PROMINENT SPEAKERS

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March 3, 1879. under the act of Congress of Massachusetts, known around the Institute, due to the fact that the field of their activities is usually outside of Boston. The question of whether a member of the Musical Clubs can specialize in some other activity is not easy to decide; it seems doubtful in view of the comparatively large number of homes a week required in rehearsals and concerts. There is a very important consideration, however, which cannot be overlooked. The Musical Clubs and the Track Team afford the Institute its practically only means of outside advertising, and it is in this role that the Clubs perform an invaluable service. The renewal of a warm spirit and a love for their Alma Mater characterized the visits of the clubs in every city where they appeared before Alumni audiences. There is no more potent factor in binding together our Alumni, and it seems that this reason should suffice to place the Clubs in the same class with the Track Team whose members are allowed to carry more than ten points when some of those points are due to Track. At this period, one of utmost importance from the standpoint of the students' college work, many of the men unfortunately are sufferers from the epidemic of 'grip' which is now current. A large number of men who are attacked attend classes in spite of the handicap of work under such conditions, and it follows that they cannot accomplish as much as if they were in health, however able they may usually be. On this account there would seem to be the best of reasons for making allowance in the marking of examination papers for poor work due to this cause. This, of course, does not apply to the cases of 'grip' contracted while overlooking nine o'clock recitations or forgetting the home assignment; on the other hand, a man suffering from a real attack is justified in asking a liberal rating for the written work which he is able to do.

The deliberate disregard for the Point System, the provisions of which are every year violated by a considerable number of influential undergraduates who should uphold rather than defy the laws of the student body, seems entirely without justification. It was the painful duty of the Point System Committee at the last Institute Committee meeting to report fourteen men carrying anywhere from eleven to thirteen points. The offenders have not only violated the activities for which they are working but they have created a lot of unnecessary work for the Institute Committee. In the opinion of those who have watched the working of the Point System from year to year and have given the subject careful consideration the ratings should be made first upon the consideration of honor and second upon the consideration of scholarship. Five of the fourteen offenders, it seems, are carrying a miscellaneous number of activities and they have been told to reduce their points to the required ten. The other nine are overpointed due either to Technique, the Musical Clubs, or both these activities. It will be remembered that some time ago Tech- nique petitioned to have their points rerated upon a basis of required work. They overstated the fact that a position on Technique generally stamps a man as among the ablest in his class and thereby gives him a great deal of prestige. It is, perhaps, unjust to rate every one on the Board of eight points, but whatever reductions are made the question of honor should always be given first consideration. The case of the Musical Clubs is different. It is so difficult to get enough men out for the Clubs that there are comparatively few overpoints made. Thus the honor due to competition is almost entirely missing, except in the case of the officers, and, moreover, the men are not as well known around the Institute, due to the fact that the field of their ac-

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MUSICAL CLUBS TRIP
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talks where the next concert will be
staged in the New Century Club Hall
under the auspices of the Alumni As-
sociation.

On Wednesday morning the men will
take the private Pullman leaving
for Schenectady, N. Y. Here the Alumni
Association will hold the con-
cert in the Edison Club Hall. Thurs-
day morning the party will proceed
to Pittsfield where the Alumni will
manage the affair, to be held in the
Masonic Temple. Dances will follow
Thursday morning the party will pro-
ceed to Springfield and leave
afternoon the Alumni Association.

The clubs will appear in Sprin-
gfield, Mass., on Saturday evening un-
der the auspices of the Alumni As-
sociation. The men will be enter-
tained Saturday night by the Alumni
friends in Springfield and leave
Sunday morning for Boston, thus
completing a trip of approximately
one thousand miles.

RADIO CLUB BANQUET
PROVES A SUCCESS

List Of Speakers Includes Men
Well Known In The Radio Field.

Last evening the Wireless Society
held an informal banquet in the Uni-

on after which Dr. Pierce of Har-
vard, Professor Kenneth of Harvard
and Technology, Mr. H. C. Gav-
ler, Radio Inspector of this district, spoke to the members. W. J. Henry,
'18, acted as toastmaster in the ab-

ence of C. G. Holt, '17, president of
the club.

After the banquet Mr. H. A. Effel,
who is conducting research work in
measuring resistance of radio circuits,
related a short history of the club
since he first became connected with it six or seven years ago. He stated that
never before has such an inter-

est been taken as has been manifested this year.

The next speaker, Mr. H. C. Gav-

er, explained the position of the
amateur operator at the present time.
He explained the many benefits to
be obtained from wireless work among which are the unlimited field which it offers for experimentation
and the recreation which it offers to
the student. He touched upon the
fact that in a school of this sort such
work is a side line yet in time of
war its uses and opportunities will
be infinite. Since the laws re-

stricting amateur communication were passed, interference has been
almost completely eliminated and the
amateur is placed upon his own re-

sponsibility.

Dr. Pierce of Harvard explained that
the many problems which have
been solved have been done by the
amateur. He stated that work along
these lines involved a large amount
of advanced mathematics which ev-

everyone who enters the field does not
possess. He then touched upon his
experiments and said that in his lab-

oratory recently he had copied Ger-
many steadily for three hours on a
tape machine without a mistake. By
means of a trigger arrangement he
was enabled to light up a large Geiss-

ler tube with the energy radiated
from Germany five thousand miles
away.

Professor Kenneth, head of the re-
search department of Harvard and
Technology, was the next speaker. He
told of the difficulties of bringing
the use of wireless before the public
and explained what a help its use
in apprehending criminals like Dr.
Crippen as well as its use in ship-
wrecks had been. He stated that
the professionals had no time to take
up the solution of present day prob-
lems and that they were left to the
amateur.

Recently wireless telephone com-

munication was carried on from Ar-
lington with points in latitudes sev-
enty degrees away and when the
ninety degree line is passed there
seems to be no limit to its accom-
plishments of radio work.

SHOW NOTICE
All candidates for the position of
First Assistant Stage Manager of the
Tech Show will report in the Show
Office Wednesday at 4:30 o'clock.
One of the athletic features at Dartmouth College is the annual winter carnival, which consists of athletic and other entertainments. This winter's events will be held on February 10, 11, 12, and the athletic features will be a hockey game on Alumni Oval on February 11, with preliminary heats of the intercollegiate ski and snowshoe competitions. The final will be contested the next afternoon. O. G. Paulson of New Hampshire State College will give an exhibition on skis and in the evening there will be a basketball game between Yale and Dartmouth. An unsuccessful attempt was recently made to flood the newly-built hockey rink at Maine University. The system of drainage did not work so that the water could not be prevented from seeping into the ground. More trials, however, will be made as soon as the weather becomes colder.

The Engineering Society of Brown University was recently addressed by E. B. Thrasher, Proprietor and Manager of the Employment Company, and has a great deal of experience in the employment of men. The Chemical Society had this subject of talk Friday. The Chemical Society will hold its next meeting on Monday, January 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the Union, and the meeting will be subject of the meeting, and would have graduated from Course III in June, and would have graduated from Course III in June, and had he remained.

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For the purpose of discussing a plan for the introduction of voluntary military training, similar to that at the Institute, at the University of Pennsylvania, a meeting of undergraduates and alumni will be held on January 6. Negotiations with the War Department at Washington have been carried as far as they can be until the next step is taken by the students and University authorities.