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IN CHARGE THIS ISSUE

- Frederick W. Adams '21 William H. Irwin '21

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JUNIOR WEEK

USHERED in by the traditionally diabolic Technique Rush, the events of Junior Week are culminating one after the other with a success that brooks no half way commendation. The debut of Technique 1920, the Prom, the Show, have all been successful, exceedingly successful. Take it by and large, everything, even the weather, has cooperated in making this a season long to be remembered by those who have participated. Except, perhaps, those unfortunates who entered the Rush with high hopes, only to receive a black eye and aching limbs for their trouble!

Set aside from all the rest, this one week of the school term is given over to the good fellowship and getting together of the Junior Class. It is a last good time before they don the solemn title of Seniors. Or it is, if you like a reward for having thrice run the gauntlet of the classroom, and a final festive communion before descending into the Valley of the Shadow of Junior Finals. But no matter how the tradition is construed, Junior Week stands for unstinted pleasure, and after two war-torn Springtimes, this year above all others.

The Class of 1920 has done its full share in holding aloft the crimson-gray banner of Technology, and to them belongs the right of this week which is all theirs. The splendid work so evident in Technique 1920, the brilliant success of the Tech Show, the universal praise of the Junior Prom—are all, even allowing due credit to the other classes that helped, nothing less than tributes to the prowess of the Junior. They were conceived, planned and executed in a masterly fashion.

Nineteen-twenty, THE TECH congratulates you!

MR. MARKS

THE TECH takes this opportunity on the eve, of the Show to express an appreciation of the work of Mr. Marks of the English department. In general, and in particular, the Show in particular, and through his resignation, activities will be deprived of his aid.

COMMUNICATION

Editor of THE TECH, Sir: It is generally conceded that life at the Institute has been different this year from a previous year and that, together with countless other conditions, has been attributed to the War. The year were such that not more than a few hundred of the undergraduates had been at the Institute in

normal times. The rest of the student body had either entered to find a senior class with half its members in the service and the remainder taking intensive courses to leave early, or else they found the student government controlled by a junior class that was trying to make up in enthusiasm what it lacked in experience. The lack of older men and the size of the undergraduate body made it impossible to obtain a continuance of the true Tech spirit. The result was that the entering classes failed to grasp the ideals of the Institute. Instead, they followed the example of a group of energetic students with mistaken ideas of how a Tech man should act.

That this group has made its existence known and has greatly increased its number of adherents is very evident. It is not difficult to see where the continuation of the present spirit will lead us. There are enough colleges now in the country where the so called "college spirit" can be found without trying to transform the Institute into one.

It is not the purpose of the author to deliver any lengthy tirade about students that throw bottles where they do not belong but it is his idea to endeavor to arouse in the students a realization that unless a change in the present spirit occurs, the reputation of the Institute will suffer. Neither the faculty nor any group of students, whatever authority they may have, can force ideals on a college. The student body can and must be made to realize that if it continues to disregard the existence of wholesale cribbing, the unwarranted exhibitions of rowdyism, and the utter lack of respect for the good name of the Institute, the future of student government and the liberty and pride of the students themselves is endangered. Norris G. Abbott, Jr.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF M. I. T. A. THURSDAY, MAY 6

Meeting called to order at 5.15 by President Untersee. Minutes of previous meeting read and accepted.

Mr. Anderson reported that he had had forms for athletic contracts printed.

Mr. R. C. Geckel was elected assistant manager of the Swimming Team. Moved, seconded, and passed that the following men, who were place-winners in the interclass swimming meet, be awarded the numerals of the Class of 1921: O. K. Scranton, R. S. Colton, R. E. Ferdinand, and I. H. Rogovin

Moved, seconded, and passed that the following men who made commendable time in the interclass track meet, be recommended for their aTAs: Bawden—Won the 440 yd. run; time, 52 3-5s.

C. K. Scranton—Won the 220 yd. low hurdles; time, 26 1-5s. Dandrow—Won the hammer throw; distance, 134 ft. 6 1-2 in., this breaking the Technology record.

Nagle—won the pole vault; height, 11 ft. 6 in. Moved, seconded, and passed that the following men who placed in the interclass track meet, be awarded their numerals:

1920: Rollins, Spitz, Downey, Seranton, Ormon, H. P. Dorr, Murray, Houghton, Couch, Ash, Frey, Dandrow, Hays and Dyke.

