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CLASS TEAMS PREPARE FOR COMING FIELD DAY

More Men Wanted For All Teams—Only Sixteen Freshmen Out For Relay.

The preparations for Field Day are now fully started but as yet there is no way of comparing the chances of the two classes for winning.

The freshmen have their football practice well under way, but a need is felt for more candidates. Nineteen men have reported so far, but there were only eight of them at the field yesterday. There are plenty of big men in the class but they do not put in an appearance when practice time comes around. Among the more promising candidates are Guppy and Young, who were first string men at Andover last year, and Jewett, who was on the Exeter squad.

Manager Wood has issued a call for men to try out for manager of the team but only two candidates have responded. It will be necessary to have more.

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FRESHMAN BANQUET

Interesting Speakers—Fine Dinner Being Prepared.

According to the custom in the past, the first event exclusively for the new men at the Institute is the freshmen dinner which is held on the first Saturday after the reopening of school. Following this order the first year men will assemble tomorrow evening at 6.30 o'clock in the Union where they will have their first banquet as a class.

The temporary chairman of the class of 1919, Walter Harrington, '17, will act as toastmaster. Some good speakers have been obtained for the evening, among them being Dean Burton, Major Cole and Frank Kanaly, all of whom have been present at past freshman gatherings. In addition H. P. Claussen, '16, general manager of the Tech, will also be among the speakers.

After the dinner is over, the real fun begins and those who have the affair in charge promise an interesting time. Tickets may be obtained from various members of the class or at the Cage for the price of fifty cents.

NEWTON RUN

The train leaves Trinity Place at 2.09 tomorrow for all participants and spectators of the Cross-Country race at Newton. One of the best swimming pools in New England is available for the contestants.

CROSS-COUNTRY HAS EARLY START

Twenty-five Runners Have Already Reported—Newton Run Tomorrow.

The first call for cross-country candidates produced most all of last year's squad, and regular work was begun the first of this week. All runners who answered this call a year ago are back with the exception of Benson, Cook and Nye, and the cross-country management considers the outlook for 1915 very bright. Technology defeated Holy Cross last year by 60 points, took second in the New England Intercollegiate Run, and fourth in the big Intercollegiate Cross-country race at New Haven. The squad this season is somewhat handicapped by the loss of Benson, Cook and Nye, so Coach Kanaly has made an early start by holding the first race at Newton tomorrow.

The Newton course is fairly short, consisting of 4 miles of very easy

INTERESTING PROGRAM AT T. C. A. RECEPTION

Address By Dean Burton And Two-Minute Talks By Activity Representatives.

The annual T. C. A. reception to the class of 1919 will be held this evening in the Union at 8.00 o'clock. The freshman advisors will be present and all upperclassmen are invited. Dean Burton will address the class as a whole. The entertainment will consist of a vocal solo by H. C. Williamson, '16, a piano solo by I. B. McDaniel, '16, and a wrestling bout between E. P. Giles, '17, and L. A. Hoffman, '17. Refreshments will be served and the evening will close with the singing of the school songs. The following is the program of two-minute talks given by the prominent men of each activity.

1. The Tech—H. P. Claussen, '16, General Manager.
2. The Track Team—C. T. Guething, '16, Captain.

GIFT ANNOUNCED AT ARCHITECTS' SMOKER

Professors Of The Department Speak—New Regulations Are Explained.

Wednesday evening, the Architectural Society held an informal smoker in the Studio, the purpose of which was to give the new men a chance to get better acquainted both with their professors and with the Seniors.

The first speaker, introduced by President Brophy, was Professor Gardner who delivered a short speech telling of the latest bequest to the department of Architecture. Mrs. Harriet A. Henshaw of London has given \$15,000 in memory of her brother, to be devoted to the purchase of art material for the Architectural Department. It will be known as the Frank Walker Boyles Memorial Fund. The selection of material will be in the hands of a committee of three members of the faculty who are members of the Architectural Department, to be elected annually.

Professor Cram, the next speaker, touched on the relation of Architecture to the present war. Among other things he stated that the architect's duty was rather to give the public what it ought to have in architecture than to grant it what it seemed to want.

