

Institute Opens New Laboratory

Prof. Schwarz Heads Textile Program

The establishment at the Institute of the Samuel Slater Memorial Research Laboratory as a part of the Textile Division of the department of Mechanical Engineering was announced yesterday by President Karl T. Compton. This modern laboratory houses the latest developments in electronic equipment for research on the physical properties of textiles, and will pioneer in the application of the most advanced scientific knowledge to fibers, yarns, and fabrics.

The laboratory is the result of a several year program sponsored by Slater and Sons, Inc., and will be operated under the direction of Prof. Edward R. Schwartz and the staff of the Textile Division of the Mechanical Engineering department. Its name is a tribute to the pioneering work of Samuel Slater, grandfather of H. Nelson Slater, now serving as a Commander in the United States Navy, who made the presentation to Technology.

The equipment of the laboratory
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Just Announced Dramashop

Play Set For Jan. 20 In New England Mutual

With the date of presentation but a few weeks away, the Dramashop has decided the final names of the cast and stage workers for its forthcoming play, "The Drunkard," which will be given in the New England Mutual Hall on January 20.

The cast stars as Cribbs, Robert Connors, 2-46; William, George Oliver, Jr., 2-46; Edward, Claude Brenner, 2-47; and Mary, Virginia H. Tower, 2-47. The other members of the cast are: Mrs. Wilkins, Virginia A. Hesketh, 6-45; Miss Apple, Mary E. Sullivan, 6-45; Florence, Catherine M. Sponable, 6-46; Sam, William M. Siebert, 2-46; Johnson, Russel F. Trimble, Jr., 2-47; Agnes, Roberta Kohlberg, 2-46; Farmer Gates, John F. Gaffney, 6-45; Farmer Stevens, Alan B.
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Marriage Series Opens Thursday

Prof. Magoun To Talk Under T. C. A. Auspices

Professor F. Alexander Magoun will give the first lecture of his popular annual series on "In Preparation for Marriage" on Thursday, January 11, in Huntington Hall, Room 10-250. He will deliver one talk from 4:00 to 5:00 P.M. and repeat it for another audience from 5:00 to 6:00 P.M. The other three in the series of four lectures to be given on Thursdays, January 18 and 25, and February 1. Professor Magoun's first topic will be "Criteria for a Happy Marriage."

Professor Magoun states that the value of such dignified college lectures is being recognized more and more by leaders of American colleges. It is just as possible to take a scientific approach to problems of human relations as it is to problems in chemistry. The two most important questions which each person must face, are the choices of a profession and a life partner. In making either choice a person is apt to be entangled in the many emotional pitfalls. To aid people in choosing their professions, fairly reliable aptitude tests have been devised, and now personality tests have been planned to discover the advisability of a particular marriage.

Professor Magoun gave his first series of lectures in 1928, and every year since then, except in 1943, when he was occupied with government work, he has repeated them.

Professor Proctor To Head Research In Food Technology

A far-reaching program of research in food technology to study the post-war problems of world food production, the improvement of products, and methods for retaining the flavors and nutritive values in processed foods, will constitute part of the program to be undertaken by the recently established division of Food Technology at the Institute.

The director of this division, which is under the department of Biology and Biological Engineering, is Prof. Bernard E. Proctor. Pro-

Fire Levels Bldg. Near Briggs Field; Damage Is \$2000

A blaze of undetermined origin Wednesday demolished a small building on Institute property just east of Briggs Field. The fire, which attracted a hook-and-ladder and four pumpers, created a temporary air of excitement in the Massachusetts Avenue-Memorial Drive vicinity. The fire, of undetermined origin caused damage estimated at \$2,000.

The building which was destroyed, an Army barracks, was not in use at the time of the conflagration. The firemen restored order at the scene after a fifteen-minute struggle, but not until a hose had burst to add to the general confusion.

Tickets For I.F.C. Available Thursday

Dance Will Be Open To Fraternities Only

Tickets for the I.F.C. Dance will be distributed at next Thursday's dinner meeting of the I.F.C. at the Fox and Hounds Club, it was announced last night by Henry M. Morgan, 2-46, Dance Chairman. The dance will be held on Friday, January 26, at 9:00 P.M., in the Georgian Room of the Statler Hotel, with Ruby Newman and his Orchestra providing the music. Tickets are priced at \$3.60, tax included.

