BIRTH CONTROL

OPINION OF TALK

Last Monday

Dr. F. L. Good Outlines Catholic Opposition To Use Of Contraceptives

Dr. F. L. Good of the Institute Catholic Church, Dr. Pedroda of the Catholic University of Louvain, and Dr. Dewitt Marston of the Catholic University of Louvain, spoke to 5:15 at the Catholic Church, dramatizing the basic opposition to birth control. The speakers pointed out the broad ramifications of the subject, which are wholly neglected by the Catholic Church. In order to get at the essence of the matter, the speakers united the logical and the moral aspects of the subject. They then clarified the issue to the point that the Church was not recommending birth control. The speakers also pointed out that the Church was recommending birth control. The speakers also pointed out that the Church was recommending birth control. The speakers also pointed out that the Church was recommending birth control.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Managing Board, The Tech
Walter Memorial, Cambridge, Mass.
Dear Sirs:

I would like to thank you very much for considering the matter of this issue’s editorial, and the opportunity I was given to present my opinion. The editorial policy that you have following is to consider any material and situations, to be published only if it contains valuable information and revisions can result

in the form of inaccurate statements or

of the status quo, if handled shrewdly.

You are suggesting that to the present group of class officers, two additional representatives be added and that the membership of the Executive Committee be increased to the limit of the opinions of their standards of practice. Nevertheless, the Institute Committee would be able to accommodate these requests, for any student may appear before the Committee. Under the opinions of their standards of practice, it is possible to obtain a fair and full legal consideration.

The advantages of being a representative on the National Student Organizations are almost too obvious. With a representative from each college, it would be possible to present a certain number of representatives from each college, it would be possible to present a certain number of positions to the committee in order to get more students interested in these issues, these same students, in later years, will be in a better position to shape the destiny of our nation. All Techmen interested in politics, whether or not they be elected to the Executive Committee, should attend the committee meetings, lend their ideas, and vote for the committee delegates to the coming Chicago conference.

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Dick, 49; Ralph E. Dever, 48; Arnold L. Judson, 47; Harold L. Abele, 44; John M. Cook, 46; John Cronin, 47; John S. Hitchcock, 48; John A. Carrell, 47; Robert L. Lievens, 47; Prof. Paul F. Fitzmorris, 48; Projector Service, R. Langdon W. Cook, 49; Accounting, Prof. James H. H. Wessel, 45; Women’s Work, Miss Marie L. Sanford, 47; Social Affairs, Miss Frances A. Davis, 50; Mediation, Mr. Robert T. Converse, 47; Sports, Raymond T. Franklin, 47; H. Kahn, 44; Sine L. Cornell, ’47; Kenneth A. Spitzer, 47.

Letters from the Editor

The Tech

Manuelit, Cambridge, Mass.
Dear Sirs:

Upon their return to the states, this group, along with the group of Americans, obviously impressed by the necessity of greater international cooperation, formed a league of sports, a feat that seems impossible of accomplishment for an individual college. A national federation of national students’ organizations, which has the backing of the League of Nations, is an ideal organization to prevent such incidents as the outing of President Bailey of Texas University, or could fight a bill like the Massachusetts Legislature that would tax colleges that admitted more than a certain percentage of out-of-state students. Such a group of nations might be able to organize tours of Europe, and would have funds at its disposal to provide scholarships and grants-in-aid to needy students. These and many similar deeds could be achieved by such an organization as was described in your editorial.

The Technology committee for the proposed National Students’ Organization was approved by the Institute Committee two weeks ago. This N.S.O. committee is scheduling meetings to tell the Institute about last summer’s convention and what might be done about it in the idea. More specifically, plans to send delegates from Technology to a second convention in San Francisco which will again be held in Chicago. If enough enthusiasm is evidenced, an American National Students’ Organization would be the result.

We feel that a National Students’ Organization would be a good thing for college students everywhere. Too often, perhaps, do we face the national and international issues that confront them and will unite to act together. There are many students, in each class, who will be in a better position to shape the destiny of our nation. All Techmen interested in politics, whether or not they be elected to the Executive Committee, should attend the committee meetings, lend their ideas, and vote for the committee delegates to the coming Chicago conference.

Birth Control

If they do not want them. He said that the United States Catholic Church has never said that married couples must have children and that there is no reason why the Church should be the answer to the whole problem of birth control.

Recently the Planned Parenthood Association of New York released figures that showed, among couples using fourteen different kinds of birth control methods, only 12.6% were 100% effective in preventing pregnancy. Out of all the married couples surveyed, only 2 were 3% more effective than the others, and these were married children.

