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PRICE FIVE CENTS

SHERWOOD PLAYS FOR J. P.

Individual Sale Only On Senior Week Tickets

Ticket Distribution To Be Handled By Senior Week Comm.

The tickets for Senior Week will be sold individually to each member of the Senior Class. This is a correction of the release made last week by the Senior Week Committee which stated that the tickets would be sold in the Lobby of Building 10. The members of Senior Week Committee will be in direct charge of the distribution to the members of the Senior Class. All members of the Senior Class have received a letter from the committee announcing the plan for Senior Week.

Ticket Costs \$10

The tickets for Senior Week will be honored at all of the events. These events are the Senior Stagquet, Senior Ball, Class Day and Dance, Baccalaureate Service, Commencement, and the President's Reception and Tea Dance.

Dramashop Play To Be Given Next Saturday

Last minute preparations are now being made for the Dramashop production of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" which is to be given a week from tomorrow in New England Memorial Hall at Copley Square. A preview of the play will be held Sunday morning at 10:00 A. M. in the T. theatre—Room 2-190. This preview will be open only to the members of the Dramashop. The story, "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" deals with the English doctor, Dr. Jekyll, who is experimenting with drugs in order to enlarge upon the theories of the dual nature of man. Under the influence of these drugs he becomes the maniac, Edward Hyde, who goes about torturing women and children.

Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Nu Houses Robbed Last Week

Last Friday morning at approximately 4:30 A. M. a thief broke into the Sigma Nu and Delta Tau Delta Houses on St. Paul Street in Brookline. The thief entered completely undetected and was able to escape with money and watches totaling around \$500.00 in value.

At the Sigma Nu house the robber took cash totaling \$200.00 and four watches which totaled another \$200.00. In the Delta house the thief rifled wallets and escaped with about \$90.00. As yet no clues have been discovered which would lead to the identity of the intruder.

First In A Year

These robberies are the first reported around the Institute since about one year ago when several Boston houses suffered from an intruder. In that case the culprit was captured by residents of one of the houses when he happened to pay a second visit. He was later convicted in the Boston courts on evidence by Institute students.

R.O.T.C. Formed At Institute Shortly After School Started

The foundations of the present Military Science Department were laid in 1865 when the Military Department was established at the Institute. It was not until 1868, however, that a regular course of military instruction was begun in charge of Mr. Hobart Moore, a former officer of the Massachusetts State Militia. It was given for one hour each week and was compulsory for all students. The state loaned the Institute arms and equipment, but uniforms were not worn. The unit consisted of a battalion of two companies.

In 1872, 1st Lieutenant E. L. Zalinsky, 5th Artillery, was detailed to Technology by the War Department as instructor of Military Science and Tactics. During his four

Saturday Evening Parties Will Be Held At Chi Phi, Phi Kappa, and Theta Chi

PROM MAESTRO



BOBBY SHERWOOD

Committee To Start Redemption of Options Next Monday Morning

Bobby Sherwood has been chosen to play for the Junior Prom, it was announced by the Junior Prom committee. The well-known dance band leader will bring his seventeen-piece band and four vocalists to the Statler Hotel on Friday, September 29, for the gala affair.

Sponsored Parties Planned for Saturday Night

Entertainment for Saturday night has been planned in the form of sponsored parties at Phi Kappa, Theta Chi and Chi Phi; and there is a possibility of some sort of tea dance on Sunday. Admission to these parties will be only by means

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Governor To Speak In Huntington Hall

First In Series Of Talks To Be Given Sept. 22nd

Governor Saltonstall's lecture, it was announced this week, will be given in Huntington Hall, Room 10-250, at 5:00 P. M. on Friday, September 22. The topic, still undecided, will be announced next week, according to Herbert J. Hansell, 2-46, a member of Lecture Series Committee. The lecture will be open to all members of the teaching staff and to all students of the Institute.

There is no further information about future speakers but the Committee is attempting to arrange a definite program of lectures. The Lecture Series Committee was formed this July and was given the status of a Class B activity by the Institute Committee.

years at the Institute he reorganized the battalion into a four-company unit, obtained a drill hall, introduced some theoretical instruction, and had the battalion placed in uniform.

