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# "Significance of Lent" Subject Of Next Assembly Speaker

### "Nature of Love" and "Gas Talk" Topics of Previous Assemblies

On Wednesday, March 3, at 11 A.M., in Alden Auditorium, the Eleventh General Assembly of this year will be held. Walter B. Dennen, Jr., will lead the assembly, and the main speaker will be Father David W. Twomey, S.J., head of the Department of Sociology at the College of the Holy Cross, who will speak of the "Significance of Lent." This assembly promises to be very successful.

At the last assembly, February 25, Professor MaGoun, professor of Human Relations in Industry, in the Department of Economics and Sociology at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, lectured on "The Nature of Love." First, love was defined as the desire of two people to create together so that their success and happiness can prosper without interference from either party. Secondly, he emphasized that sex and love are not synonymous. This was elaborated more with many illustrations that were both humorous and instructive. He also stated that if every college had a course on "How To Be A Good Parent," the world would be 100 per cent better and divorces would be minimized.

At the assembly on Wednesday, February 18, Professor Charles M. Allen, Director of the Alden Hydraulic Laboratory, presented his famous "Gas Talk," which has not been given for some years. Professor Allen demonstrated the use and misuses of gasoline and other fuels. This lecture was very instructive and humorous especially the demonstration of the effect of the air-fuel ratio on the explosive strength of gasoline with his famous exhaust stroke. The essence of the lecture was that (Continued on Page 4, Col. 1)

# Distribution Policy Of "Tech News" Changed

Copies To Be Delivered To Boynton, Dorm, and Fraternity Houses

Beginning with this issue of the TECH NEWS a new system of distribution goes into effect. This was deemed necessary because of the complaints of many students that they were not receiving their copy of the Tech News. Under the new system the distribution has been divided into four groups, as follows: Dorm men; Fraternity men; City men; Faculty and others.

One man on each floor of Sanford Riley will assume the responsibility of giving to the men on his floor a copy of the Tech News. These men are Leo Lemere, first floor; Rick Ferrari, second floor; Don Lewis, third floor; and Dick Coffee, fourth

Copies for fraternity men will be delivered to the fraternity houses by members of the Circulation Staff. The fraternities will receive as many copies as there are men living in the fraternity.

City men will get their copy in Boynton. Men who do not live in Sanford Riley or in a fraternity house are considered city men, whether they are fraternity men or not. The Faculty will continue to receive their copies as they have in the past.

Here in brief is how each man will get his copy of the TECH NEWS:

Dorm men will get their copy at

ties will get their copy at their professor of engineering mechanics fraternity house.

# **AIEE Sponsors Open Forum and** Panel Discussion on E.E. Dept.

an occurrence as unheralded in its to all departments on the Hill. sphere of influence as the dropping of the atom bomb. One of the departments of W. P. I. became introspective. A student meeting of the A. I. E. E. held an open forum and panel discussion entitled "A Critique of the Methods and Courses of the Department of Electrical Engineering." At that time the students were asked for constructive, frank, and honest criticism of present conditions. Although this event was primarily for the benefit of the E. E. Dept. and its students, many of the suggestions

The evening of Feb. 19th witnessed and conclusions could well be applied

The moderator of this discussion, which was held in the E. E. Lecture Room, was Mr. Louis L. Leavitt of the Worcester County Electric Company. The panel consisted of Professors William Locke and H. H. Newell, Post Graduate, G. E. Desaulniers, Seniors F. R. Dieterle and W. A. Beers, and Juniors Orlando Foss and R. R. Smith.

For the most part the discussion was carried on under three topic headings: Course and Catalogue Material, Instruction, and Reports. A

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# Class of '79 Essay Competition Open to All Undergraduates

Fifty Dollar Award to Writer of Outstanding Scientific Paper

Once again the ingenuity and resourcefulness of prospective engineers as well as their ability to write will be at stake in the annual Class of '79 essay competition. Every year since 1929 (at which time the contest and its awards were inaugurated by the Class of '79 as its 50th anniversary gift) this contest has It is a pleasant modification of our offered to WPI students from lowly Frosh to lofty Seniors the opportunity to expound their theories on some scientific engineering subject with which they are acquainted. Naturally their theories must be their own, i.e., not abstracted in whole or in part from any publication. In evidence of his good faith, each entrant is required to submit with his essay a bibliography and statement of his experience.

The essay itself must be written in a logical and popular style so that it is suitable for publication in a lay idea was proposed by Mr. Kleine of magazine, and should appeal to nor- the Economics Department, and it is mal, average curiosity and interest. It is to be of two thousand word ford Riley Hall. The co-chairmen thousand word maximum.

and will be presented to the undergraduate who, in the opinion of the committee of judges, has submitted the entry which best conforms with Department. the above stipulations. This committee will be comprised of Professor Edwin Higginbottom, head of the department of English and chairman of the committee, assisted by Professor Francis J. Adams, professor of electrical engineering, Professor W. F. M. Longwell, professor of civil engineering, Dr. Harold E. Grayes, professor of chemical engineer-Fraternity men living in fraterniing, and Dr. G. H. MacCullough,

### Notice

Do you go to a 9 o'clock class with an empty stomach? Do you have trouble getting breakfast in the morning? You do? Well, the Coffee Shop thinks so too, and to remedy the situation they are now opening at 8:30 A.M. So many students asked for an earlier opening that the Coffee Shop has complied with their request. Don't squander your nickels and dimes on betting sheets and ice cream cones, go to the Coffee Shop and enjoy a cup of the finest coffee brewed in Worcester in the congenial atmosphere of the Sanford Riley Commons.

