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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 1920

### THE FIRST CONVOCATION OF THE YEAR

**T**HE first convocation of the school year will be held this afternoon in Walker Memorial at 4 o'clock. This is a traditional method of bringing together the student body, faculty and everyone connected with the Institute. Classes are being suspended at 4 o'clock in order that everyone may attend.

Dr. Suzzallo, who will address the assembly, is President of the University of Washington, and is an educator and orator of national prominence. His subject, "The Working Code of the College Man," is of prime interest and importance to us all. It is a splendid thing for Technology to have a speaker like Dr. Suzzallo address us, and it will be regrettable for anyone to miss this meeting, the first convocation ever to be held in the Walker Memorial.

### HATS OFF TO OUR HARRIERS

**O**UR cross-country team is to be most highly praised for the splendid work which they did for Technology on Saturday. You have all Technology's best wishes for the Intercollegiate.

The soccer team also deserves credit for their successful season.

### LET'S HAVE AN EXPLANATION

**W**E wish to call attention to a communication in another column of this issue appealing to the M. I. T. A. A. for a better spirit of fair play in the choosing of athletic officers, and in the disbursement of the association's funds.

If the charges made are true, if money is being spent recklessly, if athletics are being run for the benefit of a clique, if a candidate's efforts and qualifications count for nothing, and if politics instead of fairness and pull instead of ability are becoming the determining factors in our activities, then it is time a "house cleaning" was made.

Technology has always stood for the highest of ideals and we are not going to change them. We sincerely hope that an adequate explanation will be made.

### BATTLE POEMS READ BY COPITHORNE IN WALKER

Undergraduates Hear Armistice Night Selections—First Meeting

At an informal meeting in the Walker Library, Mr. M. A. Copithorne of the English Department gave the first of a series of Thursday night readings last week. The selections chosen were short, including however, the finest of the war poems, especially those which dealt with the heroes who died in battle. This formed a suitable introduction to the dedication of the Lamy Memorial Fireplace, which took place after the reading. Starting at 6:30, he read until a little after 7 o'clock. The subsequent meetings will be longer and will include readings from Kipling, Service, and other modern writers. Mr. Copithorne has extended an invitation to every one to attend.

The first selection was "They Wait," a rather solemn war poem, followed by "Viva La France" by Charlotte Crawford. This poem was perhaps as stirring as any that has been written, and shows the absolute devotion of the French people to the cause of France. "On Flanders Fields" which was read next, is too well known to require comment. "A Rendezvous with Death" was a rather weird unusual type of poem, not as fine as some of the others, but "Fleur-de-Lys" by Robert Service was a typical Service rhyme, light and colloquial, and yet strong. The next, "May They Rest in Peace" was a fair specimen of the war poems. Mr. Copithorne read a short selection from the Atlantic Monthly by Robert Haven Shaffer, "The White Comrade" which attempted to show that the war was a violation of every principle of the Christian religion. "If I Should Die," part of "The Siege of Berlin," and "The Name of France," completed the program.

### PLAN FRESHMAN CONFERENCES

The Professors in charge of the different departments will hold informal conferences open to all first-year students on the following dates.

The conferences are arranged so that students in half of the class may attend between 12:30 and 1, and students in the other half between 1 and 1:30.

**COURSE II—**Professor Miller will meet students on Friday, November 19, 12:30 to 1:30 in Room 3-470.

**COURSES I & XI—**Professor Spofford will meet students on Monday, Nov. 22, 12:30 to 1:30 in Room 3-470.

**COURSES III & XII—**Professor Lindgren will meet students on Wednesday, Nov. 24, 12:30 to 1:30 in Room 4-370.

**COURSE IV—**Professors Emerson and Lawrence will meet students on Wednesday, Dec. 1, 12:30 to 1:30 in Room 4-370.

**COURSE V—**Professor Talbot will meet students on Friday, Nov. 26, 12:30 to 1:30 in Room 4-370.

**COURSE VI—**Professor Jackson will meet students on Monday, Nov. 29, 12:30 to 1:30 in Room 4-370.

**COURSE VII—**Professor Sedgwick will meet students on Wednesday, Dec. 1, 12:30 to 1:30 in his office, Room 10-427.

**COURSE VIII—**Professor Wilson will meet students on Friday, Dec. 3, 12:30 to 1:30 in his office, Room 4-234.

**COURSE IX—**Professor Warren will meet students on Monday, Dec. 6, 12:30 to 1:30 in his office, Room 4-339.

**COURSE X—**Professor Lewis will meet students on Wednesday, Dec. 8, 12:30 to 1:30 in Room 4-370.

**COURSE XIII—**Professor Jack will meet students on Friday, Dec. 10, 12:30 to 1:30 in Room 3-470.

**COURSE XIV—**Professor Goodwin will meet students on Monday, Dec. 13, 12:30 to 1:30 in his office, Room 4-132.

**COURSE XV—**Professor Dewey will meet students on Wednesday, Dec. 15, 12:30 to 1:30 in Room 3-470.

ALFRED E. BURTON, Dean.

### MR. KEARNS WILL SPEAK

"Continuous Waves" will be the subject of a talk by Mr. Kearns of the Acme Radio Apparatus Company before the Radio Society tonight at 7:30 o'clock in North hall of Walker.

### COMMUNICATIONS

To the Editor of THE TECH:

It is a trifle soon after the T. A. C.'s laudable campaign for athletic democracy to witness the sleek tracks of the steam roller and lavish waste of undergraduate funds. The students of the Institute, 3500 strong, who pay their nine dollar tax annually and the members of the T. A. C. have the right to insist on careful use of their money on the one hand, and fair play by their representatives in the M. I. T. A. A. on the other.

