

## HOOVER CLUB MAKES MORE RAPID HEADWAY

Organization at the Institute Gains Many New Members—Distributes Speeches of Former Food Administrator

### PREPARES FACULTY POLL

The boom for Hoover at the Institute has been making rapid headway following the formation of the Hoover Club as a strong organization. Daily in the main lobby between 12 and 2 o'clock, members of the club are distributing copies of the former food administrator's speeches, his record, and a button to each new member. Due to the rush for signups the first two days, the original supply of speeches was exhausted and more copies are expected from the state headquarters.

Members are helping defray publicity expenses by voluntary contributions of 25 cents in most cases and some have sent in substantial checks. C. H. Leander '20, treasurer, announces that W. P. Poland '90, head of the European Technical Advisory staff in New York, made a generous contribution.

### Enroll 200 Per Day

Subsequent to the launching of the club's publicity campaign the first of the week by L. B. Hitchcock '21, 200 men have been signed up daily as Hoover supporters. A poll of the Faculty is being prepared and will be ready for publication by next Tuesday. Immediate use will be made of a large number of Hoover Club posters to carry the messages of the Engineers Hoover Committee to the student body. 2000 copies of a personal article by the mining engineer himself will probably arrive soon. A biographical summary of his record by years, of which 3000 have been received, is being distributed in the lobby.

### Publicity Positions Open

Through Dr. Parsons the information comes that a matter of great interest to every Technology student, irrespective of his party inclinations, will be disclosed next week. He advises all to watch the bulletins. The other officers were silent as to the nature of the affair but said that perfection of the details made announcement impracticable at this date. Positions on the publicity staff are open for two more Hoover men, which call for an hour a day on Institute work for the club. Candidates for immediate appointment should see Dr. Parsons, chairman, J. R. Perkins '20 or L. B. Hitchcock '21. The appointment of J. J. Wolfson '20 and W. L. Merzbach '23 as members of the publicity department is announced.

## DISCUSS NUMEROUS STUDENT PROBLEMS

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at the Institute reported favorably on Sigma Xi, an honorary engineering fraternity which was established at Cornell in 1866. This fraternity is not a secret organization and is the only one which does not base its membership wholly upon marks but chooses from men "who show signs of future advancement in scientific work and development." Dean Burton, as the committee reported, was in favor of establishing such a fraternity at the Institute because it would benefit the men by their contact with other men who had preceded them and because it would benefit the Institute by sharing in the advancement of the organization of such a body. The fraternity bears the same relation to the engineer as Phi Beta Kappa does to the student of the academic scholar. Its membership is chosen from among the faculty, graduate students and members of the Senior class provided that not more than 1-5 of the class be made members. As there was some discussion that the fraternity was not under the control of the undergraduates but fell under the sway of the graduate students and the faculty, it was decided to reserve action until further investigation has been made.

### Permit Sunday Sports

By a unanimous vote of the Committee it was decided to permit Sunday sports at the Institute grounds between the hours of 2 and 6 o'clock in the afternoon. This motion was passed in regard to outdoor sports only and applies especially to baseball and tennis. The chairman of the Walker committee said that assignments could be obtained through Ed Pong who has charge of the pool room at Walker. This step was taken so as to prevent outsiders from keeping Institute men from the grounds.

### Favor Honor System

Scott Wells '20, brought up the matter of establishing an honor system throughout the entire Institute.

Such an organization has already been formed by some of the Seniors of Course II, mechanical engineering. This system was founded in the Illinois School of Mechanical Engineering and proved so popular that it spread to other colleges very rapidly. Wells stated that he thought that the time was ripe for action at the Institute and that he thought the majority of the men were absolutely in favor of it. Two motions were passed in regard to this issue: one calling for a committee to investigate the various honor systems now in use in the colleges of the country. The second motion called for a vote of the undergraduates so as to get a consensus of undergraduate opinion on the matter. This will be done by attaching to each ballot in the coming class elections a slip upon which the question "Are you in favor of establishing an honor system at Technology?" will be printed.

The Institute Committee stated the regulations concerning the nominations for class officers for the coming year. Nominations for all class officers will be closed on May 12 and each nomination must contain at least 10 signatures of approval from members of the class in which the man is running for office. The following officers will be elected from each of the three lower classes:—a president, a vice-president, a secretary, a treasurer, and two members of the Institute committee. The permanent president of the Senior class will be elected during the Senior Class Week. The date of the coming elections will be announced in the Tuesday issue of THE TECH.

## RIFLE TEAM FOURTH

Position in N. R. A. Matches Gives Men on Team the rTt

According to the final results, the M. I. T. Rifle Team obtained fourth place in the National Rifle Association matches. This places the team among the first third of the 18 competing teams, and, in accordance with the ruling, the members will receive the rTt. The Institute team was preceded by Norwich University, Syracuse University, and the University of Pennsylvania in the order mentioned. The members of the team are as follows:—P. M. Johnson, J. R. Perkins, G. E. Dean, G. G. Kearful, A. B. Alland, V. E. Whitman, L. J. Powers, M. C. Hawes, J. Irwin, and R. H. Skinner.

