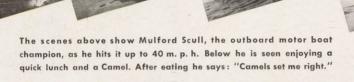
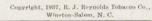


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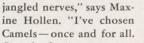


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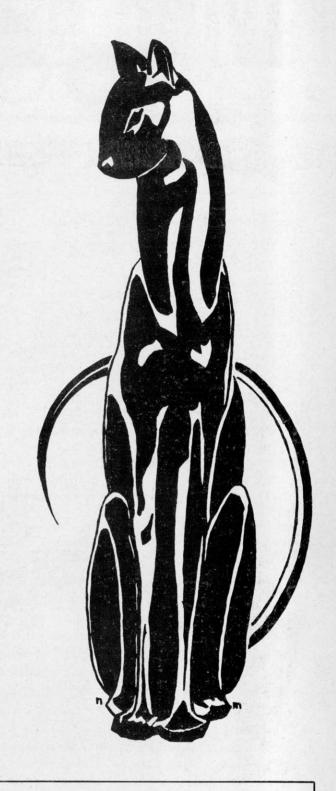


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#### ANOTHER WELCOME

From time immemorial Phos has stood on the steps of Building Ten and waved a happy greeting to the hordes of newcomers to the grey walls of Technology. This year he first waved under the sarcastic banner of "The Tech", but his welcome was none the less warm. Now that he appears in his true colors once more he is happy to have another opportunity to wish the class of 1941 a successful, valuable and happy four years, and to hope that most of them will be spent at the Institute.

#### AND STILL ANOTHER

And you sage wise men who, by virtue of one or more years at the Institute, have been raised from the ranks of the freshmen, take care that in losing the greenness which they bring with them you haven't also lost the eager freshness.

the wide-awake curiosity, and the youthful desire for knowledge which you had when you entered the long corridors of Technology. To you Phos also sends the greeting of a new school year, he will do his best to keep you happy and amused.

#### PHOTO CONTEST

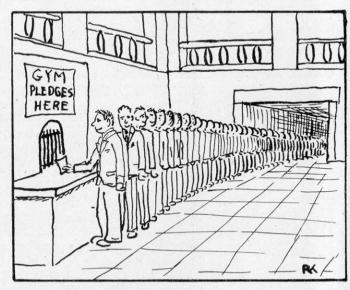
Phos is following the trend of affairs this issue with a contest for Candid and other Camera fans. He hopes that it will stimulate the taking of pictures around the Institute, where so many picture opportunities present themselves, and also that it will lead to a wider dissemination of visual knowledge of the Institute and other views of interest. Pictures will be printed and given credit, and some day, who knows, perhaps Phos will go into the picture magazine field.

#### PHOS WAKES UP

Phos woke up last Monday with a bad hangover and a sore leg, and bounced out of bed with a feeble groan and the thought that he would be very, very late indeed for his nine o'clock. A glance at his wrist watch, which said eleven fifteen, confirmed this, and only the thought of the mail awaiting him below kept him from getting back into bed and the quiet of his pillow. Drawn, however, by the hazy lure of a letter from Tabby, he staggered downstairs and looked in his mail box. There was no letter. All of his soul took a violent slump, which found its counterpart in a physical drop which left the soles of his feet burning. A large envelope with "Phos — VooDoo" on it only served to intensify the loss he felt at having no letter from Tab. However, he picked it up and settled despondently into an easy chair, his feet hanging over the arm, and slowly opened it. At first he thought it was a joke; nothing in it. Then he found, gummed to the flap, a pamphlet. Puzzled, he drew it out and looked at it. A red cover showed him Tech, but in front of the building a horde of black figures were doing the most extraordinary things with their very muscular bodies. Below this remarkable group was a caption -"Design for Enriching Student Life." Phos, too weak to open the pamphlet, gazed at it speculatively. Finally curiosity overcame inertia, and he pried open the leaf. A magnificent building, hovering over a picture of the hanger gym, faced a question in red; "This or This?" Phos began flipping pages; some type, a pair of pink cartoons, another cartoon - a funny little fellow clad in wrestling trunks and boxing gloves spearing a medicine ball with a foil or saber held in one mit, while he swung with the other from a flying ring. Phos chuckled and sat up with a start as he turned the next page and saw the double page spread of — of course you've guessed it — the new gym. As he first skimmed through the pamphlet and then read it more slowly, he began to get the idea; the Alumni were going to build a new gym for - Whee! \$1,650,000. That's a lot of money, but Phos had to admit that the gym, with the cage and its subordinate auditorium was a lot of building.

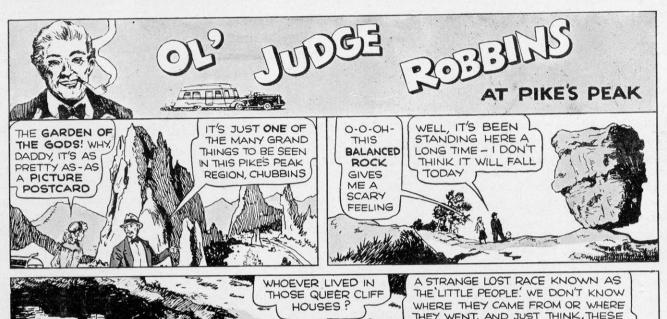
The more Phos thought about it, the more it grew on him. Yes, Sir, this was going to be a lot of building! He began to wonder what was going to happen to the Institute with this new and super special body-building plant. Gone would be one of the excuses for losing teams. No longer could the beaten Tech

athlete hide behind the valid excuse that there was no equipment to practise on, in or under. The only excuse left would be the exigencies of study, and with all the instructors playing squash in the thirteen new courts, they wouldn't have much time to give out assignments any more. The plans looked pretty sinister because of the wrestling, boxing, fencing and rifle rooms. The new Tech athlete could now grab the instructor who had given him a double FF in Physics, and after



blacking both his eyes, breaking his nose and cutting his lip in the boxing room, drag him next door and break his back, one leg and one neck in the wrestling room. A short jaunt to the fencing room would give ample opportunity to groove and pierce him with foil, saber and epee, while if he were not sufficiently ventilated, fifteen minutes propped against a target in the range would make of him a veritable learned sieve. Contemplating thusly, Phos began to see much, much merit in the plan, and reflecting on the possibility of pledging a really sizable sum, since his VooDoo would probably be running the usual substantial profit in two years, he picked up his fountain pen and solemnly pledged half of his worldly wealth, twenty-five cents.

So fellows, if you will follow Phos' example, and pledge half of your wealth, and if you pay that much when the pledges come due, or before, you may have a chance to spit your favorite prof in the gizzard in a nice fencing room. Think of that, isn't it worth giving up four dates, three scotch and sodas and your chances of getting a new Oldsmobile? Dig down, men, and pay, pay, pay. And that means you, and you, and you, and even you ever there in the shadow, you cute thing, you.