# Masque to Produce Christie's "Ten Little Indians"

### Sanford Riley Men Sponsor Movies in Alden Auditorium

Frosh Initiate "Evening At the Movies"; Show Al Jolson Movie

February 27 marked the happy beginning of a new program at Tech, a program quickly acclaimed by all. scholastic lives called "Evenings at the Movies". It combines a number of features novel to us here: it is highly entertaining, it's absolutely free, and it's open to all.

The two and a half hours' entertainment offered last Friday evening was the first of a series which we will enjoy through the remainder of the school year. This series is an attempt to provide evenings of amusement at a minimum cost, and it has the further advantage that it is presented right on the campus. The sponsored by the students in Sanminimum and should not exceed four are Samuel R. Winther and James B. Macy. Mr. Kleine is acting as The award is to be fifty dollars advisor. We are also indebted to Irving R. Versoy, Jr., for volunteering as projector man. He is a graduate assistant instructor in the E. E.

The first of the "Evenings at the Movies" presented four top attractions: "Rose of Washington Square" with Al Jolson, Alice Faye and Tyrone Power, "Labor Savers"-a Lew Lehr comedy, "Rehearsal"-behind the scenes with "The Telephone Hour", and "Do You Remember?" -community sing with favorite songs. The program began at 8:00 P.M. in Alden Memorial. It was well attended and highly appreciated. Its success may be partly attributed to the school which has been most helpful and cooperative.

### Mr. Ernest Hollows New Faculty Adviser of **Dramatic Society**

Ten Little Indians, Agatha Christie's thrilling mystery, is the production which will be done this year by the Masque, Tech's dramatic society.

Being limited by a non-coeducational student body, the Masque encounters some difficulty in selecting a play. Aided by their newly appointed faculty adviser, Mr. Ernest W. Hollows, the Masquers have displayed keen judgment in picking the Ten Little Indians.

Ten Little Indians was first written as a story under the title, And Then There Were None. Finding it adaptable to the stage it was revised and produced in June of 1944 in New York under the title of Ten Little Indians. It was so popular that it was made into a movie under , its original title and also has been dramatized over the air.

Ten Little Indians is a mystery play in three acts. Its cast requires eight men and three women. Casting was held Monday under the direction of Mr. Charles P. Rugg. Mr. Rugg is well known in dramatic circles about Worcester and has aided in past productions of the Masque.

The "Ten Little Indians" refers to the cluster of statuettes on the mantelpiece of a weird country house on an island off the coast of Devon, and to the nursery rhyme embossed above them, telling how each little Indian met his death until there were none. To this queer Byzantine mortuary eight assorted guests are invited for a weekend by a mysterious host. None of the guests know each other nor have they met their host. Nor has the housekeeper, the butler or the boatman ever met their employer.

While the guests are assembled for cocktails, a voice comes out of the (Continued on Page 2, Col. 3)

# "Recent Textile Developments" Subject of AIChE Meeting

Last Wednesday, February 18, of cotton for tire cording. After 1948, the A. I. Ch. E's had an inter-completing this work he went to esting talk given to them by Dr. work for the A. C. Lawrence Leather Ralph F. Nickerson, who spoke on Company and thence to the Monthe recent developments in the textile santo Chemical Company, where he industry. The speaker, who was is now employed in textile research. introduced by the Vice-Chairman, To illustrate his talk, Dr. Nicker-Gino Santandrea, received his Ph.D. son brought along several samples to from Mass. State in 1934. After ob- show very plainly, the advantages taining his degree, he received a and disadvantages of fabrics and fellowship from Mellon Institute to what can be done to keep the good study cotton and its utilization in features and eliminate the bad ones. industry. From there he went to For example, he explained how cot-Firestone to investigate the possi- ton, although cheap, plentiful, easily bilities of the use of rayon in place

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# Editorial

The stage was a basketball floor, and their only props a ball and two baskets. Last week the curtain rang down on their final act The show was an excellent one, well directed, and with a capable supporting cast. These resolute thespians fought with the heart of a lion and the courage and fierceness of a tiger. The play was one of continuous battles, with our actors winning six out of thirteen skirmishes with the enemy. They fought bravely and performed like seasoned veterans. Unsung and unheralded, their names will be forgotten but their deeds, their glory will remain. Yes, Tech's basketeers and their coach, Mr. McNulty, are deserving of just praise and commendation for their excellent showing of sportsmanship and good conduct.

Elsewhere in the TECH NEWS is an article concerning the distribution of copies of the TECH NEWS. Certainly it is incumbent upon every student to cooperate with the plan, so that every one will be assured of receiving his copy. The Circulation Staff is doing its utmost to distribute copies to every one on the Hill, but its labors are of no avail if there is no cooperation. We hope that all students will abide by the distribution scheme and make the work of the Staff that much easier.

