RESPONSIBILITY

With this issue, the first of Volume LXV, The Tech passes into new hands. It is not without some fears that we take over the control of the paper, for now the responsibilities that were others’ fall upon our shoulders. Some people may scoff at the mention of responsibilities, yet there are many, not the least of which are to our readers.

We are pledged to bring to our readers unbiased news. This principle of free press is a fundamental principle of the democratic form of government, and we do not propose to violate it. Therefore we pledge that The Tech will present the facts, and only the facts, as clearly and with as little bias as it is humanly possible.

An important feature of a free press is that it is open to all, that the printed page is really the property of the paper’s readers. The editorials of The Tech represent the opinions of the Managing Board, and as such they are open to criticism. The Tech has accepted in the past and will continue to accept for printing letters and comments on its policy or any other matter which is of interest to the readers of the paper. Of course, only serious letters, signed as evidence of the writer’s good faith, can be accepted.

We have attempted to give you some of our aims for the coming year. Our aims will be defeated if the students do not take an active interest in The Tech. Volume LXV is published for the benefit of the students of the Institute, but the benefits will be lost if the undergraduate body does not recognize The Tech as its medium of expression and take full advantage of its facilities. It is our responsibility to provide these facilities; it is your responsibility to make use of them.