

INSTITUTE COMMITTEE MAKES GREAT INNOVATION.

ADDS TO MEMBERSHIP.

Last Meeting of Year Marked by Radical Departure.

A large addition was made to the membership of the Institute Committee by that body at its last meeting of the year. The committee added to its body the presidents of the course societies and the heads of the various student activities making the new committee about 25 in number.

The amendment to the constitution which changed the character of the committee reads as follows: "The Committee shall consist of the Class Presidents and two members to be elected from each class, together with the Presidents of the professional societies, the editor-in-chief of The Tech and Technique, the general managers of the Musical Clubs and the Show, and the Presidents of the M. I. T. A. A. and the Y. M. C. A."

This action was brought about by the discussion of men holding more than one major office in student activities. A committee of the main body for some weeks has been examining into this question and securing opinions from various representative men in Institute activities on the matter. The heads of organizations were naturally consulted, and this led, through their interest, to the suggestion that these men be made members of the Institute Committee ex-officio.

There was hardly a word said against the new scheme except that the committee would perhaps be too large to do efficient work. This led to the idea of dividing the committee up into small committees, each one of which would take charge of a definite branch of work.

The representative character of the new committee is perhaps the greatest argument for it, while the energy of the various interests to be represented was a matter that caused favorable comment, each new organization represented having definite ideas on what should or should not be done in undergraduate life and activities.

The matter of passing a rule on holding offices was laid on the table by the committee to be taken up next year by the new body, there being a feeling that this question would receive better treatment by men who were perhaps more intimately connected with the matter.

This action by the Institute Committee is regarded by those who know of the previous boards as one of the most important steps ever taken by that body, and all agree that it will greatly aid in the solution of the various problems in student activities.

The plan suggested for actual working next year is, as has been said, the sub-division of the large committee into small sub-committees of five or six men each, these smaller bodies individually to have charge of the Kommerz, the new Union, the convocations and mass meetings, office-holding and elections, etc. These smaller committees will probably report to the larger body at a monthly meeting which will likely take the form of a dinner.

The makeup of this new committee can best be gained by looking over the bodies of men which would have formed this board, had the new rule been in force for the last three or four years. The most important change to be seen is the wider representation by courses, together with the great increase in the number of seniors.

In the school year 1905-1906, had this new committee been in existence nine courses would have had representation while the old form had only six. In this year 12 seniors would have been members, seven juniors, and three of the two lower classes, making in all a body of 25.

In 1906-1907 there would have been nine courses represented with only five in the old form. On the committee that year there would have been one graduate student, 11 seniors, five juniors, and three each of the sophomores and freshmen.

This year there would have been eleven courses represented while in the old form only five had a say. This was divided as follows:

C.	No.	No.
	New Form	Old Form
I.	5	5
II.	10 (9 2d term)	4
III.	1	0
IV.	1	0
V.	1	0

VI.	2	0
VIII.	1	1
IX.	1 (2d term)	0
XI.	2	1
XIII.	1	0
	25	11

A better conception of the additional members of the new committee if in rule this year can be gained by glancing over the following list:—

PRESIDENTS COURSE SOCIETIES.

Organization	Name	Class	Course
C. E. Soc.	R. W. Farlin	1908	XI
M. E. Soc.	R. A. Angus	1908	II
Min. Eng. Soc.	W. J. E. Barcus	1908	III
Arch. Soc.	E. I. Williams	1908	IV
Chem. Soc.	L. E. Wemple	1908	V
E. E. Soc.	L. B. Hedge	1908	VI
Biol. Soc.	S. MacNutt	1908	VII
Naval Arch. Soc.	M. E. Denny	1908	XIII

HEADS OF ACTIVITIES.

Organization	Name	Class	Course
M. I. T. A. A.	G. T. Glover	1908	II
G. M. Show	Fred. A. Dewey	1909	II
G. M. Mus. Clubs	C. C. Hield	1910	II
E-in-C. Technique	R. H. Allen	1909	II
E-in-C. The Tech	H. W. Hoole	1908	II
	C. Turner	1908	IX
Pres. Y. M. C. A.	J. G. Reid	1908	VI

For next year as far as the various organizations have elected, the following men will have membership:—

Σ PRESIDENTS OF COURSE SOCIETIES

Organizations	Name	Class	Course
C. E. Soc.	L. D. Nisbet	1909	I
M. E. Soc.	C. W. Hubbard	1909	II
Min. Eng. Soc.	L. A. Loomis	1909	III
Arch. Soc.	C. J. Brown	1909	IV
Chem. Soc.	C. H. Pope	1909	X
E. E. Soc.	J. Mills	1909	VI

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Organization	Name	Class	Course
G. M. Show	G. A. Joslin	1909	III
G. M. Mu. Cl.	W. D. Richardson	1910	XI
E-in-C. Tech	C. Turner	1908	IX
Pr. Y. M. C. A.	T. H. Atherton, Jr.	1909	IV

SENIOR WEEK FESTIVITIES.

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to say good-bye and good luck to any of the Seniors who wish to call on them informally. The Class Day Exercises will be held in Huntington Hall at 2.00 o'clock. The orator of the day is J. G. Reid; gift orator, G. E. Glover; class prophet, B. L. Gimson; historian and statistician, Kurt Vonnegut; presentation orator, F. H. McGuigan. The committee requests that everyone "step lively" when called upon by the Presentation Orator. After the exercises the Class Spread will be held on the lawn.

THE SENIOR DANCE.

The annual Senior dance will be held this year on Monday evening, June 8, at eight-thirty in Copley Hall. As this is the last time the Class will be together, the committee are going to try to temper the sadness of the parting by introducing into the evening's program some novel and original features. Besides the regular sixteen dances and four extras, midnight will be marked by the Coming of the Swan. Those Seniors who intend to go can secure their programs in Rogers Corridor on Class Day from 10.00 A. M. to 2.00 P. M., and for a short time after the Spread. Through the kindness of the committee The Tech is able to furnish in advance the musical program of the evening, which will be as follows:

ORDER OF DANCES.

1. WaltzRed Mill
2. Two StepDixie Dan
3. WaltzArtist's Life
4. Two StepHarrigan
5. Barn Dance ..Doggie in Our Yard
6. WaltzMary's Lamb
7. WaltzAmoureux
8. Two StepI'd Like to Meet Your Father
9. WaltzBlue Danube
10. Two StepTwo Blue Eyes
11. WaltzMerry Widow
12. Two Step ..Much Obligated to You
13. Barn Dance

Four Little Blackberries

14. Waltz
The Girl That Threw Me Down
15. Two StepKentucky Wedding
16. WaltzSweetheart Days

Extras.

1. 3.
2. 4.

At 10.00 A. M. on Tuesday, June 9 the Seniors will rehearse their Commencement exercises. The graduation exercises come at 2.00 P. M. in Huntington Hall, followed by the President's Reception to graduates in the General Library. The alumni classes will have their headquarters in the various rooms in Rogers Building. Then the climax,—The Pops at 8.00 P. M.

INVESTIGATION BY PROF. SEDGWICK.

Professor Sedgwick has been appointed one of a commission of four to investigate the causes of typhoid fever in Pittsburg by Mayor Guthrie of that city. The expenses of the investigation will be paid out of \$10,000 appropriated by the Russell Sage Foundation.

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