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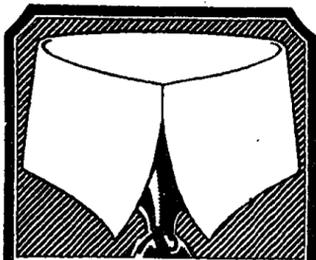
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To the Editor of The Tech:

Dear Sir:—In the last issue of The Tech there appeared in your editorial the question, "Why do not the Musical and Glee Clubs interest themselves in the competitions of Clubs from other colleges?" The article went on to say that surely our clubs were of an equal rank with the clubs of other colleges. The following will explain why at the present time it is impossible for the Combined Clubs to enter this competition.

We are in a peculiar situation here at Technology. There are but very few men who will take the time for an activity such as the Glee Club for the mere love of music; they must have some special inducement. Therefore, in order to get the best men out and keep them interested, a trip or more or less extended length is arranged each year. While our Alumni are probably as strong and loyal an organization as that of any educational institution in the country, they are not a socially inclined body. They do not support such affairs as our concerts as do the Alumni of other colleges. For this reason it has been impossible in the past, and is at present, to arrange a trip that will pay for itself. This means that the clubs rarely show any surplus and usually have a deficit to face for the year.

The inter-collegiate contest is being held this year in New York. The cost of entering our clubs would be approximately five hundred dollars. Application for entrance was made early in the year, but it was found advisable to withdraw. With the growth of the clubs the last two or three years continuing, I believe that in a few years it will be possible for them to enter, and I am certain that when the time comes they will carry off their share of the laurels.

CHESTER L. KINGSBURY '18.

ALUMNI MOBILIZATION

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If you have made any important inventions, please itemize them on a separate sheet.

Are you at present, or have you been engaged in research, experiment, or technical investigation?

What languages besides English do you speak? Fluently or passably?

What technical subjects have you taught, and where?

Other questions follow as to personal affairs.

NO MORE SMOKING IN INSTITUTE CORRIDORS

All the discussion which has been circulating about the Institute as to whether or not students should be allowed to smoke in the corridors was settled yesterday when President MacLaurin decided to restrict smoking to the rooms reserved for the purpose. The order that smoking in the corridors will no longer be permitted was received at the office of The Tech yesterday and follows:

To the Editor of The Tech:

At the request of the President I am asking you to insert in The Tech the following notice:

Smoking in the corridors of the new buildings is not allowed.

Two smoking rooms are provided on the first floor for the use of the students. Room 1-175 is open all day, and 3-115 is open from 11.30 to 2.30 every day except Saturday.

ALFRED E. BURTON,

Dean.

COLLEGE MEN UNABLE TO HANDLE LABOR, SAYS EXPERT

Dr. Tupper, State Immigrant Secretary, to Talk to Students Friday

As a furtherance of the project instituted last week by Mr. Fred H. Rindge, Jr. that of getting the men more interested in assisting the laboring classes, a talk is to be given Friday by Dr. G. W. Tupper on the subject of "The Background of the Immigrant." Dr. Tupper is well versed on the subject of immigrant aid, having lived for a time with them and having traveled in the steerage among them. He is also immigrant secretary of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and has in this way come in contact with many foreigners of the laboring classes. Mr. Rindge in his last talk emphasized the fact that business men are now complaining of the lack of ability of the college graduate to handle laborers and thereby causing much confusion and trouble. Technically trained men more especially than the others showed this lack. One of the methods in which this may be avoided is to take charge of some class devoted to the teaching of the laboring classes in different subjects, English being the most important one. In this manner the students will be so trained that they will be able to understand the laborer and treat him more sympathetically. With this purpose in view, Dr. Tupper is to give a talk every Friday noon to those students interested in the subject. Those students will then be able to go out next year in neighboring factories or boarding houses and take charge of classes. These lectures are to be given under the auspices of the T. C. A. The talk Friday will be given in Room 2-147 at 1.30 P. M.

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