



# TECH NEWS



## Interfraternity Ball • 1947

### SLIDE RULES, TEXTBOOKS PUT ASIDE FOR FUN

Annual Interfraternity Ball Brings Beautiful Girls and Shorty Sherock to Campus

By BOB MacDONALD

With the biggest array of pulchritude yet seen on the post-war hill-top campus, Tech's annual Interfraternity Ball has occasioned gaiety and sweet music, even now echoing through the rafters of the ordinarily staid Alden Memorial. Serious young engineers have laid aside slide rules, text books, and lab reports to show the world that they have a brighter side than that usually represented in classes and lecture halls. The cream of the country's young womanhood is receiving an unprecedented amount of attention from eager young swains now, and the picture is one of sartorial elegance.

This night is ours, and we're here to make the most of it; at least until the alarm clock jangles us out of dreams of romance in time for eight o'clock classes. Tonight the motif is "Let's Dance", and could we ask for any better incentive than the smooth orchestrations supplied by "Shorty" Sherock and his musicians? When you hear the voice of love cooing in your ears, have you found it difficult to remember that those words echoing your thoughts are falling from the lips of Elayne Trent and Dick Roberts? Dream on, and let the music do the rest.

This night is ours, and for once the lights in Alden Memorial will shine above the slumbering city long after those in the Electrical Engineering and Physics Labs have gone out. The faculty is represented as our guests tonight; you met them as you entered the Ball: Professor and Mrs. P. R. Swan, Professor and Mrs. H. J. Gay, Professor and Mrs. C. G. Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Smith. Tomorrow will again be theirs, but let tomorrow take care of itself.

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ELAYNE TRENT

### Park Problem Solution Found

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = xy^2 - \frac{1}{t^3} \frac{y^4}{x^{1/2}}$$

Vets Cry For Less Subsistence As Bank Accounts Rise Higher

By BILL WACHTER

Since all of the G.I.s have come back from fighting the wars of King's Cross, Picadilly Circus and Scollay Square, which includes a certain number of individuals at W.P.I., there has developed a new type of confusion on the Hill. With a government so generous (?) that each of its veterans is able to have a car to travel to school in, plus a small additional sum called subsistence, that is used to keep it supplied with gas; it has come to the attention of the administration that these same cars must be kept off of the streets surrounding our beautiful campus. Parking in the streets of Worcester, to many a sad, but wiser driver, has proved to be a rather touchy subject. No longer are we bothered by just fire hydrants, driveways, and theater entrances; it takes a dauntless spirit to park a car on a vacant street.

As every conscientious student of the school knows, there are three parking lots on the Hill, and it is the object of each one of the students to get into the lot that is nearest to the building in which he attends classes. This means that the Electricals, Chemists and Chem. Engines all take a sporting chance at the lot on West Street and the Mechanics, Civils and Dorm men vie for a location between Stanford Riley and Higgins. There is always the unavoidable overflow that must go to the obstacle course and that is where the difficulty arises. When those amongst us try to go to the E.E. building, we feel a try at the West Street lot is justified, and finding ourselves at the obstacle course—well—at least we're still on the campus. On the other hand it is just as far from Boynton to the obstacle course as the West Street lot, but is this any consolation? Amongst us ride a few sturdy souls who find that the "red" tickets that Benny carries around with him have an affinity for

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SHORTY SHEROCK

### Revelation of Pledge Trapping Schemes Brought to Light

Doctor Marlamute Makes Startling Discovery Affecting Everyone in New England

By ED DeSAULNIERS

"The time has come," the Walrus said, "to talk of many things, of shoes, and ships, and sealing wax, and cabbages, and kings." Since last we wrote, many things have happened and many full moons have smiled from the sky on the school that is Tech. The last term terminated itself in spite of all efforts to stop it; the new term started bringing with it many freshmen as fresh bait for the fraternities; Christmas came and passed away and now we are going into the last part of another term.