The R.O.T.C. courses were revised in 1878. The Juniors started in on the new Advanced R.O.T.C. courses. The Seniors acted as officers for the drill unit, and the freshmen continued taking basic drill three hours each week. The officer in charge at the time, and all those who followed, were assigned from the active and retired officers of the U. S. Army.

In December, 1917, the Coast Artillery and Signal Corps Units of

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THE RIGHT TO PETITION

The tender, sensitive minds of some Technology undergraduates seem to feel that their right of free speech and the right to petition have been revoked by the action concerning the "petition" posted Wednesday on the dormitory bulletin board. These rights have not been denied anyone as they were never exercised.

No petition is a petition unless it has endorsers who are responsible for what is proposed. Until such time it is merely another piece of stationery. It is also important that those who wish to submit a petition investigate how the petition should be submitted and to whom.

If arbitration is possible there is no need for a petition, especially from those who are not even willing to let themselves be officially known to the general public. If however a petition is necessary and properly presented it will receive all the action which is possible at the time.

WALKER DINING SERVICE

These times are trying for all, and especially for those who are intimately connected with the problem of feeding people under rationing. Every American home has had the problem for the past two years, as have all of the country's restaurants. The Walker Memorial Dining Service is having the same troubles with points as anyone else, and is doing an excellent job of carrying on in the best manner possible.

There are some people around the Institute who feel that they are being overcharged for their meals, and are blaming it on the war. The prices of the Walker Memorial Dining Service are substantially the same as they were during the year 1942, as was found by *The Tech* in looking through the Dining Service's books yesterday. This fact is true in spite of the fact that many other restaurants continued to raise their prices

right up until the OPA put on price ceilings in April, 1943.

The quality of Walker food has been only slightly slackened during the war, and this only because it was unobtainable for anyone. Despite the milk and meat shortages around Boston these items have always appeared on the Walker menu. Butter and ice cream are two more things which people do not see much of these days, but which have continually been regular fare with Walker Memorial.

The manpower shortage is another of the wartime situations which any good American understands, and yet the Walker Memorial Dining Service has been able to keep an excellent chef and a staff of experienced cooks throughout the war. It is true that table service was abolished because of the lack of student waiters, but this service will return as soon as it is once again practical.

At the present time the Dining Service is serving more meals per day than at any time during its history with the exception of the period during which they were serving G.I. meals to the Army. This tremendous number of meals is still served with the variety which was maintained for a much smaller number before the war. It is variety which makes the serving of meals extremely complicated, but it is also the right of selection which increases the pleasures of eating.

Not only has the Walker Memorial Dining Service overcome all these obstacles in its path in recent months, but it has done so and come up smiling. The office of Mr. Bridges, the manager of the dining service, is always open to any individual or properly authorized group who wish to make constructive suggestions. If the suggestion is logical and possible it will almost surely be adopted, and if not the bearer will surely leave with a much better understanding of why both this and other problems cannot be solved at the present time.

If certain people feel that a group will be able to do more than several individuals, there is already a means by which this can be done as it has been done in the past. Although dormitory residents do not make up the entirety of the patrons of the Dining Service, it is possible for them to bring up their grievances with the Dormitory Committee, who can in turn officially present them to the Dining Service. This system worked well for quite a while before the Dormitory Committee was dissolved, and should work again. The management of the Dining Service has already expressed its desire to participate in such a plan.

R.O.T.C. History

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the Advanced R.O.T.C. were organized. In the following three years, the Air Corps, Ordnance, and Engineer Units were set up. 1924 saw the addition of the Chemical Warfare Service Unit. At the direction of the War Department the Air Corps Unit was discontinued in 1932.

Prior to the present war the R.O.T.C. was organized to give the freshmen and Sophomores basic drill, and the Juniors and Seniors who wished it, Advanced R.O.T.C. All Seniors who completed the course and went through six weeks at an Army camp were given commissions in the Officers' Reserve as 2nd lieutenants.

The Army personnel stationed at the Institute during the war has

been made up of the Air Corps Army Specialized Training program, and the R.O.T.C. The Corps has run two classes through its meteorology program. Its temporary weather station has become permanent and there are two officers and twenty-five enlisted men attached to it at the present time.

The A.S.T.P. gave a basic engineering course to its personnel. This unit did not last very long, however, and left the Institute April 1, 1944. The remaining unit, the only R.O.T.C. group remaining, is the R.O.T.C. There are five hundred and thirty men in it at the present time.

