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Track Review

A Resume of Last Season

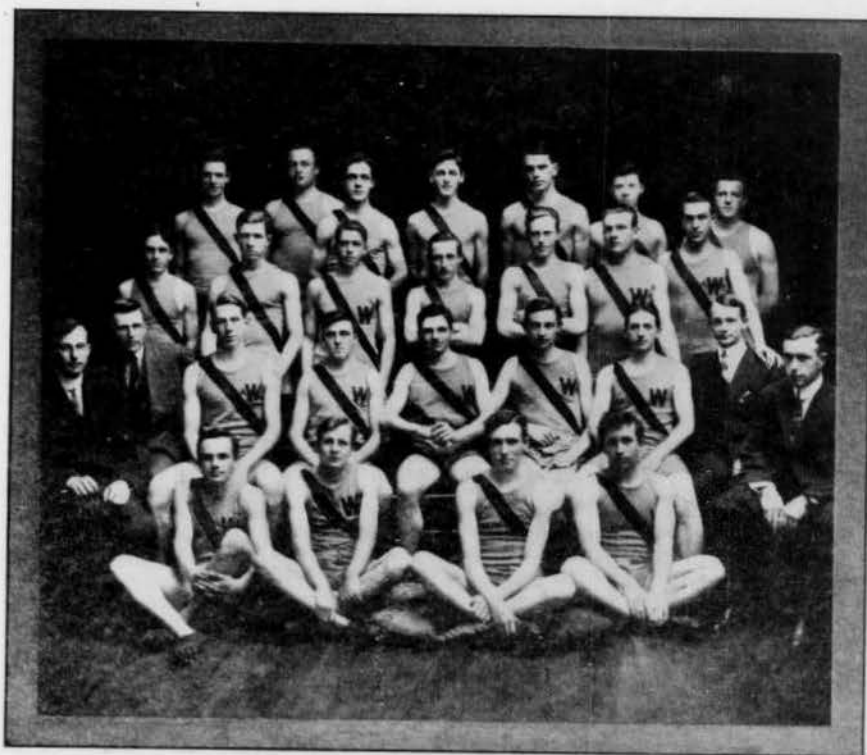
Last week the Freshman-Sophomore football game marked the end of the football season, and the call for candidates for the relay team showed that the track season had begun.

This issue of the News pictures the track team of last season, whose work must be conceded a most brilliant success. With the re-admission of Tech into the New England Intercollegiate Association after an absence of ten years, a greater stimulus has been given Tech athletes, and our showing at the Intercollegiate games well warranted the action of the track manager.

Last year training for the relay team began early in the winter, the sprinters running on the cinder track until that was covered with snow, then on the walk surrounding Boynton Hill, while the manager searched desperately for indoor quarters, finally obtaining permission to use the board track of the Worcester Academy when their men were not using it. Here the first real training took place for the race scheduled two weeks later against the "Aggies" at the Boston athletic games. Tech lost, but the time of the winners showed that our team had run against the second fastest college team at the meet. A few weeks later, however, the team scored a splendid victory over the fast Bates College team at the Army, winning by 45 yards. As a tryout for the candidates for these two races the management arranged for a race between the Freshmen and Sophomores, resulting in a victory for the latter because of their better knowledge of corner work. Paul Kennedy was captain of last year's relay team; the other men who participated in the two races were B. Halligan, "Dint" Halligan, Slocumb and Stan Porter. Of this fast aggregation, all but Kennedy are back and the prospects of success this year are brighter than ever.

Training for the outdoor track team, coming at the close of the indoor season found those who had been out for it in good condition and greatly aided in furthering a successful track season. Beginning with the inter-class games on April 23d, which were won at the last minute by the Freshmen from their close opponents, the Sophomores, and ending with the Intercollegiate where Clough won the shotput, the track season has undoubtedly been the greatest on record at the school. The part which appealed to us the most was, of course, the way we put it all over Holy Cross in the triangular meet between Rensselaer, H. C. and Tech to the tune of 65 points for the boys of

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W. P. I. TRACK TEAM OF 1909-10.

Hockey

Tech May Support a Team

The approach of cold weather brings to the front again the question of the formation of a Worcester Tech hockey team. The success of the freshman team last year stimulated interest in this sport, and a movement is now on foot to bring this before the Athletic Association at its next meeting.

Letters are occasionally discovered in the mail-box addressed to the "Hockey Manager," whoever that individual may be, and this would seem to indicate that it would be easy to arrange a schedule. Tech is situated near enough to several ponds where excellent skating prevails all winter, so the matter of a place to practice offers no difficulty.

The question of expense is the only obstacle which would cause any real trouble. Now that basketball has been abolished, there is a place for another sport on the Hill, provided it can be financed successfully. Those behind the movement are of the opinion that hockey could be supported by a general subscription. This method has never been tried at Tech, and it is doubtful if it would secure enough money. The alumni are aiding the track team in the erection of an out-door track, so not much help could be expected from them.

