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ESPERANTO POPULAR.

Society Formed in Boston to Promote New International Language.

The new auxiliary international language, Esperanto, seems to be growing rapidly in public favor. Already an active society has been organized in town, and under this club's auspices a course in the new mode of speech is already well under way. The Boston Esperanto Society meets every Tuesday evening in 26 Rogers to become more familiar with the new language.

It is thought by many that this language will eventually be adopted by the entire Christian world. For a long time it has been agreed that as international commerce continues to grow a common form of speech becomes more necessary. No one international language could be successfully used by all nations. First, the element of jealousy is too strong to allow it, and second, none of these languages is strictly scientific.

Many of the world's foremost linguists have made countless efforts to evolve a language that would suit the purpose. By far the most successful of these men has been Dr. Zamenhof, of Warsaw. His language is the natural outgrowth or development of all that is really international in the modern European languages. The pronunciation is common to practically all of these languages; its spelling is phonetic; and it is neutral, for in the evolution of the system no one language has been favored.

As indicative of the practicality of Dr. Zamenhof's system, it might be stated that it is now being adopted by many English and Continental commercial houses in their correspondence, besides being taught in commercial schools in almost every European country as well as in the training school for French army officers. The question of adopting it in the Red Cross Society is being seriously considered. Books for the blind have already been published in Esperanto and are becoming very popular.

The local societies are the Boston Esperanto Society, of which Mr. Edward K. Harvey of Perkins Institution, South Boston, is Secretary, and the Harvard Esperanto Society, whose Secretary is Mr. H. R. Shipherd, No. 1 Walter Hastings Hall.

NAVALS HOLD SMOKER.

The Naval Architects held their first smoker Friday evening at the Union with a large attendance. Mr. Everett gave a very interesting talk on "Steam Turbines," and told of the new class of engines used in the later Cunarders.

Preceding Mr. Everett's talk a business meeting was held. The Society shingle designed by one of the members was adopted. The design is that of a full rigged ship with the seal of the N. A. A. below. Two designs for pins of the society were also discussed. It was decided after much discussion to allow second year men to enter the society and also fourth year men of the Marine Engineering option. Refreshments were served at the close of the discussion and a pleasant evening enjoyed by all.

M. E. SOCIETY EXCURSION.

Inspection of B. F. Sturtevant Company Works Saturday.

The Mechanical Engineering Society held its first excursion of the year Saturday afternoon, visiting the works of the B. F. Sturtevant Company in Hyde Park. About thirty members attended.

The invitation to visit the works was received from Mr. Walter B. Snow, Consulting Engineer for the company and a graduate of the Institute.

The party left the Back Bay Station on the 1.44 P.M. train. On arriving at the works the men divided into two parties, each party being conducted through the plant by an employee of the company.

The business of the B. F. Sturtevant Company is primarily the manufacture of fans and blowers, but the manufacture of accessory parts, as engines, motors, economizers, and galvanized iron flue piping also, is now carried on.

The plant is very extensive, the company employing over 1300 men. The tract of land owned by the company is about fifteen acres and has a railroad frontage of 1300 feet. The floor space in all the buildings exceeds nine acres and enlargements are contemplated which will greatly increase the capacity of the plant. The plant comprises eight buildings, in addition to the power house, and includes among others a plant in which all the printed and advertising matter of the company is produced.

The excursion was very interesting and even the slight rain did not interfere with the general good time.

INSTRUCTORS MEET AT UNION.

The 14th Annual Meeting of the Instructors Club was held at the Union at 6 o'clock last Thursday. Mr. Sawyer presided and Mr. Rolfe, of the Chemical Department, was the guest of the club.

After the coffee was served President Sawyer formally welcomed the new members to fellowship in the club. He also announced the resignation of the Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. S. H. Thorndike, who has left the Institute in order to accept a position in the office of the City Engineer of Boston. Dr. R. P. Bigelow was appointed Secretary-Treasurer *pro tem*.

Mr. Rolfe gave a very interesting talk on Porto Rico, especially dwelling upon the present methods of sugar manufacture. The talk was illustrated by photographs and lantern slides—unfortunately without a lantern—and by specimens of the productions of the island.

Afterwards Mr. Sawyer gave an entertaining account of his search for an otherwise abandoned farm in Maine, including in his story a remarkable trout fishing experience and some successful expeditions in quest of ancient firearms and of relics of the Aborigines.

A Kodak exhibition, accompanied by lectures and demonstrations on the chemical procedure of photography, will be held in Copley Hall for a period of two weeks beginning October 15.

O to O FOOTBALL GAME.

1910 Holds Dean Academy in Snappy Game Saturday.

The Freshman Football Team held the Dean Academy Team to a 0 to 0 score at Franklin on Saturday. The Freshmen showed marked improvement over their former work and played nearer the Field Day standard.

Both teams played a hard game, but the Freshmen had the upper hand throughout. The feature was a 40-yd. quarterback run by Billings.