### Letters to the Editor

- 1. TECH NEWS will publish all letters received from contributors providing:-
  - (a) The name of the writer is known to the editor (a pen name may be used).
- (b) The writer does not become slanderous.
- 2. Drop your contributions, scaled in envelope, in TECH NEWS box Boynton Hall.
- 3. TECH NEWS welcomes all student. faculty, and alumni comment.

### Calendar of Events

Radio Club Tuesday, March 2 4:15

Electronics Lab. A.S.C.E. Monday, March 1 7:30

Janet Earle Room Masque Casting Monday, March 1 7:00 P.M.

Alden Literary Club

Friday, March 5 7:15 Janet Earle Room Cosmopolitan Club Monday, March 15 7:30 P.M.

Janet Earle Room

### AIChE

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 5) dyed and mercerized, wrinkles easily but can be remedied by a chemical his company produces. He illustrated this fact by two pieces of cotton, one treated and one untreated by this chemical. After he had thoroughly wadded and crushed both pieces of material, the former still looked freshly laundered, while the latter mantelpiece and breaks. Immediatewas all wrinkled. He also demonstrated how rayon, which cannot be washed too often without normally affecting the material, can be made to wash like cotton. To demonstrate this point, he had three samples of rayon, one which had never been washed, one which had been treated and washed five times, and one which was not treated and which had been washed five times.

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### Fraternity News Bits By NORM BROWN

Well, the shovel is still damp after the demise of the basketball season, but socials are still going strong. SPE, AEP, and LCA brightened up the night after our brush with R. P. I. with lively house parties. The party at L.C.A. was mainly in celebration of the return of Don Swanson and "Clarkie", a former Florida. S.P.E. played host to visiting R. P. I. brothers.

either. The house party which L.C.A. held after the A.I.C. game was well attended despite the long weekend. After our game with Tufts, A.E.P. entertained twenty of its Tufts brothers at the new house.

PLEDGING: S.P.E. has pledged Merrill Spiller, Al Hanson, Ritchie Howard, Carl Luz, Marty Bromberg, and Walt Bretthauer, T.K.P. has pledged Charles Bouchard. Seventeen P.S.K. pledges were initiated on February 28 and 29. Thirteen T.K.P pledges were initiated on February 29. Also initiated were seven men from the B. U. colony chapter, and Professor Back, of the Language and History Dept. Mark Baker and Bob Wolff are slated to join the ranks of L.C.A. A house dance will be held at A.T.O. on March 6.

### Notice

Have you any pictures that you would like to appear in the 1948 Peddler? Positives or negatives of any sports, rallies, Fraternity, inspection trips, lab. groups, campus shots, or in general any informal shots are wanted.

Please hand the shots into the Peddler box by March 5th and be sure to put your name on the back if you want them returned.

Any questions? Contact N. Jardine. Positives preferred.

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 5) air and accuses everyone present, even the houseservants, of murdernot the sort of murder on which a conviction can be got in the courts but a murder just the same. While they are exchanging data on themselves and on their host, one of the ten Indian statuettes topples off the ly following this one of the guests chokes to death-one down and nine to go. Then the excitement begins and never lets down until the final

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# **Tech Debates** With State Teachers

A regular meeting of the Debating Society was held on Thursday, February 19, at 7:15 p.m. in the commons room in Sanford Riley Hall, The first hour was taken up with a regular business meeting. At 8:15, there was a debate between the sec-Becker girl, has been vacationing in ond team, Worcester Tech, and the second team, Worcester State Teachers College. It was a non-decisive Past weekends weren't neglected debate, that is, one in which there is no formal decision. Debating for the Worcester Tech second team were Jim Dean and Subbiah Muthiah, and debating for Worcester State Teachers College second team were Miss

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Margaret Looney, and Miss Rosalind Scott. The subject which they debated on was: Resolved, that the United States should sponsor a complete system of medical care. The affirmative was taken by Worcester State Teachers College, and the negative was debated by the Worcester Tech team. After the debate, there was a lively discussion period, in which many interesting questions were asked. The nature of the subject, which is very controversial, prompted a great deal of debate, and it was a lively one. The debate, and the discussion period following it. was presided over by Miss Clara Saunders, of Worcester State Teachers College.

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# Cosmopolites Hear Speech On Lincoln

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Mahatma Gandhi.

lowed this simple ceremony, con- these papers impressed him and other office holders, speakers and graduat- America's greatest statesman. ing members. An official Diploma was sanctioned.

Lincoln papers.

cluded with the club passing a Reso- Lincoln experts and what the influlution that Diplomas be awarded to ences were which made Abe Lincoln

Speaking of his patron saint, Judge Wahlstrom thought that Abe's Dean Howe then introduced the father, Tom Lincoln, greatly influspeaker for the evening. In intro-enced Abraham Lincoln's life-conheld on February 25, in the Janet ducing Judge Wahlstrom, Dean Howe trary to popular belief. Mr. Wahlstated that he was a Judge of the strom, during his researches on President Lund opened the meet- probate court whose hobby is Abe Abes' life, found that two women ing by asking the audience to rise Lincoln. Judge Wahlstrom, a trustee had influenced the great statesman's and observe a minutes' silence in of Clark Univ., was one of the first life more than anyone else. They honor of the Great Indian Patriot, persons to see the newly released were his stepmother and his wife, both of whom developed his genius The business meeting which fol- He spoke to the group of how and overcame his laziness.

