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In Charge This Issue

J. M. Keck '23 ... M. D. Perkins '22

TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 1920.

TRAINING AND SUPPORT FOR TRACK TEAM

YESTERDAY was the day when Technology's track team started real training for the spring season. This year is the first that has seen the runners and jumpers train according to Coach Kanaly's idea of what "real" training is. The details of his system were outlined recently in this paper.

At the meeting of the track men which resulted in the adoption by vote of the men themselves of the new training rules, Coach Kanaly predicted a successful season if the men lived up to the rules.

Of the success of the season we have no doubt. No better example of the influence of good training on the performances of athletics can be cited than the work of athletic teams of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis.

The midshipmen have just completed a most successful winter sports season. Their swimming team was one of the best they have ever put out. This aggregation defeated Technology's mermen in a dual meet. The Navy wrestlers defeated Penn. State, no mean feat. Their gym team swamped the Technology team which proved that it is of good calibre when it finished ahead of Princeton and Harvard in the recent triangular meet.

And so we might go on. On one Saturday five athletic teams representing the Academy won intercollegiate contests.

The Academy "Log," commenting on the success of athletics at Annapolis lays great stress on the splendid training the men get there as a part of their routine life. The men go to bed at a certain time, get up with the bugle, eat regularly from well-planned menus, and take exercise as prescribed by experts.

It is going to be a difficult task for Technology to imitate, to say nothing of duplicating, the Annapolis scheme. Too great credit cannot be given the men on the track team for the sacrifices they are going to make during the next ten weeks in an effort to put the Institute on a track par with Cornell, Pennsylvania, and others.

Those of us who are not on the track team, who are not called upon to give up our pleasures, can do better than sit idly by. We can and we must support our team by attendance at the home meets and a show of interest in the doings of the knights of the cinder path at all times.

The fact that the men on the team are training to the "pink" for the meets is not enough to make the track season a success. They must be backed by the entire student body with live-wire support.

The importance of the interest of the whole of a school in the doings of one of its athletic teams is voiced by Lawrence Perry, sporting editor of the New York Evening Post, in a special story written for the Dartmouth, in which he says, discussing basketball at the Hanover college, "Just as soon as Dartmouth men take the game seriously—I mean every Dartmouth man—just so soon will basketball at Hanover be put upon that plane where it belongs."

COMMUNICATIONS

To the Editor of THE TECH. A loss national in its scope and tragically afflicting in that academic field where it is a home loss should not in the one sense be narrowed and cannot in the other be measurably shared. Yet Dr. Maclaurin's achievement and precept have a kind of special meaning for certain other institutions and causes with which his own effort found a large element of common purpose. In his accomplishment, every worker in the cause of a vocational education which seeks to preserve the broad outlook may find a bright and heartening example and in his words a kindling stimulus to breadth of vision and courage of soul. The scarcely week-old words, which, given in praise of another, reflect so clearly back upon himself, that "he... believed that Technology had only to embrace its own destiny to rise to a position of transcendent usefulness, and his only anxiety has been lest at any time narrower views should prevail," are a measure of the largeness of his faith. The measure of the accomplishment, already visible in its material and majestic urgency, does not yet completely appear.

Yours very truly, (Signed) Clinton H. Colletter. Sometime Instructor in English at Technology.

JOHN J. ELBERT '09

John Jacob Elbert, Ph. D., '09, died of heart disease at his home near Tuckahoe, New York. Dr. Elbert leaves a wife and three young children. His early training was received at Des Moines, Iowa. He entered the Institute with the class of '09 and graduated well up in his class. While here he was a student of Course X and a member of Chi Phi fraternity. Immediately after graduation he became assistant in the Laboratory of Chemical Engineering from which he went to Germany to pursue his studies at the University of Berlin. Returning from Germany with his degree of Ph. D., he became interested in the manufacture of waterproof fiber, and was general manager of a plant devoted to this industry for two years in Worcester, Mass. Later he was with the General Chemical Co. and from there he went to American Cyanamid Co., where at the time of his death he held the position of Assistant Chief Technologist.

CHARLES H. ALBEE '13

Charles Henry Albee '13, chemist and general manager of the Rockland and Rockport Lime Corporation died suddenly in Rockland, Me., of influenza followed by bronchial pneumonia. Mr. Albee was born in East Boston, Nov. 29, 1888. He graduated from the East Boston High School and from the Institute from Course X with the class of '13. He then entered the employ of the Rockland and Rockport Lime Corp., as a chemist and because of his able work was later promoted to the position of chief chemist and general manager. His ability as a chemist was recognized throughout New England and he was a member of the American Chemical Society.

