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IN CHARGE OF THIS ISSUE

C. L. Maltby.....G. C. Reinhardt

Monday, January 16, 1922

THE GENERAL STUDY PLAN

Believing that the average Technology student devotes too little time in his professional studies to acquiring a broad outlook on life, the Faculty has wisely prescribed General Studies.

Practically every Institute graduate will tell you, if you reach his true thoughts, that he wishes he had more of that rather elusive and hard to define quantity known as a liberal education. Cold mechanical, impersonal treatment of physical data may pass tolerably well, or even approach excellence, in our every day work after graduation. But the leaders of science and industry in nearly every branch are united in saying that the engineers and technical men of the country have got to come out of their shell more than they have in the past.

The engineer has got to be an active asset to the community in a social as well as industrial way. This feeling, as said before, is stirring in the ranks of the men we hope some day to succeed. And as is to be expected, by analogy to all great public movements, a reaction can be detected in the student body.

Less frequently do we hear childish criticism of the General Studies plan. Seniors are taking a fifth term of General Study; Juniors, in courses which do not have a third year General Study, are taking a course in advance. Even here and there we find a Sophomore bravely burdening himself with more than the schedule calls for, in order to partake of these broadening courses.

It is unfortunate that all General Studies are given at the same hours of the week. That was unquestionably done with the purpose of arranging that no upper classman should have

conflicts with General Studies. The point is a good one, and shows foresight on the part of the Tabular View Committee. But we wonder if perchance it would not be practicable to arrange two sets of General Studies hours and keep the upper class schedules open to both times. There really are men who would like to take two General Studies in a term, either because of a fundamental purpose of acquiring a better balanced education, or because of a simultaneous interest in two General Study courses.

If this were done we feel that many students would take the advantage, and since the Faculty agrees on the desirability of such courses, there would seem to be no real reason for not having some arrangement, for the more popular courses at least. It might add a little to the complexity of forming the Tabular views, but the increased intellectual breadth of the students ought to be a sufficient reward.

TECHNOLOGY'S MUSICAL CLUBS

The trip which was taken by the Musical Clubs during the recent vacation is one that is, without question, the most illustrious event in the history of the organization. Never before have the Clubs undertaken a tour of such magnitude, and the success which attended it justified the expectations of all. The highly favorable newspaper comment and the enthusiastic acclaim from the Alumni which the Clubs received is an indication of the excellence of their performance.

Technology is well on the way towards becoming understood by the general public. We have been too long looked upon as a body of students interested in nothing that does not pertain to science or engineering. It is the function of our musical organizations, among others to dispel this idea, and the Musical Clubs have contributed in a large measure towards this disillusionment.

By their performance during the past week end, our winter sport teams have won the respect and admiration of every student and Alumnus of Technology. In swimming, hockey and in basketball Technology won decisive victories over its opponents.

The support of the basketball team by the undergraduates was gratifying, and with this the first home game played during the Institute session, the support should continue. The swimming team will hold its first home meet on Saturday, opposing a team to be reckoned with. With good encouragement from the students, our team should be able to meet Amherst with success.

MAJ. PUTNEY RELIEVES COL. CHRISTIAN WHO IS ON LEAVE

Major E. W. Putney, assistant professor of Military Science and Tactics, has been placed in charge of the department temporarily. He will hold this position until the return of Colonel Christian, now on leave at Panama.

NOTICES

FOR UNDERGRADUATES

OFFICIAL

Lost Clothing which is being held at the office of the Superintendent of Buildings and Power will be turned over to the T. C. A. if not called for before January 21.

UNDERGRADUATE

Night Editor in Charge of the next issue of THE TECH is R. B. Bamford 24, Tel. University 57077. All matters concerning the issue should be referred to him.

Tech Show Orchestra Rehearsal at 5 o'clock, today, in north hall, Walker.

Voo Doo Managing Board announces a meeting for candidates and staff in the Voo Doo office, room 309, Walker, at 5 o'clock today.

The Swimming Team Picture, both Varsity and freshman, will be taken at Notman's, Harvard Square, at 1:30 o'clock today. List of men included is posted on bulletin board.

All Orders for Compasses should be placed with Captain Clark as soon as possible. A fourth consignment of 250 is expected to arrive at the Military Science Department about January 18.

Tickets for the Simmons Musical Clubs and Technology Cosmopolitan Club dance will be on sale today. They may be obtained from T. B. Drew '23, at the Tech Engineering News office, Kohay Shoda '22, in the dormitories, and in the main lobby.



Although the Lounger has usually been a champion of the weaker sex, yet when the Ladies' Aid Society of Toonerville Corners had one of its representatives posted in the lobby of Walker the other day to collect car fare units for the starving babies of the Cannibal Islands, he was just about ready to become desperate. The T. C. A. and the T. A. C. he gave to because there was nothing else to do, the Red Cross got their share because one of his friends was on the bandit committee which hung out in the main lobby, and the T. E. N. because he has always been partial to complexions which match the color of the periodical.