College Graduates

In recent years surveys have been made of graduates of various colleges to determine what percentage of students they had. Results showed that 80% of all the graduates of the students, children of college students, are children of college students. People in the states, those who have very large families. It would seem that there is a real interest among the students in its elections for the position of the upper classes were under the influence of the student government, but not which ran all activities with no supervision from the administration or the faculty. The heart of this student government is the Institute Committee, a group of about eight students, some of whom are active in the government and the remainder being elected by their respective classes by democratic means. This system functioned reasonably well until the war years; but since the war, some, at least, of the present members have no resolutions to return to its present state—... —... to minimize any real interest among the students in its elections or in its activities. Obviously something must be wrong either with the student body, the system itself, or perhaps both.

In considering first the student body, it is of course true that there is a high percentage of older men, some married, with other interests. A large part of this group contributes greatly to the inertia of the undergraduates, but they do not, by far, constitute the majority. Why is it, then, that the greater portion of the student body seems to have little interest in politics and disinterested as most of the older veterans? The fault may lie not wholly with them. It is not without the realm of possibility that some of them blame it to be blame for this general attitude of apathy.

As a rule, a person will feel apathetic and disinterested when he feels that his say in a situation has little significance and that all will go in the same rut no matter what he does. It is clear that this condition is the principal cause of the inertia so prevalent in our student body today. It is our further contention that if the student can be made to feel the importance of his say in the decision of his own fate, and disinterested as most of the older veterans? The fault may lie not wholly with them. It is not without the realm of possibility that some of them blame it to be blame for this general attitude of apathy.

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On the other hand, if a student is told what to do, what to think, then he will feel no responsibility. It is a question of responsibility and authority. If you tell a student what to do, you are responsible for the consequences of his actions. If you give him the freedom to make his own decisions, then you are not responsible for the consequences of his actions. It is a question of responsibility and authority.

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**Alpha Chi Sigma Chooses 38 Men As New Pledges**

Alpha Chi Sigma, the national honorary chemical society, held its annual initiation last Wednesday, March 12, in Room 6-321. The list of new pledges is the largest which has been admitted since the war. A banquet will be held tomorrow. The new members are: Jan M. March, '47; Frederic M. Richards, Jr., '48; Edward Chalmers, Jr., '48; Kenneth B. Baker, '48; Gilbert P. Menott, G; Henry H. Kohl, '49; Herbert W. Krizler, '48; Edmund M. Buntington, '48; Henry B. Balschard, G; George A. Frankel, Jr., '49; Richard H. Jones, '49; Joseph E. Strickland, '49; Joseph S. Baker, Jr., '49; John M. Wilson, '49; Paul E. Frankel, Jr., '49; Bruce S. Craft, G; George Brown, G; Aver R. Hatch, G; Robert B. Peters, G; Robert H. Reiden, G; John R. Beasley, G; Edward P. Burke, G; Edward A. Miller, '48; Frank S. Lars, G; William Baldwin, Jr., '48; Paul H. Street, '48; William H. Rose, '48; Class J. Johnson, Jr., '48; David D. Hayden, '48; George W. Bergoffen, G; Alfredo Lanza-Barril, '48; Robert J. Kallad, G; Robert J. Laplante, '48; Kenneth H. Collins, Jr., '48; Harold C. O'Connor, G; William J. Rasch, G; Robert H. Mahon, Jr., and Richard Curry, G.

**Holds Competition**

A banquet will be held tomorrow. Approximately 30 students have entered a competition for membership in the newly-formed Public Relations Committee. From among these, six members, including at least one junior and one sophomore, will be chosen. At a meeting for the candidates Kenneth S. Brock, '49, outlined the aims and history of the Committee. The chief purpose of the Committee is to publicize student activities outside of the Institute.

The competition consists of three parts: a questionnaire, a theme, and a personal interview. The questionnaires serve the purpose of presenting the background of the applicant, and the personal interviews will be handled by the selected members. The themes are to illustrate the candidate's ability to write a good news release or publicity program. Names of successful candidates will be announced in two weeks.

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Very truly yours, Norman N. Holland, Pres., Institute Committee. 1947, Class of '47.

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Tech Fencers Meet Yale
Two Undefeated Teams
In East Coast Tangle; B.U. Beaten on March 8

By FRANK HELDSTEIN, JR., ’48

Two top fencing teams of the East will clash tonight in Walter Gym at 8:30 P.M. The Bears, Boston University experts will attempt to break the unblemished record of the Blue and Gold at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

After a year’s inactivity, the Tech fencers surprised by Leominister, the intercollegiate champion the last two years, led 14-6 at the half before dropping to Yale, 21-17. Coach Levis stated. Schickli, giving Tech the largest margin of victory in its competition.

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SOCCER RALLY

WEDNESDAY

A rally will be held on Wednesday, March 19, at 3:30 p.m. to usher in the spring training for the Tech soccer team. The meeting will serve the purpose of electing a captain to replace Tom Cummings who is grad- uating this spring. The regular soccer season begins in late fall.

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In Garden Meet

Brown Track Meet

Held at Providence

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