Walker Memorial Student Staff Works 1000 Hours, Holds Informal Dances

Members of the Institute family who eat their meals at Morse Hall are rarely conscious of the personnel of the Walker Memorial Student Staff. These are the students who work as waiters, waitresses, and bus boys, serving of food.

The staff is a close-knit group under the captainship of Joe Villa who enjoy their work. These individuals have worked a total of 1000 hours a week, consider it more of an honor than a job, and do it for the general high scholastic rating.

The student staff takes part in many activities, the most prominent being the monthly dances held in Morse Hall under the sponsorship of the Informal Dance Committee. These dances are little published and little known. The work of the staff and their guests. Though comparatively few know of their existence these date dances are by far the most unusual and informal ones held at Tech. Tickets costing one dollar 40 cents in sale at 10 to 15 couples, and can only be bought personally from members of the L.D.C.

The record dances, under the direction of the staff, are usually elaborately decorated, and consist mostly of the members of the staff and outside guests. The proceeds of the dance go to the Assembly Ball, a formal ball which will be held each year at the end of the senior year. The staff and their guests will be present at this dance on April 25.

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**Letters to the Editor**

### Unwarranted Outburst

**Dear Sir:**

It seems that we spoke a bit too hastily when we asked for an Easter vacation a few weeks ago. Apparently what we really want after all is a Spring Recess. At any rate, it has been called to the attention of the colleges in the East that have not yet scheduled vacations, and they are in no attempt to correlate them with the Easter season.

Conferences of the various educational institutions concerned the vacation schedules of a large number of Eastern colleges when they recommended that the recess be a "full week following the seventh week of the semester," although the reason they gave for this choice was that it would put our vacation near the middle of the term. This is evidently what most colleges do.

By a coincidence, Easter has come very close for this period for the past two years, so that anyone at Technology, which has observed the Patriots' Day vacation during that time, might get the impression that the local schools were actually enjoying an Eastern vacation. The fact that the majority of Eastern schools actually do consider the ecclesiastical calendar when planning their own vacation periods is clearly a matter of interest.

If all the school holidays, Christmas seems to be the only one about which there is virtually unanimous agreement. One can be pretty sure that no matter where one matriculates one will have a vacation at least from December 24 through January 1. About our own Yuletime the Committee recommended, "The Christmas recess be from the Saturday before Christmas to the Sunday after New Year's Day, inclusive." This was a realistic move by the Committee to bring around to LIFE's point of view the manner in which the academic year is commonly split, and the traditional American idea that Christmas is a festal occasion, free from passions, and hence spoiled. The only explanation I can find for this is that some frustrated person with a bent for nostalgia or sentimentalism could not resist the temptation, though I should expect the interpretation of a phrase. When taken out of its context the phrase "The DecemberHoliday" would indeed make one wonder what some of the "university professors." But let's not credit Commies, even if that is what this phrase stands for.

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**Turn the clock back**

**Dear Sir:**

While LIFE magazine may have been the first to publicize this jubilee in its reference to M.I.T. and Commencement in LIFE, THE TECH in reply merits the possible imputation. Nobody familiar with M.I.T. could easily believe that our faculty, including generous Communist Party members, would opt for what. That it did say is that some people have been pressured to think what they're being told. If we have boosted "front" overdrive, can we really back up "the basic stuff"? But THE TECH says that anyhow the 27th is Commencement is that they want to have the ceremony take place on the 27th.

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Juniors Lift Mugs For Stall Affair In Rockwell Cage

Movies, Music, Beer Will Eleven Evening As Chaperous Watch

Everything is finally set for the Junior Mug-Lift tomorrow evening. The committee announces that the doors will be opened at 4:30 sharp, and that from then on, things will be "hopping."

Ticket holders will be greeted at the door of Rockwell Cage by a special mug which was designed for the purpose by Van Court Hare, Jr., '40, and made by the Walter Hamson Studios. Pieces of cake, with which each person is to mark his initials on his mug, will be available.

Support Provided

Insides are tables and chairs for those unable to stand and hold up their mugs. The Telemahian Jazz Combo will be playing during the entire evening, while everyone gets his fill of food and beer.

