Probable re-organization of the Committee was hinted at recently when one member of the Committee mentioned that an open hearing on the Budget Committee's oc- currence would be held on Thursday, February 16, at 8:30 p.m. in Room 1-10.

At the same time the appoint- ment of a committee to consider the hearing was announced. Composed of Gerald O. Fisch '49, Robert M. Bitter '52, Walter B. Case '41, Carl F. Pollin '70, and James J. Ternes '59, this committee will hear the comments and views of all activ- ities.

Progress Made

Since its organization, this group has focused on a project launched by John C. Kern '50, Chairman of the Budget Committee, and Wadley B. Case '50. In the winter 1949, this group was elected. It has also conducted the treasury of the various activities. From discussions with these men, the committee has reached a gen- eral goal of difficulty.

Difficulties Realized

Two difficulties have already be- come apparent. The first is a lack of time. A second is the freedom of the budget. This is one of these problems; the other is to organize the budget Committee in order to have efficient operations, and yet keep all the activities satis- factorily. The committee has expressed the opinion that the Committee in order to have efficient operations, and yet keep all the activities satis- factorily. The committee has expressed the opinion that the

Three Percent of Students Fail; Figure Shows Slight Decrease As 52 Suffers Heaviest Loss

NSA Passes On Student Rights

Resolution on student rights, Federal scholarships, human rela- tions, and yet keep the organiza- tion simple and effective. 

Is Your Instructor Conscious of You?

"Does your instructor know you exist? Do you feel that instructors are conscious of your existence or are they merely robots or automata? A student- teacher study of "Instructor Consciousness of You" would try to answer these questions on Tuesday, February 14, at 5:00 p.m. in Huntington Hall.

Dr. James R. Kilian, Jr., will moderate the discussion which will

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The electronic computers which will give a television-like picture of radio wave behavior may help make possible more efficient use of water supplies and water power, accord- ing to an engineer at the Institute. Such developments are of obvious importance to the service of water supply, especially in times of short supply, they point out.

Under a special grant from the Research Corporation of New York, the hydraulics division of the civil engineering department is studying the problems of scale model computers to make hydraulic engineering predictions faster and more exact.

Makes Surveys Feasible

Out of the work, one of a num- ber of basic engineering research studies now in progress in the field of hydrodynamics, may come new ways of predicting accurately and rapidly the behavior of water in all kinds of complicated systems, according to Dr. Arthur T. Iglesias, professor of hydraulics. Such detailed studies are not economi- cally feasible by conventional methods.

A calculation is performed by an array of interconnected electronic

114 Undergraduates Part Company Percentage Still Above Postwar

Despite rumors to the effect that an excessively large num- ber of students by the registrar's office at the end of last term, figures from the committee indicate that in general the percentage of students failing was no greater than in the corresponding term in previous years and in two classes the figures were lower.

One hundred fourteen students, or three percent of the total en- rollement were reported to have failed in the Institute last term. This total in- cluded 3.4 percent, or twenty-five, Freshmen; 2.5 percent, or thirty-three, Sophomores; 3.6 percent, or thirty, Juniors; and 1.6 percent, or nineteen, Seniors. Correspond- ing percentages for the fall term last year were 4.1, 3.5, and 1.8.

NEC To Present Religious Quorum

Three Prominent Men Spell Message of Unity

"Jesus—The Man and His Work" will be the subject of discussion at the Nehemiah Society, eight o'clock in room 10-506, when the Institute Committee will present three prominent personalities to the field of religion.

Orthodox Christianity's point of view will be presented by Professor Harvey R. Nickerson. The Ecumenical Professor of Biblical History at Wellesley Col- lege, and prominent New-Calvinist, Professor Denbeaux, a native of St. Llouis, studied at Amherst and old St. Louis University. He is now in the faculty of Seminary. During the recent campaign as chaplain; since that time he has been at the facul- ty of Wellesley College.

Orthodox Christianity's point of view will be presented by Rev. Leonard G. Churg, Unitarian, of the First Church in Cambridge, Congregational. Rev. Clough studied at Bates and re- ceived his doctorate of divinity de- gree at the Yale Divinity School in 1950.

Rabbi Maurice L. Beilin will represent the Jewish point of view. Rabbi Beilin is New England Regional Di- rector of the Union of American Jewish Organizations, and Assistant Professor of Anthropolo-gy at Yale, where he took a graduate seminar on "The Culture of the Jews" last year.

All are welcome to attend and participate in the question period following the three talks.
PLANS FOR HANDLING ABSENCES - The medical situation has flagrantly abused and so it has been rightfully abolished. The physicians on the Infirmary staff will now have only real illnesses to contend with, and no more in any way interfering with conscientious students who want to cut quizzes. Student medical records certainly will indicate a tremendous improvement in the "health" of many undergraduates who took advantage of excuse requests for physical ailments instead of reproves for academic failures. 

