

T.C.A. DRIVE NETS \$1355.24 IN FIRST TWO DAYS ALONE

Fraternities Contribute More
Than Half of Present
Total Amount

CONTINUES UNTIL FRIDAY

At the dinner given last Thursday in preparation for the T. C. A. drive one hundred and twelve persons subscribed \$434, or an average of \$3.75 per person. This is considerably less than last year, when the average contribution for each person present was \$6.48.

The activities of the T. C. A. and the amounts necessary for their operation are as follows: Tech Cabin, \$700; Employment Bureau, \$500; Freshman Camp, \$400; Contributions, \$325; Freshman Service, \$300; Ticket Service, \$175; Book Exchange, \$150; Room Registry and Information, \$150; Conferences, \$110; Handbooks, \$100; Church Relations, \$75; Deputations and Meetings, \$50; Miscellaneous, \$50; Social Work and Infirmary, \$50; Foreign Students, \$40; Boys' Work, \$25; Tech in Turkey, \$1,000.

Posters have been placed at strategic points around the buildings, and they will be changed daily. Charts in the main lobby will show the relative contributions by classes. There

IT WOULD SEEM SO

Within the past weeks there has been an ever-increasing percentage of the Class of 1936 that are not wearing the freshman ties. Literally by the wholesale the distinguishing neckwear of the first year men has been discarded. Whether the Class of 1936 has any spirit at all is a matter of grave doubt.

Perhaps the responsibility for the deplorable state of affairs lies at the door of the Freshman Rules Committee and its chairman, for since Registration Day when the ties were sold not a single meeting has been held and no visible evidence has appeared of an effort being made to enforce the rule relating to the wearing of the Cardinal and Gray.

In previous years the Quadrangle Club has lent its support to moves toward getting the freshmen to wear the tie. This year nothing active is being done other than to make wearing the tie one of the qualifications on which men will be chosen for membership. This group whose purpose is to foster better relations and acquaintance between the members of the two lower classes could do something to maintain the tradition of the tie.

Behind any efforts which these two bodies could make there lies the spirit of the Class of 1936. Is this a class devoid of all spirit? It would seem so.

will be a desk in the main lobby where men not personally canvassed will have an opportunity to make their gifts.

Men actively engaged in the drive number 50 for the fraternities, 26 for the dormitories, and 125 free lances. The fraternities were canvassed Monday night, each fraternity sending one speaker to another fraternity, and the amount contributed was \$637.36. Sixteen fraternities have not yet reported.

Walker Cafeteria Announces Change In Evening Meals

Investigating Group Submits Questionnaire Report To Director

Offering a new policy to student diners at Walker Cafeteria, the management has put into effect a change in the evening meals. Pointing out that in accordance with this policy tables have been covered and waiter service has been furnished to evening diners, Mr. William Carlisle, Assistant Director of the cafeteria, went on to give the reasons for these changes.

After adopting this new system, because the management thought students would appreciate dining once each day in a home-like atmosphere, Mr. Carlisle stated that the praise of this innovation was instantaneous.

At a dinner meeting last night the committee investigating conditions in the dining hall met and discussed the results of recent questionnaires distributed to the student body dining at Walker. A report was drawn up embodying several suggestions for improvement of service. No information has been divulged as to the nature of the criticism, the group reserving its opinion until a full report of the investigation has been completed and submitted to the Institute Committee.

"The progress of the committee has
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Technique Wants Senior Pictures Finished Soon

It is absolutely essential that all Seniors who have not had their pictures taken for the Technique do so as soon as possible, the photographic department of the Institute Year Book announces. Only two-thirds of the class have signed up as yet. The pictures are used by the personnel department in sending out recommendations, by which employers judge the ability of the job-seekers. If the men do not have their pictures in the Technique, the record of their activities is not sent with the recommendation.

Before November 9 the pictures may be taken at the temporary studio above the Coop. After that time appointments at the regular studio must be made.

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MANY FRESHMEN DISCARDING REGULATION TIES PRESCRIBED BY FRESHMAN CLASS RULES

Freshmen Reported Not Wearing Regulation Ties

Following is a partial list of first year men who have recently been seen about the campus not wearing the regulation cardinal and gray freshman tie:

Freshmen not wearing ties:
Bartol, J. A.
Bluestein, R. A.
Cloutier, R. A.
Cook, J. R.
Duvall, G. E.
Farrell, T. A.
Gass, H. H.
Gratz, J.
Hamilton, J. I.
Hill, L. P.
Hunt, G. A.
Jaeger, A. W.
Jordan, W. F.
Kenny, D. W.
Kingham, D. R.
Lessard, F. H.
Marks, R. J.
Nelson, W. M.
Odiorne, R. L.
Peters, F. A.
Phillips, F. L.
Prah, F. A.
Reid, L. T.
Robinson, W. H.
Slom, B.
Temple, G. H.
Ugarteche, M. J.
Ullman, A. J.
Underhill, I. S.
Webster, H. F.
Weiss, D.
Wilson, W. H.

RULES COMMITTEE TAKES NO ACTION TO STOP OFFENSE

Survey By THE TECH Indicates
Many New Men Not Strictly
Adhering To Rules

OFFENDERS INCREASING

Many members of the freshman class are failing to abide by the rules of the Freshman Rules Committee and are appearing on the campus without the regulation cardinal and gray tie. A recent survey conducted by THE TECH has indicated that a large number of first year men have at some recent time appeared on the Institute grounds minus the required class insignia.

