

TECH SHOW 1924 CALLS IN BOOKS ON OCTOBER 20

Manuscripts Are to Be Unnamed
to Insure Unbiased
Judgement

SHOW HAS BIG FEATURE
FOR FROSH AT SMOKER

Important Meeting of Lyric
and Song Writers Next
Monday at 5

Complete books for Tech Show 1924 are due in the Show office at Walker by Saturday, October 20. These books should not contain the name of the author but on the front of the manuscript should be placed a number of three digits. Accompanying the play should be a sealed envelope with the name of the play and the chosen number only on the face of it. Inside the name of the play should be repeated with the name of the author in addition. After the winning show has been selected the results will be announced. In this way an unbiased selection is assured. The judges of the contest will consist of the present management, Mr. Alexander Macomber and the Faculty Advisory Committee.

Big Surprise

At the smoker this evening the Show desires to offer a big surprise to all freshmen. If any members of the class of 1927 will drop in on the Show office, room 301, Walker Memorial, he will encounter a very unusual and agreeable surprise.

Schedule Nearly Complete

Plans for the performances of the show are nearly finished. The management was again unable to arrange a Poughkeepsie performance but it is possible that a Wellesley production may become a fact. The present arrangement calls for the two Northampton shows on Saturday, March 15. The following Monday, the company will give its Hartford performance. Tuesday afternoon and evening will be in New York. No definite date has as yet been arranged for Friday, March 14, but there will be a performance somewhere.

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SIXTY BIOLOGY GRADUATES DINE

Stratton Plan of Cooperation
Is Thus Brought Into
Practice

About fifty graduates from the Department of Biology at the Institute renewed old friendships and swapped stories with old classmates at an informal dinner in Walker last night. These men who represent the graduated classes from the late eighties to the present time have come to Boston from all parts of the country, and in some cases other countries, to attend the convention held by the American Public Health Association.

Dr. Stratton's Idea

This meeting represents a development of one of the constructive ideas which Dr. Stratton has given the Institute the benefit of. Each department in the Institute has a small committee which attends Corporation meetings in advisory capacities. Dr. Stratton suggested that these committees occasionally confer with similar groups of men chosen from public or private life. These men would be familiarized with some of the work of the Institute, and its value to the world.

THE INSTRUCTING STAFF

Is hereby notified that beginning with October 15, copies of THE TECH will be delivered only to those who have sent in their renewal for a year's subscription.

TECH FIELD GATE GETS A RIDE ATOP TRUCK

The ancient wrought iron gate, gift of the Class of 1881, that has adorned Technology's athletic field from times when the latter was located across the river, yesterday added a new curve to its outline when it was knocked from its pillars by a passing truck. The truck, which was apparently overloaded, hit it in such a manner that the supporting brick pillars were severed amidstships. Major Smith's faithful henchmen immediately set to work to repair the damage, and the gate will again rest in its accustomed place.

SOPH FIELD DAY TEAMS HAMPERED BY LACK OF MEN

Personal Appeals so far Fail
to Bring Out Necessary
Players

POTENTIAL POSSIBILITIES
NOT EXACTLY FAVORABLE

The crying need of the Sophomore teams is men and still more men. With scarcely three weeks remaining before the final meeting on Field Day afternoon the 1926 outfits present potential possibilities in but two sports, crew and tug-of-war.

Despite the fact that with one exception last year's football team is back at the Institute, the call for candidates has been generally ignored. This attitude of indifference is accounted for by the confidence of the men in their ability to get in trim in short order once they start.

Resort to Personal Appeals

Most of the old players have agreed to come out, but feel that a week or so of pleasure is more to their liking before they start training. As a result, leading men of the class are personally calling upon the old stars in an effort to start work in earnest.

Similar personal urgings have brought more candidates out for the relay team, which did not have a full outfit answer the first call. Tug-of-war, too, is wistfully waiting for more heavy and husky men. This sport has an advantage over the others in that for a few short minutes of effort, the members of the team can win their numerals. It offers places to 29 men and the chances of winning a position are still good, in the opinion of observers.

