

SIGN-UPS FOR PROM START TOMORROW

Large Expense Item Reduced—
Price Remains Same as Last
Year — Accommodations For
Limited Number Only

SUBSCRIPTIONS TAKEN AT COST

Through the assistance of certain Alumni and others, pressure has been brought to bear on the hotel moguls with the result that the largest items on the Junior Prom Committee's list of expenses have been reduced without sacrificing quality. In consequence, the committee is able to offer the Prom to the undergraduate body at the price of six dollars. This price together with the unprecedented interest being shown in Junior Week this year has led the Committee to anticipate a demand for reservations never before encountered. In spite of this fact the Committee has deemed it advisable to restrict the number of sign-ups to two hundred and fifty, so as to keep the number of couples on the dance floor within a comfortable limit.

The sign-up campaign will start on Thursday, March 1, and will run through Saturday, March 17. Positively no sign-ups will be received after this date, and in case the limiting number is reached before this date, the sign-up books will be closed immediately and without any further warning. There will be a member of the Committee in the Caf every day from 1 to 2 o'clock to receive subscriptions, but there will be no canvass of the school made, as this seems unnecessary because of the limiting number of sign-ups, the comparatively small number of men on the committee, and the precedent set by the past Prom Committees. The Committee feels justified in making such plans for its campaign because it is necessary to know by the middle of March the exact number of couples that will attend the Prom, in order to give the companies making the programs and invitations sufficient time to do their work; it would have been unfair to Technique to start the campaign at an earlier date.

The total price of the Prom is to be \$6, as it was last year. One dollar will be collected at the time of signing up, and the remaining five dollars will be due not later than April 2.

INTERCLASS TRACK MEET

Event Will be Run Saturday During
Absence of the Varsity Teams

Next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock the annual interclass track meet will be held on the board track on Tech Field. As the Varsity men will be at the Intercollegiate Meet in Philadelphia, the four best men in the sprints, mile and high jump will not be able to enter. This leaves a great opportunity for the second string men to show their ability. This is an open meet and all men, whether they have run before this year or not, are eligible to enter. Winners of first places will be awarded the "aTa"—next to the "T" in importance—and all point winners will be awarded numerals. Freshmen substituting track for gym are required to enter this meet.

The following events will comprise the program: 60-yard dash; 70-yard high hurdles, 5 flights; 70-yard low hurdles, 3 flights; 440-yard dash; 880-yard run; 1-mile run; 16-pound shot put; high jump.

The entries close at 6 o'clock Thursday at the Track House.

CLASS DAY BALLOTS

The new ballots for the Senior Class Day Committee elections were mailed last night to all Seniors who have paid their class dues. The ballots are due at the Caf by 1.30 Saturday afternoon. The results of the election will be announced in Monday's Tech.

NEW AMBASSADOR ARRIVES

Mexican Envoy Has Had Notable
Career

Ignacio Bonillas, Ambassador Designate of Mexico to the United States, who is a graduate of the Institute, Class of '84, arrived yesterday at Washington to assume his new duties. Senor Bonillas is one of the best known civil and mining engineers in Mexico. He has been with the Constitutionalist party since the inception of the revolution, although he has served throughout in civilian capacities. One of the first departments established by General Carranza when the Constitutionalist were organizing was that of Public Works and Communications. Senor Bonillas has been at its head from the first. He also served on the Mexican-United States joint commission for the solution of the border problem.

Throughout the entire revolution, Senor Bonillas was busy restoring telegraph and postal service as rapidly as new territory come under control. At present there is complete telegraphic communication with all portions of the Republic, including the most remote states. The last state reached was Morelos, where Zapata held control so long.

An important feature of the work of Senor Bonillas's department has been the establishment of a system of wireless telegraphy, connecting all portions of the Republic, and acting as a safeguard against the cutting of wires.

C. E. SOCIETY

Professors Spear and Moore to
Speak

The Chemical Society will hold one of the most important and interesting meetings of the season Friday evening at 7.30 in Room 2-190. Professor Spear is one of the speakers of the evening, and will give an instructive lecture on "Colloids," a very up-to-date subject, and one which should appeal to all members of the society. Professor Spear is a well-known expert on this subject, and recently lectured before the North Eastern Branch of the American Chemical Society, where his lecture was extremely well received, and was pronounced by several members present as being highly interesting and instructive.

Following this lecture will be a short talk by Professor Moore. His subject is as yet unannounced. There are to be other members of the Faculty present who will be called upon to speak.

After the talks the plans for the coming season will be announced. A splendid series of meetings is being arranged, and with the appointment of a new trip manager (his name will be announced at the meeting), the society assures an assortment of trips unequalled in its history. Trips to several near-by factories of particular interest to chemists are under consideration.