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# OUR FACULTY

By WALTER DENNEN

Maurice Edward Smith, Professor of Chemistry and consultant to industrial firms on chemical problems since 1924, was born in Fredericton, New Brunswick, where his childhood was spent. Upon graduating from the Fredericton High School, and one year later from the New Brunswick Teachers Training School in 1910, Professor Smith spent his first, but brief, period of teaching, as a public school teacher.

Three years later he returned to furthering his educational progress by enrolling at the University of New Brunswick from which school he was graduated in 1917 with a degree of Bachelor of Arts in chemistry has remained since. and natural science. He then passed on to the University of Toronto ment laboratories Doctor Smith left where he remained four years, dur- the Dominion of Canada as well, and ing which time he collected his de- came directly to Worcester Tech as grees of Master of Arts and Doctor an instructor. After a period of of Philosophy, and acted as in-three years as an instructor, he atstructor in chemistry.

Maurice Smith, now Doctor Maurice professorship. Smith, traveled to Kingston, Ontario. to Queens' University. At this uni- entirely around women: four women versity, Doctor Smith remained one exactly. One is his wife, the former year as a lecturer in organic chem- Anna Holland, whom he married in istry. Upon the conclusion of his 1926, the other three being his three year's lecturing at Queen's, Professor Smith returned to eastern Canadato Halifax, Nova Scotia, more spe- Smith is a member of Sigma Xi, and cifically-as an analyst at the gov- also a member of the American ernment's food and drug laboratories. Chemical Society and the Society for But two short years later he returned Engineering Education.



DR. MAURICE E. SMITH

to the teaching profession where he

Upon departing from the governtained an assistant professorship in From the University of Toronto, 1927. And in 1938 he received a full

> Professor Smith's home life centers daughters; Ann Marie, Margaret Jean, and Mary Helen. Doctor

# **CAMPUS QUOTES**

By ROLAND BEDARD

During the war years, one of the so I hope this is remembered and old Tech traditions was dropped, upheld if hazing is brought back to That was Hazing. But now things our campus. Hazing should be FUN are pretty well back to normal, and for both classes involved." there has been a great deal of talk concerning the revival of this practice. So we asked some Tech students what they thought of the idea, Hazing is, in my opinion, one of the and the following are some of the answers

Dick Connell is highly in favor of the idea. He said: "Definitely, Freshman hazing should be revived. The average age of the Freshman class is getting younger; the men fresh out of high school not only need hazing, but expect it. Hazing unites the class as nothing else will, and provides a quick introduction to the upperclassmen. Caps are a mark of identification. Making the greet- of spirit or mild rivalry between ing of everyone with a 'hello' familiarizes the freshman with the up- hazing should be reinstated. The per classes. Tech Bibles should be type should be harmless, similar to carried at all times, and the freshmen should be held responsible for ing Freshmen to use the Earle Tech cheers and songs; the reason Bridge, and the wearing of 'beanies' for this is obvious from the response at athletic games."

Ed George is also in favor of the plan. He said: "Now that the entering freshmen classes are returning to the usual high school graduates, I sportsmanship, not bodily resistance, sult to injury?"

Arnold Agulnick gave the following answer: "Since I am not a freshman, I am strongly in favor of it. best methods of fostering a strong school spirit, a quality which is always desirable. However I would impose one limitation upon this proposed freshman hazing. I do not believe it would be desirable to impose undue hardships upon the already bewildered freshman."

Bob Wolff answered: "No college, especially one of this type, should become only a place of study, devoid classes. With this in mind, I think hat of pre-war days, i.e. not allow until after the rope pull (or longer, should they lose). In addition, punishment could be a one hour night watch at the Skull Tomb."

There was one dissenting opinion: 'I feel that freshman hazing should think that hazing should be revived. not be revived. Worcester Tech has Just what type of hazing, should be too much work for freshmen as it is judged by the Tech Council, but, without giving them this sort of one thing sure, the class officiating thing. If Tech had a 'gala' social should not do so with 'bloodthirsty' program, then O.K., it would be revenge. Hazing is to try to belittle good. But as we all know, the school the Freshman to test him for his itself offers nothing, so why add in-

### STUDENT WIVES CLUB NEWS

BY MRS. HAROLD B. GUERCI

The S. W. A. held its last meeting in the Common's Room on Feb. 9th. There was a good turnout despite the weather.

The meeting was a bit more lively than usual. The question arose as to whether we should continue to be a member of the Worcester Woman's Forum since that organization is now requiring payment of dues. After an hour, in which three motions to a vote were dismissed, it was decided that we would continue membership and would send delegates to the Annual Forum. The members had quite a time deciding whether we were to be a social club entirely, or to be intellectual as well. No result was obtained on that score.

Plans were made for a Square Dance to be held at Trow's Farm in Sterling. Saturday night was decided upon as the best time, and a reservation has since been made by Gloria Cooke for April 10th. The charge for the evening will depend upon the number of couples attending, with a maximum of \$1.87 per couple. Excellent refreshments are served as part of the admission price. In order to be assured that the evening will be financially successful we are asking members to bring their admission to the next meeting. Refunds will be made if the charge is less than we anticipate. We are inviting your friends if you would like to ask them. Previous knowledge of square dancing is unnecessary. We believe there are enough cars in our group to assure transportation.

