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Monday, October 23, 1922

A MISTAKE IN POLICY

EFFORTS now being made to secure members for the professional societies recall drives of the past two years in which different methods were used. The year before last, soliciting was carried on within each course independently, whereas last year, the societies combined to hold one concerted drive, but still there was not a satisfactory increase in the number of memberships.

This year a combination of the two methods is being used, in hopes of obtaining a record enrollment, but up to the present time disappointment is indicated. Whether this is due to lack of sufficient initiative on the part of the societies' officers, or to lack of responsiveness on the part of the student body in general, the fact is to be deplored.

The functions of the societies are many and varied. They are the chief link between the student and the industrial or technical world he is preparing to enter. They arrange trips by means of which he may visit plants and make direct contact with engineering practice. Perhaps of still greater immediate importance, he may meet the men in his course on a social footing at smokers and meetings. None of these features, however, can attain its maximum usefulness, without a maximum number of men to lend their support, and any man who fails to join his society does double injustice by depriving himself of its benefits, and by depriving the society of his aid.

A CHANCE TO JOIN

THE adoption by the Institute Committee of the policy of "watchful waiting" with regard to Technology's infant activities, while not without precedent, is none the less reprehensible.

The activities concerned are the Speakers' Club, which was instrumental in getting Charles M. Schwab to speak at Technology, and the M. I. T. Press Club, which is keeping the affairs of the Institute before the newspaper reading public—neither of them a mere social organization, but each having a record of service behind it. The former asked for representation, and instead was granted recognition as an Institute activity. The latter requested recognition, and was given it but temporarily.

In both cases the action of the undergraduate governing body was constitutional, but was it far-sighted?

The Institute Committee is composed of the heads of activities, heads of professional societies and representatives of the classes. In its hands are vested legislative, executive and judicial powers to be used in the government of the student body, but the supposition is that that government will be intelligent, far-seeing and progressive. Unless the Institute Committee backs actively, instead of recognizing passively, activities which are working for the good of Technology, it fails to fulfill its mission.

START SIGNAL CORPS CLASSES OCTOBER 24

Signal Corps classes on the theory of telephony will commence at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning, and will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays of every week, from 9 to 10 o'clock. Laboratory periods will come on the same days, from 4 to 5 o'clock.

BENEFIT DANCE TICKETS MAY BE OBTAINED TODAY

Today tickets for the tea dance which the Walker Memorial Committee and the Combined Musical Clubs are giving for the benefit of the Technology Christian Association will go on sale. They may be purchased at the Co-operative store, at the office of the Musical Clubs, at the T. C. A. office and from the members of the Walker Committee for \$1.50.

The dance will take place Saturday week, Oct. 28, in the main hall of Walker, and will continue from 3 until 6 o'clock.

DR. THOMPSON ADDRESSES HEXALPHAS AT SMOKER

The General Electric Company of Lynn last Thursday gave to the Hexalpa Society a banquet in their honor. The affair was held in Lynn at their plant at 5:30 o'clock in building 45. The banquet was for all the upper-classmen and graduates of Course VI-A.

Before the dinner, Mr. Dailey, of the Company, spoke to the men. Afterwards, Dr. Elihu Thompson, acting president of the Corporation, spoke of his acquaintance with Dr. Stratton and how it came about. Dr. Thompson gave a brief sketch of his life.

There were 90 percent of the upper classmen and graduates of the course present.

CLEOFAN TO ELECT NEW TREASURER TOMORROW

Cleofan will hold a meeting tomorrow afternoon for the purpose of electing a new treasurer. The meeting will take the form of an afternoon tea, and will be held in the Margaret Cheney room at 4:30 o'clock. One of the features of the meeting, which is the first event of the year, will be a speech by Dr. Bunker of the Department of Biology and Public Health.

MUSICAL CLUBS MAKE UNUSUAL DISCOVERY

Fall Term Concert Schedule Completed

Last Wednesday evening an unusual discovery was made in room 10-250, according to an announcement made by the Musical Clubs. However, what this discovery is they will not say at present, but reserve it as a surprise for the Fall Concert, December 1.

The specialty acts competition drew about 25 men to the first meeting. The management promises new ideas in these acts which are to be given at the various concerts of the Clubs this season.

The concerts announced for the fall term are as follows: Franklin Square House, November 14; Lynn, November 20; Wakefield, November 25; Fall Concert, December 1; and, by vote of the Clubs, Rogers Hall, December 2. There will be no concert December 9.

PROF. HATT ADDRESSES CIVIL ENGINEERS SOCIETY

Commends Splendid Work of Major Ireland

The Civil Engineering Society was addressed last Wednesday by Professor W. K. Hatt of the National Research Council on the subject of "Road Testing and Transportation." He spoke of the fine work being done at Yale University, Illinois University and in California. He also commended the fine work being done by Major Ireland, U. S. Q. C., at the Institute.

W. W. Zapolski '23, rendered a selection on the violin, accompanied by R. W. Ambach '24, and A. V. Graves '24, also played on the balalaika. Refreshments were served after the meeting. This was the first monthly smoker held by the society. It is planned to hold one every month hereafter. Professor Hatt will speak at Yale on his way back to Washington.

NOTICES

FOR UNDERGRADUATES

OFFICIAL

All freshmen are required to attend a series of lectures on Personal Hygiene on Wednesdays, from four to five, in room 10-250, for the six weeks beginning Wednesday, October 25.

