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WAR RECORD QUESTIONNAIRE

ONLY six thousand replies to the War Record questionnaire have been received, although at least NINE thousand Tech men have had some part in winning the war. Perhaps many of the three thousand who have not replied consider that their services involved no element of valor or self sacrifice and hence are not worth recording. These men must realize that the War Record is to be a statement of Technology's services as well as those of her individual alumni. Furthermore everyone who was qualified by his Technology education for service in any essential industry during the war should give his Alma Mater her just credit by sending in his record.

EIGHTEEN NINETY-SIX

IN this number THE TECH inaugurates a series to be called "Twenty-five Years Ago Today," which will depict the Institute as it was a quarter of a century ago. Since the period which we shall recall, M. I. T., has expanded with unparalleled rapidity. Besides, the customs and habits of our time have changed so greatly that many things which seemed perfectly natural then appear ridiculous to us. For instance, a quaint note in THE TECH informs us that the senior class canes were, (in a certain year), unusually handsome. But in our pride of keeping abreast of the times we should not laugh too loudly at the old Tech. Twenty-five years hence, '45, '46, '47 and '48, will be doing the same to us.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO TODAY AT TECHNOLOGY

THE Class of '98 held a meeting in room 11, Rogers, at one o'clock. A Penang stick with suitable trimmings was selected for the class cane.

The Chicago Club held its first Bohemian dinner at Dreyfus. About twenty men from the windy city were present. After dinner, Mr. H. P. Beers as president, T. E. Tallmadge, H. F. Hoit and H. V. von Holst responded to toasts.

Statistics showed that almost half the sophomore class failed in the mid-term examination in Physics.

The presence of "the large number of coeds" was attributed to the "emancipated woman" movement.

Mr. Laws experimented with a "flying machine" in Physics Lab.

OUR NEGATIVE QUANTITY

ABOUT one percent of the entire population of the United States never develops its mentality beyond that of the normal child of ten years. According to the law of probabilities, a certain percentage of this class of mentally deficient is due to find its way into our "glorious Institute." Under the auspices of THE TECH, a census is being taken to determine the number of these unfortunates actually enrolled in Technology.

The vigilant census men of THE TECH will be stationed at the entrance to room 10-250 during the hours assigned for Physics lecture and will keep a careful count of all those who gleefully pound upon and rattle the locked doors of the lecture room. This pitiable class will be divided under three general heads: idiots, imbecils and morons. This census will be kept on file at THE TECH office for future reference.

STUDENT ENDOWMENT FUND

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New Button Supply

The rush of undergraduate subscriptions which was pouring into the fund office at the rate of a little over 115 per hour Saturday morning, quickly exhausted the supply of red buttons on hand, although more were immediately ordered. It was found that this button is not regularly carried in stock and that a special lot would have to be made up. This has caused considerable trouble but the Fund office announces that their "button maker" has promised to deliver 1,000 new buttons early tomorrow morning. In the meantime, a number of extra buttons are in the hands of many of the undergraduate solicitors and any solicitor who has such an extra supply, has been requested to turn them over to the Fund office in order that the 400 odd men who subscribed Saturday and yesterday, and were unable to receive buttons may get them at room 3-205.

General Fund Averages Good

The returns of the last four or five days from the Alumni, Undergraduate and Non-Technology sources have been up to standard and if the present rate is kept up, the \$3,000,000 minimum will be reached by New Year's. However, the Alumni-Corporation Committee are straining every nerve in order to secure the entire \$4,000,000 necessary to meet "Mr. Smith's" conditions by January 1st, and in order to do this every possible source of income must be pushed to the limit.

Preliminary List at End of Week

The preliminary list of subscribers no individual amounts stated, whose pledge cards were received at the Fund office by noon, Saturday last, is expected to be printed and ready for distribution next Thursday or Friday. It is possible that another preliminary list of subscribers will be published, including all names received up to Christmas Day, as the Fund Committee considers that this would show the names of those who had remembered Technology in their Christmas gifts. The final list will include the names of all subscribers whose cards are received by New Years.

The complete standing of all classes, including number of men subscribing, total amounts, percentage of men subscribing, and average subscrip-

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MARY CHILD '22 WEDS PAUL SHEELINE '19 LAST FRIDAY

Miss Mary Franklin Child '22 was married last Friday night at six o'clock to Paul Daniel Sheeline '19 at King's Chapel. Miss Phyllis Krafft '22 was one of the two attending bridesmaids and John Stevens '19 was best man. Among the ushers were Richard Lee '21, Richard McKay '21, H. C. Pratt '21 and C. J. Conkey '23. After the ceremony a reception for about 50 intimate friends of the bride and bridegroom was held at the Tuileries.

NOTICES

For Undergraduates

Books Given Away—Owing to the fact that the following books have not been claimed in spite of the repeated notices in THE TECH they can be had for the asking at the Superintendent of Buildings and Power.

Hand-book of Chemistry; The Evolution of Industry; Le Gendre de M. Poirier; Le Monde Ou L'on S'ennuie; Working Drawings of Machinery; Applied Mechanics (Unbound).

Freshman Elections

C. H. Hewitt has been elected to the Executive committee for the freshman class instead of T. W. Kenyon as had been printed before.

Coupon Book Found—One of THE TECH coupon books was found in the Walker Memorial. The owner may claim the same by calling at room 310 Walker.

MASONIC OFFICERS ELECTED

The Masonic Club assembled last Friday and elected permanent officers for the remainder of the year. After completing the business, the club was addressed by Capt. John W. Hall, of the Class of '92, who related some of his experiences with the militia on the Mexican Border and with a supply outfit in France.

The officers elected are: A. E. Tuttle '17, President; H. H. Fisk '18, Vice President; N. D. Connors '19, Treasurer; E. G. Farrand '19, Secretary. The other members of the executive committee are M. M. Whitaker '20, F. P. Reynolds '19, and W. R. McKenney '20.

Before the meeting, a number of the members met for dinner at specially reserved tables in the Main Dining Room.

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