"Tech Show" Production Is Now Well Under Way

World Situation Is Topic Of New Lecture Series
Current World Situation Studied By 'Experts' In Spring LSC Sessions

"Expert" commentators on the current world situation have been invited to the Institute in a new series of lectures and panel discussions sponsored by the International Relations Board, a group of students formed to present to a Tech Show audience a series of talks by leaders of several departments, last year's directors, and prominent speakers to whom the subject will be interesting.

Except for March 26 and April 2, programs have been scheduled for each week throughout the month of May. The first program will be held on the evening of February 28.

The Lecture Series Committee and the School of Humanities have the cooperation of the International Relations Board in the presentation of these sessions which will be under the immediate direction of Professor John N. Burton, of the English and History Departments. The subjects have been chosen to present the current world situation from different points of view.

Senior Monsters Hatch Plot; Frosh, Sophs Brew "Magic"

Unfinished jubilation will crack the smiles of the 477 Freshman Frosh Hostel members as they find the marching order that was held in reserve for their special benefit. The Frosh-Soph Dance will be held at 8:00 p.m. Saturday, February 9.

The first annual Frosh-Soph Dance, held on Saturday, February 21, was a success, but the enrollment of the Frosh-Soph Club is only 150. Plans have been made to increase the membership of the club so as to have adequate representation of both classes.

The theme of the Frosh-Soph Dance is "Magic." A high precision machine, its face will be covered with a greenish-blue film. The machine will be used to cut the cake at 8:00 p.m. and the music will continue on until 12:00 a.m.

Draft Hits Studying Mobilization Causes High '54 Flunk Rate

Term ratings for the fall term of 1950 were appreciably lower than the corresponding figures for the spring term of 1950, the Dean's Office announced recently. Figures issued by that office were accompanied by an informal, preliminary interpretation of the figures.

The most significant contrast in the comparative class ratings for the two preceding terms is found in the freshmen. The average term rating for freshmen last spring was 3.34, compared to this fall's term average of 3.24, an average drop of 0.1 unit.

Draft limits hit students studying mobilization causes high '54 flunk rate.

No Security

The freshman drop is felt to be so much higher than that of the sophomores because of the freshmen's lack of security. The freshmen's lack of security is felt to be due to the military threat that is ever present in the country. The freshmen are more conscious of the military threat because they are younger and have less experience with the world.

Coupled with this fact is the fact that freshmen are also more critical. They are more critical of the government and its policies.

Senior Tension

Senior Tension is reflected in the fact that the seniors have a higher drop rate than the freshmen.

The seniors are more critical of the government and its policies.

It's a Smoker

It's Tuesday, February 12

It's at, in, Faculty Lounge

The Draft--its specific effect on M.I.T. men--the Current World Economic situation--yes, those will headline the topics to be presented at the Tech Show this season. The speakers will be speaking for the newspaper. Speakers are Professor Erwin Schilling, Colonel Charles Batch, and Major Thomas Lineham.

The meeting will be short and specific, and climaxcd by refreshments.

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THE BAKER HOUSE ACQUAINANCE DANCE

Tonight Baker House was to have held its first official acquaintance dance. The first such event on the house social program, it was to follow a series of successful couples' dances. The committee had been studying the possibility of such a dance for tomorrow evening; but certain members of the Baker House Committee thought that an acquaintance dance would be more appropriate, for the house had been in touch with the fairer sex due to exams and the midterm vacation, this type of dance would be more suitable for the first weekend on returning to school. Though it was evident that a majority of the house was in favor of this plan, those who supported it in the House Committee found themselves facing to face with the Institute social calendar. For on Saturday, February 10, there was scheduled the Dormitory Acquaintance Dance in Walker Memorial. It was the contention of those at Baker that they represented the wishes of the majority of the girls. As we believe it is a good principle to maintain the status quo in certain matters, we shall refrain from expressing any personal opinions in this column.

