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## IN CHARGE THIS ISSUE

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1920

## AN EXPLANATION REQUIRED

HAVING given the matter of the recent attack upon the M. I. T. A. A. careful consideration, we feel that the M. I. T. A. A. has been gravely at fault. It is definitely known that in the election of the Field Day Manager two men voted who were not qualified to do so. We also know that the schedule of the Institute teams was printed without advertisements and contained the name of a crew manager who was in reality only a candidate. Since that time a man other than the one named on the schedule has been elected.

In view of these known facts we demand that a satisfactory explanation be forthcoming from the M. I. T. A. A. In THE TECH of November 19, appeared three communications relative to the subject, which threw absolutely no light upon the question, but merely evaded the issue. The principle theme of these letters was a condemnation of unsigned communications and an invitation to examine the book of the organizations concerned, rather than the explanation which the Institute demands. We cannot understand why the president of the T. A. C. most emphatically denies the statements in the communication of Nov. 16, when we know that the athletic circulars were printed as stated in that letter.

In regard to the finances of the organization we have no reason to believe that there is fraud, but we do consider that the printing of the circulars in question without advertisements to help defray the expense, requires an explanation.

## ORPHAN COMMUNICATIONS

THERE is an unfortunate tendency among the writers of communications to THE TECH to ask that their names be withheld. Whatever their motives may be, whether diffidence or something more compelling in their minds, the authors should remember that in this world an orphan has a poor chance to get very far. Any expression of opinion backed by a name carries more weight than if anonymous. The natural reaction on reading an unsigned communication is: "There's someone who thought he had to write but didn't care enough to stand up for his ideas. He's just writing for the sake of something to do." We therefore urge everyone who sends a communication on any subject to allow the publication of his name, not merely so the readers can know, but in fairness to his ideas, that they may receive the consideration they deserve.

## AN EVIDENCE OF GROSS CARELESSNESS

AS one crosses the campus between building two and Walker Memorial, he is greeted by a sight which fills him with disgust. The grass plot of our new base ball diamond is furrowed by a series of deep ruts, which are made by certain careless and inconsiderate individuals who find that they can save thirty seconds by driving their automobiles across the diamond instead of going around it. It is deplorable that there are men among us whose college spirit has reached such a state of degeneration, that they are willing to spoil, in a second, a recreation field which was built at a large amount of labor and expense.

It is the duty of every student, and especially those who use the privilege of parking their automobiles near the diamond, to speak to everyone who manifests such a lack of common sense, and to teach him, in no uncertain terms, that his convenience is not the only consideration.

## CAPTAIN H. Z. LANDON, 26TH DIV. ADDRESSES MASONIC SMOKER

The Masonic Club of Technology held a smoker last Friday evening in the North Dining Hall of Walker Memorial, at which Captain H. Z. Landon of the 101st Engineers, 26th Division, related his experiences in Germany while a guest of the Imperial government.

He told of his capture in the sacrifice drive of the Meuse-Argonne of-

fensive a few weeks before the signing of the Armistice and the trip to the prison camps in the interior of Germany. Everywhere people realized that the strife was nearly over, he said, and the prisoners, especially Americans, were treated cordially with the hope that they would not carry back any hatred for the enemy. In the camps the Red Cross acting through Switzerland, kept them supplied with the essential things, such as food, soap, clothing, shaving material, etc.

## COMMUNICATIONS

To our readers:—

Comment has been heard around the Institute that THE TECH is trying to "put something over" in charging five cents and accepting no coupons, for their Georgia Special.

A few words of explanation are in order. Assuming that it would be of much interest to the undergraduate body to know that the Governor of Georgia, with a large number of influential Georgia men, together with Vice-President-Elect Coolidge would be at the Institute on November 22, we deemed it advisable to put this news in the columns of a special issue. To save expense, the regular Friday edition was used by taking out the unimportant stories and putting in this story.

Even with this procedure to save expense, THE TECH expected to and actually did lose money on the special issue. We should very much appreciate it if our readers and subscribers would consider the difficulties and expense of getting out such an issue before passing unfavorable comment on our procedure.

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R. A. ST. LAURENT, General Manager

## ACADEMIA TO MEET FRIDAY

A meeting of the Academia will be held in room 4-138 at 5 o'clock next Friday. This will be the first time this year that the society has gotten together. The meeting will be open only to Sophomores and freshmen. Professor H. G. Pearson Head of the English Department will speak, after which there will be a discussion of the points brought up in the talk.

