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1927 AND VOTE TEN

THE Sophomore Class is not asleep. In response to suggestions that definite action of some sort is needed a committee has been appointed whose duty it will be to see that next year's freshman class is properly and efficiently organized. This committee has already met and decided upon a definite method of procedure along which to work when its active functions commence in the fall. The plan agreed upon is simple in the main and appears practical enough to work out successfully. Its success, however, depends directly upon the energy with which the individual members of the committee instill class spirit into the hearts of the newcomers to Technology.

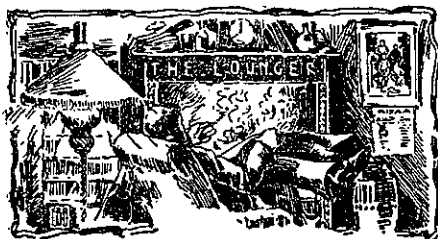
The committee acted especially wisely in providing that the Juniors in charge shall spend their efforts during the latter part of the term, after the regular freshman class officers have been elected, in interesting the freshmen in the various activities at Technology. All the activities need new men in the fall, yet it is surprising how few freshmen actually sign up with them. Since the first term of the first year is a literal testing period for those unacquainted with the methods employed at Technology, it is essentially the primary motive of the freshman to pass all his subjects. For upon his being successful in this respect depends in large degree whether or not he will continue his education here. It is likewise true that the man who does not get out for activities at the very outset is materially handicapped when he does go out later on.

The Juniors in charge must reconcile these two factors. They must arouse the freshman's interest in activities, yet at the same time see that he does not neglect his studies. If they can do this, many of the Faculty who are not so inclined at present will regard the activities with a more kindly attitude. The Juniors will have a serious responsibility upon their shoulders. They must work earnestly and together. They must devote their services to both the freshmen and Technology, and see that the major interests of both are satisfied.

OUR UBIQUITOUS JANITORS

TOLERANCE is one thing and disgust another. It seems that scarcely a class is held which is not interrupted by the appearance of an intruding janitor, intent upon washing the blackboards and cleaning up the room. At the beginning of the year such invasions on the part of the guardian angels of our corridors are greeted with bursts of laughter, but the humor is soon converted into anger.

The janitors are not wholly to blame. Many of the schedule cards on the outside of the various classroom doors are incorrect. Perhaps the interruptions will never be entirely eliminated until some system is adopted similar to that in use in hospitals, where a lighted lamp outside the room signifies the desire of the occupant to have an attendant. At the same time it seems that with correct schedule cards on the doors and the exercise of a little discretion on the part of the janitors, the trouble can be reduced to an insignificant minimum.



The Seniors are taking up ballooning. They haven't had enough calculus so they're going to figure out a few of the powers of buoyancy for themselves. The idea is to send up a balloon carrying a huge letter "T," which will be dropped some time sooner or later. The whole Institute is to try its ability at marathoning by chasing after said balloon and trying to bring home the tea,—not the bacon.

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A unique idea, to say the least. Just think of what the people up in Hickville will say when they see a few thousand fallow youths go surging through their town with nothing separating them from the hot June sun other than their Greek-like B. V. D.'s. They'll think the end of the world has come with such a horde of white-clad angels flipping their flapperish wings through an unsophisticated country town.

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Another problem presents itself. Aside from having the Abattoir aroma as their chief characteristic, these Boston winds seem to seek the sea just like the romantic mountain streams. So here is a fine state of affairs looming up as a possibility. The balloon blown to sea! What a splendid opportunity for Tech to take its spring dip. Our Seniors will be the royal Knights of the Bath and can add to the salt content of the ocean with their tears at leaving the Institute.

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Tech would then be a regular school of fish. Imagine what an im-

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COMMUNICATION

Letters over 200 Words May Be
Excluded Due to Lack of Space

To the Editor of The Tech:

The Army and Navy officers and world war veterans now at the Institute are invited to participate with Cambridge Post No. 27, American Legion, in their annual Memorial day exercises. They will assemble in the rear of Cambridge city hall at 9:15 o'clock, Wednesday, May 30. The procession, headed by the Harvard band and including the Harvard Post, will go to Cambridge cemetery where exercises will be held at the World War lot. Immediately after the exercises the procession will reform and proceed to American Legion headquarters in City Building at Central Square for luncheon and recreation.

Cambridge Post also extends an invitation to all the men at the Institute to make use of the quarters during their stay in Cambridge. The headquarters consist of lounging rooms (open from 2 to 11 o'clock), card rooms, library and hall of flags, located in the City Building at Central Square over the police station.

(Signed) Francis J. Good,
Commander.

Disapprove Graduation Exercises

A petition is being circulated among the Seniors at the University of Michigan demanding that Commencement exercises be held either in the open or at two different places, one for the college of liberal arts and the other for the professional schools. This has resulted through the crowded conditions existing at past exercises and this year is felt greater because the seating capacity of the hall is only about twice the number of graduates.

Recognize Value of Debate

The value of debating has again been recognized, for an annual scholarship is being offered by the Pacific Coast Forensic Conference to the best debator attending one of the western colleges. All debates will be judged by the audience to obtain an unbiased opinion.

Penn State Broadcasts

A radio broadcasting station was recently opened at the Pennsylvania State College and musical programs given by the undergraduates are broadcast three nights a week. Extension work is being planned in agriculture, engineering, mining, and education. Station WPAB, as it is known, has been heard as far as Michigan and Canada.

PLAY DIRECTORY

COPLEY: "The Likes of 'Er." Good English comedy. A poor girl's love.

MAJESTIC: "The Covered Wagon." A movie epic.

PLYMOUTH: "The Monster." Thrills and humor that can't be beat.

SELWYN: "The Fool." Religion and all that.

SHUBERT: "Lady Butterfly." Very enjoyable musical comedy.

ST. JAMES: "The Man Who Came Back." Not the Boston Stock Company.

TREMONT: "Rise of Rosie O'Reilly." New Cohan show. Opens tomorrow.

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