The dance will be open to fraternity men only, because of the
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Institute Comm. Revives Activity Points System

Revised Points List Will Be Presented At Next Meeting

The Institute Committee at its meeting yesterday evening voted to reestablish the Points System as provided for in the Walker Memorial Committee Constitution. This system has not been enforced by the committee for the past several years because of the war.

Under the Points System, the Walker Memorial Committee assigns a set number of points for all undergraduate activity offices and for participation in sports. Accordingly, no undergraduate may carry a total of more than a pre-determined number of points. At the meeting yesterday, David P. Flood, 6-45, announced that the Walker Committee will review all point assignments and will present them to the next meeting of the Institute Committee.

The purpose of the Points System, as stated in the Walker Memorial Committee Constitution is to "(1) encourage participation in activities by affording recognition for endeavor in this line, (2) to protect activities from having an executive whose other interests and duties demand too much time to allow him to competently hold his office, and
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A.I.Ch.E. To Hear President Compton

Talk Deals With Engineering In War

Dr. Karl T. Compton will speak on Tuesday, January 16, at a dinner given by the A.I.Ch.E. in Pritchett Hall. He will discuss the methods he has used to solve various engineering problems connected with the war effort. Another part of the speech will deal with Dr. Compton's vast and immensely interesting store of knowledge about the different types of warfare in separate parts of the globe.

Admission to the dinner will be by ticket only. These tickets may be purchased from Richard M. Poorman, 6-45, or C. Homer Elliott, 6-45.

New Five-Year Course Announced

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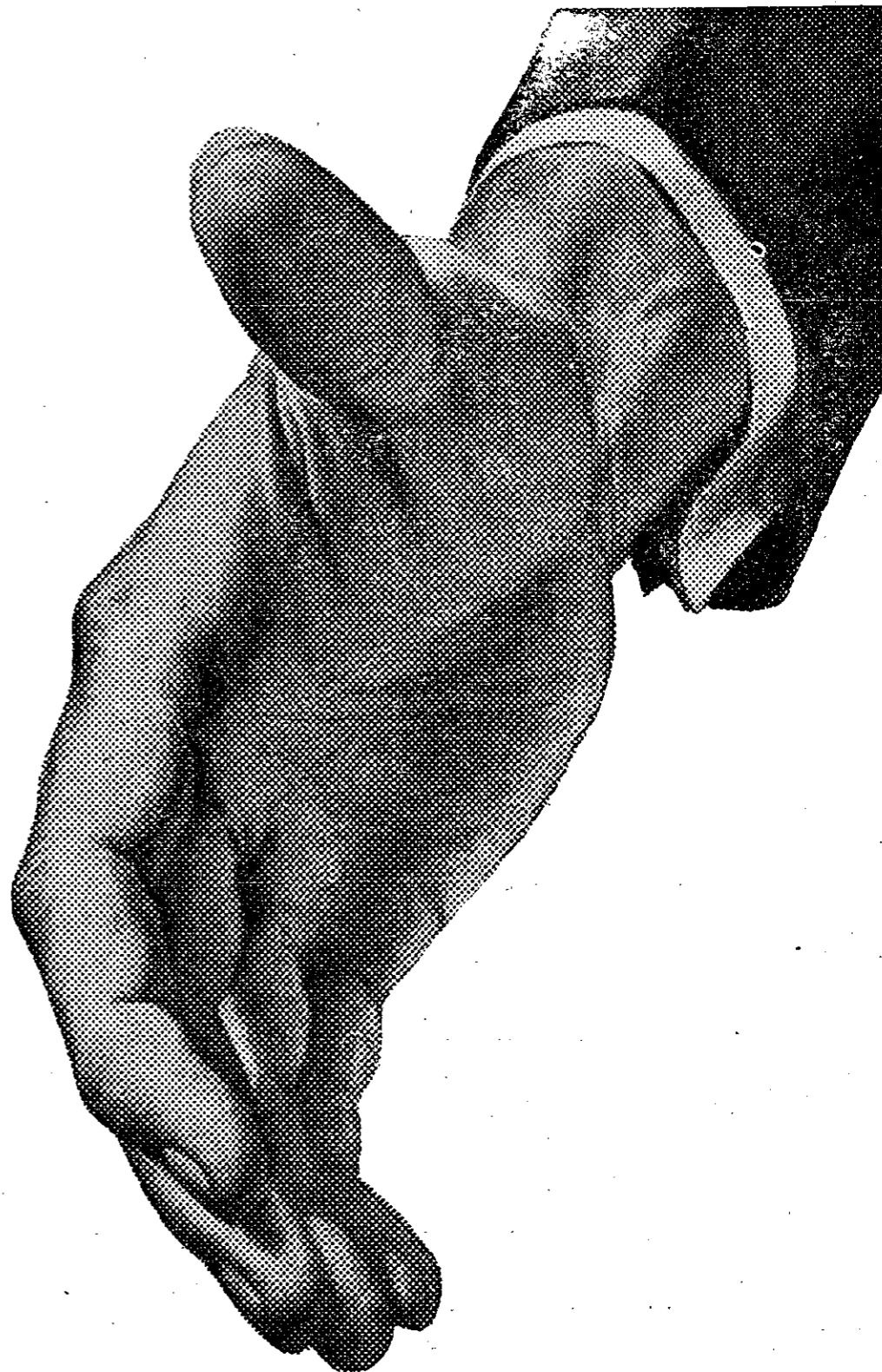
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A WELCOME HAND TO BELL SYSTEM WAR VETERANS