Professor Williams was the next speaker. He spoke of the point system, and outlined the duties of the new men, among which was that of becoming a member of the society. President Brophy then mentioned the new rules and regulations of the society. The fees are to be \$1.50 besides the initiation fee of fifty cents;

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INSTITUTE COMMITTEE

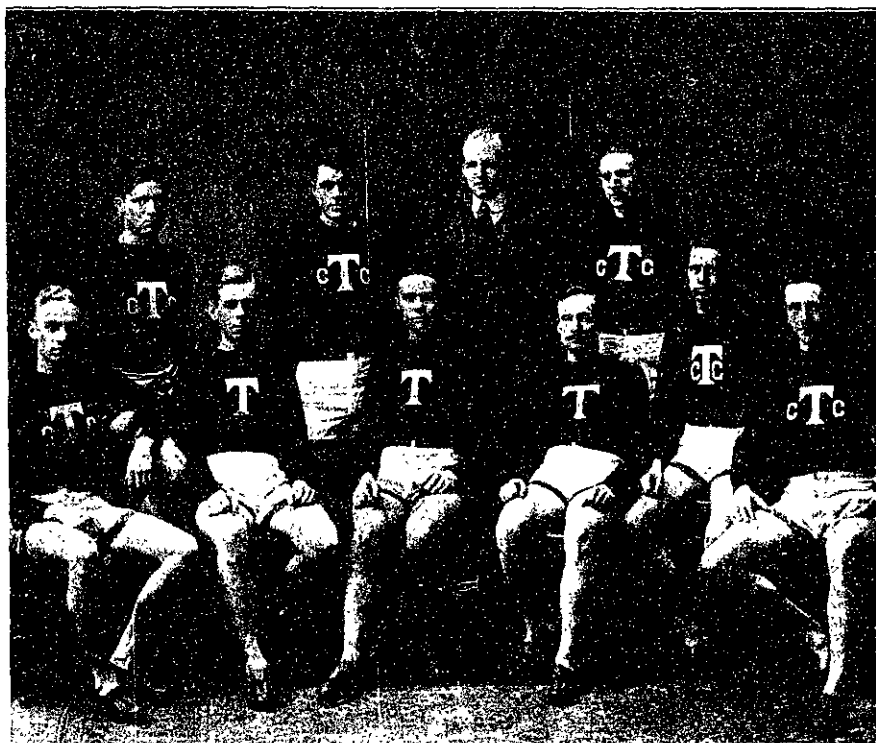
There will be a meeting of the Institute Committee this afternoon at 5 o'clock in 8 Engineering C.

AN ARTICLE OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO NEW STUDENTS WILL BE FOUND ON PAGE FIVE OF THIS ISSUE.

CALENDAR

Friday, October 1.

- 1.00—Candidates Second Assistant Manager Track Team. Track Office.
- 1.30—1918 Class Meeting. Huntington Hall.
- 4.00—Candidates Second Assistant Manager Track Team. Track Office.
- 4.00—Wrestling Practice. Gym.
- 5.00—Meeting Technique Board 1917. Technique Office.
- 7.45—T. C. A. Reception Union.



TECHNOLOGY CROSS COUNTRY TEAM—1914-1915

running. The start and finish is in front of the Y. M. C. A. The first quarter mile is a gentle slope to the reservoir and then down hill through a golf course to Cabot Park, which lies between West Newton and Newton proper. The runners will finish over the same route.

Coach Kanaly has divided the candidates into three squads. The first consists of new men who will run and walk; the second is composed of the men who have had a fair amount of work and they will jog over the

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3. Musical Clubs—W. B. Ford, '17, General Manager.

4. Technique—J. M. DeBell, '17, Editor-in-Chief of Technique 1917.

5. The Blanket Tax—C. W. Loomis, '16, Editor-in-Chief of Technique 1916.

6. Wrestling—P. Y. Loo, '16, Captain.

7. Technology Monthly—E. J. Goldstein, '16.

8. Tech Show—R. H. White, Stage Director of 1915 Show.

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1919 DINNER IN UNION ——— 6.30 TOMORROW

CANDIDATES FOR ASSISTANT MANAGER OF TRACK TEAM—12 OR 4 TODAY

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1915.

