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NEW CROSS COUNTRY MEN NEEDED

Tech in Danger of Losing Prestige Unless More Activity is Shown

Technology is this year a member of the I. C. A. A. A., and in view of the showing made in the cross-country championships at Princeton last fall, we are looked upon as a factor in this year's race to be reckoned with next to Cornell. In spite of this fact, men are not showing up for cross-country in numbers which will give us a team of championship calibre, and Technology is in danger of losing a well earned prestige in this most sane of intercollegiate contests.

The work in cross-country is planned entirely with regard to the demands which Institute work makes upon the men.

The training consists of weekly hare and hound runs, held on Saturday afternoon, in the country surrounding Boston, together with short runs from the Gym, at four and five o'clock on week day afternoons, and occasionally work at the Field. No man's work need suffer—indeed, we have here physical exercise of maximum efficiency, and the late afternoon runs will freshen one for the evening's work, as nothing else can do at the Institute.

There are scores of men who would discover a latent ability if they would but come out once or twice. Particularly is this true of the entering class, where the number of men reporting to date has been shamefully small. Unless 1913 gets out in larger numbers, there will be nothing to it but '12 in the interclass race next spring. Upon the freshmen class moreover, depends the future of cross-country.

This is a year of wonderful activity in hill and dale work. Colleges never before interested are organizing teams, and the battle will be warm. It is up to Tech to show the Intercollegiate Association that she is worthy of membership—it is up to you to get out in any old togs and run.

MAJOR WHEELER'S RETURN TEMPORARY

Major Lawton Has Been Granted Request of Transfer

Some surprise was caused by the news that Major Wheeler was to take up his former position, after the appointment of Major Louis B. Lawton, U. S. A., to his position.

The request for transfer of Major Lawton was caused by the sudden ill health of his wife.

Major Wheeler is taking up his position merely temporarily, awaiting his transfer to a climate more in favor of his health at any time when a man can be found to amply fill his place here at Technology.

FIELDWORK IN COURSE 1 DURING THE FALL

Junior Class to Have Many Excursions in Geology and Field Practice in Railroads

Plans are shaping for the field work of the junior class in Course I, during the fall months.

As in former years a railroad is to be carefully planned, and all the field work in surveying to be done to the least detail.

Today the first field work exercise starts, the whole class going to Newton Upper Falls, and from there making a reconnaissance of the proposed railroad from Newton Lower Falls to Newton Upper Falls.

Next week the class is to be divided into two sections, one beginning the survey of the proposed location and the other going out for the first exercise in advanced surveying.

These two sections are again divided into smaller parties, over each of which an instructor to set as chief. The position of each student will be changed each week, giving him an opportunity to learn every part of the field work thoroughly.

The portion of the class not at railroad work will be doing advanced surveying. In this course there will be exercises during the first part in stadia surveys, later the height of various hills around Boston will be determined by barometric observations. An opportunity will be given also in drawing maps from photographic surveys.

In another branch of the civil engineering course, field work will also begin shortly, namely in the Geology Department. Last year some of the most interesting, as well as profitable trips were made to the points around Boston where the geologic formations are most visible.

These field trips in the fall that in the past have proven very profitable in their instructive value, and most excellent in the opportunity they afford for recreation and bringing together the students ought to prove as much of value this year as last.

EXCHANGES

The faculty of Purdue University has adopted a new schedule. All classes will start promptly on the hour and close ten minutes before the hour. Any late student will be marked absent, except in special cases.

Worcester Polytechnic Institute has started a newspaper called the Tech News. It is to be published weekly and is the first attempt at a regular school paper there.

Practice is a more intricate and desperate business than the toughest theorizing; life is an affair of cavalry, where rapid judgment and prompt action are alone possible and right.—Cornell Daily Sun.

The annual fall championship matches in singles and doubles at Brown University began yesterday.

President Nichols of Dartmouth has inaugurated a system of student self-government similar to the Institute system. Representatives from each dormitory from the three upper classes have direct charge of all student relations with the faculty and administration. The Paleopitus, the senior honorary society, directs the work of this committee.

