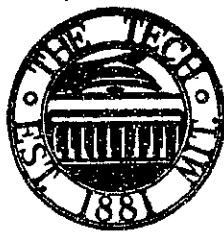


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Student Election Rulings Debated By Inst. Comm.

No Decision Made On Subcommittee Motions To Revise Procedure

Changes in the present undergraduate election system were discussed in some detail during the recent meeting of the Institute Committee, when the Elections Committee presented its proposed new method of election. However, opposition to the amendments resulted in the lengthy discussion of the measure by the members of the Institute Committee, and no action was taken.

In past years, the elections have been held by the preferential system, whereby all the candidates were chosen by the majority of votes cast; however, after due consideration by the Elections Committee, such a method was decided to be inequitable, since the minority votes would not count. Their proposed amendment to this system is called the preferential-proportional system in which the majority faction elects the majority of the candidates and the minority faction elects the remaining candidates.

New Procedure

For instance, if there are five people to be elected for a committee, three of them are chosen by the majority faction, then these votes from the majority are disregarded, and the remaining two members are elected by the minority party, thus giving the latter a voice in the election.

Ten Per Cent for Nomination

The Elections Committee has requested that the Institute Committee pass the amendment that will make it necessary for a person desiring candidacy to have his nomination blank signed by at least ten per cent of his class, a number which amounts to more than one hundred men in the case of the Sophomores. The new amendment also states that a person may sign an unlimited number of nomination blanks in his own class.

Because the Institute Committee
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Tech Entertains N.E. Swimmers

Alumni Pool Is Scene Of Championship Meet

The Technology swimmers will play host to twelve visiting teams this weekend when the New England Intercollegiate Swimming Association championship meet is held at Alumni Pool. Diving trials took place at 10:00 a.m. this morning, and heats in the swimming events are slated for 3:00 p.m. and 8 p.m. today. All finals will be held tomorrow afternoon, beginning at 3:00 p.m.

This meet will provide the climax of the winter swimming season, and the Beaver natators will be going all out to improve on their season record, which at present stands at seven victories and five defeats. Carrying Tech's hopes in the championships will be Jim Leonard, Bob Edgar, Jack Searle, Bob Pelletier, Carl Mellin, Dick Pitler, and Frank Conlin. Leonard placed in the 50-yard freestyle event during last year's meet, and Edgar, Searle, Pelletier and Mellin all broke one or more Technology records during the course of this year's competition.

Favored to triumph in this year's championships will be Williams College, the defending titleholders. The Royal Purple swimmers have won eight meets this season without a defeat, and will also be shooting for their fifth straight New England Championship.

ANYA PETER'S PROBOSCIS PUNCHED



Fast action shot at rally showing Q Club member holding Miss Peter's shoulders as brother Q Clubber punches her in nose. Funnyman Russ Offhouse looks on. Photographer Bob Elliot, '50, who took this picture was winner of contest.

Industry Demand For Technology Grads Continues At Steady Rate

Professor Carlton E. Tucker of the student employment bureau has announced "there are exceptionally good job prospects at present." With few exceptions, the companies which have drawn on Technology graduates in the past are continuing their demand at a steady rate and other calls are increasing.

Prospects of permanent jobs for the graduating class are posted three times weekly on numerous bulletin boards around the Institute. Reading of these notices is of great concern to seniors, as they are the official notification.

An average of five representatives of industry come to Professor Tucker's office each day to interview job applicants from all courses except IV, VII, XII, and XIX. The latter are usually contacted through their department heads.

Summer Work

For the mass of the student body that is not graduating this year,

the prospect of summer jobs is very good. Undergraduates, especially juniors, are invited by many industries to accept technical jobs during vacation. Applicants should see Mr. Tucker's secretary in Room 7-101.

Non-technical jobs will be available through TCA. This category includes employment at summer camps and other seasonal activities.

Institute Work

The outlook for finding work on Institute projects is very slight. A few departments employ undergraduates but these are few and the student should see the individual project supervisor.

Graduates who are concerned about continuing research are permitted to apply for either the D.I.C. staff, or for the post of research assistant. Aspirants must convince a research head that they can be valuable to him in order to receive this latter appointment.

Roving Reporter Discovers Little Known Walker Dope

... Move over, Joe, and let me use the typewriter now. ...

While rummaging around in some of the lesser travelled pathways of the Institute recently, we came across some information about the organization of Walker Memorial which we felt people like us ought to know about. Somehow we'd gotten the idea that maybe Walker Memorial Dining Service rented this building or something, but no! Oh, no!

The W.M.D.S. is operated under a charter with the Institute, and is a sort of department of it. Oper-
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Graduates To Hold First Spring Dance

The Lobby Salon of the Hotel Bradford will be the scene of the first Spring Dance of the Graduate School on Saturday evening, April 10. Gene Dennis and his Country Club orchestra have been engaged to play for the affair from 8:30 p.m. to midnight.

