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T. C. A. MEMBERSHIP MEETING A SUCCESS

W. B. Snow '82, Prof. Porter
And John Ahlers '10
Outline Aims

Last evening, at the Union, the T. C. A. held its membership meeting. A very sumptuous repast that fully illustrated the Union Dining Room's service was first enjoyed. This started promptly at six o'clock. About fifty men were present at the dinner, and several others came in to hear the addresses.

Mr. Mason, the graduate secretary and head of the Association, first spoke a few words concerning the membership cards which had previously been circulated among the company. He described how much work and solid thought had been put into the wording of the card and said that a number of ministers of different creeds had been consulted, and had advised in this regard. He then announced that three men representative of Institute life, had been asked to address the meeting. They were: Mr. Walter B. Snow '82, who was to talk on "The T. C. A. from the Graduate's Standpoint"; Professor Dwight Porter, who was to speak from the standpoint of the faculty, and John Ahlers '10, who was to speak as a student. He then introduced Mr. Snow, the first speaker.

Mr. Snow regretted that he could say very little from the side of the graduate, as he had only the opinions of a few to whom he had spoken. He had, however, an opinion of his own which he stated very forcibly. He emphasized the work done in getting out the membership card, and thought the Association was deeply indebted to Mr. Mason for the production of such a thing. He said further that he believed in manly, upright Christian work, rather than in laying entire stress on the holding of gospel meetings and reading of the Bible.

Mr. Mason next introduced Prof. Porter, who first gave a short resume of the history of the T. C. A., beginning about twenty years ago, when it was hardly as helpful as at present. He said that he had been a member of the Advisory Board in the past, and was very glad to see that the Alumni were becoming interested in the Association. He thought this was a great thing for the Associations, and that the member should work hard to keep up the interest of the Alumni and receive their help. In regard to the "Technology" portion of the name of the Association, he said that to live up to this, the Association must be progressive and active as Technology had always been. Then concerning the word "Christian," he said that the members should be Christian in a manly, strong way, striving to help the morals and spirits of the students here.

The next speaker was John Ahlers, the President of the T. C. A. He gave a short talk on the plans of the Association for the rest of this year, and the coming years. He said that in future the members should look in particular after the entering classes for they were most easily influenced. The four or five years of a man's life spent in college are the most crucial of his career, and many men result as failures who do not have Christian influence brought to bear on them while in college.

After Mr. Ahlers had finished, Mr. Mason rose to thank the men present for the good showing, and said he had put in four months of solid work to make last night's meeting a success, and was highly gratified by the result.

The men present were invited to sign the membership cards and the Constitution before leaving, and a large majority did so.

HEADS OF ALL ORGANIZATIONS AGREE ON A FINANCE COMMISSION

Activities Will Not Be Under Direct Control, But
Commission Will Act As Advisory Board

It was the unanimous vote of the twenty-five men representing the heads of all student activities at the Institute that a plan should be adopted to look after the finances of undergraduate activities. The joint meeting was held yesterday in Room A of the Union as the result of the request from the Institute Committee to hear a free discussion on the proposed Committee on Activity Finances from the heads of all activities. The general opposition to the scheme was mainly that the larger activities did not wish to be bound to act on advice from this finance committee. The difficulty was overcome by illuminating all clauses which would bind the activities directly to the will of the new commission. The exact limitation of power of this new board will be drawn up by a sub-committee and submitted to the activities for ratification. The new commission will take effect when three-fourths of the activities at the Institute accept it and will be binding only on this number.

Never in the history of activities at the Institute has a more representative body of students assembled for free discussion on the general betterment of the affairs of the undergraduate body. The plan will give all the activities the advice of competent business men, who take an active interest in undergraduate affairs. This will result in more efficient business methods and more efficient and unified methods of keeping accounts. This will prevent loss of credit with business firms and discredit cast on student activities as a whole.

The new committee concerns the following activities: The Classes, Professional Societies, Tech Show, The Tech, Technique, Musical Clubs, Tech Christian Association, Athletic Association, The Union, The Wireless Society, The Aero Club, Institute Committee, Class Day Committee, Prom Committee and Portfolio Committee. The committee will hold monthly meetings during the college year, special meetings may be called at any time by the chairman. All the above activities named above are to draw up and mail to the secretary of the Finance Committee in the first seven days of each month, a report of the finances to the close of the month previous.

It is the work of the committee to make such suggestions on the drawing up of these reports as will lead to unification and simplification. The auditing of the books of the activities may be directed by the committee at any time it may deem necessary on account of a bad state of affairs and it shall be at the expense of the activities concerned. The provision of filing the reports is a means of developing continuity in activities with less lost motion. Future managers will find these records a ready source of information on how to conduct their work and how to judge their condition.

