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guess some of the fellows around here aren't contented with the brooks over the charles, so our, especially the name, we mentioned something about that in this column last week, and some of more ambitious techmen decided to do something about it. about a week ago two signs proclaiming "harvard bridge closed!" mysteriously vanished from their assigned locations on massachusetts avenue. one had been placed near the charles river, and another at the top of the ladder at the roof, and an informant told us that perhaps the thieves of the two placards could be ascertained if a thorough search was made of building 23.

and sure enough, located in a drawer near the bottom of the plywood galice the signs were found, at the time of their discovery, the curious sign that the crime was planned for that evening.

as hands of the clock strode from midnight to one, almost exactly in the same hour that most of the cambridge police force was in position, the legend, "harvard bridge closed," was posted to the walls of the new pledges at the ifc dance were evolved. such a procedure in fact, fraternities do entertain guests all year anyway.

indeed, it might be well if some tradition of tendering bids to the visitors was evolved. such a procedure would add distinctness to the rushing system; we hope that a sound choice of prospective brothers can be made. the obvious advantage is that the eager gentlemen of cambridge will have been made familiar and will have the opportunity to visit the houses by and inquired to the houses the following fall, would have been painted out.

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One proposal which the fraternity members have not taken kindly to was made by the Institute Administration last year. It was urged that instead of keeping the houses down, or so, fraternity at Technology College should move into houses to be built on the West Campus by or some insurance company. In spite of the fact that, compared to most colleges on fraternities enjoy a fantastic amount of autonomy, the objection raised was that moving the houses to Institute property would subject the fraternities to too much Institute control. The Institute's answer to the point raised is that several fraternities already stand on Institute grounds with no Institute supervision over them. They might, for instance, include in their agreement with the Institute a provision establishing the IFC as the only body governing that fraternity's territory, effectively the same situation that now exists. Just as the King can not enter the House of Lords uninvited, the fraternity might stipulate that no member of the administration or Faculty may come uninvited into their buildings.

Centralizing student living on the West Campus would probably be the biggest change in the next 10 or 15 years, but the problem of the perennial problem of school spirit. Only when students live together in a group will they co-operate in activities. In the long run, this is a step that the Institute cannot afford not to take.

THANKS

Once in a while we feel that we ought to show the Institute that we appreciate the fact, such as it is, in the right places. The recent move of the Freshman Album was largely the result of the efforts of the Institute Administration, and they are to be congratulated. Probably the most important contribution of the Freshman Album was the inauguration of the Freshman Album, a book of photographs and vital statistics of the entering class. This book can go a long way towards introducing the new men to their town and to its forming of its home towns and by all means its publication should be continued for coming years.