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## M. E. SOCIETY HOLDS BANQUET AT CITY CLUB

### Accepts Institute Committee's Plans--Affiliated With The A. S. M. E.

The Mechanical Engineering Society, at its banquet held last evening at the Boston City Club, accepted the following amendment to its constitution:

"This organization hereby gives authority to the Institute Committee to enforce any measures which the latter deem necessary."

Thirty-one members favored the amendment while six opposed. A lengthy discussion preceded its adoption, since no other professional society has as yet acted upon the proposal.

The returns of the ballots for the election of the various officers of the organization showed the returns to be as follows: Marell Mackenzie 1911, elected chairman; A. C. Brown 1912, vice chairman; F. Russell 1911, secretary; H. S. Lord 1911, treasurer, and D. P. Allen 1911, H. S. Smith 1911 and A. F. Kenrick 1912, make up the executive committee.

The banquet proved to be a very enjoyable affair. About forty-five members attended and imbibed the advice of three prominent men of the world, suggested in their after dinner speeches. Prof. Lanza, head of the mechanical engineering department at the Institute, explained the real meaning of the recent affiliation of the M. E. Society with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. The latter society was formed for several purposes. A student, when graduated from a technical school is anxious in regard to what he shall do. He cannot isolate himself from the rest of the mechanical world, he must mingle with men who are similarly situated; he must mingle with successful men of his vocation and must understand the things which are happening in his line. The A. S. M. E. offers these advantages and hence a member of this society has broader relations with his profession than otherwise. A mere recognition in their catalogue, however, is not sufficient for these advantages. Its various opportunities must be seized. This is accomplished by reading their journals and attending their meetings, thus forming friendships and connections which deal with the immediate future. Institute members of the M. E. Society may attend their meetings in Boston and New York.

Col. Locke 1886, a member of the Institute Corporation and President of the N. M. C. U., spoke upon the idea of people at large in respect to quality or quantity. The business world today is intoxicated with success and has too little consideration for quality. The phrase "how good" should supplant "how much." A maxim suggested by him is to do the job a little better than your boss expects. Men fulfilling positions must be able to run the "human machine," thereby making it necessary for young men to mix up and deal with men; to learn human nature. Col. Locke commended ardently the talks on various lines of salesmen's trips given to the Tech students at the Union.

Mr. C. C. Pierce, 1886, connected with the railway department of the General Electric Company, demonstrated the necessity of originality and individuality as well as personality, in the business world. Technology teaches all three of these traits, nevertheless, a graduate of Technology is necessarily better equipped to meet a position than an undergraduate who has failed to get his degree. Graduation is the starting

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## COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY RELAY CARNIVAL

### Technology Will Send Team To Madison Square On Saturday

Technology's one-mile relay team will go to New York Saturday, March 12, to run in the relay carnival of Columbia University. The Institute team will be W. C. Salisbury 1911, Capt. L. O. Mills, H. Lockett and P. D. White. All the men on the team will probably run in the dashes.

Major Benson has not received word as yet of the teams which compose the five to run against Tech. The team was in with Harvard, Brown, Amherst, Wesleyan and Johns Hopkins last year, and will probably be in the same class this. The track at New York has no corners and proved the undoing of the team last March. Karl Fernstrom 1910, was accidentally tripped while taking the turn and the other Institute men could not make up the lost distance.

## COURSE IV NEWS

At a meeting of the Architectural Society on Monday afternoon it was voted to adopt the amendment to the constitution proposed at the last meeting, namely—"This society hereby gives authority to the Institute Committee to enforce any measures which the latter deems necessary, provided, however, that they do not conflict with the constitution of this Society. There was considerable opposition.

Considerable discussion was aroused by the proposal that the society send a representative to New York to meet with representatives from four of the leading Architectural Schools, to attempt to secure a united action among the schools in the matter of forming an intercollegiate association. The feeling that something of this sort is needed is quite general in the different schools, and practically the only difficulty encountered so far is that of deciding whether to form an entirely new intercollegiate association or to join the Architectural League of America. The quickest and most satisfactory way of settling this question would be to have representatives from the different societies get together and agree on one plan or the other. Harvard has already appointed its representative; Pennsylvania, who thus far has taken the lead in the matter, will undoubtedly do so very soon; Columbia is on the grounds and will surely have a representative there; Cornell has shown its desire to form an intercollegiate association and will also be represented without doubt; but the "Tech Society," the oldest and largest of them all, has refused to send a delegate. It looks now as if the other colleges would settle the matter to suit themselves, leaving the Tech Society to meekly follow suit or to stay out in the cold.

In an interview given the Yale News, former President Eliot of Harvard speaks as follows concerning the politics:

"It seems to be perfectly obvious that the college graduates raise the general tone and temper of political action, the reason being that a prolonged education, as a rule, increases the recipient's sense of honor, sense of public duty, and desire to be serviceable."