The line-up follows.

1910.	DEAN ACADEMY.
Bell, l.e.	r.e., Rafferty
Leavens, Amsden, l.t.	r.t., Clark
Manson, l.g.	r.g., Garrupy
Roberts, c.	c., Hafey
Terry, r.g.	l.g., Lent
Hinds, r.t.	l.t., Haggerty
Loutit, r.e.	l.e., Daley
Billings, q.b.	q.b., White
Hart, l.h.b.	r.h.b., Grant
Hurley, r.h.b.	l.h.b., Brown
Saul, f.b.	f.b., Tasker

Score—1910, 0; Dean Academy, 0.
Umpire—Townsend. Referee—Wyatt.
Linesmen—Jackson and Scagur. Timer—Everett. Time—25 and 15 minute halves.

A GENEROUS OFFER.

The golf enthusiasts in the Institute may be glad to know that the Kenilworth Golf Club of Allston extends to the officers and students of the Institute of Technology an invitation to play on the course of that club during the fall without expense; and persons wishing to may, by making application to the secretary, join the club without paying an admission fee and without paying any dues until next year.

The course is near Commonwealth Avenue and may be reached from the Institute in about a half an hour by taking cars via Cottage Farm and getting off at Eleanor street.

Further particulars may be obtained by telephoning the steward, Brighton, 252-2.

The course is well kept and easily accessible from the Institute and therefore may be expected to be used a good deal by the Institute people who enjoy golf.

A. I. E. E. MEETING.

A meeting of the Boston branch of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers was held in 6 Lowell last Wednesday evening. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Chairman, H. E. Clifford; Vice-Chairman, C. B. Burleigh; Secretary, C. H. Porter; Executive Committee, A. E. Kennelly, C. L. Edgar, J. I. Ayer, R. Fleming, G. S. Gibbs.

Mr. Fleming presented an abstract of a paper by Percy H. Thomas on "Some Fundamental Characteristics of Mercury Vapor Apparatus," and Mr. Neall abstracted a paper by E. E. F. Creighton on "Methods of Testing Protective Apparatus." After an interesting discussion of these papers the meeting was adjourned.

John Henry Lapham, '07, of New York City, has recently been elected Manager of the Williams Basketball Association.

CALENDAR.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22.

1.00 P.M. Tech Board Meeting in 30 Rogers.
1.00 P.M. 1909 Relay Team meets at General Library.
4.00 P.M. Banjo Club Rehearsal in 33 Rogers.
4.00 P.M. Mandolin Club Rehearsal in 31 Rogers.
4.15 P.M. Glee Club Rehearsal at Tech Union.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23.

7.30 P.M. M. A. H. S. Club meets at the Union.

NOTICES.

Lost.—A Stetson hat in Library. Initials inside, N. B. G. Finder please return to the Cage and exchange.

Exeter Club.—The Exeter Club will hold a smoker at the Union at 6.30 P.M. on Thursday, November 1st.

Rifle Club.—All men interested in the formation of a rifle club are requested to leave names at the Cage for H. S. Wanson as soon as possible.

1909.—There will be a meeting of the men who ran on the relay team last Field Day, on Monday at 1 o'clock, in the General Library, to elect a captain for this fall.

Found.—There have been found two tickets to the Annual Fall Handicap Meet, Oct. 27th. The owner can have same by calling at the office of the Bursar.

M. A. H. S. Club.—There will be a meeting of the M. A. H. S. Club for the election of officers, Tuesday, October 23, at 7.30 P.M. at the Union. Refreshments served. Tickets 25c. Please purchase in advance.

Mandolin Club.—The names of the candidates for the Mandolin Club who have been taken on provisionally are posted on the bulletin board. It is desired that these men apply at the Cage for their music at once. Rehearsals will be held regularly hereafter on Mondays and Fridays at 4 P.M. in 31 Rogers.

1908 NOMINATIONS.

The nominations for officers of the class of 1908 are as follows: President, H. R. Callaway, H. R. Putnam, J. S. Barnes, W. R. Heilman, H. T. Gerrish; Vice-President, J. McGowan, Jr., H. C. Elton, H. S. Osborne, H. F. Allen; Secretary, A. B. Place, R. E. Drake, H. E. Weeks, K. Vonnegut, H. W. Flaherty, T. H. Caton; Treasurer, W. B. Given, J. T. Tobin, R. W. Ferris; Institute Committee, H. W. Griswold, H. A. Rapelye, G. T. Glover, J. McGowan, Jr., F. H. McGuigan, T. W. Orr; Executive Committee, H. Webb, C. S. Colson, A. C. Nichols, B. L. Gimson, W. A. Adams. Nominations can withdraw their names until Tuesday at 1 P.M.

Five thousand students will be enrolled at Michigan this year, according to Secretary Wade. Five years ago the four thousand mark seemed far away and almost unattainable.