Highlight of refreshments for the evening will be the famous Jaleli World's best beer, which will be combined with potatoes and on pot. Preliminary in the evening there will be an individual hot dog and marahloose roast with about four charcoal fires provided for the purpose.

No Liquor

Ample cake will also be provided for those wishing to drink beer. No hard liquor is allowed in the mugs under the rules of the Freshman Rifle team, and the committee requested that no bottled liquor be brought in. Any foul on the premises will be confiscated by marahloose.

An hour of movies, featuring Charlie Chaplin Slates and the Keystone Cops, interpreted by carboons, will begin at 9:15. All per- sences attending are warned that suitable clothing must be worn. No one wearing a suit or a white shirt will be admitted.

Chaperous

Chaperoneing the event will be President James R. Killian, Jr., Dean Everett M. Baker, and Dean John B. Purchas, Professors Alvin M. Howard, L. P. Barding, Walter H. Stockman, Mary K. Kashmilt, Hans Meuller, Alan H. Michael, William Van A. Clark, Jr., Cyril C. Harrington, Paul Pigors, William C. Green, and John Vos, Mr. Ivan J. Gaber, Director of Athletics, and James Martin, hockey coach.

Several members of the Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity have volunteered to help out during the evening, and members of the class of '40 will act as bartenders. In addition, Bob Weber and his crew of marahloose boys will help the Cambridge Police to keep order.

Publicity Seminar Holds First Meeting

The first meeting of a newly founded community publicity committee was held on Thursday, Feb. 24. This group, headed by Merlin Gaudine, '30, of the Walker Memorial Committee, proposes to stimulate ideas and increase effi- ciency in publicity for all M.I.T. activities.

At the Feb. 24 opening meeting, an introduction and outline of pro- gram was given by Professor Con- ningham, Chairman of Committee on Undergraduate Publications. Dr. Mr. James T. Chirgur, the featured speaker of the evening was a gradu- ate of M.I.T. Class of '27 and of the Harvard Business School, and has his own advertising agency. His talk was on the over-all picture of the advertising business to-day.

The next meeting of the seminar will be held on March 10. All publi- ty men are urged by the committee to attend. Professor Con- ningham, Course 15, will speak.

LETTERS

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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New Library Techniques To Be Used in Hayden, Visual Education Stressed

By DONALD BERNITT

While the old-fashioned library is not yet obsolete, something new is in store for the students who will use the new Hayden Library upon its completion in the not too distant future.

The innovations of standard library techniques, as they are expected to be applied in the new library, are the fruits of extensive research carried out under the auspices of the Carnegie Library research grants. The Carnegie corporation established a $100,000 research fund at the library in December, 1947.

New Techniques

This is for the purpose of developing new techniques in cataloging, documentary reproduction, visual education, and mechanical selection systems. Approximately one-third of the grant has been spent to date on equipment and research.

The research grant has made possible explorations beyond the usual limits of library work, delving into fields usually considered remote from the work of books. The use of visual aids in teaching is one of the larger areas in which research has been stimulated.

Visual Instruction

One great example of the results of the research program will be the special visual instruction room to be located in the basement of the Hayden library. Designed to accommodate about 40 students, it is well ventilated and acoustically sound. It will be used for experimental study or for lecture purposes.

The projection machinery will be of a conventional nature at the outset, but development of projection machinery control devices indicates that better equipment will be realized in the near future. After further development of such machinery, it is expected that the instructor will be in full control of the projection equipment, that he will be able to stop the motion picture at any time, reverse it, or operate it like a slide projection— all from his lecturing position at the front of the room.

Five Minute Maximum

Research into the student reaction phase of visual education tends to show that five minutes is the maximum length for any one continuous picture run. After five minutes the effectiveness of the visual aid is questionable.

Development of more efficient microfilm techniques is also part of the integrated effort to make the library a center for the communication of facts. Advanced darkroom techniques will appreciate the remarkable speed of processing microfilm in the newly-developed "test process."

18 Second Development

By using carefully formulated solutions at temperatures of 138°F., it is now possible to develop, fix, and dry microfilm positives in as little as 18 seconds. Practical working models of this high speed film processor, however, operate on a 48 second cycle. Using this high-speed method, it will be possible to obtain microfilm copies for private use.

