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ents.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TECH:

In your last issue appeared a most interesting communication from whether Graduate, Senior, Junior, Sophomore, Freshman or Special it does not appear, on the matter of Caps and Gowns. What a tremendous affair our friend is making out of a mere nothing! Japan will not go to war again with Russia should the class graduate in Caps and Gowns this year nor would the government in the Panama Canal Zone become stable. Regarding setting a "standard to which everyone must conform regardless of the additional expenditure" I ask whether our injured one means to convey the idea that anyone who doesn't wear a Cap and Gown will have his head chopped off or his nose tweaked, should he flatly and stoutly refuse to comply with the inflexible decree, or does he mean simply to convey the idea of successive grad- uating classes being unable to return to a former graduation cus- tom? Again what has John Mitchell of the Labor Organization to do with Cap and Gown? Why didn't our learned friend mention the Bread Makers Organization of the Fiji Islands? They all wear aprons at after dinner speeches. Are they narrow minded? Why certainly not. Then, too, who has ever "sneered at the old fashioned graduation of yesterday." I would advise our friend of a literary turn of mind that the last graduation was not "yesterday" but in 1906. But may I comfort him in assuring him that not "a few" men but the large majority of the most mature class in Technology desire not to "override the spirit of reciprocal care among Tech men" (whatever that may be) but merely to wear Caps and Gowns at the next grad- uation, their reasons for which

have been well set forth in their committie's report as submitted to the Faculty. Let us not make more of this simple matter than a simple matter deserves.
S. R. T. VERY '07.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TECH:

There seems to be a somewhat general misunderstanding on the part of the undergraduates in regard to the special Kommers which are being held this term. It has been brought to my attention that many men think that these Kommers are limited in attendance to the mem- bers of the organization that is in charge. This opinion is erroneous. The organization to which the charge of the Kommers is delegated is expected to supply the program for the evening, but that is all. Every one is invited and expected to attend the same as if the pro- gram was regularly provided by the Institute Committee. I hope that this will make it clear that the Institute Committee does not in- tend to at any time assign the Saturday evening Kommers to any organization which has any idea of making the attendance exclusive.
LAURENCE ALLEN,
President of Institute Committee.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE TECH:

The article on the Cap and Gown question in your Monday issue is interesting but not convincing. Your correspondent admits that if Caps and Gowns were to be worn all the year it would be a reason for this introduction, and then at- tempts to show that it will be a sad departure from the democratic spirit that has always prevailed at Tech, a lowering of "its high pur- pose to the despicable plane of being willing to make a display, to become unrepugnant and un- democratic." In other words, your correspondent is willing to
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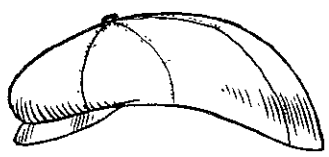
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