Thomas H. Pigford, G, Chairman of the Dance Committee, has announced that the dance is open to all registered graduate students at the Institute and not Graduate House residents alone. The ticket price has been set at \$3.60, tax included, and Pigford has stated that formal dress is optional.

Students will be contacted by a representative in each department as well as in the Graduate House. Richard W. Asmus, G, Nilsson A. Finkelstein, G, and Alan K. Jeydel, G, are assisting Pigford in preparations for the dance, and may be reached in the Graduate House

Strike Rumors Halted As Institute, A.F.L. Local Negotiate New Contract

A threatened strike of 340 members of local building service employees was averted last Tuesday when both the Institute and Local 254 of the A.F. of L. agreed to arbitrate their wage dispute. Negotiations for a new contract with the union, which includes all janitors, porters, power plant employees, and maintenance men, have been going on since last fall, when the old contract expired.

According to Mr. R. Colin Maclaurin, the Institute's representative at the negotiations, the main difference between the two parties is one of wages. At the present time, the union wants a 13 cent an hour increase for its members, and the Institute is offering only an 8 cent an hour hike.

The 8 cent an hour increase offered by the Institute is in line with a similar increase given to laboratory service employees last fall when contracts were settled with these groups.

Negotiations Fruitless

The decision to arbitrate was reached only after long negotiations, including two meetings with the Massachusetts State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation, proved fruitless. On Tuesday, Joseph L. McCarthy, union representative, and Institute representative Maclaurin put an end to strike rumors by agreeing to arbitrate.

The arbitration is to be carried on through the regional branch of the American Arbitration Association, a nation wide non-governmental organization. The Association will shortly submit a list of arbitrators to both sides, and those objectionable to either side will be rejected. The panel thus chosen holds hearings, and arbitration proceeds in the usual manner.

Strike Possibilities

Although the union represents only 340 of the Institute's total staff of 3,700, a strike might seriously disrupt undergraduate life. Power plant employees would be out, along with swimming pool attendants and others who hold maintenance and service jobs around the Institute.

Picket lines could prevent Walker employees and others from going to their jobs. Possibilities of such action, however, according to both sides, are "extremely slight."

Open House Comm. Announces Plans

Cyclotron, Synchrotron To Be Shown In Action

Plans for the first post-war Open House at the Institute are forging ahead with the announcement by several departments of their preparations.

Among the May 1 attractions to be offered to the interested public will be the exhibition of three Van de Graaf generators, cyclotron, and synchrotron in working condition as prepared by the Physics Department. Popular science will receive its support from the chemistry department in the series of lectures and demonstrations on fire control and glass blowing to be given during the day's activities.

The lay public will continue their tour of education and entertainment with the demonstration by the geology department on "Age Determination of Minerals by Radioactive Clock." Plans have also been made to provide space to exhibit balloon flight technique employed in cosmic ray research.

Co-chairmen of the Open House Committee Kenneth Brock, '48, and William Zimmerman, '48, have announced that several other departments have submitted tentative plans. The program is expanding and by May 1 a complete and representative picture of Technology life is to be ready for the public.

NSA Withdraws From IUS, Czech Students Killed

As a result of the refusal of the secretariat of the International Union of Students to condemn the action of the present Czechoslovakian government with regard to the treatment of students in Prague, the National Student Association has severed relations with the IUS.

On Feb. 25 at least one student was killed and several wounded when police fired on a procession of 1,500 students marching to ask President Benes not to install the new government.

Following this incident, William Ellis, Harvard, and James Smith, University of Texas, U. S. representatives to the IUS, submitted their resignations via telegram to Robert Smith of Harvard, vice-president in charge of international student activities for NSA. Ellis reported that all alleged reactionary professors and students have been banned from the university at Prague and democratic principles have been violated.

This action has no effect on the student exchange, travel, and relief activities being planned for this summer, reported William Welsh, national president of NSA.

CREW CONDITIONS ON MACHINES



Photo by Lintz

Until open water replaces ice on the Charles River, workouts on the rowing machines at the Tech boathouse form an important part of the crewman's early season conditioning. Shown on the bank of machines in the foreground, from left to right, are John Banks, Bob Silberman, and Harold Bjerke. In the background, left to right, are Herb Frankel, Frank Marran, Andy Pfeiffenberger, and Bob Michel.

Calisthenics, Roadwork, and Rowing Prepare Tech Crew for Rough Season

With a daily turnout of 75 men, including more than a dozen varsity lettermen, Technology's crew is priming for one of the toughest competitive seasons in its history—and the first Olympic crew year since 1936.

