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SOPHOMORES HOLD CLASS MEETING

Question of Elections and Class Dinner Subjects of Discussion

1912 held its first class meeting in Huntington Hall yesterday at noon. There was over a hundred men present and considerable business pertaining to the election of new officers transacted. The meeting was called to order by President Kemp sharply at one and the minutes of the last meeting read by Secretary Seeley and approved by the class.

New business was then taken up and the subject of the sophomore electoral committee put under discussion. It was moved from the floor that the chair appoint the new committee which is limited to four members by the class constitution. President Kemp appointed the following to serve on the 1912 electoral committee, C. B. McClelland, W. H. Hall, H. L. Woekling, K. C. McKenney.

It is stated in the constitution that the members of this committee are not eligible for any class office whatsoever at this election.

The sophomore dinner was then brought before the men and it was the sentiment of the body to continue the usual custom. Again the President was given the power to appoint a dinner committee of 3 men, names to be posted at an early date on the bulletin boards.

Captain Eicher of the 1912 football team told the men the progress made by the squad thus far and stated that if the class team is well supported by all the sophomores there will be no reason why a winning team cannot be turned out. Vice-President Moore emphasized the fact that the teams alone could not win field day; but that it was necessary for the combined spirit of every member of the class. Special stress was laid upon the sophomore dinner which will be held sometime before field day, as at that dinner all the members of the class will meet for the first time. 1912 has always been in the front ranks in every situation during the freshman year and this will continue in the future if the same class spirit and unity is maintained among its members.

A number of men in the different courses are collecting class dues and it is hoped that little trouble will be experienced this year in getting men to pay. It should be carefully borne in mind that no man is a member of class 1912 or is allowed to vote at any class elections unless his dues of one dollar are paid.

GEOLOGICAL TRIPS COMMENCE SOON

Geological trips will soon be under way and those who are interested will soon be notified of the places to be visited, the railroad fares and the times at which trains leave. As in former years the objects of the excursions will be to collect old fossils, shells, seaweed, and to examine the rocks of other ages and to classify and compare fossils found, with their nearest relatives among living forms at the present time. It will be necessary on these trips to carry a hammer for work among the fossils and other objects, a hand microscope is also a very useful article on these trips.

Trips were made last fall to Winthrop Beach, Hayward Creek, via Quincy, North Attleboro, Boston Society of Natural History Museum, and to the Museum of Comparative Zoology at Harvard University.

MUSICAL CLUBS SEASON OPENS

New Men Are Expected To Try Out For Positions in Different Clubs

For several years at the Institute, the Musical Clubs have made trips upon which concerts have been given in various places. It has been the custom to engage an outside reader to accompany the Tech men on these trips. No Tech talent has ever been employed for this work. This year it is planned to find one or more Tech men who have ability in the entertaining line. It is thought that better success can be attained at the concerts, and that better satisfied audiences will be secured if a Tech man instead of a stranger is taken along as a reader. Much fun is assured any man who interests himself in this work.

During the past term work in the Musical Clubs will be good preparation for later work in the Tech Show. More success can be attained by each of the activities if they cooperate in their efforts.

Many concerts are to be arranged, either under the management of preparatory schools, or in the vicinity. In this way, prospective Institute men will be able to judge for themselves of the social activities at Tech.

Alumni associations are anxious to have a western trip of the Musical Clubs if enough interest is shown to assure a first class entertainment.

All interested in this activity are invited to come out and try and make the clubs, and a good sociable time is promised to all who do so.

FIELD NOTES

Good Showing of Men In All Sports

The Field was the scene of much activity yesterday afternoon. In the center of the Field was quite a large squad of 1913 football men. Around the Field were men practicing for the class relay teams. Although the number of men reporting for the teams is not large, those that are reporting are showing fairly good form, considering the early date.

Both classes are in urgent need of men, and there is plenty of chance for making the teams, as a squad of 17 is needed, while there are not many reporting.

Those reporting for 1912 relay practice were: Grant, Walker, Oettinger, Read, Dalrymple, Davis, Fox, Becker, Bennis, Pratt, Sargent, Tirrell, Gabriel, Schmiedene, Applequest. 1913—Balke, Brewster, Burnham, Conant, Crocker, Hersam, Katzenberger, Lewis, Mattson, Peck, Patal, Sada, Thompson, Trull, Welch.

CROSS-COUNTRY.

The cross-country men took a run from the Field today. Quite a squad showed up.

Among those present were: Watkins, Byland, Taylor, Cartwright, E. Ferry, R. Ferry, Lawrence, Montgomery and White.

(From the London Chronicle).

"Chop" is a splendid instance of the Englishman's power to adapt even a little monosyllable to the circumstances of the various lands. In British West Africa "chop" is the regular word for a meal. Pass on round the Cape to British Asia, and "chop" signifies an official seal, a permit, a certain quantity of tea and a variety of kindred things.