1921: Hamburger, Skinner, Stone, Roberts, Robbins, Newton, Mills, Lin, Bawden, Bards, Frease, Kiley, Raymond, Insley, Nagel, Fletcher and Scott.

1922: Brokaw, Liecty, Purell, Gill, Grover, Poole, Allen, Walton, Conrod, Dipple, Clarke and Boli.

Moved, seconded, and passed that Dandrow be recommended for a straight "T", for breaking the Technology record in the hammer throw, his distance in the interclass meet being 134 ft. 6 1-2 in.

Moved, seconded, and passed, that Mr. Anderson be given a vote of thanks for the efficient manner in which he handled Field Day.

There was a discussion on whether or not class team managers should be required to attend meetings of the A. A. No decision was reached.

Mr. Blank spoke on the necessity of having treasurers limit their expenditures to the amount there was available for expenditures. In the future budgets must be made out in advance.

Mr. Brockman was absent. Next meeting May 20. Meeting adjourned at 6.10.

Respectfully submitted, (Signed) H. J. DAUBE, Sec.

WAR MEMORIAL ERECTED AT PHILLIPS ANDOVER ACADEMY

The trustees of Phillips Academy, Andover, are considering the construction of a large building and tower as a memorial to those who were killed in the war. The proposed building will fill a long-felt need in the school and will simplify many of its problems. It will furnish a large auditorium accommodation 1000 people, and several up-to-date class rooms, which are greatly needed. The building, will be centrally

feature of the memorial is a tall tower entirely detached from the main building, which will contain memorial tablets, and other memorabilia of the Andover men who were killed in the war.

MR. HUMPHREYS RECEIVES GERMAN MACHINE GUN

The machine gun that has been on exhibition in the information office for the last week or so is the real thing, having been captured from the Germans in the last offensive of the Allies. It is a water-cooled gun that was manufactured by the Germans in 1918 in their munition works at Spandau and sent to the Technology Bureau in Paris by Captain C. Roberts '18, armament officer of the Second Army, under the care of Lieutenant Paul H. Buxton. Mr. Gibbs of the Bureau in Paris sent the gun to America and it was delivered by Lieutenant Henry L. Lett to Mr. Humphreys.

It is one of the latest models used by the Germans and does not seem at all damaged by the fight that it went through in period between its manufacture and its arrival in the office of Building 10. Nothing is known in this country about the fights it has been through, as far as can be found out. However, the Registrar is asking no questions about that part of it, but is very grateful to the men who have gone to the pains of sending it here. Upon the gun are the following pieces of information, the exact nature of which no one seems to know: 991, d, M. G. 08-15, Gwf, Spandau, 1918.

CONTEST PRATT FUND

Heirs of the Late Institute Donor Claim Money

The heirs of Charles H. Pratt, late Boston lawyer, are trying to compel Technology to forfeit the trust fund left by Mr. Pratt for the establishment of the Pratt School of Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering because of unreasonable delay in carrying out the terms of the will.

The question of forfeiture was raised before Judge DeCourcy in the Supreme Court after the Institute had presented a petition for the right to sell certain real estate for the purpose of changing investments. The heirs oppose that motion because the say that the Institute lost its right to the fund when it did not start building after it had come into the possession of the fund. The matter will go to the full bench of the Supreme Court for final determination.

It was Mr. Pratt's desire that his estate be held in trust for twenty-one years, unless before that time a fund of \$750,000 should be accumulated. In that event he provided that the sum was to be used "forthwith" for the building of the school. Mr. Pratt died May 7, 1912.

There was a contest over Mr. Pratt's will by several cousins. The trustees did not come into possession of Mr. Pratt's property until 1915, when an inventory of the estate showed that there was \$816,987.69, of which \$512,067.10 was real estate situated in Warrham, Isabella, Leverett, State and Paul streets, Huntington and Massachusetts avenues, all in Boston and on Massachusetts avenue and Prospect street, Cambridge.

The trustees, on Oct. 4, 1916, turned over to the Institute, the sum of \$935,000. As Mrs. Fannie B. Pratt, mother of the testator, had a life interest in some of the real estate, the Institute extinguished her rights under an agreement made to pay her \$10,000 a year during her life.

It is the contention of the heirs that, as the Institute failed to carry out the terms of the will by building "forthwith," they are entitled to share in the distribution of the fund. They declare that they are entitled to share in the entire fund, but should the court rule to the contrary, they declare they are entitled to benefit in anything that is in excess of the \$750,000. The Institute claims it is entitled to the excess under the residuary clause.

