COURTENAY FRY TERRIER
For Tonight's Win给了 MADDEN PACE TEAM

Engineers Lead
B. U. At Halftime of Friday's Game

Courtney Fry-Terrier, for Tonight's Win, gave Paces Team a boost in the Engineers' lead.

Control Boards
Its present form is a result of the efforts of the Engineering Board, which was founded early this year. The board is responsible for all aspects of the building's operation, including maintenance and security. The board is composed of students and faculty members, with a representative from each department of the school.

DORCIA Raffles

Bottle of Calvert

Inductees Wear Robes, Carry Drinks To Class

The appearance of thirteen men carrying glasses containing a liquid, and wearing costumes, was frequently misunderstood. Professors and students noted the behavior of one of the thirteen, who, upon being observed, had no comment to make.

As part of a plan designed to make all students "men of discipline," the magnetism of the bottle was not enough to induce any of the thirteen to drinking. A report from the School of Commerce stated that the effect of the glass on the students was nil.

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School spirit, saturation, and planning

An oft-heard cry in the Institute corridors is one which deserves the lack of a quality which has been so conveniently designated as "school spirit." "School spirit" is a favorite whispering-boy's "the lack of all tradition which one might have expected in an atmosphere of poor planning. The most common occurrence of this quality is found in the way in which it is said to effect the attendance at social events. This result in a lack of enthusiastic dances, proms, dramatic presentations, and special events.

Accepting the figure of about 5,000 as being the total number of enrolled students, we may conclude that the necessity of living exceeds 865 a month. And lastly there exists a group of students who through lack of sufficient interest, socially or otherwise, fail to take part in any of the extracurricular activities.

It is but one phase of the problem. Dean Thomas P. Pitre remarked at the recent banquet of the Tech that the number of students present is about forty-seven, one cent higher than in the post-World War I inflationary period. The explanation Pitre gave was that he was aware of the current inflationary period, and that he was the result of restrictions on wage and salary increases. Propensities of this type, however, would add to the amount of money in circulation, and the demand for labor.

To support his opinion that this inflation will start downward in a few months or a few years is the idea that we are not at the peak of inflation. This is an argument that we do not have to face. But the fact remains that the buying power of consumers which has resulted from restrictions on wage and salary increases is now at a low point. Because of this, inflation will start downward in a few months or a few years, and the buying power of consumers will increase.

Dear Sir:

In the article about the Soph Prom appearing in The Tech, issue of January 9, 1949, it was reported that "Frank Shannahan--danced that no attempt would be made to balance the Institute Committee's approval of a $1500 budget for the Prom. This is not true I said, "Under the Circumstances, there can be no Soph Prom.

My statement did not in any way preclude the possibility of anotherSoph Prom. A Prom as formally offered at Tech and planned by the Soph Prom Committee, is a two night affair. The first night is a formal dance at a hotel, with a name band supplying the music. The second night is an informal dance and party. The usual budget for such a Prom is about $2000, and the lowest Prom budget the Soph Prom Committee submitted an approval of was $2000, one of the lowest Prom budgets ever submitted by any Institute Committee. Obviously $1500 is inadequate for such a Prom. There was no other cost charge than to operate under such a committee and the Institute Committee's approval was made with the full approval of the Soph Prom Committee.

In the near future, I shall submit to the Institute Committee, a budget recommending a smaller Prom Committee for a class function to replace the Soph Prom.

Sincerely yours,
Frank Shannahan
President, Class of '49

Depression

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of about forty-five cents during all of the year. The average in the sixty to eighty-five cents in all dealings. The number of available students is limited, as is the amount of money which can be spent for tickets. It is obvious that some events or activities cannot be finished.

Something needs to be done. The number of "available" can be increased by lowering ticket prices, but the best solution would seem to be the elimination of extracurricular activities. Let us no longer bemoan the lack of school spirit, but rather the lack of planning.

In a tentative and somewhat open, one, a formal attempt at amelioratory action by the student government—other, an attempt to correct the situation by the action of the interested activities and organizations themselves.

