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IN CHARGE OF THIS ISSUE

- F. W. Adams '21 C. B. Barton, Jr. '21

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1919

"CONCERNING M. I. T."

IN the publication of the book: "Concerning M. I. T.," an institution little known to the undergraduates has been given a new birth and publicity. The book is the effort of the Institute Committee to initiate new men into the intricacies of college life. New men need introductions to college life. It is a life different from any other in the world, and the difference lies only in the change of environment. It is a change which offers infinite possibilities for mistakes—perhaps irreparable mistakes. A man thrown unprepared from the outside world into the specialized life surrounding a college is confronted immediately with countless opportunities for mistakes. The Institute Committee has taken an admirable means of combating this condition, and a perusal of the book shows that it was particularly happy in the choice of an editing committee.

Despite its very great help to men after they get to the Institute, we believe it can be of much greater value to men before they enter. Next year when the books will be available before registration, every man who enters should already be conversant with all the Technology undergraduate activities.

YOUR VOTE IS NEEDED

STATE elections are due Tuesday. Every undergraduate registered in Massachusetts should vote. Too great an importance cannot be attached to such an act at this time.

Periodically, in the history of the country, events force a situation of great peril. We have reached such a situation. It is a time when intelligent, trained men must consider their acts very carefully. Events have followed one another with such rapidity that we are apt to minimize their importance. Meanwhile this state of affairs has bred an unrest, a spirit of recklessness, which taxes the greatest resources of able, far-sighted men to combat. The simplest act of sober-minded citizens may be of the greatest consequence.

The peculiar characteristic of the present election is that a great principle has again risen to be tested with imminent danger of defeat. THE TECH, in common with other exponents of the engineering world, stands for law and order as opposed to the wanton assaults of a few selfish men. It is certain that no undergraduate will fail to consider seriously before refusing his support.

THE HONOR SYSTEM SUCCEEDS

THE success of the new system of distributing THE TECH speaks well for the student body at Technology. The outcome of this experiment must be a source of satisfaction, not only to those whose faith in the Technology student led to its adoption, but to everyone connected with Institute affairs.

The result of this trial warrants the continuance of this method of distribution. If the success of the scheme is permanent, supporters of the honor system of conducting final examinations will have a very strong argument favoring its adoption at the Institute.

GET THOSE WAR RECORDS IN!

THERE are only two reasons for a man's failure to pass in his war record blank. Either he possesses a procrastinating, shilly-shally-ing temperament incompatible with the high standards required of Tech men, or else he is ashamed of his record.

Alumni Notes

AMES '19, GOES TO MANILA

Aubrey P. Ames '19, has been selected by the Standard Oil Company of New York to open a branch office in Manila.



AUBREY P. AMES '19

P. I. He was graduated last fall in engineering administration and for the past year has been instructor of mathematics at Amherst. He prepared for Technology at Huntington school.

MISS BRENNAN '19 IS CHEMIST

Celeste Johnson Brennan '19 has gone to White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, as chemist and bacteriologist for the White Sulphur Springs Medical In-



CELESTE J. BRENNAN '19

stitute. After graduating from Course VII last October, she was engaged in government work at the Dupont de Nemours Powder Company. She was president of Cleofan, and was actively engaged in work for the Voo Doo while she was here.

MATRONS WELCOME STUDENTS

The following communication relative to the activities of the Technology Matrons in behalf of the students has been received by THE TECH:

To the Editor of THE TECH:
The Technology Matrons will be glad to meet the students every Tuesday afternoon in the Emma Rogers Room, 10-340, beginning November 4.

The room will be open to the students and their families week days from 10 to 5, Saturdays from 10 to 1.

Sincerely yours,
(Signed) BARBARA PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

COMMUNICATION

The following communication has been received from the Editor of the Voo Doo:

A SECOND MYSTERY MAN

Has the mysterious Mr. Smith a rival? Yes, he has; but then of course there are rivals and rivals. The very statement that Mr. Smith is not entirely alone in his actions is enough to arouse some passing interest in every Tech man. In this case, the man who is paralleling our famous benefactor is not a financier; that is, he is not essentially a financier. Just what his standing in Bradstreet's is is not of especial interest to us, for this genius is working along another line entirely; the sole respect in which they are rivals is that of mystery—in all other ways they are distinctly individual, each sui generis. He is not a new man among our activities, for the old men know his work well, though only a few of them know him except by his nom de plume. Nom de plume Yes, that

ALUMNI COUNCIL MEETS

"Must Take Off Coats and Work" Says Emerson '04

Speaking at the regular monthly meeting of the Alumni Council held in the Walker Memorial last Monday evening, Merton L. Emerson '04, Director of the Technology Endowment Fund, declared that "It is a serious situation which we have to face because the time is so short, and the only way that we can make this fund go 'over the top' is for everybody to take off their coats and work." Right now comes the problem of organizing, but at the same time we must be sure that we are getting into action, for it is simply a matter of sixty-two days or so before January 1, 1920.

Vice-president George L. Gilmore '90, presiding in the absence of General Dupont, introduced Mr. Emerson, who made a report to the Council covering the progress made during the last two weeks, since the appointment of his committee and assistants.

Mr. Emerson added that he had begun his work by calling a meeting of the class secretaries, which was attended by about thirty-five, and following this up with a meeting of the class secretaries and the chairmen of the class committees.

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lets the story out, for he is "Phosphorous," whose "gripping, soul-stirring story" will be incorporated in the coming number of the Voo Doo. Old Tech men know this writer, who has featured in past issues of our now famous Voo Doo, and new Tech men will gain much in enjoyment and in initiation into Institute spirit and legend by reading this and the other article to be found in the approaching number. It is hardly necessary to mention the Voo Doo's most famous feature—its cartoons. Their reputation goes beyond the bounds of the Institute. The "FRESHMAN NUMBER" of Voo Doo will be for sale during the first week of November, at fifteen cents a copy, in the main lobby only. Watch for this first issue! There is something in it for you!

(Signed)
THE EDITOR OF VOO DOO.

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Ask Mr. Noyes about it.

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