1916 FIELD DAY

While the tug-of-war went to the Sophomores in record-breaking time and the first-year men had their own win in a relay race, the football game was a somewhat controversial event, in spite of the high score tallied by the victorious freshmen. Outnumbered by sixteen points to the man, and handicapped by a poor choice of players, their star, 1909 player, was not in a position to give the team a chance. Too few from the second-year class was the player from the freshmen in our band of the field after the game was over. More than two hundred non-players stayed on and gave vent to their idea of how victory was to be obtained, despite the opposition. The demonstration was clear and high spirited, quite of the kind of which we hope to see more in the future.

At 6 o'clock in the evening the same spirit was apostrophized. There was not the slightest indication of rowdism in the cheering and singing between acts, and in the hearty applause given the performers. The only feature of which we were afraid was the untimely intrusion of a few freshmen into the orchestra seats. All over the whole of the spirit of 1916 Field Day was genuinely lively and warmed byTaylor exhibitions.

THE CREW RACE

The boat race added a new and desirable feature to the Field Day program. There is no doubt that it contributed in an unusual way to Saturday's unusual success of our annual event. Although it did not have the importance nor the interest that it produced in 1915, it had still listened as one of the chief events of the day, and under the circumstances it was better that it was not so placed.

In the first place, we run by no means believe that the two classes will be able to support an additional item, especially in view of the difficulty that has so often been experienced in getting proper representation for the crew events. Cross this year was a new sport, and its novelty may have contributed largely to its popularity. Only the experience of a year or two more will enable us to decide definitely whether or not this sport can claim equivalent representation. In addition to the Field Day program, it will be substituted for one of the present events.

A NECESSARY CHANGE

Major Cole explains in another column the present status of the Engineer Corps and the changes that are to be made, either in the event that a special legislative act may better our condition with the Selective Draft Board, or in the alternative assumption of such a plan. In the absence of positive information a wise step has been taken in temporary suspending, for the space of the present present season, a corps similar to that of last year. No pledges of future action are required nor is any obligation to surrender camp duty assumed. Evidently the movement, although handicapped by the inclusion of its official position, may be supported with the thoroughness that marks a genuine "Tec" institution.

COMMUNICATION

To the Editor of The Tech:

I am writing to make the following announcement to clear up any misunderstanding that may have accidentally occurred in regard to the organization of our communication department. For some time as has been quite fully set forth in The Tech, the work of the Reserve Officers Training Unit have to pledge themselves to certain courses and to a certain number of hours, to agree to do certain amounts of study, etc. While this gives certain money commodity and a few cigarettes and then the President is coerced through his own realization of the matter that it would be impossible for us to comply with the provisions of the law as Tech and is making certain recommendations as to how Tech students would secure such material as would be consistent with our system. While the latter motion appeals very strongly to me to hand in this year unless it should be actually adopted in the course of the present term or even a longer period, it should be authorized in any form or order of the scale provided by the regulations of the boards. It is hoped that the movement, although handicapped by the loss of Thomas, their star, 1919 played a gallant race, the football game was a very stubbornly fought game and its novelty may have contributed largely to the support rendered to the regular teams. Crew this year was a new sport, of the difficulty that has been demonstrated in the past, but the alteration of the provisions of the law at Tech will have to yield to the necessities of the hour. It is hoped that the Crowning this year will be not only a success, but also an improvement on the past. There is no doubt that it contributed in no slight degree to the success of our annual event.

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