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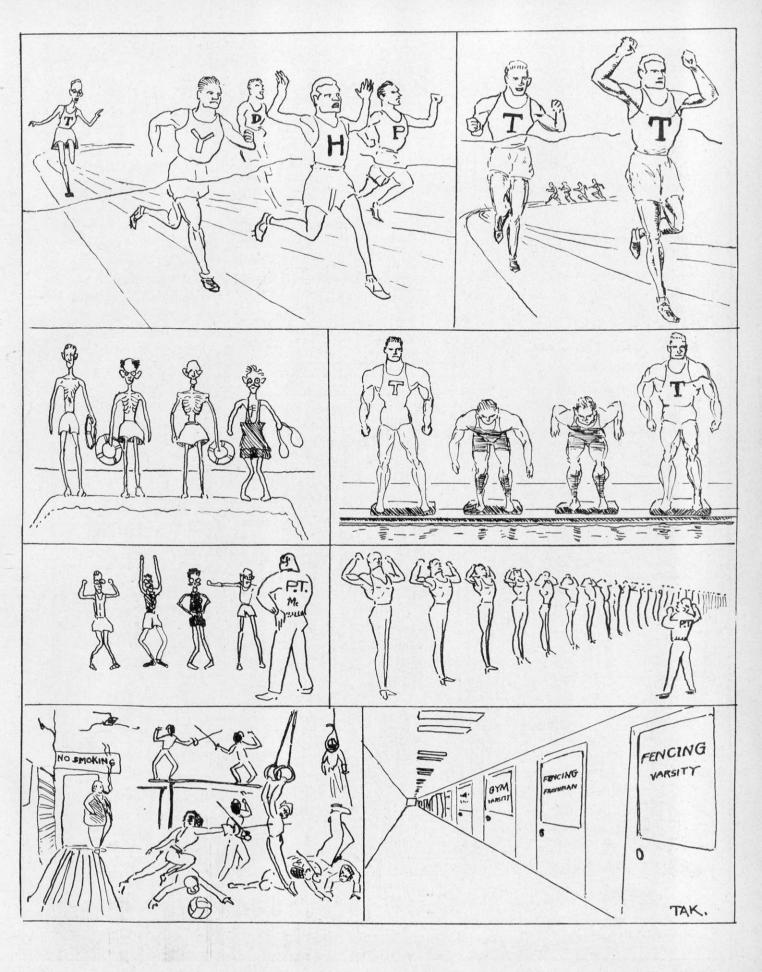
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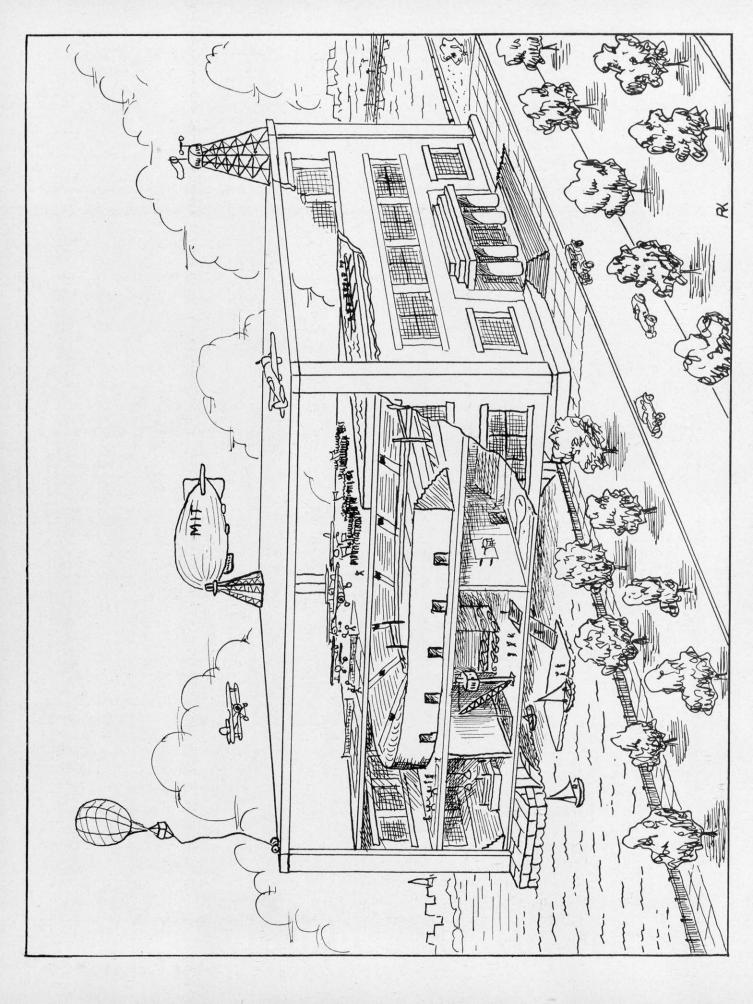
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# Phos's Ideal Gym

We have, in the past few days, managed to learn quite a bit about this drive for a new athletic plant that is being carried on now. And we want to say here and now that we think it isn't such a bad idea to intersperse a little brawn here and there among the brains that pollute this



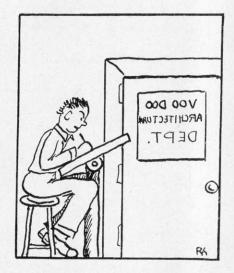
place. But we do think that the Alumni Association has been just a teeny weeny bit picayune about the whole thing. Don't get the idea that Voo Doo isn't one hundred per cent behind this drive—such would be nothing short of a grave misapprehension. However, we feel that as long as we are going to get a sort of somewhat gymnasium, why not do a real job and get an honest-to-goodness by-god

athletic factory! Why should not we of M. I. T. have a gymnasium that we can write home about, one that we can throw out our chest about, one that will make men out of mice and gods out of men? Why not? We ask you.

Working on this idea of a super-factory, we have had our architect draw up a rather rough sketch of the ideal home for Technology teams - a home that every one of us deserves and needs. While this sketch may seem to portray something rather meagre, we feel that we cannot ask for too grandiose a project right off the bat. Such a structure would probably fill the needs of the present users fairly well, and would pave the way for a really adequate building which we hope to secure sometime in the future. Therefore, we present this plan as a temporary device to give the world and the Alumni an idea of what we want and need here at Technology.

