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TECH RIOT HEARING.

Tech is Now Being Represented by Counsel.

The Tech Riot hearing before the police board began Friday, November 11, and has been in progress daily since then. At the Friday hearing, President Pritchett was the first person called to give testimony. He testified that he had given instructions to Bursar Rand to request that four or five policemen be sent to keep the steps clear and to look after the lecture crowd, and, if any disturbance occurred, to do the best they could to take care of the situation. He then proceeded to give his testimony as an eyewitness and as a subsequent investigator. Bursar Frank H. Rand was the second witness, and he testified that he had asked police assistance to prevent a collision between Tech and Harvard students at the end of the parade, and that this was to be their sole duty. A large number of eyewitnesses next testified, and all appeared to be in sympathy with the Tech students. On Saturday, the inquiry was taken up mainly by the hearing of testimony from citizens who were present at the fray. They all testified that the students occupied the steps in an orderly manner, and all agreed that great lack of judgment and inexcusable brutality was shown on the part of the police.

On Monday, November 14, President Pritchett made a formal request that, at subsequent sessions of the inquiry, the Institute be represented by counsel. This request was granted by the board of police without the slightest hesitation. Accordingly, beginning Tuesday, November 15, the Institute has had its interests in the hands of a counsel consisting of Mr. Hill, Mr. Holemans and Mr. Taintor, who are now representing the Institute at the hearing. The result from the representation of Technology by counsel will probably be that the inquiry will take on a more formal aspect, and opportunity will be given for a more thorough examination of witnesses. The inquiry on Monday, November 14, was devoted to the hearing of testimony from private

citizens and from a few of the students who were in the ranks of the paraders.

President Pritchett desires that students, who can identify any particular policeman, give all the evidence they can against any single officer, as such evidence will have much weight and will bear directly against the police personally.

Fencing Club.

The M. I. T. Fencing Club will hold an open fencing tournament for novices, on Saturday, December 17, at 8 P.M. Cups will be given to the three men winning the largest number of bouts. All entries must be handed in on or before December 15, and may be given to J. Lage, or left at the Cage. The entrance fee of one dollar must be paid before December 15.

This novice competition is held to give the Freshman Team some experience before the first team competition takes place. No admission will be charged, and all Tech men are invited to be present, as nearly all of our fencers will participate in one or more bouts.

Cross Country Run.

The annual fall Cross Country Handicap Run is to be held in West Roxbury, on November 19, over the old championship course, distance, eight miles. The handicap limit is one minute per mile. First, second, third and time prizes are to be awarded. Entries may be made to the Captain or Manager in person, or handed in at the Cage before 2 P.M., Friday, November 18. The trail will be laid over the course. Entry fee fifty cents.

The Moral Egotist in Politics.

Under date of Saturday, November 12, the *Outlook* publishes an article by President Pritchett, entitled: "The Moral Egotist in Politics." The article treats of the appeal of political leaders to the emotional side of human nature. In a very brief way the most prominent political leaders of our country are discussed, and the fact, that many of them have played too much on the emotions and been unable to combine with this common sense and foresight, is discussed.

FIELD DAY DINNER.

Dinner Held Last Monday a Great Success.

Following the usual custom, the annual dinner, given by the Advisory Council to the participants in Field Day, was held at the Union Monday night. About one hundred and fifty men were present, including the members of the contesting teams, the marshals, and others connected with Field Day. The event was notable for the general good-fellowship which prevailed throughout the evening, and for the presence of some of the Institute's recent benefactors. During the evening trophy cups were given to Lorenz, '05, and Callaway, '08, who won first and third places in the Harvard M. I. T. cross country race.

Chairman Briggs, of the Advisory Council, introduced Mr. Samuel Cabot, the donor of the land for Technology Field, and also of the Cabot Cup, as the first speaker. Bursar Rand followed with one of his humorous talks, and Mr. George Wigglesworth, the treasurer of the corporation, spoke on the objects of Field Day. Dean Burton gave an idea of the origin of the project of having a dual Sophomore-Freshman meet, and Mr. Batchelor spoke of the work of Major Briggs in furthering the plan of having a Technology field. Major Briggs read a letter from President Pritchett, in which the President stated his regret at his inability to be present. After the speeches the men gathered about the piano, and the rest of the evening was spent in the usual manner, in the singing of Tech songs.

Athletic Association Meeting.

There was a meeting of the Athletic Association in 22 Rogers last Monday at 1 o'clock. H. J. Mann, '06, was elected temporary chairman, and G. C. Simpson, '06 was elected temporary secretary. The old Constitution was abolished and the chairman appointed Le Baron Turner, '05, M. E. Vinton, '06, and W. J. Knapp, '06, on the committee to draw up a new Constitution. Medals were given to point winners in the Fall Handicap Meet. The Association will meet in 22 Rogers next Monday at 1 o'clock.

CIVIC CLUB MEETING.

The November meeting of the Civic Club was held Tuesday evening, November 15, at the Union. An informal debate was held on the subject of: "Resolved, that State Control of the Police is Detrimental to the Efficiency of the Force." The men on the affirmative were Mr. Hinkley and Mr. Blodgett, and the negative side was taken by Mr. Breitzke and Mr. Orcutt. Mr. Wilcox acted as chairman in the absence of President A. P. Mathesius, and Professor Pearson acted as judge. The debate was followed by a general discussion of the subject. Mr. Robert Luce is expected to speak at the next meeting of the Club on December 13, and Lieut. Governor Guild will address the January meeting.

Electrical Engineering Society.

The Electrical Engineering Society held its first Smoker of the year last Friday evening at the Tech Union. Mr. Tobin of the Vacuum Oil Company gave an interesting and instructive talk upon the subject of "Lubrication." He was followed by Mr. Morse of the Simplex Electrical Company, who mentioned several points regarding the insulating of wire and cable that might interest the members of the Society when visiting the company's plant in Brookline.

At the close of the evening, refreshments were served, and a general good time enjoyed by all present.

The Junior Class members of the Society will visit the plant of the Simplex Electrical Company Thursday afternoon. The party will leave Walker steps at 1.30 P.M. in charge of Mr. Chesterman.

A notice of an excursion for the Senior members of the Society to the same plant will be given later.

Architectural Society.

The second monthly Smoke Talk of the Architectural Society will be given at the Union on Thursday evening, November 17. It promises to be an extremely interesting one, as Mr. Guy Lowell, architect, will give an illustrated address on "American Country Houses."