Head coach Jim McMillin is putting the crewmen through a daily schedule of calisthenics and roadwork, as well as workouts on the rowing machines, to whip them into shape for the Spring competition.

With "the best material I've had since I've been here," Coach McMillin is pointing toward a big year for Technology crews. Led by Captain Bill Reynolds, the crew boasts

such experienced oarsmen as John Banks, John Rudolph, Frank Marran, Herb Frankel, Andy Pfeiffenberger, Harold Bjerke, Pete Lehner, and Bob Weber—all of whom have had at least one year of varsity rowing.

Other oarsmen with a year or more of varsity competition are Bill Howlett, John Saxe, Paul Gerhardt, and Bob Silberman. Don Jenkins and Bill Grant, both of whom coxed the jayvees last season, are candidates for the varsity coxswain post.

The crew's competitive season opens April 24 with a regatta at Princeton between varsity, jayvee
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WALLACE COMMITTEE AGREES

Dear Sir,
 Congratulations on your fine editorial on the Condon affair in the March 9 issue. It is time for Tech men to be aware that if the House Un-American Affairs Committee does not hesitate to accuse men like Dr. Harlow Shapley and Dr. Condon of treasonable activity then very few people indeed will be safe. If these were isolated instances we might merely attribute them to Congressional desire for publicity. But the fact is that these occurrences are accompanied by a general hysteria in high office as shown by the loyalty orders and the list of "subversive" organizations. It is symptomatic of this period that the Republicans have completely ignored these issues which are certainly of major interest to the public. The only presidential candidate who has come out directly against these activities is Henry Wallace.

Communism and Russia are certainly important, but the present actions of elements of the government are not helping the situation at all. Abandonment of constitutional process in the United States is on the contrary giving the communists of Europe one of their best talking points. Let us not forget that moderate leaders of France and Italy are using the arguments of individual liberty to convince their people they should follow American policy. Undermining of these leaders by removal of their talking points will give the communists control of Europe by the simple process of winning elections. To the people of Europe who have lived through fascist regimes some of the tactics of the House Un-American Activities Committee may sound strangely familiar.

Jerome Blackman, '48
 Chairman, M.I.T. Committee for Wallace
 Ed. Note: We feel that Condon was done an injustice. Period.

WOODENHEADS?

Dear Editor:
 In today's issue your article concerning the All-Tech Sing erroneously reported that I led the Woodenheads. The full credit for our training and leadership belongs to Michael M. Koerner, '49.
 In addition, the Woodenheads sang only one song, "De Animals Are Comin'," and not two as reported. Evidently your information was taken from the printed program which was also incorrect.
 Joseph J. Baron, Jr., '49

Inst. Comm.

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 The meeting day has been changed from Thursday to Wednesday, the Elections Committee has requested that the day for elections be changed from Wednesday to Tuesday, so that votes may be counted in time for the meeting.

MINUTES OF THE INSTITUTE COMMITTEE

The meeting was opened by President Parmelee at 5:10 p.m. The roll call showed the following:—proxy: Greene (Barriger), Hilton (Israel), Kallman (Kulver), Veras (Lamppler); late: Livingston, Weil, Grant. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as read. The minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of March 9, 1948, were read. The agenda was read.
 Special Business: M.S.P. (Walker Memorial Committee): that the following elections of the freshman class be approved: Secretary-Treasurer, Lester Preston; Ins. Com. Representatives, Edwin T. Richard, John T. O'Brien.
 Reports: N.S.A.—Mr. Eames reported that although the plans were still in the formation stage, the Red Cross drive will probably be held next week. He also reported that the N.S.A. will definitely not associate with the International Union of Students.
 Activities Ball—Mr. Zimmerman reported that Mr. Weisz, the chairman of the Ball, would like all Class A activities and all Standing Sub-Committees to submit a list of the number of men in the organization that it is felt fair should attend the Ball, to Mrs. Hunnell within the next few days.
 Tech Show—Mr. Field reported that about 500 tickets for Friday and 1,000 for Saturday had been sold. They need approximately 800 more sales to break even. He reported on some of the proposed methods for pushing sales.
 Elections Study Committee—Mr. Ellsworth submitted part of the final report of the committee. The parts discussed were the method of counting votes, the time limit for nominations, and the nomination blank.
 Debating Society—Mr. Perkins submitted the report of the debating society but was unable to read it due to lack of time. The report will be resubmitted at the next meeting of the committee.
 Old Business: M.S.P. (Walker Memorial Committee): that the freshman appointments to the Student-Faculty Committee be approved.
 M.S.T. (Walker Memorial Committee): that the constitution of the Athletic Association be approved as amended.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the elections of Alpha Phi Omega be approved.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the elections of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgy Engineers be approved.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the elections of Chi Epsilon be approved.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the constitution of the Catholic Club be approved as amended.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the budget for the Activities Ball be accepted.
 M.S.P. (Exec. Com. class of '48): that the appointment of Carleton Boll as Secretary-Treasurer of the class of '48 be approved.
 M.S.T. (Executive Committee): that the by-laws of the Institute Committee be approved as amended.
 M.S.T. (Executive Committee): that the constitution of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Undergraduate Association be approved as amended.
 New Business: M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the changes in the by-laws of the M.I.T. Outing Club Inc. be approved.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the continuation in office of Alan Smith as general manager of the M.I.T.O.C. Inc. be approved.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the elections of officers of the Outing Club be approved.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the constitution of the M.I.T. Sedgwick Biological Society be approved.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the elections of the Technology Christian Association be approved.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the elections of Hexalpha be approved.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the elections of the Tech Model Aircrafters be approved.
 M.S.P. (W.M.C.): that the appointment of Peter Guercio as chairman of the Faculty Evaluation Committee of the M.I.T.N.S.A. Committee be approved.
 The meeting was closed by President Parmelee at 7:00 p.m.
 Respectfully submitted,
 BENJAMIN J. BRETTLER

