COMBINED MUSICAL CLUBS

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The Institute is at present represented by three musical clubs,—the Glee Club, the Banjo Club and the Mandolin Club,—all organized under an association known as the Combined Musical Clubs. Of these three components the Glee Club, founded in 1884, is the oldest. In 1886 a combined Musical Clubs. Of these three cert was again followed by a dance, given for the inspection of various activities of the Institute.)

The membership of each Club comprises fifteen to thirty men chosen from all classes without restriction other than competitive ability. The tryouts are held usually about two weeks after registration and are judged by a committee composed of the four assistant managers of the different clubs and the professional coaches which have charge of the bi-weekly rehearsals.

The officers comprise a general manager and secretary-treasurer of the Combined Clubs, and a manager and leader for each of the separate organizations. The leaders are chosen by vote of the Clubs at the Spring Banquet and the managers, who collectively comprise the managing board, select their own successors.

The concerts consist of the annual Winter and Spring Concerts, coming in December and April. Many out-side concerts are given, often under the auspices of different societies, which give a dance after the musical program, making the evening enjoyable for the men in the Clubs.

It is the custom to hold an extended tour during the midyear vacation, the last week in January or first in February. On the trip last season the clubs visited Montclair, N. J.; Philadelphia, Washington and Butler, Pa.; Rochester, N. Y.; Northampton and Springfield, Mass., being exactly a week for the journey. On these long trips the Clubs travel in a private Pullman and, by the reports of men who have taken these tours, enjoy a royal good time.

The Montclair Concert was under the auspices of the Montclair University Club and was presented at the Montclair Club. The men were entertained at the houses of Institute alumni and their friends and enjoyed a dance after the program. A trip to Philadelphia the opportunity was given for the inspection of various factories about the city. The concert was again followed by a dance. The next place visited was the Washington and Jefferson College gymnasium, and after this came the Butler Concert at the home of General Manager Allen Abrams. Rochester furnished the climax of the trip, the concert meeting with an enthusiastic reception. The men were guests of the prominent officials of the Eastman Kodak Works and, besides having a chance to inspect the plant, were tendered a luncheon at the Kodak Park plant. The tour terminated with the Northampton and Springfield concerts on Saturday.

The General Manager of the Combined Clubs for the current year is Waldeleth Ford, '17, of Berne, New York, R. W. Woodward, '17, Course IV, of Odum, Ill., is Secretary-Treasurer. M. M. Brandege, '16, Course IV, of Plainfield, N. J., leads the Mandolin Club and E. Steward Rowlett, '16, Course VI, of Brookline, leads the Banjo Club. The managers of the various Clubs are: C. G. Woodward, '17, of the Banjo Club; P. N. Dinkins, '18, of the Mandolin Club, and P. W. Carr, '16, of the Glee Club.

During the summer these men have all been working in connection with the itinerary of this year's concert program and the mid-year trip. According to present indications the trip will probably again cover the state of Pennsylvania.

The final event of the Clubs' year is the annual dinner coming toward the last of April. At this time the names of the new officers are announced. Last year it was decided that men who had served four years as Club officers who had served two years with a good record should be allowed to wear the Clubs' charm. One of these charms is on exhibition in the trophy case in the Union.

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