SPORTS COMMENT

In this our first column of the current school year, may we inform our readers of Tech Toc, that this feature of the sports department of the publication, as the caption suggests, consists of informal bits of comment, criticisms and stories connected with sports at Technology. May we also add that we are always glad to receive material which could be included in this column.

Everyone who ever had to use the cramped quarters of the old wooden "track house" in former years undoubtedly welcomes the most recent addition to the Institute buildings, the new field house. Perhaps the first feature which attracts one's attention as he observes the edifice for the first time is the almost complete absence of windows from the walls. Nearly all the daylight which enters the building comes through the roof skylights. However, if anyone has any doubts as to inadequacy of light inside, one look into the interior will at once dispel such thoughts. The new field house is so much better lighted and its facilities are so much more modern and sanitary that it certainly is the biggest improvement to appear on the Institute grounds in recent years.

All freshmen who would like to substitute some sport for the regular Physical Training course should begin looking over the possibilities offered. If you have any doubts as to inadequacy of light inside, one look into the interior will at once dispel such thoughts. The new field house is so much better lighted and its facilities are so much more modern and sanitary that it certainly is the biggest improvement to appear on the Institute grounds in recent years.

FACULTY MEMBERS CALL PUBLICATIONS VALUABLE

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Herman B. Fendt, Treasurer

No student at the Institute should fail to participate in some one of the extra-curricular activities with the opportunities offered for contact with other men and other minds. Perhaps you do not care for athletics and never have acquired a cramp on the track or crew. Better try a writer's cramp on some of the publications. It will be evidence of effort, anyway.

Samuel C. Prescott, Dean of Science

The value to the student in being "on" a publication at the Institute is directly proportional to the enthusiasm and real interest with which he engages in this extra-curricular activity. If undertaken in the right spirit, work on the Tech Toc or the Tech Engineering News should broaden his outlook, develop his power to make worthwhile contacts, and eliminate his desire to learn how to express his thoughts in clear, terse, and logical language. The special service rendered by the Department of English to men on the publications is of great value. The training in attention to details and in general business methods is also highly advantageous.

Professor Henry G. Pearson

Among outstanding Tech graduates, the number of men who received training in working on one of the undergraduate publications is large. Such training develops ability to do team work, fosters enthusiasm for a cause and loyalty to it, and is a proving-ground for a man's qualities of leadership. It is no wonder that so many of these men make good in later life.

Professor J. Alexander Magoun

Working on college publications pays a two-fold dividend; in college it gives one opportunity to work with classmates in a truly creative way; after college it gives you a better start in knowing how to get into print. Every company likes to have its technical staff publish a professional paper now and then; it is good advertising for the company and an aid to promotion for the individual.

Dethert L. Rhind, Bursar

Affiliation with any undergraduate publication will prove to be of inestimable value to the student in his future contacts upon graduation.

J. R. Killian, Jr., '26

No other group of activities (athletics excepted) at Technology attracts so many students as our publications. This fact demonstrates two things: first, that our publications play a vital part in our community.