DOUBLE-TALK

Danny Kaye has got a pretty good double-talk routine, but if he ever feels in need of some additional material, we have a certain tidbit to offer. Specifically: "All preferences which are numerically higher than the smallest majority in that election will be disregarded unless a candidate is elected with less than 25% of the total votes cast. In that event, his election shall be void, and the counting shall include the preferences larger than the smallest majority."

That's it. Can you make head or tail of it?

Usually when we read something which is obviously so much double-talk, we laugh and pass on. Unfortunately, however, this is not a laughing matter. The two sentences quoted above comprise an amendment now being proposed for Article IV, Section 27, of the Constitution of the Elections Committee. The amendment has been suggested by the Elections Study Committee, and is now under consideration by the Institute Committee.

Regardless of other considerations, this particular amendment is objectionable on the grounds that it cannot be clearly understood on the first reading, nor the second, nor the third. We honestly doubt if any student can, without outside help, clearly interpret the meaning of the "double-talk."

In addition to the requirement that the balloting be secret, a prime prerequisite of a class election should be that each and every voter clearly understand how his vote shall be counted. This would obviously not be the case under the proposed system.

The particular reason for the amendment has been the fear that only 51% of a class can elect 100% of the candidates. The two lines of double-talk are supposed to prevent such a situation, although it has been shown in Institute Committee that the maze of words does not effectively do that, and may even result in a situation where a voter's ballot is counted only if he voted for the right candidate.

Our second main objection, in addition to the complexity, is the general attitude with which the proposal has been made.

The proposed amendment, upon careful analysis, turns out to be a bold-faced attempt to deny the voter's choice and to count a voter's ballot other than in the way it was originally marked. This has not been a hidden attempt; two direct quotes from the Institute Committee meeting illustrate this point. "This system wasn't made for honest voting." . . . "The guy who votes honestly gets screwed."

A more complete explanation and examination of this proposed amendment will be made in the next issue.

NO QUORUM

M.I.T. students have never had too much interest in their government body, the Institute Committee. Regardless of the reasons which contribute to this apathy, one would certainly think that Institute Committee members themselves should show some degree of interest in the business of the Institute Committee. This is not always the case.

Although it has been painfully obvious during the past terms that the attendance at the end of an Institute Committee meeting has been far below that at the start, a new low was reached last Wednesday evening. The agenda of the Committee meeting included two important matters: the new Constitution of the Institute Committee, and the report of the Elections Study Committee. Despite this fact, before any significant action could be taken on either matter, it was discovered that a quorum was not present. An additional member was collared in Walker Memorial and the meeting continued. However, soon the required quorum could not be counted and on that sour note the meeting ended.

Is it too much to ask that those who represent us in the Institute Committee remain throughout meetings to finish the business at hand?

Food Technology Students (Course XX) Brew Home Made Liquor In Lab. Stills

Next time you see a student staggering along the halls, don't say that he's on a binge; he probably is a Course XX (Food Technology) student.

All Course XX Juniors are required to take 20.41, Professor Cecil G. Dunn's course on Industrial Microbiology, which is concerned with various types of fermentations. At present, the topic being studied is the fermentation of alcohol, which provides an occasion for several interesting laboratory experiments. Two weeks ago, the food technologists had the pleasant duty of making rum from molasses; last week, corn liquor was on the agenda; next week will be devoted to good, old-fashioned whiskey. So far, the results have been pretty good; the boys have succeeded in producing high-quality materials, some of it running as high as 160 proof.

