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Any freshman or transfer student wishing a Technology Hand Book may obtain one upon calling at the T. C. A. office. There were 2000 of these books ordered of which 600 were for freshmen, 500 for transfers, 700 for upper classmen, 150 for professors and 50 for advertising. Of these all but 100 for the freshmen and 200 for the transfers have been taken. If all have not been taken by October 15 the remaining will be distributed among upper classmen who will have already applied for them.

All transfer students are requested to call at the T. C. A. office and fill out registration cards. These cards are kept as a record for the benefit of a student in connection with activities at Technology. Freshmen have been asked to fill out these cards during their first English and History class.

There are still many rooms available for Technology students. Any student who as yet has not secured a permanent boarding place may get in touch with one through the T. C. A.

The T. C. A. has also announced that there will be a meeting of its cabinet at its office in Walker Memorial at 5 o'clock, Wednesday, October 5. A. L. Johnson '22, will have charge of the meeting.

"LINCOLN AND CIVIL WAR" GIVEN

The general study course on "Lincoln and the Civil War" (H51) was omitted from the list of general studies posted on the bulletin boards. The next meeting of the course is at 1 o'clock tomorrow in room 2-235.

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COMPETITIONS FOR TECHNIQUE OPEN TODAY

At 5 o'clock this afternoon the competitions for positions on the Technique will commence. There are three competitions running, one for Juniors only, one for Sophomores only, and one for freshmen. The Sophomore competition will lead to positions on the business staff of the 1924 Technique. The freshman competition will lead to positions on the freshman board of the 1923 Technique. All men desiring to enter these competitions will please be sure to report at the Technique office, room 304 of the Walker Memorial at 5 o'clock sharp this afternoon.

GENERAL STUDY-LINCOLN AND THE CIVIL WAR H51

The room assignment for this General Study is Room 2-235. Tuesday and Thursday at 1.00 o'clock and Saturday at 9.00 o'clock.

WALTER HUMPHREYS, Registrar.
October 3, 1921.

500 PRESENT AT FRESHMAN MEETING

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last year was the winning of the New England Intercollegiate championship. Let me strongly urge all of you to enter in athletics for your class and for Tech. My name is Frank and I am out on the field every day from 3 to 6."

A. L. Johnson '22, president of the Technology Christian Association, urged the men to take advantage of the advice and rooming lists kept by the T. C. A. at its offices in the Walker Memorial. The meeting closed with hearty applause for Dean Talbot, who dismissed the men by saying "I hope to see all of you again and often, but hope that I shall not have to send for you."

Eighty-mile Precipice.

A member of the British expedition that explored Dutch New Guinea describes what may be the greatest unbroken precipice in the world. It runs, he says, for a distance of 80 miles from Mount Carstanz westward to the Charles Louis mountains. Its greatest sheer height is at Mount Leonard Darwin. The explorers were never in position to measure with the theodolite a sheer height of this immense precipice exceeding 6,500 feet, but from many views obtained of it while he was climbing, Captain Rawling has no hesitation in stating that the greatest perpendicular height is not less than 10,500 feet, or almost exactly two miles.

Familiar "Ants Eggs" Not Eggs.

"Ants' eggs" are familiar to many, either through having purchased them to feed goldfish or having seen them when an ant nest has been dug up in the course of gardening operations. People have called them ants' eggs, but for an ant to lay an egg as large as itself would be rather too much to expect of it. The life history of ants is similar to that of silkworms. Starting from the true egg, which is very small and in entire proportion to the size of the laying insect, it on being hatched yields a tiny grub. These are nursed and fed by the females and neuters, the latter forming a majority of the inhabitants of a nest. After attaining full size the grub spins a white cocoon around itself and changes into a pupa. It is these pupae which one has purchased as ants' eggs.

MUSICAL TRY-OUTS TO BEGIN TONIGHT

Try-outs for the various branches of the Combined Musical Clubs will be held Wednesday and Thursday nights at 5 o'clock in 10-250 according to plans made at a meeting of the club officers Monday.

Everyone who can sing, or play any kind of an instrument, is urged to compete for places on the Glee, Mandolin, Banjo, and Choral Clubs.

The organization of a Choral Club is something new. The object of this is to make arrangements for a Glee Club on a large scale with the object of giving concerts and entertainments in and around Boston.

The Specialty branch aims at getting up various feature acts, unusual musical entertainments, etc.

COMMUNICATIONS

Cambridge, Mass.
October 1, 1921.

"The Tech,"
Institute of Technology,
Cambridge, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I beg to enclose herewith a short statement concerning the business of the Harvard Co-operative Society, including the business of the Technology branch, for the fiscal year ending June being furnished today to the HARVARD CRIMSON.

I trust that you may find space in which to print the entire statement and that, at any rate, you will be good enough to publish the list of the officers and directors nominated for the coming year.