The T. C. A. reception this evening and the freshman dinner tomorrow night are functions which no first year man can well afford to miss. These furnish the entering class the opportunity not merely to know itself but also to imbibe that enthusiasm for Technology activities and ideals which has proven a permanent and effective stimulus to progress. Classes of the past years have been characterized by their active loyalty to the Institute, even after graduation to this the well organized, energetic Alumni Association is sufficient testimonial. We trust that Nineteen will not be out-spirited by its predecessors at its initial gatherings.

THE BLANKET TAX.

In other columns of this issue are found comprehensive discussions of the Blanket Tax. Last Wednesday we published a communication which questioned very strongly the spirit of the wording of the Blanket Tax hand-bills, which were distributed during registration, and the impression had undoubtedly spread among the new men here that the Tax is compulsory in the same degree as are laboratory fees and tuition. This is extremely unfortunate, not because it may have extorted money from persons who would otherwise not have paid up, but because it puts the Institute Authorities in a false light.

As President Maclaurin pointed out in his address Monday, the Institute Authorities have left the entire government of the student body in the hands of the Institute Committee,

FIRST T. C. A. TALK GIVEN YESTERDAY

Dr. A. Z. Conrad Addresses Large Audience In The Union.

The first of the Thursday noon talks held under the auspices of the T. C. A., was given by Dr. A. Z. Conrad of the Park Street Congregational Church, yesterday. In a clear, convincing address he demonstrated that what the world needs is not men but supermen.

He began by telling of the Scotch lad whose aim in life it was to have a career. This young man married a talented Scotch lass, who, when her husband a number of years later had risen to a high position in Parliament, would go over his speeches and correct them for him. It was her ready wit that enlivened the speeches to such a degree that her husband became the foremost speaker in Parliament. But he, still thinking only of his career, took all the credit upon himself. Then came a time, when he was nearing the height of his career, that another woman crossed his path. He left his wife just before he was to have made his greatest speech in Parliament. When he had drawn up his speech, however, the party leaders told him that it was the poorest that he had ever written, and that it would never carry the day. Unbeknown to him, his wife secured the typewritten copy, went over it, just as she had done formerly, and submitted it to the party leaders. Then the man realized for the first time that the power did not lie wholly within himself.

So it is with us, said Dr. Conrad. Without the aid of a power greater than ourselves we are as helpless as the workman at his machine before his has geared it into the main shafting above. Men cannot become supermen until they have geared themselves with the Main Shafting which extends through the Universe.

which is purely of the students, by the students and for the students. Last spring when the original Blanket Tax Committee was discussing ways and means, they issued ballots on which was the question, "Would you be willing to pay \$3.00 for the support of athletics alone?" The vote on this was 605 for and 210 against. (Continued on Page Three)

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FIRST BLANKET TAX RETURNS ARE GOOD

Class Of 1919 Responds Promptly—Support Of Institute Is Behind Movement.

The preliminary reports from the collection of the Blanket Tax are most encouraging, and show that the movement has met with more immediate success and support than the committee anticipated. The promptness of the Class of 1919 in coming to the support of Institute athletics has been generous, and a large percentage of men from the three upper classes have also already paid the tax.

For the information of new men who are as yet unfamiliar with the workings of student affairs at the Institute, it may be said that the tax is substantially similar to those levied at every college where athletics are not self-supporting, for the maintenance of intercollegiate sport. The money accruing from the collection of the tax here will be used for the support of all of Technology's major and minor varsity teams, in lieu of, and together with, the finances formerly raised for this purpose by the Show, Technique, the annual show in Huntington Hall, and the gate receipts from the various games and meets.

The tax is levied by act and authority of the Institute Committee, the student governing body, in essentially the same manner as class dues are levied upon the voting members of the various classes. It should be understood that the levying of the tax is an edict of neither the Faculty nor the Corporation of the Institute, but a purely student device to ensure the maintenance of the proper standard of varsity athletics. The collection of the assessment is in the hands of the Blanket Tax Committee, a sub-committee of the Institute Committee, under which are about seventy-five collectors in every course, class and fraternity in Technology.

The holder of a Blanket Tax ticket is entitled to admission to all of the games and meets of the Track, Gym, Basketball, Swimming, Fencing and other teams, and to Field Day. It is possible that a reduction in admission price to the New England Inter-Collegiate Track and Field Meet may be made to ticket holders also.

Unfortunately, admission to home hockey games on the ticket cannot be allowed, owing to a rule of the management of the Arena, where the team plays.