But let us talk of pleasant things and novel things. First there was the rushing. To us it was something new. We had read Max Schulman's "Barefoot Boy with Cheek" and smothered many a laugh (you always smother laughs when reading the book in a classroom) for the rushing of the fraternities in the book was quite comical. But, behold

at Tech, the freshman cometh, and does one see anything so crude as a bear-trap on the sidewalk in front of the Greek letter house? Oh no, never, there are far better things than that. For instance, one house always seemed to be having coal delivered when the unwary walked by, and in due time he and the bituminous or anthracite were hurtling down a greased chute together into the cellar where masked men held him for the ransom of one signature on the pledge list. And still another house had an even better scheme. They had not had a new man for years and the four men living there were the cook, a male maid, and two alumni who had graduated in 1936. After ten years of planning they conceived the ingenious plan of calling themselves head of the VA at Tech and that those who had not received their checks should come

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## Welcome

Once again, according to the cycle of the collegiate social calendar, the Formal Season is with us bringing to the doors of our drab existence, a bevy of beautiful damsels. Willing hands have flung open Tech's portals in a hearty welcome to our fair visitors and tonight, amidst the throng of happy faces and merry laughter, gallant escorts, throwing aside their thumb-worn volumes, are revelling in the lighter side of college life.

This is the Interfraternity Ball—a highlight of the year. It is the beginning of a weekend that will live long in the memories of Tech students.

The NEWS extends to all its best wishes for a most enjoyable weekend, and hopes that you, our guests, will carry away many fond memories of our Alma Mater—Worcester Tech.

## PLEDGE TRAPPING

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down to fill out specified forms. Little did the droves of neophytes know, that the forms they were filling out were pledge applications. A third house, chock full of Physicists, Alpha Gamma Betatron, had built themselves an enormous frosh-magnetic machine which when turned on full blast, pulled the freshman down the icy slopes from Boynton Hall right into the pledge torture chamber where the only respite from being atomized was a pledge signature. And so on it goes. There was one house on the hill which lived up to the rules of the Council and they rushed in the style of the books. By law they lived and by law they are still living and they received their reward. They did not get any pledges.

But away from the school and let us look at that budding metropolis, Worcester, whose chief claim to fame in the past has been that it was one of the leading industrial cities in the United States. Now it is even out-doing that. It is famous now for two more things. The woman of the year lives here who defied a bus and its driver with that ringing cry taken from the old Chinese "No ride, no go!" And then there are the sidewalks, which are, according to a poll made up by a famous analyst of public opinion, Dr. Marlamute, who made the rounds via dogsled, of the most unshovelled sidewalks in the northern hemisphere. It is hoped, said the Doctor, that some of the natives of the city will listen to Henry Morgan some night and learn

of the invention of the snow shovel. It is rumored that should such an invention take place, there will be room for the pneumonia and typhoid patients in the hospitals and the parking problem downtown will also be solved, for the cars can then be taken off the streets and put on the now useless sidewalks.

Inasmuch as time and space are running out you will have to wait until the next issue to read more of the works of the author who was "banned in Boston".

## PARK PROBLEM

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doorhandles of cars that are not where they belong, and to quote one such person, "I wonder who put this on here?"

Of course, we all know that this is caused by the small fortunes that are allotted to the vets at the close of each month. Unwilling to let this accumulate they gladly put gas into most anything that runs (on wheels).

With this parking problem, it is fine to see such a strain of sportsmanship developing, not only do we find a minimum of smashed fenders, but there has not been any one who has tried to defy the law that two bodies cannot occupy the same place at the same time, providing there is space to occupy. This is due no doubt to the ease with which the Physics lectures are understood.

Our Formal Night brings us to the crux of the matter, we only hope that in parking your car, you did not find yourself at Bancroft Tower before the dance.

## Fraternity News Bits

By MAL GORDON

Throughout this edition of the TECH NEWS you will find well wishes for the weekend. Not to be left out, this columnist also wishes every one present a wonderful time, and may there be many more. For those who are not going and who will read this later, I think you may regret it, as the picture of the singer alone is a star attraction.

All of the fraternities have a schedule of plans for the weekend in another section of the paper. Many have banquets and outings planned, which should prove to be fun for all. There is also the Round Robin Saturday night. The new pledges will have a chance to see all the fraternities in one night, without the fear of being lead-piped at each house, as has been the custom in the past few weeks. It's a chance to meet a lot of swell guys and gals in the other houses, so visit them all.

