

PAINTINGS DECORATE WALKER'S BARE WALLS

Alumni Donate Paintings and
Statuary to the Institute—
Trophy Room Receives Most
Attention

PICTURES HUNG IN MANY ROOMS

Plans are well under way to make Walker Memorial one of the most beautiful buildings in this vicinity, both externally and internally. Grass has been planted about it recently, which has helped to bring out its exterior beauty, and now the interior is being decorated with pictures, statuary and plaques, which are to relieve the monotony of the walls, formerly so barren. So far the reading and trophy rooms have undergone the most complete changes. A large handsome portrait of Frank Henry Rand, former bursar of the Institute, has been placed above the fireplace of the east reading room, in his memory. Other pictures are soon to appear in this room, and in the opposite reading room on the first floor. In the library are many handsomely framed reproductions of well-known paintings which are the gifts of several of the alumni, the largest donor being Waldo M. Ross.

Some pictures have already been placed in the Faculty Room along with the busts of President Rogers and Professor Bigelow. The trophy room has probably received the most attention. In its center are two white marble figures which form a striking contrast with the dark trophy cases and furnishings. President Rogers, in bronze, is to be here permanently, while the bronze bust of President Walker is only to be here temporarily. It will probably be put in the niche of the projection booth, along with the bronze pedestal, on which it was displayed in the main dining hall. The walls of the trophy room are being hung with plaques and the photographs of the Technology teams, which won them. But these are not the only rooms being decorated. The balconies also are receiving their share of pictures, and even the billiard room is being decorated with former Tech Show posters, neatly framed.

The work of beautification is not to stop here, as many new oil paintings are expected during the next week, and these will be placed in dining halls, where some very good-looking paintings have already made their appearance.

DORMITORIES ERECT TABLETS FOR RECORD OF ITS TROPHIES

The long standing problem of providing suitable recognition of the victors in the Inter-dormitory matches and contests has at last been solved, for the award of cups last year did not produce the desired effect, the winning hall having no place to exhibit such trophies. A large oak tablet has been erected just inside the entrance of each of the halls, and it is planned to place small gold plates, engraved with the various events on the tablet of the winning hall. This year the dormitories put out only bowling and baseball teams, and the championship in both these sports was won by Runkle Hall. It is expected that next year Billiard, Pool, and Tennis teams will be formed, and much friendly rivalry is anticipated.

LIBERTY MOTORS ARE FOR SALE

Carrying out its determination to salvage as much as possible of the aircraft equipment not needed for the prospective standing army, the War Department has offered 1000 new Liberty motors to the highest bidders. This sale will be a test of the market for these motors, of which many more are on hand. The description given by the War Department of the motors is as follows:

"The motors are 12 cylinder, Vee type, five inch bore, seven inch stroke, of 400 horsepower, at 1700 revolutions per minute. They are equipped with a Belco generator, battery type ignition, two complete distributing units working independently, with Zenith duplex carburetors of the special Liberty design."

ULTIMATE FATE OF THE PRATT MEMORIAL IS STILL IN DOUBT

No decision has yet been reached by the courts concerning the will of the late Mr. Pratt, who bequeathed a considerable part of his fortune to the Institute, for the purpose of constructing the Naval Architecture Building, to be known as Building 5. The will calls for the building to be constructed in a certain limit of time, which has now elapsed. As the building was not put up in this limit of time, the Pratt heirs are claiming that the money or at least part of it, should revert back to them.

On the other hand, the Institute claims that it could not construct the buildings according to Pratt's specifications, and allotment, because of the increased expense of material and labor during the war. The building would probably have been finished only for this reason. Steps had been taken for its beginning, such as the removal of the S. A. T. C. Administration Building, when the will was contested. Work on the building has been dropped since then, and there is nothing that can be done until the decision of the court is given, which will be some time in the fall.

ERECT NEW BUILDING

Service Building Is Put Up On Vassar Street

During the war, Technology, due to various causes, restrained from making any unnecessary alterations, but has now begun to make extensive changes in the buildings. Notable among these changes is the erection of a new structure on Vassar street, which will house the Building Service.

This building is to be 52 by 215 feet, one story high, and is to be constructed of mill steel stuccoed on the outside. It is to contain the carpenter, repair, pipe, paint and electric shops as well as the laundry and main store-room. This building was imperative, as the present shops are needed by the Mechanical Engineering Department for the Wood Work and Manual Training Course formerly held in Room 3-310. The latter is to be filled with machine tools given to the Institute by the War Department.

