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1912 DISTANCE RUN
Will be Held Great Tech Course Tomorrow Afternoon

Yeshmna, cross-country enthusiasts are getting into shape to give the sophomores a good run in the annual dust class race. A good number turned out for the hare and bound run last Saturday. It is being generally realized that the best way to keep in shape for distance running is by attending the hare and bound runs. The run this week is a direct preparation for the handicap cross-country race to be held Nov. 26, and will be over the course on which the race is to be run. This will be an easy jog and all the men will run in one squad, so as to study the course, and to get it in. P. H. Hunter, 1902, who laid out the course, will run with the men. The handicap entry stations are to be 2-22 P. M. Round trip fare is 25 cents.

Couch Ranally wants to have at least as good, and if possible a better cross-country team next year than this year’s team has proved to be. This will only be possible if a large number of men come out for cross-country work. The handicap race is especially for the new men, and they will receive sufficiently large handicaps to make it almost certain that a new man will pull first prize. The limit is time enough to insert about a mile start on the scratch men. Three prizes are given to four men making the best times. These prizes are given to four men making the best times get their “”Tc”. Every one who is not out on the hare and bound runs will be in shape for this race and should not miss this chance of getting an immediate medal or his cross-country insignia.

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HEALTH BOARD'S WORK

Those who attended the dinner of the Biological Society at the Petit Cafe, Trim Street, yesterday evening, expressed an address by Prof. Richards, head of the bacteriological laboratory of the Boston board of health. Prof. Richards has just resigned his position for a move in another one as director of the laboratories of the state board of health of Ohio, so that there will be little opportunity of hearing him in the future.

Mr. Richards spoke particularly of the work done in the Boston board of health laboratory, of the opportunities for tech men in the city health work and of the general requisites for success. He said that three branches of work were being conducted in the Boston board of health: the diagnosis of human and animal diseases, the study of speeial diseases, and that of the conservation of animals and of the various aspects of the conservation of human health. The former two, he said, have always been the dominant ones, and that of the conservation of human health, particularly diphtheria, the board has organized a system of distributing stations, usually drug stores, with submitting orders and numerous other studies, dissections, diseases, and their causes. For the diagnosis of human diseases, particularly diphtheria, the board has organized a system of distributing stations, of course, necessary for making a diagnosis, and trying by means of research work to learn our knowledge of various infections, diseases, and their causes. This work has been carried on by means of investiga- tions into the morphology of the diphtheria bacillus, the isolation and study of the bacillus, which, though not directly practical, serves to keep the work and the board from falling into the rut of established custom.

As to the requirements for success in scientific and engineering work, Mr. Richards said that he believed experience, ability, personal honesty, tact, and judgment were the use of the laboratory, particularly in the laboratory work, as highly desirable and of great value to the biological and sanitary engineer.

At the close of Mr. Richards’ address Professors Belknap and Proust read letters from MenNitt and Wells, former members of the biological society, who are now engaged in scientific work and then present addressed to the meeting, and it is hoped that many will find opportunity to attend at least one of the sessions. There is no charge for admission.

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