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SHOW MANAGEMENT.

In another column of this issue there appears an appeal from the management for men to make up its numbers. It hardly seems appropriate that this should be necessary when the Show's part in Institute life is so evident. It might be well to take up at least two of the reasons why the management finds it necessary to make this appeal.

The management has in the past assumed a conservative and independent policy regarding its affairs which has been incompatible with its general position in Institute life. In the second place the amount of work that must be done has interfered with studies, and several men have lost their degrees on this account. The first policy has been materially changed this year and everything possible has been done to make public the conduct of the Show affairs, particularly in connection with competitions. As the labor connected with detailing all to everyone is too great, a representative committee has been appointed and kept well informed.

The second difficulty has been attacked by eliminating from competition all people who are weak in their school work.

There should be a sufficient number of really intelligent men in an institution of Tech's standing, however, who can do the Show work and their school work at the same time. These men should step forth and go out for the management. Although the work makes greater demands upon one's time and its associations are not so general as in the east, the experience is very valuable. Anyone who is in good standing in his studies may be certain of a fair trial in the competition. The strain upon the studies will not be so great this year as usual as a large amount of preliminary work has been completed.

COMMUNICATION.

To the Editor of The Tech:—

The competition for the Tech Show management, up to the present, has failed to produce enough men of desirable calibre. Therefore it is necessary to appeal to the student body of the Institute to send out men who will and can do the necessary work. There are six positions open:—Advertising managership, two assistant business, one assistant stage, and two assistant advertising managerships.

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All candidates, old and new, will be

judged as their work merits it, and the best man gets the best place. Doubting Thomas may be assured by the Show Advisory Committee.

FREDERIC A. DEWEY.

MORE ECHOES.

Heeler's Issue Again Criticized.
Temporary Editor-in-Chief
Asked to Correct.

Mr. W. D. Green, Editor in Chief,
The Tech, Mass. Inst. Technology,
Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:—

In the report of the meeting January 9th, of the Electrical Engineering Society, M. I. T., given in The Tech Friday, Jan. 10th, I find a statement which strikes me as being just enough inexact to be misleading, as well as doing an injustice to a fellow engineer. I would therefore ask the privilege of a word of explanation to your readers in this connection in order to set the matter right.

Your report says:—"At this stage of the game Mr. Neall was greatly assisted by an architect whose constant experience in arranging showed to very good advantage, despite the fact that he did not know what he was doing."

Since I spoke extemporaneously I cannot recall my exact words, nor have I any other measure of the impression my expressions might have created but what I really wished to bring out is this:—

The engineer whom I was assisting is not an electrical engineer, but he has had large experience with distinguished results in industrial design, covering chiefly civil, architectural and mechanical engineering, with a certain amount of consideration given of course to such problems in electrical engineering as motor installations and small generating stations, as now naturally link themselves with such work.

When it came to arranging the apparatus and wiring in the power house, I found he could invent arrangements which were both novel and practical, and, moreover, could secure results which would be as satisfactory architecturally as they were necessary electrically.

When one considers that these results were accomplished without his being an expert in the technique of electrical engineering, the purely electrical engineer has another instance of the value of his work given by association with men of experience in allied lines.

It should be clear from this that the statement "he did not know what he was doing" is unfortunately chosen.

Yours very truly,

N. J. NEALL.

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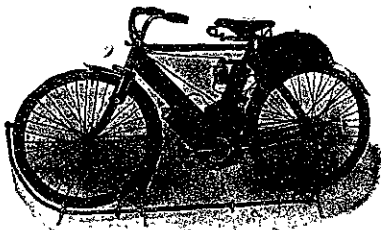
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