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## PRES. MACLAURIN ADDRESSES 1913

### Freshman Class Organizes Today at Meeting in Hunt Hall

Plans for the introduction of the freshmen to the life of the Institute this week have been fully laid by the authorities, the plans including the President's address to the new men and the organization of the class of 1913 this noon in Huntington Hall, the Y. M. C. A. reception Friday evening, and the annual dinner given by The Tech Saturday evening.

Following the time honored custom of the Institute, President MacLaurin will, for the first time since his inauguration as President of the Institute last June, address the new men and give them their first official introduction to student life and work of their future Alma Mater. Although the meeting is primarily for new men, all old men will be heartily welcomed.

Immediately following President MacLaurin's address, the new men will be given their first lecture on Military Science by Maj. Lawton. The work for the year will be outlined and general instructions for the year will be given.

1913 will then have its first class meeting.

President Salisbury of the junior class has made full plans for the organization of the freshmen. Following the custom of former years, several prominent juniors will address the new men on Field Day, in its various aspects. President Salisbury will talk on the subject of track; H. D. Williams 1911, will give a talk on football and S. B. Copeland will speak about the tug-of-war teams.

Temporary officers for the class will then be chosen. Following this will come the election of managers for the football, relay, and tug-of-war teams for Field Day this year.

## Y. M. C. A. RECEPTION

Friday evening, the Y. M. C. A. reception for new students will be held in the Union. Speeches totalling to about one hour will be made by the representatives of the various activities. As in previous years this is the first opportunity for the new men to become acquainted with each other and to meet a few of the upper classmen. During the evening light refreshments will be served and an orchestra will give a good selection of music.

## 1911 CLASS PIPES

At last 1911 men are to have their class pipes. The committee, composed of M. Coffin, J. H. Scoville, W. J. Seligman, and W. C. Salisbury, ex-officio, have been at work for some days and hope that the pipes may be delivered before Thanksgiving.

Orders will be taken in the Union from 1 to 2 P. M. every day, commencing tomorrow. The well-known BBB brand has been chosen; and two grades or the same pipe will be offered, giving a choice of price. Four numerals besides the "T" will be inlaid instead of the usual two. All but \$1.00 of the price of the pipe must be deposited with the order.

No life in the world has fewer restrictions nor greater possibilities and opportunities than college life.—Pres. Nichols to Dartmouth entering class.

## SEASON TICKETS FOR ATHLETICS

### Managers of Different Branches of Sport in Charge of Sales

Season tickets for all Technology sports are now on sale. After corresponding with thirty colleges, it was found that almost without exception, they all had some sort of a season ticket ranging from \$5 to \$17 in price. The price of a season ticket at Tech is only \$3.

The tickets are being sold by the managers of the different sports, who must turn over to the Advisory Council \$2 for every ticket sold. The difference of \$1 goes to that branch of athletics, hence every member should buy his ticket from the manager of the sport in which he is most interested, and thus help to support it.

There are three principal benefits to be derived from this system. First, it will put athletics at the Institute on a firm, financial basis, which has not been the case in the past.

Second: It will do away with the bothersome nagging of students by the different managers for subscriptions and the sale of tickets for each separate contest. It is guaranteed to the student body that upon the support of this system subscriptions will be abolished.

Third: It will secure a larger attendance and hence a livelier interest in all branches of athletics.

The tickets will be punched on presentation for each event so that they cannot be passed outside the fence and used again. The regulations are as follows:

Season Ticket—Regular price \$3.00. Tickets are non-transferable, and must be signed by purchaser.

Ticket holders are not limited to students or those connected with the Institute.

Ticket will give admittance, but not reserved seats to—

1. All home track meets except the N. E. I. A. A.
2. Field Day.
3. All basketball games at Tech gym.
4. All other athletic contests held at the Tech gym or athletic field under the auspices of the Advisory Council.

No guarantee is made as to the number of these events.

Season-ticket holders will be given preference to reserved seats (not exceeding two) at

1. Field Day.
2. Track Meets.
3. Tech sections at B. A. A., N. E. I. A. A., and I. C. A. A. A. A. meets.

This step was only taken after it was clearly seen that some radical change was necessary, in order to continue intercollegiate athletics at the Institute. With the support of the student body this system has been universally successful.

## MAJ. WHEELER LEAVES

### Radical Changes in Freshmen Drill for Coming Year

Major Wheeler, who since 1904 has had charge of the freshman battalion, has left the Institute. Graduating from West Point in 1878 he was wounded in the Spanish-American war and it is this wound, combined with the Eastern climate that has, in part, caused his retirement.

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## MANY DEPARTMENTAL CHANGES THIS YEAR

### Harvard, University of Kansas, and Carnegie Technical Institute Gains

Technology's instruction staff during the past few months has suffered a number of important losses, and some of the oldest men in the service of the Institute have taken positions at other universities.

