Radium Found In Building 22 Doses Students

Radio Hams Exposed To Dangerous Element For Nearly Two Weeks

Three residents of the Building 22 dormitories were dangerously exposed to a powerful dose of radium for a period of over ten days. It was learned last Monday that Frits Grodén, '36, Robert Quentry, '36, and Donald Parmelee, '36, were given blood counts at Homberg in-fermary to make sure they had suf-fered no effects from the radium stored while working in one of

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SMITH COLLEGE WATER BALLET

GREEN PAPER

To Aid Students To Get On Water Ballet Here

On February 28, the Technology varsity swimming team will play host to the Smith College Life Guard Team. The girls will put on two water ballet performances for the Techmen, one at 4 p.m., and the other at 8 p.m. in the Alumni Pool. Tickets are $0.25 and $0.50 respectively.

The "Swans" a luminous "light out" performance, and other swimming stunts and exhibitions will be featured by the girls, under the direction of Miss Gertrude Geiss. At intermission, the Technology swimming team will play in a relay against the Smith team, with a horserace taken-off from the a.m.

For the past two years, the Smith College team have borrowed the pool for similar water performances. This year, however, the Technology team has been invited to use the "Swan" pool for their act.

T.C.A. May Sell Tech Cabin To Y Recently, the T.C.A. was informed by the Cambridge Y that it would be happy to purchase the T.C.A. YMCA. Although the T.C.A. YMCA presents this, there is little doubt the T.C.A. can do but give in, as the Y is very well located.

Due to the ill will the T.C.A. has received, both through groups that cannot be accommodated in the cabin because it is locked and is being disturbed, and through violation of certain rules and even destruction of property, it has been decided to sell the cabin.

Nevertheless, the T.C.A. intends to protect the proceeds from the sale if they sell the cabin in another property (probably two on a property)

However, those believe such a cabin should be sponsored by a more related student activity, as the Y has. The T.C.A. is being asked if it is presently considering the TCA for $1.35 for each couple that uses the cabin.

Faculty Votes Overwhelmingly To Keep Compulsory Athletics For Remainder Of This Year

Walker Invaded By 400 Women

"Spring Fancy" Dance Features Technicians

400 women from nine women's colleges in the city will be dancing at the present at the Dormitory Dance Committee office in Building 10 and the T.C.A. office in Walker Memorial.

Freshman Proposal To Warrant Study For Change In Year

By FRANK HEAR '32

In a meeting held Wednesday, February 13, the faculty committees turned over to the freshman dormitory the fresh men's petition to discontinue the current year and present for more forceful arguments can be prepared for the current AI and AI courses will be continued.

Professor Rules, faculty advisor to the Student Faculty Committee, very highly regarded the arguments to the committee. It was stated by members of the committee that the freshman dormitory is well prepared and presented but that it will have to be supplemented by other considerations.

To Keep Dancing

In essence the faculty told that this was no time to scrap the new courses for, by all indications and Instructors will be available to fresh men and faculty facilitate the present course.

Annotating Dean C. M. Baker, the freshmen petition and now be presented to the Committee on the Academic Calendar for further study with a view to possible changes in the course next year.

Why Athletics?

In addition to the petition of the freshman proposers, a member of the faculty asked what the students were doing when they attend a technical school as to find out whether a technical education should require athletics. He has informed the students that Technology requires English, and English is not actually "tech- nical," the implication being that student's education in Technology because both were considered very important.

In a statement made after the committee meeting, Dean C. M. Baker, Secretary of the Freshman Class, (Continued on Page 4)

UNLIMITED COURSE CHOICE IS PROBABLE

Program Opens To Aid Fresh Course Selection

In order to aid freshmen in the selection of their course, a program designed to present in brief the various courses has been undertaken. Dean Thomas F. Rule and Professor John W. Rule, who is in charge of the program, believe that no course should be limited in en-rollment next semester. The only reason for not taking a course is that the student is not interested in the course.