In view of the exceptional schedule planned for the coming semester, the board of officers claim that it is an especially good opportunity for students of chemistry to join the society who have not already done so. Facilities for signing up will be provided Friday evening, and the board expects a large number to take advantage of the opportunity. After the meeting refreshments will be served in the Caf.

RIFLE TEAM NOTICE

The following is the schedule for Matches 5 and 6: Wednesday, Feb. 28: Tuttle, standing, 9-10, prone, 10-11; Stahl, standing, 10-11, prone, 9-10; Noelke, standing, 1.10-1.50, prone, 1.50-2.30; Bond, standing, 2.30-3.10, prone, 3.10-3.50; Burbank, standing, 3.10-3.50, prone, 3.50-4.30. Thursday, March 1: G. A. Irwin, standing, 3.40-4.10, prone, 1-3.40; Howard, standing, 3-3.40, prone, 3.40-4.10; Davidson, no schedule card.

This schedule has been so arranged that there will be two men at the range at one time. They will have to co-operate and help each other in calling shots. The targets are to be shot, when possible, according to the time marked upon them.

PREPAREDNESS MASS CALLED FOR THURSDAY

Preparedness Committee to Re-
port—Opportunities Offered to
the Student Bodies in the Na-
tional Service

DISCUSSION BEFORE REPORT

Tomorrow at 1.30 o'clock, there will be a mass meeting of the entire student body in Room 10-250. For several weeks a sub-committee of the Institute Committee has been at work gathering information likely to be of use to Technology students in case of war. The purpose of the mass meeting is to treat as an engineering problem the best course for the undergraduates to take should war be declared with Germany.

The Committee has for its chairman K. C. Richmond '17, and three other members of sub-committees of the Institute Committee, A. E. Keating '17 and A. F. Benson '17. Members of the Faculty, Major Cole, and Walter Humphreys are acting as an advisory council.

It is expected that J. M. DeBell, President of the Senior Class, who is now at Stamford, Conn., carrying on the work of his chemical course, will return to preside over the meeting. K. C. Richmond will be the principal speaker and will discuss before the meeting the reports which will be given each student. From this report and the recommendations of the committee, the best course to take in the event of war will be explained to those present. The value to military activities of their technical training will be shown, and reasons for careful consideration before taking rash action brought out.

I. C. A. A. A. INDOOR MEET

Technology Well Represented at Phila-
delphia Games

On Saturday, March 3, the annual indoor meet of the Intercollegiate Association of Amateur Athletics of America will be held in the Exposition Building at Philadelphia. The Institute will enter men in three of the events. The high jump team is composed of Sullivan, Pierce, Ash and Collier. In the four mile relay, McCarten, Herzog, Halfacre and Stevens are running, while the sprinters are O'Hara, Russett, Doon, Loomis and Orman. This is practically the same number of men that went last year when the Intercollegiate Meet was held in the Madison Square Garden at New York, where Technology's four mile team won from Cornell.

Besides holding six relay races which are two, three, six and twelve laps each, there is to be a graduates' relay race in which the first three men run four laps each and the last man four, besides a medley relay in which the first man runs four laps, the second two, the third six, and the fourth man eight. In addition to these, there will be a fifty yard dash and a fifty yard high hurdle race. In the field events the pole vault and the high jump take-offs will be on boards and the landing pits in loose earth, and in the shotput the circle will be of boards and the landing place of the shot will be of compact earth.

The competitors for the prizes in all of the events are not individual entries but of teams made up of four men whose showing will determine the winning teams. The prizes, which are reproductions of the Borgeese gladiator, are made of bronze and will be given to each member of the teams finishing first, second and third in all of the events. At the close of the contest, an entertainment for the contestants, managers and coaches will be held by the association.

Harvard is now holding trials to select teams to enter the meet. It has been reported that they will enter a sprint team, a two-lap relay team and a medley relay team. The sprint team will probably be made up of Captain Teschner, Moore, Ryan and Wilcox.

A. F. BEMIS TO SPEAK

Will Address Students on Subject of
Opportunities in India

This afternoon at 4 p. m. in Room 4-370, A. Farwell Bemis '93 will address the student body on the subject of commercial opportunities in India. This talk is the third one of a series of five on the subject of "Engineering Opportunities in Foreign Countries" which is being run under the auspices of the T. C. A.

Mr. Bemis, who graduated in the class of '93, has since then been very prominent in the life of Technology. While at the Institute, he was on the board of editors of The Tech, volume X, and is an honorary member of the Osiris Club. Since his graduation he has become a life member of the Corporation, and has affiliated himself very much with Technology in many ways. He was instrumental in the foundation of the summer camp. Mr. Bemis was also on the board of Alumni which investigated college dormitories all over the country in order that Technology might possess the most modern and up-to-date one as possible. He contributed generously to the fund for the establishment of the dormitories.

