary" of the present status of college students in the United States, it is the first editorial from outside sources that the Times has ever allowed to be run in its own editorial columns.

## Mrs. Roosevelt Speaks Before Faculty Wives

Concomitant with the appearance of Franklin D. Roosevelt, noted columnist and radio commentator and former President of the United States, at The Tech's annual banquet will be a speech by Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the former President and noted public figure in her own right, before the Ladies Auxiliary of the Faculty Club the following night.

The speech, which will cover the woman's side of twelve years in the White House, will be the first on the subject that Mrs. Roosevelt has delivered. It has been arranged for through the offices of The Tech's public relations staff.

## The Tech Excels In Social Life Among Activities

Socially more active than any other extracurricular activity on the campus, The Tech sponsors at least five parties each year for members of the staff and their guests. The affairs run the gamut from very informal beer parties to the annual formal banquet held at the close of the first term which many prominent members of the faculty attend.

Included in the fall program of events are a freshman smoker where freshmen interested in The Tech are invited to meet staff members and sign up for candidacy if they wish and an informal beer party where freedom reigns and complete relaxation from scholastic tension is enjoyed.

In midwinter, The Tech sponsors a bowling party for the entire staff and their dates, and later the annual formal banquet at which staff appointments are announced and a prominent speaker gives a short address.

The annual Strawberry festival is an all-day outing held at a nearby resort where lunch and dinner are served and facilities are available for swimming, tennis, badminton, dancing, dining, and wining.

## Former Staff Member Gets Treasury Post

The Tech's Washington correspondent reported last night that Donald C. Jeeves, '35, has been appointed by the President to the position of Secretary of the Treasury recently vacated by the retirement to private life of the former incumbent. When at Tech, Jeeves did such an outstanding job as accounting manager of The Tech in the development of the famous Jeeves accounting system that his fame is nationwide.

# John Doe, '45, Given Trophy For Outstanding Scholarship By National Honorary Society

## Prizes Given To Freshmen

**Board Gives Award Of Gifts To Top Men On The Tech's Staff**

Announcement last night by the managing board of The Tech of prizes awarded to freshmen in the news, business, photo and engraving departments of The Tech brought to a total of \$200 the amount spent by The Tech so far this year for prizes for staff members.

First place in the news competition, with a total of 325 points, went to Joseph Q. Blotz, '48. Concomitant with the top slot was the usual prize of a case of Teacher's Highland Cream (advt.)

A beautiful onyx base with pen, pencil, and fluorescent lamp made up this outstanding addition to the room of Oscar Zilch, '18, winner of the award for the Business Departments.

As a reward for excellence in the photo department, Oswald Blow, '48, crack photog of The Tech's staff, the man who obtained the nationally famous pictures of the saboteur-inspired explosion in radiation lab earlier in the fall, received a Speed Graphic.

Prizewinner in the engraving department, John Paul Jones, '48, was recipient of a portable typewriter.

## Journalists Make The Best Students

**Noted Educator Speaks At National Symposium Held Last Saturday**

"Journalists make the best students," stated Dr. Heinrich Van Loften, eminent psychologist and noted educator at a meeting of the International Educators Association held last Saturday in the Main Dining Hall of the Hotel Statler.

"Because of their experience in assembling facts in concise and readable form, college students with journalistic training in school publications are, in general, among the scholastic leaders of the schools," he revealed, as a result of his survey conducted last year in twelve large American universities including Technology.

## Records Smashed By '45 At Smoker Held In 1941

Drawing almost 75% of the entire class, the annual freshman smoker sponsored by The Tech for the Class of 1945 smashed all previous records for attendance and has set a mark which is as yet unchallenged by any later class.

175 gallons of cider, 43 dozen doughnuts, and 92 cartons of cigarettes were consumed in the record-breaking affair which was held October 7, 1941 in the Faculty Lounge of Walker Memorial.

## Editorials Cause Vast Improvements In Student Life

**Recent Campaign Ends With New Advancement Toward Ideal Campus**

Victorious after four years of argumentation through its editorial columns, The Tech completed one phase of its battle for improved campus life when the Institute announced plans for enclosing the lawns so that never again would paths be worn in the grass by students' careless feet.

The editorial campaign, started in 1941, to make Technology's grounds "the campus beautiful," has successfully sought better parking facilities for students, repavement of Institute driveways and is responsible for the recent installation of smoke removing equipment in neighboring factories.

### Remove Unsightly Building

A new phase in the campaign launched recently by the present Editor, Joseph J. Doakes, '45, is a debate for the demolition of unsightly buildings erected hastily on the campus for defense work during the last World War and not as yet removed.