## HEAR REPORTS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AT T. C. A. MEETING

Reports from the Committee Chairmen dominated the meeting of the T. C. A. Cabinet held last week. Several new features of association work were discussed, chief of which was the industrial service inaugurated during the past few weeks. This consists of supplying teachers for English courses being offered to foreigners in various factories and Social Service Houses of Boston and Cambridge. Twelve men have already been placed, with demands for more coming in every day. Any man desiring to undertake this work is asked to hand in his name at the T. C. A. Office.

## Church Relations Established

The Church Relations committee reported that one church of each denomination had been given a list of names of the students of that church attending the Institute, and that a personal invitation to attend said church would be sent to each student.

The Book Exchange Committee reported that there had been \$1200 worth of business transacted since the beginning of the term. The Employment Bureau reported that jobs worth \$600 had been given out up to the present time.

## Book Exchange Head Elected

It is announced that hereafter all tutors securing pupils through the T. C. A. Employment Bureau must be approved by Mr. A. Tinsel, Post-Graduate. All tutoring will be at the rate of \$1.00 per hour for a single man, and \$1.50 per hour for two men. It is also announced that H. J. MacMillan has been elected assistant director of the T. C. A. Book Exchange. New Copies of "Concerning M. I. T." have been received and all freshmen desiring to secure same may do so by asking for one at the T. C. A. Office.

## NOTICES

for Undergraduates

The Directory of Officers and Students, will be posted in proof form in the main lobby of the buildings. Corrections as to spelling of names, college degrees, addresses, etc., are to be submitted to the Information Office. Room 10-100.

Dorm Dining Room opened Thursday morning, November 18.

Brookline High Alumni are asked to attend a mass meeting at the High School tomorrow at 8 o'clock.

The Norwegian Club announces that it still maintains its organization of last year and the clubhouse is at 621 Commonwealth avenue.

Members of the winning Field Day teams and the substitutes to whom numerals are to be awarded, and the members of the Freshmen Football team, may receive their shingles for the award by application at the A. A. office any afternoon between 5 and 6 o'clock.

Candidates for Freshman and Varsity Basket Ball teams report in Walker Gym with equipment this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Candidates for assistant manager report at the same time.

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## INTERESTING SPEAKER WILL ADDRESS FRESHMAN SECTIONS

Whiting Williams to Speak on Labor Unrest

Through the efforts of Professor Robinson, the freshman class in English will play the audience to an interesting speaker and a worthwhile subject this week. The speaker Whiting Williams, recently director of personnel at the Hydraulic Steel Company of Cleveland, and whose book, "What is On The Worker's Mind" created much discussion, spent three months in the mines, docks, and shipyards of England in the guise of a laborer, and was later employed in the same capacity by various industries of this country. He will discuss the psychology underlying the present labor unrest and will illustrate with instances from his own experience. He will address several sections on Wednesday at 9 o'clock, another group at 2 o'clock, and still another group Friday at 11 o'clock.

## PROFESSOR J. W. HOWARD IS FEDERAL BOARD COUNSELLOR

Professor John W. Howard of Course I has been appointed Counsellor for the Federal Board students at the Institute, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Bursar Ford.

In every educational institution where disabled ex-service men are pursuing studies under the guidance of the Federal Board for Vocational Education, a Counsellor is appointed who is usually a member of the Faculty, to look after and safeguard the interests of the men.

At present there are 79 ex-service men taking Vocational Education courses at Technology and 1919 disabled ex-service men receiving instruction at 96 schools in this country; 13 of which are in New England, 27 in the East, eight in the South, 35 in the Middle West and 13 in the West.

## CHEMICAL ENGINEERING SOCIETY VISITS REVERE

Course X-A Men Working at Refinery Act As Guides

A visit to the Revere Sugar Refinery last Thursday afternoon by the Chemical Society included over 90 men; a record number for such trips. A number of Course X-A men who have been working at the refinery for several weeks accompanied the party as guides, each taking charge of a group of nine men. These guides were well qualified from their intimate knowledge of the works, to pick the vital points from a chemical standpoint, and show every detail of the refining process. It is planned to visit the Merrimac Chemical Company in about ten days; and if possible a number of such excursions will be taken throughout the year with the idea of seeing industrial chemical work, and the practical application of laboratory methods. The trips are open to all members of the Chemical Engineering Society.

## FEDERAL BOARD MEN TO DINE

The ex-service men at the Institute who are studying under the Federal Board for Vocational Education will hold a dinner in the North Dining Hall on Wednesday evening, December 1, at which Mr. Fred T. A. McLeod, District Vocational Officer for New England; Dean A. E. Burton of the Institute and Professor J. W. Howard, Federal Board Counsellor, will address the men.

This will be the first of the series of the get-together meetings planned for this winter for the purpose of forming a closer relationship between the disabled ex-service men and the Institute. The social committee urges every man to make use of this opportunity to become acquainted with his fellow students and the men who are connected with the Federal Board.

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