Tentative plans were made for a card party to be given by the S.W.A. for the Faculty Wives, on April 27. The committee will be Gloria Cooke, Ruth Shaw, Lucille Olson, Madeline Dieterle, Ruby Mochon, Marjorie Carrier, Barbara Baldwin, Eleanor Guerci, Helen Phaneuf, Muriel Kerr, Jane Brown, Carol Cornell and Claire Lemieux.

On Feb. 19 a number of our members attended a tea given by the Faculty Wives. Mr. Geo. Foxhall of the Worcester Telegram and Gazette read selections of his poetry. We extend our thanks to the Faculty Wives for a lovely afternoon.

The last sewing meeting was held Tuesday Feb. 24 in the Janet Earle Room. We wish more girls would attend these gab fests.

Our next meeting will be March 9 at 8 P.M. in the Janet Earle Room. We have planned a special program for that evening.

### Assembly

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 1) a combustible material must be vaporized and mixed with air before it can burn.

The last two assemblies have been very successful, because the students knew that the lecturer was an authority on the topics chosen, therefore, the student body has been well represented in the last two assemblies.

E.E. Dept.

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 2) microphone was set up and a large part of the program picked up on a wire recorder.

The Summer Practice Course was the first object to be brought under the fire of the students who felt that there was too much emphasis on power and not enough on elec-

Bringing up a second point, the suggestion was made that a specialized course in mathematics be given in place of heat power. In their rebuttal the Faculty said that a large number of men would not make sufficient use of the mathematics later on, but at the same time admitted there was some merit in the idea.

The subject of instruction was then breached by the moderator and one of the student members of the panel promptly submitted the idea that instructors take courses in edu-

teaching and course presentation. While admitting that the idea was worthwhile, the Faculty implied that the fundamental methods of teaching Engineers were different from those of teaching Liberal Arts students. (Some students later remarked that they thought they heard a slight rumbling sound at this point, as William James, Horace Mann and John Dewey simultaneously turned over in their graves.) It was pointed out ator Leavitt commented at this point by the Faculty that a somewhat informal method of instructor training largely used in industry and generis carried on. A young Faculty ally gave good results. member starts as laboratory instructor, works up to class discussion, and is then given the opportunity to Foremost was one that the laboratory make the original presentation of a

dents followed in rapid succession and included requests that: (1) Department Heads sit in on lectures cation at nearby universities for the and recitations to check the ability a good point by saying that they ter Tech.

furnished by the Faculty in this respect was not of the best. Moderthat the suggestion method was

The subject of reports brought forth another flood of suggestions. instructors be able to answer questions in regard to the lab instruction Other suggestions from the stu- sheet; implying that some were not. Secondly, a student requested more definite instructions in regard to the

purpose of improving methods of and efficiency of the instructors (2) wanted to get away from the debetter descriptions of equipment be tailed instructions of a cook book supplied (3) blanks be passed out and leave a measure of initiative to to the students at the end of the the students in their treatment of term and that they grade the instruc- the material. Third, a request was tor on his teaching and also make put forward for better directions in suggestions for improvement. Lastly, the use of the laboratory equipment in reply to a Faculty charge that the previous to the experiment. As a fistudents did not use proper English, nal point it was suggested that the the students said that the example marking of courses and computing of exemptions be standardized; also that the system of marking reports with a plus or minus be replaced by the numerical system.

> While all discussions at the meeting were carried on without rancor, it was not without humor. The audience was wide awake and submitted questions and suggestions anonymously on small slips of paper provided for that purpose. A lively general discussion followed. The meeting closed harmoniously and all left the hall with the feeling that a significant step had been taken in experiments. Here the Faculty scored the progress of education at Worces-



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#### Chemists and physicists make important contributions

Photographic film that has been overexposed or overdeveloped usually means a "hard" or "contrasty" negative—too much silver is deposited on the highlights in comparison with that in the shadows. The opposite effect, a "soft" or "thin" negative, results from underexposure or underdevelopment. At one time photographers had to stock four or five grades of enlarging paper to correct for these conditions and get the right degree of contrast.

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The action of "Varigam" depends on the ability of certain dyes to extend the sensitivity of silver halide emulsions beyond the blue and blue-green regions This effect was well known to scientists. But "Varigam" has an added feature -it gives high contrast in the blue portion of the spectrum and is also sensitive to light in the green region, with low contrast.

### "Varigam" the work of many men

The first job was one for the physical chemists. Silver halide emulsions, normally sensitive to blue light, had to be made to give maximum contrast when exposed to light in this region.

It was known that certain dyes would extend the sensitivity of the emulsion over as far as the infra-red. But they were not practical for photographic paper, being affected by the red safety light used in the darkroom. Research by chemists showed that certain dyes such as 1:1'-diethylthiopseudocyanine iodide extended the light sensitivity only to the green region. And, most important, they produced low contrast when used in lower-than-normal concentrations. When such a dye was combined with high-contrast silver halide emulsion, the result was an emulsion that gave high-contrast prints when exposed to blue light, and low-contrast prints when exposed to green light.

