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Monday, March 22, 1909.

The Tech takes pleasure in announcing the election of Joseph Newell Stephenson 1909, to the position of athletic editor.

The Tech wishes to thank Mrs. MacLaurin, on the part of the student body, for her kind and sympathetic message appearing in this issue, and sincerely believes that she may rest assured of a frank, open-hearted appreciation in return.

The appreciation that has been the due of the gymnasium team has not been given them by the undergraduates at the Institute. Few of the students realize the time and effort that this team has put in to establish the position of Technology in this activity. It seems that the men on the gymnasium team who have worked hard all winter should be recognized by the athletic association, and awarded an insignia. Such an action on the part of the Institute would be a great incentive for men to try for the team in later years, especially since all first year men will in the future be obliged to take some form of physical exercise. A good team has been developed this year, and this department of athletics should be encouraged.

It has been proposed to change the time of the weekly Y. M. C. A. meetings to Friday evening, holding then a bean supper, followed by a short snipe talk on some timely subject. The meetings would be held early enough to avoid conflict with the regular Union night entertainments, and would probably be much more convenient to the men desiring to attend than the present arrangement.

Some such move would seem practically necessary if the meetings are to continue, as they have fallen off more and more, until now they are of little use to the student body at large. Whether or not a little more advertising and discussion during the week might help out is doubtful. Few men care to eat their Sunday supper at the Union, and not many want to come from a distance for the meeting alone. The change suggested looks helpful, and as the Association should try to work most effectively, the new plan deserves careful consideration.

Those who are about to graduate from the Institute will find in the various local alumni associations an unusually cordial welcome and a spirit of helpfulness which will prove of immense benefit.

The important alumni happenings of the year, the new plan of the alumni council, and the election of President MacLaurin have stirred up these various organizations throughout the country to a high pitch of enthusiasm. At the beginning of the year there were twenty-five associations, and two have been born since, at Detroit and Milwaukee. Recently Dr. MacLaurin visited the societies at Washington, Pittsburg, Chicago, and Detroit. He received a most cordial welcome, and had an excellent chance to get in touch with the western Technology spirit, especially in Chicago, where the enthusiasm was tremendous.

On the Coast the Technology clubs have flourished in a remarkable way, and the interest there seems to run even higher than elsewhere. There are now five alumni associations on the Pacific Coast, where three years ago there were none.

1909 CLASS MEETING

Class Day and Marshals Will be Discussed by Seniors

Today at one o'clock in Huntington Hall the class of 1909 will hold an important meeting to decide on class day. The question has arisen as to whether the first three men on the class day ballot will be the class marshals or whether the class will vote again on the twenty-five chosen for the class day committee. The class will also be asked to vote to stand by the Institute Committee in all its actions.

MEETING OF CIVILS

The next meeting of the Civil Engineering Society will be held in 11B Wednesday afternoon at 4.15. The speaker for the occasion is to be Leonard Metcalf 1892, of the firm of Metcalf & Eddy, contractors. The subject of Mr. Metcalf's talk is to be "The Relative Economy of Contract Work as Compared with Day Labor." Since graduating from the Institute Mr. Metcalf has been most active in his line, and was recently an expert for the investigation of the Water, Sewer and Street Commission of the city of Boston by the Finance Commission.

NAVAL ARCHITECTURE

The Department of Naval Architecture has recently purchased a new computing machine for multiplying and dividing. It gives results to thirteen significant figures and is of especial value in consecutive multiplication or divisions.

In connection with the work in Marine Engineering, an excursion of inspection was recently undertaken to the S.S. Winter of the Metropolitan line and S.S. Iberian of the Leyland line. Engine-rooms, boiler-rooms, draft-tunnels and all parts of the marine engineering equipment were inspected.

A trip through the General Electric Works at Lynn was recently made by the students of the turbine option of the Mechanical Engineering course, to view the mechanical details and methods of construction of the Curtis turbine.

Prof. Arlo Bates of the English department of the Institute, is to deliver a lecture before the Bis Society of Bowdoin College at Bowdoin, this evening. Bowdoin is Prof. Bates' alma mater, he having graduated from there in the class of 1873.

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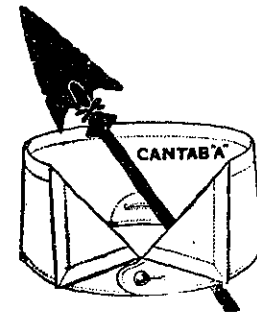
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