THE COMMITTEE.

To the Editor of The Tech:

Notice has already appeared in your news columns of the smoker to be held in the Union Friday evening of this week. Inasmuch as it is something of an innovation in the activities of the Institute for a gathering of the Seniors to be held under these auspices, may the committee in charge of arrangements offer a word of explanation in regard to it. Courses I, II and III have joined in issuing their invitation to their fellow Seniors, hoping that all are of one mind with them that it will be pleasant and profitable to spend an evening together in an informal way and to make one another's acquaintance a little more intimate.

Technology is nominally one great institution, but as far as the upper classes are concerned it is virtually a group of separate and distinct schools or colleges. The number of men who are fortunate in having a circle of acquaintances which includes men from all courses is small indeed, and the average man has little more than a speaking acquaintance with a very few outside his own course. This is an obvious condition and no demonstration is needed to show the possible benefit to be derived from all intercourse and class gatherings.

The idea of a class smoker has been suggested late in the year, it is true, but believing it a step in the right direction, the men who have issued this invitation have given the matter their loyal support. The committee has planned an interesting program for entertainment, but in that regard no more can be said now than that there are several surprises in store and rumors heard in the halls outside the committee meetings have aroused the curiosity of the basins themselves.

The men of courses I, II and III are especially anxious to have the Upperclassmen know, Woods and Davis's Calculus substituted. Bailev's text was discontinued a year ago and Davis's Calculus substituted. The petty and utterly futile habit of knocking text books, as practiced by some of the instructors at the Institute has meant so little to him that he will hesitate for a moment in accepting an invitation that is so generously given and which many of us are especially anxious to have the Upperclassmen know. Woods and Davis's Calculus substituted. Bailev's text was discontinued a year ago and Davis's Calculus substituted. The petty and utterly futile habit of knocking text books, as practiced by some of the instructors at the Institute has meant so little to him that he will hesitate for a moment in accepting an invitation that is so generously given and which many of us are especially anxious to have the Upperclassmen know.

We believe that 'Sophomore' has been used here and there in the course of the academic year to designate someone or something that is not a question for my humble consideration. A number of the members of the Mathematics Department are on the present text book used for the present second year class.

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