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IN CHARGE THIS ISSUE

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1921

A YEAR ago tomorrow all Technology was saddened by the unexpected news of the loss of our great and beloved leader, whose untimely death left Technology without that steady hand and farsighted leadership which guided us through the storms of war and reconstruction to a final success.

Even as two of our former presidents were taken away while at their posts of duty, so Richard Cockburn Maclaurin sacrificed his life in assuring the successful completion of the Alumni campaign which carried the Institute through the most serious crisis of its history, leaving the new Technology, which stands as his monument, solidly endowed to continue its service to the world.

Those who remember him look back upon a year which seems quite barren in contrast to those years which were marked by his loving and faithful guidance of the Institute.

It is altogether fitting that the Institute Committee should place a wreath on his memorial, to call to mind the great sacrifice Dr. Maclaurin made for the good of Technology, to serve as a glorious inspiration for all of us.

THE BROWN BAG CLUB

EVERY morning at nine a small army of students hop off the Dudley Street cars or scurry out of the hole at Kendall Square and brave the quagmires of Amherst Street, brown bag grasped firmly in the hand, eyes intent on the ground, and thoughts centered on M 22. They have never had time to wonder whether the sign painter made a mistake on the machine-shop they pass, or if not, what Mr. Frank cuts. Every day after their last class they buckle the straps of their brown bags with deadly finality and scurry for the car, or again attempt fate in the wastes of Amherst Street now rendered doubly perilous by the darkness. Who are these? For if numbers count they must be an important part of the Institute.

They are the Brown Bag Club, to whom the Institute is merely a means of acquiring a mass of technical data to be card-indexed for future use. They are important, but as a problem, for they stand in the way of the development of Institute Spirit, of solidarity and a real community of interest in the student body. Not only in their duty to the Institute but in their duty to themselves as well do they fail.

A technical education, perhaps more than any other should comprise something in addition to the purely specialized subjects. A man who devotes all his time to his courses is bound to be narrowed and can not expect to get the most out of the Institute. There is the crux of the whole problem of the Brown Bag Club; "To get the most out of the Institute." That is their object, but they try to get all there is without giving anything in return, lose their sense of proportion, coming to think that facts are all that count, and so fail to realize their best opportunity,—the broadening influence of social intercourse and human relationships.

Success in life is measured by the crowd by income or prominence in the public eye. Whether we accept this standard or adopt one of service to individuals and the pursuit of happiness, the broader our human relationships, the better are we equipped to attain success according to our lights.

It is nonsense to say that there is no time for activities. There are men at the Institute successfully carrying far more than the regular schedule, who in addition are engaged in enough activities to furnish some men an excuse for a flock of "F"s, and still find time for outside interests. These are the men who are realizing to the full their opportunities.

Lest there be some who having read this rush into print to denounce us as undemocratic and opposed to the man who is

Alumni Notes

APPOINTED MINISTER OF MINES

J. D. MacKenzie '11 has been appointed Deputy Minister of Mines to succeed Charles Camsell, as head of the British Columbia branch of the Canadian Geological Survey.

MacKenzie has recently been investigating iron ore deposits in the Taseko Valley and Bridy river regions of the province of British Columbia. He graduated from course III in 1911 and five years later he received his Ph. D. at the Institute in the same course.

LOCAL BRANCH OF A. I. E. E. ADDRESSED BY W. H. FREEDMAN

Wednesday night Professor W. H. Freedman of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company gave an illustrated talk on the development of the modern telephone system to the members of the local branch of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers in north hall, Walker Memorial. His explanation of the development of long-distance work and the instruments connected with it was exceedingly interesting. The essence of the new telephone exchange system which is soon to be put in use in Boston and the vicinity was also explained, although briefly.

FEW SIGN-UPS LEFT— GIVE CONCERT AT WHEATON

There are about 20 sign-ups left for the Winter Concert. Those desiring seats should make early application to the management at the Musical Clubs office any afternoon.

Preliminary dance orders will be given out next week when the sign-ups are redeemed. All seats at the Copley Plaza will be reserved and the preference of seats will be determined by the order of application.

The Concert of the Combined Musical Clubs at Wheaton College, Norton, Mass., will be given tomorrow evening. Members of the Clubs will meet at the South Station at 5.45 o'clock, and will take the 5.56 train for Norton. A special car will be arranged if the men are all present on time. The concert at Wheaton is the first of the January local concerts preliminary to the Winter Concert.

NOTED AUTHOR COMING

John Kendrick Bangs, noted author, will be a visitor at the Institute next Tuesday, the guest of Registrar Walter Humphreys. Mr. Bangs was invited to speak at the Alumni banquet last Saturday night but a previous engagement forced him to decline. He expressed, however, a keen desire to see the Institute in its new home and will come here Tuesday to be shown through the buildings.

INTERFRATERNITY HOP TONIGHT

Walker Memorial will be the scene of the annual Interfraternity dance tonight, when Leo Reisman and his orchestra arrive at 8 o'clock to start the music. Preliminary dance orders have already been given out, and the dancing will last from 8 o'clock till midnight contrary to what has been previously stated by the committee.

NOTICES

for Undergraduates

Men who won their numerals on any one of last year's freshman teams or on any one of the Field Day teams competing last November 5th and have not as yet received their awards may receive them by calling at the office of the M. I. T. A. A. any afternoon, except Saturday and Sunday, between the hours of 4 and 6.

Men who won their numerals on any 1922 teams may have their announcement cards changed for the new form shields issued this year. Award announcement cards must be presented at the time of such exchange.

Students who desire to take EH 21 during the current term should meet Mr. Copithorne in room 2-180 at four o'clock on Friday next, when the hours at which the class will meet will be definitely decided.

All Members of the Musical Clubs going to the Wheaton Concert tomorrow evening will meet at the South Station by 5.45 o'clock at the latest, as a special car may be arranged.

working his way through, we feel that this postscript, though self-evident, is necessary. For the man whose time outside of classes is occupied in earning his way, we, as well as anyone else, have the utmost respect and admiration. It is the mass indifferent to the Institute and blind to their own best interests at whom the criticism is aimed.

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FACULTY DANCES

All arrangements have been completed for the first Faculty Club dance to be given in Walker Memorial on Thursday, January 20. Fielding's orchestra of ten pieces will furnish music and practically the entire building has been reserved for the occasion.

Preceding the dance, a special dinner will be served in the faculty dining room to members of the Faculty Club and their friends. Dancing will be from 8.30 until 12.00 o'clock and during the evening a buffet luncheon will be served. The patronesses are Mrs. H. P. Talbot, Mrs. E. F. Miller, Mrs. E. B. Wilson, Mrs. W. T. Sedgwick, and Mrs. H. W. Tyler.

TWELVE POSTERS SUBMITTED IN TECH SHOW CONTEST

The call for posters for Tech Show has been very successful and, at present, twelve designs have been submitted. They will be judged by the members of the Department of Architecture.

The management is planning to hold a smoker next Wednesday evening in the grill room, in order that a closer relationship between the various members of the management may be obtained. Samples of this year's music and lyrics will be presented and it is expected that some of the former show managers will attend.

EPISCOPAL CLUB MEETS

Meetings for those interested in the Episcopal Church will continue this winter. A dinner is contemplated, while a smoker will be held in Walker, Tuesday. Professor Clifford Brown of Columbia University has been secured to address the meeting. The officers extend an invitation to Technology men who wish to be in closer touch with the church.

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