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The Journal

An Excellent Number

The first issue of The Journal has just reached the office of THE NEWS and is as breezy as usual.

"The Apprenticeship Course and the Engineering Graduate" is the first article, a reprint from the Electric Journal, and is written by C. F. Scott of the Westinghouse Company. The writer points out how knowledge, experience and opportunity are secured in an apprenticeship course with such a concern as the Westinghouse Company. It is a well-written and interesting article, not only for seniors, but for all undergraduates, because it gives a broader view of the engineering world than is usually possessed by students. Many of his conclusions can be applied to other branches of engineering than electricity.

A W. P. I. man of class of '81 presents the second article on "Alloys of Nickel and Cobalt with Chromium." The writer is Mr. Elwood Haynes, president of the automobile company bearing the name, and the paper is one read before the American Chemical Society in July. Mr. Haynes has

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CALENDAR

- WEDNESDAY, Nov. 30.
Glee Club rehearsal, 5 p.m., Y. M. C. A. room.
Y. M. C. A. meeting, 8 p.m.
- THURSDAY, Dec. 1.
Rehearsal of Tech Show, 5 p.m.
Cosmopolitan Club meeting, 7 p.m.
- FRIDAY, Dec. 2.
Orchestra rehearsal, 5 p.m., Y. M. C. A. room.
M. E. Society meeting, 8 p.m.
- SUNDAY, Dec. 4.
Cosmopolitan Club social meeting.
- MONDAY, Dec. 5.
Glee Club rehearsal, 5 p.m.
Physics Colloquium, 4.45 p.m., physics lecture room.
- TUESDAY, Dec. 6.
Chemical Club meeting, 8 p.m., Salisbury Laboratories.
Rehearsal Tech Show, 5 p.m.
Orchestra rehearsal, 5 p.m.

PHYSICS COLLOQUIUM

The meeting last Monday was addressed by Professor Olshausen on "Lambert's Law for Gases," Professor Duff on "Corresponding States of Magnetization." The meeting next Monday, at 4.45 p.m., will be addressed by Dr. Masius on "Le Chatelier's Theorem." He will also present "Some Properties of Solutions."

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COSMOPOLITAN CLUB

The social meeting next Sunday at
3.00 p.m. will be addressed by Pro-
fessor Webster of Clark University.
Dr. Webster was a delegate from the
University to the celebration of the
Hundredth Anniversary of the Founda-
tion of Berlin last summer, and he
will tell some of his experiences.

M. E. SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Mechanical
Engineering Society will be held in
the mechanical engineering lecture-
room, next Friday evening, Dec. 2, at
8 o'clock. Mr. Lester W. West, W. P.
I., 1900, assistant engineer Eastern
Bridge & Structural Co., will speak on
"Structural Steel." All interested are
invited to be present.

ATHLETIC REMINDERS

Somebody said Holy Cross was still
sore.

Put your football togs on the ice and
get out your track suit.

Get up and run before breakfast—
to that 8 o'clock recitation.

Have you paid your \$4? The W.
P. I. A. A. has not declared a dividend
yet.

No basketball this year—worse luck,
but did we hear some one say "Hock-
ey"?

How about flooding the corner lot
for a hockey rink? Looks good from
the road—yes, no?

Run, ye Freshies, and ye Sophies, run,
Here comes Charlie with his gun,
gun, gun.

An interclass hockey league would
help some to fill up the blank weeks
before the spring sports start.

Thirty-five candidates for the relay
team looks good for a starter, but
there are thirty-five more who ought
to be out for the team. Which bunch
are you in?

If you can't run, go find somebody
who can and send him to Manager
Hartwell or Coach O'Connor. He will
get the glad hand, and you will have
the consciousness of duty well done.

We are still in the dark as to that
senior game. Are all the good men
dead? Has all that electrical enthu-
siasm disseminated into the far cor-
ners of the atmosphere? We have
heard the echoes of much talk, but
how about results?

A FEW FIGURES

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members of varsity basketball teams,
92 members of varsity crews, 1,053
members of varsity track teams.

Tech had between 25 and 50 men
enrolled last year. Our football sea-
son is over for this year and these
classes are getting down to business.
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opportunity. Join now.

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Who is de awful lookin' guy
W'at looks just like a panic—
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Jim?—oh, he's a Mechanic.

He studies "steam" from morn to night,
And "talks" thermodynamic,
Who does—dat doity lookin' cuss?
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In "foundry practice" he, too,
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There's not a thing but he can do—
His motive power's titanic.
[Now who'd have thought it of dat gink,
De oil-besmirched mechanic?]

Then even if his looks are "fierce,"
You'll find there's naught tyrannic
About his ways—so let's sing the praise
Of him who's a Mechanic.

—Billy Aitch.

Jim—"I wonder why someone doesn't
invent smokeless cigarettes." Tim—
scratching his head—"I guess there
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COLLEGE NOTES

The freshmen won the annual meet at
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instructor who is not a sophomore.

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COLLEGE NOTES

French night classes are being tried at Minnesota.

