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DR. R. P. BIGELOW SPEAKS ON LIBRARIES

Addresses Undergraduates On Library System At The Institute

Text books soon become out of date, but periodicals never do, for in them you may find what has been done in the past.

Dr. Robert P. Bigelow, librarian of the Institute, addressed a large audience in 6 Lowell yesterday morning on this subject and on the proper use of libraries.

The libraries of the Institute, although composing one large library, are under different roofs and although connected with certain departments are open to the use of all. The General Library on the first floor of Rogers, contains, besides the encyclopedias, many works of fiction and biography. At the side are the periodicals, which, from one of the most important parts of the library, for the bound volumes form a permanent addition. Such volumes are of great value, for they cannot be replaced, and by consulting them, men will be prevented from repeating the mistakes of others, and learn what has been done.

With the numerous American and English magazines in the General Library are a few weeklies in French, German and Spanish, some of a humorous nature, upon which a few moments spent in spare moments will materially help one to perfect a knowledge of a foreign language. Besides these are two others worthy of notice, Atlantic Science Monthly and Science, a weekly. Watch for new books and magazines and keep in touch with what is going on in the technical world.

If attention is confined to the departmental library connected with your course; much valuable material will lie unconsulted on allied subjects in other libraries. An electrical engineer interested in power development, will find in the Engineering Library in Engineering A, much information on hydraulics, buildings and steam. In the Physics Library there is much on the fundamental principles of his subject. In the Chemical and Mining Libraries, much more on the uses of electricity in chemistry, mining, hoisting and ore dressing.

The libraries are catalogued by the decimal system, invented by Mr. Melville Dewey of New York State Library. Under this system, all human knowledge is divided into nine classes, and these in turn are capable of infinite subdivision.

There are many indexes of current literature and to these the students should go for information on any subject.

SHOW BUZZ WAGON

To Have Precedence Over All Others At Field

On account of the relations between the show and the Athletic Association, Major Briggs has decided to give the Show Buzz Wagon precedence over all others at the Field on Friday. As there are a good many cars going out, this will mean a decided advantage to all those fortunate enough to ride in this machine. It is possible that the Show Buzz may even be allowed to take up its stand across the Field directly in

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TECH NIGHT PLANS HAVE BEEN FINISHED

Sophomores Will Leave Union For The Field In Buzz Wagons

As Tech Night at the Colonial theatre approaches the available supply of tickets is diminishing very rapidly. All the seats in the hands of the Theatre Committee have been turned back to the Colonial theatre box office and all seats must be gotten there or from the various agencies about Boston. The checks gotten from the theatre committee must be exchanged for regular seats before Friday noon. This must be done at the Union as no seats will be exchanged at the Colonial box office.

The Union Dining Room Committee has decided to have a lunch at noon Friday to which Miss Janis and the members of the chorus in the "Fair Co-Ed" were invited. Miss Janis will be unable to be present on account of an engagement in New York which she did not know about when she accepted the invitation to lunch at the Union. The members of the chorus have no other engagements, however, and they will be present.

Immediately after the lunch at the Union, the chorus and sophomores will leave from the Union in several Buzz Wagons. Miss Janis will probably be able to appear at the Field before the games start.

The sophomore and freshmen teams have been enabled to secure two sections of seats for their own use and the men who are on them are assured of good seats. As is customary, the theatre will be decorated with 191 flags, and the streamers of the class colors. The freshmen have the balcony seats as in previous years, while 1912 have the whole orchestra center. The seniors and juniors having the orchestra, right and left.

PERSONAL HYGIENE

Lectures Are Completed--Gym Work To Begin At Once

The last of the series of lectures on Personal Hygiene was given in Huntington Hall, yesterday afternoon, by Dr. White. Four weeks ago the talks were begun by Prof. Sedgwick. As he is the head of the biological department, his point of view was much different than has been that of the subsequent speakers. His lectures were intended to introduce the topics of the later lectures.

On the following Wednesday, Dr. Sargent of Harvard spoke. Being at the head of the physical department, he naturally had many interesting and helpful points to bring out.

The last two talks were given by Dr. White, the medical adviser of the Institute. He went more into detail than the other men had done. They had compared the body to a delicate machine which must be kept in condition at all times. But Dr. White took up uses of the body and bodily functions and their care. In all, the talks have been well attended.

The object of the lectures has been to furnish some work preliminary to the beginning of the freshmen physical training in the Gym. This will begin on the Monday after Field Day, and all first year students are required to take it.

