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IN CHARGE THIS ISSUE

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MESSAGES TO STUDENTS

RECENTLY numerous complaints have been heard concerning the policy of the Information Office in refusing to deliver messages. A little explanation ought to make their position clear. It was by order of the Administrative Committee of the Institute that this policy was inaugurated and they were forced to take this action because some few students continually abused the privilege. It had become a nuisance, not to the Information Office, but to the professors in charge of the classes to have the continuity of their lectures disturbed once or twice every hour by the appearance of a messenger. The Information Office is still willing to handle important messages such as telegrams, notices of sickness or death, or important business calls which cannot wait. Messages to students by members of the instructing staff will, of course, still be delivered. The office is entirely justified in refusing to send a messenger to interrupt a class and deliver a message to some one, from the garage, saying that his car is fixed and will be waiting for him; or a message from a friend who merely says that he will meet him downtown in the evening. It is because of the large number of just such messages which have been coming in lately that the Administrative Committee has been forced to make the ruling they have recently made.

GOOD WORK, SOPHOMORES

WE are glad to see that the Class of 1923 is having a dinner next week. As we have said before, such functions are a necessary part of Technology and the benefits derived from them are many. Turn out in force Sophomores, and have one hundred per cent attendance at your dinner.

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

Vacancies to West Point, representing appointments from nearly every State in the country offer to Technology students an opportunity to enter what is probably the finest military training school in the world. Anyone under twenty-two years of age, resident in the United States is eligible for candidacy, and those who are physically up to standard, and stand well in the Institute work, will be able to get a recommendation from Colonel Christian which will carry considerable weight. All men interested should see the Colonel or one of the Majors in room 3-310 as soon as possible.

Aside from the question of military work, West Point offers a good general education, and while a great majority of the graduates enter the army, no man is obliged to go into military service. Several prominent engineers are graduates of West Point. Contrary to general opinion the work is not largely of a military character, but most of the time is spent on languages, mathematics, and science, the only drill during the year being after 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The summer camp work is largely drill, but this is only for a small part of the year. The classes in most subjects are small, not exceeding ten men to an instructor, except in such general subjects as drawing.

Government Pays Expenses

While at the school, all expenses including clothes, tuition and board are paid by the government, and at the end of the period of four years the student will probably have a cash balance of four or five hundred dollars with which to buy his uniform and equipment if he enters the army.

The West Point diploma carries with it a commission of second lieutenant, and many of the graduates rise to captaincy within the first few months of service.

OBSERVE THRIFT WEEK

National Thrift Week will be observed January 17-23 to emphasize the need of thrift and it has been estimated that more than 1000 communities will observe the events. The National Thrift Week Committee has suggested that each day of the week be set aside to suggest some special phase of thrift, as follows, Monday, January 17, Benjamin Franklin's birthday, Bank Day; Tuesday, January 18, Budget Day; Wednesday, January 19, National Life Insurance Day; Thursday, January 20, Own Your Own Home Day; Friday, January 21, Make a Will Day; Saturday, January 22, Pay Your Bills Promptly Day; Sunday, January 23, Share With Others Day.

NOTICES for Undergraduates

The Officers and the dance committee of the California Club will meet in the faculty room of Walker at 5 o'clock today.

Mr. M. R. Copithorne will give his regular Thursday reading in the Walker Library at 7:30 o'clock. Readings will be from Kipling and "Dooley."

The Advisory Council on Athletics will meet at the Engineer's Club of Boston on Wednesday, December 1, at 7:30 p. m. Managers and captains of all teams are invited to attend.

COMMUNICATIONS

To the Editor of THE TECH:

At the United States Public Health Service Hospital, number 44, in West Roxbury is a former, overseas service, TECH boy '14, gaining splendidly, but not yet strong enough to be discharged.

In the meantime, he and his comrades are making all sorts of attractive articles, suitable gifts for Christmas and other occasions.

These articles, the making of which helps to keep one boy and the other boys happy and on the road to health, are for sale at the hospital, between the hours of two and four in the afternoon.

Perhaps you will find there just what you need.

Mrs. Charles Winthrop Sawyer, President of Technology Women's Association.

Alumni Notes

J. W. CLARKSON ENGAGED

Mrs. Frank C. Cutter, of Concord, announced the engagement of her daughter, Elizabeth Brooks to John Wheeler Clarkson '18 at a tea given by her grandmother, Mrs. George M. Brooks, of Concord last Saturday afternoon.

Clarkson was a member of Delta Chi fraternity, captain of football team and member of the M. I. T. A. A. his freshman year; class president his second year and Reunion Editor of Technique 1918.

SUPERINTENDS SOAP PLANT

Robert E. Kendall '98, formerly with the E. I. Du Pont de Nemours and Company, has recently accepted the position of chemical superintendent of the Port Ivory, Staten Island plant of the Proctor and Gamble Company. Mr. Kendall has been connected with the Du Pont company for a long period of years and has done remarkable work in the chemical department. The large plant of which he is chemical superintendent produces the famous Ivory Soap. He studied chemistry at the Institute and graduated in 1898.

VOO DOO ON SALE TOMORROW

The December issue of Voo Doo, called the "Sleepy Issue" will go on sale tomorrow in the main lobby. This will be the last issue of the term.

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