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TECH NEWS

# Howell and DeLoid\* I. F. Basketball **Places at Amherst**

Despite the brilliant showing of freshman Harvey Howell, Tech finished last behind Mass. University and Conn. University in a triangular track meet held at Amherst. Harvey literally flew over the thirtyfive yard low hurdles in 4.4 seconds. This time was good enough to break the record at the Amherst track. Harvey also tied the school record when he finished the thirty-five high hurdles in 4.9 seconds. Besides these record runs he took another first place in the thirty-five yard dash. His total for the evening was fifteen points, which led the individual point totals for the evening.

Tech had another outstanding performer in Al DeLoid who took first place in the broad jump and the 440 vard run. Al along with Harvey also ran in the one mile relay.

Mass Univ. won the meet with a total of forty-nine points, Conn. Univ. was second with forty-eight and Tech was last with forty-three This should be considered a good showing for Tech. They took five first places in the meet, but lacked the manpower to take the second, third, and fourth places. If our ace pole-vaulter, Don Jordan, had been available, we would have accumulated a total of forty-eight points and a victory. The winning height in the pole-vault was eleven feet which is much below Don's average With Don coming out for the spring practice, the team is almost assured of a first place.

In the hammer throw the team is definitely at a disadvantage. In the meet the team had no entries in the 35 pound weight throw and consequently lost a chance to pick up needed points, With a good turnout for spring practice the team should have a good season.

Summary:

35 pound weight throw-Won by Brink (C); 2nd, Janoski (M); 3rd, Janson (C); 5th, Yergeau (M); distance

Pole Vault-Won by Hummell (C); 2nd, Forbes (C); 3rd, Porter (M); 4th Howe (W); height 11 ft.

Mile Run-Won by Clough (M); 2nd, Brown (W); 3rd, Funkhouser (M); 4th, Holby (W); time, 4 min. 43.8 sec.

440 Yd. Run-Won by DeLoid (W); 2nd, Watson (W); 3rd, Kennedy (C) 4th, Marshall (C); time, 55.6 sec.

35 Yd. Low Hurdles-Won by Howell (W); 2nd, Kennedy (M); 3rd, Moynihan (M); 4th, Alling (C); time, 4.4 sec. (Note: new cage record).

35 Yd. Dash-Won by Howell (W) 2nd, Davison (M); 3rd, Simmons (M); time, 4.2 sec.

Shot Put-Won by Feinman (M); 2nd, Borg (W); 3rd, Brink (C); 4th, Zaccaro (C); distance, 43 ft. 7 in.

35 Yd. High Hurdles-Won by Howell (W); 2nd, Kennedy (C); 3rd, Flynn (C); 4th, Rogers (C); time, 4.9 sec. (Note: ties college record).

Two Mile Run-Won by Coffar (M); Ind, Lazepela (C); 3rd, Channell (M); DeLoid); time, 3 min. 39 sec.

# Opens March 2 TKP vs. ATO

SAE Looms As Threat To Retain Title: TKP. PSK Strong Contenders

With the basketball season ending for the varsity and the J. V. teams, the fraternities take over the gym in the annual fight for the basketball trophy. The teams will battle it out throughout the month of March with each fraternity allowed one crack at the other. Already the teams have been shaping up for the first game on March 2.

Last year found S.A.E. taking top honors in a close race up to the last game. They came out with a record of seven wins and one loss, but had trouble from each second place team. In second place with six wins and two losses were S.P.E., T.K.P., and P.S.K. The best game of last season occurred when S.A.E. nosed out P.S.K. 41-38. However, neither team has its high scorer back in their lineup this year. These men, Hopkins of S.A.E. and Longmuir of P.S.K., were the league's top scorers.

This year finds even closer competition which will make it anybody's ball game. This is due to the gain of strength in last season's weaker teams and very little change in the top teams. S.A.E. was probably hit the hardest by losing Hopkins and several players to the J. V. team. However, J. V. star Art Collins will help replace these losses considerably. They are still a strong threat since they have been winning many league games in the city with Mac Kirkwood pacing the way. Also playing in this league and appearing to have winning material is T.K.P. They will have nearly the same five as last year with Ventres, their cen-P.S.K. lost quite a few men such as

4th, Gunn (M); time, 10 min. 27.8 sec (Note: new school record).

880 Yd. Run-Won by Funkhouser (M); 2nd Rubin (C); 3rd, Brown (W); 4th, Clubb (C); time, 2 min. 6.4 sec.

High Jump-Won by Rogers (C) and Rawley (C) Tie; 3rd, Howe (W); 4th, tie between Coyle (M) and Humphrey (M); height, 5 ft. 8 in.

Broad Jump-Won by DeLoid (W); 4th, Moynihan (M); distance, 21 ft. ting out nearly the same five starters 6.5 in.

One Mile Relay-Won by Mass, (Moynihan, Davison, Yergeau, Funkhouser); 2nd, Tech (Howell, Watson, Muthiah,

# Trackmen Edged Out by Mass. U. R. P. I. TOPS TECH 52-51

# **Phi Gam Clinches** LCA Vie for Second

New Champs Garner High Team Total of 1158 Pins: Woodman Averages 96.3

By virtue of a 4-0 win over Phi

Regardless of how they come out in over the last 10 minutes of play. that match, the cup will go to Phi

Ep will probably decide second place Concordia. With Tech enjoying a

al averages.

