

Calendar.

SATURDAY, NOV. 7.

- 2.15 P.M. FIELD DAY 1903 at Charles River Park.
 7.15 P.M. UNDERGRADUATES MEET ON ROGERS STEPS to help the winning class celebrate.
 8. P.M. TECH NIGHT at the Columbia; Fay Templeton in "The Runaways."

MONDAY, NOV. 9.

- TECHNIQUE ART COMPETITION CLOSES.
 4 P.M. REGULAR CLASS WORK begins at Gymnasium.
 4.15 P.M. CIVIL ENGINEERING SOCIETY Meeting in Room 11, Engineering B. Mr. L. C. Wason will speak on "The Harvard Stadium."
 5 P.M. REGULAR GYMNASIUM CLASS.

TUESDAY, NOV. 10.

- 4 P.M. REHEARSAL OF MANDOLIN CLUB at 31 Rogers.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11.

- 4 P.M. REGULAR GYMNASIUM CLASS.
 4.30 P.M. RELIGIOUS MEETING of Y. M. C. A. at Tech Union.
 5 P.M. REGULAR GYMNASIUM CLASS.

Mechanical Engineering Society.

The first meeting of the term was held Tuesday, Oct. 27, at the Union, with about sixty present. It was announced that the first order of shingles is ready for delivery and another order is being made up.

Mr. Dean, the speaker announced for the evening, was unable to be present, but his place was very ably filled by Mr. Byron Eldred, a graduate of Dartmouth, who talked on "Combustion," calling particular attention to the fact that the burning of coal under a steam boiler is not the only form of combustion, and giving a brief description of the uses of long flame fuel, and the manner of burning coal with a long flame.

Freshman Nominations.

A notice has been posted in regard to the Freshman nominations. Nomination papers must be in by 4 P.M., Nov. 10, signed by ten members of the Class. The following officers are to be elected; President, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and two directors. The members of the Institute Committee are not to be elected now. Leave nominations at the "Cage," care of Election Committee of '07.



A Freshman told THE LOUNGER a few days ago that he wasn't going to the Field Day exercises because he didn't think it worth fifty cents, and because he had a lot of Trig. to prepare. That being was small enough to tie his shoestrings to his necktie. There are times when even THE LOUNGER's wrath may blaze up and explode his convictions, and this is one of them. So you, reader, if you seek in this abused column the usual medley of sub-witty plagiarisms, *potpourri* of belabored puns, foam of frothy piffle, stop short, for you shall not find them. For once, honest, if mistaken convictions will be set forth in the form of an invective against the genus Grind. THE LOUNGER believes that not enough has been said on this subject on account of a somewhat popular idea that he who opposes grinding is himself a ne'er-do-well, and seeks but to condone his own disinclination to work. Any one who assumes this to be true, accepts a wrong definition of "grinding." Good work, honest work, hard work, is not grinding. The man who tries for all he is worth to do well in his studies is not necessarily a grind. Our real grind is what is left of a man whose so-called perseverance has developed into the most inordinate selfishness. He has dug a rut so deep that he cannot look out of it. He is preparing to be a leader of men by accumulating mere information, when no dozen of real live men would take orders from him. He unconsciously regards all knowledge which cannot be cashed as useless. He cuts a talk by Edward Everett Hale to look up the formula for the maximum bending moment of a beam. In spite of President Pritchett's good influence, he regards Harvard and similar colleges with a petty spite. Bring on the honor system! It will be a severe test for the man who will sacrifice even health for a high mark, but he will be a bigger man if he survives it. Tech lacks unity. Its students are scattered, its buildings are scattered, its professors of widely different standards. This lack of unity is the shield of the selfish grind. The atmosphere of a college which might expand his cramped lungs is wanting. Silently he goes home every night to study. At the end of his course at Tech he has failed to carry away that larger joy that comes from having a deep and varied interest in many things.