The following were present at the meeting as representatives from the various activities:

D. Clapp 1910, general manager Tech Show; D. R. Stevens 1911, editor-in-chief of Technique; C. S. Anderson 1911, business manager; D. V. Williamson 1910, chairman Senior Portfolio; H. S. Cleverdon 1910, Technique; R. H. Ranger 1911, general manager The Tech; R. P. Waller 1910, president Civil Engineering Society; R. S. Breyer 1910, president Mining Engineering Society and Co-operative Society; L. T. Hemmenway 1910, president Electrical Engineering

Society; E. D. Green 1910, treasurer Electrical Engineering Society; P. W. Burnham 1910, president Architectural Society; W. D. Foster 1911, secretary-treasurer Architectural Society; G. P. Lunt 1910, president Chemical Engineering Society; John Ahlers 1910, Tech Christian Association; R. A. Smead 1910, treasurer Tech Christian Association; S. B. Copeland 1911, chairman Prom Committee; S. P. Kimball 1911, treasurer Prom Committee, and the following representing the Institute Committee: R. Goodwin 1910, president 1910 and Institute Committee; B. Reynolds 1910, F. Bell 1910, J. C. Fuller 1911, H. D. Peck 1913 and H. E. Prentice 1913.

"RAILROAD ORGANIZATION"

Pres. Hustis At Union Friday--
"Hook Night" Entries

"Railroad Organization" is the subject of the talk in the Union Friday night. The speaker is Mr. J. H. Hustis, President of the Boston & Albany railroad and Boston manager of the New York Central lines. The fact that Mr. Hustis has worked his way to this position in the railroad world would prove him a capable man and one thoroughly acquainted with the subject about which he is to talk.

"Hook Night" at the Union will come on Friday, March 18, if enough applications are handed in at the Cage for Gorton James 1910, chairman of the Union entertainment committee. He wants to know by Friday, Mar. 11, who will take part and what they will try to do so he can make out a program. Mr. James urges the fellows to come out for the "hook night"; it may develop some stars. Everybody is welcome.

Gorton James intends to resign his position as chairman of the entertainment committee within a week or so. He has been in since last May. He has done noble work in providing entertainment, but feels that he must resign the position, since graduation day is approaching.

COURSE X THESES

The following is a continuation of the list of Course X theses which was given in part in The Tech of Tuesday, March 8.

J. M. Bierer.—Heat Treatment of Nickel Steel.

F. S. Byron.—The Extraction of Leather

R. O. Fernandez.—The Determination of Recovered Rubber in Vulcanized Rubber.

E. M. Follansbee.—Comparison of Viscosimeters and the Effect of Temperature on Viscosity of Oils.

G. P. Lunt.—A Process for the Manufacture of Calcium Acid Lactate and a Process for the Concentration of Lactic Acid by Refrigeration Methods.

C. J. Randall.—A Study of Molybdenite with Respect to Two New Elements.

C. S. Redfield.—Tensile Strength of Glue W. Spanns.—Effect of Free Acid and Neutral Salts on the Electrolytic Deposition of Copper.

L. Rosenstein.—A Study of Indicator Acids.

TECHNIQUE 1912 ELECTORAL BOARD

Archibald Eicher Heads List--
Less Than Half The Class
Voted

ARCHIBALD EICHER	73
HARVEY SMITH BENSON	62
CHARLES H. CARPENTER	55
ARTHUR T. BENNIS	50
HAROLD ERIC KEBBON	45
HENRY DONALD KEMP	45
JOHN E. WHITTLESEY	42
HAROLD GREENLEAF	39
RANDALL CREMER	37
HAROLD G. WATKINS	37
CLARENCE A. STEWART	36
DONALD EARL BENT	33
JOSEPH I. TAYLOR	34
ALEX. G. HERESHOFF	33
GERALD MARCY KEITH	33
ERWIN H. SCHELL	33
KENNETH CARTWRIGHT	32
JOHN S. MARTIN	32
BATES TORREY, JR.	32
DAVID FRY BENBOW	31
PHILLIP W. DALRYMPLE	31
SETH HENNESS SEELYE	29
FREDERICK BARKER, JR	28
MARK A. OETTINGER	27
HERBERT L. WOEHLLING	27

The above men were elected to the 1912 Technique Electoral Committee in the polls which closed yesterday afternoon. Less than half of the class voted, 106 ballots being returned. The lowest number of votes received by any of the fortunate candidates was twenty-seven. The other men who received over twenty votes are as follows: John Seely Grant 26, Donald Huff Radford 25, Wright Shuttlesworth 2, John Solely Selfridge 23, Guidon Irving Edgerton 22, Guy Andrew Swenson 22, John Lincoln Barry 21, Cornelius Anthony Duyser 21, Ralph Frederick Symonds 21.

COLLEGE ATHLETICS

The faculty of Amherst has refused to permit any football games to be definitely scheduled until the new rules have been seen and acted upon. The schedule is in tentative form, but no games have been definitely arranged as yet.

The Wesleyan football team has declined games with Dartmouth and Brown for next fall.

The candidates for the Harvard upper class crews came out Tuesday. Practicing will continue until May 12 when the final class races are to be held.

By winning from Wesleyan last Saturday, Williams clinched the New England championship in basket ball for the fourth time. Columbia, which has also had a very successful season, refused to play Williams.

CALENDAR

Thursday, March 10.

4:00—Tech Show Chorus, Union.
8:00—Architectural Society Smoker, Union.

8:00—A. S. M. E., 6 Lowell.

Friday, March 11.

1:00—1912 Class Meeting, H. H.
4:00—Tech Show Chorus, Union
8:00—Union Entertainment, Mr. Hustis on "Railroad Organization."
8:00—Gym Meet with Harvard at Tech Gym.

Saturday, March 12.

3:00—Hare and Hounds Run.
8:00—Columbia University Relay Carnival at Philadelphia.