While at first tied, the motion was broken by the vote of the abstaining not to permit the change in the social calendar. It was decided by a vote of twelve to eleven with one member to hold an acquaintance dance on Friday, February 9, passed by a vote of seven to five. It was now up to the Dormitory Committee to approve the change in the social calendar, as Baker House had already been granted permission to hold a couples dance the following evening.

At the House Committee meeting of January 10, a motion to hold an acquaintance dance on Friday, February 9, passed by a vote of seven to five. It was now up to the Dormitory Committee to approve the change in the social calendar, as Baker House had already been granted permission to hold a couples dance the following evening.

On January 15, the date of the next regular meeting of the Dormitory Committee, the question of the Baker House Acquaintance Dance was brought up; and after a lengthy debate, it was decided by a vote of twelve to eleven, with one abstaining, not to permit the change in the social calendar. While at first tied, the motion was broken by the vote of the Chairman of the Dormitory Committee.

A careful study of the roll call vote brings an interesting point to light. Namely, that this was not a case of intra-dormitory group rivalry, for Riverside House favored changing the program from a couples dance. In the couple dance, the East Campus splits its votes evenly, while Baker House opposed the move by a seven-to-three vote. Rather it was the statements of the Chairman of the Dormitory Social Committee which seemed to sway the committee members. He contended that the Baker House affair would so decrease the number attending the Waler dance that following Saturday that it would be financially unsuccessful.

It is interesting to note that even though the Chairman of the Social Committee had never run an acquaintance dance before, and though he was appointed chairman last year without having served previously on the Social Committee, he did

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TCA Prints

TCA is redistributing the Everson Moore Baker Memorial Prints this term. There are 36 of these prints available. Anyone interested should sign up at the TCA office in Walker Memorial before February 18. Rental for the term will be one dollar, with at least one print per person, and preference going to those who have not previously had the prints.

Baker Pledges

Payment on pledges to the Baker Memorial Foundation Fund can be made at the Cashier's Office.

A.S.M.E.

For its first meeting of the term, A.S.M.E. is sponsoring a talk by Mr. Francis G. Tattrall on "The Relation Between Mechanical Engineering and Metallurgy," on Tuesday, February 13, at 3:00 p.m. in room 1-190. The meeting will hold a student paper competition with at least $50 in prizes. Details may be obtained from Malcolm Green, CH 3-674.

Clubs and Organizations

A dance for members of the Social Committee, who is not a member of the Dormitory Committee, will be allowed to vote on a motion in which his judgment alone seems to be the deciding factor? Why did the member of the Dormitory Committee who abstained, say in private that he would have voted for the change in the Social Committee? In this case; we feel that the following questions should be answered to the satisfaction of every dormitory resident.

Why should the Chairman of the Social Committee, who is not a member of the Dormitory Committee, be allowed to vote on a motion in which his judgment alone seems to be the deciding factor? Why did the member of the Dormitory Committee who abstained, say in private that he would have voted for the change in the Social Committee if there had been a secret ballot?

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Friday, February 9, 1951

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Tech Basketball Team

Lost To Tufts 60-52; Freshmen Also Beaten

Showing the effects of the between terms layoff, the Technology basketball team went down to defeat by hands of Tufts University squad by a 60-52 count. It was the first time in the history of the Walker Memorial block. The loss was avenged with three straight victory four times.

The victorious Beavers were behind by varying counts of five to ten points. With about nine minutes remaining in the game, Tufts enjoyed its biggest lead of the encounter as two baskets brought the point spread. However, at this point the Beavers came to life and closed off nine straight points while holding the Jumbos scoreless, making the score at this point which occurred with seven minutes to go 44-46. At this point Tufts rallied and Tech never threatened very seriously again.

Tech GSTS Ahead

As the game opened Tufts took a quick and no mistakes by Schendel and Mulhany. Tech countered with a pair of one handers by Mike Velev. After this the Beavers began to step back by each side the game developed into a very sloppy game, with neither team doing much scoring, however, in the action that has already been described during this stretch that lasted till midway in the second quarter. At this point, the Jumbos on top by the small score of 16-14, both teams began to look for their lethargy and started to pour in some points. Herb Glantz who had been held to a single point shot in with two driving layups while Tuffs' Gooden countered with three quick baskets. At half time the Engineers were down by 31-24.