Charles W. Davis, '49, who revealed the Department of Food Technology's activities to *The Tech*, declared that there was only one major catch to the affair; the U. S. Bureau of Internal Revenue, which has issued a permit to produce liquor to the Institute requires that the entire yield be turned in. However, it seems that some remarkably low yields have been reported, as well as some remarkably drunk Food Technologists.

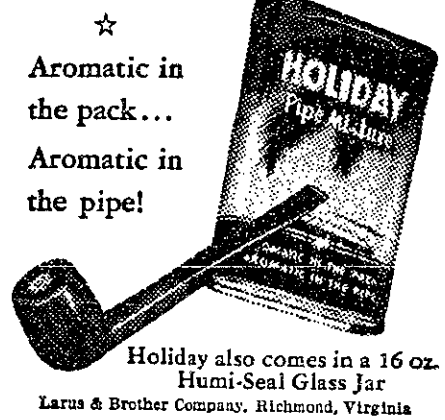
Davis described the rum-making process as "not difficult at all." A mixture of water and molasses in the ratio of 3:1 must first be sterilized in order to eliminate bacteria which might cause the formation

of vinegar or other disasters. Then a small quantity of "compressed yeast" (i.e. the ordinary bakery type) is added, and the brew kept at 25 degrees C. (room temperature) for 2 or 3 days. The resulting mixture is then distilled, yielding a liquid known as "rum." As this product will be rather raw, it is advisable to try "quick-aging" it. Activated Charcoal is said to be excellent for the purpose, as it

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Wrestlers Journey To Williams To Defend New England Title

Hoping to retain the New England title they garnered in last year's meet, the Tech matmen tackle four college teams this weekend in the New England Intercollegiate Wrestling Tournament at Williamstown, Mass.

Competition in the tourney starts today and continues tomorrow, with matches between both varsity and freshmen teams. In addition to the Beaver gladiators, Williams, Springfield, Brown and Tufts will be represented at New England's most important collegiate wrestling event.

Last year the Tech wrestlers, after an uneventful season, came through surprisingly well in the N. E. championships and took the title.

The matmen are hoping history will repeat itself this year as again their season's record is not too good. Harvard, Brown, and Williams took the Beavers into camp, while the Techmen subdued Springfield, Tufts, and tied Amherst.

Leading the Tech wrestlers is captain Whit Mauzy. Mauzy will be wrestling in his last meet for M.I.T. as he is graduating this year. Mauzy has been outstanding for the Beavers this year, winning five matches—four by falls—while suffering one setback, a disputed decision match against Harvard.

This year will be the first time that the freshmen will engage in the N.E.I.W.T. Although sporting a dismal record of no victories and one tie against three setbacks, the frosh hope for victory, after a fine showing against the Tufts yearlings two weeks ago. Captain Tom Callahan will lead the '51 team in the tourney. Callahan has won all of his four matches, three by falls.

Track Team Meets Brown University

The Tech varsity and freshmen track teams will be hosts to Brown University's varsity and frosh squads this Saturday afternoon on the Briggs Field boards in a meet starting at 2:00 p.m.

Last year Brown was the victor, but this season the two teams look a bit more even, although Brown is rated the favorite in both competitions.

Expected to score heavily for Brown are John and Josh Tobey, Royce Crimmin, and Paul Flick. Running for Tech and expected to do the heavy scoring are Al Dell Isola, Hal Ingraham, Wayne Carter, Doug Vitagliano, Hank Henze, Hal Knapp, Gordon Hunt, Paul Lobe, and Bud Simpson, along with weightmen John Adams, Vin Murphy, and Howard Roy.

Technology Skiers Make Good Showing

Last weekend, the Technology ski team entered Class B competition at the Laconia-Gilford area, N. H. Tech's skiers made a good showing among a field of 112 entries from all over the eastern seaboard.

Jack Aall, of Tech, placed tenth in the sixty meter jumping event, while Diderik Cappelen placed twentieth in the nine-ten mile cross-country race, with a time of 70 minutes, 57 seconds. Tech's showing was good considering that the competition was of Class B caliber.

This weekend the team will travel to Big Bromley, Vermont, where they will compete against Harvard, Yale, Rensselaer, and other top eastern colleges in the Harvard Invitational Intercollegiate Slalom Championship meet. Members of the team that may ski for Tech are: Knute Kloster, Jack Meyer, Jack Bent, Henrik Bull, Bill Brace, Diderik Cappelen, Bob Whitney, Jack Aall, Karl Niermeyer, and Kai Eeg Henriksen.

Squashmen Play Last Match Today

In the last team match of the 1947-48 season, the varsity squash team takes on the Harvard Business College in a seven-man match on the home courts at 5:30 p.m. this afternoon.

The Emerson and Freshman Cup playoffs start Monday afternoon. Both are open to all students, with the latter deciding the freshman singles championship and the former, the upper-class champion. The squash manager has announced that those desiring to enter the tournament should sign up at the squash office in the alumni pool immediately.