If there is any further information that you might desire concerning the Society's business for the year, I will be very glad to supply it; but mercantile statements do not, as a rule, form very good news in an undergraduate's periodical and for this reason I have made the statement as concise as possible.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM B. MUNRO.

Co-operative Society Again Increases Business—Regular Dividend Declared—Officers Nominated

The annual report of the Co-operative Society, which has been submitted to the stockholders shows a gain in sales for the fiscal year which ended on June 30th, 1921. A summary of the main items in the annual report (omitting fractions of dollars) is as follows:

Volume of Business

	1920	1921
Harvard Store	\$675,000	\$689,980
Technology Branch ..	191,053	206,342
Barber Shop	8,057	10,747

Totals

Totals	\$874,110	\$907,069
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Net gain in business for the year is \$32,959.

Gross Profits

The comparison of gross profits for the past year with the preceding year shows a gain of nearly \$10,000.

HARVARD STORE

	1920	1921
Profits on Sales	\$126,515	\$127,625
Other Income	16,409	13,145

TECHNOLOGY BRANCH

	1920	1921
Profit on Sales	45,117	53,396
Other Income	2,797	3,160
Barber Shop Earn.	8,057	10,747

\$198,895 \$208,073

Expenses

The expenses of conducting the business as compared with those of the preceding year show a substantial increase, due in part to the higher wages paid to employees during the latter part of 1920 and in part to expenditure on the Society's property.

HARVARD STORE

	1920	1921
General Expenses	\$86,653	\$94,556
Special Expenses	2,786	2,931

TECHNOLOGY BRANCH

	1920	1921
General Expenses	20,533	26,688
Special Expenses	2,131	1,853
BARBER SHOP	7,320	9,909

Totals

Totals	\$119,933	\$135,937
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After making the usual allowances for all overdue or doubtful accounts, for depreciation of buildings and merchandise, as well as an addition to the Society's re-building fund, the sum of \$42,023 remains available for distribution to the members in dividends, as compared with \$40,135 a year ago. The directors have voted, therefore, to pay the regular dividend of 8 per cent on all credit purchases and 10 per cent on all cash purchases. Dividend checks are now ready.

Membership

The total membership of the Society at the close of the fiscal year was 7,374, of whom 4,224 were of Harvard University or Radcliffe College, and 3,150 were members of the Institute of Technology. The membership on June 30, 1920 was 6,375.

Additions to Property

During the year the Co-operative Society purchased the brick building on Palmer Street in rear of the Harvard Square store and has rented this building for use as a storehouse. It is expected that a modern building to replace the present store, will be erected during the summer of 1922 if conditions in the building trade become stabilized by that time. Plans for this new building have been in readiness for two years and have been awaiting the time when costs of construction would come within range.

Officers for 1921-1922

The Stockholders have nominated the following officers and Directors in accordance with the by-laws:

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APPOINT NEW LEADERS FOR BANJO AND MANDOLIN CLUBS

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violinist with both the jazz band and the mandolin club and also wears the charm. He is a member of Kappa Sigma and Vectors. He urges the special need of guitars in the mandolin club, and invites all men who play guitars to enter the tryouts.

R. C. Rundlett '22 stated that there would be many openings for the un-



L. D. Price '22

derclassmen, as the greater part of the clubs at the present time is Class of 1922, and a nucleus will be formed of the men who show up well in trials this year, for the clubs next year after the Class of 1922 has been graduated. He invites all men having musical talent of any kind to attend the meeting in room 10-250 tonight or tomorrow night.

Trip Taken in Chicago

Announcement that the contracts for concerts in Akron, Rochester, Detroit and Chicago for the winter trip have been definitely closed, indicates that the Christmas trip of the clubs will be one of the longest in their history. The remainder of the trip concerts will be built around the above named four. Men surviving the cuts in the tryouts and after the first few local concerts will be taken on this trip, regardless of their class in the Institute. Several of the best specialty acts will be taken as well as the members of the glee, mandolin, banjo, and choral clubs.

Completion of winter concert plans is anticipated before the end of the week and will be announced in the Friday issue of THE TECH.

Stockholders (to serve five years): Dean W. B. Donham and Professor Chester A. McLain of the Law School; President, Professor W. B. Munro; Vice President, Henry S. Thompson '09; Treasurer, John L. Taylor, Assistant Comptroller; Secretary, Walter Humphreys, Registrar of the Institute of Technology; Directors, Messrs. Austin W. Scott, '1. '09; D. K. Davis, Assistant Dean of the Business School; H. L. Blackwell, '99; E. B. Gay, '19; Horace Ford, M. I. T., Jasper Whiting, M. I. T., W. G. Brocker '22, B. K. Little, '23; R. P. Bullard and Henry J. Horne, Jr., M. I. T., M. G. E. Cole, manager of the Society, a director ex-officio.

PUBLICITY WORK OPEN

Positions are open on THE TECH for men who can do pencil work, color work, copy writing, or specialty work. Competition starts today. Inquire THE TECH, room 302, Walker, or at the table in the main lobby.

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