

## Oct. 8, Acquaintance Dance To Be For Freshmen only

In three motions passed at its Wednesday meeting, Institute Committee established a special freshmen fund designated to finance a Freshman Acquaintance Dance derived from profits from freshman tie sales. The dance is intended to be part of the enlarged orientation and guidance program for each year's freshmen class.

Plans for the function were formulated during the summer and discussed with members of Institute Committee and Institute officials. The Dormitory Committee annually sponsors a fall acquaintance dance and had made plans for one on October 8 this year. They agreed that it would be possible to utilize the hall and band already hired at the frosh affair. Nat Roosin, chairman of the social committee; Daniel L. McQuinness, and others directed the arrangements. Institute Committee has now agreed to assume the financial responsibility of the dance.

### Financed from Ties

Under the plan adopted, the Budget Committee will act as purchasing and holding agent of freshmen ties for the Field Day Committee and will forward proceeds from their sale to the special fund. Previously, the latter committee sold the ties and the profits were allotted to the general fund of the Institute Committee. Any money remaining in the fund after it has been used to sponsor the dance will go into the treasury of the Class of 1953.

### Freshmen Only

All freshmen attending the dance will, of course, wear their ties. To gain admittance they will be asked to display their registration cards which were stamped by the Budget Committee at the time of the tie sale.

According to Daniel L. McQuinness Jr., '50, plans for the dance are progressing smoothly. About six hundred girls from nearby schools will attend.

## Foreign Students Complete Summer Stay At Institute

### FSSP Sponsored 77; Research, Industrial Visits Highlight Project

Seventy-seven students from Europe, Asia, and the Far East studied at the Institute this summer under the second foreign student summer project to be held here. This project, a part of the National Student Association, enabled qualified students from 23 countries to study and to conduct research at Technology during the summer months. Five research papers written by the students and covering such topics as turbines, spectral analysis, and microwaves were published.

However, the visitors had fun along with their work, since local citizens were kind enough to invite the students into their homes and summer camps. Trips to the U. N. seminar at Holyoke, the Berkshire Music Festival, and a tour of the East and Mid-West sponsored by the National Association of Manufacturers, provided the opportunity for the students to see parts of the United States. Among the cities visited were Washington, Cleveland, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Schenectady, Toledo, Detroit, New York, and Philadelphia. Here they were shown the

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## Fall Change Over In Full Swing; Building 18 To House Activities Transferred From Building 20

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THE HARD WAY



The Tarzan Type Exhibition pictured above took place on Tuesday afternoon in the sedate lobby of Building 10 as part of the Outing Club membership drive. Although the descent was made successfully from the second to the first floor, the elevators and stairs are recommended for the less athletically inclined.

## Committee Studies Frosh Programs

### Section Election Rules Revised By Inst. Comm.

Efforts to expand the program of orientation for freshmen and possibly modify policies regarding freshmen were furthered by the appointment last Wednesday of a committee by the Institute Committee to investigate this overall problem. It is hoped that the findings and suggestions of the committee will bring together the various components of the Technology family.

An acquaintance dance financed by profits from freshman tie sales will be held. An advisor program which will break down possible barriers between living groups has also been suggested. One step towards achieving the objectives of such a program will be a committee to investigate Field Day, freshman rules, and all other matters pertaining to first year men.

### Committee Formed

Appointed to the committee were Richard L. Mathews '50, chairman of the Elections Committee; Claude D. Tapley '50, president of the 5:15 Club; Edward J. Margulies '52, class representative to Institute Committee; Ralph F. Romano '51, chairman of publicity; and Marvin

### NEW SEMINAR

All students interested in the seminar concerning the history of ideas (E41 A and B) given by the English and History Department should meet in Room 2-131 at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 27, for preliminary organization of the course. It will be necessary to attend this meeting for assignment to sections.

## Script Finished For Tech Show

### Plan Smoker, Auditions To Choose Show Cast

According to this year's managing board of the Tech Show, the 1950 production of the all-Tech musical comedy will be the biggest since the 1947 revival. Art Van Stolk '49, and Bob Abelson '48, have now completed the script, while Van Stolk and Johnny Leffler '52, have already written half the songs. The show is planned for March 17 and 18.

Featuring the setting of a provincial fishing village in Maine, the plot centers around the amorous aspirations of an overly-playful ghost. Technology students, staff members, and their families will provide the talent for the current production.

