

DEAN H. P. TALBOT LEAVES TODAY ON LONG VACATION

Will Spend Summer on Pacific
Coast—Is First Rest Taken
in 30 Years

EXPECTS TO VISIT MANY UNIVERSITIES ON TRIP

Assistant Dean H. E. Lobdell
Is in Charge of Office
During Absence

Today Dean H. P. Talbot '85, and his wife are leaving for an extensive trip to the south and west. Dr. Talbot's leave of absence extends until the opening of school next fall, and while he is away the Dean's office will be in charge of H. E. Lobdell '17, who is the Assistant Dean.

Professor Talbot plans to go through the South first and then to spend the summer on the Pacific Coast. Although the Dean expects to visit numerous educational institutions on his trip, his chief idea is to secure a rest from his duties, as he has not taken any rest from his work for over thirty years.

Will Meet Student Leaders

While he is on the Coast, Dr. Talbot expects to meet several men who were formerly connected with the Institute. These include Alfred E. Burton, who was Technology's first Dean, and who is resting in California after retiring about two years ago, and Professor A. A. Noyes '86, who was acting president of the Institute about fifteen years ago and who is now Director of Chemical Laboratories at the California Institute of Technology.

The Dean will visit nearly all of the more important universities and colleges of the south and west, and he may also find time to see some of the largest schools of the middle west on his return trip. He is expecting to meet the leaders in activities at these institutions and possibly to get some helpful information from them.

In view of the fact that Technology may soon obtain some new dormitories, Professor Talbot will investigate the good and bad points of both student and faculty control. He will also look into the different methods of student government.

REGISTRATION DROPS TO 2940 STUDENTS

Is 164 Less Than Last Term—
\$1,000 Collected
in Fines

According to figures announced by the Registrar's office Saturday, the total number of students now attending the Institute is 2940, which is 164 less than were enrolled last term. A greater number than this actually registered for the third term, but have since been dropped.

The present enrollment is 304 less than last fall's figure of 3244, which represented a decrease of 291 from the enrollment in 1921-22. Detailed registration statistics for this term are not yet available.

Up to Saturday noon about \$1000 in fines for late registration had been received by the Bursar's office. This is less than half as much as was paid last term. According to Bursar Ford the marked decrease is due to the shortness of the recent vacation, which makes it impossible for many students to go home, consequently they have no reason for returning late.

Radio Lab Nearly Ready

Mr. Bowles, who is in charge of the wiring of the new radio research laboratory in 10-385, formerly the Vail library, expects to have everything ready in a month.

News Meeting Today

A meeting of the news department of THE TECH will be held in the news room, room 3, Walker, at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Attendance is optional for men on the staff. Candidates, a number of whom can be used, may report.

Plan to Take Juniors Into Course X Honor Fold This Afternoon

Instructors and Students Favor
Idea—Report Present
System a Success

This afternoon the Course X Honor System committee is holding a meeting to discuss the extension of the honor system to the Juniors of their course. The members of the committee and the Seniors feel that the success of the institution warrants this proposed extension.

When questioned about certain rumors to the effect that the honor system had proved a failure, F. G. Harmon '23, one of the members of the committee, stated that to the best of his knowledge the system is functioning successfully, and that in fact the committee has under consideration the cases of three culprits.

L. S. McLane '23, president of the Chemical Society, stated that as far as he knows the system is working satisfactorily, however, he feels that publicity as to its affairs is objectionable to the committee.

Professor Keyes Favors System

Professor W. K. Lewis, head of the course, says that he himself and all his colleagues on the instructing staff are heartily in favor of the idea and that so far the honor system has operated to the entire satisfaction of the department.

Professor F. G. Keyes, acting head of the Department of Chemistry, says that he is in favor of the honor system, but that his one objection is that the fellows might be either too lenient or too harsh in dealing with transgressors. The inclination would be toward excessive harshness, he said, because the committee members would feel that the public is watching them.

