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THE TECH regrets to announce the resignation of Mr. E. F. Whitney, '07, from the office of Editor-in-Chief. Mr. Whitney has been given a leave of absence. Mr. W. H. Trask, '06, has been elected Editor-in-Chief.

Nature is evidently trying to give the "beautiful snow poet" a chance to make up for lost time.

The recent agitation for the reformation of eligibility rules for college athletes has caused many Tech men to ask, "Does Are They Technology need a set of Needed? eligibility rules?" The consensus of opinion seems to be that eligibility rules would do more harm than good.

The aim of athletics at the Institute has been to give the students the training and the enjoyment of athletic contests, and out of this has grown Technology's Ideal of athletics — "athletics for sport's sake only." Of course, the teams have tried to win, for victory is the life of sport, but they have not made victory a business. The victory or the defeat came as a part of the sport.

In following out this Ideal, it has been the custom to allow any man who is enrolled as a student at the Institute to be a member of a varsity team. If eligibility rules similar to those in force in other colleges were adopted, a man who had not attended Technology for a whole year, or who had already been a member of a varsity team for three years, would be barred from those teams. Such a state of affairs is not only adverse to Technology's Ideal, but it would probably destroy the Institute's chance of winning any games or meets, and would thus destroy interest in athletics. The Freshmen, particularly, who make up a large proportion of the various squads, would be limited to their class teams, and would lose the physical benefits of the athletic training.

The only eligibility rules which would seem to be beneficial to Technology athletics would be one barring professional athletes from the class and varsity teams, and another requiring men to keep their class standings above a certain average. The first requires no explanation. The second might seem a little harsh at first sight, but a little explanation will make clear that it would be a benefit to the students themselves and would also uphold Tech's Ideal.

At the Field Day Dinner last fall, Major Briggs said in part: "No Institute faculty has, and none ever will, allow teams to go on such trips as the Harvard baseball team takes each spring. Men are at the Institute for a better purpose. They go into athletics for sport's sake only, and their work *always comes first*." When a man begins to neglect his work in order to better train himself for some athletic contest, he is no longer true to the Institute's Ideal. He is no longer going into athletics for sport's sake only, but he is making it a business. He is letting it come before his work. THE TECH does not believe that a man should do nothing but grind, but it does believe that he should not let his athletic teams, clubs and outside pleasures interfere with the performance of his Institute duties. If a man does his college work first and then goes out to enjoy some outside work or play, that employment will bring him more pleasure and be more beneficial than if he had the thought of his unfinished work constantly staring him in the face.

However, with the exception of the two special rules spoken of above, Technology is well enough off without any eligibility rules. Tech's Ideal of athletics is that it is a sport, the end of which is to give men the training and enjoyment of athletic sports. If a man was barred from a team for any other reason than that he was a professional or was behind in his studies, this Ideal would not be lived up to, and would cease to be the living factor that has made athletics at Technology so clean and beneficial.

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