UNDERGRADUATE

The Night Editor in charge of the next issue of THE TECH is L. E. Fogg '24, telephone Univ. 7077. All matters pertaining to the issue should be referred to him.

There will be a rehearsal of the Choral Society today at 7:30 o'clock in room 5-330.

There will be a meeting of the officers of the Junior Class in room 10-267, Tuesday, Oct. 24, at 5 o'clock.

The M. I. T. Choral Society will hold a meeting tonight in room 5-330 at 7:30 o'clock. This is the second meeting of the year and all interested are requested to attend.

VOO DOO FOR DECEMBER IS A FEMINE NUMBER

Art Work Wanted for November and January Issues

With the appearance of the freshman number of Voo Doo, comes the announcement of the Feminine number which will be out in December. The cover and the contents of this number will as usual be contributed by girls from the various schools and colleges throughout the country. The art and the literary work is divided, and Woop Garoo charms and ribbons will be awarded to each of the winners of the following contests: Cover Designs, Inside Art Work, and Literary Material.

The November issue will be the only other one this term in which members of the staff and candidates will have material. Art work for this and the January issue is wanted in the Voo Doo office at once. At present there is an opportunity for ten more men in the Art department. H. B. Kane '24, will see anyone interested this week at the Voo Doo office, room 309, Walker Memorial.

RELATIVE POSITIONS OF FRATERNITIES COMPILED

It has always been of great interest to the student body as a whole to know the comparative scholastic standing of the various fraternities. These lists are compiled at the end of each term by the Faculty and give the names of the fraternities in the order of their rating.

The list according to their standing at the end of last year is as follows:— Comparative Scholastic Standing of Fraternities June 1922.

1. Tau Epsilon Phi
2. Delta Psi
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15. Theta Chi
16. Sigma Chi
17. Alpha Tau Omega
18. Kappa Sigma
19. Phi Gamma Delta
20. Delta Upsilon
21. Delta Tau Delta
22. Phi Kappa
23. Phi Sigma Kappa
24. Lambda Chi Alpha
25. Alpha Mu Sigma
26. Theta Delta Chi
27. Theta Xi
28. Phi Sigma Delta

EXAMS HELD THURSDAY

Medical Examinations for freshmen and Transfers begin on October 30. Each man will be notified when he will be examined, and by order of the Administrative Committee, this appointment takes precedence over all other engagements, including classes.

AT THE THEATRES

BOSTON OPERA HOUSE: "Spice of 1922." Big hit, with Valeska Suratt and a host of stars.

SHUBERT: "Rose of Stamboul." Resplendent musical comedy direct from Century Theatre, New York.

FINE ARTS THEATRE: "Hedda Gabler." One of Ibsen's famous dramas.

SYMPHONY HALL: Oct. 25, at 8:25. John McCormack, celebrated Irish tenor. An evening of songs.

COLONIAL: "Music Box Revue." Irving Berlin's marvelous musical show. Very good.

HOLLIS: "Nice People." Francine Larrimore fakes the part of the flapper in a play about the modern girl.

TREMONT: "Little Nellie Kelley." Cohan's latest musical show of the O'Brien girl series. Good.

TREMONT TEMPLE: "One Exciting Night." D. W. Griffith's latest picture.

WILBUR: "The Bat." A mystery show that has been running for about two years but is still thrilling.

SELWYN: "Shuffle Along." Miller and Lyles head a colored company in a clever musical show.

KEITH'S: Vaudeville.

MAJESTIC: Shubert vaudeville.

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RADIO SOCIETY CONFERS WITH E. E. DEPARTMENT

Further Co-operation Is Topic of Discussion

Further co-operation between the Electrical Engineering Department and the M. I. T. Radio Society was the topic of discussion at a meeting of the officers of the Society with Dr. A. E. Kennelly and Mr. E. L. Bowles, of the Electrical Engineering Department. The meeting was held last Thursday evening.

Dr. Kennelly said that he thought it was desirable for the men in Communications Option to join the Radio Society. He stated two reasons for this opinion. The most important one is to take advantage of the opportunity offered by the Radio Society's code classes to obtain proficiency in code work. Secondly, the Society's radio station 1XM offers exceptional opportunities for experimental work in radio. The Atlantic Seaboard is, according to Dr. Kennelly, the "best radio laboratory in the world."

Dr. Kennelly has been actively interested in experimental radio work for some time. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the American Radio Relay League.

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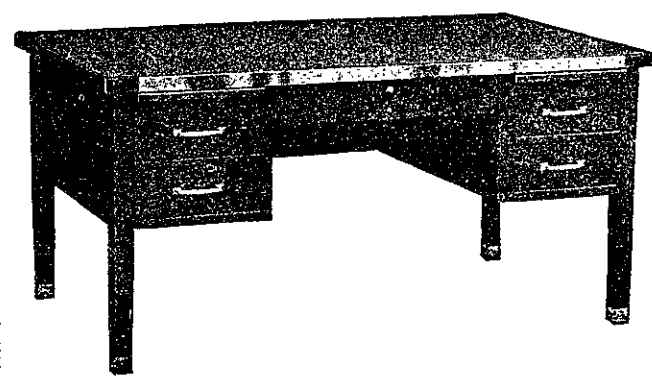
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