Ancient Structure Houses Technology Oarsmen

by NORMAN KUSHION

Just a short distance from Tech, along Memorial Drive, painters are currently reflected on the roof of an old weather-beaten house. This is the first time in thirteen years that this ancient structure has received a coat of paint. Every day from within the house a great multitude of sweat clothed men race down the street carrying a thin skinned racing shell over the Charles River, known affectionately as Technology's crew. This is the home of M.I.T.'s crew.

Expensive Sport

Built at a cost of approximately $1600.00, in 1913, by the Boston Athletic Association, the crew house was occupied by a number of schools until 1921 when M.I.T. took sole possession of it. It added two new wings, a banking system, and with a few shells installed by the class of 1923, a small library. It was designed itself ready for intercollegiate racing competition. We've had few really top-notch teams but two years ago our varsity won the Eastern championship.

Crew racing itself is quite an expensive sport, as evidenced by the fact that the school contributes over $20,000 per year for the main-
tenance of the team. The eighteen shells themselves cost over $2000 each. All the racing shells in this country are produced by one concern, located in Seattle, Washington. The average life of these boats is around 15 years although Tech has some older ones still in use. Given the cars one money, which at present conditions amounts to $35 for a twenty-foot bank of wood.

Mafaetie Ships

The boats that need repair wind up in the shop of the crew house, looked after by a genial Irishman named Pat. Pat has been with the crew house since the Inscription and with Tech for thirty years. He

you ask him he'll tell you that the job of maintaining the thirteen shells, 185 cars and the two set of rowing machines is enough to keep several men busy. In spite of these things he manages to find time to tell stories of the Tech crews of days gone by and will probably continue to do so long after we've gone.

Every day the crews row up and down the river under the watchful eye of the coach in an effort to get in shape for the spring racing season, and in particular the large regatta at Syracuse. The launch that the coach uses was built right here at Tech by a senior in the Naval Architecture course.

As the crews white by one can hear the oar of the courtesy—read all (as the state); strike casting; weight enough (the race is over, stop playing)

Weigh Enough

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TO SEE OR NOT TO SEE

As the publication hesitates to mention Voo Doe and its columns, let alone express a word of praise in its behalf. Last Wednesday, however, we felt a certain kinship for the horizontally placed object, as old, small and technical or more Technicians who made the trip to Rockwell Cage for nothing.

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THEY MEAN US

The following article is from "The State," the undergraduate 
as a rule. So that Technicon can know what the man of the Stevens Institute is reading about them and their school.

It has often been said that the average student does not appreciate the amount of time he spends at Stevens. In this, however, at least one man in the school who does have an appreciation for them. This student, who shall remain nameless, having had the unhappy experience of a frustrating experience of a freshman transferred from the State to the "greener pastures" of a more highly touted engineering college, also on the east coast.

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section to this other college. Joe was not so much interested in the privileges of being educated under this most famous banner among engineer-

ing colleges. Today Joe has much reason to be thankful

that the school contributes over $20,000 per year for the main-

institutions of learning, but to merely point out the high value of a Stevens education. We are reprinting it here in its entirety

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