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In Charge This Issue

- William K. Taft '22 .....Stevens Bromley '23

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RETURN THE BOOKS AT ONCE

THE closing of the Walker Library by the Walker Memorial Committee is to be regretted because, as in all cases of this sort, the innocent must suffer with the guilty. However, the repeated thoughtlessness, carelessness, or dishonesty, which resulted in the loss of 160 books showed no signs of diminution, so severe measures were absolutely essential to preserve what remained of the library. The Committee's action has already resulted in the return of many of the books. When the others come in the library will open. Until then everyone must be inconvenienced by the negligence of a few.

JUNIOR WEEK 1921

THE memories of Junior Week are still with us, and, as it is impossible that a case occurs where they are not pleasant, we venture to speak of the plans for the future.

A joint committee consisting of five members of the Faculty, three Alumni, and three students, was appointed to make arrangements for the dates of Junior Week 1920 and Junior Week 1921. It is also the duty of this committee to make recommendations as to the most appropriate time for holding these activities thereafter. The committee is composed of representative men who are familiar with all the phases of the Junior Week activities and they have sought advice from the activities themselves. After careful consideration of all the factors involved, the March vacation has been decided upon as the best time for Junior Week 1921.

We should all give this decision our support and attempt to make Junior Week next year even better than the one just past. The Faculty and Alumni have pledged their support and will do everything possible to promote the success of the activities in question.

If an honest effort is exerted to make Junior Week 1921 successful, and it should fail in spite of this, there is no doubt that some other date will be recommended for the future.

REMOVE THE EYESORE

AS spring enriches the beauty of the parkway in front of the Institute so does it blatantly point out the necessity of removing the eyesore in the form of the diagonal path across the grass in front of building one. Attempts have been made by the Park Commission to prevent men from walking across the grass but it appears that there is too much human nature involved to have any permanent effect. It is deplorable that Institute men are so devoid of aesthetic taste that they will spoil a beautiful lawn in their haste to reach a math class. Even so this has been proved to be true. Psychologists tell us it is rather difficult to change human nature so we can only suggest a neat gravel path across the plot as a correction for this evil.

CLOSE WALKER COMMITTEE COMPETITIONS WEDNESDAY

The competitions which are to be a basis for recommendations for the personnel of next year's Walker Memorial Committee started a week ago yesterday.

Several men have already reported, and the systems used in Walker for the assignment of rooms, tennis courts and baseball diamonds are be-

ing explained to them. The policy of the committee and the scope of its work is being discussed with each candidate. Before the competitions close, every man will have had an opportunity to meet some of the problems of the committee.

Any undergraduate interested in this opportunity may enter the competition by coming to the committee's office between 1 and 2 o'clock any day until Wednesday.

1914 HOLDS INFORMAL DINNER

On Thursday evening, May 6th, nineteen members of the Class of 1914 got together in North Hall of the Walker Memorial at an informal dinner to prepare plans for the approaching all-Technology reunion. Arrangements were made to hold two special 1914 events.

On Sunday afternoon and evening June 20th, there will be an automobile party and supper. This event is to include the families and friends of 1914 men as well as the members of the class themselves. It is planned to go to an historic inn outside of Boston where a special entertainment and supper will be provided. The committee has several unique plans in mind for this occasion.

On Monday evening, June 21, the members of the class will gather at the Dutch Room of the Copley Square Hotel for a rousing big class dinner. While the class dinner is taking place a separate dinner and entertainment will be provided for the wives of 1914 men.

The class decided to hold an informal luncheon the first Tuesday in each month at the Boston Tavern. From the enthusiasm shown at the dinner these luncheons will be a great success.

PROFESSOR OWEN CONDUCTS TRIP TO LAWLEY SHIP YARD

Professor Owen of the Department of Naval Architecture conducted about 25 members of the Naval Architectural Society through the shipyard of George Lawley Inc. at Neponset last Friday.

The men saw there the old America, which brought the American cup to this country, and a navy torpedo testing barge, which was under construction. There were also numerous yachts, some under construction and others being fitted out for the summer. While the men were going about, Professor Owen explained in some detail the fine points of yacht design.

EASTERN COLLEGE STUDENTS HOLD ANNUAL CONFERENCE

College Christian Associations Send Delegates

The 36th annual student conference is to be held at Silver Bay, Lake George, New York, from June 25 to July 4. Delegates from the institutions of the East are to assemble at this conference to promote good fellowship among the colleges, to further religious ideas, and to train men as leaders in Christian work.

There are many facilities for swimming, baseball, tennis and track which can be used by the men during their stay. The cost for the ten days for each man is \$37.60, this includes \$20.00 for cost of board and room, \$5.00 for registration and \$12.60 for cost of trip. Any man interested in this conference can get further information at the T. C. A. office.

HILL-AND-DALERS MEET

Captain MacMahon of next year's hill-and-dalers has called a meeting of candidates for next season's cross-country team to be held Thursday at 4 o'clock at the track house. Another meeting will be held at 5 o'clock for men who can not get out by 4 o'clock. Plans for next season will be discussed and MacMahon urges all distance men to report and bring another fellow.

