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#### THE NAVAL SCHOOL

N THE Naval Training Cruise last summer the fifty odd men who represented Technology found the experience beneficial and highly instructive. These men are worth more to themselves and to the country for having invested four weeks in the learning of navy methods, the floating communities containing a mint of opportunity to study concentrated and in- form the nucleus of the first boat, and tricate applications in the solution of technical problems in many branches of science, particularly in mechanics and electricity.

Uncle Sam is fast increasing his war tonnage. Those who serve a period of practice akin to that offered last year, and now supplemented in the course to be instituted next Monday on the U. S. S. Virginia in the Charlestown Navy Yard, will have their opportunity for leadership as well as the accredited members of the new R. O. T. C., should the occasion arise. The appeal of the sea J. H. Bates, L. F. Berg, F. H. Bigelow, will be irresistible to those who have already had the twang of the F. H. Blackmer, F. P. Breck, O. W. will be irresistible to those who have already had the twang of the salt air in their nostrils, and recruits will not have to be told of the healthy life they will lead should they eventually elect to join the J. D. Crowley, N. P. Dana, F. P. Doane Navy for a career. To those of Technology the attraction may be that of the investigation of the machinery of war as it applies to the sea. The inclination to join the instruction course should be particularly strong to those who can conveniently lead the life of McCloskey, R. J. McFadden, G. R. McFadden, the jack tar during the coming vacation. Any men having the Near, K. Pope, F. C. Reyburn, F. R. requisite time and inclination may well attempt to add the naval routine instruction to their pursuit of knowledge. Those who were affiliated with the "Atlantic Reserve" in 1916 may possibly attend this year as petty officers of as members of the "Atlantic Reserve" in 1916 may possibly attend Turner, R. D. Warriner, W. Wetherbee, this year as petty officers, or as members of the "Active Fleet,"an advance which is worth consideration.

The naval school is a good proposition for the students of the

Institute to consider.

#### **PESTS**

(With apoligies to "The Daily Illini") OU come across one every day. He may be a mild one or a violent one. But a pest in any form is—a PEST.

At examination time they come out of their shells in larger numbers than ever. They are of many kinds. First there is hurdlers. Technology has not won this the pest who "never cracks a book," and yet gets good grades. He meet since 1894 and now with victory impresses upon the meek freshman his ability to get along without so near within her reach, and with men any studying and gets away with it until one night field from in the Institute who would be able to any studying-and gets away with it until one night friend freshman sees the light burning in a certain room until the wee sma' hours. This is generally sufficient proof for the innocent one to a realize that the books are not merely "cracked" but pored through.

Then there is the pest who is "just going to start studying." He is the one whose motto is "Munyana." He is always "GOING"

to do something.

Right beside him walks the pest who wants to borrow your notes, charts, maps, problems, in fact everything which you have they would be of great service to the done during the term, and which the pest can copy in half an hour. He is one of the biggest nuisances of the pest family.

But the more dangerous form of pest is the one who has noth- determine if he cannot be of service. ing to study himself, and accordingly tries to lure all his more industrious friends off to the movies. He is all the more dangerous when of the type of those who do not consider that study is the proper thing to do in college. This pest has a brother in the nuisance who comes into your room "to talk things over" when

Then comes the "overworked" pest. He always has so much to do, and there is no time to do it in. Perhaps he also has the qualities of the pest who is just going to start studying. They often travel together. They never sleep, and are always in a hurry.

These are the exam pests. You met them before and during the examinations. Perhaps if you noticed them you had your own private opinions and gave vent to a few questionable expressions. But there is still another—the grand-child of the family; the offspring of all the others put together. It is the "alibi pest"—his make-up is full of excuses-a bad cold, unfair instructors, too much smoking for so much studying,—anything. And with him dues from men who have not yet paid them.

These undesirables are more or less in evidence. Do you know any of them! If so, benefit humanity by trying to bring them back to the realm of noble beings.

The Managing Board of The Tech takes pleasure in announcing the election of Elmer Lawrence Wesley Barry '20 of Holliston. Mass, and Harry Montgomery Noelke '20 of Mertzon, Texas, to the News Staff. Dana Avery Barnes '18 of Boston is to act as Assignment Editor.

#### WRESTLING TEAM

To Meet Tufts on Twentieth-Men Now Taking Trials

In spite of the fact that Technology's second wrestling team was defeated by Andover last Saturday by the score of 18-3, they feel confident of victory in the meet that is to take place with Tufts on the 20th. Elimination contests are being held this week and t team that will meet Tufts will probably consist of the following men in the classes as stated: 115 lbs., Smo' ley, 129 lbs., Bowman; 135 lbs., Lariviere; 145 lbs., Kiley; 158 lbs., Abbott; 175 lbs., Levinson; and in the heavyweight class, Davis or Ahe

The first team is preparing to go to Springfield on Saturday, Feb. 17, to meet the Y. M. C. A. College. Spring-field has defeated Technology only once since meets have been held between the two schools, when they defeated Technology's first team two years ago. The team had considerab experience on its mid-year trip and has been working hard since then to get into shape for this meet, and the liarvard meet, which comes the 24th The following men will probably comprise the team to meet Springfield: 115 lbs., Bone; 125 lbs., Stebbins; 135 lbs., Rounds; 145 lbs., Kiley or Giles; 158 lbs., Wirt; 175 lbs., Todd; and in the heavyweight class, Davis.

#### TECHNOLOGY CREW

(Continued from page 1) varsity will not commence until just before the crews are put on the river. There are a number of good oarsmen if all of these are able to row during the Spring the chances are strong for a very fast shell.

The freshman squad at present contains 44 men, of which more than halt have been practicing regularly during the past week, while the rest will come out before another Saturday has gone by. The squad includesff L. H. Allan, Brown, M. S. Burroughs, A. M. Butler, G. W. Coffin, W. L. Cofren, B. L. Clark, R. H. Goldsmith, A. D. Higgins, J. C. Herron, W. T. Honiss, H. F. Hunter, J. W. Keller, H. F. Lovejoy, H. J. Marcvitz, F. E. Martin, O. A. Mills, J. M. Robinson, E. Rolle, M. B. Ross, J. H. Scott, Jr., W. A. Schildbach, L. L. Stu-L. P. Whitten, P. J. Woolf, and Fred

#### COMMUNICATION

To the Editor of The Tech.

Technology will have a very good chance to win the annual Track and Field Meet of the New England Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association this help her materially in the events mentioned above, not coming out, it seems

deplorable condition. Technology does not expect experienced men in these events, though they also would be very welcome, but rather only expects men who have the latent abili for these events and no experience. If these men would come out and practice consistently, there is no doubt that team this Spring. It is up to every undergraduate to revolve this matter in NEVERTELL

### CLASS DAY COMMITTEE

Ballots Mailed to Seniors on Saturday -Due Feb. 24

Next Saturday the ballots for the Senior Class Day Committee will be mailed to every member of the class. They must be signed and turned in at the "Caf" before Saturday, Feb. 24, at 1.30 o'clock. Dues of every member must be paid or else his ballot will be thrown out when the count is taken.

One of the members of the committee, consisting of C. E. Atkinson, chairman, W. C. Gardner and B. T. Hall, will be in the "Caf" from 1 to 1.30 every day this week to collect

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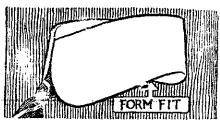
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