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MOCK FACULTY MEETING WINS FAVOR

Biological Society Entertain Prof. Sedgwick, Give Him Field Glasses

The Biological Society dinner, held last evening in the Hotel Plaza, in honor of Prof. Sedgwick, head of the Biological Department at the Institute, and who is to depart for a European tour next Saturday, proved to be a tremendous success. The various committees organized to conduct the affairs pertaining to the occasion, performed their duties to perfection.

Large Tech banners, supplemented by smaller pennants representing other colleges, adorned the four walls of the hall. The noise committee presented to the participants a mock faculty meeting, composed of impersonated professors. The men represented the different professors as follows: Professor Cross was impersonated by Palmer; Prof. Phelps by Jenkins; Prof. Lanza by Ireland; Prof. Sedgwick by Malcom; Prof. Noyes by O'Neil; Prof. Prescott by Wells; Prof. Talbot by Arnolt; Prof. Drisko by Howe; Pres. Maclaurin by Hilliard; and a chemical blonde, who attracted the ardent attention of Prof. Cross, by Maglott. The role was an excellent one and afforded much mirth to the audience. They were aided in their demonstrations by the Seem Funny Orchestra, composed of members of the society, who furnished the music throughout the evening.

Dr. Maclaurin spoke to the gathering upon the meaning of the formula T_b , which, he expressed, represented Biology as a real power in Technology. Pres. Maclaurin assimilated Prof. Sedgwick to the son of noted geologist of the same name in the University of Cambridge. Both are eminent biologists and both possess great power of expression. Prof. Sedgwick's power, however, being preferable to that of the English biologist, since it involves no profanity.

Prof. Talbot, head of the chemistry department, divided humanity into two divisions, the sulphides and bromides. The bromides, which predominate, do things by convention, while the sulphides, being more energetic in their behavior, possess the trait of originality, a thing necessary in the cultivation of a scientist.

Prof. Dwight Porter, of the sanitary department, related many reminiscences of former years when he and Prof. Sedgwick chummed together.

A pair of field glasses was presented to Prof. Sedgwick, in behalf of the Geological Society by Mr. J. Scott MacNutt, which were greatly appreciated by him. The professor claimed the success of his department due to the staff of instructors assisting him. He announced the resignation of Prof. Winslow, who is to accept a position in a New York technical school. Mr. Gun, his successor, addressed for a few moments his colleagues, and the gathering adjourned singing "Old Lang Syne."

At Tufts College, the faculty announce at the beginning of each term the schedule of examinations for the different subjects held at intervals of a month or so through the year. Such a system keeps the student in close touch with his work and enables a more careful review.

During an examination given recently at the University of Missouri, the professor in charge passed around cigars and allowed the students to answer the questions at leisure.

"COOPER MOON" MAKES BIG HIT AT CONCERT

Musical Clubs Enthusiastically Received At Girls High School

The new song, "The Copper Moon," as sung by the Technology Glee Club at the concert before the Girls' High School Alumni Association, made a decided hit last night. The audience, composed of graduate students of the high school, applauded again and again, and as an encore, the boys sang "The Bill of Fare." In addition, "Do'an You Cry, Ma Honey," was enthusiastically received, as was also "Hoop-a-Kak," played by the Mandolin Club.

The concert which was given by the combined clubs of the Institute, followed the business meeting of the Alumni Association of Girls' High School, and was very well received. After the conclusion of the concert, refreshments were served, and the audience, including the Glee Club men, enjoyed dancing.

Miss Gertrude Wynn, who is Corresponding Secretary of the Alumni Association, was responsible for the very pleasant time enjoyed by the Tech men, and to her all thanks are due.

PROF. RICHARDS BACK Has Unique Experience In Iron Mine In New York State

Professor Robert H. Richards of the Mining Department, has just returned from a flying trip to New York. Leaving Boston Sunday on the Midnight Special, he reached the Big City early Monday morning, and took a Harlem train to the iron mine which he proposed to visit. Here he spent the entire day inspecting the deserted workings, both underground and on the surface.

A thousand feet along the main tunnel, which is a horizontal one with a bend, he found several bats clinging to the roof of the rooms which extend for ten or twenty feet. This is the first time in his long experience that he has encountered such a phenomenon. His explanation is that the bats came down this thousand feet of darkness, seeking a shelter for the winter.

Monday evening he returned to New York, where he stopped at the Technology Club. He found this most attractive in every way. Its members had not been notified of his coming, so he found very few to greet him, but was received enthusiastically by those present. He took the night train for Boston, and reached home early Tuesday morning.

Prof. Richards is planning to take another business trip toward the last of this month.

WASHINGTON, D. C.
Washington, March 17.—The closing arguments in the contest over the dissolution of the "Standard Oil" were made yesterday afternoon in the supreme court of the United States. By 4.30 o'clock the case was before the high tribunal for final decision. Many persons believe that the decision will not be announced earlier than the first of May.