Those ethical students who shunned the medical aid were seriously disturbed by the approval of a policy which will give them a break because they had overeaten. They went to his instructor and explained that his absence was the fault of his untrustworthy alibi clock, mentioned that he could very easily have gotten a medical excuse at any time. They felt that he ought to have his policy, and asked if he could take a make-up exam. The professor's reply was rather astonishing. He said that he admired them very much, five or six of them. And when he was excuse and after all, wouldn't it have been better all around if he had gotten the phony medical? Zero on the quiz.

And this time there is no incentive to cut when an exceptionally good quiz is missed for a valid reason, the student should not be too heavily penalized. A student cuts a quiz only when he thinks that it is to his advantage to do so. If he is far behind in his work, he may feel that he should be there. But it is unlikely that he will stay in bed that morning rather than chance a grade far below his normal average. If the absence is excused, he has succeeded in maintaining an average higher than he warrants. If the absence is unexcused, the student will have a valid reason for absence if he was excused entirely from the quiz or else he took a make-up exam at a convenient time. An official medical excuse comprised a valid reason for absence or whether he cut the exam. As long as he had gotten the phony medical? Zero on the quiz.

New the problem of absence has been turned over to the departments, each to handle it in its own way. We sincerely hope that in the employing of a policy the departments have considered the fundamental problem and have evolved some just and efficient plans. A minor revision of the old system would be sufficient. To leave the matter to the individual instructors would also be unsatisfactory, since then there would be sufficient. To leave the matter to the individual instructor, the student has a valid reason for absence and those that do not put nickels in columns of the Boston Sym-phony Hall should be attracted to habitues and noisemakers alike. With the three color concerts which will be given, Professor Edgerton will be conductor and the Scherzo in B Minor of Chopin. Also (Continued on Page 4)

TEATRE TALK
By JAY FLEHMAN
The Madmen of Chalfont: The warm-hearted lunacy which has become the style of a season is a very special gift of the current season. Though this import was supposedly octogenarian A. E. Matthews, "A Touch of Gladhour for Your Valentine Date!"

Dr. Edgerton is responsible for the exhibition of high speed photography that recently was shown in the lobsters of Boston. This remarkable photography method was made possible by the development of strobe flash equipment. Dr. Edgerton plans to concentrate on dispensing cures rather than phony concerts. Many of the or-}
**Baseball Practice Opens; Season Starts March 28**

50 Candidates Report For Initial Workout

Pity candidates reported to Coach Warren Berg at the Briggs Gym yesterday for the opening workout of this Technology baseball squad. A large turnout of interested future freshman captain John MacMillan of Delmar, N. Y., took part in the pre-game and general conditioning period. The hammers will tackle the most ambitious schedule ever attempted by a Tech squad when they open March 17 at Boston U., against Washington and Lee. This game will be followed by four vacation-game trips before the local season opens on April 12 at Boston U.

Among the returning lettermen are Gene Lalevski, hard-hitting shortstop; outsiders Barney Byrne and Pete Phillips, and infielders Warren Pender, Gerry Kiely, and Mike Colagan. Joe D'Annunzio, counted on to hold down the third-base slot for the Engineers, was injured during the winter and it is doubtful whether he will see action. Several members of last year's freshman squad are also competing for varsity spots. The schedule:

- March 28—at Washington and Lee
- March 29—VPI at Blacksburg, Va.
- March 30—Wake Forest University at D. C.
- April 1—at Upstate, Orange, N. Y.
- April 2—at B. U.
- April 3—at Northeastern
- April 7—at Fordham University
- April 8—at Providence College
- May 5—at Tufts
- May 6—at Worcester Tech
- May 13—Atioch
- May 15—at Colby
- May 20—at Bowdoin
- May 25—at Colby
- May 31—at George Washington University

**Dr. Sheikh To Speak On The Synthesis Of Peptides**

Dr. John C. Sheehan will be the speaker at a Biology Department Colloquium, entitled "New Syntheses of Peptides and Aminoc Acid" on Tuesday, February 14, at 4:00 p.m. in room 10-259. The public is invited. Dr. Sheehan, who is a member of the Department of Chemistry has been prominent in the synthesis of peptides and poly-peptides.

**VALENTINES DAY**

Tuesday, February 14

We have an attractive selection of Valentine Cards, boxed Candy and other Gift items for this Occasion.

