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IN CHARGE OF THIS ISSUE
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Wednesday, October 11, 1922
YOUR NUMBER?

NOT the slightest record of the whereabouts of one thousand students is to be found anywhere around the Institute. The schedule and address cards, included in each registration book, have not yet been turned in by a third of the men.

When a man does not get the messages he expects, he usually exhorts the deities to rain numerous and varied curses on the registrar and his assistants. No man likes to blame himself at any time, but in this case the chances are one to two that he is the person at fault.

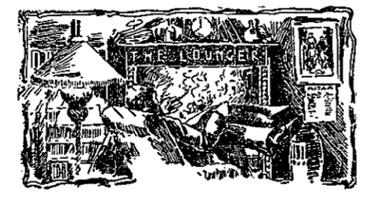
If, as soon as a student moves into new quarters, he would fill out completely and file corrected schedule and address cards, the trouble involved would compensate many times over for the nuisance caused by their absence and incompleteness.

FIELD DAY

WITH the approach of the twenty-second annual Field Day, come the preparations for the observance of one of the oldest of Technology's traditions, the only one which recognizes that feeling of rivalry, so often evidenced in other colleges, between freshmen and those who have but recently outgrown the name.

The regularly organized athletic contest which has superseded the old Cane Rush, provides a safe outlet for the rivalry and energy of the lower classmen. But more than that, it makes for class solidarity, a necessary attribute if a class is to stand out in its achievements above the drab mediocrity of its fellows.

Field Day, coming as it does, just five weeks after the beginning of the school year, affords a welcome opportunity for gauging the spirit and capability of the incoming class. With but a short time in which to become organized and mobilize their forces, the freshmen contend against heavy odds. They may not win. Judging from the past they will not, but the way in which they play the game, the way they enter into the spirit of the event, will be watched with interest.



Skirts are peculiar things. To quote Euripides, they are a necessary evil. At least, that's what some of the older folks think—Tech men don't. Of course, this merely pertains to their being evil. As for their necessity, the Lounger does not intend discussing that. In the way of analogies, the Lounger suggests that skirts are very much similar in character to the Stock Market. They fluctuate up and down at different periods, sometimes tending to unbalance society by precipitating panics. Sad to relate, the Lounger has noticed that they are scrutinized with far more care than the stock quotations by modern Tech men. If skirts were listed on the Exchange, the Bears wouldn't have a show.

Just at present, it looks as though we are in the midst of an era of skirting depression. News from New York is most discouraging. The Lounger has regarded with sincere regrets the pictures in the latest editions of Vanity Fair and the Sunday rotogravures. Society has unanimously adopted the long skirt once again. Unanimously, of course, only to include feminine society. Before proceeding with such action, the Lounger thinks that a referendum including men should have been taken. Or at least, the question could have been placed on the ballots for this fall's Congressional elections. The Lounger does not intimate that the heights of skirts ought to be determined by politics, or that they should be regulated by Federal statute. But in these times there is no room for a government by the minority. When we gave women equal political rights, we did not expect that they would try to change fashions without our consent.

It's too bad everybody in the country has to listen to what New York says. If you see a short skirt now, the only reason you do is because it's too new to throw away and hasn't a big enough hem in it to let out. Why don't New England girls get together and declare their independence of New York styles? This has actually been done in Montreal, and the Lounger has written the girls there commending their action. But then no kind of a prohibition movement goes in Canada.

Girls are peculiar, too. That's why they sit by and let some Dictator of Fashions determine their foreign policy. Yet when someone else, the Lounger, for example, tries to even persuade them, they turn on the ammonia ice plant in the right shoulder and assume an air of contemptuous diffidence. Are men this way? The Lounger needs only allude to the poor fellow who started the new silk knee breeches movement last week. He may have had Rodolph Valentino's support, but not Tech's. And as regards persuasion, the Lounger would like to see the man who doesn't like to be coaxed.

Last week an incident occurred that has led unexpected hope into the Lounger's heart. Maybe girls are being evolutionized, too, or maybe our Boston girls are different. But it happened right out in front of the Emma Rogers room, and the Lounger saw it with his own eyes. He wasn't meant to, of course. But the sight of a co-ed being kissed by one of our youthful engineers was too much of a shock at once. Thus are we men beguiled. The Lounger doesn't criticize or ask for action by the Institute Committee. He merely asks Cleofan to take note. He would like to suggest that it make a situation like that described above, a part of the initiation ritual.

The Lounger is wondering if there will be any girls at the ALL TECHNOLOGY SMOKER Friday. That would be a sure way of having a full attendance. Of course, they wouldn't

have to smoke, but even if they did, they'd know how. Cigarettes, anyway, but the Lounger has yet to find the girl who asks him to lend her his Meerschaum pipe for a drag or two.

These smokers are ingenious devices. They don't cost a cent. And everybody seems to have a good time at them. They don't come often, so they're worth going to. They offer a chance to get acquainted, other than by the method of sending in communications to the Lounger. Why stay home and feel blue? If for no other reason, go to the Smoker and get smoked out. Then you'll appreciate the pure atmosphere more after.

The Lounger has pondered a good deal over the maze of white lines in back of the Institute, intended to indicate parking spaces for autos. Chinese used to be noted for their puzzles, but now they rate way behind Tech. Not only is it a case of "try and get in," but also "try and get out." The Lounger will walk over the bridge every day until Wright and Ditson put out some new kind of a rubber auto, which can alternately be used for a football and to ride in.