### Lambda Chi Alpha

The house is buzzing with activity this weekend, and the gaiety of the formal weekend prevails. Tomorrow afternoon a bowling party at one of the local alleys is scheduled. After dinner tomorrow night the fellows and their guests will attend the basketball game, and of course there will be open house after the game.

### Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Extensive plans are being made for the House Party by Co-Chairmen Bill Meadowcroft and Bob Jodrey. The Minerva Club has charge of the banquet to be held Friday evening. The chaperones are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Larrabee.

Many of the pledges attended the weekly Saturday evening dance.

The following brothers were recently installed: President, Guy Burr, Jr.; Vice-President, Arthur Collins; Treasurer, Hazen Hoyt; Assistant Treasurer, Mac Kirkwood; Secretary, Don Eteson; Corresponding Secretary, Earle Johnson; War-

den, James Wenning; and Herald, Bob Jodrey.

### Phi Sigma Kappa

A gala weekend is in store for the Phi Sig brothers, the new pledges, and their dates. The house and annex will be surrendered to the fairer sex completely to make room for the girls coming from all over New England to make Tech their home for a few days. Informal social activities are planned for the whole weekend to allow everyone freedom to do whatever they like.

Friday evening: Dinner followed by a cocktail party at the Sheraton.

Saturday evening: Dancing and refreshments following basketball game.

### A.T.O.

Last Saturday night a dance was held in honor of our new pledges. The dance was held in the game room and the social committee under "Doc" Watson did a superb job on the refreshments.

Tomorrow the boys have a warm-up basketball game with the Worcester Hot-Shots who are captained by Jim Maloney. We feel that with the backing of our weekend guests, we should come out on top.

### A.E.P.

The fraternity has planned a weekend full of enjoyment, and anyone who goes to the formal is sure to have the time of his life. On Friday night after the formal a "chicken" party will be held at the house. On Saturday afternoon, the brothers and their "princesses" are scheduled for a banquet at the Sheraton Hotel, and in the evening all will take part in the Round Robin.

Among the alumni that will be around for the weekend are Harvey Robinson, '48, who is currently studying at B.U.

### Sigma Phi Epsilon

An invitation was extended to Sig Ep by Theta Kappa Phi to a pledge dance held after the Pratt basketball game at their chapter house. Many Sig Eps were present including the new pledges who were furnished dates where necessary by the social committee. The brothers and

pledges finally returned to 11 Boynton Street where they continued to dance and had refreshments.

After a long wait, "Cap" Tyler has finally gotten his wish; that is, Vera has arrived from England. The brothers at Sig Ep welcome her to America as well as to Worcester Tech.

Visitors at the house recently were Dick Propst, '46D, Chris Terpo, '44, and Hank Spring. Also "Cy" Hardy, '26 and "Em" Wiggin, '26, dropped in to begin plans on renovating the game room into a room in Memorial to those brothers lost in World War II.

### Theta Chi

In addition to several freshmen, Robert A. Rowse and William G. Slane, both sophomores, have been pledged this week.

Plans for this weekend include a party tomorrow afternoon and a banquet which the brothers and their dates have already enjoyed earlier this evening, prior to the ball.

Bob Lewis, '45, visited the house last week. Rob intends to continue to serve with the U. S. regular army. He has distinguished himself in battle in Italy with the ski troops and received a field commission. At present he is stationed at Baltimore.

### Theta Kappa Phi

Recently two pledges were initiated and Rev. Henry Brabson was made an honorary brother. The two new active brothers are Walt Mussoni, '49 and Ed Desaulniers, post-graduate student. Ed received his B.S. from Boston College in 1944. Fr. Brabson is a curate at the Immaculate Conception Church in Worcester and chaplain of the Tech Newman Club.

Tomorrow afternoon a buffet supper will be served for all of the pledges, actives, and alumni and their guests. Reservations for the weekend include the following alumni: Don Gilrein and Rosemary Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Fay, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. John Quinn. The Quins will be the chaperones at the house for the weekend.



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## Cosmopolites Elect Jose Biamon Leader For Coming Term

### Oray Describes Customs Life and Political Aims of Present Day Turkey

The second meeting of the Cosmopolitan Club for the current academic year was held on the thirtieth of January at the home of Professor and Mrs. Longwell at 21 Roxbury Street.