**Technology Store**

Patronage Refund to Members
Activities Ball To Be March 10 In Morss Hall
Brad Kent Will Play: Entertainment Features Tech Show Selections

On Friday, March 10, the Activities Ball will take over Morss Hall for the annual formal sponsored by extra-curricular organizations. Brad Kent's orchestra will provide music for the formal, while Class B groups each receive four bids. The distributions are divided among the officers and members of the groups at the discretion of the individual activity heads. Since the affair has as its purpose the recognition of student members of the groups at the disbursement, while Class B groups will each receive four bids, Kent's orchestra will provide for the formally attired couples who will attend the dance.

Each Class A activity receives ten bids, while Class B groups each receive four bids for dates. The bids are distributed among the officers and members of the groups at the discretion of the individual activity heads. Since the affair has as its purpose the recognition of student leaders through their invitation to the balls, six bids will be available to the general student body.

Accordingly, to assure co-chairmen Harold Lawrence '50 and Paul Jamieson '52, the Interfraternity entertainment will be provided by various student groups. Club members of Tech Show 1950 will provide several selections from the compilation "Welcome to Town," decorations for the dance will stress giving Morss Hall a "new look." Harold Rieh '51 is chairman of a group of architecture students who have designed decorations with a modern note.

Several family members connected with undergraduate activities will be invited to attend the affair as chaperons. The planning committee is composed of representatives from Class A activities.

Student Forum (Omitted from Page 1)

have as speakers Professors John T. Rule and Warren K. Lewis. The student forum will be conducted by Joseph S. Gottlieb '50 and John A. Jacky '50. The forum is dedicated to achieving closer unity between instructors and students, and the airing of the ideas of both.

Last year the Student Faculty Committee conducted two such forums on the quality of teaching in the College and on the question of quizzes and their frequency.

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Chemical Engineering

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Cold Storage

Options: Theory and Design Construction Administration Costs and Management Economics and Engineering

Options: Human Relations Industrial Engineering

A display of publications prepared by several leading companies for their employees is planned for showing in Dewey Library, Hayden Library, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, February 28 and March 3, under the combined auspices of Course XV and the Industrial Relations Section.

"Personnel Workshop" which consists of company publications illustrating representative employment magazines, benefit programs, merit rating procedures, salary and wage administration arrangements, and other aspects of personal administration have been obtained on loan from New York headquarters of the American Management Association. Professor Werner H. Scholl, Head of Course XV, and a vice president of the A. M. A.

Display Acclaimed

The display, which has been acclaimed by personnel administrators and business leaders as "the greatest concentration of practical examples of personnel practice available," is to be managed by members of the M. I. T. Management Association, the professional society of Course XV.

In connection with the showing, the Industrial Relations Section is planning an afternoon tea and evening program for its Industrial sponsors and for its graduate students and those of Course XV.

These meetings will be addressed by Mr. Lawrence A. Appleby, vice president and member of the Board of Montgomery Ward and Co., and vice president of the American Management Association. He will speak at tea in the afternoon in the Faculty Lounge of the new Hayden Memorial Library on the subject of "The Personnel Function in Industry and" in the evening on "Executive Development in Industry."

Films to Be Shown

As a supplement to these activities, two films on personnel administration will be shown in the new projection room in the basement of Hayden Library from 2:3 to 3:00 p.m. Thursday afternoon and from 2:3 to 3:00 p.m. Friday. The first is a production of the "Twentieth Century Fund entitled, "Productivity, Key to Plenty" while the other was produced by a large industrial concern for its own employees.

Water Power

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Surge Studies

The first problem up for detailed study, according to Mr. Paynter, is the behavior of surge tanks-- devices incorporated in most hydroelectric systems to help eliminate changes in water pressure as gates and valves are opened and closed. He plans to make a thorough analysis of such tanks--and hopes to come out with a way definitely to determine the sizes and designs most suited to proper needs.

This investigation, according to Paynter, is not easily calculated by conventional methods. He hopes that the use of analog computers on many difficult problems will go beyond the simple calculations now economically feasible.

All students and staff are welcome to visit the showing of Personnel Workshop on both Thursday and Friday and to the film showings.

Baederker

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this Sunday afternoon the New England Opera Theater under the direction of Boris Goldovsky will present Verdi's Rigoletto at the Boston Opera House.

For those like their culture free, Edmund Harris, bass-baritone, and Mildred Mason, pianist, are to be the soloists at the Gardner Museum, 3:30 this Sunday.

Permanently or unfortunately, as the case may be, the Metropolitan Opera Company is to be in Boston during the Spring vacation, March 27 through April 5. The following operas will be given: March 27, Samson and Delilah; March 29, Puccini; April 1, Jenufa. It's the much awaited "Peter" conducting March 29 evening, Die Walkure; March 28, Tosca (sold out); March 31, Puccini; April 1 evening, Alida (sold out); April 5, Lakme. To obtain tickets for those operas not sold out contact the box office of the Boston Opera House immediately.

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