In the commercial world, he is a very important factor. Mr. Bemis is president of the Bemis Bros. Bag Company, which is an international corporation of enormous extent, owning over forty factories scattered all over the world. He is perhaps the most prominent individual connected with the burlap industry. Mr. Bemis' personal interests are centered rather more in India than in any other place, having visited there and studied the resources and conditions existing there, and he has made a specialty of sending Tech men to India, H. G. Morse '16 being the last man who went there.

Mr. Bemis' talk is to be illustrated with many interesting slides.

NEW MILITARY COURSE

Plan to Increase Military Train-
ing Now Before Faculty

A suggestion is now before the Faculty and has already received the sanction of President MacLaurin, regarding the increasing of the course in Military Training and Science, which is intended to make Technology the greatest military school in America next to West Point.

The course, as proposed by Major Cole, is entirely elective after the first year, which will be similar to the present freshman course. But it will be made so interesting and necessary for every student that the Major guarantees a large enrollment. The Sophomore work will require three hours a week, while the upperclassmen will have to put in five hours a week. All this time will be counted towards the student's degree, if he elects the course. The government has agreed to furnish all equipment and uniforms and students taking the five hour courses will receive about eighty-five dollars a year from the government. Owing to the great interest shown in the Engineers' Training Corps, Major Cole feels confident that the student body is ready to support such a movement. The work will be in co-operation with the courses at the Institute and in many cases will merely lay particular stress on the use of certain courses already in session along the lines of military service.

TECHNIQUE SIGN-UPS PASS 1,000

Juniors Still Lead—Campaign Closes
Tonight at Six

The sale of sign-ups for Technique 1918 has been very brisk during the last two days, and at present more than a thousand sales have been made. The exact division between classes cannot be given, but the Juniors still lead, with the Seniors second and the Sophomores and freshmen practically tied for third. The final figures will be given in Friday's issue of The Tech.

The sign-up campaign ends at 6 o'clock tonight, and that will be the last possible time to make sure of this year's book. The Technique board hopes that by tonight over eleven hundred sales will have been made.

AERONAUTICAL CLUB TO BE FORMED

Project Started With the Back-
ing of the Aeronautical Engi-
neering Department — Large
Field Open

GOVERNMENT RECOGNITION

There will be a mass meeting for the purpose of establishing an aeronautical club on Friday at 1.30 o'clock in Room 3-270. For some time there has been a growing interest in this field, especially as the government is forming aero training corps in all parts of the country.

As there is already established in the Institute a post graduate course in aeronautics with a well-equipped laboratory, the promoters of the project feel that the possibilities of the future in aeronautics should be placed before the Technology students. Their plan embodies trips to aeroplane factories around Greater Boston, and some lectures by prominent business men already in this field. This, coupled with the fact that it would be backed by Technology's instructing staff, would be of vital importance to many of the students.

In addition to this it is probable that Technology will have a government aero corps in connection with the engineer unit, a fact that makes it necessary that all men interested in aeronautical preparedness get together and be officially represented the moment the government calls.

Messrs. T. H. Huff and A. Klemin of the department of Aeronautical Engineering, and Professor J. C. Riley of the Mechanical Engineering department, besides several others, have already given their enthusiastic support. However, the promoters find this support will not rest with these men alone, for nearly all the men of the government aeronautical department are graduates of Technology, and the committee thinks that with their help the Institute should get a corps established before Harvard.

The club as planned will not only be for those who desire to go into government service, but also for all those who expect to be connected with this field in any way. Everyone is invited.

THERE WILL BE AN IMPORTANT
NEWS MEETING IN THE TECH
OFFICE TODAY AT 1.05 O'CLOCK.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, February 28, 1917

4.00 P. M.—Talk by Mr. A. Farwell Bemis. Room 4-370.
4.00 P. M.—Show Chorus Rehearsal. Room 1-190.
4.30 P. M.—E. E. Society Meeting. Room 10-250.
5.00 P. M.—1918 Technique Board Meeting.
5.00 P. M.—Show Orchestra Rehearsal. Caf.
5.05 P. M.—1919 Technique Electoral Meeting. Room 4-138.
6.30 P. M.—English High School Club Dinner. Caf.
7.15 P. M.—Show Cast Rehearsal. Room 1-190.
7.30 P. M.—Talk to "Pack and Paddle" by W. L. Underwood. Room 3-270.

Thursday, March 1, 1917

1.30 P. M.—Preparedness Mass Meeting. Room 10-250.
4.00 P. M.—Show Chorus Rehearsal. Room 1-190.
5.00 P. M.—Show Orchestra Rehearsal. Room 1-175.
5.10 P. M.—Meeting of Monthly Board and Heelers. Room 1-145.
7.15 P. M.—Show Cast Rehearsal. Room 1-190.