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The Tech takes pleasure in announcing the election of Richard Howland Ranger 111, to the position of managing editor, and the appointment of Nomon DelForest 11, to the business staff.

Technology's fine showing at Princeton last fall does not mean that this success will get together and resolve to do things, they do them. The team has been kept together this fall and a team spirit developed with the results known to everyone. This fact deserves careful consideration in connection with the reading of the communication published in this issue.

The attitude of any Technology student seems to be that everything in life is a race. We all cannot do anything they have not already done, and that if conditions were ever unfavorable to the development of any branch of athletics, they would always be so. This attitude is sometimes sincere, but what has been done to-day does not seem to justify it. Faith in the unbounded ability of the liberal arts faculties to surpass the technical schools in athletics should receive a severe jolt from the simple score of the Princeton race.

COMMUNICATION

To the Editor of The Tech:

The question has lately been raised as to whether the Tech men consider themselves and their Alma Mater equal to other men and other colleges. It has been said that he does, but disregarding what has been said, let us review a few of his acts.

It is not what he says, but what he does, that shows his true attitude.

First, I wish to illustrate his attitude toward athletic and, secondly, his attitude toward the Institution in general. It must be remembered that if a student's first fault with any activity, so long as he has not endeavored to remedy the fault, he is not to be excused for it. Do, then, Tech men consider themselves equal to others?

We have no varsity baseball team, no football team, or any team, but yet there are Tech men who have to work even harder than at other institutions, there are many taking the excellent teams in both football and baseball. At Cornell, where the men also work hard, there exists the beswerk in the United States. We do not lack ability to excel, as shown when we came in second in the varsity baseball team was not too bright, but yet the team was not organized. Why? Because the enthusiast is not at every step by the reply, Tech men want support. If he shows that other student bodies have supported their teams, he is not excused for his failure. The Tech men have no sufficient confidence in their own ability to try.

This phase of the situation, however, is comparatively harmless. The serious phase is the Tech man's attitude toward those sports which exist. Last winter, the Horizons' gymnasmum, the Institute basketball team gave one of the finest exhibitions of plank and basketball ever seen on that floor. Even the Harvard sympathizers were moved to applaud for the Tech team, which was defeated by two points only after two extra periods. How many Tech men want to hear this story that game? Three! A month later, Harvard gave an exhibition which no paper in this city felt itself able to characterize as basketball. Fifty Tech men attended that game. Did these men consider Tech men better than the Harvard and Yale men?

Basketball, however, is by many considered a minor sport. Tech men consider the one thing worth supporting.

At the last meet at Worcester, Tech made eight new names. On that day our men, competing with some of the fastest men in the world, broke favorable records and showed a better game in spite of favorable odds. Three Tech undergraduates yielded themselves horse, but that was all the support the team had. A week later fifty Tech men attended the I. C. meet, at the Stadium, and they paid four times as much to see the Yale and Harvard athletes defeated, by men whom their own team had whipped previously. Did these men consider Tech men equal to other college men?

I do not think we do consider ourselves equal to other colleges. Do you? and how do you measure them? You do not measure them by their ability to try. You do not measure them by their attitude toward any sport which exists. You do not measure them by their attitude toward other colleges. You do measure them by what they have done, and that if conditions were ever unfavorable to the development of any branch of athletics, they would always be so. This attitude is sometimes sincere, but what has been done to-day does not seem to justify it. Faith in the unbounded ability of the liberal arts faculties to surpass the technical schools in athletics should receive a severe jolt from the simple score of the Princeton race.

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The next meeting will be from 6:30 to 7 P.M. on Friday evening. Those in the Union, come and bring your friends. These discussions are cordially invited to attend.

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