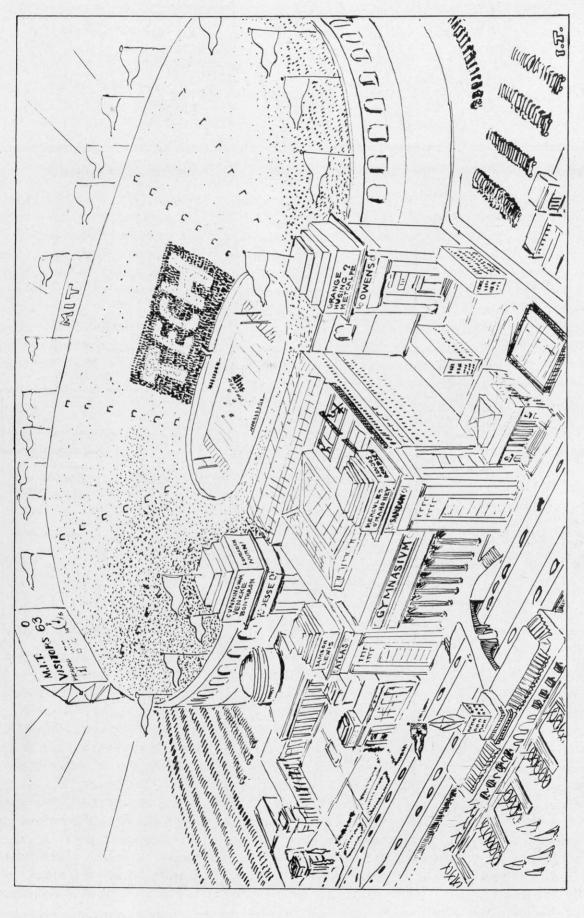
Our plans are for a threestory building to be placed out over the Charles River. The main reason for this choice of site is that we contemplate a building which is a little large for any ground the Institute has available at present. By placing the building here we may have both the space and the accessibility. Besides, the Basin is so big that we ought to be able to rent a part of it from the M. D. C.

On the bottom floor will be a boxing ring, a wrestling ring, a basket ball court, a volley



ball court, an ice-skating rink, and a roller-skating rink, each complete with its own stands. If the Nautical Association will consider giving up their present pavilion for use as an Elysium for the couples who park their cars along the Drive, we will give the dinghys a space all for themselves on the basement floor, so that they can lower their boats onto the river by a crane.

The main feature of the sec-



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ond floor will be an indoor stadium seating three hundred thousand spectators and two hundred thousand inebriates. The bowl will be shielded from vagaries of the weather, the jinx of all college outdoor sports. Thus, for football we will have the perfect football day, for baseball, the perfect baseball day, etc.

On the third floor will be a storage hangar for planes. This will give the AES its long-waited chance for expansion in the power plane line. Other features of this floor will be several tennis courts, a parade ground, and a rowing tank. The special idea about the rowing tank will be that the water in it can be pumped through at various speeds, enabling the crew to work out at different rates.

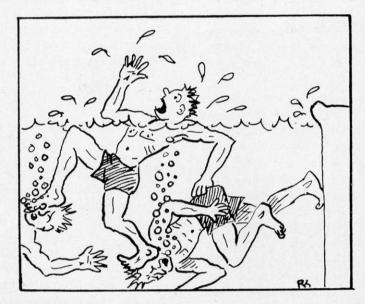
The roof will be given over completely to use as a landing field for commuters from out-of-state and AES members. In one corner will be a mooring mast for a dirigible with which students may take dates on weekend excursions about the country.

Now, don't for a minute assume that we pose as critics of the athletic program. At risk of boring you with repetition, we reiterate "just a teeny weeny bit picayune." And it isn't that the new plan wasn't well thought out. It was, as far as it went. Damn good logic they used.

But what thesis cannot be better proved with twice as much logic, unless it's no thesis? So gathering what few brains (really great brains) that exist we evolved a surefire reasoning why Technology should have an even better brawn laboratory.

Like every other good idea it had to have its basis in history. Technology from the first was a brain factory and to prove the proverbial saying that brains triumph over matstream triumphantly stenches in our own front yard.

Here is the logic. What is left of that river, only the Basin. Blot it out! With what, a building, a laboratory? What kind of a building? This is the logical coupe-d'etat. If you blot out the Charles, you have

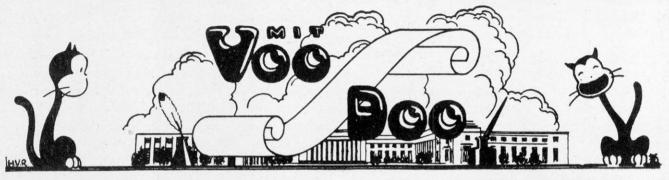


ter (another word for brawn) the Faculty set out to conquer the Charles by filling the Back Bay to build a school which would stand out as the victory of mind over the mud flats.

The Charles retaliated by letting others settle on its expansive flats. What could the Institute do but try again? And try it did with vengeance, built a bigger school on the Cambridge bogs. This time there would be no fooling, so all of the bogs were bought so that others might not duplicate this masterful feat.

But that slimy old river was not going to be outdone. She shifted her muddy bottom like an old maid shifting her bustle. And mud oozed out, and the Institute sank. Now that dirty succeeded in proving that mind triumphs over matter. You have used up all the mind in winning; there is no longer need for mind. Build bodies (the Fishers made a fortune). Build a brawn factory. Technology men can then be stupid, they should not be otherwise, their cause is won, the Charles is beaten.

We are not ridiculing when we brand the Alumni plans as trite. Just think of the greater possibilities! Tear down Harvard Bridge, then you'd know you couldn't get across. So would everyone else. Then you would also know you couldn't get near Cottage Farm. And you would go out for a sport, in fact that's the only place you could go.



## Voodooings . . .

#### BATTLE

The other night we were making our way to one of the numerous town taverns where we do our studying (we always study better with a glass of beer in our hand) when we chanced upon one of those little dramas that make life so worth living. Across the street there had occurred an argument between two automobiles about who was going to park in a space where there was just room for one car. When we got there the fight was about to lapse into a stalemate, with the two cars stopped abreast of the space. One was loaded with four beauteous damsels who were beginning to become just a little bit proved at the whole thing. The othe as being driven physically by a man and mentally by his wife, who was sitting next to him pouring invectives into his ear. We sat down on a fire plug that wasn't being used at the time, and commenced applauding any pretty sarcasms and blasphemies that were being passed around. In about ten minutes we had a sizeable crowd collected and many wagers as to the outcome were being made. Tiring of this passive onlooking, we sauntered up to the front, with an olive branch in one hand and a white flag in the other. In about two minutes we had the whole thing straightened out, with the girls in the parking place and the guy driving off very, very full of invective by this time. The girls thanked us profusely and we went away feeling very, very proud of our ability as arbitrators.



#### GRIND

After being waked up several of the nicest mornings by strange, unbelievable moans, groans, and wheezes, we stopped over to the neighbor's house to find out which had killed whom. "Oh", said the lady, "it's just a little pipe organ my husband picked up cheap. You can't open the door, but if you look in the window you'll see that it takes up only half the room."