The decision of the faculty to increase the amount of general studies has necessitated more room and consequently the overflow of the Political Economy Course is to be taken care of in Room 1-175 which will be divided into six offices. This room was previously occupied by the Civil Engineering Museum and last fall by the Naval Unit.

The fourth floor of Building 8 which is at present used by the Mining Engineering Department, is to be dismantled and an Organic Chemical Laboratory installed.

In order to accommodate the increased number of Annapolis students sent here by the Navy Department for the Naval Architecture Course, the third floor of Building 1 is to be somewhat modified and given over to their exclusive use.

ESTIMATES COST OF WAR

It has been estimated by the statistician of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology that the total cost of the war to all the nations that took part in it will amount to \$200,000,000,000. And the money cost, staggering as it is, is small compared with the cost in human lives and the sufferings entailed on millions whose lives it has wrecked. And yet there are many who scoff at all attempts to prevent the recurrence of such a colossal world calamity, possibly even on a greater scale.

CAMPAIGN RIBBONS ISSUED

Announcement was made in Washington, D. C., that the War Department has authorized the wearing of campaign ribbons by every man who were the uniform of the United States in the World War. A medal will be issued to each man later. The campaign ribbon will consist of double rainbow color, with red in the center. Men who served overseas will be entitled to wear a bronze star on their ribbons for each battle in which they participated.

BIDDELL '22 TAKES HONORS IN INTERALLIED GAMES ABROAD

Wins Place in Heats for Backstroke
and 400 Meters.

The latest score of the Interallied Games now being held in the Pershing Stadium near Paris, credits Sidney Bidwell '22 with first place in back-stroke preliminaries and second place in the four-hundred meter preliminaries. He was beaten in the latter event by



SYDNEY M. BIDDELL '22

Norman Ross of California who broke the previous French record and by Longworth, the famous Australian swimmer. The first heat of the back-stroke was won by Norman Ross, so that the two will swim against each other again in the finals of that event. America at the present time holds first place in the games with a total of 19 points, while France and Canada are tied for second place with two points apiece, and New Zealand is in third place with one point to her credit. The American sprinters, Charles Padock and Lieut. Teschner, took first and second places, respectively, in the

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COLONEL MAY LEAVE

War Department Undecided What Course To Pursue

The United States War Department recently decided upon a new policy regarding the officering of the student military organizations of the colleges and universities throughout the country. The intent of the measure was that all the retired army officers, who are now holding positions of various ranks as professors of military science and warfare, should be relieved from service and be replaced by active officers. In view, however, of the protest this has brought from various quarters, the War Department is reconsidering the measure, and the matter is still undecided.

This order would, of course, affect the Institute, inasmuch as Colonel Cole is a retired army officer, and would thereby be relieved. The Colonel began his work as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at the Institute in 1911, when he was retired from active service. He began his military career at the United States Military Academy, from which he graduated in 1889, and has followed the service ever since, serving in both the Spanish War and in the Philippine campaigns.

TECHNOLOGY WITHDRAWS ENTRY FROM INDEPENDENCE DAY RACE

The twenty-third annual regatta of the New England Rowing Association, which is the annual event in rowing contests, is to be held on the Charles River course Friday. The Institute Rowing Association planned to enter a crew in the eight-oared events, but comparatively few men turned out for practice, so that the entry was withdrawn. Those who are interested in rowing, however, feel that another year the Institute should be represented, and they are working at present with this aim in view.

TECHNOLOGY HAS A RECORD ENROLLMENT FOR SUMMER

Although the final registration for Summer School is not yet complete, nevertheless all indications point to a record number of students attending the 1919 Summer Session. In spite of the fact that the reports were just mailed last Friday, many of the students have already signified their intention of repeating various courses in which they did not receive passing marks last term.

The largest registration is for Mathematics with 135 students. Qualitative Analysis is second with 125, while the other Chemistry Courses have about 120. The Applied Mechanics Course has 97 registrants, Electric Engineering 85, Mechanical Engineering, Physics and Languages 75, Civil Engineering 57, Mechanic Arts 55, Drawing 48, English History 17, Architecture 6, and the Biology and Public Health Department will keep open with only one student enrolled.

Besides this number, totalling nearly a thousand, there will be the junior freshmen, who are at present enjoying a short vacation, and many prospective students making up deficiencies in preparation for the Fall Entrance Examinations. There is also an increasing number of students from other Colleges availing themselves of the opportunities offered by Technology to continue their scientific studies during the summer.