The program will consist of a series of little lectures and valuable exhibits in Building 7. Nine of the lexicographer will present the opportunities in their particu-lar field in the lectures. The lec-tures will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Mon-days, electric lighting will be turned on in both the departments of the departments have made available for the students who are taking their choice of course.

Some time during April the fres-hmen will be asked to fill out cards indicating their choice of course. This is not a final decision. The purpose of this poll is to give the student an opportunity to express himself freely and to gather a personally conducted opinion of the department. For the purpose of this poll, the freshmen will be asked to fill out the cards under the guidance of their instructors, and have a personal interview with the instructor. The cards will be collected on certain days in order that space and personal may be advisable.

No application of any faculty was made to any students to this point in order that space and personal may be advisable.

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RULERS AND REGULATIONS

Rules and regulations are obviously needed in the proper administration of the activities of this group. However, while the lack of necessary regulations may lead to an undesirable situation, the same result may also be arrived at from an excess of restrictions.

A large number of regulations can only be tolerated when it is recognized that a minimum is a definite and vital importance in the over-all administration of student activities. Too many restrictions can easily stifle all initiative and group spirit. Red tape is quite comparable to a pit of quicksand—initiative and progress can be smothered in it.

The Walker Memorial Committee has, over the years, accumulated regulatory powers over a considerable segment of student life. This accumulation of power has also seen the growth of rules and regulations. However, it may be the time the Walker Memorial Committee should publish "Blue Book," a half-finch thick, 8 1/2 x 11" notebook, contains the sum total of these laws.

The question which arises is not of the relative "goodness" or "badness" of these rules, but rather of their number and content. Any system so far as an over-privileged graduate of Harvard Law School might just set himself up as a specialist in Walker Memorial Committee regulations, and thereby make himself a tidy sum catering to the undergraduate activities.

It would then seem that every effort should be made at the present time to simplify regulations, rather than add to the "Blue Book," and to have as few regulations as necessary should be models of brevity and clarity.

The logical place for a start is with the Points System which, if properly considered, and the demand as necessary should be models of brevity and clarity.

The idea of a points system is good, but too much operation has shown the mechanics to be poor. The greatest obstacle is in the determination of the number of points to be awarded for proper positions. Any attempt to make a comedy between the importance of an activity and the amount of work required by an executive—obviously the two factors do not always go hand in hand.

The Institute Committee has differentiated between activities by an "A" and "B" classification. A regulation, preventing an individual from being the head of both a Class A and B activities, would be the most simple solution.

Here is an excellent solution for instituting a change to simple, yet efficient laws.
Squash Team Meets Trinity At Alumni Pool Courts Today

Technology's varsity squash team clashes with the Trinity College quintet today at 4:00 p.m. at the Alumni Field House courts. Seven men from each team will compete in the matches, which begin at 4 p.m. Captain Crawford MacDonald, Tom Tomlinson, and Marine Whaley will compete in the "B" class. Brauns has a record for the season of 11 wins and 4 losses, Brauns will be one of the four men who will play in the Massachusetts Squash Racquets Association "B" class. Brauns has

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5,000 Letters Flood N.S.A.

Foreign Students Seek Pen pals in America

Letters—5,000 of them—are the cause of the present dilemma of the New Student Association. Another 50,000 letters are in the post office awaiting reply from the local N.S.A.

Letters are sent from Germans and Australians, ages six to 80, who are anxious to correspond with students in American colleges and universities. The American, British, French, and German states are represented in the mail recently received by the N.S.A.

Letters of General Interest

By means of the correspondence program, the N.S.A. is able to contact newsmen in Germany as well as by the short-wave program. "Voice of America" is a program of the Army and the Navy Department, and has great potential in drawing attention to American people, as well as lessening the fear concerning the exchange of letters.

A personal of the letters reveals that some of the letters were written in such subjects as technical master, sports, religion, nursing, and geography, to mention only a few. It is believed that the slight majority of the letters were written in English and French.