We were ready to ask her if he'd buy a refrigerator if it were a fire sale—but then we thought better of it.



#### DOG

Prosperity, that elusive critter, stuck its head out from behind the mysterious corner in the swankiest ten-cent store on Fifth Avenue—monogramed finger-bowls for the greasy fingers of the hoi polloi. Furthermore, those pesky little boys don't scream at you to "Buy a gardenia for your girl friend"—now they simply howl "Get an orchid for the lady". Why the sudden refinement?

#### ADD SIGNIES

Among the more amazing things one sees along the street, movie signs are often the best. One of Chicago's lesser movie houses featured a double feature, "History is Made at Night" with "My Woman", and there were no Adult Only signs on it. Very educational!



#### BARBER

The Course XV students might learn a bit in the art of salesmanship from the Coop barbers. This particular tip has to do with breaking down sales resistance. After the barber had nigh lulled us to sleep with his hair-cutting rigmarole, he massaged the scalp to remove loose hair. While he was in the midst of this performance he asked if we'd like to have a shampoo. Normally, we scoff at such an idea, but at this particular moment his fingers were making seductive itchings on the sealp and our will-power was at an ebb. The promise of further such treatment was almost too much; until we remembered that we had only fifty cents along. With a return of strength we managed to squeeze out a "no" to the proposal. We continued to glance enviously, however, at the man in the next chair who was having an electric buzzer treatment.

#### COURTESY

The hospitality of Stone and Webster strikes a pleasing note in our hearts. The lengths to which they go to accommodate their brothers, the sidewalk engineers, is evidenced at the site of the new Architecture Building. On the side facing Mass. Avenue they have erected a fence for the convenience of spectators. The particular things about this fence that caught our eve were the extra boards nailed along it. One on the top, nailed horizontally so that patrons might lean with maximum comfort, and another lower down at just the right level for a foot rest.

#### MOCKERY

A certain young luminary of Tech (I should say uncertain, for the gas gauge in this fellow's car is out of order, and he calculates the amount of gas in the tank solely by means of a pocket notebook and some very involved mental computations) was soundly sneered at by Nature recently. Nonchalantly he was driving along the broad highway, when his reverie was broken by a sputtering protest from the motor and he found himself out of gas. Still attempting nonchalance, he clambered out and began the usual long walk to the gas station. No more than ten paces from the car his downcast eyes fell upon, of all things, a four-leaf clover. Looking further he netted about five more of these precious omens. Still unconcerned, he pocketed his finds, gazed ruefully at the car for a moment, and resumed his weary trek in search of fuel, which proved to be a long hike. Some people have all the luck.

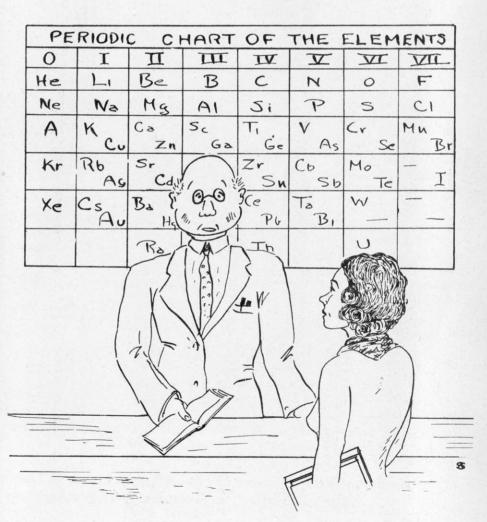
#### CLEVELAND, MISSOURI

This one might have come out of the joke book, but, knowing Dorchester girls as well as we do, it sounds perfectly plausible. According to our version of the story, two of the local studes became involved one night during rush week with two girls from the previously mentioned suburb. After exchanging the usual small talk one couple left the table to dance, and, upon their return were greeted with a hearty, "How's the old Ohio kid doing?" At this one of the girls turned to the boys, and in a very, very suspicious voice said, (so help me), "Just what is this anyway? First you say you're from Cleveland and now you say vou're from Ohio."

#### RUSH-WEEK

We have come to the conclusion that the State features those Silly Symphonies just for the Tech boys—or what have you. Well, anyway, the other day we were watching the adventures of Billy the Bulldog—or Philip the Pup—when in walked the dog catcher quietly stalking his prey—"Aha", shouted the freshman sitting in the next row, "A Phi Delt looking for a pledge."





"Professor, do elements have periods?"



Augusta Wallace is one of the young pretties in George Abbott's stage farce, "Room Service," now running at the Shubert Copley Theatre.

# This Hyar Collitch

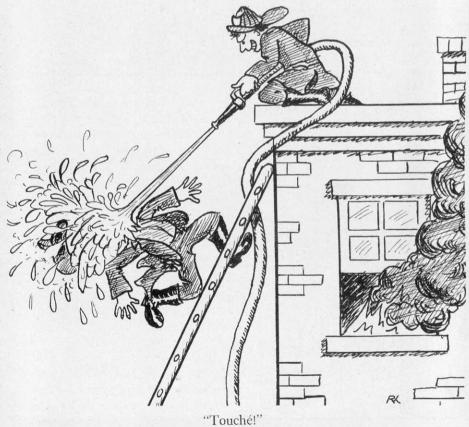
ELMER TELLS MAW ABOUT TECH

Lissen hyar opirator, when are yew a gonna git Skunk Holler on this hvar teliphone? I gotta talk to my maw and tell all about this hyar Tech place. Boy, it's some school, nothin' like Skunk Holler. There aint practically no women and . . . Whatzat? . . . Oh, yew got Skunk Holler . . . Who do I want? Don't make no difference, They'll all be a lissenin' on the party line nohow, . . . 'Zat vew maw, . . . veh, it's Elmer . . . yeh, I'm a callin' from this hvar Tech place . . . vew know, where uncle Lem is a sendin' me to git more larnin'.... What? .... Yew never heerd talk of Tech? Well maw, it's got 'nother name. . . . yeh, it's a long name but I can't say it. . . . Yeh, it's writ on front uv the school house on big rocks but I cant say it. It's got too many V's in it. . . . No, 'taint no furiner name, I think mebbe the stonecutter misspelled it. . . . Sure I leerned readin', writin' and rithmatic at Skunk Holler, but uncle Lem wants me t'be one of them engineer fellers, . . . yew know, them fellers that were a buildin' that dam acrost Dead Snake Creek, . . . yeh, that's him, the feller a lookin' through them three-legged eyeglasses . . . Oh yeh, I gotta do a lot uv figirin' and readin'. I'm a readin' a book now called physics, . . . No, 'taint nothin' like yew gits at Hank Ord's drug store. This hyar is a book. . . . Yeh, and I gotta do a lot uv figirin' too, . . . sure it's sompthin' like 'rithmatic, only the professor . . . Whatzat? . . . Oh, a professor is one uv them teacher fellers which has stuck around for a long time . . . No, 'taint like Skunk Holler where we tosses 'em out the winder every other week. They lasts purty long hyar. I heerd one say he