About thirty members were present, representing fifteen countries. President Chang presided over the meeting. The faculty adviser, Professor Scheifley, being absent, it was voted that Professor Gay would preside over the elections.

José Biamon of Puerto Rico was elected President and Aram Karamian of Persia was elected Vice-President. The other offices were filled by Subbiah Muthiah of Ceylon, elected secretary, and Peter Kahn of Germany and India, elected treasurer.

After the elections, Mr. Karamian proposed that the Cosmopolitan Club should participate in friendly competition with the fraternities. After the discussion, the motion was unanimously passed.

President Chang then introduced the speaker for the evening, Mr. Tevfik Oray, freshman student from Turkey. The subject for his talk was "Turkey". He was ably assisted by Messrs. Alev Kokturk and Rifat Ozbash, also from Turkey. For one so little acquainted with the English

language, Mr. Oray spoke extremely well.

Mr. Oray warned the audience that Turkey was not a land of fezzes and harems, and that its mannerisms were no different from those of the Western world.

He went on further to illustrate how rapidly Turkey has progressed in the past twenty years. Today sixty per cent of the Turkish people are literate. The emancipation of women has taken rapid strides, and today the Turkish beauty is no longer veiled. Turkey was one of the first countries in which women were allowed to vote. Today the education for Turkish women is almost on a par with that for men.

Continuing, Mr. Oray said that, politically, Turkey was a socialistic country, but that communism could not exist there because of unified family life. Russia is Turkey's chief menace for the future, but Turkey will continue to strive for eternal world peace.

In conclusion, Mr. Oray remarked that Turkey owed a lot to other countries for helping her to rise to her present day status and that she had a very bright future ahead of her. Turkish magazines and photographs were then circulated among the gathering and an informal discussion followed.

Refreshments having been served by Mrs. Longwell, the meeting adjourned.

## Fraternities Make Choice

### SAE Leads Others in Numbers As Freshmen Are Pledged to Houses

The official fraternity rushing period ended Saturday, February 1st, when one hundred and twenty-six of the present Freshman class signified, by a secret ballot, their desire to belong to one of the nine brotherhoods on the Hill. This pledging climaxed what was one of the longest rushing periods here at Tech since the beginning of the war.

Saturday morning, each one of the Freshmen submitted, to Professor Gay, his choice of the fraternity he desired to join, and the fraternities in turn submitted the names of the Freshmen they desired to pledge. At three o'clock in the afternoon the fraternity men gathered at the dormitory where official notice of the pledgeships was announced. Immediately after this announcement, the new pledges were driven to their respective fraternity houses where the pledging ceremonies took place.

The maximum number of men who could be pledged to any one fraternity house was restricted this year as every year by the Inter Fraternity Council, to protect each house on the Hill. The maximum amount allowed to each house was twenty-

five but no house on the Hill attained this goal. Sigma Alpha Epsilon led in the total number of new members with twenty-four. Theta Kappa Phi attained nineteen new men, Phi Gamma Delta, seventeen, Phi Sigma Kappa, sixteen, Alpha Tau Omega, fourteen, Sigma Phi Epsilon twelve, Lambda Chi Alpha, ten, and Theta Chi and Alpha Epsilon Pi both received seven apiece.

Pledge dances were held at Theta Kappa Phi, Alpha Tau Omega, and Sigma Phi Epsilon to make the new men feel at home and at many of the houses the future members were allowed to eat there Saturday night.

This is the first step in the life of a pledge toward becoming a full fledged brother in a fraternity. For the next eight weeks the pledges will have to undergo a training course to learn the facts about their own houses and other fraternities, at the end of which they will be initiated as full fledged brothers. We would like to wish all you new men lots of luck in your new homes.

## BALL

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And from all indications tomorrow will take care of itself: namely, by means of a basketball thriller in the evening between Tech and Boston University which will be followed by the traditional Round Robin featuring continuous dancing and music at every fraternity house until long after the last drop of punch has disappeared. The afternoon will no doubt be devoted to more or less individual activities on the part of each fraternity. Among other things, portraits of you and yours will be delivered to the houses during the afternoon by the same experts who are now taking the pictures in another part of the building. If you want a real souvenir of this memorable event, don't neglect to have your picture taken.