The prospects of the R.O.T.C. after the war seem good. The training will probably be more intensive and it is expected that the advanced R.O.T.C. will be reestablished.

Co. 7 vs. Co. 8 In Navy Final

Company 9 Is Third In Softball Tourney

The winner of the current Navy softball Tournament will be decided in the coming game between Company 8 and Company 7. The two teams have played each other twice, each outfit winning one game. Third place was decided when Company 9 defeated Company 10.

In the first game of the playoffs, Company 8 was victorious over Company 7, by the score of 2 to 1. However, Seven came back in the second of the three games in the playoffs, to win by the decisive margin of 7-4. Crowther helped in this game by clouting a homerun for the winners. The Company Eight victory was due chiefly to the pitching efforts of Coates.

Company Nine Takes Third

In the game which decided third place, Company 9 took over Company 10 to the tune of 9-0. The winners had little trouble and hand the credit to their excellent pitcher, Cole. However, it was hard hitting by Harrington and the others that put the winning runs across the plate.

C. Plans Trip to Walden Pond

A bicycle trip to Walden Pond is the principal Outing Club event planned for this weekend. The trip will meet at 9:30 A. M. this Friday in front of Walker Memorial. Those making the trip should bring along both lunches and swimming suits.

This is the next-to-last swimming of this summer, and will be led by the Outing Club's new secretary, Albert L. Bryant, 6-45. Outing Club members from Radcliffe, Simmons, and Harvard will also be along.

The annual I.O.C.A. College Week is being held this year at Lake Umbagog in the Adirondacks, September 9 to 17. Youth from all colleges in the East will be present for a week of hiking, climbing, swimming, and exploring. The only cost is for food and transportation. Those interested should call at the Outing Club office in the basement of Walker Memorial for further details.

DORM ATHLETICS

The Dormitory athletic activities start in full swing this weekend with the beginning of the softball tournament. The tournament will be on the basis of elimination and is restricted to six teams, one from each of the dorms. The first games, scheduled for three o'clock this Sunday are as follows: Wood vs. Goodale, Walcott vs. Munroe, and Hayden vs. Bemis.

The Dorm tennis tournament will start this Saturday, with the deadline for signing up, this Friday. The tournament will be run in two divisions; the first division for all undergraduate students barring varsity players, and the second division for all graduate students, officers, and Senior House officers.

Cross Countrymen Begin Practice

Worcester, Harvard, Dartmouth, Among Foes

Cross Country once again comes into the foreground as Fall sports begin to pick up momentum for the coming season. Twenty men are now working out daily under Coach Oscar Hedlund's supervision.

The team is fortunate in having five returning men; Captain Dick Poorman, Grant Umberger, Jim Ray, Bob Whipple and Charlie Goldie, and Oscar has plenty of hope of turning out another winning team this year.

Last year's harriers were the New England champions, being defeated only by Dartmouth in a quadrangular meet at Tufts. Led by Don Burnham, Dartmouth's runners captured first, second and third places.

This year's schedule is as follows:

Sept. 30—Worcester Tech, Franklin Park.
Oct. 7—Harvard, Harvard.
Oct. 11—Tufts, Tufts.
Oct. 14—Dartmouth, Dartmouth.
Oct. 21—Northeastern—Franklin Park.

Nov. 11—New England Intercollegiate Meet, Franklin Park.

Nov. 14—I. C. 4-A, Van Courtland Park, New York, N. Y.

The following men are now members of the Cross Country squad: Poorman, Goldie, Ray, Umberger, Whipple, J. A. Serrie, W. Chapman, H. M. Morgan, F. C. Wangberg, R. G. Dickey, H. B. Moore, E. A. Stewart, H. Campbell, R. Spoerl, W. F. Brace, E. F. Brylawski, I. K. Lloyd, T. J. Schottenheimer, H. B. Boyles and B. P. Martinez.

Beaver Key Elimination In Softball Tournament Entering Second Round

Cornell To Meet Tech On Charles

Lightweight Rowers Show Promise In Trials

With the Cornell race just two weeks away, Coach Moch is working his charges six days a week. Although the time before the contest is diminishing rapidly, the lineups have been by no means established, and each day, changes are being made in all the boats, even the varsity. These shifts are based primarily on the time trials held during the week, but the everyday runs up and down the Charles also have a large bearing on the status of a rower.