Syracuse is building a \$30,000 gymnasium.

GREATEST R. R. TERMINAL OF THE WORLD DESCRIBED

Mr. Joseph O'Brien Gives Very Interesting Lecture Before C. E. Society

With an attendance of nearly two hundred and fifty, the Civil Engineering Society held a very interesting and successful meeting yesterday afternoon. Mr. Joseph H. O'Brien, resident engineer for the contractors, Westinghouse, Church, Kerr & Co., was the speaker; his subject being the new Pennsylvania Railroad terminal in New York City.

Mr. O'Brien began his talk with a description of the general layout of the station and tracks. Two single track tubes connect the terminal with New Jersey, while four pass under the East River to Long Island, where extensive yards are located. In the station proper there are twenty-one parallel tracks, and they are located at this point about forty-five feet below the street level and ten feet below mean high water in the river. Platforms are provided at about the level of the car floors—this being the first instance of such elevated platforms at a terminal station. Connecting these platforms with the baggage rooms are numerous tunnels of concrete.

Heavy electric locomotives of 4000 H. P. will be used between Long Island and Harrison, N. J., the two ends of the tunnels, and consequently one hundred pound rails are used with manganese steel frogs. Part of the ballast used is the ordinary crushed stone and part concrete.

One of the most difficult problems in the whole construction was the building of viaducts too, for the streets under which the tracks pass. This was particularly true of Ninth Avenue, which has both surface and elevated tracks,

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"GET THE HOOK" Talent Secured For Friday Night Entertainment

"Hook Night" promises to be the best show at the Union this season. Gorton James, chairman of the entertainment committee, has a good bill in preparation. The best talent in the Institute has responded to the call, and several "successes of the century" are assured.

Much more material is desired, however. The few acts already filed, no matter how good, cannot make a whole show. The management feels sure that many candidates will report at the last minute, as was the case last year. That is all right for the show, but it keeps the committee in a state of unrest for fear they will not have a large enough bill. Last year the committee had decided by Friday night that hook night was a failure, when a bunch of fellows turned up with their stunts, and made the show the best of the year.

Those who intend to enter should notify Gorton James or Dwight Wyman through the Cage.

Refreshments will be served after the show for one dime.

Dwight Wyman 1912, a member of the entertainment committee, has been appointed chairman to succeed Gorton James. He will have charge of the Union night hereafter.

ACTIVE MEETING OF INSTITUTE COMMITTEE

Technique Electoral Committee To Be Given No Point Rating

At the meeting of the Institute Committee yesterday, the question of the point system was again brought up. About half of the men on the 1912 Technique Electoral Committee were over points. After considerable debate it was decided that the committee should not be rated, as its duties were of a similar nature to those of the Senior Class Day Committee. A motion to this effect was made, and seconded and carried.

The question of the powers asked for by the Institute Committee from the different activities was then brought up. A number of the activities have granted the powers asked for. As the step taken by the Institute Committee has caused considerable discussion and as it is evident that a wrong interpretation of the plans of the committee is being made, it was resolved to draw up a second series of recommendations with full explanations of their meaning, and to make it plain that the committee does not desire to change things generally, but wishes to place Institute affairs on a firmer basis and to do this the committee must have the power necessary to any governing body,—that is, the power to make laws and enforce them.

Pres. Goodwin then reported for the committee appointed to look into the facts connected with the establishment here of an honorary society for seniors and graduates. It seemed to be the general opinion that such a society would do a vast amount of good for the Institute. Members of the faculty had been consulted and expressed their approval of the project. An objection was raised by one or two that such a society would cause men to devote unnecessary time to their school work in order to become eligible to the society, and thus the different activities would suffer.

A proposition was then made having for its object the bringing of the students and faculty into closer relations socially. It was decided to have something in the nature of a Faculty night at the Union, where the students and professors could intermingle and become better acquainted in a manner quite impossible in the class room. A committee was then appointed to carry out this resolution.

The resignation of Gorton James 1910 from the chairmanship of the Union Entertainment Committee was accepted and Dwight M. Wyman 1912, was appointed to fill his place, having been recommended by H. M. Davis 1911, chairman of the Union Committee.

The Brookline High School Club decided that it did not come under the rulings of the Institute Committee.

The engagement of Miss Alice Mills Beach of Springfield, Mass., to Mr. John Anderson Christie 1910, has been announced. Mr. Christie is at present an instructor in the Chemistry Department.

CALENDAR.
Thursday, March 17.
5:00—Sophomore cross country practice, Gym.
Penn. Club Dinner, Union.
Friday, March 18.
8:00—Union Entertainment.
Saturday, March 19.
2:00—Sophomore cross country practice, Gym.
2:30—Tech Show, Principals and Chorus.