## IMPORTANT MEETING OF T. C. A. TONIGHT

### To Ratify Constitution And To Organize Permanent Membership

This evening at six o'clock the Technology Christian Association will hold a meeting in the Union to which all Tech men are invited. The association has formulated a scheme to put itself on a permanent foundation,—which will make it a true Christian Association among the students of Technology.

The meeting today is to ratify the adopted constitution and to explain its purposes. It will be an explanation of the purposes of the T. C. A.

The Advisory Board of seven men, five of whom are alumni, has arranged a formal membership, the mysteries of which are to be disclosed at the meeting.

Walter B. Snow 1882 will be present and will speak on "The T. C. A. from the Graduate's Standpoint." Professor Dwight Porter will give his view of the situation from the standpoint of the faculty. John Ahlers 1910 will then explain the new plan for membership. The talks will be limited to ten minutes in order that every student at the Institute can afford the time to attend.

Before the important business of organization there will be the weekly dinner. Especial attention has been given to the menu for tonight and the dinner is expected to be the best held this year.

Plates at twenty-five cents will be reserved at the table for those who register at the Cage. The dinner and the business meeting will be separate, however, so that those who have other arrangements for their meals may not miss the meeting.

The business meeting itself will start promptly at 6.45 and will adjourn before 7.30.

A large meeting is expected and has been prepared for. This is the first opportunity for many of those men who announced last fall their interest in the T. C. A. to prove their sincerity and to give their support. The countersign is "True Christian Association."

## INSTITUTE COMM. MEETING

In Room A of the Union at five o'clock this afternoon, the Institute Committees will hold a conference with representatives of all student organizations with regard to the much-discussed question of a Financial Committee. The purpose and powers of such a committee, as proposed by the Institute Committee, have been printed in full in a previous issue of The Tech. In brief, the committee consist of three alumni proven competent in the business world. They would call for a monthly report from each organization and would have the power to audit the books at any time deemed necessary. The plan is discussed in the editorial column of this paper.

At the meeting this afternoon, each organization will be represented by two men,—the head and the financial manager. These men are expected to bring a great many ideas on financial matters that may greatly influence the future of Technology activities. Many suggested changes have been already proposed, and their validity will be tested this afternoon.

A man who keeps his identity a secret has offered \$100,000 to the City College of New York, to be used in putting the ground around the college into condition for all kinds of athletics.

## TECH AND HARVARD GYM TEAMS TO MEET

### Crimson Team Will Meet Institute Gym Squad Friday

A telegram was received by Manager Jacoby of the Gym team, yesterday, from the management of the team representing the College of City of New York, stating that they would have to cancel the meet with Tech, Friday evening. The college authorities have refused to allow their team to compete any more this year.

Harvard will meet Tech, however, that evening. To compete against Harvard's team means considerable. The Crimson has been very successful this year in their gym meets, and as both Tech and Harvard have met Amherst, a comparison may be drawn. Amherst defeated Tech by a score 31-33, while Harvard defeated Amherst even more badly, both on their own floor, and at the Hemenway Gym.

The men fully realize what it means to meet the Harvard team, and are training hard, that they may be at their best Friday evening.

## PROM PLANS

Last night the 1911 Junior Prom Committee decided to issue formal invitations. These invitations are being engraved and will be ready in about ten days. Something original and attractive is promised. These will be issued as rapidly as the Prom checks are signed up and paid for.

Preliminary dance orders are now out and may be obtained at the Cage or from any member of the Prom Committee. The dances are mostly waltzes and two-steps with two duchesses in between. The music for the dances has been decided on and a list of it will be published in the Tech the latter part of this week.

Once more the Committee wishes to make an appeal to the students to sign up for the Prom. In order to run a successful Prom it is necessary to sign up two hundred and twenty-five couples. At present less than one hundred have signed up and with the date of the Prom just six weeks from last night the Committee is holding sessions trying to think up some plan to stir the students up to greater activity.

Professor Musterberg, Director of the Harvard Psychological Laboratory, has been appointed exchange professor to the University of Berlin for the year 1910-1911. He will leave Cambridge during the summer and remain abroad during the entire academic year.

## CALENDAR.

Wednesday, March 9.

- 4:00 Tech Show Principals, Union.
- 4:00 Gym Team practice, special.
- 5:00 Institute Committee meeting.
- 6:00 T. C. A. Dinner, Union.
- 8:15 Catholic Club, Union.

Thursday, March 10.

- 4:00 Tech Show Chorus, Union.
- 8:00 Architectural Society Smoker, Union.
- 8:00 A. S. M. E., 6 Lowell.

Friday, March 11.

- 1:00 1012 Class Meeting, H. H.
- 4:00 Tech Show Chorus, Union.
- 8:00 Union Entertainment, Mr. Hustedes on "Railroad Organization."
- 8:00 Gym Meet with Harvard at Tech Gym.

Saturday, March 12.

- 3:00 Hare and Hounds Run.
- 8:00 Columbia University Relay Carnival at Philadelphia.