Headline: "Big-hearted ball players give money to widow of unknown soldier." Think it over for supper. The Lounger isn't so inconsistent after all.

HEXALPHA BANQUET POSTPONED

The Hexalpha banquet which was planned for Friday night of this week has been postponed until Wednesday of next week on account of the large number of Course VI-A men who plan to be present at the All Technology smoker on the same night.

Although the speakers for the banquet have been arranged for in advance, they have consented to the cancellation of Friday's engagement so that Hexalpha may fully cooperate with student activities at the Institute.

SOPHS HOLD FIELD DAY MASS MEETING

phasizing its importance. He warned the class of the promising efforts of the Class of 1926. D. R. Campbell '25, was the next speaker on the list. He stated that 1925 is to have a mascot on Field Day. The identity of this mascot is as yet unknown. However, it answers to the name of Isabel. Nothing further about this personage is known, nor will be known until Field Day. Campbell spoke about the crew.

ANOTHER MEETING SCHEDULED

When the various speeches were over, the cheer leaders, G. B. Fletcher '25, and R. D. Leonard '25, called the class together for a good hearty cheer. These were given with gusto and spirit, after a little practice. The cheers were rehearsed over and over, until the maximum amount of noise and regularity was insured. After the cheers had been rehearsed, President Carrier called for candidates for the Sophomore band to lead the class to victory on Field Day. Anyone playing any instrument capable of making noise was invited to try out for it. Announcement was made that there will be another meeting of the class just before Field Day.

CHESS CLUB HOLDS MEETING SATURDAY

The Chess Club will hold a meeting Saturday, October 14, in the east lounge of Walker. All men interested in chess should attend. The club has two tournaments in progress, one for freshmen and one for upperclassmen, which will decide the position of the men in the "ladder." Teams will be selected according to the results of the tournaments. Men who wish to enter either of these tournaments should be present at the meeting.

NOTICES FOR UNDERGRADUATES

Night Editor in charge of next issue of THE TECH is L. E. Fogg, telephone Univ. 7077. All matters concerning the issue should be referred to him.

There will be no Musical Club rehearsal tomorrow. The Mandolin Club will meet Friday at 5 o'clock in room 2-190.

The executive committee of the Chemical Society will meet today in Holman 301, Technology Dormitories at 7 o'clock.

Advanced R. O. T. C. students who have not yet been measured for their uniforms should call at room 3-310 where their measurements will be taken at once. Students are asked to do this before 5 o'clock today.

Freshman Football Managerial Candidates are asked to report on the field this afternoon at 4 o'clock. Competition has just opened and several more men are needed.

UNCLAIMED MAIL IS RAPIDLY INCREASING

Many students, especially those who had no definite idea as to where they would live, failed to leave their term address upon arriving at the Institute this fall. For this reason mail that is addressed care of the Institute frequently must either be returned to the sender or held for future call. If you haven't already done so, take a minute and write your name and present address on a slip of paper and leave it at the Post Office in Room 3-005. This will insure the prompt forwarding of all mail sent to the buildings. Superintendent Smith estimates that there are at the present time between 100 and 150 unclaimed letters which cannot be delivered due to insufficient address.

DEAN SPEAKS AT SMOKER FRIDAY

last year's Field Day will be shown. During the supper, two jazz bands will supply music, and one of them is to remain and play during the movies. The six non-athletic activities, namely Tech Engineering News, the Tech Show, The Combined Musical Clubs, Voo Doo, Technique, and THE TECH, will keep a booth in the Faculty and Alumni Room on the second floor of Walker during the smoker. Representatives from all of these activities will be in the room all through the evening, and men who are interested may go in and talk things over with them. Each class will have special colored tickets, and will eat at separate times, according to the following schedule:—freshmen will eat at 5:45 o'clock, and will have white tickets; Sophomores at 6:15 o'clock with yellow tickets; Juniors at 6:45 o'clock with blue tickets; and Seniors and Graduates at 7:15 o'clock with red tickets.

MEETING HELD BY T. C. A.

Relations of the T. C. A. and Deputations. Mr. Merrill was vice-president of the Dartmouth Christian Association in 1914-15, and so has the interests of the students at heart. James B. Watson, the new student secretary of the Boston Y. M. C. A., was also present. The rest of the time was spent in business meetings, discussing the work for the year of the 17 departments of T. C. A. Three of these meetings were held, a total over six hours being spent in them. The following is a list of the cabinet officers for the coming year:— Officers and Executive Committee: R. H. Frazier '23, president; H. J. Macmillan '24, vice-president; J. J. Parsons '24, Treasurer; W. E. May '24, cabinet representative; and W. M. Ross, General Secretary. Department Directors: Denton Massey '23, Bible Study; H. L. Hazen '24, Book Exchange; W. H. Corrales '24, Boys' Work; A. W. Rhodes '24, Church Relations; C. M. Phelps '24, Deputations; R. L. Holt '24, Employment Bureau; H. O. Tappan '23, Foreign Students; A. S. Redway '23, Freshman Advisors; Bernhard Gasser '23, Handbook; R. E. Swift '24, Industrial Service; J. E. Jagger '24, Freshman Cabinet; C. T. Jackson '23, Information Bureau; C. H. Hubbard '23, Meetings Department; D. H. Keck '24, Membership; W. E. May '24, Room Registry; B. M. Mossman '24, Social Department; and K. V. R. Lansing, Publicity Bureau. It was voted unanimously at the meeting that the Advisory Board be requested to seriously consider the advisability of procuring an additional General Secretary, on account of the increased work of T. C. A.

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