Course X instituted the honor system at the end of the last term, just in time to be used during the final examinations. At that time it was felt that it would be best to make the system applicable to the Seniors only, and so it has been up to the present time.

Discuss Dorms Tonight

This evening the question of new dormitories for Technology and their location will be discussed at a joint meeting of the Alumni Council with the Faculty Club in Walker Memorial. In the course of this discussion it is probable that the matter of a new gymnasium will also be taken up. Professor William Emerson, head of the Department of Architecture, will speak on the subject of "General Studies."

Dormitory Senior Scales Runkle's Six Story Wall in Human Fly Style

Same Performer Has Travelled on
Transmission Wires and
Crossed the Dome

A dormitory Senior, when he disregarded the conventional method of going upstairs and scaled the front of Runkle for its six stories last Friday, stated that such stunts were hard on shoes. As to sensations of performing "Human Fly" stunts at dizzy heights, he was unconcerned, seeming more worried about his shoes than his neck.

This is the man who, in his Junior year at Technology pulled down a Sophomore banner suspended on the eve of Field Day from the wires of the experimental transmission line on the east side of Tech Field. Hand over hand he went out forty feet on the topmost wire, calmly returning with the flag in the same manner. This feat was performed shortly before dawn.

Last Friday, feeling the need of diversion, he essayed to scale the six story front of Runkle, the main dormitory hall. Obtaining a scant foothold where projections offered themselves, he made progress upward, finally reaching his objective amid the cheers of the modest crowd below which was urging him on.

Naturally one asks if he has gone to the very top of the highest part of the Institute; yes, he crawled over the dome early in his career at Technology, with the whole janitor force after him with their mops and brooms, attempting to stop him. To elude his pursuers, he slid down over the rope

ARMY NEOPHYTES PUNCTURED FOR FIRST TIME



M. C. BRUSH '01 VISITS INSTITUTE

Tells Professional Societies the
Position of "The Engineer
in Industry"

At the Combined Professional Societies' smoker in Walker on Wednesday evening, M. C. Brush '01 will speak on "The Engineer in Industry." Brush will be remembered for his talk on Hog Island which he gave here on March 10, 1920.

Mr. Brush is a graduate of Course II and is Senior Vice-President of the American International Co-operation of which C. H. Stone '88, is the President. He is also the President of the American International Shipbuilding Corporation.

Spoke on Hog Island

On his previous visit, he spoke to over two thousand students and showed movies of the building and operation of the shipbuilding plant at Hog Island. He had charge of the work there for Stone & Webster.

At that time he told of the difficulties that had to be overcome in the building of the plant and the wonderful system that was able to turn out the much needed ships in war time. He spoke of the performances of the various ships that had been turned out and of their trips over the trade lines to the principle ports of the world.

Although a man of only forty-three he has worked his way up from the bottom. After graduating from the

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500,000 Germs Shot Into Each Advanced R. O. T. C. Prospect

First Dose in Series of Three
Enlivens Army Hdq.—Take
It Well Says Doctor

"Why, George, why are you so cold toward me tonight?" inquired many a Simmons lass, of her formerly ardent swain as they sat side by side yesterday evening. But the Technology Sophomore was deaf to the maid's appeal and permitted his arm to remain limply at his side. For had not the Military Science Department prescribed that he report to the clinic Saturday afternoon for inoculation against typhoid fever if he wanted to go to camp this summer?

These recent activities of the department of Military Science threaten to disrupt some of our fond couples. The effects of the injection of 500,000 germs, we are informed, are so serious in some cases that the victims have to spend the following day in bed.

Two More Inoculations

Major Putney explained to his sections Friday that all men attending the advanced R. O. T. C. camps must be protected against typhoid fever. The first of a series of three "shots" was given by Dr. L. W. Croke at the Medical Department last Saturday afternoon.

