

## BANQUET TO CELEBRATE FOUNDING OF THE TECH

Will be Held at the Hotel Vendome Tonight — Many Members of Former Boards Have Promised to Attend

### PAPER FOUNDED 36 YEARS AGO

This evening at 6.30 o'clock at the Hotel Vendome, The Tech will celebrate the beginning of its thirty-sixth year of continuous existence by an anniversary dinner at which a number of members of former boards will be present.

Unfortunately, Mr. Arthur W. Walker, '82, Editor-in-Chief of Volume I, cannot be present, but the following members of the first board have promised to attend: Harvey S. Chase '83, I. W. Litchfield '85, Arthur D. Little '85, A. Stuart Pratt '84, Walter B. Snow '82.

Lester D. Gardner '98, Editor of "Aviation," is coming over from New York to describe the conditions on the paper twenty years ago. Mr. Gardner will be remembered by the members of the three upper classes as the manager of the "Voyage of the Technology S. S. Bunker Hill" last June during the Reunion. William H. King '94, Assistant Corporation Counsel for New York City, expects to come if possible, and Professor C. E. A. Winslow '98, head of the Department of Public Health at Yale, may come up from New Haven. Both of the latter men are members of the Board of Volume XV.

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### TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

#### Alumnus Makes Suggestions For Safety to Students

In connection with the present agitation regarding the danger of injury to students on Massachusetts Avenue near the corner of Charles River Road and in front of the Technology Branch, a prominent alumnus who is a member of the corporation of the Institute has written The Tech, differing in a measure from the general indignant view of the situation. Mr. Morss' communication follows:—

To the Editor of The Tech:

Dear Sir:—Two or three times lately I have noticed mention in The Tech of accidents caused by automobiles running into students or others on Massachusetts Avenue, and about calling on the Cambridge Police for adequate protection. It is reasonable to ask the police for proper regulation of the traffic, but I believe the Institute body can help a great deal to avoid accidents if they will do their part.

While there is some reckless driving, which should not be tolerated, the students do not protect themselves as they might. It happens that I walk over the Harvard Bridge to Cambridge nearly every morning, passing the Institute about nine o'clock, and I have been much impressed by the careless way in which men cross Massachusetts Avenue. They use no care to cross at the street corners, but are likely to cross diagonally almost anywhere. I have seen times when pedestrians were spread more or less all over the road, especially at the junction of Massachusetts Avenue and Charles River Road, and this condition at such a corner makes safe driving extremely difficult.

Particular care should be used by pedestrians near the Co-operative Store, for here there is no cross street or other feature to warn a motorist of a crossing, and men crossing indiscriminately are in special danger because nobody is expected to cross here.

My point is this: As Massachusetts Avenue is such a busy thoroughfare, and as the roadway is made primarily for vehicles, pedestrians, in this case largely the student body, should do their part by crossing only at the regular crossing, or if they must cross at intermediate points, should use special care.

HENRY A. MORSS '93.

### EX-EDITOR INJURED

#### "Daddy" McKim's Auto Struck by Train at Grade Crossing

Mr. Alexander Rice McKim, president of the Volume III board of The Tech, and now State Inspector of Docks and Dams for New York State, was seriously injured last week when his automobile was thrown in the air by a locomotive at a grade crossing on the D & H near Plattsburg, N. Y. Although unconscious for thirty-six hours, he is now out of danger and is recovering at the Champlain Valley Hospital near Plattsburg.

Concerning Mr. McKim, a prominent alumnus of the Institute has written as follows: "There is possibly no alumnus who is better known than 'Daddy' McKim. He was the founder of the Technology Club of New York and has always been a leader in graduate affairs."

## WALKER MEMORIAL

### New Student Activity Quarters to be Complete by Spring

As an important part of its new development, the Institute will soon be able to make adequate provision for the physical and social needs of its students in the Walker Memorial. Funds for this purpose were contributed not long after the death of the late President Walker, as a memorial to him, and the building under erection is expected to be completed in the spring of 1917.

The plan of the Memorial is to combine in one building the dining hall and the gymnasium with the Union. The facade of the section along the Esplanade is 130 by 60 feet, and about 100 feet back from this section is another of the same size and parallel to it, and joining them is a central section 70 by 100 feet. The latter will serve as a large dining hall, covering two floors, and above that a gymnasium of the same area extending to the roof. The net available floor space is fifty thousand square feet.

The basement of the building will contain bowling alleys, a billiard room, shooting gallery, two or more student offices in addition to adequate check room facilities. The kitchens and service rooms are located in the rear of the basement.