been hyar nigh onto two years. Yeh, and some even longer. And maw, I'm a learnin' what they calls chemistry, too. . . . Sure . . . When I gets home next summer, I'll be able to tell if uncle Sim's corn likker was what kilt his mule . . . no, not Violet, it was Daisy, the one with the slit ear and short tail. And I'm a learnin' to be a sojer too, got me a rifle and a fancy uniform, but the cap'n says I gotta wear shoes with it. . . . No I aint a gonna kill nobody, vit. Yew all still a feudin' with them Bolivers? This hyar sojerin' is like a lotta people a feudin' but nobody gits kilt. . . . No, they aint all bum shots, but they don't use no bullits in they rifles, . . . I dunno, mebbe they costs too much. And did I tell vew maw, they done sold me a long hunk uv rag, looks like old Eb's barber pole in a fog.

They said I gotta wear it around my neck 'cause I'm a freshman. . . . No maw, no, 'taint nothin' like a fresh cow, freshman is us that's just gettin' a started hvar. And maw, when I aint a readin' my lessons, I'm a writin' for the Voo Doo. . . . Oh, it's a magazine, vew know, one uv them things we tears pages off uv, like tha one them Sears-Roebuck people sent us. . . . No, the pages aint as thin and ther aint as many. . . . and they aint no pink ones, nuther. . . . Well, I'll send vew one nohow and vew kin take it over to Parson Futty and hev him read my name off'n it. . . . Sure it's got pichers in it. But this other noospaper they got hyar, wall 'taint no . . . Whatzat opirator? . . . Times up? Wall, G'by now maw and chase the pigs off'n my bed by next summer 'cause I'm a commin' home a engineer and I gotta sleep, and if paw wakes up before then, tell him I said hullo . . . well, g'by now maw.

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# Ah, Love!

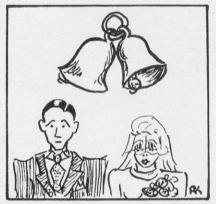
[AUTHOR'S NOTE] The greatest word in the English language is "love". It is the second in the French language (femme leads by a close margin). We won't go into these aspects, however. It seems that women here in America just can't get along without it. Not that they ever get it; they just read about it and throb with it in the movies. That's all they need or want. Therefore, the novelists have evolved the great love story and the light romance. The movie magnates enlarged upon the field and produced dramas that play to millions of unsatiated females. It is my pleasure to present a typical plot, known as "The Great Love Story." Though the setting varies, the characters and the theme remain the same.

(The story opens with a lengthy and poetic description of the locale. The first character is introduced by gradually creeping up on him or her. The name does not appear for several sentences, perhaps a couple of paragraphs.)

Night hovered over Manhattan like a great black bird, while the city below shot up defiant shafts of light. In a poverty-ridden section on the East Side one window blinked dark and opened to let in the sounds of the busy metropolis. (The author forgot that the sounds come in anyway.) To the window came a young girl: the penurious daughter and forsaken orphan familiar to that section of the city. (Note

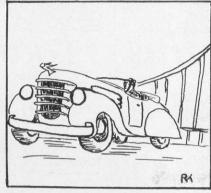


big words.) As she rested her dimpled chin on a shapely hand, a fleeting expression of thought passed over her exquisitely carved features. Her fawn-like eves suddenly became moist and a stray tear trickled down a peach-blown cheek. (Note subtle manner in which the comeliness of the heroine is hinted at.) A look of decision replaced the momentary weakness and, setting her jaw in a determined line, Celice turned back into the room. (The author now works up a feeling of pity for the heroine.) On the bureau lav a drab hat and a soiled pocketbook. Searching the pocketbook hurriedly. she found only the five pennies that



she had known were there. "Well, that would be enough for the subway", she mused. (This is the New York subway, not that Boston outfit.) She snatched up her hat, crammed it on her spun-gold head (Her hair, not her head, you dumbbell!) and ran down the stairs to the street. In the subway the crowd jostled this colorless girl and scarcely glanced at her, except for a couple of drunks who leered meaningly. (This adds a dash of realism, a la Esquire.) Disregarding the pair, Celice took a seat in a corner of the car. The train rumbled onward through the Stygian tunnels to lower Manhattan.

After a seemingly interminable ride she got off and walked up to the nearly deserted street. From there it was only a short walk to the Brooklyn Bridge. In ten minutes



she was standing at the center of the span, gazing back at the twinkling lights of Manhattan as they died before the first roseate flush of the dawn that rose from the Streets of Brooklyn. Shaking these thoughts from her mind, Celice gazed down at the dark waters flowing under her feet. (Reader now fears for life of heroine.) (The reader is being put in a more mellow mood in preparation for the entrance of romance.)

While her mind was thus engaged, a sleek white roadster drew up behind her and a tousled young man jumped out. (Stock words in descriptions of the hero are: tall, tanned, bronzed, lean, tousled, and blue-eyed.) Without hesitation he vaulted the fence (this shows youth and athletic prowess) and ran up to her. The first intimation Celice O'Harrigan had of his presence was when he grabbed her and said in a quiet voice, "Please don't do it; it isn't worth it." (Hero is always a mind-reader.)

Celice turned around and took in his powerful six-feet-six frame (He's tall! I told you so!) and lean, tanned face, (See? What'd I tell you?) then turned back to her contemplation of the river. "Why not?" she replied. "It's my life, and who are you to tell me?" (Note her acceptance of the hero without a formal introduction: the modern girl.)

"I'm Montgomery Richard Pierpont, VI, if that makes any difference," the young man snapped back. "But I do know how you feel. I came down here this morning with the very same idea." (What a coincidence).

"You?" she rasped. "Why should

you want to do such a thing? You, the scion of the Pierponts and the fiance of a beautiful girl who is the heiress to millions more! You have no reason to commit suicide!"

(Note self-control of our hero.) "Because," Montgomery replied quietly, "I had grown tired of the purposelessness of my life. Come, won't you condescend to step into my car and let me tell you about it while we ride eastward to greet the dawn that is even now thrusting upward?"

Celice nodded, for she was interested in this young man who changed his mind so rapidly.

They rode out Long Island for fifty miles, discussing coldly, as befitted the intelligent couple they were, the facts that had led each of them to the bridge that morning. (Ability of characters to rationalize is frequent; they are always intellectual.) Unsuspectingly they were falling in love with each other; drawn together by their common despair. Finally, by a little roadside nook (word is nook, not neck) Montgomery halted his car and gently enfolded the quivering Celice in his muscular arms. (Note the gentleness with which strength treats beauty.) Her head went to his shoulder, and there they sat, neither daring to break the silence with speech. After a few moments of this heavenly bliss; Celice sat up. (If you don't mind my saying so, that was rather soupy.)

