ACE CLARINETIST

Jerry Wald, top-flight young clarinetist, whose 22 piece orchestra will play for the Christmas Dance.

Jerry Wald Has Record of Many Top Engagements

Jerry Wald, top-flight clarinetist, whose orchestra will play for the Christmas Party and Dance, sponsored by the Dormitory Committee, is one of the newest sensations in the field of popular music.

Since Wald's rise to fame in 1943, his band has appeared in many of the best clubs, theaters, and hotels in the country, including the Hotel New Yorker, the Roxy and Pantages Theaters in Los Angeles, the Pantages and Roxy Theaters in New York; the Trocadero Club in Chicago, and the Sherman Hotel and Oriental Theater in Chicago. At New York's Hotel Linc, the band broke all existing attendance records.

Ticket sales for the dance, which is sponsored by the Dormitory Committee, will be sold in the lobby of the building. The price is $4.00, including tax.

The dance will be held on Friday, December 15, in Walker Memorial from 9:00 P.M. to 2:00 A.M.

The outfit originated in Los Angeles where Wald persuaded a group of City College of L.A. musicians that in union there is strength, and that in union there is strength and that in union there is strength.

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Walker Committee Opens Competition To All Freshmen

Freshman competition for positions on the Walker Memorial Committee will be opened this coming Tuesday afternoon, December 5, at 5:00 P.M., in Litchfield Lounge. The actual competition will last two weeks and at the end of this time about six freshmen will be chosen.

David F. Flood, 6-45, announced that all freshmen, including co-eds, are urged to try out for the committee, which is the executive subgroup of the Institute Committee. The competition will include general instruction on how the committee works, and the freshmen will also conduct several investigations.

During the past year, the committee's big job has been the sponsoring of activities and keeping alive the student organizations in the Institute.

Physicists Tour Cyclotron

The members of the Physics Society, in lieu of a meeting on Tuesday, December 5, will hold a tour of the Cyclotron. The group will first meet in Room 6-130 at 5:00 P.M., where they will hear a short talk about the cyclotron itself.

Simmons-Tech Will Hold Dance Dec. 9

150 Simmons Girls Expected To Attend

On Saturday, December 9, from 8:00 P.M. to 12:00 A.M., an acquaintance dance with Simmons College and Technology will be held at the Boston Young Women's Christian Association Auditorium. This auditorium is on 410 Stuart Street at the corner of Clarendon Street and is in the Hotel Pioneer building.

This is the first acquaintance dance to be sponsored jointly by the T.C.A. and the Simmons Y.W.C.A. The music will be furnished by a 12 piece orchestra led by Reuben P. Moulis, 10-48. One hundred and fifty girls from Simmons and an equal number of Technology men are expected to attend. Tickets for the dance are now on sale in the T.C.A. office. The dance committee is headed by Frank A. Jones, 10-48, head of the T.C.A. Information Department.

Corps. Member Is Appointed Secy. of State

E. R. Stettinius, of M.I.T. Corporation, Receives High Post

Within three hours after announcing that Cordell Hull had resigned as Secretary of State, President Roosevelt nominated this week Mr. Hull's successor, Edward R. Stettinius, Jr., then Under-Secretary of State and a special tenured member of the Corporation of the Institute. Mr. Stettinius has been a member of the Corporation since January, 1940.

Yesterday the Senate by a vote of 67 to 1 confirmed the appointment of the forty-four-year old Mr. Stettinius to the post which is third in the succession to the Presidency of the United States. Confirmation will make him the second youngest Secretary of State in the history of the country—the youngest being Edmund Randolph, appointed in 1794 by President Washington.
UNDESERVED OPPORTUNITY?

Last term there was a good deal of agitation for recognition by the Institute Committee of the various professional societies which operate at the Institute. Eventually, the Combined Professional Societies was formed and accorded recognition as a Class A activity.

When this recognition was accorded it was expected that the organization would immediately become active and elect officers and a representative to the Institute Committee. This has not been done. The main reason for the failure of the organization seems to be a lack of cooperation between the individual professional societies. It appears that these organizations have either lost interest in the scheme or else they are afraid that, by combining with the other societies, they will lose their individual autonomy.

The Combined Professional Societies was not conceived as an organization to take control over the individual societies, but rather as a cooperative organization to represent the societies in their dealings with other organizations and to promote better relations between its member groups. Some of the societies apparently are adverse to sacrificing a little individual autonomy for the good of the group as a whole.

