

The Tech

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REPUBLICAN PARADE.

Account of the Intercollegiate Formation.

The Tech column was formed early, on Exeter Street, and numbered about 800 men. As soon as the Cadet Band arrived the column moved over Exeter Street.

At Hereford Street the column was halted by a squad of police to await the coming of the Harvard parade. During the wait the band played Tech songs, classes gave yells, and everyone joined in the general gaiety.

The Harvard parade formed in Brattle Square shortly after 7 o'clock, and proceeded through Cambridge and over the bridge into Boston, where Tech was awaiting them.

The Harvard column had proceeded several hundred yards down Massachusetts Avenue before Tech was allowed to march up to that street. This plan to keep the two parts of the procession a considerable distance apart failed, as the Tech men went forward on the double-quick until they had reached the rear guard of the other column.

At Charles and Beacon Streets the two lines separated, Harvard continuing up Beacon Street to Massachusetts Avenue, and Tech turning up Charles Street to Boylston. The Harvard contingent went peacefully back to Cambridge, and the Tech column proceeded to the Rogers building.

For Tech the Seniors and Juniors had the most interesting transparencies: "Do we want hard times? No, we demand beer;" "Teddy, Tech, Sufficiency;" "We'll irrigate the West—We'll build the Panama Canal—We'll railroad the Philippines—We'll build ships under the subsidy;" "Exponents of the Strenuous Life." At the end of the line of Seniors came a big jack-in-the-box, an excellent effigy of President Roosevelt. As this went down the street, bowing right and left, disappearing into the box only to suddenly shoot up again, it certainly made the hit of the evening with the crowds. The Sophomores were headed by a transparency which read, "Tech men stand for the strenuous life." The Freshmen

bore a huge transparency notifying the public that they were loyal to "Our Presidents, Teddy and Prexy." These excellent transparencies were the work of G. B. Jones, '05.

All of the Harvard men wore long gowns and "mortar-board" caps of bright cardinal. Every man carried a torch, and the effect of the light on the bright uniforms was beautiful. However, the Tech men, with their workingmen's overalls, their straight lines and precise step, made as much of a hit.

The parade on a whole was one of the prettiest and most successful parades of students ever held in the city. It was not marred by any disorder whatever. The Marshals of both the Harvard and the Tech columns are to be congratulated on the excellent manner with which they managed the parade.

NOTICE.

Personal written statements are desired from students who were present during the encounter with police on Wednesday evening. The statements may be presented to the President or the Dean.

HENRY S. PRITCHETT, *President.*

Cross Country Trials.

The first trial was held on Tuesday afternoon, over the West Roxbury course. The first five men to finish were: Lorenz, '05; Callaway, '08; Clapp, '05; Ruggles, '06; and Moore, '07. These men and two others to be picked on November 5, will comprise the varsity squad. The training table at the Oxford started after the race, and will be continued until Field Day.

Tech vs. Braeburn Golf Club.

The Tech Golf Team will play a picked team of the Braeburn Golf Club to-morrow, Saturday, on the latter's links. The following men will report on Rogers steps at 1.30 Saturday afternoon with clubs, and will play in the order given below: Gilmer, Goodale, Phyle, Potter, Parker, Baker, Hastings, and Rockwood.

In order that no undue anxiety may be experienced by anyone, we wish to state that none of those injured Wednesday night are in a dangerous condition.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

President Pritchett Urges Deliberate Action.

President Pritchett, in making this statement to the public, wishes to urge the student body to cool and deliberate action. What is needed is a consistent, plainly given mass of evidence, presented in a calm way, which may be laid before the police board as proofs of the unfitness and brutality of the officers and men concerned.

The things of which I complain, and for which I am indignant, are the utter lack of judgment and the brutality with which the police carried out what they apparently conceived to be their instructions. When the Technology parade reached the Rogers Building, the Harvard students were far away, and had not been in the vicinity of this building. Any one could see that the gathering was made up of Technology students, and that it was intent on no mischief. As a matter of fact, the students would have been entirely satisfied to have given a few cheers on Rogers steps and then dispersed. Even this they would have probably forgone but for the presence of some thousands of spectators who would have been disappointed if nothing had happened.

The police, instead of dealing with them reasonably, used their clubs freely, charged the crowd repeatedly, rode down indiscriminately persons in the street, and struck brutally men who were doing all they could to get away. I obtained a surgeon to dress the wounds of eight or ten men, each of whom had been struck, as they said, while attempting to escape.

The question of dealing with student gatherings is a difficult one for an institution with a large undergraduate body, and which stands immediately on a busy thoroughfare of a city. Gatherings of students which under ordinary circumstances are unobjectionable may become dangerous when they take place in a congested street. The fact that the Institute has for so many years done its work under these conditions without serious friction, has been due in the main to the good sense of the students themselves, who have been willing to forego in many cases student gatherings which mean much in student life. The responsibility for this unfortunate affair does not rest with them, but with the police, and was due mainly to the lack of judgment and to the brutality of their methods.

At a special meeting of the Executive Committee of the Institute the following vote was passed:

Voted, that the president be requested to collect evidence about the conduct of the police on Wednesday evening, November 2; and that he, with Messrs. A. Lawrence Lowell and Howard Stockton be a committee to proceed against the officers guilty of brutality.

Nov. 3, 1904.

Republican Club Notice.

In view of the fact that many students are calling for action on the part of the Republican Club against the police for their outrageous brutality last Wednesday night, the Executive Committee wishes to state that such action could more fittingly and effectively be taken by the Institute Committee. The Republican Club was organized solely for the purpose of conducting the parade while the Institute Committee is the official representative of the student body, appointed for exactly such purposes.

NORMAN LOMBARD,

President Republican Club.

Auction of Field Day Seats.

The result of the new scheme of auctioning off the grandstand seats for Field Day was very successful. About half the seats were sold at premiums ranging from five dollars to five cents. The average premium was twenty-five cents. This method of disposing of the seats has the advantage of giving anyone who wishes the more desirable seats an opportunity to get them at a slight premium.

All seats that were sold at auction will be delivered to bidders from 12 to 1.30 on Saturday, November 5, in Rogers corridor.

Others may obtain seats by application, by mail, or otherwise to Mr. H. J. Mann. Grandstand seats, \$1.00; admission, 50 cents.

Senior Elections.

The 1905 elections which closed at 4 P.M. yesterday afternoon, resulted as follows: President, W. D. Motter; 1st Vice-President, T. E. Jewett; 2nd Vice-President, C. E. Warren; Secretary, R. H. W. Lord; Treasurer, E. C. Weaver; Members of Institute Committee, G. B. Jones, N. Lombard; Members of Executive Committee, R. S. Beard, C. L. Dean.