"Montgomery, when were you to be married?"

Montgomery dropped his arms as the full impact of the question hit him. His head sagged and a stray curl fell upon his forehead. (Heroes always have curly hair, and they never brush it.)

"This afternoon", he replied.

"This love of ours cannot be," Celice went on. I am only a poor orphan from the East Side, while you are the scion of a millionaire. (The heroine displays great strength of character and self-denial.) On your shoulders will rest some day the management of a great business

institution. You will need the assistance of your fiancee when this time comes. I could be of no help to you, as I do not fit in such a world. We must give each other up, darling. There is no other way."

While Celice had been saying this, Montgomery had sat erect again. "You are right, love. I can see your point. I must give you up to accept my burden in life. (Duty before pleasure is a code-word.) We must be brave, my dearest, and face facts with a firm stance and a sensible outlook." So saying, he started the car and turned back to town and his duty, forgetting his love.

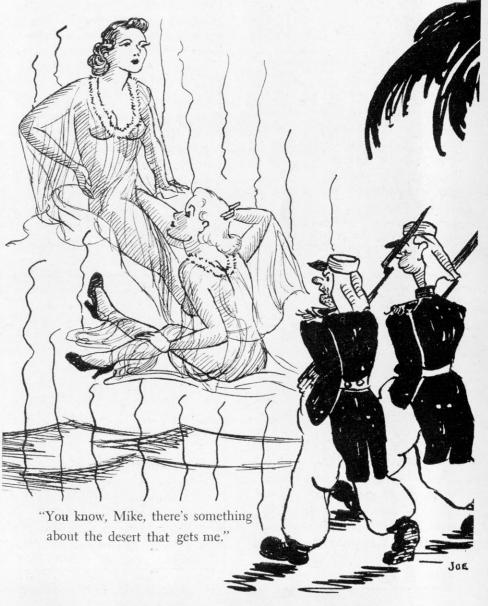
The next morning's issue of the New York Times contained two news notices. The first read:

New York—M. Richard Pierpont and Janice Wentingworth merged two of America's largest fortunes when they were married at St. Patrick's yesterday afternoon. The bride wore lace with . . .

The second read:

NEW YORK—Police dragged the body of an unidentified woman from the East River this morning. She had blonde hair, was about five feet, five inches tall and . . .

(Authors love to use tricks like this, so that the reader knows what happened by very simple deductions, which makes said reader feel intelligent, imbues him with a friendly attitude toward the author and makes him anxious to buy the next book.)



# The Discovery of the B.J. U.

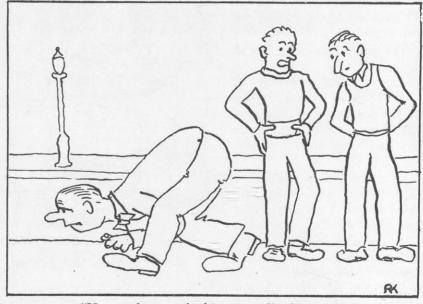
One foggy evening I was sitting in my study drinking cider and absorbing Peter Arno's latest opus, "Fun in Siberia," when my attention was attracted to a small add in THE TECH, with a copy of which I was kindling a fire, which read "Men wanted for an expedition to hunt the mysterious BTU. No qualifications necessary." Since the last fitted me perfectly, I thought it might be fun, so I read on. "Mass meeting in 10-250 Wednesday." I realized that it was Thursday already, but thought I would try, so showed up half an hour late on Friday. And with that move the even tenure of my whole life changed.

The beginning, however, was anything but auspicious. On entering the great room my attention was immediately distracted by the hum and murmur of the voices of the great mass of people which weren't gathered there. In fact, at first glance the room seemed empty. But after patiently waiting a day or two, I finally discerned a foot behind the desk, and hopping over, was confronted by the most peculiar character I had ever seen. At first appearance, one would never suspect that here was one of the most powerful personalities of the age. And why should one, for he later proved to have practically no personality at all. He looked at me in amazement, his jaw dropped open, and he seemed surprised. "Are you by any chance interested in my expedition?" he said, in an incredulous tone. Upon my informing him that my presence seemed to indicate that I was, he admitted that this might be true, and said "Well then, come with me and we will get your equipment, and you can meet the other members of the expedition." However, I never did meet the other members, and on the infrequent times that we were together we all called each other Joe.

The equipment, however, was another thing. For the next month or so it seemed that life was one trip of testing equipment, talking to salesmen, and rejecting their offerings. With Joe always with me, I wandered from sporting goods store to sporting goods store, and occasionally back. At last, however, we were ready to start. My arms consisted of a sixteen pound .45 Mannlicher, a 30-30 Springfield, a sub-machine gun and two French 75's. After much discussion we had decided that weight was not as important as comfort, and hence must be kept down. To prevent our having to carry much, we each had a trailer coupling forged to our backbone, and towed a trailer for the guns, and in which to sleep. However, it appeared that with all the equipment loaded in the trailer there was no room left for sleeping. Then began an intensive and scientific reorganization of equipment, with the avowed intention of finding for each man a place to sleep. The reorganization was only partially successful, but we did get to a point where, after two weeks, enough food would have been displaced to allow one

man to sleep each night. The packing schedule was so arduous, and the many movements required in getting every piece of equipment in place, that weeks of rehearsal were required before we could with certainty duplicate the process. This done, another two weeks' dieting was required in order to get the members of the expedition, few of which I'd seen so far, in shape, and accustomed to the peculiar food which we had to carry, because of the space in the trailer, which wasn't.

Finally, however, it seemed that we were about ready to start, but suddenly one of the members, named, if I recall correctly, Joe, developed a sick aunt, and we had to wait another thirteen days. At the close of this final period, it became all too evident that we had delayed too long, and that the approaching winter, very severe in the walls of Technology, was upon us. With reluctance the expedition was abandoned, after each of us had spent several thousand dollars and nearly a year of time, with the promise that we would get together as soon as spring made traveling possible.



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# Relentless Research

It was his first year at Tech so of course he couldn't be judged too harshly. Still, he was certainly in a forbidden spot and he could forsee nothing but quick expulsion should he be discovered. It all resulted from that cursed streak of curiosity, and he swore at himself as he considered his predicament.

All his life he had heard of the "Institute", as the old boys affectionately called it, and of the marvelous, sometimes revolutionary discoveries, that had been made by its tireless corps of scientists. It was only natural then that, when he chanced upon that little room with the number 6—something and the word "Research" printed in black on the frosted glass, he should step furtively inside for just a short glimpse of a real cradle of science.

