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The constitution of the class of 1911 provides that in case three men are not nominated for every office before nominations are closed, the nominating committee shall fill out the lists. Discounting, thus, the almost proverbial lack of interest taken by Institute men in Institute affairs, the drafters of the junior class constitution attempted to make sure that in spite of itself the class should always have a reasonable amount of choice in electing its officers. Other classes have similar provisions and most nominating committees have to take advantage of them.

With such an arrangement a class is always secure—except when the committee in charge falls down and fails in its duty. Then, as in the junior elections this year, we may have three men up for two offices (the executive committee), four men up for two offices (the Institute committee), or seven men up for five offices (the Athletic Association). Credit to whom credit is due: The 1911 nominating committee was made up of Scott B. Putnam, Kester Barr, Gordon B. Wilkes and Irving W. Wilson. President William C. Salisbury is a member ex-officio of all committees.

CALENDAR.

Friday, October 29.

1:00 P. M.—1912 Class Meetin, Huntington Hall.
1:00 P. M.—Junior and Senior Theatre Tickets on sale in Rogers Corridor.
4:15 P. M.—Final Trials for 1912 Relay Team.
8:00 P. M.—Friday Night Entertainment, Union.

Saturday, October 30.

2:00 P. M.—Orchestra Rehearsal in Union.
Lowell Textile vs 1913.
Exeter vs 1912.
Hare and Hounds' Run.

COMMUNICATION

It seems necessary to call to the attention of the class of 1913 the fact that competition with the sophomores will not end with Field Day. Next April the freshmen will be called upon to pick a cross-country team of five men to run against 1912. So far only one freshman has reported for steady work, and unless this disgraceful condition of affairs is improved upon at once the sophs will undoubtedly carry off the honors for the second time.

It is not too late to begin work now,

and if the freshmen are to win the race next spring it is absolutely essential that all candidates report at once in order that they may become familiar with the character of the work. Running this fall will only continue for a few more weeks, when the annual fall handicap race will be held. Everyone has an excellent chance to win one of the beautiful cups now on exhibition in the reading room of the Union.

Freshmen, you owe it to yourself and to your class to get out and support loyally all your class activities, not only by attendance at meets and games, but by active work for all class teams and by attendance at all class gatherings.

Cross-country running is one of the most beautiful and enjoyable branches of athletics at the Institute, and many who have never had any previous experience have made good on the varsity team. Chase Captain Eldred and myself will be glad to meet anyone interested in cross-country work, and promise a most enjoyable time to men reporting for the hare and hounds' runs.
W. C. WEST 1911.

EXETER CLUB MEETS

Twenty-five of the thirty Exeter men now in Technology turned out last evening for the first smoker of the Phillips Exeter Club, and enjoyed an extremely pleasant evening.

Mr. Scharff, the president's assistant, opened the meeting with a few well chosen words, and explained that it was his intention that the club should attend the annual football game between Phillips Exeter and Phillips Andover in a body. This plan met with instant approbation and a committee was appointed to obtain the tickets.

He next called on Mr. A. C. Fuller, one of Technology's most enthusiastic graduates, who gave a short talk on class and school spirit and seconded Mr. Scharff's idea as an extremely good suggestion.

Plans also were discussed for holding a smoker at intervals throughout the year.

Among those present were representatives of the faculty and of nearly every student organization.

PHYSIC CLUB MEETS

At the first meeting of the Physics Club of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, held yesterday afternoon, the feature was an interesting discussion lead by Dr. Herbert T. Kalmus on "Micro-Photography." The talk was illustrated by several remarkable photographic plates prepared by Dr. Kalmus, assisted by Harold C. Faxon, in the research laboratory of physical chemistry of the Institute.

The prime mover in the organization of the association is Dr. Daniel F. Comstock, whose remarkable investigations as to the relation of matter and energy aroused to the scientific world last year. Although the club is primarily for the members of the faculty, the instructing staff and the students in the physics department. It is hoped that those in the mathematics and research departments will join in these discussions.

The object of the association is to discuss researches carried on in the Institute laboratories, as well as in the leading papers in the various scientific journals. Following Dr. Kalmus' talk, Richard C. Tolman, instructor in theoretical chemistry, addressed the meeting on the fundamental principles of "Relativity," the conception of matter moving through space with reference to a stationary ether.

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