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T. E. N.

MARKING SYSTEM

"News that the marking system will be abolished comes as a welcome relief to those students who have in the past suffered under this unsatisfactory method of judging achievement and ability. The abolition of H, C, P, I, F, and even PP, marks the most sym pathetic act for the benefit of the student that the administration has ever taken.

The failings of the former antiquated system are obvious enough. Freshmen are as familiar with the benighted soul whose sole topic of conversation is "the grade" as are a family cat with a mouse. And, of course, we will bear a certain amount of retailing.

It is too long now to be secret that the mark of "H" has borne an outswee toooldio for the self-respecting student to endure; it has become the mark of the "brown-bagger", the belligerent soul whose sole topic of conversation was the subject in which he received that grade. The grade of "C" has been the tool of certain instructors desiring to avoid giving the impression that their students were teaching was easy, and the last refuge of the intellectual in his struggle to escape the mark of the "brown-bagger", the "C". It has been a useful instrument in the hands of those who found it necessary to recognize real intellectual development without incurring a ministry of danger to their own pedagogical standings.

"P" has been neither bête, nor fish as a measure of either ability or achievement. When instructors have been unable by the nature of the subject taught to determine how much of it a student has swallowed, a liberal sprinkling of "F" among a majority of the class completed thefiddlestam.

"T. E. N." or the "abomination of this barbarous, antiquated, and unfair system of grading marks an epic step toward the emancipation of the undergraduate from the purgatory of the University. In proportion we give our thanks.

OF MICE? OR MEN?

Every now and then, one of the younger publications gets a little big for its breeches and the older, more mature, publication, The Tech, has to take it down a notch or two to put it in its proper niche in the sphere of things. Apparently with the world so full of unrest and our uprising, off-spring, illegitimate or otherwise, the Tech Engineering News, has experienced a few unwarranted growing pains.

As with the father to the child, we feel that it is our duty to teach this recalcitrant peccadillo a significant lesson, for the sake of its own good of course. And naturally it will hurt us more than it will them. It was with that thought in mind that we issued a challenge to the bowling contest to fight it out on its merits, and to that, as the case with the child facing expulsion, the T.E.N. has done everything in its power to get out of it. With the table scooped directly and personally on the subject, evasive replies of "We'll see" and "Oh, sometime" were received.

We think this is rather a spongy attitude for a publication that claims to be one of the main representatives of the Institute's activities. Are you T.E.N. men or mice or men? We'll get away from the dice and come out to take your medicine like men.

THE READER SPEAKS

Editor, The Tech.

In an effort to see what the effect is of a trained architect, Mr. Manget, whom you published in Tomorrow issue of The Tech, has aroused in me certain feelings which I have been hitherto since my first class at the Institute. Although the actual ring problem is only a secondary to the main theme of this letter, I hope that my letter will explain why I still other "Tech" men and I have taken the somewhat drastic action of the proposed ring and joined in a Seabee in his attempt to do as much team spirit as the cold iron of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

"I was 'infected' in January. Must we reawaken our selves to the burren, life of a mechanical robot simply because we wish to extricate ourselves of any educational opportunities offered in M.I.T.? Must we forever deny any claims of being human because we have learned that a straight line is the shortest distance between two points? Must we here sit in silence of an approval of the idea that the try is no longer functional? Must we make a nation pictures of the only symbol we carry the idea of any tradition of the few traditions of alma mater simply to keep up with modernistic ideas of our envious Frank Lloyd Wrights? Or are we together to go to Harvard and try to establish the color of the ring and a few other things which might otherwise be lacking for the rest of our lives to place no value upon. Furthermore, it is customary to use gold in jewelry because its curvature satisfies nothing alike what we have of those of today who wish to wear our long disdained, and in my opinion, it is entirely to those who attempted to establish this to add our decision our to their time.

My apologies, Mr. Manget, for any seemingly per

by: Stewart Rose and Joseph Tanoue

"For Boys To Pla"

The only bank that will give you money for your Bell Telephone equipment is Western Electric, the maker of the Bell Telephone, to whose equipment used to be limited the terms of trade. The terms are made as follows:

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Phanem's Broken Leg Is Recovery Slow

B. U. Hoopsters Invade Hangar Gym Tonight for Last Visit

Ireland Gnome Season Finale

Victory Starved Hockey Team Clashes With Yale Tonight

The very last but victory-shy Beaver problems sh call out on the Boston Area area (specifically) Colby College in the win game of the week with an entry resembling to place their name in the win estimate of the B. U. I. C. 

The visiting White Mites could be the feature game of the evening with nothing to gain by a victory but to lose by a defeat. Colby is safely entered for a full night of fun.

Coach P. W. B., "The B. U. has the best club has had in several years. This goes for both teams," stated Coach McCartney last night. Boston University has won the series in past years.

Cape Elizabeth Main's scored twenty points Tuesday evening when Colby outscored the Owls 45-42. With the Owls leading 41-38, Colby led by a point. A Colby forward sunk two to the lead in the last minute action, before the Owls could post a score.

Squashmen Challenge To Intercollegiates

Capt. Freeman Abrahant, Mar. Corney, Stance Represent Beaver

Pitt Captain, Kaplan of the varsity team, was among the men representing Tech in the intercollegiate squash matches which began last night at Williams College. Kaplan defeated his opponent in the university 12-11, 12-11, 12-10, 12-10. The Owls defeated the Beaver 12-7. 

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