There has certainly been ample provision made in the lower general reading room and in the drawing rooms for all such outside work; no excuse, therefore, can be made for thus violating the comfort and right of others. Moreover, the space which has been reserved especially for men in Course IX., should in all cases be unmolested, inasmuch as the large amount of reading necessary in the work of that course, renders suitable opportunity for it imperative. In the future greater care should be taken in this matter by those who have been at fault, and all who use the library, either for reading or for taking out books, would do well to keep this in mind.

It seems to be a matter of general complaint among Course VI. men that the periodicals in the Physical Department are not kept on general file in the Electrical Library. At present these journals are kept in the office of room 10, Walker, and their whereabouts are known to practically none beside the Seniors, while even these feel that to go into the office to consult them is bordering on intrusion. The file is so complete, and of such importance to the whole course, that it would certainly seem proper to keep the periodicals in a more accessible place.

The speech of Professor Dippold upon the work and purposes of the Deutscher Verein, which appeared in the last number of The Tech, should at once put a stop to the alleged feelings of opposition between the French and German Societies. These societies have so much in common, and the success of each is so much to be desired, that not the slightest doubt as to their friendly relations should be allowed to remain. The words of Professor Dippold state clearly the aims of the Department of Modern Languages, and its desire to support all such enterprises of the students. The Tech joins in wishing the societies every success.

The list of theses, as it has appeared from week to week, shows in the most conclusive manner the work and methods of the Institute. Without upholding the principle of granting a degree for the large part on the efficiency shown by students in original thesis work, it may still be said that in no other way is the practical preparation of Technology graduates made more evident. To the graduates themselves the list will be one to be valued as indicating the work of fellow students. The list is at once thorough, and representative of the different courses, and to undergraduates especially must be valuable as suggesting the nature and the amount of work to be required of them.

Frenchmen are noted for the zeal and enthusiasm which they show in all their undertakings. The members of L'Avenir would do well to imitate in this respect the people whose language they are trying to cultivate. Now that the plays are over, little interest is shown in the society, and only a few members come to its meetings. The primary object of the society,—to improve the French of its members and give them opportunities to speak it, is being neglected. The production of a play is certainly a good way of doing this, but plays cannot be given continually, and between times the society should not be allowed to die out. It seems a pity that a society which showed so much energy at the start should be allowed to sink into oblivion after its first success; such will be the case unless more interest is shown. Every student who speaks French should join the society and attend the meetings, then we need have no fear about its future.

It is certainly a matter of regret that more energy has not been displayed among the artistic men of Technology in submitting further designs for a gold Tech pin. As the designs