1909 FIELD DAY PROSPECTS BRIGHT

Sophomores and Freshmen Are Hard at Work For Great Day

Less than a month more and Field Day will have gone, but both classes realize the closeness of the date and are practicing daily.

The sophomores hope to make Nov. 5, 1909, such a day of glory as was Nov. 6, of last year, but the freshmen have hopes which soar as high and are also working for results.

The annual cross-country race between Technology and Harvard will be run off this year as usual on Field Day, and our team has the brightest of prospects for a victory if the men will only report in sufficient numbers.

This cross-country event is a race of 4 1-4 miles over a course starting at Highland station and finishing at the Field. In training for this race there are runs every Saturday at a different place, taking the form of hare and hound chases. These Saturday afternoon practices give every man out for the team a chance to improve his ability; and are also in the nature of a social event.

The cross-country team is also likely to compete in the intercollegiate meet which is held annually at Princeton, and Technology will need to run just one better this year in order to capture the first place, as last year the Institute men were in the runner-up position, though they were not rated in the official score.

TECHNIQUE 1911 BOARD MEETING

New Plans Are Under Consideration

Yesterday's meeting of the Technique 1911 board was mainly concerned with a general discussion of plans for the year. The report of the committee on specifications was read and accepted.

The resignation of Donald C. Bakewell of Pittsburg, assistant business manager, was read and accepted with regret. The fact that Bakewell is not to return to the Institute this year is the cause of his resignation.

It was voted by the board that ten per cent. in money or its equivalent in books be allowed for all new advertisements, not included in the last two issues of Technique.

Other prizes for the year include four prizes of \$5 each for the best class histories and two prizes of \$5 and \$2.50 for the best collection of grinds.

Extensive prizes for art work were discussed but no final decision was reached.

(From Popular Mechanics).

Instead of employing hundreds of men with picks to dig up streets for the purpose of resurfacing them, the city of Cincinnati now uses a 15,000-pound rake, which enjoys the gentle name of go-devil. When dragged along by a steam roller it does the work of the laborers with their picks in about one-fifth of the time and 50 per cent. better. The big steel teeth dig into the street six inches deep and three feet wide and travel about twenty-five feet a minute. It is estimated that the machine saves the work of hundreds of laborers and pays for itself in every two days work.

FRESHMAN DRILL OFFICERS CHOSEN

New Scheme For Drilling Companies Inaugurated This Year

Yesterday afternoon in the South Armory, on Irvington street, the freshmen had their first practice at drill, from two until three o'clock. About two hundred and fifty men reported for work and these were first lined up according to height and then divided into four companies. The men who have had drill previously were then assigned to different squads to start the preliminary drill tactics. Yesterday the first work was in facings, marchings and other elementary work.

On Wednesdays all four companies report for one hour's drill and on Mondays, companies C and D report, while on Fridays, companies A and B report.

All the commissioned officers have not yet been appointed but Major Wheeler expects to have appointments and the organization of the battalion complete by next week. The appointments so far are as follows: Co. A, D. E. Bent 1912, Captain; C, W. Webber 1912 and H. W. Codding 1912, lieutenants; Co. B, L. R. Golden 1911, Captain; L. W. Chandler 1912 and E. W. Davis 1912 lieutenants; Co. C, H. S. Tirrell 1912, Captain; Co. D, W. W. Lang 1912, Captain; W. D. Baker 1912 and R. B. Stone 1912, lieutenants.

It has been difficult for the upper class officers to arrange their programs so that they may command their companies, but it is getting now so that a complete roll of officers has been nearly obtained.

The band is not yet organized, so there is a good opening in that part of the battalion for men who can play any instrument or for men who can do stunts with the baton.

FAIR DAMSEL AIDS

That Tech is strong with the feminine world goes without saying, but it is not always that the young dames are ready to lend their assistance for the uplifting and advancement of the general student's welfare. Whether the charming young lady who wrote to Maurice Sharif and offered to repair the torn banner that flies from the flag staff on the Union, was interested in the rent flag itself, or its custodian, nobody but the two who were in close correspondence can tell. The student body certainly is very grateful for such acts of kindness and The Tech only regrets that it was asked to refrain from publishing the name, which if become known, would be ringing in the ears of every man in Technology. We trust that our young lady, friend of all Technology, will find satisfaction in these words and our attempt to place this event on the pages of our history.

CALENDAR.

- Thursday, October 7.
1:00 P. M.—1913 class meeting in Huntington Hall.
4:15 P. M.—1913 and 1912 candidates report for tug-of-war practice at Gym.
Friday, October 8.
3:00 P. M.—Track work at Field.
5:00 P. M.—Entries for Tennis Tournament close.
Saturday, October 9.
2:00 P. M.—1913 football practice at Field.
2:15 P. M.—Meeting of M. I. T. orchestra in Union.
3:00 P. M.—Track work at Field.