

papers for publication in engineering journals or society proceedings; that is to say, theses will be graded according to the apparent permanent value for the advancement of engineering practice or theory, either as records of original research or as intelligent and concise discussion or critical summaries of older researches. Clearness, conciseness and care in summarizing conclusions will be essential merits for a high award.

5. The right is reserved of withholding any or all premiums, in case no theses of sufficient absolute merit to deserve them shall be received. No thesis not deemed worthy of publication in full in Engineering News will be awarded any premium.

6. Except for special reasons stated in the professor's certificate above referred to, not more than three of the graduating theses of any one college shall be entered for the competition.

7. The right of first publication of all theses awarded premiums or honorable

mention is reserved to Engineering News, and all theses receiving premiums will be so published.

8. No thesis which has been previously published in full or in substance will be eligible for the competition, nor any in which due credit is omitted for any part of the thesis not original, or for work recorded therein not performed under the author's direction—excepting of course such facts as are of common knowledge and record.

9. All theses competing for these prizes should be sent in on or before August 1, to insure consideration, though this date will not be rigidly insisted on.

10. The awards will be announced on or before November 1, 1994, failing some special cause for further delay. All theses receiving neither premium nor mention will be returned by express to their authors. The manuscripts of the selected theses will belong to Engineering News, but the drawings will be returned after publication.

ALUMNI DEPARTMENT

It has become my pleasant duty to represent the alumni as their Editor on the BATTALION Staff. I highly appreciate the honor and hope at least to make the department interesting.

During the past month we have sent out a circular to each alumnus requesting a brief sketch of his life. A number of answers have been received, but owing to the fact that a good many of them were late and also to the holidays, we have been unable to publish any of them, but hope to publish those of the classes of '80 to '84, inclusive, in the next issue.

D. CUSHING.

D. W. S. Cox, '92, of Temple Tribune,

paid the College a pleasant visit during the holidays.

The genial face of L. Euler, "'86," was seen at the College on the 28th. His object was as usual, trying to enlist in the army of benedicts.

T. M. Kyle, '93, visited the College in company with Miss Webb, on the 28th.

The following alumni paid their alma mater a visit during the past month: M. W. Shirley, '89; L. Burek, '89; J. H. O'Bar, '93; J. W. Hawkins, '93. Come again, and often boys. You are more than welcome.

W. T. Merriwether, '91, was married at Pearsall on the 3rd.

F. C. Beyer, '92, spent the holidays at