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$300 is Granted to Flying Club

To Buy Plane for New Members

Most of The Tech's readers probably noticed the new Cessna 120 plane which was anchored between Building 6 and the dome of the Student Center during Open House last Saturday, 10-30 a.m. The plane, which was donated to the flying club for the use of its members, was flown by the faculty of the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

The Cessna 120 was built by the Cessna Aircraft Company of Wichita, Kansas, and is powered by a 150 horsepower engine. It has a cruising speed of 120 miles per hour and a maximum range of 500 miles. The plane is equipped with a radio, compass, and other navigation aids.

The Cessna 120 is used by the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics for training purposes, and is also available for use by the flying club. The club is open to all M.I.T. students who are interested in aviation.

The Tech's staff expressed its gratitude to the Cessna Aircraft Company for its generous donation, and to the Department of Aeronautics and Astronautics for providing the necessary facilities for the flying club.

ATTENTION VETERANS

All veterans under Public Law 66 who plan to attend the Summer Session classes must register at the Administration Office, 3-96, (Basic Law Office) immediately with the Veterans Administration Representative, Office, 3-383.

Institutional Grants

$600 for 'Technique'

Last Wednesday Technique was granted $600 from Institute Committee for the purchase of the equipment necessary for the continuation of the weekly publication. The funds were awarded to the editor of the undergraduate magazine, Robert A. Bledsoe, for the purpose of maintaining the publication.

The Tech's editor-in-chief, Robert B. Bledsoe, expressed his gratitude to the Institute Committee for its generous donation. He stated that the funds will be used to buy new equipment and supplies necessary for the continuation of the publication.

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IMPROVING EDUCATION

There seems to be a lot of talk in the educational world about giving higher education under government control in order to enable as many as possible to obtain a college degree. At the same time the trend and agitation is toward five and six-year advanced schools offering courses in many engineering fields. In order to enable everyone to obtain the additional knowledge so necessary in a world of advanced civilization and technology, the plan seems to be to lengthen education.

Yet no one seems to consider the possibility of revising our present educational system upward, so that more is learned in the present 12 or 16 years. The present secondary school system would be a good place to start, just judging from the example Techmen. The biggest difficulty many of us have at Technology is that we never have learned how to study. We sit on our hands with books in front of us and kid ourselves that we have spent the time studying and are prepared. However, the art of proper studying, picking out the important information, assimilating, and retaining it affords the chance to learn twice as much in half the time. Yet why have we never mastered it?

The answer is that in high school we never had to apply ourselves. The high school system at present caters to the slowest and poorest student and as result most of the rest waste much of their time.

Not only could the average entering freshman be better trained in the method of learning, but he could have a more extensive background in his schooling which would ease his college years or in turn allow him to better trained at the completion of his college career.

We hear much about the advanced state of education in Europe—how the completion of high school there is equivalent to two years of college in the United States, yet there is never a suggestion of remodelling our secondary school system along their lines. In parts of Europe at least the emphasis in secondary schools is on separating the sheep from the goats as early as possible or feasible. Students attend the same grade school for four years; those interested in trades attend their own school for four more years, while those interested in more formal education go to high school for eight; then they can continue to college or university if they qualify and so desire.

The result is quite clear. There is a selection of students at the early age of 10 and the educational process from there on can be stepped up considerably. Languages and a serious consideration of the sciences can be started at this point. This system can of course be modified requiring everyone to attend school until the age of 16, and possibly including a further selection at 14 for those students interested in secretarial as compared to college work.

The objection to such a set-up seems to be that in this country limiting of opportunity for the individual so early in life goes against American principle. Everybody possible should have a chance at a college education. Yet the system has been quite successful in Europe without the use of the advanced tests—IQ. The advanced school system is available now. It certainly seems more advisable to test and closely people at an early age rather than have them complete two years at the Institute whereupon they decide that they are not cut out to be engineers after all.

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Gwilling Compiles Great Record
In Technology And Army Golf

Capturing this year's golf team is an unassuming, likeable chap by the name of Russ Gwilling. In four years at Tech, Russ has been nothing less than sensational with the clubs, winning more than two-thirds of his matches.

