Tech Wet In Prohibition - But Not Very

An opportunity to mount prohibi-
tion will be given to the voting public
on Nov. 4, in the general elections.
Absolute prohibition, total ab-
stinence of the government to regulate li-
cor, and various shades of controlled sale
of liquor are the choices for current control
offered on the ballot.

MIT Prohibition President
The view of the MIT student body
on this issue has an outstanding,
though did precedent; a poll taken in
the "dry years," of prohibition. In a
show vote taken in March, 1930, The
Tech found a sizable plurality for
"moderation of present laws," i.e.,
partial repeal of prohibition. The se-
cerned largest body of students voted for
"strict enforcement" of prohibition
have while an almost equal body favor-
total repeal. A mass of diehard still advocated the then-
current laws.

Nov. 4, 1938 Bulletin
The bulletin on Nov. 4 will be divided
into three parts with a "Yes" and
"No" choice for each part: A--- Shall
licences be granted in this city for
the sale of all alcoholic bev-
 erages (vodka, rum, gin, malt bever-
ages, wines, etc.). B--- Shall licences
be granted only for the sale of wines,
beer, ale, and other malt beverages?
C--- Shall licences be granted for the
sale of alcoholic beverages in pack-
ages, no bottle, to be drunk on the
premises? "Yes" votes on all parts
would preserve the present status;
"No" would cause partial or total
prohibition.

March 21, 1938 Bulletin
1665 students voted and a majority of
these were found to drink. The largest number of休bers re-
trained from drinking because of
"personal tastes." The following is taken from The

Results of THE TECH Poll on Prohibition
The following figures are the results of The Tech's straw vote
on prohibition held last Friday and Saturday. The number of students
who voted on the various questions are as follows:

Do you ever drink? Yes 295
No 218

Do you ever get drunk? Yes 241
No 906

If you do not drink, check principal
reason:
Legal restrictions 29
Family desires 37
Personal tastes 528

Do you favor:
Positve prohibition 34
Strict enforcement 523
Modification of present laws 15
Total repeal 323

(votes were sometimes found on
a single ballot on question three, caus-
ing the numerical discrepancy).

The ballot was designed "to make
it as simple as possible. All the usual
quips and 'wisecracks' commonly
omitted. The first two questions, "Do
you ever drink?" brings out a distinction
you ever drink?" brings out a distinction
between those who drink and those
which is very significant.

It was felt at the time that the pupils "will undoubtedly have a consid-
erable influence in legislation in the near future. It is important because
it reflects the attitude of the new generation toward the work of the
government that presides it, and be-
cause it shows the trend of thought among those men and women with
whom the destinies of the world will rest only a few years from now.

Remarks and views were also sub-
mitted on the ballots. Besides "the
usual output of 'wisecracks' commonly
expected," most remarks stated that
the government should control liquor distribution. Many students felt that
partial prohibition with only light
wines and beers allowed would be
most favorable. "Several felt that
this would be impossible and that the
money spent in attempting to en-
force the law could be better used to
educate the public."

Government Distribution System
A large part of the students voted for total repeal were absolute
"wets" but many of them favored total
restriction on the ballot. Besides "the
laws giving government control of
liquor were the choices for liquor
"wets" but many of them favored total
restriction, many favored total
abstinence. The "dry years" of pro-
bannation seemed to have pre-

cement supervision. Many felt that pro-
hibition is a violation of man's per-
sonal liberty. This poll was also conducted at
Harvard, Princeton, Pennsylvania,
Carnegie, Washington and Jefferson,
and Dartmouth.

NEW GENERATION VIEWS

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JUNIOR P-CLUB
MIT's class of '60 drink club, Alpha
Sigma Sigma, was meet this Saturday
at 4:00 p.m. at Delta Tau Delta Fra-
mory, 41 Beacon Street.

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