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Tracksters Run Handicap Meet

Team To Meet Tufts Here On January 13

Intra-mural competition in the form of a handicap meet was the principal activity of the track squad the past week. However the team is also engaged in preparation for inter-collegiate meet which is to be held here with Tufts on January 13. Final trials for the Tufts contest will be run tomorrow.

The handicap meet, conducted Saturday, involved four events, the 50 and 300 yard dashes and the 100 and 1000 yard runs. Winner of the 50-yard dash was Kriegel, with a four yard handicap, triumphed in a time of 5.4 seconds. Goff and Schultz placed second and third, respectively. Running the 300-yard dash with an advantage of ten yards, Waltzer led Casey and Chapman, who both started from scratch, across the finish line in a time of 35 seconds.

Goldie captured the 600-yard run in a time of one minute, 18.2 seconds. The winner, as well as the runner-up, Serrie, started the race with no handicap, while the third-place man, Schindel, enjoyed a twelve-yard advantage. The final event, the 1000-yard dash, saw Poor capitalize on a 25-yard lead to win in two minutes, 24.8 seconds.

Form Bowling Starts Monday

The Dormitory bowling tournament is scheduled to begin Monday 7:15 P. M. at the Walker Memorial Halls. Munroe, Hayden, Walcott, Good, and Goodale will compete. The schedule for Monday is as follows: Munroe and Walcott will bowl 7:00 P. M. on alleys 1-2 and 3-4 respectively, while Hayden and Good will bowl at 8:15 P.M. on alleys 1-2 and 3-4.

Swimming Engagement With Seabees Cancelled

The swimming meet scheduled for tomorrow, January 6, with the Seabees of Davisville, Rhode Island, has been cancelled. The Tech swimmers were to have met the Seabees in the Alumni Pool. The next engagement will find the Tech team journeying to Brown on January 13.

Coast Guard Team To Shoot At Tech

Matches At Annapolis And West Point Next

The rifle team will shoot its second shoulder-to-shoulder match of the season tomorrow when the Coast Guard Academy team of New London will visit the Tech range for a return engagement. In their first meeting with the Coast Guard the Technology shooters were unsuccessful.

On the schedule at present are two additional shoulder-to-shoulder contests, one with the Naval Academy on January 13 at Annapolis and the other with Army on February 10 at West Point. In postal matches of this month the team is slated to encounter Rhode Island State, Brooklyn Tech, and Massachusetts State, while Yale and W.P.I. are on the bill for February. Besides these engagements Tech is to participate in the First Service Command Tournament and the William Randolph Hearst Match.

Mail Match Pending

In three official matches to date Tech has failed to turn in a victory, although the outcome of a fourth contest, shot recently by mail with Northeastern, is still pending.

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Glee Club Invites Students and Staff To Concert-Dance

All members of the Institute staff and student body are invited to come to the concert and dance being held by the Technology Glee Club in conjunction with that of Pembroke College, January 13, it was announced by the Glee Club Director Mr. Henry Dunham. It was further stated that the program will start with both clubs singing the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah." This will be followed by another combined number, "Lo A Voice" by Botliansky.

At the conclusion of the concert, Reuben F. Moulds, 10-46, and his orchestra will play for dancing which will last until midnight. The tickets which are priced at \$1.00 per couple will be sold during the coming week in the Lobby of Building 10.

Food Research

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opportunities for returning servicemen in the field of food technology. Each student in the course will spend at least six months in some of the country's great food manufacturing plants.

