

SENIOR BANQUET THURSDAY

RAYMOND QUIET ABOUT ARMOUR DEVELOPMENT

However Is Optimistic For Future of Institute

"I can make no definite statement at present in regard to developments concerning the future of the Institute," said President Howard Monroe Raymond on Friday morning.

"However," he continued, "you may say that I am optimistic, the outlook is encouraging, and the future is promising. No definite arrangements have been consummated yet, but when they are, we shall be glad to share the good news with those interested. Preliminary activities have already started, and when the proper time comes, announcement will be made to the students, faculty, and alumni."

This statement was given to a News reporter when the President was asked if he could tell more of the plans to follow the dropping of the Northwestern University merger. Much discussion upon the campus shows the intense interest of the students regarding the future of the Institute. Several rumors have gained circulation since the Trustees' meeting on Monday, April 15. It was at this time that the affiliation plans were abandoned, with the consent and approval of both Armour and Northwestern.

HONOR "A" SOCIETY TO HOLD BANQUET FOR GRAD MEMBERS

Adopt New Constitution at Special Meeting

The Honor "A" Society is sponsoring Armour's second Athletic Alumni Reunion, planning to hold an Alumni dinner following the Alumni-Varsity baseball game at school on Monday, May 13, 1929.

J. J. Kara, '30, president of the Society, will preside at the dinner, which is to be held in the Field House sometime between 6:00 and 8:30 P. M. One hundred fifty Alumni members of the Honor "A" Society have been invited, and approximately fifty are expected to attend.

At a meeting of the Honor "A" Society April 19, 1929, a new constitution was adopted, the main features of which are:

Though all letter men are eligible for active membership, candidates must receive a three-fourths vote before they may receive a bid.

A pledge period is required of all prospective members, during which time they shall wear a pledge ribbon, and perform such duties as are required of them by the members.

The constitutional committee is composed of

Vernon Sturm, Chairman.
Don Paul.
D. T. Smith.

Civils See Bridge Plant

An all day inspection trip was made by the Junior and Senior members of the civil department yesterday. The Gary plants of the American Bridge Company and the Illinois Steel Company were the subjects of the tour.

Determined to Win Further Victories Tech Nine Puts Unbroken Record Against De Kalb Normal Players

GAMES THURSDAY AND SATURDAY

Junior F. P. E.'s Return No Worse for Mishap

All of the Junior F. P. E. students in Industrial Chemistry who suffered from escaping gas in the Metallurgical laboratory on Wednesday, April 17, have completely recovered and are now back at school.

All of the students returned to their classes by Monday, April 22. The students who were ill were P. E. Heath, '30; G. D. Horras, '30, and Cecil Larson, '30.

J. Kara Knocked Out In Batting Practice

J. J. Kara, C. E., '30, captain of the track team, was knocked unconscious when struck in the head by a baseball in batting practice before the Lake Forest game on April 22. He was "an innocent bystander." Though suffering severely from shock, an examination the next day revealed that his skull was not fractured. He was able to return to classes by the following Thursday.

A. I. E. E. Dinner at Palmer House

The Junior and Senior students of electrical engineering were present almost to a man at the dinner-smoker of the Chicago section of the A. I. E. E. held in the grand ballroom of the Palmer House last Thursday evening. A very interesting evening had been promised for all who should attend and although those attending expected a very novel program, all expectations were surpassed by the entertainment provided, to say nothing of the excellent dinner that was served.

Upon entering the dining room, the twanging strains of Hawaiian music were heard. While the first courses were being served, these dark skinned musicians made their way among the tables, playing and singing their native melodies. They were followed by a number of other entertainers, including a "blues" singer who accompanied herself on an accordion, a magician, and an acrobatic dancer who gave several acts.

When the cigars had been passed, and everyone relaxed from the arduous exercise of packing chicken etc., into themselves, Chairman Junke of the Chicago Section, called the meeting to order, and asked all student members to rise so that they may be recognized. Then followed an announcement that a technical paper by a former chairman of the A. I. E. E. would be read by a gentleman at the speakers' table, which was not at all pleasantly received by the gathering, who came expecting to be entertained and not to be further educated. This reception was considered embarrassing to the program committee who had arranged the features, and they most humbly apologized through the chairman as a spokesman.