BIBLE IS READY

New Edition Is Similar In Form To Previous Ones

The Tech Bible, which is published annually by the Technology Christian Association, has been edited and revised to date. It will be similar in form and contents to recent editions of the "Bible," containing the usual Technology songs and cheers, and the items of general information concerning the Institute, which serves to make the freshman more familiar with its ways, and are an excellent means of keeping up the spirit of the school. The rooming lists have been completely revised and are expected to be more than ever useful to the new men. All new athletic records made this year, all the changes in the constitution of the Institute Committee, and the names of the officers elected last term have been incorporated in the latest edition. At the end of the book there are several blank pages which will be convenient for memoranda.

With the conclusion of the term the T. C. A. ended its active work for the year, but plans were made for a busy year to follow. In the fall the Association will print a new list of rooms available to the incoming freshmen, larger than that which will appear in the Tech Bible, and completely up to date. The book exchange will be opened and will run under the usual system. In order to make the activities files of the T. C. A. complete, every man who gets a Tech Bible will be requested to fill out a card stating his activities at the Institute. There are now about fifty cards in the files, but it is hoped that in his way, the files can be kept up to date. At some time during the spring term next year, a collection of clothing will be made in the Dormitories, similar to that made this year for Serbian relief. If the collection is as successful as that made this year it will become an annual event, and the material will be contributed to a worthy charitable institution. H. R. Kepner '20, of the committee on religious education, has promised some unusually fine speakers for next fall, among them the son of Theodore Roosevelt, and others of national reputation.

CARR FASTENER CO. BUYS FORMER AVIATION BUILDINGS

Two of the wooden buildings formerly belonging to the U. S. Naval Aviation Detachment have been bought from the Institute by the Carr Fastener Company. After having been removed from their foundations, the two buildings were laid on rollers and gradually moved to the Carr property. The larger structure used as an annex by the aviators will be utilized by the purchasers as a recreation building for their employees. The other will serve as a storehouse.

WILL DISCLOSE NAME OF MYSTERIOUS DONOR

Technology Benefactor Who
Gave \$7,000,000 Will be Named
By President Maclaurin Within
Six Months

ANNOUNCED NEXT JANUARY

The identity of the mysterious "Mr. Smith" who gave the Massachusetts Institute of Technology \$7,000,000 is to be revealed.

It will be announced by President Maclaurin in six months at a reunion of the New Hampshire and Maine Graduate clubs at the summer home of E. J. Rollins at Dover, N. H.

President Maclaurin has zealously guarded the name of the great benefactor of Tech. The donor, in making his magnificent gift to the institute, explicitly provided at that time that his identity under no consideration should be revealed.

The announcement by Mr. Maclaurin that the veil of secrecy is to be lifted brings great pleasure to the army of graduates and undergraduates who long have desired to know the identity of the man who made possible the great educational buildings which are a monument to his love for the institute.

PROVOST GUARDS LEAVE FOR DEVENS AND ETHAN ALLEN

All Emergency Men Have Been Discharged, Leaving Only 135 Regulars.

The Technology Barracks are to be vacated after being occupied since January by the Provost Guards who came in after the S. A. T. C. men were discharged in December. The draftees, and men enlisting for the duration of the war only, have all been discharged, only 135 regulars are left, and they are leaving for Government training camps. The draftees were, for the greater part, men from Indiana and Illinois, and were in the first draft, being sent here after spending some time in training in camps in the west. Saturday, Lieutenant Hall in charge of fifty men left for Camp Ethan Allen to do guard duty until some of the regulars return from France, probably the 3rd Cavalry who will relieve the guards and take over the camp. A few will remain in the barracks to look after the government property remaining until everything has been removed and a small detachment will do police duty at Franklin Field until the air planes which were here for the recruiting drive have gone. Colonel Frank, in charge of the rest of the outfit, leaves Monday afternoon for Camp Devens.

Colonel Thomas L. Brewer, who has been in command and is Provost-Marshal of the North-Eastern department, will remain in Boston at the Department Headquarters, on General Edwards' staff, as inspector of small arms. After Colonel Brewer leaves there will be no other appointment to the office of Provost Marshal.

The barracks have been advertised for sale, two have already been sold, and the work of tearing them down has been started on one. The others will be torn down as soon as they are sold, and it is expected that soon the army barracks at Technology will be a thing of the past.

\$25,000,000 FOR NAVAL AVIATION

Funds for naval aviation for 1920 were fixed at \$25,000,000 under a compromise agreement reached by House and Senate conferees.

If a sufficient number of students apply for Principles of Electrical Engineering 602, provision can be made for it during the summer. Application should be made at once at the Registrar's office.

The exercises of the State will be omitted on the legal holiday, July 4th and also on Saturday, July 5th, 1919.

Walter Humphreys.