TRACK MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Athletic Association and all track men including freshmen this afternoon at 4.00 o'clock in Room 8 Engineering C.

SOPHOMORE MEETING

The Sophomore class meeting will be held tomorrow noon at 1.30 instead of at 1.10 as stated in a previous issue of the Tech. Important business will be taken up and a full attendance is desired.

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SOCCER FOOTBALL

There will be a meeting Monday in 16 Rogers of all men who are interested in the formation of a soccer football team at Technology. All men who have ever played soccer are urged to be present. Plans for the coming season will be talked over. Manager I. W. Young has arranged the following schedule:

- October 23—Harvard at Cambridge.
- October 30—Harvard freshmen at Cambridge.
- November 3—Andover at Andover.
- November 13—Harvard freshmen at Cambridge.
- December 4—Middlesex School at Concord, Mass.

A few more games will probably be arranged.

FRESHMAN DUES

There will be a short meeting of the collectors of the freshman class tomorrow at 1.00 P. M. in 21 Rogers. At this time the receipt books will be given out, and the work discussed. It is important that the collector for each section be present.

GYM TEAM

All men who intend to come out for the Gym Team are urged to be present at the T. C. A. reception to the freshmen, at 7.45 P. M. on Friday. The manager will give an outline of the coming season. A number of college meets have already been arranged. Previous experience in gymnastics is unnecessary.

EDITORIAL

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While 605 was not a majority of the total number of students it indicated the attitude of the student body beyond peradventure. Acting upon this information the Institute Committee appointed the present Blanket Tax Committee to carry into effect the will of the student body in the way which seemed best to them. It was unnecessary and unjustifiable that the committee should have worked the hand-bills in the way that they did. While the method adopted may have raised the money more quickly, it would have been more in keeping with the spirit of Technology to have placed the matter squarely before the new students as an edict of the student body. The three dollars, regarded merely as an investment is money well spent; and when the additional fact is considered that it has gone to support an activity which every loyal Technology man heartily believes in, there can be no cause for regret.

The continued neglect of the Union bulletin for student activities seems to indicate that the Calendar Committee has not awakened to the fact that a new Institute year has begun.

Among the missing—footralls in 23 Walker.

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COMMUNICATION

To the Editor-in-Chief of The Tech:
As chairman of the Blanket Tax Committee I wish to reply to the communication in Wednesday's issue, and to explain what seems to be a misunderstanding. Either Mr. Wenzel or myself have certainly been misinformed.

As the notice referred to states, the Institute Committee voted to ASSESS a blanket TAX of three dollars—that is the way the minutes of the meeting read. If Mr. Wenzel can in any way reconcile the words "assess" and "tax" with "voluntary subscription," he certainly has a different understanding of the English language than I have. So far as the spirit of the thing is concerned, it was my understanding while the discussion was going on last year, and I believe this impression was fairly general, that it was to be a "tax," pure and simple. If Mr. Wenzel means that we cannot collect this tax in case a man refuses to pay, well and good, but the Institute Committee can, and last year apparently intended to, so shape public opinion that every man will feel it his duty to pay the tax. The notice, as I look at it, was false neither in facts, of which apparently Mr. Wenzel did not fully inform himself, nor in spirit. If it has created the impression that the Institute authorities themselves were behind the scene it is to be regretted.

The previous communication also makes certain generalizations concerning the pernicious nature of the harm done. Just what this was and where it comes in I fail to see. So far as I am able to determine, the only harm done, and it remains to be seen how pernicious it will be—is in Mr. Wenzel's opposition—at a time when the blanket tax needs the united support of all the prominent men of the Institute.

Very truly,
CHARLES W. LOOMIS.

FIELD DAY

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sary for more men to come out. The work that will be required is not difficult and the winning candidate gets his numerals and a sweater.

Although it is too early to say anything definite regarding relay, the prospects for both classes are bright. So far sixteen freshmen have reported out for relay of which three men have shown good form even at this early date. More men are needed, however, for in previous years sixty or sixty-five men have come out and this number is none too large to pick a team of twelve men from. The freshman also have three men doing regular Cross Country work, one man specializing in the hammer throw and another in the high jump.

