BLAMES SENIORS FOR PORTFOLIO DELAY!

Member Of Technique Board States Seniors Are Lazy—Proofs Not Returned.

"Procrastination in the matter of returning proofs to Notman's and careless and unreasonable delay in making appointments for sittings is threatening to seriously interfere with the prompt and successful issue of Technique 1916," said the Senior Portfolio Editor of that publication in an interview with a reporter for The Tech yesterday. "Only about a half of the Seniors," he continued, "have had their sittings, and of these only about a half have returned proofs to Notman's. If the Seniors do not hasten to have their sittings at the photographer's, and after receiving the proofs, return them quickly, Technique will be unable to make up its Portfolio Section on time and serious difficulties will have to be overcome."

The reporter also learned that a member of the Senior Committee in charge is in the Union every noon from 1 to 2 to make appointments for sittings and all men not yet signed up are requested to drop in.

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CHEMICAL SOCIETY

W. D. Bigelow To Speak Next Friday Evening.

Next Friday evening the Chemical Society will hear a talk on "Problems of a Research Chemist" by Mr. W. D. Bigelow, Chief Chemist of the National Canners Association. Mr. Bigelow is particularly fitted to talk on this subject, because of his vast experience as a research chemist. Personally he is a very interesting man, and the talk should be of value to those interested in any phase of chemistry.

The place at which the talk will be held will be announced later. Everyone is invited to attend.

CALL FOR CANDIDATES

MEDAL AWARDED

Professor Richards Honored By The Mining Society.

Professor Robert Hallorwell Richards has been awarded the gold medal of the Mining and Metallurgical Society of America, which will be presented at the meeting of the Society next March.

The award, which is the highest honor in its class, is determined by nominations made by all members of the Society, the Council selecting by vote from among those nominated.

For this award there were but two names suggested by the popular vote of the Society. The prize was to be made by Walter E. Ingalls, '86, editor of the Engineering and Mining Journal.

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SIGMA CHI LEADS FRA-TERNITIES IN SCHOLARSHIP

The Tech Leads Activities With Technique Close Second—Little Difference Between Fraternity and Non-Fraternity Men

A very interesting tabulation of the students at the Institute has just been made by the Registrar. It is a rating of the students in their studies with reference to courses, years, athletics, activities and preparatory school. Some of the facts establish new and curious points while others emphasize what is merely common sense.

In the method used to measure the standing of various groups of students the record of every student in each subject has been weighted according to the number of hours per week assigned to the subject. If a drawing or laboratory subject has four hours a week it will not influence a student's record as much as a subject in which there are four hours of classroom work because, in general, drawing and laboratory exercises have no hours of preparation assigned to them while classroom work, frequently, at the Institute has twice as many hours of preparation assigned as classroom hours.

A practical method has been chosen where the literal records have been given a factor which corresponds very generally with the average percent in the judgment of many of the instructors.

All of the records of the undergraduate students of June, 1914, have been recorded on separate cards and weighted according to the hours and each literal record has been modified by the chosen factor. The total number of points has been toted for each student. Each card has been labelled with the year and the course of the student and a memorandum has been made of the fraternity, athletic interests or student activity of each student. This catalog of 1,511 records has been divided into many groups and the total of each group and of each year within the group has been noted.

Dividing the complete act of records by classes it is found that the first-year students average 69 percent of the points and that the second-year class dropped to 63 percent and that the third-year class (Continued on Page Four)

SHINGLE COMPETITION

The Tech Offers Prize For Best Drawing Submitted.

A prize of $5.00 will be given by the Tech for the best shingle submitted to them by any student in the Institute before 5 o'clock, February 23, 1915. It is suggested that those competing for the prize avoid as far as possible the old stereotype form of shingle.

On the shingle there should appear space for name, position, date and signature of General Manager.

VACATION CHANGED

In order that the Junior Prom may be more conveniently held on the evening of Monday, April 19th, the date of the Junior Week has been changed from the 15th to 18th, inclusive, to the 19th to 20th inclusive.

WEBSTER ELECTED

At the annual meeting of the New England Intermural Athletic Association, held last Saturday at the Copley Square Hotel, D. R. Webster, '16, was elected vice-president of the Association.

GROUPS OF ENGINEERS TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS

Foreigners In The Institute To Talk About Work In Own Countries.

For the purpose of getting facts about engineering conditions in foreign countries a discussion group has been organized. The conditions in South America, Japan, China, India and Turkey will be taken up successively by the group under the leadership of men who know the conditions in each country. The following outline of the work shows the time and place of the meetings, as well as the leaders and the subjects of the talks. The conditions in the

TECHNIQUE PICTURES

The Wrestling Team picture will be taken Thursday at Notman's. Men should be at the studio at 1:10 promptly. Mr. Freeman wishes it understood that no reappointment can be made; it is therefore necessary that all men be present with their wrestling outfits. The following men are to report: Clark, Lou, Bane, Stiebline, Rounds, Giles, Hoffman, Durkee, Goodell, Mertz, Wood, Bond, Crowell, Blodgett and Morea.

The Hockey Team picture will be taken today at 1:10. Notification was made to members of the team by mail.

NEWS MEN

There will be a meeting of all news men on The Tech in the lower office today at 1:30.

INSTITUTE COMMITTEE

The regular meeting of the Institute Committee will be held in the Engineering C tomorrow at 5 o'clock. Many important matters are to be considered.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, February 11, 1915.

1:00-10:15 Board of Directors' Meeting. 26 Rogers.

1:10-Hockey Team Picture. Notman's.

1:30-News Men Meeting. Lower Office.

4:10-Box Club Meeting. Room B. Union.

8:30-Catholic Club Dance. Hotel Somerset.

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1:10-Wrestling Team Picture. Notman's.

1:30—T. C. A. Talk. Union.

5:00-Institute Committee Meeting. 8 Eng. C.

8:00-Step Show Smoker. Union.

8:00—Dr. Jewett's Lecture. 26 Lowell.