At this point Prof. Brum of the University of Michigan was introduced and then he presented a very humorous and philosophical speech called "Chasing Your Hat," which was very well received by his audience. The program was concluded by more dance and vocal numbers.

This week's program for our fast-stepping squad covers a home and home game series with DeKalb Normal College. The first game is scheduled for 3:30 p. m. at Ogden Field, Thursday, while the second contest will be carried on at DeKalb, Saturday afternoon.

Now that Messrs. Bill Kraft and Bill Berry and Co. have established a reputation by serving their opponents with an assortment of baseball classics that has served as a banner carrier for Armour and a spirit dampener for the opponents, the general password among the competitors has become "Armour is tough."

DeKalb Offers Keen Competition

DeKalb, in common with the rest, has heard of the reputation. Yet despite their grave anticipations they are determined to waylay the black and yellow and allow

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Prof. Finnegan at St. Lukes Hospital for Week's Rest

Fire Protection Head Suffers From Heart Trouble

Professor J. B. Finnegan, Head of the Department of Fire Protection Engineering, was taken seriously ill a week ago Friday, and was sent to the St. Luke's Hospital. His illness came as a result of a weakening of the heart which he suffered during an illness several years ago.

When interviewed at the hospital Thursday night by a News reporter, Professor Finnegan stated that his stay in the hospital was mainly for observation, and that really he felt very healthy. He was spending his time, he said, in catching up with his sleep and reading. He expressed his appreciation for the flowers sent him by different student organizations.

The Phi Pi Phi fraternity, of which his son, J. B. Finnegan, Jr., is a pledge, and the Junior Fire Protects sent flowers. Joseph Finnegan, Jr., expressed the belief his father would be back at school Monday.

Calendar

- May 1. F. P. E. meeting. 9:30 in Science Hall. Meeting of Discussion Club. Room H at 3:00 P. M. Art Students' Mardi Gras at Congress Hotel.
- May 2. Baseball. DeKalb at Armour, 3:30 P. M. Junior Fire Protect' Inspection trip. Senior Banquet at St. Clair Hotel.
- May 3. Outdoor track. First meet of season: Armour at Y. M. C. A. College. Tennis. Notre Dame at Armour.
- May 4. Baseball. Tech at De Kalb.
- May 6. A. I. E. E. meeting. Election of officers.
- May 8. Interhonorary Banquet.

ASSEMBLY

Mr. Waldemar Kaempfer, director of Rosenwald Industrial Museum, which will be located in Jackson Park in the old Fine Arts building when remodeling of that structure is completed, will be the speaker at a student assembly Thursday morning at 10:30. His subject will be "The Technical Ascent of Man." The talk will be illustrated with slides. It promises to be one of the most interesting ever given in the assembly hall.

Mr. Kaempfer recently gave the same lecture at one of the Wednesday luncheons of the Chicago Association of Commerce. Dr. Raymond especially urges everyone to attend the meeting.

Faculty Feted at Phi Kaps Banquet

The annual faculty banquet of the Alpha Epsilon Chapter of Phi Kappa Sigma was held at the chapter house, 3420 Michigan Avenue, Wednesday evening, April 24, 1929. About fifty members of the faculty were present. Prof. John J. Schommer acted as toastmaster.

Dr. Raymond, in his first address before students and faculty since the cancellation of the plans with Northwestern, made official announcement of the abandoning of the merger. Prof. Schommer voiced the hope of some day having a large campus with buildings for each of the departments. This dream of the future Armour Institute was enthusiastically received, each speaker presenting his idea of the type and the placing on the future campus of the air castle for his department.

New Engineer Staff to Be Appointed

The editor and business manager of the Armour Engineer for next year will be appointed at the meeting of the board of managers of that publication next Thursday. Three juniors will also be elected to the board at the same time.

The May issue of the Engineer is being prepared by N. D. Buehling, '30, C. H. Anderson, '30, and H. H. Stebbins, '30. It is scheduled to appear the week following Junior week. There will be articles on Station WENR, aeroplane engines, corn stalk paper, and the conclusion of the article "From News to Newspaper."

A. I. E. E. to Elect New Officers Next Monday

The Armour branch of the AIEE will elect officers for the coming year at the meeting to be held in Science Hall at 10:30 A. M., Monday, May 5. This year there will be an additional officer in the form of a vice-chairman if the constitution as proposed by Southwick, Dallenmaier, and McInerney, is passed. The officers elected at this meeting will carry on the work of the AIEE for the rest of this semester.