Although the majority of the class is still wearing the regulation four-in-hand, the situation is fast becoming more serious in that other members of the class are realizing the laxity of the rules enforcement, and the number of offenders is increasing daily.

According to the T. C. A. handbook, enforcement of the rule is at the discretion of the Freshman Rules Committee. This committee has not made any statement as to whether or not it would enforce the rule. Since no effort has been made to run down offenders, it is felt in some quarters that this is an indication of the gradual decadence of freshman rules.

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Flying Club Sought For Technology Students; Plane Will Be Purchased

Members Will Learn To Solo
At Low Price; May Fly
At Norwood

Feeling the urge to do higher things, a group of Technology's most ardent flying fans have started a movement to organize a flying club. It has been found that many Technology students are interested in learning to fly, and after talking to quite a few potential aviators, the self-appointed committee has decided to push plans for a club, in which the members will work towards a mutual end — their pilot's licenses.

The basis of the plan is an offer from Elmer W. Wiggins, '05, president of Wiggins Airways, of Providence and Boston, to solo every member of the club for a small amount. This means that the same amount will be paid, whether the student takes five hours or fifty to learn to fly alone. The average civilian flyer needs about seven hours of dual instruction in order to "solo", but if any member of the proposed club can solo in less than five hours, there will be an appropriate refund.

Will Buy Own Plane

Flying instruction will go on through the winter until every member of the club can fly. On entering the club, each member will be assessed a certain amount, about twenty dollars, and a small plane will be bought with the proceeds. Many good airplanes which have been slightly damaged by rough handling can be bought at this time of year for very little,

and repaired at small cost by anyone possessing a knowledge of aircraft and tools.

During the winter, while flying instruction is going on, the plane will be taken to the Guggenheim Aero Lab, dismantled and given a complete overhaul by the members of the club. If necessary, it will be rebuilt in places where it has been damaged, and new parts installed. The club plane must pass the Department of Commerce specifications and receive an official license before anyone will be allowed to fly it. In the Spring, when everyone has soloed and is capable of flying safely by himself, the plane will be taken to the Wiggins Field at Norwood and used by the members of the club to build up time for their pilot's licenses. Also, those members of the club who already have their private licenses will be able to use the plane to build up time for a higher license, or to fly the number of hours required annually on their flying licenses.

Pilot Will Speak At Meeting

So far a large number of men have expressed their willingness to join the club, and on the strength of this a meeting has been arranged for the benefit of those who would like to hear more concerning the plans of the projected club. The meeting will be held on Friday, Nov. 4, at 7:30, in Room 1-150. The speaker will be J. W. Welburn, former test pilot for the Spartan Aircraft Company. Anyone interested in any phase of aviation is urged to attend.

Barge Carried Faculty Across River When Technology Was Dedicated

Dedication Program in Information Office Gives Interesting Statistics

One of the few available Dedication Exercise programs of the new Technology was recently unearthed in the Information Office. It contains the story of the dedication of the Charles River Technology, which occurred during the 12th, 13th, and 14th of June, 1916.

According to Mr. Jackson, head of the Information Office, the exercises were among the most elaborate scenes he has ever witnessed. Festivities began June 12 with boatloads and trainloads of Alumni arriving from all over the world. Farewell was officially said to Rogers Building June 12, and the dedication was on. It was climaxed by the symbolical transfer of the Faculty across the Charles in a great barge. All the historic possessions of the Institute, including the Seal, were brought across, carried by Professors dressed in flowing robes. The barge landed on the Technology side of the river, and the faculty disembarked, to occupy for the first time the new buildings. Mr. Jackson hesitated to even think of the consequences of the barge's capsizing.

Balloons Float Overhead

Celebrations were carried on in a large scale. Several Goodrich Company balloons flew overhead, hundreds of boats plyed up and down the river, and a gigantic dance was held in the Great Court with a grand stand encircling the whole area.

Besides an outline of this colorful occasion, the program booklet contains a history of the Institute, well illustrated, and a series of statistics which are unusually interesting. Brought up to date, they are:

Statistics of the New Technology

The construction of the new Technology started in April, 1913, and it took exactly three years to build one

of the most modern educational plants in the world. At present, the Institute grounds cover approximately fifty acres on each side of Massachusetts Avenue. The buildings now standing occupy over twelve and one-half acres of land, while an additional twelve has been reserved for future educational plants. Land and buildings reserved for the students, i.e., Walker Memorial, the dormitories, and the athletic fields, cover more than twenty-five acres. A single floor of the Institute buildings has an area of close to three acres, while all the floors in all the buildings would cover eighteen acres.

Swamp Land Original Site

The initial cost of the Institute was six million dollars. This sum included one million dollars for land, with draining and grading; about one million dollars for buildings; and about one million for the power and distribution system. Walker Memorial was built entirely from Alumni funds, and cost half a million dollars. The dormitories approximated an expenditure of one million five hundred thousand dollars, which was drawn from donations, bequests, and Alumni contributions.

5,000,000 Bricks Used In Construction

Twenty-five thousand piles, sunk forty-five feet deep to solid rock, keep the Institute from sinking into the former marsh, while the Pratt School of Naval Architecture is slung on a cradle between two other buildings. 465 carloads of stone, 5,000,000 bricks, 80,000 bags of cement, and five thousand tons of reinforcing steel were used in putting up the main buildings and pouring the foundation.

An interesting comparison is the fact that the Great Court, which is three hundred and sixty feet square, will hold the Boston Public Library with room for a wide city street on either side. The Dome, which houses

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T. C. A. Drive is on — do your part!