One of the freshman rules at the University of Vermont is: "Freshmen shall at all times carry matches to supply upper-classmen and sophomores."

Syracuse is having night football practice on the gymnasium floor. The practice behind closed gates has been going on since Monday and reports say that great progress is being made.

The schedule of the Princeton swimming team includes a meet with Cornell for the first time in several years. This meet will mark a renewal of athletic relations with Cornell which promises to extend ball.

The system of self government at Wisconsin is working well. President Van Hise says that if students are not capable of governing themselves in college, they are not fit to be given the right of citizenship when they graduate.

At a meeting of the Intercollegiate Hockey Association held in New York recently, Harvard handed in its resignation as a member of the league. As the resignation was not accepted, Harvard will again enter a team in the intercollegiate series.

Enthusiasm over the proposed new students' building at Wellesley increases steadily. Since the first student committee looking toward such a building was formed in December, 1908, \$12,135.93 has been raised by alumnae gifts, student pledges, etc.

A Minnesota paper says that business men of Minneapolis are becoming alarmed at the continuous reporting of wholesale cribbing in the colleges during examinations. For year by year greater numbers of business men must be drawn from the colleges.

The dramatic society at the Massachusetts Agricultural College is working hard to put on one or two good productions this year. The first play which will be presented is the well-known three act farcical comedy, "The Private Secretary." The second play has not been picked as yet.

All the courses in the physical training department of Smith College were started this week, to continue throughout the winter until the spring recess. Four half-hour periods of gymnastics are required of the students in the first and second classes. Advanced courses are open to juniors and seniors in regular gymnastics, advanced aesthetic dancing, and fencing.

There must be no more reading or studying during chapel exercises at Yale according to an edict handed down by the academic senior council. Many of the students, it is alleged, who had recitations directly following chapel, were in the habit of conning their lessons during the exercises, but hereafter a student detected pursuing such a course will be made to pay a penalty of five marks.

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always been deeply interested in alloys, in fact he has done much original work on them. The article is exceedingly interesting.

Dr. Callane follows with a description of "A Convenient and Inexpensive Furnace for Very High Temperatures," one which he has used during the past two years in the electrochemical laboratory in alloy work.

The "Conservation of Tech Spirit" is the article of the series, and ought to be read by all the men on the Hill. It has many points for the alumni to note. We hope they will take heed to a few of them.

Book reviews, society proceedings, institute notes, alumni notes, and a list of the members of the freshman class complete the issue.

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HOCKEY

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It is probable that a meeting will be called soon by those interested in hockey, at which these matters will be discussed. Meanwhile The News will welcome contributions on this subject, and all hockey fans are invited to make their ideas known.

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TRACK REVIEW
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 Boynton Hill against 31 for H. C. and 30 for Rousselear.
 Of the most consistent point getters of last year, we have lost but one man, viz., Kennedy, last year's captain. Ever since his freshman year Kennedy could be counted on for at least 10 points, and often won more, and the last two years was by far the best sprinter on the "Hill." Nevertheless in "Dint" Halligan we have a man who will go far towards filling his place and he will be supported by Tuttle, Donath and B. Halligan, besides the unknowns of the freshman class.
 Dick Keith of the freshman class is one great addition to the team. He is a Worcester lad, and at the interscholastic meet at Yale, 1909, running for the South High School, he beat Lawless, who is now the noted Harvard distance runner, in the mile run in the fast time of 4 min. 30 seconds.

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 Prof. H. B. Smith of the electrical department was recently engaged by Mayor Logan to investigate the equipment of the Worcester Consolidated Street Railway Co., and he found that an engineering mistake was made when the power plant was built a few years ago. Instead of providing an indirect current, a generator for direct current was built. He believes that even the new unit now being built will be insufficient to supply power for the rapidly growing system.
 Carl C. Hockett, some time member of 1913, formerly of Detroit, Mich., but now living in North Uxbridge, where a few months ago he married Miss Laura Moore of that town, is defendant in a forty-five thousand dollar breach of promise suit brought by a Miss Hazard, a telephone girl of Detroit. The plaintiff produces as evidence a contract said to have been signed by Hockett, as also his A. T. O. fraternity pin, love letters, etc., etc. Hockett simply has nothing whatever to say.

ALUMNI NEWS
 H. L. Phillips '23 recently presented to the Athletic Association a photograph of the famous football team of 1892, of which he was manager. This team defeated the Brown University eleven. The picture will be added to the collection of team pictures owned by the Association.
 L. Trott '08, a graduate in chemistry, has left the Murphy Varnish Co., of Newark, N. J., to accept a position with the Dougall Varnish Co., of Montreal, Can.
 The list of fourteen alumni associations in the Journal is incomplete! Out in the middle West, three hundred miles north of Chicago, on the shores of Superior, in the heart of the richest copper region known, is located the newest organization of Tech men. At the Houghton, Michigan, plant of the E. I. Dupont Co. are located H. M. Chickering '05, J. T. Power '07, E. W. Maynard '01, and A. N. Chase '10.

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