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COMMUNICATIONS

To the Editor of The Tech

The state of absolute ignorance in which the average Tech man seems to exist regarding the methods of work in other departments, than those in which he belongs, appears to have become little less than proverbial. Only today a man was showing a friend the Architectural Department, and his statements, made in my hearing regarding the methods of working out designs, the aim and scope of the instruction given, the study and use of books and photographs in the library could not have been more inaccurate and misleading if they had intentionally been made so. This great lack of knowledge of the methods of the departments has always seemed to me characteristic of the spirit of the average Tech man towards the Institute in general. Content to do the daily work assigned to him for the sake of getting a good mark on his report, never stopping to consider that work in its broad relation to the work of other courses of study, the average student at the Institute is like a man who plods along in the narrow road in a valley, never climbing the hills on the side to see the relation which his path has to the path of others and so to broaden his outlook on life.

W. F. Dolke, Jr., 1908.

To the Editor of The Tech

This Union of ours is, as far as social value is concerned, altogether the most precious possession we have. Consider what it already means to many of us and then think what it may mean in time to come. About this Union will grow all the traditions and all the sentiments which will individualize the student body of the Great Institute of the future. Is it not then our duty to keep his social core wholesome, and clean, and undefiled?

To walk into the card room during the lunch hour is to walk into an atmosphere vile with tobacco fumes and with language unbecoming of gentlemen. In the study rooms too boisterous and unfitting language is altogether too common. Then again, there are times when card playing is most decidedly out of place, and one of these times is just before the Friday evening entertain-

ment. The speaker on these occasions is the guest of the whole student-body, and he should be made to feel that he is a welcome visitor at a gentlemen's club, and not one who is interrupting a game of cards.

The remedy of these abuses cannot be affected by any committee or elaborate set of rules; all that is necessary is a little consideration on the part of the men who use the Union. Precious as it is few men appreciate the value of this place to themselves or to the Institute. They use the rooms as a matter of course never considering that theirs is the responsibility of determining the future of the Union, and to a large extent, the future of social life at the Institute.

L. R. 1910.

HORNET'S NEST

What Mrs. Wilham would class as a "terrible hazing" was suddenly heard overhead, and a moment later something came down the intervening stairs six at a time. Then Billiken's apprehensive face appeared at the door, soon followed by the thorax abdomen and complementary members of that worthy. "Fellow Countrymen," said he, I have here a lyric of my own composition which will make every confident competitor in the competition convulse like a catenary. Harken ye!" And Merry Sunshine threw out the aforesaid thorax and began:

"Oh, Prexy he's a lively chap
He digs in with a vim!
And just because he does 'em all
He thinks we're all like him.

Chorus:

So now what must we do?
We gotta havva crew!
With every oar of six inch bore
Trim Crimson and the Blue.
Hydraulics will be studied
In the Basin near at hand
In boat racing as on the track
We'll keep up with the band!

Chorus:

So now what must we do?
Why, man step out a few!
Our crew will chew up one or two
Until they yell—!

Ouch! Mike!! Whew!!!"

Three books, a couple of slippers and an innumerable number of pillows really anticipated the proper period for applause. "Oh you Orpheus!" yelled Dick," you for the cheering section!" and it was some minutes before the rough-house which had originated upstairs had subsided.

The incident evidently recalled to Cad some memories of old Cadonia, for we heard him a little later crooning in his room some such strain as this:

"Johnny Rock, Johnny Rock,
You have given us a lake
Can't you hear the breakers break?
Johnny Rock, Johnny Rock,
Johnny, Johnny, oh you're bonny
Johnny Rock."

—Poe.

That powerful winds must exist is evident when the temperature conditions, constant sun on one side and perpetual night on the other, are considered is also evident by the polish which miles of the surface present on the boundary between night and day. Another phenomenon now explained is the gleam which the dark portion of the disk presents when looked at with a telescope. As it has no moon or such luminary to shine on it this must, it is now agreed, be due to star-light shining on a mass of glacial ice coating the side away from the sun.

The picture thus presented of Venus is certainly forbidding, one hemisphere torrid desert, the other deserted ice.

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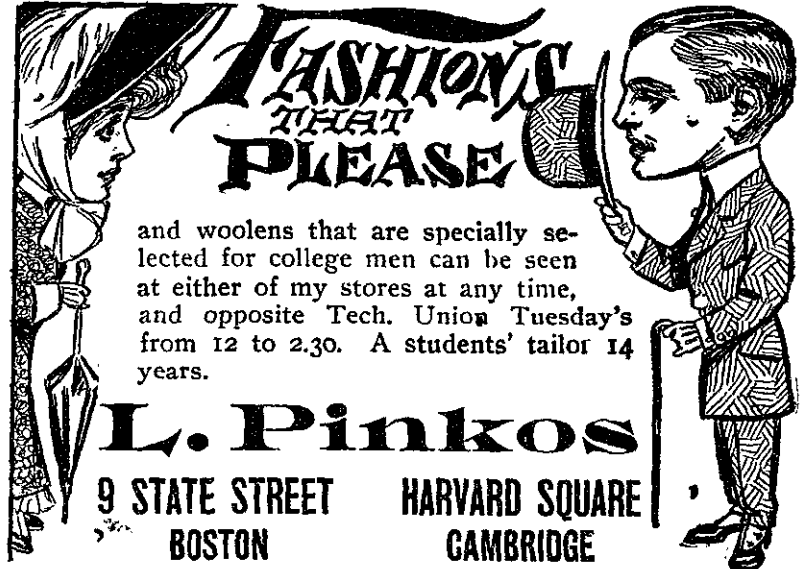
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