The newest development up at the boathouse is the re-creation of last term's excellent lightweight crew. For a long while, the crew had been broken up when key men had been shifted into heavyweight boats, but Coach Moch decided to reunite the lights again last week. The results have been surprising as the new crew has beaten all but the varsity in recent tests and may, if it continues its present pace, soon automatically become the J. V. crew.

The varsity continues to remain supreme at the boathouse. Strengthened by new men such as big John Rudolf and Stu Edgerly and bolstered by such old mainstays as Hal Thorkilson, Jim Hield, Chick Street, Capt. Bill Kalb, Jim Hoaglund, and Bob Hunter, the varsity has yet to suffer any upsets by other Tech crews. With the return of coxswain Bill Grant, it seems the boat is ready to go after the Tech record for the Henley.

Danmark Trophy Won By M.I.T.

On Sunday, September 3, M.I.T. defeated a field of twelve colleges in the third annual Danmark Trophy Dinghy Regatta. The race was held on the Thames River close to the United States Coast Guard Academy. M.I.T. was ably represented by its two ace skippers, Charles Bloomer and George R. Worrel.

The trophy was presented to the winning team by the Danish Consul-General, George Bech.

Pi Lambda Phi Victor Over Theta Delta Chi By 30-13 Final Score

The Beaver Key Softball League has again become active, as the second round of the elimination tournament got under way over this past week-end. The games are being played on week-days after school, as well as on Saturday and Sunday, in an effort to finish the competition before the opening of the football season. As a result of this speed-up schedule, three games were played, and others are planned for the near future.

The highest total score posted so far in the tournament was concocted Wednesday when Phi Beta Epsilon and Kappa Sigma got together and pushed 51 runs across the plate in an eight inning game. This total was mainly due to darkness, which fell just at the end of the seventh inning, with the score tied at 14 all. In the first half of the eighth inning, with the visibility rapidly decreasing, the Phi Bets crossed seventeen times, to run their total to 31 runs. The third out put an end to their activity, and the Kappa Sigs started out to equal that mark, but falling short after a seven run outburst had brought their total up to 21 runs.

In the darkness and the withering cross-fire of hits, several men stood out on each side. For the Phi Beta Epsilon outfit, it was Bickford at shortstop, and Sherman on the mound, although evening nullified most of his good work. Brown in the outfield, with his accurate throws to the plate, and Flume, another pitcher who was victimized by the gathering gloom, both stood out for the Kappa Sigs.

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Motor Test On Rocket Program

Club Corresponding With United Kingdom

Continuing its extensive program of experiments, the Rocket Society held another motor test on Saturday, September 2. Using liquid oxygen as a fuel for the first time, the results obtained showed that this fuel provided two to three times as great a thrust as any fuel previously tested. Since the Society now has the use of the small field adjoining Briggs Field, they will hold tests more frequently in the future.

The Rocket Society is continuing its correspondence with enthusiasts in the United Kingdom, exchanging information gained from experiments. It has also received several communications from the United States War Department with regard to rocket power and jet propulsion.

Trip Planned

A trip has been planned to the Supersonic Laboratory at Harvard; the exact date of which has not been announced.

Meetings of the Rocket Society are held every Wednesday evening at 7:00 P. M. in Litchfield Lounge, Walker Memorial, and all those interested are urged to attend.

Junior Prom

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of a stub attached to the ticket. It is important not to lose this stub, as it will be impossible to gain admission without it. These parties will complete the week-end.

Those who possess options will be able to purchase tickets in the lobby of Building 10 from September 11 to the 15th from 11:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.; the price is \$3.40. Tickets for those options which have not been redeemed by Thursday will be sold on Friday. Therefore, those who have options are urged to redeem them before Thursday. Anyone else who wishes to purchase a ticket may be able to do so on Friday, although this is not certain. The price of these will be \$6.90.

Fifteen Freshmen Still Competing For ROTC Medals

The first phase of the competitive freshman drill was completed yesterday during the regular MS period with the elimination of all but 15 of the entering contestants. The final selection of the three winners, who will receive medals for their excellence in drill, will be held next Monday.

