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ON THE ALDRED LECTURES

The Aldred Lectures will long remain a monument to the intellelgent interest with which friends of the Institute regard its efforts to produce successful engineers. Mr. Aldred, himself a banker, is interested in engineers, having been associated with them in an active capacity in water-power developments in this country and in Canada. He was early impressed by the achievement of the students and the so-called "practical man" who, while not very familiar with the scientific principles involved, is blessed with abundant common sense and a large capacity for learning by experience.

The lecture series was conceived with the idea of driving home the enormous importance of this factor in the training of the Technology undergraduates. In Mr. Aldred's own words, "It will be a commendation to the engineer's training if the lecture gives the student an opportunity of coming in constant with men who have made an outstanding success in their various lines of undertakings and have associated practical experience, coupled with technical knowledge.

"The function of education is put forward with the hope that it will assist the graduate student going out to take up his life work by being more fortunate than in the case of engineers who, at the cost of his career and the suffering it entails, have to do in the closest practical to the problems of the day."

It is a curious observation that the effect the lectures have been precisely the opposite of laying before the seniors a practical program for their endeavors after graduation. The speakers, all men who have reached the heights of their phases of engineering, have succeeded in firing the imaginations of their listeners, in giving them a glimpse behind the scenes in undertakings of stupendous magnitude, but they have not told the seniors much about how they could use young engineers, and what types of employment would be most likely to yield quickly that "practical experience" which all agree is essential to successful engineering.

Mr. Aldred, in his familiar and flowing style, dwells on Doctor Medicis's description of five and six hundred foot spans, to sit up all night. He does not come closer to the practical in the classroom.

The Tech takes great pleasure in announcing the following "Troupe of Minstrels":


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Malcolm F. Vesco, University of Minnesota, was recently named President of the University of Minnesota, succeeding Dr. W. R. H. Taylor, who has been in that position for 15 years. Dr. Taylor will continue as a member of the faculty.

The news of Dr. Vesco's appointment was received with great enthusiasm by the campus community.

The University of Minnesota, one of the largest and most prestigious institutions in the United States, has a long tradition of excellence in all fields of study. Dr. Vesco's appointment is seen as a significant milestone in the University's history.

Dr. Vesco is a well-respected scholar and administrator, known for his contributions to the fields of education and science. He has held a number of leadership positions at the University, including Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and Provost.

The appointment of Dr. Vesco as President is expected to bring further growth and innovation to the University, as he brings new ideas and perspectives to the leadership role.

Dr. Vesco is also known for his commitment to diversity and inclusion, and his appointment is seen as a positive step towards creating a more inclusive campus community.

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