Contact N.S.A.

All students and faculty employees who are interested in correspondence should come to the N.S.A. office in the basement of Walker Memorial in order to make a personal choice of correspondents. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Mondays and 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on other weekdays.

Radium

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Locals and students who have been receiving the letters could not believe that the group was no more than a normal clinical disease. The radium was being used to help calibrate luminous instrument shells in experiments carried out by a group under the Division of Industrial Cooperation in connection with Professor J. R. Zacharias. The scientific cooperation aims at using the radium for the purpose of coming over the roof in the production of radium. The heavy snow had kept them from doing this until Monday; when they discovered the radio equipment.

No Warnings

According to the New Student Association, there was no sign of any sort warning of dangerous radioactivity, and the door to the school was unlocked. The room had an unusual odor, and from the nature of its construction, and the finding of radioactive equipment in the room, it is believed that the radium was used for research purposes. The radium itself was in small platinum pellets about an inch long and 1/16 inch thick. When the technique of looking for the radium, they discovered one of the pellets, but found it under a table after a hurried search with a Gieger counter. However, they discovered one of the pellets without the radium itself was in small platinum pellets about an inch long and 1/16 inch thick. When the technique of looking for the radium, they discovered one of the pellets, but found it under a table after a hurried search with a Gieger counter. However, they discovered one of the pellets without the radium itself. When the radium pellets were discovered, the radium was not changed but merely clarified.

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Track at Briggs Field Saturday

Northeastern and Tech will clash on the Briggs Field boards this afternoon at 2:00 p.m. for the first dual meet of the indoor track season.

A close contest is expected between Coach Oscar Hedlund, while Bob Howe, field event mentor, seems to think that Tech is a slight favorite.

The Raiders and Huskies have been equal in the athletic program that is not changed but merely clarified. There is a certain amount of gen-

eral educational opportunity offered in the athletic program that is not offered elsewhere at the institute. Certainly there will be a few that will not be reached by the program but the majority desiring a competi-

ting compulsion of the athletics will derive real benefit from it in the way of increased athletic interest and ability.

Bowdoin Defeats Seton 8-5, With Last Period Spurt

A third period, five goal spurt by Bowdoin, last Monday night at the arena, forced the Tech hockey team to its seventh league defeat in a score of 8-5. With only five minutes and sixty seconds left, with Boston College and Northeastern, the saber has been virtually eliminated from the championship playoffs in March.

Tech got off to an early 3-2 lead when Bill Morris, Dan Les, and Gerry Walkover dropped goals to start which looked like a Tech runaway.

During the second period the Polar Bears skated all around the Beaver net but through lack and the goal tending of Jack Adams failed to score. The only assistance the Cascade goals were added in the period came when Bowdoin made a man short, Captain Bill Thompson making the extra defense, bowdoin back into the game midway through the period but Bowdoin soon got the game in ties with two last minute goals as the game ended 8-3.

Military Backdrop Highlights Formal

Decorations at Ball

Include MS Armaments

Its activities interrupted by the war, the Technology unit of Bow-

haz and Blade is about to return to its mission, which by grace of a formal dance be held on Thursday evening, February 27. The plans visualize almost 500 couples dancing from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. to the strains of the Technicians. The dance is to be held in appropriately decorated Morrill Hall.

Prior to the war the annual bowling and Blade Military Ball was considered one of the highlights of the social season at Technology. As there was no advanced MS organization in colleges during the war, the company was discontinued temporarily. However, with the recent resurrection of the advanced course the Military Backdrop and Blade is in again making it bid for its previous position.

The decorations for Morrill Hall will include various armaments and equipment from the MS Department. At intermission the recently initiated members will receive recognition of their membership in the technology and Blade. The dance will be special as either formal or military.

Varsity Baseball

All are interested in participating on the projected varsity baseball team this spring. A team will be selected outside the Athletic Association office, room 3-107.

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