While you are sipping on that coke (on the house, by the way, in the Janet Earle Room), give a little consideration to the hard working guys who really worked to put this event over. Jack Saunier and Buddy Dember headed the Dance Committee, with the able assistance of Len Berg, Bob Geores, Frank Holby, Bill Moulton, Jack Mullaney, Al Raymond, and George Strunz. How about a nod to them when you see them?

For all of us this Interfraternity Ball is a relaxing aftermath of intensive weeks of rushing. To all those freshmen appearing at the annual event for the first time with their chosen group, a hearty welcome. To those of you who may have the idea the formal is conducted as a study in abnormal psychology by the Interfraternity Council (another name for the Psychology Department), don't let thoughts of eight o'clock classes spoil your evening. Tonight is ours, even if tomorrow we are destined to appear on the Hill at the special invitation of the faculty. Let yourself go: Let's Dance.

Did you know that the log of Pi is 0.4973 1/2?

## 'Dead Eye Dicks' Shoot Saturday

According to the TECH NEWS, last issue, all Tech teams lost the previous week, but this was an error. The Rifle Club did come through with a victory, defeating Mass. State. Next Saturday, February eighth, Mass. State travels to Worcester for another match with the Dead-eye Dicks of Tech. Although the gallery isn't large, the Club invites all interested spectators to attend and cheer our boys on.

The club has forty-two members which includes men who learned the art of shooting through the courtesy of Uncle Sam. The officers of the club include: President, Arthur Burns; Vice-President, Ed Dion, who is also team captain and manager; and Treasurer, Bob Gowing. Some of the other crack shots on the team are Sanctuary, White, Cornell, Marston, and Whitney. The coach of the team is Professor Longwell, of the Civil Engineering Department. He has formerly coached at N. Y. U. and at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute. Colonel Holt of the same department also helps coach the team occasionally.

In parting, don't forget to take your dates to the match Saturday, and see Tech's finest in action.

GEORGE LEHTO

## Debaters Beat State Teachers

In a recent closely contested debate with Fitchburg State Teachers' College, Worcester Polytechnic Institute's team emerged victorious with a two to one vote in its favor. Judging the almost even match were Miss Dorothy Churchill, Shrewsbury High School's debate coach, Mr. Gerald Segel of Laree Fabrics, and Mr. George V. Uihlein, Jr., of Tech's Department of Chemical Engineering and Chemistry.

Miss Mary Truland and Philip Breault represented Fitchburg, and took the affirmative in presenting the current debate-topic, "Resolved that labor should have a direct share in the management of industry." Miss Truland's brilliant delivery won her the coveted title of "Best Speaker of the Evening" but the decision was not unanimous in her favor, one of the judges having voted for Henry Oletz, who was Tech's mainstay. Also defending Tech was Norman Feldman. Although the Fitchburg team lost, it expects, and plans revenge in the near future, when Tech journeys to Fitchburg.

The Debating Society has already accepted bids to debate with Pennsylvania State College, Worcester State Teachers College, and American International College, during the month of March, and also plans a debate between Tej Chaddha and Robert Lerner concerning the partitioning of Germany.

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Since then Dick Longfellow has been shaping for himself the kind of a career he began planning long ago. He has worked in television, has designed ultra high frequency radio tubes, has contributed to the development of radar. Today, after ten years with G.E., he is Chief Engineer of the company's Electronics Specialty Division.

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## Engineers Drop Fifth Straight to Pratt Institute After Close Battle

Ucich Leads Scorers  
With 15 Markers for  
The Night

While a hopeful crowd looked on, Tech dropped its fifth straight game as Pratt come through with a late period surge to top the Engineers 51-38. However, it was a moral victory for Coach Stagg whose combination zone and ball-hawking defensive tactics held the highly-touted Kaplowitz scoreless until the closing minutes of the game. Kaplowitz who is currently high scorer in Metropolitan New York was handcuffed completely all evening until he finally managed to break away and rack up three fast baskets in the final two minutes.

It was anybody's game until well in the second half when Sibley, Pratt's unheralded guard put on an amazing set-shot exhibition. Unable to break Tech's tight zone, Sibley got set well out near the half line and proceeded to drill home four twin masters with deadly accuracy in a way reminiscent of Bill Stone. Thanks to Sibley's outstanding set-shooting Pratt took a commanding lead and was never in trouble from then on.