SMOKER HELD BY MUSICAL CLUBS WELL ATTENDED

Davidson's Playing of Cornet
and Banjo at Same Time
Features Meeting

PARKER DELIVERS TALK
ON STANDING OF CLUBS

Over 100 men attended the Musical Clubs smoker which was held in Walker last Tuesday night. Entertainment in the form of specialty acts was provided by members of the clubs, while G. E. Parker '24 contributed to the program with a speech which told of the aim of the Clubs for the coming year. Refreshments served consisted of cider and doughnuts and the usual smokes were distributed.

P. C. Davidson '24 amused the gathering by playing both a banjo and cornet at the same time. This difficult feat was accomplished by the aid of mechanical hand which enabled him to play the banjo with his foot. He fingered the banjo with his left hand and the cornet with his right. Mr. C. F. "Doc" Lyman, of the English and History Department, and O. H. Davol '24 played the piano.

Issue Call to Foreigners

In his address Parker outlined the general condition of the Clubs, giving their standing as an activity and scholastically. He compared them with clubs in other colleges, and his conclusions were quite favorable to the Institute organizations. Announcement was made that the fine system of pre-

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TONIGHT'S SMOKER FULL OF ACTION

COED RIFLE TEAM NOW PLANNED—MEETS SOON

The girls' rifle team has again come into existence under the able leadership of Miss Bliven '24, as captain. Every co-ed who is interested is urged to join up, as new members are much in demand. There will be a meeting sometime this week and although the exact time has not been decided upon, notice will be posted on the bulletin board in Margaret Cheney Room.

All of the old team is back and some high scores are being looked for as soon as the rifle range is opened and practice begins. They expect to have several meets with the principle New England colleges as soon as they get necessary practice for high scores.

SABRES WILL BE WORN BY JUNIOR R.O.T.C. OFFICERS

New Addition to Uniform May
Excite Added Interest
in Course

TWO FRESHMEN SUCCEED
IN PASSING DRILL EXAM

More Juniors expected to sign up for advanced R. O. T. C. work. Beside those snappy uniforms which now adorn our heroes, the martial sabre will henceforth hang.

In view of the fact that commissioned officers in the army are required to be familiar with the use of the sabre, and on certain occasions to wear it, Lieut. E. H. Levy of the Military Science department has arranged to have student officers on the field wear sabres. In addition he will present a course to these men on the use of the weapon. The sabres will be furnished from the supply which the Military Science department has at the Institute.

But Two From 55 Pass

To date 246 Juniors have enrolled in all branches of the advanced R. O. T. C. unit. Enrollment will be accepted all this term, those being eligible being third year men who have taken two years of R. O. T. C. work or have been excused from this by examination.

Of the 55 freshmen who applied for examination to be excused from drill, but two succeeded in passing. They are H. L. Dyer Jr., and G. E. Onisha, both of whom obtained their experience in high schools. The entire freshman battalion numbers 478 men. "A pretty keen bunch," in the opinion of the department officers, "but they'll have to go some to do better than last year's unit."

Fourteen former corporals have been promoted to sergeants for the battalion, and there is room for ten or fifteen more. Those desiring such promotion are requested to consult Lieut. Levy.

CLEOFAN HAS FIRST TEA

The first tea of the season will be given by Cleofan this afternoon in the Margaret Cheney Room. Quite informal of course, and made up so that the freshmen can meet the Seniors. Miss Jones, the president, will act as hostess and cordially invites every woman student to come. The hour is the conventional 5 o'clock.

REGISTRATION FALLS OFF

The enrollment of the Institute is now 2925 and will probably continue to increase for several weeks. The maximum figure is expected by Registrar MacKinnon to be in the neighborhood of 2950 which is short of last year's total by about 200. The largest number of students will be present at the Institute during the next two or three weeks, and then registration will fall off slowly until June, as men drop out on account of sickness and other causes.

Dr. Connor to Talk on Athletics at the Institute—Activities Vie with Each Other in Stunts

Good fellowship in the form of food, speeches, movies and various other exhibitions will be the keynote of the spirit tonight at the All Technology Smoker if the plans of the committee materialize as expected. The freshmen class will start the ball rolling when they assemble for supper at 5 o'clock. Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors will follow them into the dining hall at half hour intervals in the order named. Immediately at the conclusion of the freshmen meal, various exhibitions in the form of boxing, wrestling and other athletic contests will be started in the Walker Gym and on the second floor in the Trophy room and galleries.