Tech Show, started originally to raise funds for the Institute Athletic Association, has since become a self-sustaining activity. Content has varied from a minstrel presentation to a Gilbert and Sullivan operetta with the musical comedy prevailing in recent years. The show has gone on the road numerous times and has performed in New York on several occasions. At the present time, the possibilities of televising the show are being investigated.

Tech Show is giving a smoker in Tyler Lounge of Walker Memorial on October 3 at 5:00 p.m. All those interested in chorus, cast, publicity, stagecraft, production, engineering, or any other aspects of the show should not miss this meeting. During the smoker, an announcement concerning auditions will be made.

## MIT Flying Club Bombarbs Frosh

### Plane Announces Rally Color Air Race Movies

Five hundred propaganda leaflets announcing an MIT Flying Club Rally for Tuesday, October 4, at 5:00 p.m. were showered down over the frosh at Camp Wonderland last week. However, moderate winds and the slipstream deprived the frosh of information concerning color movies of the Cleveland Air Races.

William C. Plouffe, '50, and Alfred R. Paashauss, '51, loaded one of the flying club's three Cessnas and set out to announce the rally, but the bombardier had insufficient instruments (namely his hands and open window) to keep the leaflets from gliding astray.

### Bombardier Misses

After making five runs over the camp, having floated about four hundred of the leaflets gently into an adjoining farmer's field, the two Technology airmen became miffed and somewhat angry. No one in the entire freshman camp seemed to notice their presence in the air above. On the last bombing run, they headed into the wind and let loose the rest of the leaflets. Although they could not note whether or not this last batch struck home, they are reasonably certain that a

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## Four Departments Assume Quarters In New Library

During the early months of the present scholastic year, drastic changes will be effected in the placement of several of the Institute's Departments, many of the clubs and societies, and many of the classrooms.

The departments preparing to settle their headquarters in the new Hayden Memorial Library are Economics and Social Science, Business and Engineering Administration, English and History, and Languages. Moving to Building 1 are the Alumni and Review Offices to the second floor, Graduate and Undergraduate Placements to the first floor, and the Navy Offices to the third floor. Room 233 in Building 5, to be vacated by the Navy, will be turned into a construction drafting room. Formerly in Building 2, the section of Graphics has now moved entirely to Building 24, while twelve classrooms have been transferred from Building 24 to Building 2.

### Activities Moved

Activities are also entering this migration. Those being transferred from Building 20 to 18 are the Outing Club, the Flying Club, the Rocket Society, the Model Airplane Club, and the Tech Show. In the rear of Building 18, a stage is to be constructed for use of the Tech Show. Transference of the Athletic Association from Building 3 to Building 18, where it will be provided with three offices, will also be affected under this program.

Increased lecture space is also being provided in the near future. In Building 2, Room 190, the stage is to be removed and opera style seats are to be installed. Seating capacity is to be two hundred.

## ATTENTION SENIORS!

All members of the class of '50 are advised to keep October 12 (Columbus Day) open for a big class event to be held on that date. Further details on the nature of this event will appear in the next issue of THE TECH.

## Juniors To Hold Big Square Dance In Armory Oct. 14

Opening its fall social season, the Junior Class is sponsoring a square dance in the Cambridge Armory on Massachusetts Avenue on Friday, October 14. All members of the Technology family are invited to attend and free refreshments including beer, cookies, cider and potato chips, will be served.

Admission will be \$1.80 a couple or \$1.20 stag, tax included. In order to satisfy the quests of the male populace, girls from the neighboring college have been invited. The whole affair is being planned on a large scale and a turnout of about a thousand is expected.

## REGISTRATION TRAFFIC JAM



Part of the huge lines which jammed the corridors of Building 10 on Registration Day.

All upper classmen at Technology no doubt remember the day they registered as freshmen at the Institute. Reminiscing might bring back to the more impressionable students such details as the length of the registration line and the rate at which it progressed down the hall of Building 4. Yet, it is most probable that the line at the cashier's office on Monday, September 19, will be the source of

many aspersions for some time to come.

Since the line was composed mostly of veterans, the primary difficulty seemed to be that these veterans lacked proof that they were in training under the government, even though their status was the same last year. The result was another long wait for veterans to obtain certificates of eligibility before obtaining their roll cards.