FIELD DAY, 1945

Placing age and experience above spirit, Coach Oscar Hedlund has predicted a smashing Sophomore-Junior victory in tomorrow’s forty-fifth renewal of Field Day hostilities. Certainly spirit displayed would indicate a victory for the freshmen, but perhaps it will once again be the old story of skill over enthusiasm.

At any rate, Boston weather permitting, Field Day of 1945 promises to be one of the most successful and closely-fought in recent years. The decision of the Field Day Committee to allow the Juniors to fight with the Sophomores has turned what might have been a farce into a good battle, and indeed might well have turned the tide the other way. The Beaver Key Society’s dance in the evening promises to be an exciting climax to an eventful day.

In the past few days, at least, there has been a considerable revival of spirit in the Sophomore and Junior classes, as well as an outburst of enthusiasm among the freshmen. This is a good indication that the day will be hotly contested down to the last glove is dropped into the last barrel and floats over Briggs Field.

May the better class win, but may they have a very hard time doing so!

WELL DONE

With the end of the war against Japan, the vital work of the Technology Blood Donor Service was brought to an abrupt halt. In the eighteen months from its conception on February 16, 1944, until August 14, 1945, the amazing total of 4212 pints of blood, an average of 234 pints per month, were given directly through the Service. Even this total does not include the many individual donations which were inspired by the campaign, but appointments for which were made by donors on their own.

A breakdown of the totals reveals that there are 190 members of the Gallon Club (8 donations), including 14 students and 41 faculty members. There are six members of the Two Gallon Club, including Prof. Paul M. Chalmers, George B. Thomas, Jr., and K. Thomas Monrose, 6-45, record total of 18 donations was held by Stanley King, a member of the staff in the Division of Industrial Coop. Two persons, including Prof. Avery A. Ashdown, had contributed 15 pints and had made appointments for their donations when V-J Day came.

To Connie Hougton, the indefatigable secretary who gave the drive its drive, to the T.C.A. Advisory Board, provided the wherewithal, and to the Technology staff, faculty, and staff members who gave their blood that might live, go our congratulations and thanks for a job well done.