Informal Walker Dance To Follow Junior Prom On Saturday, April 21

Prof. R. Richards
Oldest Tech Man, Is Dead At 100

Famed Metallurgist
Headed Course III
For Forty-One Years

Prof. Robert H. Richards, '90, oldest graduate and the only remaining member of the Institute's first class passed away Tuesday in his hundredth and first year. Prof. Richards was associated with Technology in some capacity ever since its founding.

As an appropriate tribute to Prof. Richards, the pall bearers at his burial this week were students and staff members of Course III. They were F. W. Bowdish, E. J. Chapin, S. S. Kocapetou, H. Liang, S. B. Maloof, and G. S. Preller.

A native of Gardiner, Maine, he was born on August 28, 1844. Previous to his retirement in 1914 as professor emeritus, he was a member of the Institute's faculty for 46 years and was for 41 years head of the department of Mining Engineering. Early in his academic career he established at Technology the first educational laboratories of mining and metallurgy in the world, and revolutionized teaching in these fields by the introduction of laboratory methods of experimental and scientific research.

Following his graduation in 1868, he served for a year as assistant in Chemistry and was then made an instructor in Assaying and Qualitative Analysis. In 1870 he became assistant professor of Analytical Chemistry, and soon after was appointed professor of Mineralogy and Assaying. He held the post of professor of Mining Engineering from 1873 to 1884, and from that time until his retirement was professor of Mining

Ken Reeves To Play;
Dance Starts At 8:00;
Tickets Cost $6.60

A big informal dance will be held in Walker Memorial on Saturday evening, April 21, following the Junior Prom. This announcement, made by the Prom Committee, serves to convert the Prom into a weekend affair, with big dances on both Friday and Saturday nights. Ken Reeves and his orchestra will supply the music at the Walker dance, which will last from 8:00 p.m. until midnight. All of Walker will be open, and refreshments will be served. Two fraternity parties, also sponsored by the Junior Prom Committee, will take place that evening. The particular fraternities will be announced next week.

It has been decided, in view of the larger dance planned for Saturday, to redeem the tickets at $3.00, making the total cost of the tickets $6.60, tax included. They may be redeemed in the Lobby of Building 10 between 11:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M., Friday, April 6.

Table reservations may be made on Monday, April 9, by presenting two J.P. tickets in Building 10 between 11:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M. The tables will seat five couples each.

Members Chosen For Tau Beta Pi

Elected to Tau Beta Pi, the National honorary engineering fraternity, during the past week were:

From the Class of 6-45: James L. Gurney, Robert N. Maglathlin; Donald M. Whitehead, Stephen W. Moulton, Charles H. Golden, Ralph P. Crowder, and Thomas N. Berlage, Jr.


Hallett Conducts Popular Orchestra

Maj. Mal Hallett, whose orchestra will play at the Junior Prom, has long been known as a provider of Grade A dance rhythms. At one time or another Hallett has had in his band Gene Krupa, Frankie Carle and Jack Teagarden. According to reports the current combination is the smoothest yet. A good many people think so, for it is one of the bands that are heard repeatedly on Coca-Cola’s SpotLight Bands. The most recent appearance of Maj. Hallett played on the nationwide hookup from an Army base at Lake Placid.

Other recent appearances of the group were at Hotels Commodore and Park Central and the Paramount Theater in New York; Frank Dally’s Terrace Room in Newark, and the Coconut Grove in Los Angeles.

Among his other achievements are the introduction of a good number of hit songs, including "Dearly Beloved," "Let's Get Lost" and "I Left My Heart at the Stage" (Continued on Page 4)

IFC To Create Advisory Council

National I.F.C. Suggests Changes In Hell Week

At the meeting of the I.F.C. last night it was voted that the Alumni Advisory Council President K. T. Compton had suggested at a meeting of the I.F.C. early this month be organized.

This Advisory Council, which will consist of an alumnus from each fraternity house, would have only advisory powers. The purpose of the organization is to take up interfraternity problems. Creation of this council is the first step of its kind.

John J. Friedberger, 6-45, resigned as president of the I.F.C. last night. David A. Trageser, 6-45, will call for the nomination and election of a successor at the next meeting.

The National I.F.C. suggested that Hell Weeks be run more efficiently and orderly so as to be less objectionable to the public. The proposal was discussed.

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