Those not taking the shots at this time may do so at the camp, but according to Major Putney, the serum will probably be administered there on Saturday afternoons also, and since leave may be secured from Saturday noon until Sunday night, it will be very undesirable to be handicapped by a stiff arm.

Hilarity Among Missing

The long line which slowly moved through the rooms of the Medical Department from 1 to 4 o'clock Saturday, looked as if it saw over the door "Abandon hope, all ye who enter here!" Some of the men looked a little pale and wan, although Doctor

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ASSISTANT DEAN LOBDELL SPEAKS TO 1902 DINERS

Last Friday night the Class of 1902 gave an informal dinner at the Engineer's Club on Commonwealth Avenue. Mr. H. E. Lobdell '17, Assistant Dean of the Institute, spoke on the life and interests of the students of today as compared with the conditions back in the old days when Technology was on Boylston Street. S. A. Gardner '02, gave a talk on "Submarines."

PROM COMMITTEE PLANS NEW SEATING METHOD

The Junior Prom committee is arranging the seating plan for supper by tables this year. It was formerly the custom to designate the room and then let the groups arrange themselves as they wished at the tables. It was decided that it would be more satisfactory to designate a certain table this year in hopes of avoiding any dissatisfaction and to assure certain groups that they would be together.

The committee have requested that any changes desired in the seating arrangements already turned in or any additional arrangements should be turned in to them at once that they may complete the work as quickly as possible.

ACTIVITY HEADS CONFER ON PLAN TO REBUILD GYM

To Replace Top Floor of Walker
by Two Stories of Offices
and Lounges

A. A. OFFICIAL REGARDS SCHEME UNWARRANTED

F. G. Harmon Opens Discussion
at Institute Committee
Meeting

The advisability of converting the Walker gymnasium into two stories of activity offices and student recreation rooms is now under consideration by a committee of activity heads, according to statements made by F. G. Harmon '23, in an interview Friday evening. The proposed construction will provide 28 new offices for undergraduate use besides additional lounge and reading rooms, the plan being to wipe out the present locker rooms as well as the gym.

Need More Space

Harmon declares that the needs of the activities at the present time are inadequately filled in the available space. With Walker converted entirely into a student recreation building this difficulty would be overcome. More space would also be left for student reading and lounge rooms which would not have to be commandeered for committee meetings as is the case at present.

A. A. Official Interviewed

An official of the M. I. T. A. A. when interviewed stated emphatically that the change could be accomplished only after the entire hangar had been prepared for athletics. It would necessitate the moving of all the freshmen physical training classes to the hangar gym, so that the capacity

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J. M. BREWER TELLS "ART OF STUDYING"

"The Psychology of Study" is
Subject of Lecture
next Friday

How to Study

- 1—Have a plan.
- 2—Memorize important facts and formulas.
- 3—Keep your object directly before you.
- 4—Mentally review the principles involved when solving a problem.
- 5—Remember that knowledge must be built in the mind. There is no way of transferring it from books or another's mind to your own.

"Teachers leave till last, teaching the art of studying," said Professor J. M. Brewer, of the Harvard graduate school of education, to Juniors in a principles of electrical engineering lecture last Friday. The reverse, he said, is the proper order. He implied that if study was to be profitable it must be done in an efficient manner, and that instruction in the fundamentals underlying such study was logical.

There were four important topics covered by Professor Brewer in dealing with the subject, time budgeting, environment, study hygiene and fatigue. He said that it was only sensible that the student should allot a certain amount of time to study, arranging such periods so as to make his life a harmonious whole.

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CALENDAR

- Wednesday, March 28
7:45—Combined Professional Societies meeting, main hall, Walker.
Thursday, March 29
8:00—Joint meeting of the I. R. E., the Harvard Radio Club, the CW Club, and the M. I. T. Radio Society, room 5-330.
8:00—Math Club meeting, west lounge of Walker Memorial.
Saturday, March 31
1:00—Annual First District radio convention and show, Walker Gym.
6:00—Amateur banquet, main hall, Walker Memorial.