Everything would have been fine had he not become so interested in the intricate arrangement of tubes and wires that he forgot his position, and here he was, hiding under a table while two men of science went busily about the final preparations for a new experiment. An experiment that would rock the very foundations of the scientific world. This much he had gathered from random conversation, and he heartilv wished that he had not heard a word. His stomach felt hollow and his knees became weaker as he thought of a possible court-martial as a foreign spy.

There was no doubt that something big was afoot. It was evident from the tones of the two men as their work proceeded. He speculated inwardly as to the nature of the experiment. Some deadly gas? A new explosive? Perhaps it was a secret formula, one that the men before him would dare anything to keep secret. Dare anything. That phrase had a definitely sinister sound and he put it out of his mind at once.

Suddenly everything was silent. The air seemed to vibrate with excitement. One of the men spoke, and his voice was little more than a whisper. "All set at your end Fenwav?" "Ready here, Botts." "Then this is it. Light the burner." The sound of a flaring match broke the silence and a burner hissed into flame "Easy old man. Don't let it get out of control." At these words the freshman almost cried aloud. The burner hissed on to be joined suddenly by a new sound. A sort of moaning sigh accompanied by a steady drip, drip, drip. . . .

His nerves had reached the breaking point. He couldn't keep quiet. He knew that in a moment. . . .

A joyous shout rent the air "By God, Fenway, we've done it. We've done it." "Steady old man. Are you sure? We must be sure." "Sure? Why man, try it yourself. It's a complete success. And they said we couldn't make decent gin out of potato peelings."

DICK CROSSAN

#### POME

Her form was like the figures that you see in corset ads,

Her smile was like the sun upon the sea,

Her face would make the heart of any famous artist glad,

And there was no one there to talk with her but me.

We sat close to each other, and there wasn't much to say

For I knew that I loved her and she loved me.

It really didn't matter that she took my heart away,

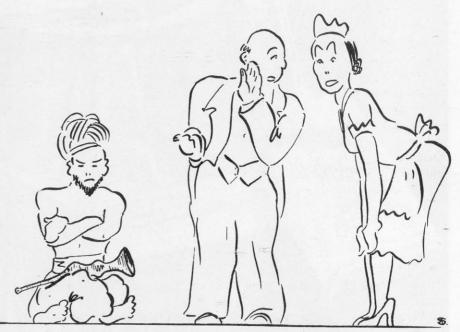
Because I knew that mine she'd always be.

So now I shun the Night-clubs and the haunts I used to know

And I go to bed real early for it seems That no matter where I look and no matter where I go

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- 1 Bravely the Fresh-Man came, Bent on a glorious name; Wooing immortal fame. Onward he traveled.
- 2 Light was his heart, and gay, As, at the break of day, Trod he the level way On into Cambridge.
- 3 There stood the Building white. Gleaming in morning light, Shining with lustre bright, Splendor eternal.
- 4 Forth to the river's marge Rushed he—a thund'rous charge Calling to by and large, Claimed he possession.

- 5 Soft came the Soph-o-more Down to the Charles's shore. Saw Leif, and loudly swore. Dashed into battle.
- 6 Calling the gods on high, Shrieked he his battle-cry; Fighting with murd'rous eve. Crushed he the Fresh-Man.
- 7 Bound him with strange design; Red tie with silver line Must he wear, as a sign, Promising servitude.
- 8 Out came the Juniors hoar, With the grav beards they wore Sweeping the grounds before Them as they walked.
- 9 Forth marched the Seniors old Who had, for years untold, Waited, this to behold, Solemn in conclave.

- 10 Then came the Fac-ul-tv Unmoved by sympathy, Gazing with fiendish glee On the sad spectacle.
- 11 Finally passed the day, Till fully bored were they, Left him, and went away, Leaving him weeping
- 12 Calculus, and such stuff, English class, dry as snuff, Helped him forget the rough Treatment he'd suffered.
- 13 Now stands he 'fore the door, Another Soph-o-more, Guarding the Charles's shore; Thus tempus fugits.

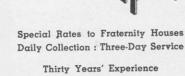
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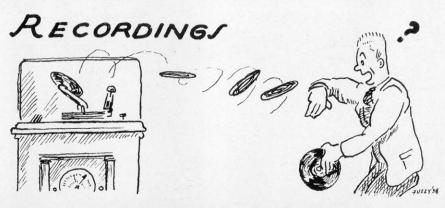
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# Discovery

BY ALBERT W. DENHAM

"Must this Hell on Earth go on forever?" This he asked his weary soul as he plodded on and on in his endless search that, so far, had been fruitless. "It can't escape me. I must find it. The torture of this uncertainty is driving me mad,-Oh, Dear God, please let me find my goal before I die. Grant me just that, nothing more. I shall be grateful eternally. Don't desert me now." Each moment,—every step,—he became more and more incoherent. Jumbled thoughts and phrases flashed through his brain and still he plunged, on and on. Now his throat was becoming parched, and the visions of water before his eyes were maddening. Water! Sweet cool water! Silvery tinkling water! He almost slipped under the increasing strain, and walking became more and more difficult. Still those taunting thoughts raced across his mind. Visions that traced his life from the cradle to the start of this expedition. "God", he spoke, half aloud, "Am I dying?--Am I losing my mind? Come on, old boy, get a grip on vourself now!" Gritting his teeth he resumed his weary way.—On and on he trudged. His feet got heavier and heavier and he seemed to be carrying a burden that threatened to crush him under its weight. Still he plodded forward, trying to wipe those tantalizing visions from before his eyes. It was a losing struggle, though, and bit by bit his mind became hazy and confused. His tortured body ached to the very core. Why had he chosen this remote goal? Surely there was some place easier to reach that he could have chosen. Now it was too late to turn back. He had gone too far to even hope to return without first reaching his destination. Trying once more to compose himself, he threw back his shoulders, lifted his head and

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Pete de'Tiere, '39, seen above resting after his activity at Freshman Camp, because he succeeded in jamming a whole year's activity into four days' work at camp, and did an excellent job at it too, and because he works for the T. C. A.

Ray Foster, '40, shown below, who in addition to substituting as Sophomore President, manages to control *The Tech*, act on the Institute Committee, consume his share of foaming ale, and occasionally write for Voo Doo, because at Freshman Camp, although his name is Vincens, he entered into the spirit of the hoax, and because he admits that Voo Doo can put out a better *Tech* than *The Tech* can.



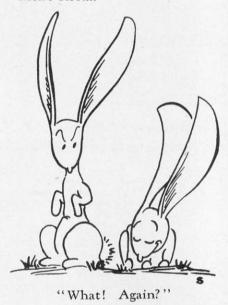
Stuart Paige, '39, left, who as Chairman of the Freshman Welcoming Committee (Theta Delta Chi House), took upon himself the difficult task of greeting and providing a home for all entering freshmen, and became so famous at it that he called for candidates at Freshman Camp, or at least somebody did.