Some three weeks ago the M. I. T. A. A. met for the purpose of electing a president, but no quorum being present, the election was properly postponed. The meeting, thus admitting its inability to take any action, then moved by some parliamentary procedure of its own to the election of a manager of Field Day. After several close ballots the issue was decided by a margin of two votes. But somebody neglected to mention the fact that two of the tallies were cast by men, who have no seating in the M. I. T. A. A. Doubtless they felt they had as much right to vote as anybody present under the circumstances.

At a subsequent meeting, the chair was authorized to appoint a committee of one to issue a pamphlet containing a schedule and prospectus of each of the Institute teams for the coming year. Advertisements should normally have been contracted for, which would have delayed the expense of publication, as has been done in the case of countless programs before; but suddenly like a bolt from the sky, the pamphlet appeared with neither advertisement nor prospectus. The omission of the ads will cost the students of the Institute about two hundred dollars, where a profit should have been realized.

This might have been excused had not the pamphlet contained, under the crew schedule, the name of a crew manager who has never been elected, and who at the present time is merely one of the two competitors for the position. Fortunately the Institute Committee has refused to sanction the dissemination of such campaign literature at the expense of the students, and the issue has been held up.

The A. A. was called upon to elect a track manager. The coach, captain, and various members of the track team recommended the man they thought best qualified for the position. The A. A. practically ignored this advice and elected another man. What is the meaning of this? Isn't the coach's advice to be considered in matters of such importance to his team? The persons responsible for these reprehensible errors cannot take it amiss if they were suspected of partiality and unfair methods. Indeed, it is difficult to place any other construction on their action; and as for their unwarranted waste of student tax money, they are strictly accountable to the student body, and should be held responsible to the last dollar.

Corruption and inefficiency toppled the walls of Rome. What chance has the T. A. C., less than a year old, if such methods are to proceed? Let us have a house-cleaning, Mr. Editor.

### FAIR PLAY.

To the Editor of THE TECH:

The officers of the Army and Navy studying at Technology take this opportunity of expressing through the columns of THE TECH, their sincere gratitude to the members of the Walker Memorial Committee for their efforts in making the "Welcome Hop" for Army and Navy officers a success. No better means of furthering the spirit of good fellowship among civilian and military members of the engineering profession could have been devised. That these friendly relations already established may continue to grow stronger and more binding, is the hope of the Engineers of the Army and the constructors of the Navy.

- R. G. MOSES, Capt. C. E., U. S. A.
- I. C. LAWRENCE, 1st Lt. C. E., U. S. A.
- H. L. VICKERY, Lt. C. C., U. S. N.
- T. P. WYNKOOP, Jr., Lt. C. C., U. S. N.

### DORMS WILL HAVE OWN DINING ROOM IN WALKER

Much interest is being evinced in the dormitories over the new project of the dormitory dining room. With the problem of good meals at a moderate price solved, the men hope that life's complexities will be materially lessened.

The dining room will be located in the north hall of Walker memorial, except for breakfast which will be served in the grill room. It is planned to begin service as soon as 50 men have signed up, which it is expected, will be about Wednesday.

The price has been set at \$8 for seventeen meals or three meals a day, with two on Saturday while on Sunday the service is not given.

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### TICKETS FOR JUNIOR DANCE OUT THURSDAY

Committee Limits Number of Couples to 140—Program Appeals to Commuters—Class Colors in Decorations

#### ONLY JUNIORS ADMITTED

Tickets for the formal Junior Dance, to be given in Walker, December 3, may be obtained in the main lobby Thursday and Friday only, from 12 to 2 o'clock.

In order to prevent crowding, the number of couples has been limited to 140, the committee in charge urging all those expecting to attend to get their tickets as soon as placed on sale.

#### Syncopation by Reisman

Walker Memorial will be decorated in streamers using the 1922 class colors throughout the decorations. A program, the design of which the committee says will appeal especially to the commuting members of the class has been devised. Reisman's 16 piece orchestra from the Hotel Brunswick will provide the music. Only Juniors may attend. Tickets, besides being obtainable from the desk in the main lobby, may also be secured from the members of the dance committee, consisting of F. L. Raymond, C. G. Rudderham, F. M. Biddell and A. J. Browning.

### SAYS EDUCATIONAL METHODS SIMILAR IN EAST AND WEST

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potential water power of any state in the Union."

Unique among the universities of the country is the Fisheries Technology of Washington University, the only one in the country. Dr. Suzzallo said that many problems had come up in the fishing industry of Washington which could be solved properly only by research beyond the reach of the fishing interests.

Besides his work in the field of education, Dr. Suzzallo has found time to be active in various state affairs. He was chairman of the Washington State Council of Defense from 1917 to 1919. At the time of the revolutionary strike of the "reds" in Seattle, he was appointed by the governor to act with the state's attorney general in handling the situation. The strike, as we all know, did not accomplish what the "reds" desired and broke up in a few days. In October, 1918, he was appointed wage umpire for the National War Labor Policy Board, and in this capacity settled some 60 disputes between laboring men and factory owners. In refer-

ring to this the Doctor modestly said that he was the neutral member on a board of three representatives of labor and three representatives of capital.

At the present time, Dr. Suzzallo is a member of the Washington State Board of Education and the State Board of Geological Survey. He is also vice-president of the National Parks Association.

Dr. Suzzallo is an educational author of note, having published among others, two books: "The Teaching of Spelling," and "The Teaching of Arithmetic." Since 1909 he has been editor of the Riverside Educational Monographs. He is in Boston to confer with his publishers, Houghton and Mifflin.

Dr. Suzzallo is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa fraternity, a fellow of the A. A. A. S., member of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, and others.

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