New Developments Spring Up
For Students Around Institute

Study Russia Under New Prof.

Forty Students

The students in the new elementary Russian class claim that it is one of the most interesting classes in the Institute. There are about thirty-five students in this class, and about eleven in the courses that Russian has been taught at the Tech for the last twenty years. The same instructor teaches both. So far he has been a successful teacher, and the students are of the opinion that he might continue in the same vein for a long time.

The largest single contributing factor to the success of the course is the enthusiasm with which the students are working. Everyone is eager to learn and to make progress. The class consists of students from all walks of life, from engineers to officers in training. The Russian language is being taught in a very stimulating manner. Everyone can see the importance of learning a foreign language, and they are determined to do so.

Obstacle Course

The Athletic Advisory Committee is behind another addition to the campus. Mr. Ralph T. Jope explained the obstacle course which may be found to the rear right of the alumni swimming pool. "It's a series of broad jumps, some axe to take, some axe to turn, some axe to walk, and some axe to sit on." The object of the course is to make it as difficult as possible and to encourage everyone to try it.

Civilian morale suffers from this confusion. The war effort is a whole mass of confusion. We can only hope that someone in some vaguely defined somewhere along the line—someone who we assume is equipped with the facts—knows what is going on. But for the layman, the world situation, as it appears, is the home front, in a vast network of hopes, desires, half-truths, falsehoods, and we hope, some truth.

The leading class honors are given to the Class of 1944, which placed 166 members or 37.5% on the Dean's List. This tops even the 31.1% of the class ruled in 1943. The Class of 1946 topped second honors with 179 members thereon and a percentage of 36.0. The Class of 1945 crept up to 36.4%, while the Class of 1943 dropped to 32.7%, but the numbers dropped from 188 to 186.

A total of 94 students qualified for the President's List. Participation in sports was high, with over 1,000 students participating in various sports. The number of students who are not now taking part in any athletic activity is 1,050 students, 20.1%. Total 196 students, 20.1%.

New Wooden Steps, Obstacle Course, Yellow Stripes Puzzle Many