



400 Listen To Atom Lecture In Room 10-250

Prof. Woodward Speaks About Revolution In Scientific Field

Declaring that the atomic bomb has in a very tragic way announced to the lay world a scientific revolution, with the destruction of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, Professor William Woodward addressed an audience of four hundred people yesterday afternoon in Room 10-250, in the first of a series of three lectures on the general subject of atomic energy. The second lecture on the subject, "The Atom Bomb as a Weapon," is to be given on Thursday, November 14, at 5:00 P.M., in Room 10-250, followed by the last lecture on Thursday, November 21.

The lectures are being given by members of the Association of Cambridge Scientists and all of the speakers are connected with the Institute Physics department. The series is being sponsored jointly by the Lecture Series Committee and the M.I.T. Veterans Association.

Worked At Los Alamos

Dr. Woodward, who spent three years with the atomic bomb project at Los Alamos, New Mexico, joined the Institute staff last spring. In his lecture on "The Science of the Atomic Bomb" Professor Woodward stated that "the subject of atomic energy, or rather the subject of nuclear energy, is a very revolutionary idea." He went on to say "that it will require a revolution or at least a reevaluation of many of our present concepts." Dr. Woodward amplified his statements by saying that "the whole of present technology, even including the airplane and radar, are based upon scientific discoveries made before the present

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Elections Planned For Wed., Nov. 13

Senior Week Committee Nominations Announced

Nominations for Senior Week Committee for 1947 and Senior Ring Chairman for 1948 were announced this week with fourteen men aspiring for the positions on the Senior Week Committee and three students applying for Senior Ring Chairman nominations. The elections will be held Wednesday, November 13, in Building 10, with the Class of 1947 electing the Senior Week Committee and the Class of 1948 electing its Senior Ring Chairman.

Beaver Key nominations were also announced this week by Robert E. McBride, '47, Chairman of the Elections Committee. These nominations are made by the present members of the Society.

The complete list of nominations appears below.

NOMINATIONS

CLASS OF 1947

Senior Week Committee:
James L. Burns
John L. Cowan
Jerome R. Cox, Jr.
William J. Crawford
Donald Dewitt

Arthur W. Galusha
Phillip D. Jones
Arnold S. Judson
Kenneth A. Marshall
Robert E. McBride

Richard S. Mooney
Richard J. O'Donnell
Bernard G. Paltz
William H. Wichl

CLASS OF 1948

Senior Ring Chairman:
Patrick E. Colvan

Harold Field, Jr.

Ezra Garforth, Jr.

Beaver Key Society:
J. David Cist
Edward Dell
Robert E. Day
Ralph Evans

Eugene M. Gettel
Frank Jones
David Kingery
William Maley

John J. Rudolf, Jr.
Phillip Starn
Todd Thayer
Warren K. Watters

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WHICH IS THE WITCH?



Although VOO DOO travelled to Salem on a righteous witch-burning expedition, the easily-deceived staff members were carried away by their own fervor, and the outing degenerated into a typical VOO DOO beer brawl. Some of the less civic-minded men are shown above cavorting with the witch they set out to hang. THE TECH is not averse, however, to anyone cavorting with this particular witch.

Dr. Tate Appointed As New Librarian

Takes Office In July When Seaver Retires

Dr. Vernon D. Tate, Director of the Division of Photographic Archives and Research of the National Archives, Washington, has been appointed librarian of Technology, Professor John E. Burchard, Director of Libraries, announced this week.

Dr. Tate will come to the Institute in January to study its library system and will take active charge next July when William N. Seaver, librarian since 1925, retires.

"The appointment of Dr. Tate," said Professor Burchard in announcing it, "is indicative of the approach the Institute hopes to make to the problem of librarianship and is intimately connected with the planning of the new Charles Hayden Memorial Library."

From 1933 to 1934, Mr. Tate was a teaching fellow and research fellow, respectively, at the University of California, where he was awarded his doctorate in 1934. During 1934 he was engaged in research in microfilm photography in Washington, and when the National Archives neared completion, he was given charge of all of the duplicating and photographic reproduction of the archives.

During the war Dr. Tate was assigned for two years to the Naval Command of the Office of Strategic Services, and in his laboratory at the National Archives he engaged in technical research and production on war subjects, working directly for the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Raucous Revelers Led By Voo Doo Burn Witch Mother

Ribald revelry profaned the town of Salem last Friday night, November 1, as witch-burning was revived by Voo Doo. Intelligent people of this modern age thought the infamous practice of witch-burning was buried with our Puritan forefathers 250 years ago, but depraved minds, unable to cope with current events and hard up for publicity and party excuses, have regressed to medieval supernaturalism.

Bent on burning someone, Voo Doo chose as its effigy "The witch that mothered the Harvard Lampoon." A committee from Voo Doo contacted Mayor Edward A. Coffey of Salem (a publicity-wise Harvard man) for permission to stage a mock trial and made arrangements for the construction of gallows and a pyre on Gallows Hill. Circulars were distributed announcing the "Tryal—of invidious Witch." Voo Doo even arranged for 25 models from the Chamberlain agency at Boston and a Life photographer to be present. In fact, they did everything but invite the Ku Klux Klan to join them in their diabolical molestations.