The Sophomores have had eight men out so far, seven veterans and one man who did not come out last year. In previous years the Sophomores have been the first to respond to Coach Kanaly's call for relay candidates but this year it is just the opposite.

There was a meeting of candidates

for the Sophomore tug-of-war team yesterday in the Union at which there were only about twenty men. Captain Burton is anxious to get all the heavy men of the class who do not play football out for the team this year. There is a good chance for men who did not come out last year to make the team as several of last year's men are not back at school. Practice will start tonight at the Gym at 4 o'clock. The men should bring old clothes and a strong pair of shoes to wear at practice.

T. C. A. RECEPTION
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- 9. Gym Team—H. Mendelsohn, '16, Captain.
- 10. Hockey and Soccer—I. W. Young, '17, Manager.
- 11. Crew—Paul H. Duff, '16, Manager.
- 12. Fencing—W. M. Shakespear, '16, Captain.
- 13. Field Day—N. E. Tourtellote, '17, Manager of Track Team.
- 14. The T. C. A.—A. G. Cushman, General Secretary.

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COMBINED MUSICAL CLUBS

(This is the second of a series of articles of particular interest to freshmen. Succeeding articles, which will appear in future issues, will contain histories and detailed explanations of the various prominent activities of the Institute.)

The Institute is at present represented by three musical clubs,—the Glee Club, the Banjo Club and the Mandolin Club,—all organized under an association known as the Combined Musical Clubs. Of these three components the Glee Club, founded in 1884, is the oldest. In 1886 a combined Mandolin, Banjo and Guitar Club was founded, but this later merged into the Mandolin and Banjo Clubs of today.

The membership of each Club comprises fifteen to thirty men chosen from all classes without restriction other than competitive ability. The tryouts are held usually about two weeks after registration and are judged by a committee composed of the leaders and managers of the different clubs and the professional coaches which have charge of the bi-weekly rehearsals.

The officers comprise a general-manager and secretary-treasurer of the Combined Clubs, and a manager and leader for each of the separate organizations. The leaders are chosen by vote of the Clubs at the Spring Banquet and the managers, who collectively comprise the managing board, select their own successors.

The concerts consist of the annual Winter and Spring Concerts, coming in December and April. Many outside concerts are given, often under the auspices of different societies, which give a dance after the musical program, making the evening enjoyable for the men in the Clubs.

It is the custom to hold an extended tour during the midyear vacation, the last week in January or first in February. On the trip last season the Clubs visited Montclair, N. J.; Philadelphia, Washington and Butler, Pa.; Rochester, N. Y.; Northampton and Springfield, Mass., using exactly a week for the journey. On these long trips the Clubs travel in a private Pullman and, by the reports of men who have taken them, enjoy a royal good time.

The Montclair Concert was under the auspices of the Montclair University Club and was presented at the Montclair Club. The men were

entertained at the houses of Institute alumni and their friends and enjoyed a dance after the program. At Philadelphia the opportunity was given for the inspection of various factories about the city. The concert was again followed by a dance. The next place visited was the Washington and Jefferson College Gymnasium, and after this came the Butler Concert at the home of General Manager Allen Abrams. Rochester furnished the climax of the trip, the concert meeting with an enthusiastic reception. The men were guests of the prominent officials of the Eastman Kodak Works and, besides having a chance to inspect the plant, were tendered a luncheon at the Kodak Park plant. The tour terminated with the Northampton and Springfield concerts on Saturday.

The General Manager of the Combined Clubs for the current year is Wendell B. Ford, '17, Course IV, of New Bedford. E. M. Woodward, '17, Course IV, of Odom, Ill., is Secretary-Treasurer. M. M. Brandegec, '16, Course X, of Plainfield, N. J., leads the Mandolin Club and R. Stewart Rowlett, '16, Course VI, of Brookline, leads the Banjo Club. The managers of the various Clubs are: P. G. Woodward, '17, of the Banjo Club; P. N. Dinkins, '18, of the Mandolin Club, and P. W. Carr, '18, of the Glee Club.

During the summer these men have all been working in connection with the itinerary of this year's concert program and the mid-year trip. According to present indications the trip will probably again cover the state of Pennsylvania.

The final event of the Clubs' year is the annual dinner coming toward the last of April. At this time the names of the new officers are announced. Last year it was decided that men who had served on the Clubs for two years with a good record should be allowed to wear the Clubs' charm. One of these charms is on exhibition in the trophy case in the Union.