As for the latter suggestion. The interested parties in this situation number quite a few. A direct appeal for assistance by the organizations is quite likely to fail upon deaf ears, chiefly because of the lack of cooperation of any student group. The formation of a committee of all interested parties would result in a large and uniformly agreed to at meetings. The committee needs to be made up of students who are eligible for membership on the committee. The chief disadvantage of Institute Committee action would seem to lie in the fact that the committee is the organization of student committees, parties—a feature offset by the manner in which the Institute Committee could make its decisions stick. However through proper coordination of the interested parties, such as publications, a planning committee could be created which could render unbiased decisions. The Institute Committee with over-all planning could then be left to make final decisions and activities and through control over Morris Hall could enforce any decisions.

The only imperative that such action by the Institute Committee not be misunderstood by the organizations as an attempt at dictatorial power. Each organization and activity must realize that each must concede a bit, and only in such a way that each can be made to understand the optimum conditions. As it might have been in Ecll, "all interested parties must realize that they should be working a little lower down on the curve, and only through intelligent planning can the shift be made."
Clifford, Lea, Thompson Lead Sextet To Win Over Suffolk

For the first time this year the first line of Co-Captains Jack Clifford, Pat Thompson, centered by Dan Lee, played as a unit and the combination swept the Tech hockey team to an 11-4 victory over Suffolk, at the Skating Club last Sunday. Clifford's four goals and three assists led the scoring. Lea and Thompson were close behind with four goals and two assists, and four assists respectively.

All of Clifford's goals and one of his assists came during a ten minute span ending the second period and starting the third when the game was still close. Lee's goals brought his total to eight for his season. Lea's goals brought his total to eight for his season.

Foundrymen's Assn. Has First Meeting

The organizational meeting of a student chapter of the American Foundrymen's Association will be held from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 13, in the foundry laboratory, Building 35. At this time petitions for membership will be accepted, dues of $4.00 will be accepted, a constitution will be written, and officers will be elected. The constitution will then be submitted to the Institute Committee for approval.

With a foul toss by Madden in the forty first minute of play, Tech defeated the Engineers, as Boston University lehto laid up another two-pointer for the Beavers, with points also piling up the count.

Basketball

The final period was dominated by the Engineers, as Boston University never found an opening for its unbalanced power. Once the Terriers managed to pull within two points of Tech, but Hinkelsbuhl, Madden, and Huff had all badly miscalculated the error and BU never again saw the dim light of victory the last foul toss by Madden in the last seconds of play providing the winning point. Tech defeated Brown University, 50-40, on December 17. Also victims of the Engineers in December were New Hampshire, Trinity, and New Bedford Tech.

Findlay's win was accomplished over a man who was about eighteen pounds heavier than Findlay himself. His 155-pound wrestlers refused to wrestle for Tech's frosh so Findlay, a wrestler in the 135-pound class, wrestled in the 155-pound class and won.

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THE TECH Sports Schedule

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13

Swimming—Varisty vs. University of Connecticut at Almstead Pool—8:45 p.m.

Basketball—Varsity vs. Newton at Yale—8:45 p.m.

Hockey—Varsity vs. Midshipmen at Boston Arena—7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14

Basketball—Varsity vs. New London at R. L.-4:40 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16

Basketball—Varsity vs. Coast Guard Academy at New London—8:00 p.m.

Hockey—Varsity vs. Bowdoin at Brunswick, Maine—3:30 p.m.

Fire of Mysterious Origin

In Building One Basement

A fire of mysterious origin in the basement of Building One last Friday, January 9, brought several companies of fire fighting equipment to the Institute.

Dense fumes were noticed by the janitor as he was making his rounds shortly after 9:00 p.m. and he summoned the fire department. The fire was located in a cylinder that is believed to have contained phosphorous and hydrochloric acid. Firemen had to use gas masks to remove the cylinder from the area near the Military Science Department's rifle range. Once removed, the mixture burned itself out.

There has been no indication thus far what the reason for the fire could be.

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Activity Briefs

The Catholic Club will hold the second Communion Breakfast of the semester at the Sheraton Hotel on Sunday, January 18, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Ann’s Church, Boston. The breakfast is to be held in conjunction with the Newman Club of Boston Teachers’ College. Richard J. Conlan, 18, Building 22, is chairman of the event.

STUD-FAC COMMITTEE

During the week of January 12-16 elections for freshman associate membership in the Student-Faculty Committee will be held in each section by the section leaders. Six men from the freshman class will be chosen at this time.

Radio Society

After several weeks of delay, the Radio Society has finally moved to its new location behind the Smith House, on Memorial Drive. The new quarters will house the station equipment and the business office of the society.

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