The Institute also denies that there has been any unreasonable delay in complying with Mr. Pratt's wishes and asserts that the financial conditions have been responsible for not proceeding with the erection of the building.

LATIN AMERICAN CLUB WILL ELECT NEXT YEAR'S OFFICERS

The Latin American Club will hold its final meeting of the season in the Alumni room of the Walker Memorial Monday, June 7, when officers for next year will be elected. G. Castillejo '22, of Colombia will give a lecture on his native country.

While the meeting of June 7 will be the last one for business purposes, the club may gather at some later date provided the officers of the club can secure the speaker they wish to talk to them who is Mena Brito, the representative of the Mexican Students' Association in the United States.

ROWING SEASON IS MOST SUCCESSFUL

Three Freshman Crews Finish the Schedule of Thirteen Races — First Eight Captures Four Contests

WIN IN HARVARD REGATTA

The freshman crew season for the spring of 1919, the most successful since the sport was taken up at the Institute, came to an end Wednesday. The end was a rather inglorious one that Brookline High school took a fair out of the four by three lengths but did not dim in the least the splendid quality of the season as a whole.

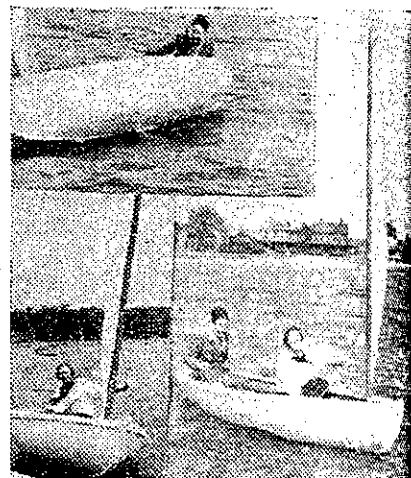
The first eight was the star crew of the three the freshmen boasted. After being beaten by a hair in the Field Day race by the Sophomores, they came back and in the rest of the season won four races and lost but one.

The four was not so successful the matter of wins and losses, for they were beaten in all of the five races they took part in, but in each one gave good account of themselves and made their opponents lustle for the verdict.

The second eight only took part two races. They came into being late in the season, too late to secure an

CLEOFAN CLASSICS

Do you remember the sailor who sailed the deep seas of the Emma Rogers Room? On a fine Sunday lately he decided to try more adventurous waters so as to be able to navigate in Charles with an air of salty experience in that little white canoe. With this idea, therefore, of gaining more proficiency behind the scenes in the art of sailing before appearing on Charles River Basin under the scrutiny of the somewhat Technical audience which might adorn the banks, she seized the plucky victim of her first voyage by the hair and retreated to the sandy deserts of Swampscott.



Together they embarked in the little white ship shown herewith, and set forth. The details of the voyage have been unusually difficult to extract from either of the possible sources. You see they had previously announced their destination to be Marblehead—but the lookout posted at the entrance to Marblehead Harbor reported that no vessel bearing two nautical coeds was sighted. Now there was one witness—one so interested, in fact, as to pursue the fleeing damsels in a motorboat—partly with the intention of exercising his kajak for our benefit—and partly with a view to rescuing whatever might be set from the boat ahead. The worth of his character depends upon which of those motives actuated him more truly—but that is unknown.

Now, as luck would have it—the engine of the pursuing motor boat became stalled, and its captain, highly vexed, was forced to watch the white sail vanish over the horizon. All day he remained ignominiously stationary in the midst of an expanse of blue, fiddling over his engine in the boiling sun. After many hours, he spied the small white sail homeward bound. The vessel came bounding over the waves with triumphant buoyancy in the rise and the dip of her bows; and the captain, by her manner, appeared to have gained infinite experience in seamanship during her voyage—even three or four times that which she had counted upon.

They sailed on, with never a glance at the motor boat, on and up to the golden sands. And what was most tantalizing of all to the occupant of the motor boat was that he declared he absolutely saw these mariners remove heavy clanking bags from the hold of the ship, lug them up the beach—and make off with them on the beach, while he lay helpless in the boat, with never a share in the booty. Very evidently then, these Cleofan Classics never arrived at Marblehead, but whether did they sail, and what treasure did they discover? We would suggest that the coasts of the North Shore be more thoroughly explored.