The Architectural Society will hold a “Smoke Talk” to-night, at the Technology Club. Mr. Robert D. Andrews will be the speaker of the evening, his subject being “Architectural Education.”

It is rapidly becoming fashionable for the different factions and cliques at the Institute to settle their difficulties by means of red chalk duels in Rogers Corridor. For this ideal mode of settlement we are greatly indebted to the dignified president of the Senior Class.

Mr. Wallace Clarke Brackett of Melrose, and Miss Florence E. Barker of Arlington, were married Wednesday evening, February 23d, at Arlington. Miss Barker is the daughter of Mr. James Barker, the well-known landscape architect. Mr. Brackett is an affiliate of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and a member of M. I. T. Class of ’95.

The instructing corps of the Chemical Department recently held a meeting for the discussion of chemical topics. Prof. A. H. Gill presented a paper on the analysis of lubricating and illuminating oils, considered from the points of view of the mill-men or consumers, the insurance companies, and the oil manufacturers. This was followed by a paper on the solubility of solids in gases by Dr. Whitney.

The unsightly bulletin boards in Rogers Corridor will soon be a thing of the past. The Institute Committee has secured the promise of President Crafts that in the near future, slabs will be set in the wall below the glass bulletins on both sides of the President’s office, and at the left of the Secretary’s office. This will provide ample room for posting all notices, without encumbering the corridor with a dozen or more individual blackboards.

The A. A. U. has been obliged to recede from its position in regard to the registration of all amateur athletes. The scheme was abandoned only reluctantly, but the action was taken to avoid a complete break with the Intercollegiate and Interscholastic Associations. In the future the registration need be accompanied by no fee; the advantages lost being those alone of free admission into national or association championship meetings.

An important meeting of the M. I. T. Yacht Club was held Friday. After a careful consideration of the practicability of a race in June, off New London, with the Harvard and Yale Yacht Clubs, it was unanimously voted that the Regatta Committee be empowered to confer with Harvard and Yale, and, if possible, arrange a race between the clubs. It was also voted to get out a book containing matter relating to the club and its boats before the next dinner, which comes off early in April. W. R. Bean, ’99, H. A. MacPherson, 1900, and A. H. B. Jeffords, 1901, were elected to active membership.

The University Publishing Company of New York City is now issuing a series of books to which we venture to call the attention of our readers. The “Standard Literature Series” consists of all the best reading in the English language, and is produced at a cost that puts it within the reach of all. It is characterized by good paper, good type, and plenteous notes where necessary. These books will make a valuable addition to any man’s library, and are especially valuable to those taking courses in English Literature. The same firm are also publishing a set of text-books which, in addition to the book required by the Institute, would be of great help to students. Noticeable among these are Nicholson’s Calculus, Venable’s Chemical Analysis, Venable’s Geometry, and Maury’s Physical Geography. These books are published in substantial cloth bindings, and are very suitable for use at Tech. Poems of Knightly Adventure, by Hale, will also prove useful to the students in the English Courses. A careful investigation of these books, which may be seen at The Tech office, will be of interest to anyone.