If the professional societies were not prepared to support a combined organization, why was such a group formed in the first place? It is about time that the professional societies got together and put the Combined Professional Societies on a strong operational basis or else declared the whole venture a failure and the organization to be defunct.

NEW CAMERA "SHOOTS" FLYING PROJECTILES

When Army ballistics experts needed to photograph speeding rockets, scientists at Bell Telephone Laboratories built the special "ribbon-frame" camera. Their experience came from making high speed cameras to study tiny movements in telephone equipment parts.

The new camera gets its name from the narrow slot that exposes a ribbon of film at a speed of one ten-thousandth of a second. These "stills," taken on ordinary film, show a fast flying P-47 firing its under-wing rocket.

This is an example of the many ways Bell System research is helping to provide better weapons, better equipment for war and peacetime telephone service.

BELL TELEPHONE SYSTEM

Service to the Nation in Peace and War
Coach Hedlund gives Track Men
I. A. U. Physical Fitness Tests

During last semester, Coach
Hedlund had his charges
rough the paces of the physical
fitness tests of the Amateur Athle-
tics Union of the U. S. This was
in cooperation with the Physi-
cal Fitness Plan of the A.A.U. to
provide all organizations with access
to the tests. A series of tests
make up the I. A. U. Physical Fitness
Plan.

These tests are designed to stimu-
late American athletes to partici-
pare themselves actively in com-
petitive athletics, representing
speed, strength, agility and endur-
ance. To this end a graduated scale
marks, which the individual may
expect to reach progressively as his
abilities and skills increase, has
been prepared.

Successful Candidates
Coach Hedlund gave his men the
Track and Field Tests for Men. The
events included in this classifica-
tion and the best individual scores
for each event are as follows: 100-
yard dash—10.8 sec.—Bill Casey, Lew
McKee, Joe Oeschle; 120-yd. low
hurdles—14.4 sec.—Lew McKee;
mile run—5:30.4 min.—Russell
Dickey; run-walk mile—4:08.4 min.
—Ted Randolph; shot put—40 ft.,
85 in.—John Helve; high jump—
5 ft., 9'/4 in.—Bill Humphreys;
broad jump—20 ft., 6 in.—Nick
Mumford; baseball throw—320 ft.,
9 in.—Joe Oeschle. The ten men who
finished all eight events successfully
were: Robert Baldwin, Bill Halfacre,
Tom Hickey, John Knauss, Ben
Moore, Nick Mumford, Ed Pyle, Bill
Simpson, Bob Wilson.

Tech Meets 3. U. on Wednesday
The M. I. T. basketball quint
squads to Boston University next
Wednesday evening for the curtain-
raiser of the 1944-1945 season.

After several weeks of constant
actice in Walker Gym, the team
raring to go, Coach McCarthy
well pleased with the progress of
his charges so far, and has been
able to single out anyone for in-
dividual praise. He feels that he
will be able to judge the am's ability as a whole after it
has been in actual competition.

Starting Five Listed
The tentative starting five, ac-
cording to McCarthy, will show
Scurlock and Atken at forward,
Wilson and Evans at guard, and
Gill at center. Evans, a transfer,
Butler are newcomers; the
other three are holdovers.

After next Wednesday's game
Tech plays host to B.U. on the 12th,
with the 15th, and Tufts on the 20th.

Tech Swimmers Whip Bowdoin
In First Meet
Mermen Victors, 38-28;
Mumford, Buckman,
Eisenhardt Are Stars
Last Saturday at the M. I. T.
Alumni Pool, the Tech swimming
team defeated Bowdoin, 38-28.

The first places were evenly
divided, the Tech mermen outswam
their rivals to gain more second
and third spots, and thereby run
off with the meet.

The large margin of victory was
due primarily to Tech superiority
in the breaststroke, backstroke, and
dive. In each of these events, the
"Beavers" placed the first two
men. The breaststroke was won by
Captain Nick Mumford, with Buckman and Sands, and Eisenhardt and
Goldfarb placed one, two in the
breaststroke and dive respectively.

This Saturday at 4:00 P. M. in
the Tech Pool, the Beavers tackle a
strong Williams team. Coach
Smith predicts a close meet which
will include a great backstroke race
between Mumford and Lockton of
Williams.
Letters to the Editor

Editor, The Tech

Dear Sir:

In connection with the coming Christmas Dance, sponsored by the Dormitory Committee, I have noticed that there is a considerable amount of doubt and ignorance on the part of the Technology student body concerning, as I see it, the status of the dance, its origin, and its purpose. I would like to clear up these points, and would appreciate your printing this letter.