Most important of these are the resignations of Professors Swain and Clifford of the Civil and Electric Engineering Departments, respectively. Both of these well-known Tech professors have left to take charge of similar departments at Harvard.

The Civil Engineering course has experienced more changes than any other, and besides losing a number of the instructing staff, has been placed on a new basis of administration.

The administration of the department of this year will be placed on an entirely new basis, a department from the usual one-man rule being made, with the reins of the department in the hands of four men with equal power. The professors in charge will be C. Frank Allen, Dwight Porter, Charles F. Spofford, and Arthur G. Robbins. The latter has just been advanced to a full professorship from associate professor. Professor Allen will be considered as business manager, responsible to the corporation, while Professor Spofford will be responsible to the faculty for the policy of instruction.

William E. Mott, associate professor of hydraulic engineering has left for Pittsburg to take charge of the department of civil engineering at the Carnegie Technical School. The office is a coveted one with far higher emoluments than the local position offered.

Professor Mott is a graduate of Technology in the class of '89, and is an associate member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, member of the Franklin Institute, Sigma XI and Theta Xi societies. He was assistant in civil engineering at Tech from 1889 to 1890, instructor in the same branch at Cornell 1892-1900, returning to Tech as assistant professor of hydraulic engineering at that date. He was principal assistant engineer for water supply, barge canal survey, State of New York, 1900.

When the authorities of the Carnegie institution were looking about for a man they made advances to Charles B. Breed, professor of railroad engineering at Technology, but the latter did not consider the positions on account of his affiliations with the Boston profession, which held him here.

Professor Foss, who held the chair at Carnegie Tech, leaves to take a position as head of the civil department at the Cooper Institute, his predecessor, Professor Hodgson, going to the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute to succeed Professor C. F. Spofford, who came to Technology last spring.

Charles B. Breed, author, in conjunction with Professor George L. Hosmer, of the two volume work, "The Principles and Practice of Surveying," is engaged on the preparation in the surveying and railroad engineering section of the new "Engineers' Handbook," which is to be published in a year under the editor-in-chiefship of Professor Mansfield Merriman, formerly head of the department of civil engineering at Lehigh University. The new work is expected to replace the handbooks now in general use and its authors compose some of the most prominent engineers in the country.

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## FIELD DAY PLANS WELL UNDER WAY

### Both 1912 and 1913 Are Starting Work for Class Contest

Active preparations for the 9th Annual Field Day between the two lower classes at the Institute are already under way. According to the notice sent out by Major Briggs, chairman of the Advisory Council on Athletics, this event will occur Friday, Nov. 5.

On this day the question of supremacy between freshmen and sophomore classes is decided. There are three contests between the two classes, consisting of a football game, a relay-race and a tug-of-war. The football game counts four points. Class numerals are awarded to members of both teams. The relay-race, which is run between the halves, consists of 12 relays of 220 yards each. Class numerals are awarded to the members of the winning 12.

On the tug-of-war team, there are 25 men on each team, and the pull lasts 5 minutes unless one team pulls the other a distance of 5 yards in less time. The relay-race counts three points and the tug-of-war two. The numerals of the winning class are engraved on the field-day cup. On the night of the Field-Day a dinner is given at the Union to all the contestants of the day, and the cup is passed from hand to hand.

Last year the class of 1912 defeated the sophomore class of 1911, the second time since the institution of Field-Day that a freshman class has been victorious.

In view of the excellent showing made last year, 1912 has some ground for looking forward to another victory this fall. The activity of the captains and managers of the teams shows their determination to give 1912 a second Field-Day victory if possible. Training and practice will be started at once. In this respect the freshmen are under a slight handicap, as they are not yet organized and have no officers. The first meeting of the class of 1913 will be held today and temporary officers and managers of teams will be elected to get the work under way.

The sophomore class is particularly fortunate in having practically all the members of last year's teams back. The general enthusiasm of the class is shown by the fact that a great many new men have indicated their intention of coming out for the teams and the veterans will have to work to retain their old places.

Capt. Eicher, of the 1912 football team, who won the game last year for the freshmen by a splendid drop kick in the last few seconds of play, expects that all of last year's team with one exception will turn out again and he says that many other prospective candidates have given their names. The services of a coach from Yale have been secured this year. Both Capt. Eicher and Manager Whittelsey are actively planning the season's work and look forward to a successful team.

Manager Erwin H. Schell 1912 says that the outlook for the relay team is very light. Besides a number of new candidates, most of last year's team will be in line. John S. Grant, the crack Mechanic Arts runner, who scored in the spring meet and the Lawrence Light Guard meet last spring, is captain of the relay team this fall. Benson, who made the varsity 2-mile relay team in the Indoor meet last year. Oettinger, another Mechanic Arts runner, Watkins, Reed, Cartwright, Walker, Robinson, Morgan, Means, Thompson, Herreshof and Becker will all be out again. Schell and Grant intend to start practice at the field on Wednesday and want

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