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REVIEW ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF LATE PRES. MACLAURIN

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ton, where in addition to the usual burdens of teaching, he put his enormous resources of energy into large enterprises in educational reform in the islands.

"This not only robbed him of much time and energy which he ardently coveted for his mathematical researches but brought him face to face with the necessity of choosing between mathematical physics and the law of his later career. He stuck by his earlier preference.

Comes to Columbia

"In 1905, while spending a year at Cambridge, England, I was directed by Columbia University to find a professor of mathematical physics; the qualifications laid down were both high and exacting. The search was a discouraging one although the best advice was sought in the highest places in England, Scotland, France and Germany.

"The search failed to discover the exceptional man and the chair remained two years unoccupied.

"In a later personal letter from Sir Joseph Larmor, the name of Dr. MacLaurin was suggested with some very convincing recommendations, but with express misgivings whether Dr. MacLaurin could be brought to United States from New Zealand.

"Correspondence began with exchange of letters with a two months interval between question and answer. Next came cabling, and in February, 1918, Dr. MacLaurin began his lectures at Columbia.

"With then what seemed to us an incredibly short time we began to receive institute visitors at Columbia. They began by coming singly. Then by twos and threes. In less than 9 months after Dr. MacLaurin's arrival a comparative stranger in America, it seemed to be settled, on one side at least, that he was to be the president of Technology.

"It is obviously a mistake to think of Dr. MacLaurin as a man who arrived at distinction when he became president of the Institute. On any fair basis of comparison he was just as distinguished as a boy of 13, relatively.

Had Admirable Character

"As a companion he was always in good spirits, keen and humorous in his observations, at times delightfully whimsical. He never chose to appear very serious, unless circumstances required it of him.

"Himself he took wholly for granted. I don't believe it ever occurred to him that his own personal affairs could possibly be of interest to any one else. His reserve was absolutely natural, not worn in a defense.

"To him motive and purpose meant more than method in his personal regard for his associates to whom he was devotedly loyal in thought and action. His human interest were bounded neither by creed nor by class. His human attachments were deep and strong. He sought counsel from men of judgment whose views he knew to be opposed to his own. He was tolerant of every shade of human opinion and weighted impartially different views with a singular generosity.

Was Always Optimistic

"He was not deceived by the vast complexity and disorder on the surface of human affairs nor by the cross currents and conflicts of human motives and interests. He seemed to see everywhere a larger underlying harmony and purpose.

"His optimism was fundamental, not based on the shallow successes of men, of institutions, nor of governments, but rested rather on the clear discernment of that deep strong undertow of a reason of human progress guided by a reasoned faith.

"Finally, he was one who never turned his back but marched breast forward, never doubted clouds would

break, never dreamed though right were worsted, wrong would triumph. "Held, we fall to rise, our battle to fight better, sleep to wake."

Remembrance Like Music

Dr. George A. Gordon of the new Old South Church then addressed the Alumni, giving a personal appreciation of Dr. MacLaurin. "Dr. MacLaurin," he said, "was a rare combination of a scientist and a humanist. He was a scientist by inheritance, and by choice, purpose, service, fellowship, hope and faith in men and in God. This rare combination made him widely significant. He had sure judgment, refinement of feeling, reverence for the assembled ideals of humanity. He led not by compulsion." With reference to an amusing anecdote, he said that Dr. MacLaurin did not "play by note or by ear," but by main strength.

Many incidents also went to show that his humor was equally rare. Dr. Gordon closed his address with the words, "His remembrance is like music."

Technology Was Prepared

The story of the Institute's soldiers in the Great War was then told by Henry M. Waite '90. He showed how big a field there was for scientific men in the War, also telling of the value of Technology men's services in the Emergency Fleet Corporation and the other war work in the industries. In part, he said, "sixty-two of the instructing staff were in the service, 5,000 Institute men were in uniform, of which number 3,000 or 60 per cent were officers.