SUMMER SURVEYING CAMP ENROLLMENT ENDS MAY 15

Students who are required to attend the summer surveying camp as well as those who desire to attend must register for the course on or before May 15, according to the announcement of Registrar Humphreys. Persons who have not registered by this date will be charged a fee of \$5.00. Attendance at the summer surveying camp is required in the summer following the second year in Courses I, III options 1 and 3, XI, XII and XV option 1.

NEW ENGLAND LIBRARIANS HOLD SEMI-ANNUAL DINNER

A dinner will be given by the New England College Librarians in Walker Memorial on May 14. The membership of the society includes all college librarians and assistants in New England, who will meet at 5.30 o'clock on that date. The reunion is of a semi-annual character.

The regular meeting of the association will take place in room 10-275, Saturday morning, May 15 at 10 o'clock. An address will be given by Professor D. C. Jackson of Course VI on the "Ideals of College Libraries" from the point of view of the engineer.

C. E. SOCIETY INSPECTS WATER WORKS MAY 15

The last trip of the Civil Engineering Society for this year will take place on May 15 when the society visits the Metropolitan Water Works at Clinton. The officers wish to announce that, since the number of men who may go is unlimited, members of any of the professional societies are invited to attend.

This water works and hydro-electric plant is the source of Boston's supply and is the largest of its kind in New England. The reservoir has a capacity of 64,968,000 gallons and is 838 feet long. The power plant comprises four hydro-electric turbines consuming 120,000,000 gallons and developing 4,000 kilowatts at 14,000 volts.

The party will meet at South Station in time for the train leaving at 12 o'clock (1 o'clock, daylight saving time) and will change at Framingham. Full particulars are given on the bulletin in building I.

Next Year's Officers Elected

The election of officers for the Civil Engineering Society during next year were held last Wednesday and were as follows: President, K. B. Sharon, '21; vice-president, D. E. Kepner '21; secretary, T. H. Gill '22; treasurer, W. C. Ready '21; assistant treasurer, W. W. Kittredge '21; executive committee, D. H. McCreery '21, A. A. Turner '21 and E. A. Reinhardt '22.

ELECTRICAL SOCIETY OPENS NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS

Committee Chosen to Receive Names of Candidates

At a meeting of M. I. T. Branch of the A. I. E. E. held yesterday noon, a committee consisting of H. P. Field '21, P. T. Coffin '21, C. A. Clarke '21, and S. M. Jones '21, was elected to work in conjunction with the chairman, H. B. Deal '20, in receiving and inspecting nominations for next year's officers of the society. Members of the class of 1921 are eligible for nomination and must secure the signatures of five members of the society before their nominations will be considered.

Plans are being formulated for the final banquet of the year given by the society at which the new officers will be installed.

AGRICULTURAL EXPLORER SPEAKS TO FACULTY CLUB

Ladies' Night will be observed at the meeting of the Faculty Club in the Faculty room in the Walker tonight. Members of the club are urged by the committee to invite their guests to remain for the informal dinner which will follow the address.

The speaker at the meeting will be David Fairchild, explorer for the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The subject of the address is "New Food Plants: An Advantage of the Wide Menu."

A short business meeting for the purpose of electing officers for the next school year and transaction of other business matters will be held some time later in the month.

WILL HOLD POSTER CONTEST

The Stamp Club will hold its next meeting in room 2-390 at 1.15 o'clock tomorrow, and as usual it will be featured by a contest. This time the object will be to produce the largest number of the same variety of stamp with different surcharges.

The annual meeting of the club will come on Saturday, May 29, in the same place. The contest for this meeting will be to hand in the best poster for advertising the club next year. Prizes in the form of stamps will be awarded to the winners for each of the competitions.

NEXT HOG ISLAND TALK WILL COME ON THURSDAY.

The next of the series of Hog Island talks under the auspices of the Combined Professional Societies will be given by P. J. Ford, who will speak on the "Purchase, Storage, and Handling of Material." Contrary to precedent, the talk will not come on Wednesday, but at 8 o'clock on Thursday, and as usual will be in the north hall of Walker.

NOTICES

For Undergraduates

Tennis—Assistant managers from the freshman class are asked by manager Greenblatt to report to him at the A. A. office Thursday at 1.

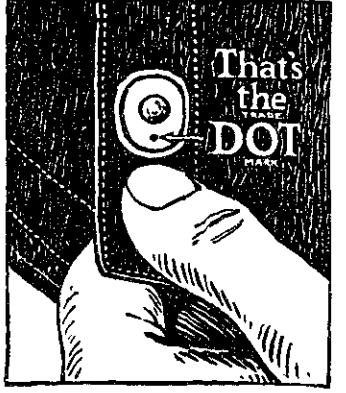
Cross-country—Meeting of candidates for next year's team at track house, Thursday at 4 and 5.

Advisory Council on Athletics—Meeting in Engineer's Club tomorrow at 6.30.

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