The freshman team finished next to the last, outclassing only Cornell University. The scores of the first four and last two teams are:—

Norwich University Rifle Club	9921
Syracuse University	9888
University of Pennsylvania	9882
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	9763
M. I. T. Freshmen	8961
Cornell University	8800

In its other shoots, the team has been very successful, winning four of the six meets. Columbia and Dartmouth were the only ones to defeat the team. These, however, were below the Institute in N. R. A. matches.

## HOLD FRESHMAN CONVENTION TUESDAY, MAY 18, IN WALKER

English Department Backs Project Of First Year Men

At an informal meeting last Saturday afternoon, the officers of the Freshman National Republican Convention decided to hold the convention in Walker Memorial Tuesday evening, May 18. The arrangement of the delegates will be the same as it is in the regular convention. The English department is behind the project to the extent of canceling the first class following the convention, to make up for the evening spent at Walker Memorial.

### Committee Wants Posters

Cartoons and posters are wanted, and should be sent to W. Dietz, box 164, at the Institute. As each section has a representative, any information that may be desired can be obtained from them, but written requests should be addressed to H. R. Harris, box 164.

As no outside money is being used, the convention hopes to have the support of the entire student body to help pay the expenses. There will be no direct assessment, but there will be a box placed in the main lobby of the Institute for all donations.

## WILL LECTURE ON WORK OF MOUNT WILSON OBSERVATORY

Members of the instructing staff and undergraduates are invited to attend an illustrated lecture to be given by Dr. George E. Hale, the Director of the Mount Wilson Observatory, next Monday, at 4 o'clock in room 10-250. The lecture will be on "The Work of the Mount Wilson Observatory" at Pasadena, California, and recent photographs obtained with the great 100-inch Hooker telescope will probably be shown.

## ELECTIONS HELD FOR NEXT YEAR'S VOO DOO

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Alpha Epsilon fraternity. He was acting chairman of the Junior Prom committee during the sickness of Garvin Bawden '21. He was on the 1921 Technique Electoral Committee, was in the cast of Tech Show, 1919, and is a member of this year's board of editors of the Voo Doo.

Business Manager, A. W. Norton '21 is a member of the Phi Beta Epsilon fraternity. He was treasurer of this year's Voo Doo, is treasurer of the T. C. A., and a member of the Combined Musical Clubs. He was in Tech Show 1919.

G. F. Nesbitt '22, a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity is a literary editor on the board. He was publicity manager this year and is a transfer student from Johns Hopkins.

M. M. Bauer '22, also a literary editor on the board is a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity. He was on the Woop Garoo and on the original Voo Doo board.

Theodorico Quiros '21, an art editor on the board, wrote the ballet of Tech Show 1920 and took part in it.

Advertising Manager N. F. Patton '21 was advertising manager this year and is a member of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity. Publicity Manager G. S. McCue '22 was out for Technique grinds editor last year.

Circulation Manager W. M. Saunders '22, is a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity and has been in Tech Show for the last two years. Treasurer C. H. Hubbard '22 is a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

J. T. Rule '21, P. C. Krafft '22, W. R. Amon '22, W. B. Elmer '22, Malcolm Johnson '22, and S. M. Biddell '22 were made the associate editors for the coming year. The assistant editors are W. J. Hennessey '23, D. J. Flish '23, D. E. Walch '22, E. W. Jackson '21, T. O. Davidson '21, and W. H. Irwin '21. The business associates are J. A. Farrer '22, W. E. Williams, Jr. '22, L. J. Powers '22, R. R. Crosby '23, G. W. Heathman '22, and J. E. Brackett '22.

A banquet of the retiring and coming boards is planned in the near future. The date and further details will be given out in a later issue of THE TECH.

## CLOSE LIBRARY IN WALKER MEMORIAL

Committee Makes Decision to Shut Reading Room Indefinitely Because of Continual Loss of Volumes

### OPENS ON RETURN OF BOOKS

At the last meeting of the Walker Memorial Committee it was unanimously voted to close the Walker Library for an indefinite period or until the lost books are returned.

The committee took this action in spite of the fact that it says it fully realized the decision will cause a certain hardship for many undergraduates who are in no way responsible for the loss of the books. It was agreed that it would be entirely out of the question to permit this reading room to remain open if its equipment continues to disappear.

The committee requests that each man who has a book belonging to the Walker Memorial Library or who knows where one may be found, report the fact to Mrs. King at once. If this request meets with the necessary response, a re-opening of the room may be made by the committee.

In the meantime students wishing to dine in the north hall will use the north entrance to the hall instead of going through the balcony.

## LARGE NUMBER RESPOND TO CALL OF OLD CLOTHES CLUB

Membership Mounting But Greater Co-operation Needed

With a steadily increasing membership in the Old Clothes Club the committee requests that a still larger number of men give their support in an effort to enroll the entire student body. Only by a large membership can the club be an effective weapon against the high prices. Until the official insignia in the form of buttons arrive, a shoestring worn in the buttonhole will remain the badge of membership. The committee is now concerned with an investigation of the excess profits, derived from the manufacture and sale of various kind of clothing, and expects to have some significant figures to show at an early date.

Numerous clubs of this kind have been started at many of the other colleges throughout the country and have been successful at Princeton and Yale where practically the whole student body have joined.

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