The circus committee. The question of whether or not there be a circus this year comes up again this week, when it is probable that the circus committee will present their report at the meeting of the Institute Committee.

A little consideration cannot fail to show that the hangar gym is not the best of places for the main floor space as in Walker, and in addition there is an excellent stand for spectators, besides a small stage, which would be ideal for special events without interfering with the main floor space by erecting a platform. The floor is similar to that in Walker and there is little likelihood of change to the gym, in view of its constructions.

The circus is a splendid medium for the development of Institute spirit and activity, and it is certainly to be hoped that the circus committee will recommend favorably on it.

COLLEGE MISFITS

At the recent meeting of the American Association of Colleges the point was brought up that millions of dollars were wasted annually because so many go to college and are forced to drop out sooner or later because of mental unsuitability. It was contended that the money spent upon these students is a waste.

If this be true the first question that arises is: Why do the colleges allow these incapable people to get within their portals? Is it that they are trying to strengthen their position through the mere force of numbers? Or is it that out of much chaff can be gleaned a maximum of ability.

Taken from almost any college it seems that the colleges themselves are to be taken task as being responsible for the failure of some students. Being students and subject to all entrance requirements; the colleges do not try sufficiently hard to weed out such material at an early stage.

In the army, in numerous colleges, and in industrial work psychological tests have proved that they give an accurate index of mental capacity and that many students with low intelligent quotients try to enter, and have made it possible for them to continue doing them. This is an effort that colleges can make to keep out the dead wood.

A few hours of concentrated activity and the rest at some diversion would do the trick and get high marks—others fail when they do nothing but work.

It is up to every man to study his own case. An F is no reason to disagree. We do not desire to cast aspersions at this man who has given a few years of study to the arts, engineering or other line of work, and who has succeeded and is doing well. Confining his studies to medicine he has seen the practical results of his work. During his studies he has heard of the possibility of an F, but he has not met with it. He has a record that was an all round making scheme!

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The Church Directory that its executive put out last Friday has been a very hearty sort of amusement to the senior. His interest was piqued by the way his name appeared in the church directory.

'What do you think of the church directory?'

'They are always round my time a year,' was the reply. 'I think Father is out in the cold.

'Is that the worst of it?'

'Oh! No! That's the best of it!'

'But what is the worst of it?'

'Oh! That's the worst of it!'

Last week the First Church of Boston presented for the first time the senior's directory. It contains a list of all the seniors' names and addresses, and it is published for the benefit of alumni and friends who may wish to call on or write to the seniors.

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