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PLAY AGAIN TONIGHT.

Tech Meets Strong Five from Worcester Polytechnic.

The strong Worcester Polytechnic basketball team will be the attraction at the Tech gym this evening in the last home game before the holidays. Tech's great game against Boston College last Monday evening gives promise of another victory tonight. However, the game will be a close one, as Worcester Tech is a much stronger opponent than Boston College. Captain Kinnear will probably be back in the game and his presence will undoubtedly strengthen the home team considerably.

Last year two games were played by these teams, each winning its home game. In the game at Worcester it was not until the second half that Worcester was assured of victory, the final score being 22 to 15. In the second game, which was close and hard fought, Tech won out by a large lead, 28 to 16. The home team this year is undoubtedly stronger than last year's team and if it can keep up the pace it set in the game last Monday will undoubtedly go through the season with a long list of victories.

MANDOLIN CLUB.

The Mandolin Club will assemble in the Boylston St. subway this evening at 7.30 P.M. to take a south-bound car to Brookline High School. The Club will render a few numbers from the Winter Concert programme, the occasion being the annual reception of the senior class of the High School. Messrs. Killion and Fales, whose duets made such an impression last Tuesday evening, will also contribute a number. The members of the Club have been invited to remain after the concert for the dance.

WALKER CLUB DINNER.

At the monthly dinner of the Walker Club held Wednesday evening at the Technology Club, Dean Burton, Professor Pearson, and Mr. Blachstein were the guests. Dean Burton spoke of his experiences in France, particularly during his last visit, and gave some interesting descriptions of student life in the French universities.

At a business meeting of the club before the Dean's address, L. H. King, '09, was elected sophomore member of the executive committee.

MECHANICAL ENGINEERS DINE.

The Mechanical Engineering Society held a most enthusiastic dinner last night at the Copley Square Hotel. This is the first dinner that has been given for years. About seventy-five men attended, Pres. Labbe presiding. Col. Albert Pope of the Pope Mfg. Co. was the principal speaker and was followed by Professors Lanza, Schwamb, Miller and Haven. After the dinner a pleasant smoker was held, and the men went home about ten.

The committee was composed of A. W. Bigelow, S. R. Miller, and R. A. Angus.

CHRISTMAS RECEPTION.

Invitation Extended to All Students Remaining Through the Holidays.

In accordance with the announcement made by President Pritchett at the last Convocation all Tech men who are in town are cordially invited to a reception at the Union on Christmas Eve. Mrs. William B. Rogers will receive, assisted by Mrs. Samuel J. Mixer, Mrs. Frank H. Rand, Mrs. Alfred E. Burton and Mrs. Dana P. Bartlett. Mrs. Pritchett will be unable to attend.

Members of the Faculty will also be present. Students will meet in an informal way from eight till ten o'clock. There will be a Christmas tree and souvenirs for the guests, and refreshments will be served. Besides this, an entertainment will be provided, and it is expected that songs will be sung. This custom of a Christmas Eve Reception has been observed since Dr. Pritchett has been President. It affords a delightful opportunity to meet members of the Faculty and their wives in a pleasant informal way.

PROFESSOR BATES GIVES READING.

About a hundred students of the Institute enjoyed a treat yesterday afternoon when Professor Bates read Dickens' "Christmas Carol" in 23 Walker. The reading was especially appropriate to the season, and the audience showed by their hearty applause that they thoroughly enjoyed the excellent interpretation given by Professor Bates.

M. I. T. A. A. TO MEET.

The Athletic Association will meet today at 1 P.M. in Huntington Hall for the purpose of electing an assistant track manager. There are three candidates, Sharp, Lawrence, and Keeney. Manager Tobin will announce the team's schedule.

COLLEGE NOTES.

The Columbia hockey team is to tour Canada during the Christmas holidays.

The Colorado universities and colleges will organize a state intercollegiate association this winter.

The University of Minnesota basketball team has a game scheduled for the winter recess with the Columbia University team.

Two dual indoor track meets have been arranged for this winter between Chicago and Michigan. One will be held in Chicago and the other at Ann Arbor. Just how Chicago can hope to outscore Keene Fitzpatrick's bunch of stars is indeed a mystery.

Yale's hockey and basketball teams left Wednesday for their long Christmas trips, the basketball players to travel 3000 miles, the hockey team 1000. The hockey team will practise in New York till New Year's day, when they leave for Pittsburgh, playing Cornell there Jan. 2, 3, and 4, and the Pittsburgh Interscholastics on Jan. 5. The basketball team will be accompanied by Coach Lush.