However, it is the Lounger's opinion as he looks over his list of acquaintances around the State that the majority of them have no poor infants and therefore have no interest in any schemes to provide cocoa and vitamins for such states of nature.

The Lounger has received a communication from the T. E. N. but as is stated in the masthead of THE TECH unsigned communications can't be printed. He, however, feels the unknown writer was very wise in not signing his name. Such references to the yellow cat in Walker can mean but one of two things, either he is referring to the young lady who does all his work, or one of similar complexion who does that of Phosphorous. If The Lounger knew who the chap was he would most surely send him to the hospital for treatment as both of those referred to have done great favors for The Lounger. Instead of the stenographers being catty The Lounger thinks that it is the writer who is catty, and if he does not lay off this stuff, except of course on the poor babies' food service, The Lounger will be compelled to trace the writer by the excellent finger prints on the envelope.

INTERCOLLEGIATE NEWS

Athletes and Brains

We are prone to believe that the man who excel in athletics cannot excel in studies. Moreover, if we be frank, we unconsciously feel that the broad-shouldered falls down in his academic work because he is stupid. This is unreasonable. Furthermore, we associate a puny body with a brilliant mind. This is illogical.

It is interesting to note that Harvard varsity athletes have a fairly good average record in scholarship, according to a faculty investigation. The astonishing feature of this investigation is that it is the managers and the heelers of managerial positions who are the ones with low standards of scholarship.

Any athlete, who is now graduated from college, claims that lack of time was the reason for his failure to win high marks. But it was not exactly lack of time. Because competition in the world sport was a cut-throat, he had to expend his best energy in training his body. He really spent more time fitting himself for athletic contests than he did in fitting himself for the contests of life. In his secret heart he would rather have outstripped his classmates on the track than in the examination hall, although to his parents or professors he would never admit it.

There is no reason why any athlete may not excel in studies. In fact, he is one who should excel because it is usually the strong body.—The Dartmouth.

Wellesley to Debate Radcliffe

The secretary of the Intercollegiate Debating League has announced that Wellesley's opponents in the debate this year are Radcliffe and Mt. Holyoke. The subject has not yet been announced to the teams, but the material committee is already at work looking up references in order that work on the subject may be started immediately after midyears.

This year brings a new kind of contest between the English universities, Oxford and Cambridge, in the form of an aeroplane meet.

Princeton Modifies Letters

According to a new ruling of the Princeton Undergraduate Athletic Committee which went into effect January 1, the members of a championship minor sport team shall receive a special "P" instead of the regular varsity "P" that has been awarded heretofore.

Will Have 20 Tennis Courts

On the top of the hill overlooking these athletic fields there will be situated 20 tennis courts and a club house. The latter will contain a restaurant, rest-room, billiard room, shower baths, lockers and training quarters for the Varsity athletes. Around the building there will be a spacious veranda.

In the construction of the new Peking Medical College of the Rockefeller Foundation, every effort has been made to avoid offending the sensibilities of the hospital patients, and to this end a means of easy access for spirits to and from the hospital buildings has been constructed, in accordance with the native customs. A specially constructed staircase, upon which mortals never tread, has been built for the use of departed spirits.

AT THE THEATRES

WILBUR: "Red Pepper." 8:15. Pep by musical show with McIntire and Heath. Great show with lots of laughs.

HOLLIS: "The Wandering Jew." 8:15. A fine presentation of the well-known legend.

ST. JAMES: "Everyday." 8:15. To be reviewed.

PLYMOUTH: "Dog Love." 8:15. William Hodge starring in a very human play.

SHUBERT: "Irene." 8:15. Good old stuff. Musical comedy.

COLONIAL: "Tip Top." 8:15. Fred Stone, Duncan Sisters, and Six Brown Brothers.

SELWYN: "Happy-Go-Lucky." Comedy by Ian Hay, starring O. P. Heggie.

B. F. KEITH'S: Vaudeville.

MAJESTIC: Vaudeville.

FENWAY: Three features. Jack Holt in "The Grim Comedian." "Bonny Briar Bush." Buster Keaton in "The Boat."

SYMPHONY HALL: Jan. 16, at 8:15. Estelle Lieblich, soprano. Soloist with Boston Symphony Orchestra. Jan. 17, at 8:15. Vocal concert by Caroline Hudson-Alexander, soprano.

COMMUNICATION

January 13, 1922.

To the Editor of THE TECH:

Through an omission on the part of this office, the name of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity was omitted from the list of fraternity standings furnished THE TECH recently. The standing of this Chapter should have been number 8 on the list, between Tau Delta Phi and Alpha Tau Omega.

Inasmuch as the error was our fault, and no blame should be attached to THE TECH, it is only fair that in running a correction notice concerning this the blame should be laid to a clerical error on the part of the Institute authorities.

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