The Christmas Dance is an annual affair, sponsored by the Dormitory Committee, for the entire Institute, just as is the Junior Prom. It was not held last year, when the Dormitory Committee was inoperative due to the Army occupation, and only the Seniors can remember the Christmas Dance of two winters ago, which was a small, informal affair, unlike earlier dances, and unlike the present one. The dance is budgeted to pay its own expenses, but not to make money. This year's dance is a large affair, semi-formal, with a big name band. It is being held in Morss Hall, as were all the Christmas Dances in the past. Few people attended an important dance in Morss Hall, but in the past they were always held there, and very successfully.

Jerry Wald

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that combining talents was a good idea. Rehearsals and small engagements preceded a trip to New York and a job at the Roosevelt Ballroom, which promptly was destroyed by fire, through no fault of Wald's. The group had salaries but no jobs. However fate smiled and after its next engagement numerous appearances the band was on the way up.

Played Clarinet at 7

Music has always been important in Jerry Wald's life. At seven he already knew the ins-and-outs of clarinet-playing, at ten he was appearing on WOR, the station in his native Newark. Later Wald became leader of his high school band. When he was twenty he took a friend's advice and journeyed to California. The rest is history.

At the present time the band features as vocalist the beautiful Glanie Powell, "Chicago's Cinderella Girl," and Dick Merrick.

This year the Dorm Committee has planned an ambitious return to tradition. A fine dance in the old pattern is being prepared, and we hope a large crowd will welcome back this Yuletide tradition.

Yours truly,

WALTER H. LEVY,
Chairman of the Dance Committee
Dormitory Committee

Tech Club Debates Twice This Weekend

The Debating Society is holding a return debate today with Phillips Andover Academy on the topic: Resolved, that the Government should adopt a program of permanent compulsory, universal military training.

Robert Wolfsey, 2-47, and Myron M. Thomason, 2-47, will take the negative for Technology. Wednesday, this week, Marvin W. Sweeney Jr., 2-47, and Stanford A. Fingeroth, 2-46, took the affirmative for the Institute against Phillips on the same topic, but no decision was made.

Tomorrow night at 7:00 P.M. in Lithfield Lounge there will be a debate with Boston University. The subject of discussion is: Resolved, that the United States should cooperate with Great Britain and Russia to form an Anglo-American-Russia alliance to maintain world peace after the war.

Portugal To Be Discussed By East And West Assoc.

On Tuesday, December 5, in Room 321 at 8:00 P.M., the East and West Association will hold the first of a series of lectures which will deal with the colonial and special policies of six different countries. Victor F. B. deMello, 2-46, will give the first of the talks at the meeting as he deals with Portugal.

A.I.E.E. To Hear Talk on "Lightning"

By Dr. McEachron

The story of lightning research will be the subject matter of a talk to be given by Dr. Karl B. McEachron, before the student branch of the A.I.E.E. on Thursday, December 14, at 8:00 P.M. in Room 4-270. Dr. McEachron is the head of General Electric's "Lightning Laboratory" which as part of its work, has been photographing and measuring lightning bolts which strike the tower of the Empire State Building.

Dr. McEachron will show various slides and motion pictures which were obtained during these studies and will also describe some of the results obtained through the use of high-voltage lightning generators. Following the meeting there will be an opportunity for those in the audience to ask questions. A limited number of tickets for the meeting, which is open to all, may still be obtained in either Room 4-202 or Room 10-206.

Cast Selected By Dramashop

Music, Dancing Talent Needed For New Play

This week the Dramashop announced the selection of a cast for its coming play, "The Drunkard." Robert W. Connor, 2-46, as Cribbs, George V. M. Tower, 2-47, as William and Virginia M. Tower, 2-47, as Peter, are featured in the title roles. They are supported by Claude W. Brenner, 2-47, as Edward; Roberta Kohleberg, 2-46, as Mrs. Wilson; Mary E. Sullivan, 6-45, as Miss Spindle; and Thomas B. Ingle, Jr., 2-47, as Rencelaw.

"The Drunkard" requires a cast of nearly thirty persons, but at present only the principal characters have been chosen. Music and dancing talent are still needed, and anyone interested should call at the Dramashop office, Room 2-176. The dancing in the play is under the direction of Catherine M. Sponable, 2-46.

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