The elimination of all but 15 of the 510 frosh taking MS11 and MS12 was carried out by four naval officers. These officers ruled out men for such reasons as "gun not straight," "head was turned," or "sloppy execution of commands." A great number of freshmen were eliminated because they made a movement at the count of "FOUR" when coming to Inspection Arms from Left Shoulder Arms with the numbers.

The fifteen contestants left are Edward Schwartz, Harold Juckett, Thomas Bohanske, Walter Freeman, James Sableski, Norman Mullen, Phillip Richman, J. R. Gaffey, George Macomber, Paul Osborn, Ingraham Lee, Thomas Dunn, D. Greenbaum, G. F. Ray and Edward Kerwin.

Football Tickets Still Available

One hundred and forty-five tickets for the Dartmouth-Notre Dame football game to be played in Fenway Park, Boston, on October 14, are still available at the T. C. A. office in Walker.

A total of two hundred and sixty-six tickets were provided by the Dartmouth and Notre Dame Athletic Counsels, of which one hundred and twenty-one were applied for prior to September 1.

The remainder of the applications may be applied for at the price of \$3.60.

In The Spotlight

The subject of our Spotlight for this week has really seen quite a lot of the world; he is none other than Lloyd Balsam, well known for his active participation in the Outing Club and his position as chairman of the Dormitory Committee.

Lloyd was born in France of American parents in 1925. He had traveled around the world before he was five, and has seen all of the forty-eight states in the last six or eight years. His present home is in Yarmouthport, Massachusetts.

He attended high school in Pocatello, Idaho. After graduation he went to Reed College in Oregon for a year and transferred to Tech at the beginning of his Sophomore year.

Majoring in Electrical Engineering

Lloyd is majoring in Electrical Engineering in the communications option. At the present time he is writing a thesis on "Waveform Analysis with a Communications Type Receiver" under the supervision of Professor L. B. Arguimbau. He will receive his Bachelor's degree in October.

Lloyd's most important position is that of Chairman of the Dormitory Committee; he is also Hall chairman of Munroe.

Active in Outing Club

Another activity which Lloyd spends quite a lot of time on is the Outing Club; he is the president of that organization. Before he was elected to his present office he held the post of Trips Director. He is an expert rock climber and also an enthusiast of square dancing. His favorite outdoor activities are long trail trips in the White Mountains and bicycle trips.

Freshman Cabinet Nominations Made

Nominations for officers of the T.C.A. Freshman Cabinet were made at the meeting last Wednesday at 5:00 in the Litchfield Lounge.

The candidates, all of the class of 2-47, are: for President: Lewis H. Butler, Summers Hagerman, Dieter Hauser, Harold E. Rorschach; Vice-President: David K. Hardin, Fred M. Newton; Secretary: Russell N. Cox, George R. Lederer; Treasurer: Laurent Michel, and Robert L. Stevens.

The elections will be held at the next meeting of the Cabinet on Wednesday, September 20, at which time further nominations may be made.



L. LLOYD BALSAM

Beaver Key Softball

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Pi Lambda Phi Wins

Slug-fests were the order of the week-end, for the Pi Lambda Phi organization amassed a total of 13 runs, as they won out over The Delta Chi, with a 13 run score. In the Phi Bet and Kappa Sig til another big inning meant the gam for the Pi Lambs put on the pres ure in the fourth inning, and runs were scored, before the ti was stemmed.

Although the score was high, both moundsmen pitched excellent games; Stan Fingerhood for the Beacon Street outfit, and Hal Skillman for the opposition.

In the third game of the week, the Chinese Student Club took a close battle from Sigma Phi Epsilon. The final score in the first game was 8 to 6, as error helped run the score up for both sides. Krieger and Brown, plus Halberstadt on first base, provided the S. A. E. battling punch, while Chun and Ing were the Chinese Student's heavy hitters.

Scheduled Games

There are three more contests scheduled for the near future, the most important being the Gamma Delta versus Phi Kappa Sigma battle, which will be played on Monday. This game is still the first section of the tournament and both teams are undefeated to date. The winner will be the second team to enter the round-robin play-off. The other two games are still in the first round of the tournament, as the Student House is scheduled to meet Sigma Alpha Epsilon and the Delta Tau Delta Team to play Phi Mu Delta.

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