Alumni Notes

ROBERT K. SHEPPARD '95

Robert K. Sheppard '95, general sales manager of the Simplex Wire and Cable Co., Boston and Cambridge recently died very suddenly, at his home in Newtonville, Mass. Although Mr. Sheppard had been in ill health since last summer his condition was not thought serious. He was born in Boston in 1871 and was a graduate from course X. After serving the Washburn and Moen Manufacturing Co., Worcester, Mass., and the American Steel and Wire Co., which absorbed the former company in various capacities for a number of years, in 1912 he joined the staff of the Diamond Rubber Co., Akron, O., which was afterward amalgamated with B. F. Goodrich Co. Resigning his position as sales manager for the insulated wire department of the Goodrich Co., in 1915 he became connected with the Simplex Wire and Cable Co. as sales manager, continuing in this capacity until the time of his death.

Mr. Sheppard took a very active part in the work which led to the formation of the Associated Manufacturers of Electrical Supplies. He served as chairman of the meetings leading up to its formation and was the first president of the association. He was also a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers and many other organizations and was very active in student activities while at the Institute.

NOW CHIEF ENGINEER

Francis J. Chesterman '05, division plant superintendent of the central division of the New York Telephone Co., has become associated with the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania in the capacity of chief engineer. Mr. Chesterman is a graduate of course VI and upon leaving school he entered the employ of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., at Boston, engaging in transmission work under the direction of Dr. G. A. Campbell '91, and in association with E. H. Colpitta, now assistant chief engineer of the Western Electric Co. Subsequently he was assigned to special investigation work at New York, Chicago and other places. In June 1907 he was transferred to the engineering department of the New York Telephone Co., and on Jan. 1 of the following year was appointed division plant engineer of the Manhattan Bronx and West Chester division. In October, 1912, he was appointed division superintendent of the central division, with headquarters at Syracuse, continuing in that capacity until his recent resignation.

GYM TEAM SELECTS MEN FOR HAVERFORD

McKinstry and Pew Will Represent Institute in Meet Friday

The Institute's Gym Team will be represented at the Individual Intercollegiate Championships at Haverford, Pa., next Friday by H. E. McKinstry '21 and A. E. Pew '23. Both of these men have made names for themselves in gym meets this year, McKinstry by his performances on the parallels, and Pew in club swinging and on the horse. Other colleges who will send their individual stars to the meet are: Harvard, Yale, Princeton, Penn., University of Chicago and Haverford.

The performance of the Institute gymnasts in this meet will be the last event on the Gym Team schedule this year. In consideration of the fact that this is the first year of the sport at Technology, the captain and manager are very well satisfied with the success of the team, and feel that next year the activity will boom. The team entered into four meets this year, and made a favorable showing in every one of them.

COLLEGE NOTES

Union of Professors—In New York state, professors and instructors of 16 universities and colleges have formed a union, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, and all known as the Associated Teachers' Union Local No. 71. Recruiting for the organization is going on at Columbia, New York University, Cornell Medical School, Union Theological Seminary and Pratt Institute. The one strange feature is that in the constitution of the local, strikes are specifically prohibited.

Olympic Try-Outs — The Boston Athletic Association has formally requested to have the Olympic try-outs for the Eastern States held in the Harvard Stadium. The facilities there have been offered the Association by the university. The 1912 tryouts were held in Cambridge, but Philadelphia is also making a strong bid for the events next summer.

Another Sport—Nine colleges were represented at the recent meeting of a league for the advancement of intercollegiate lacross, and it was announced that West Point, Syracuse, and Rutgers were considering the formation of teams.

Encourage Major Athletics — For the encouragement of major athletics, a gift of \$65,000 to Middlebury College, Vermont, has been announced. The income of the fund is to be expended by a committee of alumni and students.

Trinity is Ambitious — Trinity College is making an effort to secure the services of "Johnny" Evers as a baseball coach. The student body has pledged itself to raise the money to bring him to Trinity.

Cornell University will erect a memorial museum in honor of its students who lost their lives in the war.



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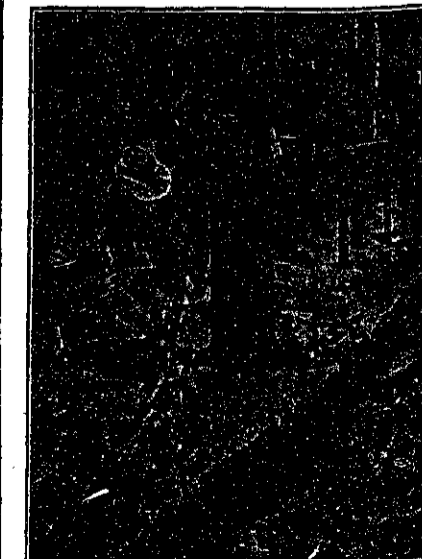


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