Fuller details of the immediate plans will be announced at the Smoker to be held next Tuesday in the Union.

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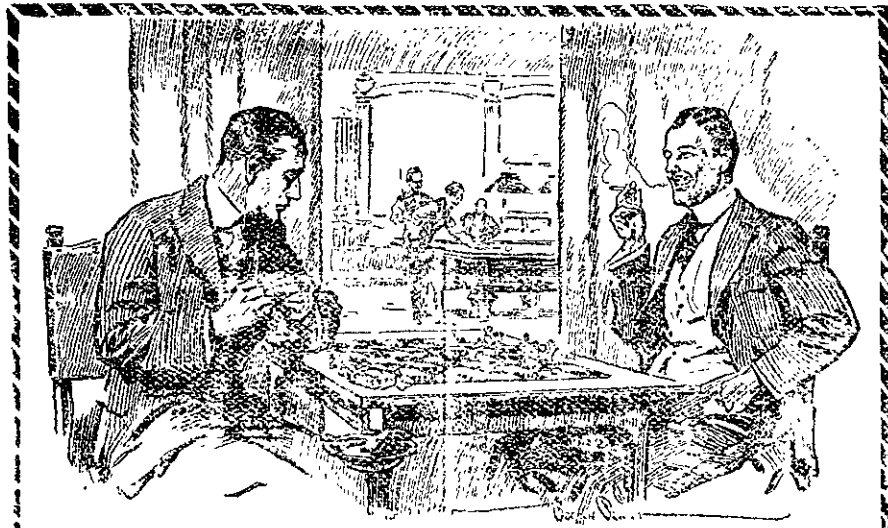
this to cover all expenses including the seven smokers proposed, and if possible a tea dance to be given during Junior week. This system is a new departure. Freshmen will be admitted, as it is felt that they will thus be enabled to keep in touch with the advanced men as well as gain a more comprehensive knowledge of what may be required of them in following years.

After the speaking refreshments were served. The rest of the time was spent by the seventy-five present in remarking upon the work of last year, which had been posted up about the studio.

TRACK NOTICES

The competition for second assistant Manager of the Varsity Track Team will be started today. It is open only to members of the class of 1919. The position, when attained, leads to that of Assistant Manager in the Sophomore year and Manager in the Junior year. All desiring to enter the competition will meet in the Track office in the Union today at either 1 or 4 o'clock.

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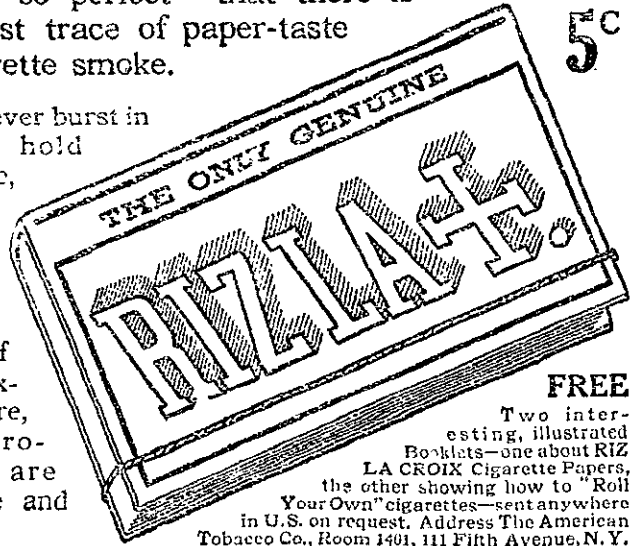
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entire distance; the third squad is made up of the experienced runners of last year who will keep up a fast pace. The three parties will start in the order named so at the finish all will be well bunched.

The men who have already reported are: Brown, Guething, Harrington, Litchfield, Brock, Wall, Dodge, Parker, McVicker, Hamilton, Graff, Best, and Gray of last year's squad; McCarton, of Andover; R. Meade, from Harvard's team of last year; Bent, from Worcester; and among other candidates, Rosensler, Whitaker, Whaley, Stevens, Leonard, Grunsfeld, Munford and Ramback. But few freshmen have reported to date and Bradley of last season's team has not come out as yet.

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