Dr. MacLaurin placed the Institute itself at the disposal of the Government. As a consequence the Aviation and Signal Corps received training here, and 851 of the former graduated in the courses pursued. From May to September, 1918, there were 327 men in the Aviation Ground School. Other men trained in the Radio, Shipping Board and Warrant Machinist Schools. In all, there were 4,000 men in uniform at Technology. There was no action of the whole war in which Technology men did not take part.

Mr. Waite concluded by saying, "We have much to be proud of in the achievements of our graduates and undergraduates. Technology was prepared and she did her duty."

The Commemoration meeting ended upon the thanking of all present by General du Pont for their attention.

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION WILL KEEP OPEN HOUSE HERE

At the Emma Rogers Room and the Margaret Cheney Room during the Alumni reunion, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Women's Alumnae Association keeps open house and maintains ladies' headquarters.

The mothers, sisters, and friends of the Alumni will be royally entertained during the reunion, in the commodious and sumptuously decorated Emma Rogers and Margaret Cheney Rooms. Through the courtesy of Miss Minns, the former room has been decorated in beautiful style, the principal means employed being the generous and highly artistic arrangement of well-filled vases of flowers of the most luxurious hues.

Every afternoon, between 3 and 5 o'clock, tea will be served. It is sincerely desired that every visitor will feel entirely free to avail herself of the entertainment which is provided. For the further convenience of the visitors, the Committee Room at the left side of the Emma Rogers Room is now open to those who desire a place in which to write letters or to rest. A desk and writing materials have been provided and on one side of the room there is a couch.

CARD OF THANKS

In hopes that some of the 1920 Class Day Committee may see this issue, I take this opportunity to express my appreciation of the flowers sent at my mother's death on graduation morning.

(Signed) KENNETH F. AKERS.

ENGINEER TRACKMEN SNARE NEW HONORS

Dandrow, Pierce, and Kellar Win Places in New England A. A. A. Meet at Franklin Field—Kellar Breaks Discus Record

DOWNEY PLACES IN HEAT

Three Technology athletes won places in the New England Amateur Athletic Association Championships, held last Sunday at Franklin Field. Jack Kellar captured the discus throw, George Dandrow won the hammer throw and placed second in the 56-pound weight throw, and Hank Pierce took third honors in the running hop, step and jump.

Kellar's performance was the most remarkable, in that he heaved the discus 127 feet, 2 inches, breaking the former record of 122 feet, 2 inches, and scoring a distance over ten feet greater than that made by Jack Lawlor, his nearest competitor. The Cardinal and Gray athlete was in splendid form, and his winning throw was the best he has done this year.

George Dandrow had no trouble in winning the 16-pound hammer throw, with a heave of 143 feet, 3 inches. L. H. Weld, the husk Dartmouth man, who like Dandrow wore the colors of the B. A. A. Sunday, took second place in this event with a throw of 140 feet, 8 inches. Dandrow added to his total point score by finishing runner-up in the 56-pound weight throw, with a distance of 28 feet, 10 inches. Sergeant W. Lynch of Fort Banks won this event at 30 feet, 7 inches.

The third Institute athlete to place in the big meet was Hank Pierce. The little jumper placed third in the running hop, step and jump, which was won by E. O. Gourdin of Harvard with a mark of 43 feet, 5½ inches. Pierce covered 41 feet, 2½ inches in getting third position.

One other Technology runner, Jim Downey, was entered in the meet. The speedy sprinter placed in his heat of the 220 yard dash, but was nosed out of position in the finals by a narrow margin.

TOTAL REGISTRATION MONDAY NIGHT 800

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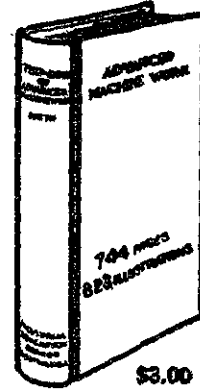
Many Alumni who have not come from such a distance, arrived Monday. The registration shows that those who live nearby registered in great part on the first two days.

The early morning down-pour of rain Monday did not help matters any and it was well on toward noon before any rush of Alumni was felt in the registration headquarters. At noon and after noon until the memorial meeting started in the main hall at 2:30, the gymnasium was thronged with old graduates.

