A NEW GYMNASIUM
An earnest attempt has been made in the last few years to make Technology more of a college and less of a scientific institute. One of the most important things that this work is to have been the construction of a new gymnasium to increase the Institute's already overcrowded athletic facilities. While plans for a new gymnasium have been started, this building did not receive the place in the recent fund drive that it deserved. Harvard has a rowing tank to help its crew practice during the winter season. Our crew needs one to enable it to compete on a more even basis with the Crimson, and with Western crews that do have such facilities. A rowing tank is included in the plans of the new gymnasium. Attendance at basketball games would increase many fold if the team played on a court where the spectators wouldn't get all slick feet from peering around pillars. Unless the hockey team is provided with a practice rink in the near future, Technology's seasons of competition in intercollegiate hockey are numbered. There is also the ever-present demand of students for more locker space. The proposed gymnasium would supply all these needs and many more.

Though the land for the gymnasium is available, a considerable sum of money must still be raised. The funds should be forthcoming if the administration and alumni can be made to realize how effective this building would be in knitting the student body together and in making the Institute a better place in which to live. Unfortunately, no half measures will do. No half-hearted efforts at enlarging existing facilities will solve the problem. Technology needs a new gymnasium.

VOTING PROCEDURES
Last Thursday's meeting of the Dormitory Committee Chairman was run in a different manner than in former years. Instead of placing the ballots in the resident's mail boxes, voting tables were set up in each of the three units. The student was required to write his name and address at the bottom of the ballot. This was done so that a record of those who voted would be available to make sure that no one voted more than once, or voted if he was not a qualified resident of the dormitories.

In previous years there have been some irregularities in voting, and certain elections have had to be disqualified. The name of the student is included on the ballot, so that if necessary, an individual vote can be discounted without having to repeat the election. This year it was not possible to get an up-to-date list of the residents for use during the voting hours. It is hoped that in future elections such a list will be prepared, so that it will be possible to have a completely secret ballot.

"OF BLOOD AND MEAN"
For the edification of anyone who does not believe that red-blooded Techmen are healthier than the gentlemen of Harvard, we report the following piece of information.

Four hundred and forty students from Technology showed up to give blood last week in the T.C.A., sponsored drive. Ninety per cent of these were physically able to give blood. In the same drive only fifty per cent of anemic Crimson friends were able to donate. The number of those who did not have any blood at all was not released.

All Brownbaggers Cry
We were extremely sorry to hear that the Institute has adopted a new system of grading to replace the present HPC system in the near future. Technology holds a unique place in the educational field. There is no reason therefore to change our grading system just because most other colleges have good and bad use the ABC system. We do not wish to be judged on the same standards as the playboys from some of the more lenient and excessive institutions. When one of our friends from some Southern college tells us that he got three B's and two A's we will have to hang our heads in shame and admit that our potential mental capacities only yielded us three C's and two D's. Please, members of the faculty and officials of the Institute, beg us to leave us our few remaining shreds of self-respect.

Letters to the Editor
Dear Sir:
This note is in reference to the recent Tech ahead as it appeared in the Tuesday issue. It is unfortunate that Meuer, Lemann and Steinberg tried to take the role of expert critics. Their uncalled for criticisms are not only not commendable but indicate their lack of taste and judgment in reviewing such a production.

The criticisms are not in the least bit constructive, for in pan ning the length of the show, the weakness of the plot, and the discontinuities of the book, they have forgotten that these are minor factors in a musical production. Have not the critics ever analyzed the plot of a typical Broadway or Hollywood production for such "piddly" parts as the introduction of the "Yankee"? No mention was made in the review of the superior quality of the reading voices, an outstanding attribute. Jean Thomas, a peppy combination of utility and efficiency, and Elly Merwin, and also Janet-Leo

"They must think I don't have enough sense to get out of the rain!"

It made L. W. madder than a wet hen when they asked him to judge cigarette mildness by taking one puff, one huff, one whiff or one sniff. Our common sense friend enjoys a good smoke too much ever to settle on any brand in such a snap-judgment way! For him and for millions like him, there's only one convincing way to test cigarette mildness. . . .

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