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THE NEED FOR SPACE.

Institute men in general realize after they have been at Tech for a few days that there is need of more room. As time goes on students get more and more into the spirit of things, but although they feel the good work that the Institute is doing, they cannot help seeing that a great many developments must be limited by lack of space.

The heads of the various departments perhaps realize the present condition of the Institute better than any student. The reports of the departments in the resident's report just out, in nearly every case ask for room, additional space, larger lecture or recitation rooms.

Prof. Swain says, "The department is crowded for space—a fact to which I have referred in previous reports. We now have as many students as we can handle to advantage in the rooms which are at our disposal. The library, moreover, is very crowded, with scarcely any room for tables."

This year Prof. Lanza points out that more room is also needed, for new apparatus, to relieve present crowding to furnish room for students to carry on thesis work on apparatus brought in from outside, to provide storage room. Last year he brought this matter to the attention of the Corporation in exactly the same terms.

Anyone who has ever visited the basement of Rogers will realize the peculiar conditions of the mining laboratory. Professor Richards puts it mildly when he says, "There is to be mentioned the old problem of lack of space. The ore-treatment, which is much developed at the Institute is cramped for room."

"The department is again confronted with a serious problem in connection with the available laboratory space," and "in order to make provisions for instruction of a still larger number next year it seems inevitable that overcrowding of another branch of the department must result" are the comments made on the condition of the chemical department by Prof. Talbot.

Prof. Jackson says, "The standardizing laboratory is in very cramped quarters, and it seems to me that it could profitably occupy as much as twice its present allotment of space." And, "It is also to be earnestly hoped that the department may soon be put in quarters where professors can have more commodious and well-ventilated offices." Prof. Clifford last year said, "The lack of proper recitation rooms still continues."

Prof. Sedgwick asks for a whole new building for his department with the sewage station in the same quarters with the various research laboratories. He says, "The time has now come when a separate building ought to be provided for the various branches of our work."

Of the physics lecture-rooms, Prof. Cross says, "A larger lecture-room and more recitation-rooms are sorely needed. Serious difficulty has been felt both last year and this from the fact that our largest physical lecture-room has not sufficient seating capacity for the class attending the lectures in heat given in the third year."

Last year Prof. Jagger pointed out that the rooms of the geological department "are now crowded to the limit of their capacity," and "The most pressing need is for space wherein the teachers of the department may carry on research."

Dr. Bigelow, the librarian, last year said, "The great need of the library is space," and "if the student body should increase very much in size, a large reading-room would be required."

The librarian has been given temporary relief in the way of office-room by cutting off some space from the English department, but the problem of more stack-room still remains. In the

geological department there has been an attempt at relief, while more room is in sight for the mechanical laboratories if the Tech lunch is turned out of Pierce. These changes are but temporary, with no plans for future expansion.

That the Corporation has done everything possible to bring about a change is apparent. Undoubtedly there would be some change this year if it had not been for the financial depression. Everyone realizes what is needed, not a further expansion on the present site, but a new site and a well-developed plan for coming years and generations.

TECH SHOW PETITIONS.

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ushers: all of which are contracted for as a part of the regular theatre force. Furthermore no scenery can be rented which is sufficiently small for use in halls, and it will be necessary to design and buy scenery which it is not now contemplated doing, scenery being part of the regular theatre equipment.

(6) The "Show" is the principal social activity at the Institute; a much larger number of students being engaged in and concerned with it than in any other Institute activity of a social nature. Nearly a hundred men are directly connected with it, and annually a thousand have seen the performances: it will undoubtedly be a loss to the Institute if anything should cause this interest to wane.

(7) The "Advisory Committee of the Tech Show" established this year guarantees the conduct of affairs, but neither it nor any one else connected with the "Show" could be held responsible for a falling off in student interest through an unavoidable non-maintenance of the present high standard of productions.

(8) The Dean has been consulted before any new men have been allowed to enter the work, and it is believed that none are now connected with the Show in any active capacity on whose names he has not satisfactorily passed. From the start this year it has been the rule that students whose Institute work is not in a satisfactory condition have not been allowed to participate.

(9) The athletic association which must, it seems, depend upon the Show for funds is at present \$1,000 in debt, an amount which the treasurer states will be increased by April, to \$1,500. The loyal alumni have complained emphatically of the practice of begging once carried on by the Athletic Association; a system which will have to be re-established if, due to loss of prestige, the income of the "Tech Show" which without any disagreeable commercial features, has now reached a substantial figure, be jeopardized.

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