"FOOLS RUSH IN"

By this time practically everyone at the Institute has heard of the Freshman Parade which can last Saturday and has formed an opinion of the acts which led up to the event. Wherever the Blacks are found for "the exaltation of youth" on a harmless jollification, there is no need to be alarmed that they can do an act of destruction in the form of flags and sign poles on Copley Square, Boston, or a complete destruction of the street railway signal lanterns. The Freshman Parade is traditionally joyous and the "promotional" thing has been added with much to lose in difference, but no excuses can be made for the destruction of civic property in the form of flags and standards, particularly when these were placed on signal poles that were paying dividends for the city. These are war times, and if never before, all emblems of the military should command respect of all American. That such gross thoughtlessness has to be charged to Institute men is at least as gretetible when we think of what is expected of Technology in war. To say that the incident of Saturday night will continue to be kept on the honor of the Institute is, perhaps, going too far. It is safe to say, however, that such actions give a distinctly unfavorable impression of the entering class to the upper classes. The class of 1921 is unique in several ways. It is the largest class in the history of the Institute, and it is also the most important year for the black sheep to be kept in the history of the country. The eyes of the undergraduate and alumnus body are fixed on this class of 1921. Scaps not, therefore, that because you do not compromise the name of the Institute and your own in any more basish irony.

THE STUDENT TAX

It is a tax by which it was hoped to raise enough money to put all athletes on a firm foundation and eliminate the necessity for tag days and similar campaigns, for funds were needed to be in the bank for emergencies. This state of affairs must be changed at once. Technology men must show their loyalty by paying up immediately in order to make the scheme a success. It is true that the Walker Memorial privileges were the most valuable which accompanied the payment of the original tax, but when it was found that the building would not be available this year, the amount of the tax was cut down proportionately. The items which remain on the list are not all negligible, including the admission to athletic events and participation in class elections and in the benefits of health insurance. The student who pays the tax is getting by no money's worth and is advancing the general good by helping to make the new scheme a success.

WAR MEANS "Sacrifice"

"Sacrifice" (Continued from page 1) was pronounced as a very important word at the dedicatory service of the Memorial. One would think that a word so beautiful in sound and sharp contrast with the doomsday which greeted the first referendum, and the act of war was made to be one of sympathy, but with all the favorable circumstances there seems to be something lacking in the war of attrition and the sacrifices. At present, the spirit of class and class rivalry is the only incentive to bring out the Sophomores and Seniors, and from the showing made Friday night, especially by the Seniors, it seems that many Technology men can only be brought out by the prospect of something to eat and drink. It is a pity that those who failed to take advantage of the rare opportunity to hear President MacArthur speak, and it is to be hoped that next year's affair may be better attended by upperclassmen.

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