In the second half, the play was very even with Tufts starting approximately the same distance audience of the Tufts hoopers with the Beavers made their spurt with nine minutes to play. The final minutes of the game saw the Tufts gain, and with the one thing that had held their lead through a ragged but effective free.

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Basketball Scoring . . .

Hob Gables leads the Technology Varsity basketball team in scoring the last ten meets to date and is followed by Captain Leon Hong who has accumulated 49 points in the scoring of the Beaver hoopers.

Pictured above is Henry Nakato dropping one through the cords and scoring for the Technology basketball team.

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PRESIDENT KILLIAN WAS HONORED BY BEING ASKED in the winter of 1949-50 to serve on the National Communications Policy Board. This is a five-member Federal Government agency. It is now considering whether there should be a merger of the international communications companies (cable and radio-telegraph companies). In accepting his position on this Board, President Killian took on himself the responsibilities of a PUBLIC SERVANT:

PUBLIC SERVANT JAMES R. KILLIAN, JR. acts in a different capacity from President Killian. As president of the Institute, we suppose that Mr. Killian may in good conscience advise employers. If as a result of his advice, the workers hired by these employers lose their jobs, we couldn’t blame Mr. Killian, though our sympathy would go to the workers. BUT IN THIS CASE PRESIDENT KILLIAN IS NOT ACTING IN THE CAPACITY OF ADVISOR TO EMPLOYERS.

HE IS WORKING FOR UNCLE SAM. And as a public servant, President Killian was sworn to weigh the interests of the PUBLIC. The PUBLIC includes more than the commercial companies in the international communications industry. The public whose interest he serves includes (1), THE EMPLOYEES OF THAT INDUSTRY, AND (2), THE GENERAL PUBLIC. So Public Servant Killian must act in this case differently than he might act if he were advising the communications companies.

WEIGHING THE PUBLIC INTEREST MEANS GIVING "DUE PROCESS" TO PERSONS WHO WANT TO BE HEARD before a decision is reached on a controversial matter.

We, the American Communications Association, a union representing the employees of the international communications companies, WANT TO KEEP COMPETITION IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY OF THE UNITED STATES. THIS IS THE TRADITIONAL AMERICAN POLICY WHICH HAS BEEN THE RULE IN THIS INDUSTRY FOR ALMOST 100 YEARS.

OUR CASE WOULD PROVE THAT THIS TRADITION IS SOUND. It would prove that good communications service, national defense and job protection for thousands of workers require its continuation.

WE WOULD SHOW THAT THE COMPANIES' PROPOSALS WOULD THROW OUT COMPETITION AND REPLACE IT WITH A GIANT MONOPOLY. WE BELIEVE THE COMPANIES ARE TRYING TO PULL A FAST ONE.

But the National Communications Policy Board HAS REJECTED OUR REQUESTS THAT OPEN HEARINGS BE HELD ON COMPANY PROPOSALS FOR ALLOWING MERGER OF THESE COMPANIES.

IF WE ARE WRONG and the merger proposals will stand the light of day and cross-examination, THE COMPANIES HAVE NOTHING TO FEAR FROM OPEN HEARINGS.

WE THINK WE ARE RIGHT and we are ready to submit to critical cross-examination to prove we are right.

Therefore, WE ARE MAKING THIS PUBLIC APPEAL IN THE COMMUNITY WHERE PRESIDENT KILLIAN IS KNOWN AND RESPECTED.

THIS IS AN APPEAL THAT PUBLIC SERVANT PRESIDENT KILLIAN, MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS POLICY BOARD, FOLLOW DUE PROCESS AND ACT TO GRANT A PUBLIC HEARING ON INTERNATIONAL MERGER PROPOSALS BEFORE HIS BOARD MAKES ITS DECISION.

WE HOPE YOU AND HE WILL SEE IT THIS WAY. We invite your comment to President Killian and to us.

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