Despite Sibley's performance, the laurels definitely went to Steve Ucich who found himself for the first time this season. Hampered by injuries, Steve hadn't shown his ability of last year. But Steve really played a ball game against Pratt. He entered the fray with Tech on the short end of a 10-5 score and then proceeded to ring up seven straight points to put his club ahead 12-10. Using his height to good advantage, Ucich tapped in rebound after rebound and would undoubtedly have scored 20 points if he had not been forced out on fouls early in the second half.

The Jayvees came through in re-sounding fashion to register their first victory at the expense of outclassed Oxford High. Coach McNulty used his regulars sparingly to keep the score reasonable. Buddy Dember was having trouble with his shots, but managed to tally eleven points to be Tech's high scorer.

The results of the games were as follows:

PRATT INSTITUTE			WORCESTER TECH				
fg	fp	tp	fg	fp	tp		
Kaplowitz f	3	3	9	Norris f	5	0	6
Dobson f	2	0	4	Ucich f	6	3	15
Buckman f	1	0	2	Carlson f	1	0	2
D. Bagge	0	1	1	Raymond	1	0	2
R. Bagge	2	1	5	Collins	0	0	0
Berry c	2	0	4	Cromack c	3	4	10
Alpert	4	0	8	Adams	0	0	0
Hollwedel g	0	0	0	Bradshaw g	1	0	2
Sibley	5	1	11	Gross	0	0	0
Campki g	3	1	7	Concordia g	0	1	1
Willis	0	0	0	Fleet	0	0	0
Totals	22	7	51	Totals	15	8	38
Score at halftime: Worcester Tech 16, Pratt Institute 14.							
WORC. TECH JAYVEES			OXFORD HIGH				
fg	fp	tp	fg	fp	tp		
Krause f	0	1	1	Bacon f	6	1	13
Collings	3	0	6	W. Mahota f	1	0	2
Beierly	0	0	0	Jandrun c	0	0	0
Barna f	2	0	4	H. Mahota	4	0	8
Converse	1	1	3	R. Hump's g	1	2	4
From c	2	0	4	Waddleton g	2	1	6
McKernan	4	0	8				
Paulin g	1	0	2				
McCormick	1	1	3				
Dember	5	1	11				
Bruno g	2	1	5				
Collins	4	1	9				
Totals	25	6	54	Totals	14	4	32

## WPI Team Competes In Mile Relay at BAA Games

Indoor Track Team Trains on Alumni Gym Treadmill For Feb. 14 Meet at MCS

In the midst of the more highly publicized activities of the basketball and swimming teams, Tech's track is being put through its paces by Coach Frank Sanella. Although hampered by the small track in Alumni Gym and lacking any facilities for practising such events as broad jumping and shot-putting, the team is rounding into form. The winter season which is climaxed by a dual meet with Mass. State at Amherst on Feb. 14, is intended primarily to start the men getting into shape for the intensive Spring schedule and to enable Coach Sanella to get a line on his prospects.

In addition to the Mass. State meet the Track Association will send a relay team to Boston Garden tomorrow night to compete in the collegiate one mile relay at the annual B.A.A. games. Two weeks ago, on Jan. 25, the Tech relay team finished fourth in a relay won by a team from Miami University at the K. of C. meet on the North Station amphitheatre's track.

The relay team which will compete in the B.A.A. meet will be made up of Dave Brown who was outstanding as a middle distance man last Spring and on the cross-country squad in the fall, Al DeLoid, who scored 20 points in the Freshman-Sophomore track meet back in 1942 and "Mac" White, who is best known as an outstanding hurdler.

In the Mass. State meet Tech's best performances will probably be turned in by "Mac" White in both the high and low hurdles and Carl Borg in the shot-put. "Mac" has few peers when it comes to timber topping, and Borg's distance of 42 feet with the 16 pound ball at the recent Y.M.C.A. meet in the Hub also looked mighty impressive. Brown, Muthiah and Holby in the middle and longer distances may be handicapped by the difference in running surfaces. The Mass. State track is a large dirt oval, quite a difference from the saucer the boys have been training on here.

"Mac" White's running mate in the hurdles will be Tidball, a freshman who has shown a great deal of promise. Al DeLoid will compete in the broad jump, George Howe in the high jump and Carpenter and Madwed in the weight events.