#### DISCOVERY

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plunged forward again. "What was that?"-Looking around him he remembered the landmarks that people who had been there and returned to tell the tale, had described upon their homecoming. Surely these were the same landmarks. They fit the description in every wav-or was it a trick of his mind. Hoping for the best, he searched further. There could be no doubt about it now. Yes! At last, this was his goal. Through tear-dimmed eves he saw it, shining out of the darkness, the absolute proof that he had finally reached it. Yes, there it was, a small illuminated sign reading: "Men's Room."





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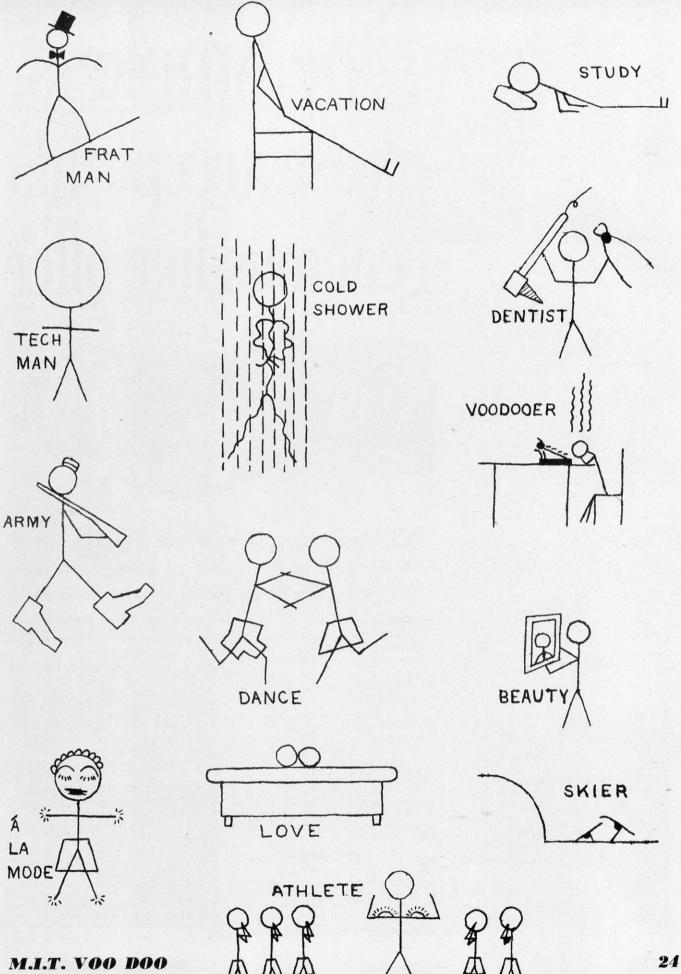
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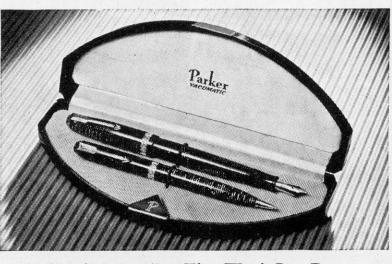
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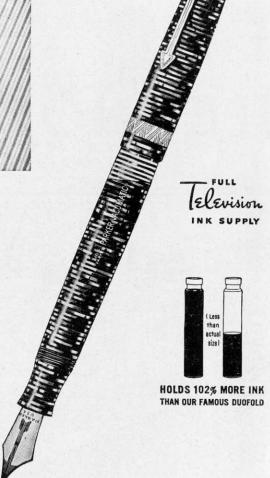
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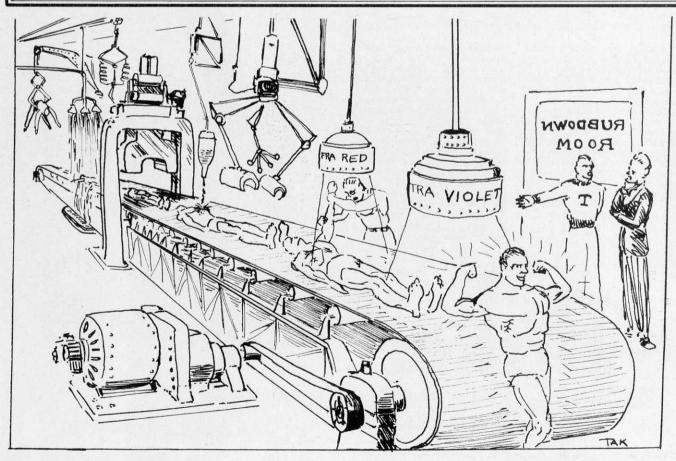
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Two gentlemen from Harvard, arciving at a debutante party recently, noticed a large number of their compatriots, naturally. One of them, for sheer lack of anything else to do, remarked to the other that, "This place is lousy with Harvard men." Whereupon, from nowhere at all, emerged a man who corrected, dogmatically, "Any place is lousy, with Harvard men," and then disappeared into the obscurity from whence he came.

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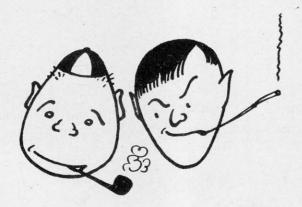
JUDGE: "What is your name?"

JoE: "Joe Stinks."

JUDGE: "I don't blame you, what do you want to change it to?"

JoE: "Charlie."

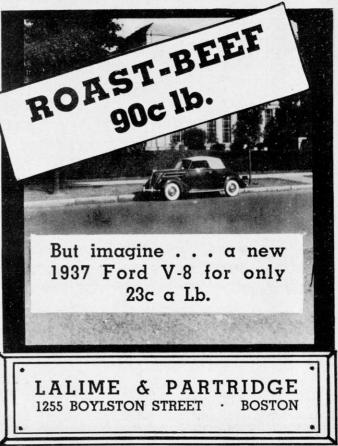
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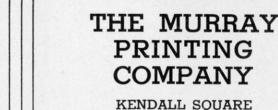
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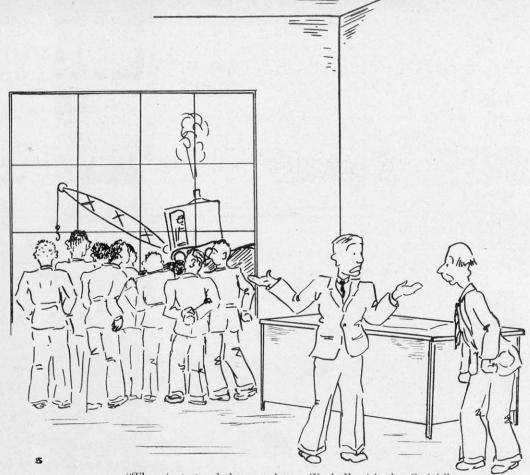


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