Discussing the research program, Professor Proctor announced that plans are being made for a fully-equipped process equipment laboratory which would be devoted to food unit process study. The division's new laboratory bears the name of Samuel Cate Prescott, who until his retirement in 1942 was for many years head of the Institute's department of Public Health and later Dean of Science. Dr. Prescott is one of the country's pioneers in food research, and his work at the Institute has led to many important developments in the preservation of foods.

"In studies of packaging, investigations will be made of the new plastics and countless other packaging films which will be subjected to new test methods in order to develop the ideal food package materials and techniques of packing. The new laboratories will utilize the experience gained in preparing special foods for millions of men in the armed services and the new knowledge of electronics used for the improvement of food processes.

"The Institute's extensive research in low temperature methods of food dehydration from the frozen state will be continued. In this research we have the unique opportunity of cooperation with the laboratories and staffs of other departments such as Physics, Chemistry, Chemical and Mechanical Engineering."

Textile Lab.

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makes possible under carefully controlled air-conditioned surroundings, the study of the complex behavior of textile materials under a large variety of conditions. Stresses of only a few grams or many hundreds of pounds may be applied in either tension or compression for either long periods of time or less than a thousandth of a second. For the latter kind of work, the deflection of an electron beam is photographed and measured by a high-speed camera.

The technical data which has already been obtained has been of great interest and importance in Army and Navy Aviation. The virtual elimination of friction and inertia effects which are common to the usual testing apparatus has given, for the first time, an accurate record of the behavior of such materials as parachute shroud lines, canopy fabrics, uniforms, climbing ropes, tenting, and many other materials vital to the war effort.

Dramashop

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Haybrook Heads Stage Staff

The stage staff for the play is as follows: Stage Manager, Stephen H. Haybrook, G; Stage Construction, Draper; Stage Design, Siebert; Business Manager, Michel; Publicity, Joseph D. Toomey, Jr., 2-47; Hand Properties, Trimble; Stage Properties, Richard H. Witherell, 2-47; Light and Sound, Douglas Porter, 2-47, and Edward L. Friedman, 2-47; Ushers, Elaine M. Bickford, 6-45; Prompter, Roger B. Emerson, 2-47.

Prof. Morize To Speak Before East-West Assoc.

Prof. Andre Morize of Harvard University will speak Wednesday, under the sponsorship of the East-West Association, about France's policies concerning colonies and racial situations. He will speak on January 10 at 8:00 P.M. in the Emerson, Room 7-403. Professor Morize was in close contact with the French leaders and during the Nazi occupation was in touch with the French underground.

CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 1945

5:00 P.M. Hillel Society meeting—Faculty and Alumni Room.
5:00 P.M. Boat Club meeting—Litchfield Lounge.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 1945

8:00 P.M. International Club Acquaintance Dance—Pritchett Hall
Rifle match: M.I.T. vs. Coast Guard Academy—M.I.T. Range

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 1945

9:00 A.M. Outing Club ski trip to Laconia Guilford Area—Meet at North Station.

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 1945

5:00 P.M. T.C.A. talk on religion—Room 10-200.
5:00 P.M. Physics Society meeting—Room 6-120.
7:00 P.M. Dormitory bowling tournament—Walker Memorial Alley

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1945

7:00 P.M. Rocket Society meeting—Litchfield Lounge.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1945

5:00 P.M. Math Society meeting—Room 2-147.
8:00 P.M. East-West Association meeting and talk—Room 7-431.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1945

4:00 P.M. Professor Magoun Marriage Lectures—Room 10-250.
and
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It was also announced at the Institute Committee meeting that the Executive Committee had dropped the idea of creating a Publicity Committee. The activities of this proposed committee will be carried instead by the Walker Memorial Committee and the Athletic Association. The Walker Committee plans to set up bulletin boards in conspicuous places around the Institute to give the latest news of all student activities.

Sparrow Elected Hillel President

Marvin Sparrow, 2-46 was elected president of the newly formed Hillel Society at the first business meeting of the group last Wednesday. Other officers elected were Vice-President Frank Blatt; Secretary-Treasurer Louis B. Wadel, 2-46; Corresponding Secretary, Kermit Greene, 2-46; Social Chairman, Melvin W. Friedman, 2-46; Publicity Chairman, David Israel, 2-47.

The first Hillel sponsored social event of the year will be a tea dance held in the Copley Square Lounge, S. S. Pierce Building, on Sunday, January 14, from 3:30 to 6:00 P.M. The girls at this affair will be from Radcliffe and Jackson Colleges. A sign-up list for members will be posted until tomorrow on the Hillel Society bulletin board in Building 10.

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