"MARS AND ITS CANALS."

Interesting Book by Professor Lowell Attracts Much Attention.

Professor Lowell's new book on "Mars and its Canals," which has just been published by the Macmillan Company, is the fascinating record of twelve years of research into the conditions of another world. In this world which he explores the author finds changes that show it to be not a dead, but a living world, inviting investigation across space.

The volume treats of the interpretation of the observations on the planet which have been regularly carried on at the Lowell Observatory, Flagstaff, Arizona. It describes not only the observations, but the character of the scientific station which has made the observations possible. The romance connected with the establishing of such a post is second only to the study of the planet itself. As Professor Lowell says in the first chapter: "Astronomy demands abstraction of its devotee. He must abandon cities and forego plains. Only in places raised above and aloof from men can he profitably pursue his search; places where nature never meant him to dwell, and admonishes him of the fact by sundry hints of a more or less distressing character. To stand a mile and a half nearer the stars is not to stand immune."

Mr. Lowell is a non-resident professor at the Institute. After long residence in the East he established the Lowell Observatory at Flagstaff in 1894. Two years ago he was awarded the Janssen Medal of the French Astronomical Society for his researches on Mars. His other publications are: "The Soul of the Far East," "Occult Japan," "Mars," and two volumes of annals of the Lowell Observatory.

Y. M. C. A. MEETING.

At the regular meeting of the Tech Y. M. C. A. yesterday noon at Parish Hall of Trinity Church, Reverend A. A. Stockdale spoke on the definition of the word "Lost" as used in the Bible. We belong to the thing we love, he said. As we should love both God and man, so we should belong to both. If we become "conscious of an estrangement from God, then are we lost, for to be lost is to be spiritually separated from God."

There will be only two more meetings of the Y. M. C. A. this term, both of which Mr. Stockdale will conduct. His subjects will be the definition of New Testament words; on January 3d, "Saved;" on January 10th, "Faith." Mr. Gates, the general secretary, reported that nine student bible classes have been organized under the direction of the Y. M. C. A., and nearly one hundred and fifty men were enrolled last week.

Brown will have an ice hockey team again this year, despite the fact that it is no longer a member of the Intercollegiate Hockey League. Six of the seven men on Columbia's hockey team of 1906 are in college again, and striving to retain their old positions.

CALENDAR.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21.

1.00 P.M. M. I. T. A. A. meets in Huntington Hall.
1.30 P.M. Senior Class Meeting in 6 Lowell.
4.15 P.M. Glee Club Rehearsal at the Union.
7.45 P.M. Meeting of the Advisory Council on Athletics.
8.00 P.M. Basket Ball, Tech vs. Worcester Polytechnic.
8.00 P.M. Mandolin Club Concert at Brookline High School.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22.

1.00 P.M. Exercises of the Institute suspended.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24.

8.00 P.M. Christmas Reception at the Union to all Tech men who do not go home for the Holidays.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 31.

9.00 A.M. Exercises of the Institute resumed.

FACULTY NOTICE.

First Year.—First year students are expected to take at the end of the present term all entrance examinations in which they have not already clear records, with the following exceptions:

1. Special students taking no work dependent on such entrance subjects. Such students if they desire to become regular may take remaining entrance examinations in June or September, this applying particularly to entrance French, German, and Physics.

2. Students who are now making up entrance French and German by taking the elementary courses.

3. Students entitled to excuse from particular entrance conditions on the basis of good term work. This applies to conditions in entrance Algebra, English, French, German, and Plane Geometry, and students will be notified if excuse can be given.

NOTICES.

Banjo Club.—The next rehearsal of the Banjo Club will be on Monday, December 31, at 4 P.M.

Prom Committee.—There will be a meeting of the Junior Prom Committee in the Trophy Room Tuesday, January 1, at 4 P.M.

Ohio Club.—There will be a dinner at the Ohio State Club at the Tech Union, Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1907. Full attendance is desired.

Senior Class Meeting.—The Senior Class meeting scheduled for yesterday will be held today at 1.30 P.M. in 6 Lowell. The meeting will be extremely important.

Mandolin Club.—The following men will be taken on the Gloucester trip Thursday, January 3: Swett, Griswold, Price, Ames, Hall, Nauss, Richardson, Scharff, Childs, and Thompson. A rehearsal will be held at the regular time and place Monday, December 31, at which all men going to Gloucester must be present. If for any reason, any of the above cannot attend the concert or the rehearsal, they should leave explanations at the Cage for A. H. Thompson, '08 at once, so that their places may be filled.