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Dr. MacLaurin has sounded the keynote of the future Technology in his report to the Corporation printed today. To help him carry out these aims it is well to carefully read, understand and appreciate what his genius is planning.

The Point System is trying to do the square thing. Anybody can slam, but it takes a man to offer sensible criticism.

Christmas is coming. Time tables are being consulted. Tech will be a lonely spot for ten days. Men going to the same cities should plan to get together.

The "esprit de corps" of the small reading room in the Union is not what it should be. Even the atmosphere needs purifying.

An instructor in "Mech" gave his class a treat this week by holding an informal discussion on the subject. Favors like this are greatly appreciated.

The student body is rejoicing that nobody was injured in the Bursar's office when the safe fell through the floor.

## SOPHOMORES ON THE TECH

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year. Looks pretty often as if they had hard time to fill up space."

W. Shuttleworth said, he refused to give his candid opinion by advice of council.

M. C. Mason was a bit hard to question, but has no fault to find with it, other than the Hornet's Nest, which he does not like.

L. M. Huggins, continued, "A few mistakes now and then will come up anyway. There is no use knocking a good thing. I like it."

H. L. Nickerson, said that he refused to be interviewed and would not talk.

G. W. Bakeman, "The general news is all right, the Hornet's Nest is a bit off color."

A number of other interviews were obtained but the blue pencil was very heavy on the copy and it was thought advisable to consign them to the wastepaper basket.

## COMMUNICATION

To the Editor of The Tech:

Being much interested in the student activities at the Institute and especially in athletics, I occasionally go over to the gym to watch various teams practice. The other day I happened to be there while the gym classes were at work, and noticed something which does not help very much towards giving Tech men a good name outside.

The faculty have provided this year, a pianist to supply music while the classes are at work. This helps a great deal in the exercises, giving the necessary rhythm in a most agreeable way. This music has also supplied a large number of spectators with a little more enjoyment than the gymnasts alone would have done.

As a great many of the selections which are played on the piano are the popular numbers of the day, there is a great tendency to accompany the young lady with whistling. This act, has a great many faults. It not only spoils the order of the classes, but it interferes with the work of the instructors.

It would be a great misfortune if the faculty had to dispense with the music because it was so good that a few could not help from joining in. It was to be noticed also that it was not only the spectators that were to blame but a great number of the men that were in the class were also doing it. This of course, is not respectful, as no gentleman would think of whistling in a math. class, therefore it goes with out saying that he should not do it in a gym. class.

I think every man in the Institute is capable of taking a hint.

The Spectator.

To the Editor of The Tech:

In regard to a recent editorial in the Tech, concerning the locking of lecture-room doors at five minutes past the hour, Prof. Adams told his class in descriptive geometry, that he would prefer to leave the doors of the room open during a lecture, but that he had to close them for his own convenience.

He said, the fact that men come in late is not, in itself, necessarily a disturbance, but it is the fact that there are always ten or a dozen men who are only too ready to look around at the slightest distraction and try to draw the attention of the class to the late arrivals.

A man sometimes has a good reason for being late to a class, and it seems rather hard that he should be excluded from his section on account of the thoughtless conduct of his fellow students.

"Freshman"

Dear Sir:—

The Hornet's Nest in Tuesday's Tech called attention in a clever article to the short office hours and kind of notices sent out from the registrar's office. With nearly 1500 students here the office should be open a reasonable part of the day, especially when so many unnecessary notices are sent out. Why isn't the bursar's office also open only an hour a day except on one day and at 1.45 P. M. except some other day? If the registrar cannot give more time to the students he could have assistants in charge at other hours. As a person cannot be in two places at once, why not notice the conflict on the schedule at the office without sending notices to explain absence? The convenience of the students should be considered enough to have longer office in keeping their records.

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