The room became the scene of many renewals of acquaintances of former school days. The system of badges, whereby everyone wore his name and class in his lapel, proved a marvelous means of enabling the men of the old classes to recognize their classmates.

Professors from all the departments were found in the gymnasium, talking over old times with their former pupils. It was a sight for sore eyes, that gymnasium scene about noon with the many hearty hand-shakes and warm recognitions.

The registration machinery ran like clock-work. A feature of this was the ability of those registering the men to answer their queries as to how many of their classmates had registered before them. The system called for a triple filing system, by name, by course, and by class. Reference to the files of registration divulged worlds of information regarding the registration to date for all interested Alumni.



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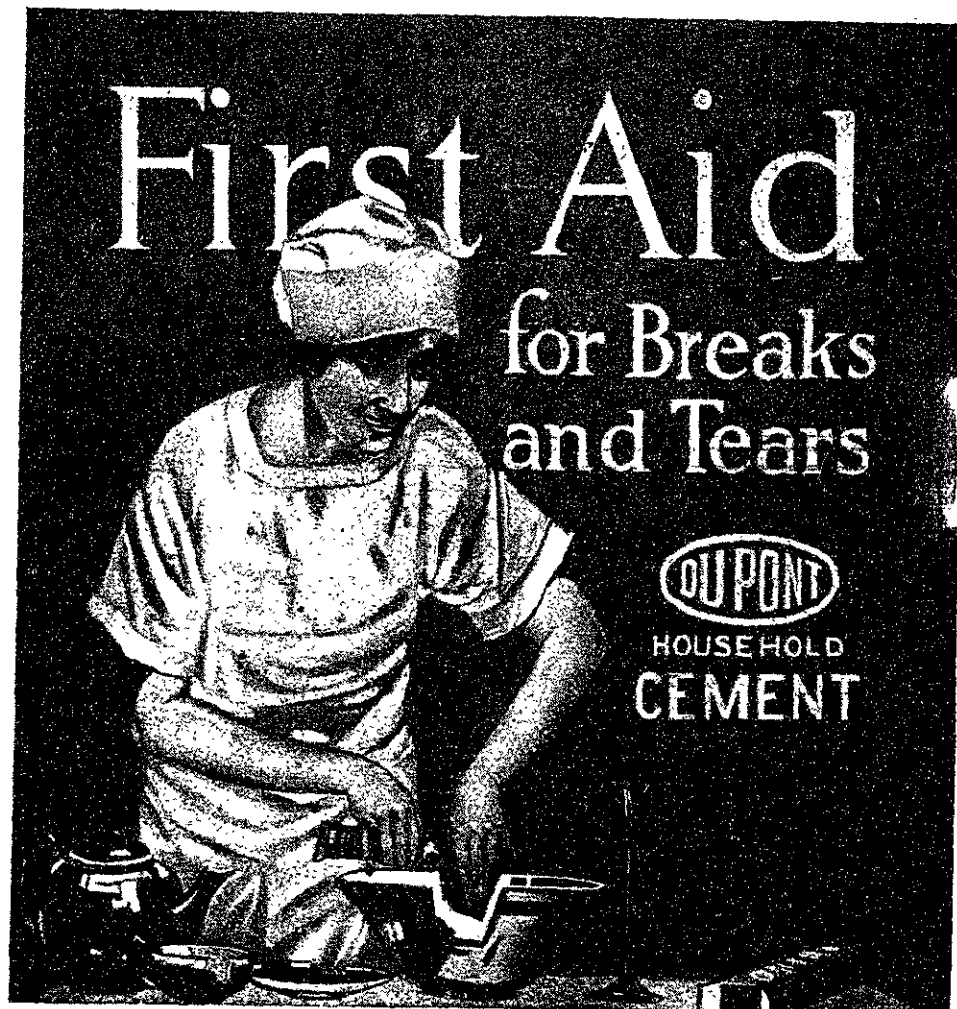
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