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of such great avail that very few succumbed at the semi-annual inquisition. Thus passed their first year, and that they might fittingly celebrate the completion of their arduous labors they gathered with the other classes at the Colonial Club where they spent several pleasant hours describing graceful parabolas and hyperboles to Benson's tuneful music. When the month of June was come the whole Tech disbanded to their various domiciles there to await the call to duty on the following September.

1911

With sadly depleted ranks those of '13 returned to the Tech in the fall resolved to carve a niche for the class on the smoke-covered heart of their alma mater. And now to the manner wise they chose as their leader, Weart who had been second in command during the year previous. Moreover they could now look down with scorn on those of '14 even like the lion at the mouse. And indeed they were likewise cheered by the news that the A. S. A. had perished during the summer vacation and that hereafter the yearly stipend for those desiring to enroll at the Tech had been increased ten pounds sterling. But now forsooth those of '13 must pay the penalty for scholarly proficiency inasmuch as their strength had been greatly sapped through hours of patient poring under the burning oil. They must needs be satisfied with second honors in the annual tournaments though it went sore against their grain. Quietly and peaceably those of '13 wooed the goddess of learning and became soon even wiser than their preceptors in their own imagination. At Christmas our leader was called to higher honors wherefore was Wald chosen leader to complete the year.

1912

And now again for the third time those of '13 came together, worn and battle-scarred, but greatly determined to win the conflict. Wise now in the ways of the world, they brought into the class meeting divers devices whereby they showed themselves exceedingly adept at matters politic. Using a heavy iron roller of vast size, they managed by great exertion to elect Adams as leader and all other officers from among the clan of Civils. Inasmuch as this was the year wherein a week is set apart that the Juniors might disport themselves and make merry, therefore were Brown and Woerner chosen to lead the festivities. In order that those of '13 might not lose their well-earned prestige in the field of sport they took first honors in the inter-class basket ball tournament and likewise third honors in baseball. And now at the invitation of the Doctor did the great and noble ruler of our land visit the Tech in the month of March and did deliver himself of an opinion regarding the cacchinations intended as joyous welcome. And anon came that week called Junior Week and those of '13 verily outdid all other classes. For every day in the week was something arranged to stir up the blood and keep up the good feeling. With baseball games, the great drama called "The Emergency Coed," the banquet at the University Club and the dance at Colonial Club they contrived to set a high mark for Junior Weeks that will be hard to surpass.