BEAVER BARKS

By KARL GOLDBERG

Last Tuesday, we polished our shoes, put on our best tie with a clean shirt and our Saturday night suit, and went down to the Athletic Association office to interview Duane Rodger, outgoing president. What we wanted to know was the A.A.'s policy toward appointing managers, especially with respect to the man who will fill Herb Benington's job when he retires after two years of managing hockey.

Mr. Rodger stated that the A.A. executive committee, which nominates new managers for the approval of the A.A. membership, usually gives precedence to the assistant managers. If assistants are not to be found in the sport other assistants—from other sports—are considered even though they might not be particularly interested in the sport they are to manage.

Executive Ability vs. Athletic Interest

We asked if this switching sports practice might not lower the quality of managers and prevent the expansion of the sports in question. Mr. Rodger stated that the men chosen usually made good managers, which brought to mind the question of what the job of manager requires. Managers are executives who are required to be efficient in running their sports. Under these conditions any highly experienced, executive type man would make a good manager. But the managers as a whole also determine the Tech athletic policy and individually should aid their particular sports in spirit and in expanding with the entire athletic program. These jobs demand sports spirit and athletic interest.

We thought that this wasn't being considered under the past policy. Mr. Rodger asked us why men would join the A.A. if not through an interest in athletics. Which set us wondering whether, in view of the past stagnancy of the A.A., students join the A.A. for the power and prestige it holds—especially when personal friends, already in the A.A. could make the way so much easier for them.

The Problem of Hockey Managership

Perhaps we were mistaken, so we switched the general topic to the more specific problem of hockey managership.

We found that the history of the problem included an assistant, Kemp Reade, who had been freshman manager before the war, and was offered the managership when hockey was reinstated, refused it because he had decided the job might conflict with studying and has since worked extremely hard as assistant manager. He never thought he would be manager, assuming that Benington would continue until graduation, and did his work purely for the sport.

At the beginning of the past season, Reade was reported by Benington as not wanting the managership. So Jim Leonard, vice president of the A.A., found a man to be assistant for this year and succeed to the managership next year—when Benington was informed he could not be manager for three years running. The man Leonard found was Warren Fisher, a personal friend, who, according to Leonard, was very interested in hockey. (Although not that interested to try out for assistant when he thought he didn't have a chance for manager.)

Previous Assistant Is Logical Choice

Since then Reade has let it be known that he wants to be manager if Benington is not and it seems, according to past policy, he is in line.

However, Leonard is adamant and claims that Fisher was never given the proper chance by Benington. And—because the executive committee had picked him, because he was given a raw deal, and because Benington had not reported Reade as eligible for managership at the beginning of last term—Fisher should be manager. These qualifications seemed to differ somewhat from those usually considered by the executive committee.

Moreover, Leonard laughed at Reade for working so hard without thought of reward. We wondered if pure athletic interest was so idiotic. When we finally left the A.A. we were very confused.

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Squash Mentor Lauds Brauns

Summers Calls Work Of Captain Outstanding

Compiling a record of some thirty victories in competition for the Tech squash team throughout the past two seasons, Stew Brauns, captain of the 1947-48 squash team, has one of the best records in the history of the sport at the Institute.

Stew is seeded number one in the Massachusetts Squash Racquets Association "B" class and is ranked as one of the best players in New England. Jack Summers, Tech coach and himself a famous squash player, says, "Brauns is the most outstanding player in many years at Tech." He has been a consistent winner and the mainstay of the team during his three years of varsity play.

This year, his last with M.I.T., Stew has a record of 15 wins and four losses, with one match left to

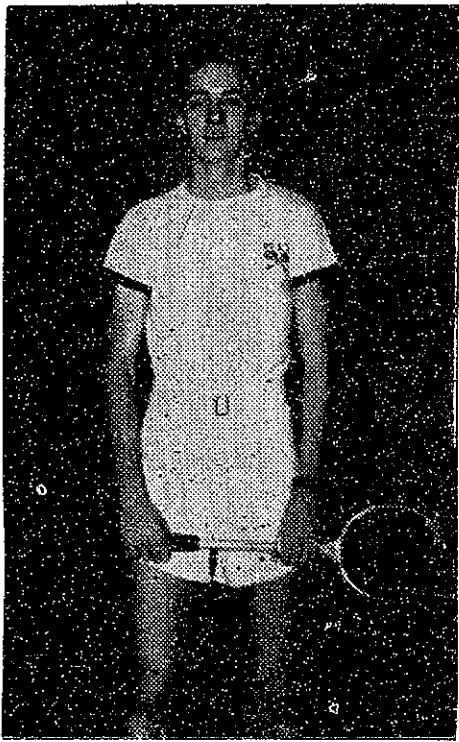


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play. He has defeated many of the better college players, including Adam Foster, of Harvard, who knocked the 1947 Intercollegiate champion out of the tournament this year.

