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968 Students Are Registered his Summer Freshmen Compose Largest Tech Class since Institute Began Registration figures for this term, released by the Records Office, show a total registration at the Institute for 1,968 students, including both graduate and undergraduate students. There are 1,590 undergraduate and 378 graduate students.

Veterans Meet on Wednesday Organization's Charter, Plans to Be Discussed

A general meeting of all veterans of World War II registered at the Institute will be held in Room 6-120 next Wednesday, August 15, at 5:00 P.M. Alan P. Taplin, 2-48, who has been working in close cooperation with the Institute Committee's Veterans' Committee, has been in charge of the organizational work for the meeting.

According to figures elsewhere in this issue, there are approximately five hundred and sixty-two civilians and the same number of V-12's. (There are no Navy men in either of the freshmen classes.) Twenty-nine Navy men have been registered at the Institute, and Taplin urges every one of these men to come to the meeting, as it concerns all of them. The meeting will have as its main purpose the establishment of a veterans organization, to be called the Institute's Veterans' Bureau, to work in close cooperation with the Institute Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and to represent the veterans on all committees and organizations. At the meeting, the officers of the Institute Committee on Veterans' Affairs will introduce the organization and present its by-laws for adoption.

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President Karl Compton Leaves Institute for War Work In Pacific

Catholic Club Tickets On Sale

Two V-12's will be formally initiated into the national honorary engineering fraternity on Monday, August 20, 5:00 P.M. in the Moore Room of the Smith House. Proceeding formal initiation, each neophyte will be required to make a wooden model of the bent, Tau Beta Pi fraternity key, twenty times the actual size. Each of the pledges will also be required to write a non-technical theme of interest to engineers. Five dollar prizes will be awarded to the pledges making the best model bent and writing the best themes.

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Dr. Killian To Serve As Acting President For 6 Month Period

President Karl T. Compton has recently left the Institute to assume the directorship of the Office of Scientific Research and Development in the Pacific theater of war. At present Dr. Compton is in Manila, Philippine Islands. The Executive Committee of the M.I.T. Corporation, which granted Dr. Compton a six months' leave of absence, has appointed Dr. James R. Killian, Jr., formerly Executive Vice-President, to serve as Acting President of the Institute.

Discusses Atomic Bomb Under Dr. Compton's directorship, the Pacific Branch of the O.S.R.D. will mobilize the field service activities which will be the final stage in co-ordinating and applying the efforts of the civilian scientists and engineers.

In a recent interview in Manila, Dr. Compton stated that he thought

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