Russ played his first round of golf at the age of ten and has since become fairly proficient at the sport. When he moved on to high school, Russ made his presence felt by leading Newton High to the Massachusetts State championship.

After entering Tech, Russ soon established himself as an up and coming star. However, he joined the army after a year of varsity competition. Within a year after joining, Russ ranked among the top golfers in the Pacific Area. Chosen to represent the 96th Engineers in the Pacific Olympics, he turned in a top-notch performance. Out of a field of many pros and highly rated amateurs, Russ came in seventh.

Among other teams while in the service (see next page).

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Two Season B. U. Streak Snaps
As Racquetmen Win Handily, 5-1

Sports Schedule

FRIDAY, MAY 7

Baseball—Freshmen vs. Newton High, afternoon at Newton
Golf—Varisty vs. Harvard at Harvard
Freshmen vs. Harvard at Harvard

SATURDAY, MAY 8

Baseball—Varsity vs. Harvard at Harvard—3:00 p.m.
Freshmen vs. Boston University at B.U.—3:00 p.m.
Crew—Regatta with Yale on Charles River
Freshmen, 5:00 p.m.; JVaeve, 5:00 p.m.; Varsity, 6:00 p.m.
Golf—Eastern Intercollegiate Round Robin at Providence

LaVarne—Varsity vs. Williams
Sailing—New England Dinghy Championship at New London
Tennis—Varsity vs. Wesleyan at Bridge Field—4:00 p.m.
Track—Varsity vs. Tufts at Bridge Field—4:00 p.m.
Freshmen at Bridge Field—4:00 p.m.

Varsity Skippers Gain Third at Brown;
Jayvees Capture Dinghy League Regatta

Sailing in Dyer "D" dinks at Brown, two Tech skippers beat seven colleges to gain third place in the George Owen Trophy regatta, May 1 and 2. Brown won the regatta with 114 points followed by Yale with 167. Tech totaled 158 points, Harvard 145.5, Coast Guard 159, Navy 136, Army 95, Princeton 91, Pennsylvania 84, and Dartmouth 81.

The winds were fickle on both days, blowing from almost every point of the compass, and creating a change of course for almost every race. High points for Tech were garnered by freshman skipper, Bob Nickerson with a score of 14 points to Boston College's 13, Harvard's 12, Tufts' 11, and Brown's 10.

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Win, Jayvee Regatta

Tech won the final Jayvee Basin Dinghy League race on Tuesday with a score of 14 points to Boston College's 13, Harvard's 12, Tufts' 11, and Northeastern's 4.

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Graduates Hold Annual Election

The Graduate House, one of the most important and last published living groups at Technology, has elected an executive committee for next year. As provided in the constitution of the living group, five members and several runners-up were elected by a general election under the auspices of the Alumni committee. The members of the executive committee for next year are: James Angell, John Carr, Donald W. Ramsey, and See-Ying Donald. Following the meeting, the Alumni members remained for the annual election of officers. The following were elected: Chairman, John M. Cook; Vice-Chairman, Donald W. Ramsey; Secretary, Robert C. Stout; Treasurer, Maurice S. Hedaya, ’51, Loftus, ’50, Social Manager, J. Adelman, ’50, Social Secretary, Eli J. Lifschitz; Academic, ’51, Academic Secretary, Leo W. Berger; Social Chairman and Chairman, I. Meshel; President, John M. Cook.

The lecture series committee plans to bring the Irving Zvi Lerman, Jewish terrorist organization in Palestine, after British evacuation on May 16, will be entitled by Dr. L. Lifchitz in his talk next Tuesday, May 11, at 8:00 p.m., sponsored by the lecture series committee. The room will be announced later. Dr. Lifchitz is the highest U. S. representative of the organization, which is the second largest underground organization in Palestine with approximately 10,000 men under arms. It is succeeded in size only by Haganah.

CLASS OF ’51

There will be a meeting of all candidates of the election, as well as members of the freshman council, and all members of the class who are interested in running for the new Sophomore council in Little League at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 10.

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