Stew won 15 matches and lost five last year and captured the Emerson Cup, emblematic of the school singles championship, as well. The 1948 Emerson Cup tournament starts next week, and he is expected to win his second in a row.

After entering Tech as a member of the Navy V-12 in June, '43, and playing varsity squash as a freshman that year, Stew left school in November '45, went through RT training, and then re-entered the Institute in June '46.

Brauns started playing squash at Middlesex Prep. School in Concord, Mass., and played varsity there for three years. He also played two seasons each of tennis, soccer, and basketball.

Brauns readily admits that nobody has been killed playing squash lately, but, having suffered cuts on his hands, knees, and face, as well as two sprained ankles, in tough match-play, he will argue with anyone who claims that squash is a "soft" game.

Crew

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and freshmen boats from Harvard, Rutgers, Princeton, and M.I.T. Five regattas follow, including the famed Poughkeepsie competition near the end of June.

The nation's top crews will meet in Philadelphia from June 29 to July 10 for eliminations determining the crews to represent the United States in the Olympics at London in August.

Veterans Organize Against MacArthur

In conjunction with several other colleges in the vicinity, and under the leadership of John Carr of the graduate house, a new political group is organizing on the Technology campus—"The Veterans Against MacArthur."

A full page paid political advertisement appeared last Wednesday in the Harvard Crimson, sponsored by veterans in the vicinity. The group as a whole is a spontaneous organization, not connected with any other group, whose motto is "Not a Vets Vote for MacArthur."

Walker Dope

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ated as a service to Technology, it is managed financially on accounts with the Institute, but is independently responsible for its financial health. W.M.D.S. receives no money from the Institute and "sinks or swims" on what it takes in at the cash registers. At present on its \$20,000 budget it is clearing eight mills on the dollar, spends 62 cents for food, 28 cents for labor, etc.

The Charter construes that "no one shall operate the . . . service for private gain." Any profits are put into a Dining Service Reserve Fund which is used for replacing capital investment, to cover depreciation.

The arrangement is rather unique as campus cafeterias go in that the service is operated at cost, with meals being bought individually rather than by the week as is done at our brother—ugh, I mean distant cousin, University up the river. Those Harvard dwellers pay \$13.00 weekly; eat all the meals or else.

. . . Hey, Bill, come back with my chair. . .

Also we discovered that the use of the hall is free, open to all Technology activities, the only cost being a mere sum of \$75.00 or \$85.00 for the labor required to operate the hall during the event, the difference depending on whether the affair ends at 12:00 p.m. or 1:00 a.m.

Not to be stopped with just the dope on Morss Hall we inquired into how the activity offices were portioned out to the various groups. As usual we found they were free for the asking.

. . . Move over, Don, you're jiggling my arm. . .

There isn't much doubt in anybody's mind that crowded conditions in Walker will be greatly alleviated as soon as the new Hayden Memorial is built, for then many of the activity offices will be moved to the new quarters.

At the present time offices are available in Building 20 for any activities who wish them. But according to William Zimmerman, '48, almost everybody wants to stay within the friendly walls of Walker.

As you may have noticed, the W.M.C. has a brand new shiny green office with natural pine furnishings, and the rest of Walker is also in for a face scrubbing, thanks to the efforts of Dean Baker.

. . . Hey! Give me back my chair, I can't type standing up . . . but, I guess it's time to quit anyway.

Walker Committee To Pick New Men

Six Positions Are Open For Frosh Candidates

Second-term freshmen seeking membership in the Walker Memorial Committee will meet with the Committee on Thursday, March 18, in Litchfield Lounge. The committee will select six new sophomore members for next term on the basis of a personal interview, a short paper on a topic pertinent to student activities, and cooperation in working with the Committee for a trial period.

Candidates will work with the Walker Memorial Committee for a period of approximately two weeks, in order to become acquainted with the duties of the Committee and to be judged for ability.

Prospective members will also be given a personal interview, and will be required to submit by the end of March, a paper of not more than 500 words on student activities. The main topic suggested by the Committee is "A Suggested System for Integration of Social Affairs at Tech."

Activity Briefs

ACTIVITIES BALL

Plans are now being completed for the second of the recently inaugurated annual Activities Ball. This function will take place Friday, May 7, in Morss Hall, Walker Memorial.

The Ball, which is to be formal, is sponsored by the Walker Memorial Committee and will be held in honor of those men who have contributed time and effort to advancing activities at Technology. Representatives of all the various school activities will be invited to the affair.