Carrying torches and forming a long column, 200 revelers, mostly disciples of Phos, and their dates reeled up the side of Gallows Hill from the playground below and conducted their mock trial in the best 18th century manner. The accused witch, played by Leonard Salter, '49, was brought before "Judge" Harold L. Humes, '49, on witchcraft charges and as the resonant voice of the chief prosecutor, Robert P. Abelson, '48, droned on with a variety of accusations, the mad mob called for the witch to be "hung and burned."

Acceding to the demands of the jury, an effigy was hauled to a scaffold erected on top of a flaming stack of barrels. (Although our good Puritan forefathers were content to hang their witches only.)

Lustful Voo Doo touch was brought into the ceremony when a very comely Chamberlain model from Newton Heights, Shirley Carroll, was placed on trial as "Miss Modern Witch," who stole the hearts of M.I.T. men. The assembly

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Gala Event Scheduled For Saturday After J. P.; No Fraternity Parties

ANNOUNCEMENT

BEAUTY CONTEST

Contrary to the statement made in last week's THE TECH, Pictures submitted for the Junior Prom Beauty Contest will be returned to the rightful owners. THE TECH has taken this step in order to encourage as many entries as possible. Submit pictures with your name and your date's name to THE TECH, Room 3, Walker Memorial, before 5:00 P.M. Wednesday, November 13.

Hotel Lenox Named Site of Affair By J. P. Committee

A "grandiose, stupendous event, unprecedented in the annals of previous Junior Promenades" is planned for the Saturday night following the usual dance to be held Friday evening, November 15, in the ballroom of the Hotel Statler. The details of this latest development will remain secret until further notice, according to Dennis D. Allegretti, '48, a member of the J. P. committee.

The J. P. Committee is as yet unwilling to release the full details concerning the Saturday night affair which will be staged at the

Pres. Compton Talks On Radio

"Science at the Front" Is Topic for Nov. 17 Talk

In one of his few radio talks since his return from Bikini, Dr. Karl T. Compton, President of the Institute, will speak over the nation-wide network of the Columbia Broadcasting System on Sunday, November 17. Dr. Compton will appear as intermission speaker on the weekly broadcast of the New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra, which is heard on Sunday afternoons from 3:00 to 4:30 P.M.

The topic of Dr. Compton's talk will be "Science at the Front." His speech, one of the series of ten-minute talks by prominent scientists heard each week on the Philharmonic program under the sponsorship of the United States Rubber Company, will start at about 3:45 P.M.

Scabbard & Blade Soc.

To Be Reorganized Soon

Former members of Company G, Fifth Regiment at Technology are requested to call or visit the Professor of Military Science and Tactics, room 24-107 (extension 471) regarding reactivation of the Scabbard and Blade.

The redemption of Junior Prom options at \$5.00 a ticket will be continued by members of the J. P. Committee until next Tuesday. On that last day, a desk will again be set up in Building 10 and options may be redeemed there until 5:00 P.M. at which time options will become void.

Hotel Lenox from 8-12 P.M. Some minor arrangements still have to be completed. The Committee assures holders of Junior Prom tickets, however, that they have really got an ace up their sleeves in setting up of a grand affair for Saturday night J. P. parties.

No Fraternity Parties

It will be recalled that in previous years it has been the custom for various fraternities to give J. P.-sponsored cocktail parties and evening dances the day after the main dance. This year the set-up has been altered completely with all the effort (and finances) allocated for Saturday night going into the mysterious party.

Late Thursday it was announced by the Committee that Hal Ormandy and his Orchestra have definitely been signed for Saturday night, indicating that whatever occurs, will be done to music. Furthermore, students attending the party were advised that there would be plenty of punch and that there-

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Many Fraternity Members Living Outside Houses

SECOND OF SERIES

Perhaps no living-units at Technology have been more affected by the sudden influx of students than the twenty-four active fraternities now operating in Boston, Cambridge and Brookline. This, of course, is primarily due to the fact that many of the brothers who joined the various houses at any time during the last five years have returned, all at once, from service in the Armed Forces.

This has caused all the fraternities, even those who were inactive during the war or half-empty a year ago, to be at least running at full house capacity. Necessarily many of the houses, who, by taking in large groups each term, managed to replace draftees and keep their houses reasonably filled throughout the war years, have now twice as many brothers as their houses can handle or more.

With information from some fraternities lacking, we can estimate that between 900 and 1000 men are associated directly with fraternities as brothers or pledges. A small percentage of these are, of course,

married and some commute from their near-by homes. However, as the fraternities cannot house more than 600 men, this leaves a considerable surplus.

Little Permanent Enlargement

Most of the fraternities have considered this increase of their present membership only temporary and thus have not planned any permanent enlargement. They have spread their extra men around in boarding houses, apartments, and even Building 22. Invariably the men with the most terms in the house behind them have moved out. In most cases, however, they still enjoy many of the benefits of the fraternity by living close enough to partake in meals and recreation at the house. The notable exception to this rule is Sigma Alpha Epsilon, who has leased the entire house next door in order to house

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