INSTITUTE COMMITTEE HOLDS MEETING

New Institute Committee Elects Officers And Discusses Improvements

The Institute Committee held its second meeting of this term yesterday. This was the first meeting of the newly elected committee, and its officers for the year were elected. R. F. Goodwin, president of the senior class, was elected president of the Institute Committee; S. B. Copeland, president of the junior class, vice-president; and A. Eicher, sophomore class president, secretary. Although there is no ruling to this effect, it is an understood fact that offices of president, vice-president and secretary of the Institute Committee are to be held by the presidents of the three lower classes.

A ruling was made today which will prevent men from being elected to the committee and not doing any work upon it or even attending its meetings. Any member who is absent from three consecutive meetings will, after this, be asked to resign his position. The vacancy thus made will be filled from the class in which the vacancy occurs, the method depending upon the class constitution. W. C. Salisbury in speaking in this point urged the members to work and show spirit and make themselves felt.

T. A. Dewey 1909, and R. H. Allen 1909, reported on the finances of the Institute committee. The principal expenses are for stamps, stationery, etc. But this expense is covered by the annual class assessment of \$5.00. In order to hire a stenographer, however, for the use of the various activities, such as the Show, Technique, Tech and Musical clubs, these would have to be run by a single body. In other words, all the present activities in the Institute would be amalgamated under a single head. This plan was discussed, but finally dropped on account of the great difficulties to be met in the management of the activities.

The executive committee is to be elected next week. This is, perhaps, the most important body in undergraduate affairs or Institute Committee works almost entirely upon its suggestions. It is not necessary to be on the Institute Committee in order to be appointed to the executive committee, all juniors and seniors are eligible for the office.

The point system was discussed at some length, and from the number of men this year who have exceeded the maximum number of points allowed, it is thought probable that the rating of activities is not generally known. It is published in full in the book recently given to undergraduates "Concerning Massachusetts Institute of Technology." Several ratings have been changed since the printing of the book, so the ratings are published below in their complete and most recent form:—

Class A—10 Points—Editor in Chief of Technique, General Managers of Tech and Technique, President of Senior Class.

Class B—9 Points—Editor in Chief of Tech, Business Manager of the Tech, Chairman of Union Dining Room Committee, Business Manager of Technique, Business Manager of Tech Show, Stage Manager of Tech Show, President of the Junior Class, Manager of the Track Team, Executive Committee of the Institute Committee.

Class C—8 Points—Editors of The Tech, Assistant Business Manager of The Tech, Members of Technique Board, Advertising Manager of the Tech Show (during second term).

Class D—7 Points—Chairman of Union

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Y. M. C. A. SECURES GRADUATE SECRETARY

J. K. Mason, Dartmouth '09, to Take Position As Organizer Of New Work

This week the Technology branch of Y. M. C. A. starts in on its new year in earnest.

Through the efforts of the alumni, faculty and outside persons interested in the students welfare, a sum has been secured to be used as salary for a graduate secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. E. C. Worman, the college secretary for Rhode Island and Connecticut has been fortunate enough to secure Mr. J. K. Mason to fill this position. Mr. Mason is a graduate of Dartmouth 1909, and while attending his college, took a very prominent part in athletics, being member of the baseball teams and on track teams. Mr. Mason also has been working during the summer and up to last week on the Boston 1915 movement.

The work under his management is going to be pushed much more than heretofore. Beginning next Sunday, a list of prominent speakers are going to be secured. Plans are also under foot to have weekly meetings preceded by supper in the Union and followed by discussion classes.

In his work at the Institute, Mr. Mason will not only need the support of students as given by attending meetings and classes, but also the active work in helping organize and putting through undertakings of Y. M. C. A. That we can do something if we make up our minds, is shown by the subscriptions toward the new Y. M. C. A. building during last week.

1909 REUNION

Will Have Luncheon First And Then To The Field

On Field Day the class of 1909 will hold its first reunion. Before going out to the Field to witness the struggle between the freshmen and sophomore classes, 1909 will meet for lunch at 12:30 in the Union dining room. They will then leave in a body for Tech Field about 1:30.

There are about fifty 1909 fellows at the Institute and a good sized gathering is expected.

Mr. Scharff has arranged to have special Field Day lunch served, and music will be furnished by an orchestra.

CALENDAR.

Thursday, November 4.

- 1:00 P. M.—1912 Class Meeting in Huntington Hall.
- 4:15 P. M.—Banjo Club Rehearsal in 33 Rogers.
- 4:15 P. M.—Tug-of-War

Friday, November 5.

- 12:30 P. M.—1909 Reunion Lunch in Union.
- 1:00 P. M.—1912 starts for Field from Union.
- 2:00 P. M.—Field Day starts

Saturday, November 6.

- 2:00 P. M.—Entries close for Golf Tournament.
- Dinner at Union for Field Day Teams.

The Tech freshman average age is said to be 18. So old? Should have guessed about 14.—Boston Herald.