Although Tech soundly defeated Mass. State outdoors in the Spring, Coach Sanella said that it would be difficult to forecast the outcome of this encounter. However, he expressed the opinion that the meet would be valuable to him in sizing up his squad. Right now his greatest difficulty is in finding Subbiah Muthiah, the spunky little middle distance man from India, when Ed Carpenter (220.57 lbs.) is standing in front of him.

## Tech Represented In Intercollegiate Bridge Tourney

Worcester Tech is one of 140 colleges which will compete in the 1947 National Intercollegiate Bridge Tournament. Thirty-nine states and the District of Columbia are represented in the entries, it was announced this week by Foster M. Coffin, Director of Willard Straight Hall, Cornell University, and Chairman of the Intercollegiate Bridge Tournament Committee.

For the purposes of the tournament the country was divided into eight zones as equitably as possible, on the basis of numerical distribution and geographical proximity of the colleges. After a round played by mail on the campuses in mid-February, the two highest pairs in each zone will go to Chicago on April 18 and 19 as the committee's guests for the face-to-face finals to determine the national pair championship.

Among the other colleges in this zone against which our team will be competing in the preliminaries are: (Editor: See attached list of colleges in your zone).

Directing the tournament here on the campus is Prof. Harold J. Gay. Other members of the four-pair team playing the mail round are E. Block, N. Lourie; K. McIntyre, R. Moultenrey; E. Baldwin, A. Karamian; M. Cohen, A. Soloway.

The contest is one of the few intercollegiate events in which men and women can compete on an equal basis. The sixteen players in the Chicago finals will be guests of the Committee at the famous Palmer House.

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## SPORT SIDELIGHTS

By LES FLOOD

The candidates that signed up for spring football training vary considerably in ability. I doubt whether Glen Davis will be able to make it, but we can hope. Unfortunately, the number of men signifying their intention to support a spring practice is too small to necessitate any action. Doc Carpenter, who is not eager to have spring training, is willing to consider it if enough men show an interest. The list, which is posted on the bulletin board in Boynton Hall, will be left up for another week with the hope that more men will sign up.

Before the war skiing at Tech began to gain momentum with the ultimate goal of having an organized ski team. During the war skiing activity naturally slackened, but now there is an enthusiastic desire to promote this sport by obtaining school backing and organization for a recognized competitive team with coaching and letters. Some members of the Outing Club recently entered an informal meet with Tufts and M.I.T. and proved that we have men capable of representing W.P.I. The possibilities for intercollegiate ski competition are unlimited. Many New England colleges of our own athletic level have well organized, coached teams eager for competition. This is evidenced by the fact that we have been invited to meet with Tufts, M.I.T., Boston University, North-

eastern, Bowdoin, Mass. State, and the Worcester Ski Club. Since we have the material and so much nearby competition, let's push the promotion of skiing to the team level of basketball and indoor track.

The swimmers are going to have a rest this weekend, so it looks as if the guys and gals will have to find their own entertainment Saturday afternoon. Saturday night the Tech five plays Boston University here in the Alumni Gym. After a strenuous Friday night they will appreciate all the whole-hearted support we can give them.

With the ending of formal rushing and the absence of Freshman rules comes the end of the get acquainted campaign between the Freshmen and the upperclassmen. It has often been said that the greatest advantage of a small school is that a student gets to know everyone on campus. This builds school spirit as does nothing else. Since we have had to forgo the pleasure of many of our traditions such as the paddle rush and interclass sports, I fear that our spirit falls short of what it could be. This condition will improve as these activities are fitted back into the schedule. At present we can help the spirit by taking the advice found in the Tech Bible and greeting our fellow students with a cheery "Hello" when we meet, both on and off the campus.

## OUTING CLUB TO CONDUCT SKI BUS TO LOCAL AREA

The weather so far this winter has been anything but kind to the aspiring skiers of the Outing Club; but with tongues in cheeks, members of the activities committee are arranging to run a ski bus to a local ski area on Sunday, February 16. The plans, of course, depend on snow conditions. However, all the pessimists on the Hill have forecast snow in copious amounts beginning about eight o'clock the evening of the Interfraternity Ball. In order to get an indication of those interested in participating, members are asked to sign the list posted on the Boynton

bulletin board. Final plans for the outing will be discussed during the next meeting. Watch the bulletin board in Boynton.