INAUGURATION OF PRESIDENT LOWELL

Impressive Ceremony at Har- vard. Christ Church Chimes Play "Fair Harvard"

Abbott Lawrence Lowell, A.B., LL.B., LL.D., was formally inaugurated president of Harvard University this forenoon in the college yard at Cambridge, at 10:30 o'clock.

Promptly at 9:45 the procession to the platform from Holden chapel was commenced. The procession had four divisions, as follows: First, the officers of government and instruction; second, the delegates from other institutions; third, the invited guests; fourth, the persons directly connected with the inauguration ceremonies.

The complete programme of the ceremonies follows:

Call to order, Sheriff Fairbairn.

Music by alumni chorus.

Prayer, Dean Fenn of the Faculty of Divinity.

Oration in Latin, Lester Burton Struthers, senior.

Induction of the president, by the president of the Board of Overseers.

Response by the president.

Music by alumni chorus.

Inaugural address by the president.

Music by alumni chorus.

Conferring of honorary degrees by the president.

Benediction by Rt. Rev. William Lawrence, bishop of Massachusetts.

An impressive incident of the exercises was the ringing of the chimes of Christ Church of "Fair Harvard," just after the benediction.

CIVIL ENGINEERING SOCIETY DINNER

The Civil Engineering Society will hold its first dinner in the Union, Friday, October 8th, at 6:30 P. M. The speakers will be Prof. Spofford, Porter, Allen and Dean Burton. As this will be a good opportunity to meet the professor in charge of the civil and sanitary engineering courses, a large attendance is urged, especially of sophomores, and men just entering from other colleges. Tickets at 50 cents may be obtained from members until Friday noon.

CO-OP SOCIETY IN EXCELLENT CONDITION

Money on Hand and Good Prospects For Coming Year

The Co-operative Society is in excellent financial condition and expects a prosperous season. A large number of tickets were sold this fall, and the society has money in the bank.

President Bryer 1910, said that about 500 tickets were sold in the Institute and at MacLachlan's. Most of them went to freshmen, but many upperclassmen purchased. Aside from the money for these tickets, the Society has about \$950 drawing interest, which was left from last year. This amount remained after \$950 was paid to the Bursar, toward the Co-operative Scholarship Fund. With such a start, the Society expects this season to be very successful.

1912 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE FILLING

Games With Lowell Textile Waltham and Newton High Men Working Well

Manager Wittlesey has worked up a schedule of four games for the sophomore football team. The schedule promises to put the men in first class condition for the encounter with the freshmen.

No dates are as yet given out, as the games will have to be more definitely arranged. Some of the games may have to be cancelled, but at present the following opponents are counted upon: Dean Academy, Lowell Textile, Newton High and Waltham High, beside the final battle with 1913.

The men have been working well in practice and results of the training will be seen in the approaching game with Dean. The schedule is a stiff one, but in his estimation, such as is necessary to bring the team to the fighting point for the sophomore-freshmen game.

FIRST MEETING OF TENNIS CLUB

Coville '11, Elected President and Tournament Arranged

The Tennis Club of the Institute held its first meeting yesterday at 21 Rogers and plans for the season of 1909-10 were discussed. At one o'clock, when the meeting was called to order by Parker, last year's president, a good number were on hand to hear what he might have to say.

He first explained to the new members that the membership of the club was not limited, that there were no dues and that it had simply been organized for the fun that could be gotten from it. It was customary, he said, to call a meeting early in the year for the purpose of electing the officers. He called for nominations for president and F. W. Coville, 1911 was unanimously elected.

For vice-president, M. K. Sweet was chosen and A. Bemis, 1912, was elected to fill the position of secretary and treasurer. P. M. Wentworth, the manager of last year's team was re-appointed to that position. He then proceeded to explain what would in all probability be done by the tennis club this year.

According to the custom dual tournaments will be held until such colleges as can be arranged with. Matches with Harvard and Brown will in all probability be played.

Besides these the usual spring and fall tournaments will be held. Any student in the Institute is eligible to to play in these and it is hoped that a large number will enter. The dues are only 75 cents per man. Entries may be left at The Cage addressed to F. W. Coville or P. M. Wentworth. The entries, however, will close Friday at five and the drawings will be posted the following day. Wentworth remarked that he was confident that every man at the meeting would hand in his name and hoped that as many more would be heard from.