"DA, DAI!"

This is addressed to the few students of the freshman class who have taken it upon themselves to supply additional decoration to the walls of the Institute in the form of chalk and pencil marks. These decorations are in poor taste, and convey a bad impression to the guests of the Institute who happen to have occasion to visit the buildings which bear the marks.

We have heard of young fellows scratching on the walls of their homes. This does not come as a great shock to us.

We fail to find any justification, however, for a similar action, instigated by those who should be mature enough to know better.

If the youngsters who are responsible for this childish display of their imaginations and their disregard for the property of the Tech, we shall be happy to trade them a nice red rattle for their chalk.

If they prefer to retain their chalk and pencils, and continue to use the buildings as blackboards, we suggest that a pocket be sewn on their romper as a repository for a five dollar fine.

BOOK LOSS MUST STOP

During the summer term the libraries of the Institute have found that the casualty list of strayed books is far in excess of what would be considered a normal figure. This is particularly true of the Walker Memorial Library.

We hesitate to believe that any of the lost books were deliberately filched, preferring to believe that thoughtlessness on the part of a few individuals is responsible for their disappearance.

The loss of books has occurred chiefly from the reserves which are held available for use of English classes. The authorities of the library believe that students can be relied upon to use the books which are available as they would own books of their own. They believe that a library should be conducted as an intellectual center, not upon the principle of letting one's friends have, upon payment of a few cents, a copy of the book in case they may want to study portions of the work.

The authorities of the library system have not placed restrictions upon the students who use Walker Memorial Library, since reserves have been made to rely upon the students to make proper use of the books which are available as they would have books of their own. They believe that a library should be conducted as an intellectual center, not upon the principle of letting one's friends have, upon payment of a few cents, a copy of the book in case they may want to study portions of the work.

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One of the valuable services of the T.C.A. which is seldom mentioned is the large amount of leaflets and pictures which one must pass by a check book turnstile before being permitted to leave.

We strongly urge that those students who may be in possession of the missing books return them to us, in order that we may make it upon us to deliver the books to the library in the immediate future. Failure to do so will be a reflection upon the entire student body.

T.C.A. DRIVE STARTS MONDAY

This year the Technology Christian Association is driving for a fund which is considerably lower than in past years. If this amounts to be gained, it is necessary that every student contribute as much as possible.

The T.C.A., in answer to requests, has printed its budget for 1943-44 directly on the pledge card. There is no question as to whether the money which is raised is used to help the Drive is to go. Every cent will be devoted to the support of a valuable phase of the work of the T.C.A. None of the funds will be used for the salaries of the T.C.A. personnel.

One of the valuable services of the T.C.A. which is seldom remembered when the Drive opens is that of the supply of the freshman fraternity with some of the materials of the Drive. Without this list, the rushing program of the fraternities would be greatly handicapped.

It is needless to mention the freshman Handbook, the Book Exchange, the Ticket Service, the freshman Advisor system, the Reserve Book Service, and the Student Employment Bureau.

The T.C.A. should be given more than enough to merit the budget. The excess will be put to a good use!