Plans to conduct ski instruction on Boynton Hill have been forestalled due to lack of snow; however, members will be notified of the time and place of classes in the advent of snow.

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# AROUND THE BLOCK

By LOU BLOCK

Here it is a formal weekend, and this issue we shall write about those members of the basketball squad who in the past have remained in the shadows on the basketball court. We are referring to the members of the jayvee squad whose publicity thus far has been confined simply to the last paragraph of each basketball story. These boys are the real heroes of the basketball court; they scrimmage painstakingly against the varsity players every day while they in themselves develop to become the stars of future seasons.

The squad has been having its share of tough luck this season; they won only their first game last week against Oxford High, but with three high schools slated as their opponents for the remaining games, they may yet finish up the season with a decent record. In the games in which they lost, they were outclassed only by the Springfield J.V.'s and the Brown Frosh. In the games against Commerce High, the Trinity and Northeastern Jayvees, they played the opponents on even terms for the major portions of the game, but they just seemed to lack that extra drive that marks the difference between victory and defeat. In the game against the Worcester Junior College, they made their poorest showing of the season, looking ragged on defense while their offensive passing and shooting was atrocious.

Analyzing the players individually, the most promising frosh on this squad is Bill Collings. Bill was a little slow in developing, and at the start of the season, he wasn't even in the starting lineup. His playing has improved by leaps and bounds, and before the end of this season or by the start of the next season, he will be making his presence felt on the varsity squad. Some of the other promising first year men are Jack Converse, who also has improved rapidly after a slow start; and Jack Brierly, former South High star, who is the possessor of a deadly eye for set shots.

Among the sophomores, Art Smith and Fred Bruno have shown the most promise, while Poulin, From, Krause, McCormack, and Goldstein are others who may be heard from in the future.

These are the men who fill the role of making up the junior varsity squad. They are the "stars of the future"; the "heroes of tomorrow's headlines"; and they are, in effect, the minor leaguers of the basketball court just waiting for their chance to make good in the "big time." (Amen.)

# ON AND OFF THE RECORD

By JACK SAUNIER

A pretty girl is like a melody,—a pretty girl is just like a pretty tune. Welcome, girls; this is music-appreciation corner. Are you all enjoying the dancing and the music, hmmm? (Best had say "yes!") By the way, if you're not reading this during intermission at the formal, make believe you are,—it makes the first paragraph read better. For those of you who are enjoying the dubious privilege of perusing our little sheet for the first time, this column is dedicated to music in general, and records in particular, but come along for the laughs even if you aren't particular.

The artistic achievement of the decade, *Open the Door, Richard*, is by now on everyone's lips, and since it is on phonograph records it falls within the scope of this column, and should be mentioned here. It is. Let's go on.

If you liked "Till the Clouds Roll By" with Jerome Kern's music, you'll like the new Capitol album of eight of Kern's hits. Johnny Mercers company went all out on this one, using Martha Tilton, the King Cole Trio, Paul Weston's band, Clark Dennis, Peggy Lee with Dave Barbour's combo, the Pied Pipers, Hal Derwin, and even the bossman Mercer. Outstanding side is, as you might imagine, the King Cole Trio's treatment of *Smoke Gets in Your Eyes*. It's done in the tradition of the earlier Cole sides like *Body and Soul* and *The Man I Love*—tasteful modern jazz by the finest combo in the business. The Peggy Lee-Dave Barbour association once again pays off on *She Didn't Say Yes*, light and relaxed and oh, so nice.

Been to New York lately? If you're looking for jazz, don't go; the mecca is drawing its last rasping breaths. We're talking about 52nd Street—the Apple, The Street, Swing Street. It's disappearing fast, with only the Three Deuces, Jimmy Ryan's, the Downbeat, and Dixon's (the old "18") still offering jazz. Everybody's moving out to the coast, with L.A. fast becoming the jazz capital of the country. Boston, never having had much, will probably have less since the recent brawl involving Bill Eckstine and his boys at the Rio Casino.

Back to the Ball, fellas, to listen to that Sherock trumpet—and take a good look, too, while you date's back is turned!

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