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The Tech wishes to thank those men who cooperated by purchasing coupons at the Convocation yesterday, and especially wishes to thank the Finance Committee and the representatives of the various organizations who devised and backed the movement.

As the Finance Committee says in its report: "We believe that The Tech is the most useful student activity, and worthy of universal support." We believe, if too. That's why we work for it. That's why we give it our every waking moment. That's why our every thought, our every effort is to make it in every sense a success—a financially sound, comprehensive, complete paper—the invaluable news spreader of the Tech student. If you agree with the Finance Committee, if you believe, heart and soul, in the purposes and aims of The Tech, give it your heartiest, and staunchest support.

It is a well known and shameful fact that less than one-third of the student body takes an active part in the activities of the Institute. Of this third even a large number are "rope in" or forced into office by an enthusiastic election. This means that nearly one thousand of the student body are not getting all the experience and training they might for the making of a well-rounded, well-developed man. They are missing the direct contact with their fellowmen and the responsibility and experience in managing their fellowmen which is training the few to be successful leaders among engineers.

The Tech needs the active support of these now-indifferent men. It needs your support. Come and inquire about the work of The Tech. Don't wait to be "rope in." The news department needs men; the business department needs men. Don't be afraid. Get some life, some enthusiasm into your blood. Get interested in something and work for it. Develop yourself to your highest efficiency of service. It will be a great day for the Institute when every man is doing something to raise the social or athletic as well as the scholastic standard of Technology.

COMMUNICATIONS.

Editor of The Tech:
As I was passing along the corridor in Rogers Building the other morning an incident came to my notice which would have amused me if I had not witnessed it at any other school than my own dear Alumni. Mitt. At about 4 o'clock on the first of the month, I went into my room to get my notes together and, as I was leaving, I found the instructor, a man with a large head, who sold The Tech and part with a quarter of his month's salary, which he tendered to the boy, telling him never again to try to sell him a Tech. It was rotten, he said.

Now the Massachusetts Institute of Technology tries to instill some sense into its students, but this specimen seemed never to have run across the form, much less to have assimilated it. Whether he was trying to make a hit with the newsboy and those about him by his lavish use of money, or to show his knowledge (?) of college papers, I do not know; but a man who has no little interest in the activities which help so much to stimulate the life at the Institute and maintain a spirit among the students is beyond my comprehension. Such a thing might come from a Freshman flushed with the pride of youth and inco-ordinate with ideas of his importance on an important planet of an important system, but that an upper-classman, much less a graduate—even if he were bred in Virginia, where his heady youth in rife—should be the author of such an act needs no comment—certainly yards.

B. V. D.

Editor of The Tech:
Dear Sir,—I note with regret that the clean, healthful, sanitary paper towels have been removed from the wash room and the dirty, diseased-bearing linen ones reinstated. Perhaps it is true that the paper towels are not quite as satisfactory as the old-fashioned roller kind, but isn't it a lot better to suffer a little inconvenience than to subject oneself to the chance of catching some illness? I believe that bad bacteria must hold a sanctuary in the bodies of the personnel using them with bad results.

Let's have the paper towels! Yours very truly,
B. CAREFUL.

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The meeting closed with a general discussion of the merits of the two present, and a short talk by Mr. Bliin explaining the method in use of teaching English to the immigrants.

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