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Tech Eight In Win On Charles

Beats Cornell, Crimson; Crews To Visit Ithaca

Last Saturday afternoon over a too placid Charles River, the Tech varsity crew defeated the crews of Cornell and Harvard in a respectable time of 9:17.5. In the Junior Varsity race, the Cornell crew led all the way to easy triumph, while the M.I.T.J.V. nipped the Harvard boat for second place. Earlier in the afternoon, the Tech varsity boat defeated the Harvard boat Tech thirds by a comfortable margin over the Henley distance of one mile and five sixteenths.

In the mile-and-three-quarters varsity race, the Tech eight forged steadily ahead from the start and never in a dangerous position of passing the dinghy pavilion. At the end of the race found them one-quarter of a length in front of Cornell with Harvard still another length behind. The race was held at a steady pace of 32 strokes per minute as there was no necessity for a final sprint at the finish.

Coxswain Ray Excels

Such credit for the varsity victory must go to cox Ray who kept the boat on a straight course in spite of the strong cross wind which

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Class Election Date Moved To May 29

Nomination Blanks Obtained At Info. Off.

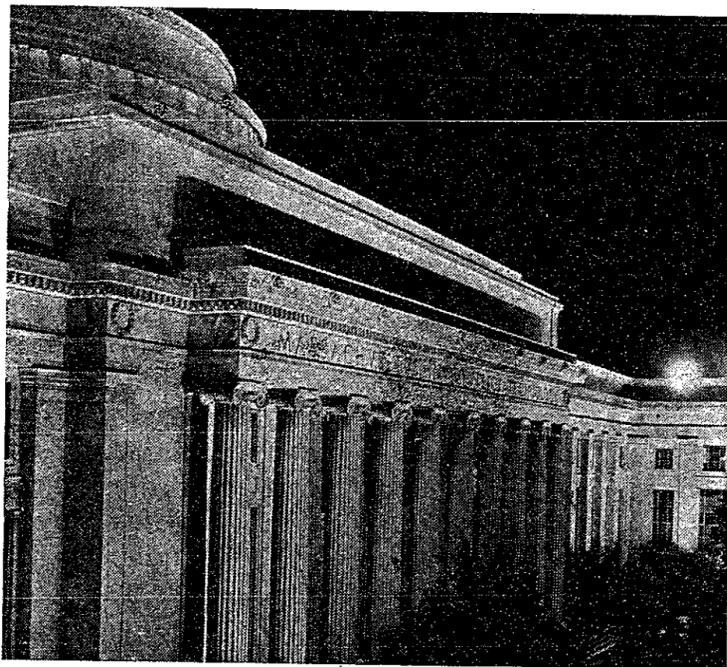
The class elections, previously scheduled for Wednesday, May 30, have been changed to the preceding Tuesday, May 29. This change has been made because of the suspension of classes on the occasion of Memorial Day, May 30.

Nomination blanks must be obtained in at the ballot box in the Information Office, Room 7-111, beginning at 9:00 A. M. Wednesday, May 29, and 1:00 P. M. Thursday, May 30. They may be obtained at the same time at the Information Office and require twenty-five signatures.

A 100 word statement of plans for the year, a list of policies, an activity record in

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"THE LIGHTS GO ON AGAIN"



Last Wednesday, the floodlights illuminating the main buildings were turned on again. This is the first time they have been on since December, 1941, when the submarine menace, and the subsequent dimout regulations turned off all such lighting. These lights, just as others all up and down the coast, are shining to celebrate the end of the war in Europe. They will continue to burn every night for an indefinite period.

Thousands Attend V-E Ceremonies In Great Court

Dr. Compton Presides; Asks Continued Effort For Ultimate Victory

The Institute's observance of victory in Europe was limited to a convocation held in the Great Court, Tuesday, in line with the government's request that vital research and training programs go on as usual. President Karl T. Compton, who presided at the convocation, called "V-E Day" a day of joy, which must be tempered with the realization that there are many hard battles still to be fought before we can celebrate complete victory. Later, he emphasized the great role that Technology has played in winning the victory in Europe.

After a playing of the Washington Post March and the Star Spangled Banner by the V-12 Band, the convocation opened with a prayer led by Reverend Carl Heath Kopf of the Mount Vernon Church.

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Ship Is Named "M.I.T. Victory"

Christening Tomorrow At Baltimore Yards

Launching of the SS M.I.T. Victory, one of a number of Victory ships named in honor of American colleges and universities by the United States Maritime Commission, will take place tomorrow at the Bethlehem-Fairfield Shipyard, Inc., in Baltimore, Md. President Karl T. Compton will attend the launching, as will local Baltimore alumni of the Institute.

The launching will be preceded by a small luncheon at the Belvedere Hotel in Baltimore, to be given by Mrs. Compton, sponsor of the ship, and which will be attended by several active Baltimore and Washington alumni as well as by Mr. J. M. Willis, vice-president and general manager of the shipyard.

Through the American Merchant Marine Library Association the Institute has made a gift of a commemorative library for the S.S. M.I.T. Victory.

Pres. Compton, Prof. Greene Hold Debate

Aspects Of Proposed Compulsory Military Training Discussed

Stating his belief that "universal military training is the best answer in sight for doing our share in keeping a permanent peace," President Karl T. Compton came out in favor of a compulsory postwar training program in a debate with Prof. William C. Greene, of the department of English and History, who was distinctly against such a program. The debate, which was sponsored by the T. C. A., was held Monday afternoon, May 7 in Huntington Hall. President Compton's opinions were definitely his own and did not represent official Institute attitude.

Dr. Compton admitted that there were many arguments both in favor and against compulsory training, but said that he felt that the arguments in favor outweighed those against. He pointed out the fallacy of judging other nations by our own ethical principles and said that the danger of further war will not come from a state where things are viewed as we view them. He quoted Ambassador Joseph Grew who said that prior to World Wars I and II the United States was held in contempt for its lack of military might to enforce its ideals, and pointed out that, since an international organization must be able to force good behavior on obstreperous nations, this time we must have courage to do whatever need be done to make another war impossible.

Dr. Compton emphasized that

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Unclaimed Pops Tickets Go On Sale Tomorrow

All unclaimed tickets for Tech Night at the Pops, June 2, are to go on sale tomorrow from 10:00 A. M. to 1:00 P. M. and Monday, from 11:00 A. M. to 2:00 P. M. in the lobby of Building Ten.

Tickets that have not been purchased after Monday will be returned to Symphony for sale to the public.