POPULAR SCIENCE LECTURE

The final lecture in the series of Popular Science Lectures given at the Institute under the auspices of the Society of Arts will be presented on Sunday afternoon, March 14, at 4:00 o'clock in Room 10-250.

The lecturer will be Professor Edward S. Taylor, professor of aircraft engines, who has chosen as his subject "Internal Combustion Engines."

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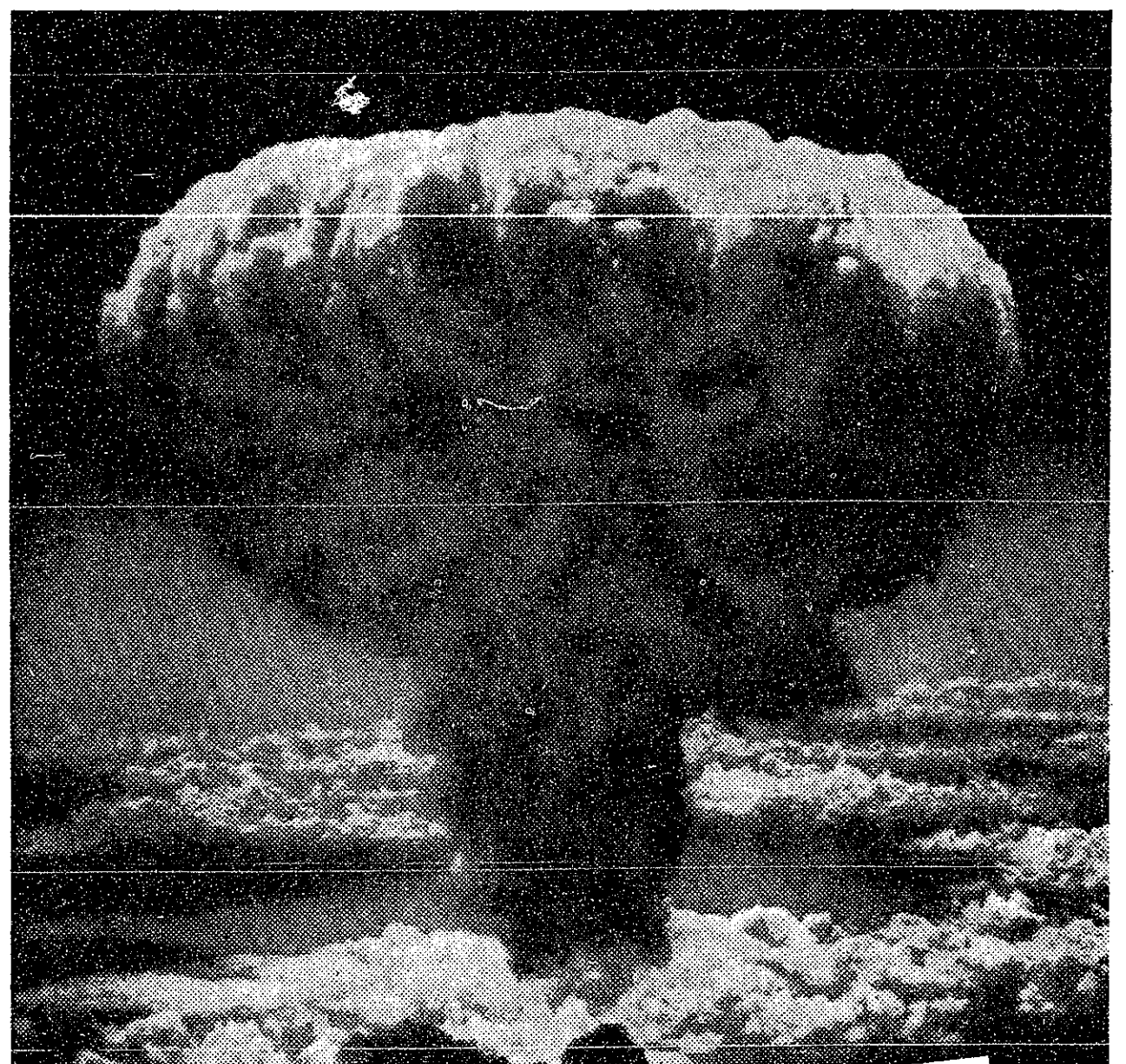
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clears the extraneous compounds from the rum.

It is understood that the process can be easily performed in private. Sterilization is generally not of prime importance, and the pH of the molasses and water mixture, which should be 5.0, may vary somewhat without greatly interfering with the process. However, any ambitious and thirsty experimenters who are tempted to "brew their own" should bear in mind that the U. S. Bureau of Internal Revenue does not approve of such activities, and is inclined to be rather nasty on offenders.

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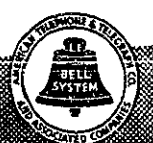
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