As soon as the Seniors have finished eating which will be about 7:15 o'clock the entertainment of the evening begins. It will be opened by Dr. A. W. Rowe '01 when he presents the president of the Senior Class with the "Key" to Walker Memorial on the behalf of the Alumni Association. Following his speech the Musical Clubs have planned to put on a surprise "Specialty Act." This number will be followed by an address by Dean H. P. Talbot '85, who will speak on "Traditions at Technology."

TICKETS ON SALE FOR DORM DANCE

Wittstein's Prom Orchestra to
Play at First Dance
October 19

Tickets for the coming Dormitory Dance to be held Friday evening, October 19 were placed on sale yesterday. These tickets, which are \$3.00 each may be obtained in the office of the Dormitory Superintendent any day up till the day of the dance from 12:30 till 1:30. A limited number of stag tickets may be had for \$2.50 a piece.

The music will be by Wittstein's Prom Orchestra and dancing will be from 8:30 till 1 o'clock. Any group of three or more men may obtain tickets together by making application to L. C. Smith '25, in N-101 at the Dormitories. The committee plans to announce the patronesses sometime before the end of the week.

CORPORATION XV HOST TO S. I. E. AT FIRST GATHERING

Many "Five Hundred" Club Men
Among Industrial
Engineers

SPEAKERS NATIONALLY
KNOWN IN INDUSTRY

Corporation XV was the host last night to about 250 industrial engineers, many of whom were graduates of Technology, who met in the main hall of Walker to hear addresses on the general subjects of the Industrial Future of New England.

The meeting was the first regular gathering of the year for the Boston Branch of the Society of Industrial Engineers, and the Five Hundred Club, being an organization composed of graduates of Course XV, together with Corporation XV representing the undergraduates, was cooperating.

The speakers who addressed the assembly were, Carl M. Bigelow, Consulting Industrial Engineer and Personal Expert, and C. H. Bundy, Advertising Specialist.

Matthew Porosky '09, president of the Boston Chapter of the S.I.E., presented the first speaker, Mr. Bigelow, who dwelt at some length on the material and production problems in the textile industry, concluding his lecture with some remarks regarding labor. "Just so long," he said, "as Labor believes that the curtailment of production is necessary, we

* Dean Talbot's address over, a short skit entitled "Just Us Girls" will be given by G. B. Fletcher '25, and Richard Whiting '26, both of whom were in last year's Tech Show. Their short skit will be followed by a talk on "Athletics" by Technology's new coach Dr. E. J. Connor. Immediately after Dr. Connor's talk, J. L. Clifford '25 will sing a few of the songs from last year's Tech Show. Following the custom established last year of having one man tell of all the activities and their opportunities, G. E. Parker '24, General Manager of the Musical Clubs will give a talk entitled "Activities and Their Choice."

Tickets Today

After Parker's talk, which will be the last speech; a much-heralded film by Buster Keaton will be shown. The committee hopes that everyone will be present to enjoy this as it is the first time that the film has been released in the eastern part of the United States. Following the movies the Stein Song will be sung, which will complete the program for the main hall of Walker, leaving the various side attractions in full sway.

Activities on Edge

Tomorrow between 12 and 2 o'clock in the main lobby of building 10 will be the last chance given to get tickets for the smoker. Members of any class will be given the chance then, provided they have not already obtained tickets. Tickets have been going fairly fast and the committee expects to have them all distributed by tomorrow evening.

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PRIZES OFFERED FOR BEST ESSAY

R. W. Babson '98 Has Announced
Prize Contest for Any
Students

Mr. Roger W. Babson, head of the Babson Statistical Organization has announced a prize contest open to any regularly registered student, graduate or undergraduate, of any American university. Two prizes are to be awarded for the best essay on the subject: "The Forecasting of the Price of Wheat—of Cotton—or of Lumber"; one of 650 dollars for the best essay submitted by either a graduate or undergraduate; the second of 400 dollars for the best essay by an undergraduate student.

Those interested may obtain full information in regard to the competition from Professor Ray B. Westerfield, Secretary of the American Economic Association, Yale Station, New Haven, Conn.

CALENDAR

Thursday, October 11
4:00 Naval Architectural Society meeting, Room 5-20.
7:15 All Technology Smoker, Walker.
8:15 Menorah Society smoker, north hall, Walker.

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