Team	Standings:	
Геат	Won	Lo
PGD	26	2
SPE	20	2
LXA	13	7
ATO	11	9
TX	14	14
PSK	11	17
TKP	8	20
AEP	8	20

### Notice

Due to lack of facilities and the meat shortage there will be absolutely no Interfraternity bull-fighting this year.

ter, a dangerous backboard player. Bill Longmuir on graduation and S.P.E. shows much promise with an John Seguin and Ray Gilbert to the experienced ball club from last J. V.'s. However, they will have a season. Throwing them in will be good club on the floor with the addi-stripe. Bob Carlson hit for Tech's From, replacing the loss of Freddie tion of some talented freshmen in first second half basket and depart-Marvin from the previous season. reserve. A.E.P. probably shows the ed shortly thereafter on the wings of greatest improvement with the addition of Buddie Dember and Don Kolodine along with Howie Green. Dember will be the one to watch for top scorer since he was high scorer for the J. V. team last year and high scorer in the fraternity league when he was a sophomore. P.G.D. has been strengthened by Freddie Krauss and freshman Tom Hodgett. 2nd, Hawlings (C); 3rd, Davison (M); T.C., A.T.O., and L.C.A. will be putas last season. Of these three teams, T.C. has been doing the most preparation and will be plugging for the first division.

# \*Trailing 34-19 at Half Time Bowling Crown; SPE, Tech Rally Falls One Point Short

By IRV HAAS

McKernan, Howard Top tracting. Scoring In Addition to **Brilliant Floor Games** 

Worcester Tech's courageous cag-Sig, Phi Gamma Delta clinched first ers put on a thrilling and dramatic place in the Inter Fraternity Bowling second half rally Saturday evening Match. The team also went over the which fell one point short and high team total, previously held by brought them their seventh loss of Sig Ep, by bowling an 1158 total for the season as against six wins. Smarting under a 15 point 34-19 de-Phi Gam's team now averages in ficit at half-time, the Techmen start the 90's. Frank Holby has hit for an ed right after the Trojans in a de average of 94.9, George Howe has termined drive with Howard and 90.7, Hugh Lovell has an even 90, McKernan leading the way with 13 and Herb Cahoon has a 91.1. Thus and 11 second-half points respectivefar Phi Gam has lost only 2 points ly. The thrilling second half display in the competition, one to AEP and saw Tech start a scoring rush which another to TC. Phi Gam has only was climaxed in a whirlwind finish one match to play, that with ATO. by the 12 point splurge of Howard

Tech jumped off to a fast early lead on the foul shooting of Mc-The match between LXA and Sig Kernan and baskets by Ucich and in the running. Sig Ep has won 20 17-14 lead and 10 minutes remainand lost 8, whereas LXA has lost ing in the half, DeMoss entered the but 7. A 4-0 win by LXA could set game for R.P.I. and sent them off on Sig Ep down to third or fourth place. a 20 point barrage which started Woodman of LCA with a 96.3 and against Tech first five and continued Johnson of SPE with a 96.0 average at an accelerated pace against the are leading the league with individu- replacements. Over the last three minutes of the half, R.P.I's two diminutive guards Howell and Lessen joined DeMoss in the scoring and contributed heavily to the scoring with their floor work and ball-hawking displays. During this drive which they could not halt, Tech managed but two points against R.P.I's 20 and left the floor at half time trailing by 15 big points. Over the entire first half Tech mustered but 5 floor goals two by Ucich and one each by Howard, Concordia and McKernan.

> tallying 12 floor goals and completely outplaying the weary warriors from Troy. Factually Tech outscored the Trojans from the floor by one basket, 17-16, however the excellent foul shooting of R.P.I., 20 for 25 spelled the difference with Tech gathering 17 for 23 via the charity his fifth personal. Converse and Freeland alternated at his post over the remainder of the game and played well, although their reluc-

tance to shoot was at times quite dis-

McKernan, playing his final game for Tech, turned in another stellar performance at the pivot post and connected for 5 baskets and 8 free throws to lead the scoring with a total of 18 points. Howard was second in a scoring way on the strength of his strong second half play with 17 points, five coming from the free throw line. Ucich played a steady game and joined the scoring with 9 points, I from the foul line. The men of Troy countered the high scoring of McKernan and Howard by placing 4 men in double figures. DeMoss and Zeno had 11, while guards Havel and Lessen had 10 apiece.

The game was also the final one for Capt. John Concordia and Roger Cromack. Concordia played his usual fine floor game and in addition sparkled off the boards. Jim Mc-Kernan played a brilliant game against the altitudinous defensive wall of DeMoss, Zeno, and Schaffer and, aided strongly by Howard, controlled the defensive boards well. Freshman Howard has come into his own in a scoring way of late, ringing up 48 points over the last 3

games.							
RENSSE	LA	ER		WORC.	TEC	CH.	
	fg	fp	tp		fg	fp	tp
Brower f	2	0	4	Howard f	6	5	17
DeMoss	3	5	11	Freeland	0	1	1
Zeno f	3	5	11	Carlson f	1	1	3
Schaffer c	2	0	4	Converse	0	0	0
Gorzelnik	0	2	2	McKernar	a c		
Havel g	2	6	10		5	8	18
Lessen g	4	2	10	Cromack	0	0	0
Cabill	0	0	0	Ucich g	4	1	9
		_	-	Bradlaw	0	0	C
Totals	16	20	52	Concordia	ıg		
					1	1	3
				Totals	17	17	51

Halftime score: Rensselaer 34, Worc.