Methods of mechanical selection are being developed by the electrical engineering and chemistry department, W. Perry, a library technician, is investigating the punched card medium.

Sound Spectrograph

A machine, not unlike a phonograph, differing in the type developed by the Bell Telephone Laboratories, is being constructed here by the electrical engineering department and Prof. W. N. Locke of the math-

THE TECH

Tuesday, March 1, 1949

Hard at Work

Photo by Hephzibah

Crane's Steel Arm Lifts 20 Ton Loads For Superstructure

One of the most unusual sights to be seen around Tech is the paltry-like structures of the tremendous cranes which are used to erect the superstructure of the new library. These monstrous machines, lowering over the Institute Buildings, are one hundred and ten feet tall, and have an eighty foot boom with a thirty foot jib. They are able to carry loads as high as 20 tons, and the machines are kept from tipping over by their own 28 tons weight.

Operating the derrick calls for quick reflexes as well as keen eyesight, and the operator must be able to direct loads into spaces with exacting precision. In the operating cab are the four main levers which control the operations. Their purpose is to rotate the cab, hoist the two cables, and lower the boom.

The boom itself can be lowered horizontally without tipping although the side load that can be lifted decreases as the boom is lowered.

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Lucks weakens Windermere Fem. Fat Exeter

On the home front Saturday, Technology's varsity wrestlers succeeded in drawing Boston University's grapplers by a 21 to 18 score. Tech men won two matches on falls and two by decisions while losing one match on a decision and two by falls.

Raymond Takes Fall

Sean Raymond, in the 181 lb. class, fell Harry, one of B.U.'s best men, in 9 min. and 56 sec. Will Haggerty, in the 153 class, downed his min. Mike, in the fast time of 4 min. and 1 sec. Haggerty and Callahan, who won a decision from Yankau, in the 155 lb. class, both fought over their normal weights and turned in fine performances.

The Terrier squad was a strong enough roster inexperience one Myerson, the B.U. captain, who toppled his opponent, Dick Reedy, in 8 min. and 27 sec. is the son of the coach, and his mat proved to be due to extra coaching from his dad.

Frosh Trounced

Meeting an unbeaten Exeter squad the Terrier boys won the 110 lb. fall of 28 to 8. Trich's only victory was garnered by Gene Rap- perport when he defeated B.U.'s Fat. In the unlimited weight class. This was the second loss suffered

by the fresh who will be seeking their 56th victory Saturday when they face a Coast Guard aggregation.

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BEAVER BARKS
By DAVE ELLEN

The old story has come up again. The "Boston Globe" recently pub-
lished an article on the cost of football, which was interesting and
impartial. It was pointed out to me again recently by a sports fan
that there is no guarantee that there will be a varsity football team
next year. The last time I read such an article, it was in 1947 when
the question was raised. At that time the matter was up to the board of
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Here Is What Happened

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Yale and Trinity

Defeat Squashmen

As Season Closes

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squad triumphed over School of the Trinity, 8-2. As a result the

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Toronto, Canada.


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A. A. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The equipment Manager of the A. A. has disclosed that students and

staff members may purchase "free" tickets to the Harvard-M.I.T. game.

"Free" tickets are not obtainable by anyone else. There are several

methods available to purchase the tickets:

1. Individuals may obtain a dis-

count slip from the athletic office, and make their own purchases.

2. Purchases may be made by the Equipment Manager for indi-

viduals, but there is no guarantee that these tickets will arrive in the

case of prompt orders. It is estimated that three weeks after the order is

made.

Catalogues and further informa-

tion are available at the Athletic

office, Room 1-107.

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Oarsmen Point

For Big Season

Coach McMillin Relies

With three returning varsity let-

ters and five veterans back from

last year's 7-2, squad Coach Jim

McMillin has good personnel to

crew this season. Getting off to

their earliest start in history, the

Oarsmen may look to the water

last Saturday in preparation for

the largest schedule in the annals

of their 53-year history.

