CLASS OF '45, '46, OR '47

Recently the Executive Committee of the Junior Class met and decreed that their Class should henceforth be known as the Class of 1946. The five men of the Committee were McKeown, MacKinnon, Richard S. Money, Drumkalhime, Robert B. Hildebrand, and George E. McKean, as they thought best in making this decision.

They feel that the Class has been given a name for something permanent. Previously it had been informally known as either the Class of 1946 or 6-45. It was necessary to make a decision at this time because the class designation must be placed on the Senior rings, which are to be ordered next. The Comm Rad Committee at its meeting elected Mr. Hildebrand as the representative of the Class, President of the Institute.

Many Juniors prefer to be known as '46 men because it is the first time they will be graduating in 1946, while there is no other class carrying the 1945 title. The present Senior Class is known as the Class of 1944, though their rings are marked '45 and the athletic numerals they have been awarded are '44. Rain ding with '45 cut in them are already in Balfour's hand and there would be no delay in obtaining rings if these numbers were used. If '46 was used there would be a delay due to the ever-present war shortages.

The rings may only contain two numbers and therefore the 6-45 designation could not be used on the rings though it could still be used as the class designation for other occasions.

The number of the class may not be seen important now, but alumni are always known by their class numerals and as time goes on they will grow in importance of pride in their school. The Class of 1946 will probably be spoken of as 6-45 or '46, but the latter is not as good a designation.

There are many strong arguments in favor of the '45 title, however. The Junior Class is actually graduating in 1946, and there are only 16 classes that are up to date in 1946, while there is no other class carrying the 1945 title. The present Senior Class is known as the Class of 1944, though their rings are marked '45 and the athletic numerals they have been awarded are '44. Rain ding with '45 cut in them are already in Balfour's hand, and there would be no delay in obtaining rings if these numbers were used. If '46 was used there would be a delay due to the ever-present war shortages.

In closing, let me remind you that this is a democracy; please be tolerant. That's all brother.

Former Institute Employee Gets Scholastic Record

Chief Petty Officer Charles N. Gillis, former library messenger at the Institute, has received a perfect scholastic record at the San Francisco, Calif. branch of the Ford-Motortown Company.

Gillis, who has been stationed in San Francisco for the past four years, was sent to Ford-Motortown by the "Cavalier" magazine for the "A" series. The company then sent him to San Francisco to write about the San Francisco branch of the Ford-Motortown company.

The former institute employee graduated from the Institute and School and while employed at the Institute continued his studies in mathematics and metallurgy at the Lowell Institute.

BILGE WATER

For those who are not, seek out, and, if possible, rescue, the men who have just returned from the fleet. They are, no doubt, tired and hungry, and, as they have just returned from the fleet, they may be a little cold. They may have been at sea for months and may not have seen their families for a long time. They may not have seen their friends for a long time.

In response to many inquiries from former students, and the fact that they are returning after the long winter, the former students and friends of the Institute have decided to hold a welcome party for the returning students.

The party will be held on Sunday, May 1st, at 1:00 PM in the Alumni Lounge. All former students and friends are invited to attend.

The party will include a meal, music, and speeches. The evening will conclude with a fireworks display.

The event is open to all former students and friends of the Institute, and is sponsored by the Institute's alumni association.

In the Spotlight

This week's SPOTLIGHT seemed to be on a particular student who has been doing quite well in his studies. His name is Ralph R. Scherer, and he is a member of the Class of 1946. Ralph is known as either the Class of 1946 or 6-45. It was necessary to determine the name by which he would be known. The name '46 was chosen for the class designation.

Ralph is a graduate of the Institute and is currently working as an engineer for a large corporation. He is well respected by his peers and is known for his hard work and dedication to his studies.

As for the next event, the Class of 1946 will be holding a reunion in June. Details will be announced shortly.