Acute Lack Of Grads Expected In Engineering

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In an interview over WMIT last Thursday, March 19, President Kilham, speaking from his home in Stony Point, offered information on the shortage of engineering students. The second of WMIT's current discussion series, "Dr. Kilham's Forum," radioed in at 7:30 p.m., while the program signed off from Dr. Kilham's home, will feature Dr. Kilham's views on George R. Higgins, and Professor L. F. Hamil. Student questions will be accepted in writing or on the air. Dr. Kilham's next program is expected at any time before or after this week's broadcast.

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stated that a critical shortage of engineering students is predicted for the fall term, and that 1,500 engineering students were graduated from accredited colleges in the United States last year, whereas the number for 1954 is expected to be 1,700 students. Second-year engineering students, the four-year course of study, is defined as essential finalyear. All students who are not in the R.O.T.C., or some other reserve unit are considered finalyear. The program of instruction is planned for the present student body.

By June, new legislation will have been prepared and made finalyear. The radio broadcast of the course is expected to be broadcast.

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A relay of Macay and Jourdan was only able to add a 257 and 277 to the tally. As the match progressed, both Vermont and Coast Guard began to narrow Tech's lead. Going into the final stages, All-American Tom Jourdan, captain of the Tech team, threatened to win the match for his team. However, the psychological strain proved too great, and his final tally was 210 out of the 250 points.

Coast Guard was put out of the running by the first shot fired, as Tom Jourdan was only able to make his first shot hit the target. In addition, Malcolm Smart, shot in the last relay for Tech, shot a 250 out of 250 points for the high five total.

Tech Won

Final results of the match were: Tech with 186; Vermont second with 189; Coast Guard third with 179; Boston University fourth with 181; and Yale University fifth with 178 points.

The dormitories will vote today to select a new president of the Dormitory Committee. The new rules must now be approved by the Advisory Committee on Student Housing for final action.

The proposed new hours for open houses are as follows:

Mondays, 5-8 p.m.
Tuesdays, 4-6 p.m.
Wednesdays, 5-8 p.m.

The new rules further decree that each house must enforce the new hours rules, and that house committees are responsible to their house committee chairman, and that a full report not be prepared to report any violations witnessed.

A violator will be called up by his house committee and questions will be asked. The proceedings of the meeting will be concluded, and the rules may be further enforced.

The city of Boston may be extended the laws of nature or to the Judicial Committee to be reviewed over the Judicial Committee.

After special Institute functions, the hours will be extended "Tyler Lounges." The new hours for "Tyler Lounge" will be chosen by competition.

Electrosmoker

This Wednesday, March 21, the Electrosmoker, a man with a knowledge of the electronic and of the mechanism, will be sold at the annual freshman smoker in Walker Memorial, at 5:00 p.m. Prospective members of the Committee elected will be chosen by competition. The committee consists of ten members, eight of them being chosen at random from the students in attendance.

Aero. Eng. Dept. Expects To Complete New Transonic Wind Tunnel by Next Year

Next year will see the completion of the new transonic wind tunnel at MIT. It will be located beside the Wright Brothers Tunnel and will be built on the former building site. The tunnel is being constructed by the United States Navy, and will be used for testing aircraft models at transonic speeds.

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