Forming the nucleus of the var-

sity are holdovers Weber, Bjertoe,

and Pederson, all starred consis-

tently last year. Weber, kielar, sell,

and Saxe are the returning J.V.'s

while Holzer, Garrent, Rosen-

berg, and Slums. Abbott, Perry,

and Slum are back from the third

squad.

Frosh Hooper Humbled By B.C.

Eagles Triumph 48-24, End Tech Win Streak

Showing a complete reversal of

the A. A. form which has character-

ized the M. I. T. athletic program,

the Barelings were shattered by

Boston College, 48-24, last Friday

afternoon at the M. I. T. track. The

Engineers had been building up

three game winning streaks for the

Engineers, whose season record

now stands at nine victories and

defeat.

Warren Szyjg's quaint ended as

bluff by the A. A. court, as their shots often missed the

basket by a foot or more. In

addition, the defensive play be-

came progressively worse as the

game wore on, and towards the

end the Engineers were scoring almost

at will.

First Period Close

Pur chas ing the game, the gamed was

close, with B.C. holding a 9-

lead at the end of the period. Both

teams were missing repeatedly

after setting up good

End.

Towards the end of the second

period B.C. began to pull away, con-

sidering the Engineers, whose

field goals during the first half had

showed the Engineers, whose

end game attempts, and B.C. almost as bad

with six misses in ten
times.

The second half witnessed the

complete collapse of the Engineers,

who failed to make a single field

goal during the last eighteen

minutes of the game. The Engineers

baffled by the strange Arena

outside of the 50 yd. freestyle
time, in which B.U. took the first

place and the swimmers were

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Field. Frosh win 19th, Near N. E. Crown

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New England title, and defeated the Northeastern

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OUTING CLUB HOLDS TWO DAY CARNIVAL

Blue Hills Reservation Scene of the Chase

Over a hundred people participated in the Blue Hills Outing Club Association's Winter Carnival held last Saturday and Sunday. Both days were marked by a variety of type of recreation, offering a wide variety of entertainment for a leisure man.

Saturday afternoon's main diversion was a "Fun-and-Flounders" race in the Blue Hills. The race was a paper-boat affair in which students from Radcliffe dropped bits of paper as they went ahead through the woods, leaving a trail which the rest of the gang followed. Several amusing incidents occurred in the process.

As evening approached the next event was the big supper and sing held at Arlington Street Church. The supper prepared by the Simonds was very welcome after the day's physical exertions. The day's events were culminated by the square dances held at Memorial Hall. Dick Best, G, doing the calling.

On Sunday the group started early for "up country" to spend the whole day skiing. They returned late in the evening.

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HART MUSEUM

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under the chairmanship of the late Francis Honoll Hart (1849), a man with an extensive knowledge of Art and his own family history. It has long been a desire of Mr. Hart to the Copley Library research grant, Dr. Vernon D. Tate, director of libraries, made this statement: "Immediate prospects involve the investigation of new concepts of publication and utilization of techniques and scholarly materials, operational analysis in the field of documentation, investigation of concepts of visual education, exploration of instrumentation particularly adapted to the field, and the compilation and release of a series of reports."}

Hayden Library

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ers in language department. The device breaks up sounds into visible patterns, making study of the phonetics of languages a simpler task. It will also be used to analyze speech patterns, and it is expected to prove of great use in correct speech impediments. Sound recording devices are also being studied in an attempt to more fully exploit man's sense of hearing in the learning process.

Future Work

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Debate

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Others attending the banquet were: Professor Howard R. Bartlett, Head of the English and History Department, himself a former debater, who gave one of the preliminary speeches; Mr. Brooks Quimby, in the English Department and Director of Debate at Bates College, who is a noted author on speech and has written several books on the subject, and Professor John Crawford, Head of the Department of Speech and Dramatics at Wesleyan.

The M.I.T. Tournament is rapidly becoming important in debate circles of this area and eventually hopes to become outstanding. Debates were sent to all active debating societies in New England, of which 17 were able to accept. Several rounds produced eight winning schools which entered semi-finals, where two competitions produced the participants in the final debate. Edward B. Spigmy, '50, and Palmer S. Shannon, '50, assisted in running the tournament.

Letters

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