The second half presented a completely different picture with Tech Howard, Carlson, McKernan 2, Concordia, Ucich

Personal fouls: Rensselaer, Brower 2, Zeno 3, Schaffer 5, Gorzelnik 5, Havel 2, Lessen 2, DeMoss, Worc. Tech., Carlson 5, McKernan 3, Ucich 4, Bradlaw, Con-cordia 4. Referees, Ed Frew and Ed Dor-

sey.							
CLASS	TECH. JA	Y	VE	ES			
	fg	fp	tp		fg	fp	tp
Heon f	1	1	3	Griswold f	1	1	3
Kasper	1	0	2	Groop f	4	2	10
Budish f	3	3	9	Lace	1	0	2
Bianchi	0	0	0	Dillon c	3	1	7
Tunis c	2	0	4	Bloom g	1	1	. 3
Patrick g	3	1	7	Sequin	0	0	0
Logan	0	0	0	Michelman	0	0	0
Orczyk g	3	1	7	Grimwade :	g.		
Sadowski	0	0	0		0	1	1
				Edwards	0	0	0
	-	_	-	Lewis	0	0	0
Totals	13	6	32		-	-	-
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# **Engineers Trounce A.I.C.; Edge** Mass. U. at Amherst

### McKernan, Howard ejected on fouls, and Steve Ucich High Scorers for **Tech Quintet**

Season Record Evened Up at 6 and 6; Team Has Three Game Win Streak Worcester Tech vs. A.I.C.

The Worcester Tech hoopsters fol-Tufts Jumbos last week-end by soundly trouncing the Aces from A. I. C., 50-32. Led by their defensive demon, Captain John Concordia, the Engineers played steady ball, lead to a point where they could and outdid the yellow and black coast home. As in the A. I. C. game, cagers at their own style, speed. the two top point-producers were Ritchie Howard, coming into his Ritchie Howard and Jim McKernan, own, swished the nets with 7 double pointers and 3 foul shots for a 17 point total, while his backboard work left nothing to be desired. Following Howard in the scoring column with 12 points was Jim McKernan. Big "Mac" helped the cause further by shacking the visitor's hefty pivot man, Jones, holding him to one field goal.

The Aces opened up the scoring with a foul shot to put them in the lead 1-0. They led from there till the 12 minute mark when the home cagers edged ahead, 12-11. With three minutes remaining in the first half, the Engineers had fashioned a at 9-9 with the first of his two foul 22-15 lead. But at this point, Al conversions, the Boynton-Hillers Beaudoin, bespectacled forward for went ahead to the four point lead the visitors, entered the game and which they held at the half, 22-18. dropped 3 quick pops from the keyhole to bring the Aces to within 2 points, 22-20, as the half ended.

The second half was a thriller for the first few minutes as the Springfield team took the lead at 28-27. But the Boynton Hillers jumped in the van again at 29-28, and they were off. Displaying a brilliant floor game, with Concordia picking off opposition passes at an unbelievable pace, the home team surged to the fore, 43-32. With three minutes remaining in the contest, Coach Mc-Nulty threw in his squad of rethe total to make the final score

points. For our Engineers, in addition to the excellent playing of Concordia, Howard and McKernan, sophomore John Converse filled in remarkably for Bobby Carlson at the forward post when Bob was

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performed in his usual steady style. The victory was the fifth of the season for the Tech five, and brought their record to five wins and six

#### Worcester Tech vs. Mass. U.

Scoring the first away from home victory of the season, our Tech Engineers came out on top for the third lowed up their triumph over the consecutive game by outlasting a stubborn Mass. U. quintet, 41-35. Although they led throughout most of the contest, it wasn't till the final minutes that they lengthened their with 14 points apiece. Captain John Concordia continued his terrific defensive maneuvers in addition to hitting the strings for 7 points.

> For the home team, Bill Looney, high scorer for the Amherst five in a previous meeting between the two teams, was again in double figures with 16 points. Captain Ed Mc-Grath also played well, along with Richardson.

> The game started out slowly, with Tech grabbing an early lead. However, the Redmen went ahead at 9-8 midway through the first stanza. After Howard had knotted the count

> The visitors led throughout the entire second half except for one lapse, the last effort by Mass. U. to surge in front. With two minutes left, the Engineers had an eight point lead, and it was all over except the shouting.

The victory was sweet revenge for an earlier defeat at the hands of the Redmen, in a game scheduled two days after the mid-term layoff. That game ended with Tech on the short end of a 38-36 score. This second game was similar to the first in so far as roughness and low-scoring go, serves, who added 7 more points to with many spills being taken and many fouls being called. The team as a unit maintained the good floor Top scorer for the A. I. C. cagers game, especially defensive, which they was their forward, Beaudoin, with 12 have flashed in the past three games Coach McNulty's charges have now evened up the season's record at 6 wins and 6 losses.

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