The first floor will be devoted mainly to the great dining hall which will occupy the whole of the central section. On either side of the main entrance reading rooms and lounging rooms will be located.

The Trophy Room will be in the front of the building on the second floor. This room will be flanked on one side by a lounging room and on the other by a library. The central section consists merely of a balcony surrounding the upper part of the dining hall. The second floor of the rear section will contain a Faculty dining room and an additional dining room for students.

The front part of the third floor will be devoted to handball and squash courts and several small student offices. The central and rear sections of this floor will be assigned to physical development, while that portion of the gymnasium located above the dining hall will give the required space for the prescribed work for the freshmen. The gymnasium equipment can be moved out of the way for dances, military drill, etc. giving sufficient space for these purposes. The remaining floor area in the rear section will insure sufficient gymnasium facilities for upper classmen who are now obliged to go to the Y. M. C. A. and other gymnasiums.

Although the actual construction, depending upon labor and weather conditions, is expected to be completed next Spring, the officials in charge do not think the building with all its detailed equipment will be in smooth running order until the Fall of next year.

### JUNIOR PROM COMMITTEE

On Friday, December 8, five men from the class of 1918 will be elected to the Junior Prom Committee. The nomination papers are due at the Caf on Saturday, Dec. 2, before 5 o'clock.

## GERMAN INSTRUCTOR DIES AT HIS HOME

Mr. Joseph Blachstein Succumbs After Brief Illness—Was Member of Institute Faculty For Nearly Quarter of a Century

### FUNERAL WAS HELD YESTERDAY

The death of Mr. Joseph Blachstein at his home, 691 Parker Street, Roxbury, last Saturday, came as a surprise to those who knew him.

Mr. Blachstein was born in the Thuringen district of Germany in 1851. In 1892 he came to the Institute as an instructor of German, and if he had lived, he would have completed his twenty-fifth year here this coming June.

He was very popular among the students because of his thoughtfulness and good humor as well as because of the keen interest he took in all that went on around the Institute. He was a councillor for the

Cosmopolitan Club, and a member of the Walker Club. For several years he has been present at all of the class banquets, and the Field Day and Komers dinners, where he entertained with the many humorous stories which he always had on hand.

In the class rooms he demanded just as much respect as he did outside of school. His remarkable command of languages and the thorough way in which he conducted his classes, made him esteemed by all his pupils.

Mr. Blachstein was taken ill on Nov. 3, and although complications set in, his death came as a surprise to those who knew him best. While the funeral services were being held at the Forest Hills Crematory yesterday afternoon at 1.30 o'clock, the entire Department of Languages at Technology suspended all exercises for one hour out of respect to his memory.

### INSTITUTE COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the Institute Committee will be held at 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in their new quarters, Room 1-190.

At this meeting there will be a discussion as to whether the Finance Committee will be given a seat in the Institute Committee. This year the Finance Committee exists separately, but in former years it was represented by having members of the Finance Committee act as members of the Institute Committee.

There are many important questions to be considered at this meeting, among which are the report of the Finance Committee, the recommendations of the Dormitory Committee and the report of the Tech Night Committee.

### MUSICAL CLUB'S TRIP

The management of the Musical Clubs has arranged for an extensive trip to be made during the mid-year vacation. The party, which will travel in a private Pullman, will leave on January 26 and will return February 3. On this trip concerts will be given at Schenectady, Syracuse, Rochester, Detroit, Chicago, Akron, Pittsburg and Buffalo, and a number of luncheons are to be given the members by Alumni. Although the trip is rather a pretentious one, the Management expects that it will be very successful.

During December, the annual Winter Concert will be given as well as a number of local appearances at schools and clubs in the vicinity of Boston.

### TENNIS TOURNAMENT

#### Tentative Schedule For Coming Season Is Announced

In the last round of the semi-finals of the tennis tournament, W. Wyer '18 defeated W. N. Barron '20. Last week, the final match was played, and R. B. Swain '17 defeated W. Wyer '18, 6-0, 6-3, 6-2. This makes Swain the winner of the Fall Tennis Tournament at the Institute. All of the men showed up well in the matches, and according to Manager Kimball a very successful season for the Spring is expected. The Longwood Courts will be at the disposal of the M. I. T. Tennis Team this Spring for the home matches.

The schedule is now coming along finely, and many matches with other colleges have been arranged. Up to the present time all the Saturday and most of the Wednesday dates from April 28 to June 2 have been filled. Trips will be taken to Wesleyan, Williams and possibly to Amherst. There will be home matches with Brown and Holy Cross, besides a practice match with Harvard Second. The Syracuse team intends taking a trip through New England, and is arranging to meet the tennis teams of the larger colleges. The complete schedule will be announced later.