Other victorious editorial campaigns conducted by The Tech in recent years were responsible for the reduction of Chemical Laboratory fees and the inauguration of election forums where candidates for public office may air their views and their platforms.

## When Interviewed, Victor Attributes Entire Success To The Tech Aid

For outstanding scholarship and leadership in extracurricular activities, John Doe, '45, yesterday received the coveted Sigma Alpha Pi award at the annual dinner of the National Engineering Society held in the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York.

The trophy, a 1945 model Plasticar, guaranteed for life, is now being inscribed and will be presented to Doe at a ceremony to be held March 12 in Madison Square Garden.

### "The Tech Made Me"

When interviewed by representatives of the Associated Press late last night, Doe, present General Manager of The Tech, stated: "I owe it all to the training I received while working on The Tech Staff."

"If I had not come out for The Tech in my freshman year," he continued, "I would still be a bewildered nobody seeking my place in the sun, with no future but that of a bookworm."

Other award winners announced during the evening were Dr. Fritz X. Zytlsman for his study of the properties of the Q-ray and Dr. Emanuel Gavinni for his work on cosmic propulsion.

## National Award Given The Tech

**Six Year Period Sees Rise From "Fair" To "Best In Class" Rating**

Gaining increased recognition for its contribution, The Tech was granted "Best in Its Class" award by the Associate Collegiate Press in its 23th Annual All-American Newspaper Critical Service. At the top of its class, The Tech has risen from a rating of "fair" six years ago.

Organized to analyze and evaluate the work of the college publications of America, this critical service composed of several prominent journalists and college professors regularly criticizes constructively any college paper that enters the competition.

To make the competition as fair as possible papers are classified according to their method of publication, the type of college for which they are written, the college enrollment, and the circulation and frequency of the issue.

Judging the publications on the effectiveness with which they serve the individual reader, the Associate Collegiate Press criticizes each paper on such questions as news value and sources, the coverage of news items and the vitality and originality of the stories.

## Blow Amazes America With Latest Picture

Latest addition to the list of triumphs scored by Oswald Blow, '48, The Tech's crack staff photographer, is the rocket cruiser picture printed as the picture of the week in Life Magazine last Friday. An example of the application of the world-renowned Blow technique in high-speed photography, the picture has drawn favorable comment from every part of the world.

## Frosh Training School Managed By The Tech Considered Great Help To The Inexperienced

Maintaining the only instruction school for freshman candidates for positions on its staff, The Tech prides itself on the journalistic training which inexperienced freshmen receive in its hands.

Classes begin for the frosh during the first week of school in all the departments of the publication with a general discussion of the policies and duties of the staff members. All general questions are answered at this time.

### Practical Experience Starts

During the second week regular instruction begins, and opportunities are presented to the candidate to acquire practical experience on the job. At the conclusion of the third week of training, the fall competition starts and continues for ten weeks.

The competitions conducted in the

News, Sports, Business, Photo, and Engraving departments are based on a points system determined by the quantity and quality of the work done by the candidate.

### Personalized Instruction Given

During the competition each candidate receives personalized instruction in an effort to develop his style and to correct or improve any faults in his technique. In addition to the private instruction, general discussions are held each week at which suggestions and criticisms are brought up.

At the conclusion of the competition awards are presented to the leaders in each department, and men who show that they have acquired sufficient experience and ability are elected to the staff to make up the freshman board.

### Assume Greater Responsibility

During the second term, the freshmen assume greater responsibility and take over a great many of the executive duties under the guidance of upperclassmen with the result that they are able to take over department managerial positions in their sophomore year.

Each February fourteen Sophomores are elected to the Junior Board and four Juniors are chosen as General Manager, Editor, Managing Editor and Business Manager to form the Senior Board which is entirely responsible for the Management of the publication.

Registration for candidates is held daily between 5 and 6 P.M. in The Tech Business office and after 5:30 P.M. Monday and Thursday in the News Room.

# WANTED

## JOHN DOE '45

To Serve As General Manager  
Of The Tech Vol. LXIV  
For One Year



Description—Height: between 5'1" and 6'7"—age: between 15 and 25—eyes: filled with the light of determination—hair: covers a head teeming with ideas—a member of the Class of 1945—personable—last seen wearing a cardinal and gray striped four-in-hand and carrying a slide rule.

For Further Information-Inquire at The Tech Business Office between 5 and 6 P.M. daily, or in The Tech News Room after 5:30 P.M. on Monday and Thursday Evening, or attend The Tech annual freshman smoker to be held in Faculty Lounge, Tuesday, October 7.