## CAMPERS AND HIKERS

### Get-Together Meeting Planned for Friday Afternoon

There will be an informal meeting on Friday for those men interested in camping, fishing, hiking and other outdoor sports. The purpose of the meeting is to determine the sentiments of the fellows towards holding a dinner where men who have had experience in this kind of life can get together and tell of their adventures on the trail.

A short time ago, a number of the Faculty and student body who were very much interested in this kind of life decided that since there is no organization at the Institute where the spirit of the woods can predominate, informal talks on the subject throughout the year might appeal to many. To quote one prominent undergraduate interested in the idea, "The bond that ties true sportsmen together is a universal and a cosmopolitan one. For this reason men from other countries should not only find such an occasion of interest, but should be able to make the occasion more interesting by relating personal experiences which they have encountered under different circumstances than we find here in America."

Everyone interested may be present and express his views at the short meeting to be held Friday at 1 o'clock in Room 2-190.

### M. E. SOCIETY

#### Mechanical Engineers to Visit Lynn Gas and Electric Co.

On Friday, November 24, the Mechanical Engineering Society is planning to visit the Lynn Gas and Electrical Company. Both the electric power plant and the gas works will be inspected by the society. All members are invited to go and are asked to meet at the entrance of Building 3 at 1 o'clock on Friday. Any other men who are interested in the trip may join the party at the Massachusetts Avenue Subway Station or at Rows Wharf before 2 o'clock.

### WRESTLING PROSPECTS GOOD

Mr. F. W. Gracey, of the drawing department, who is assisting the Technology wrestlers for the seventh consecutive year, stated that he believes the prospects for an excellent freshman squad are better this season than they have ever been before. At the practice which was held last Friday, he demonstrated a special neck hold and showed the first year mat men how they could use it to good advantage in bridging.

Before his connection with Institute wrestling men Mr. Gracey was for several years a coach at the Boston Y. M. C. A., where he developed several good teams.

## PROFESSOR ARLO BATES TO EDIT BAZAAR DAILY

Former Head of English Department Editor-in-Chief of Allied Bazaar Publication. — Noted Persons Will Contribute

### TO AIM FOR LITERARY VALUE

Arlo Bates, a former head of the English Department at Technology, has been made editor-in-chief of the "Allied Bazaar Daily," a publication instituted in connection with the Allied Bazaar, which is to be held in Boston from December 9 to 20. Many famous authors, actors, members of the clergy and educational leaders will be found among the contributors, among the most noted of whom are William Dean Howells, Kate Douglas Wiggin, Margaret Deland, Bliss Perry, Owen Wister, and James M. Beck. A previously unpublished short story by Thomas Bailey Aldrich, full of his accustomed witty statements, will be one of the most attractive features. A poem and some interesting extracts from the note-book



PROFESSOR ARLO BATES

of Thomas Russell Sullivan, together with a charming incident involving Charles Sumner and Charlotte Cushman, written by the late Arnold Burgess Johnson, will also appear in the Daily.

The paper is to be strictly original and nothing that has ever gone to print before will appear in this publication. Each number will contain a dialogue between the editor and a caller and the editorials as a whole will not only treat upon the subjects pertaining to the Bazaar but upon matters of a broad and permanent interest.

It is the aim of the paper to produce a combination of serious papers, delicate and interesting poetry, fiction, bits of travel with fun and dialogue that will make it a fitting souvenir of the Bazaar as well as give it a permanent literary value.

### SHOW LYRIC COMPETITION

The management of the Tech Show has offered a prize of \$5 for the most original lyrics on subjects to be announced at the first meeting of those interested in writing songs, which will be held in Room 1-150, at 5 o'clock today. Tickets to the show will be awarded the writers of all accepted lyrics.

### CALENDAR

- Wednesday, November 22, 1916
- 1.00 P. M.—Sophomore Competition for Second Assistant Manager of the Varsity Wrestling Team. Basement Building 1.
  - 4.15 P. M.—Professor Sedgwick's Discussion Group. Room 10-267.
  - 5.00 P. M.—Meeting of Competitors for Lyrics. Tech Show Office.
  - 5.00 P. M.—Technique Board Meeting. Technique Office.
  - 6.30 P. M.—The Tech Banquet. Hotel Vendome. Commonwealth Ave. and Dartmouth St.
- Thursday, November 23, 1916
- 3.00 P. M.—Professor Pearson's Discussion Group. Room 2-282
  - 4.45 P. M.—Professor Haven's Discussion Group. Room 3-270.
  - 5.00 P. M.—Institute Committee Meeting. Room 1-190.