Art Students Hold Mardi Gras May 1

The Art Students' League of the Art Institute will hold their 35th Annual Mardi Gras Ball, Wednesday, May 1, at the Congress Hotel. Cope Harvey and Ray O'Hara's orchestras will present the music.

FINAL PLANS COMPLETED FOR LAST SOCIAL AFFAIR OF GRADUATING CLASS

Johnson Heads Committee in Charge; Entire Class Expected to be Present

Final arrangements for the Senior Banquet have been made, according to Cal Johnson, Chairman of the Senior Social Committee. The place is the Roof of the St. Clair Hotel, located at Ohio and St.

Clair streets. The time for the dinner will be 7:30 p. m., May 2nd.

Professor P. C. Huntley has consented to preside from the toastmaster's chair, and Professor J. J. Schommer has also agreed to say a few words to the departing Seniors.

Besides the talent from members of the class, the entertainment will be furnished by several professional entertainment acts.

The party is the last affair to be staged by the class of '29, and enthusiasm now seems at a peak. In past years, the Senior banquets have proved to be scenes of noise and revelry. Two years ago the Senior class of '27, was presented with a number of bills for damages incurred by various fraternity houses following a lengthy disturbance between members of the class and members of the fraternities.

Last year, however, no such melee occurred, the banquet being conducted in more or less orderly lines. Needless to say, each year, much spirit is shown at the affair.

If there are any Seniors who have not made reservations yet, they should see a member of the committee before Wednesday, May 1st. The committee consists of:

C. H. Johnson, '29.
H. H. Dozois, '29.
A. H. Gent, '29.
V. A. Peterson, '29.
G. A. Petters, '29.

Shand Will Speak to F. P. E.'s Wed.

A meeting of the Fire Protection Engineering Society will be held in Science Hall, tomorrow at 9:30, according to Charles Lamb, '29, President of the society. The society has been very fortunate in securing David W. Shand, from Marsh and McLennan, Insurance Brokers, to continue his series of talks on Industrial Insurance. The topic of Wednesday's talk will be "Compensation Insurance."

B. B. Freud Attends A. C. S. at Columbus

Professor B. B. Freud is attending the Spring meeting of the American Chemical Society being held at Columbus, Ohio this week. Professor Freud is leading the delegation of councillors from the Chicago Section. He will read a paper before the assembly on "The Theory of the Determination of Surface Tension." He is expected to return at the end of the week.

Schommer Will Lead F. P. E. Inspection Trip

Professor J. J. Schommer will, on Thursday, May 2, again conduct a group of junior Fire Protection students on an inspection trip, this time to the plant of the Chicago By-Products Coke Company at 3500 S. Crawford Ave. There they will see the manufacture of producer-gas, water-gas, coal gas, coke, and how ammonium sulphate and coal tar are produced as by-products of the industry.

S.K.D.'S SHOW OFF NEW HOUSE WITH INFORMAL DANCE

All Houses Present at Opening of Addition to Fraternity Row

An informal dance and open house saw the official presentation of the new Sigma Kappa Delta fraternity house at 3344 South Michigan avenue on Saturday night, April 27. Members of every fraternity on the street were present to celebrate the occasion. "Tatar's Chips," a melodious gang of music makers, supplied the syncopation. In the past weeks, the S. K. D.'s have been putting the new house in shape for occupancy, and this dance gave everyone a chance to see their efforts. New furniture and furnishings had been acquired, and the interior had been redecorated.

An inspection tour of the house under the direction of some of the members featured the evening. The entire first floor, including the hallway, was devoted to dancing. The card room on the first floor was used later in the evening for card games.

A feature of the decorations was a blue flood light which, while playing on the ceiling of the third floor, was also visible upon the first floor.

Architects Hold First Luncheon

The Architects of the class of '31 held the first of a series of luncheons, April 23 in the club room of the Art Institute.

After the luncheon was served, Al Mell, the toastmaster, introduced the first speaker, Prof. Hendricks, who sponsored the affair. J. Edwin Peterson, the Sophomore Design Instructor and one of the four finalists in the Paris Prize competition, gave an informal talk. Several students asked questions concerning the next project, "A Town Hall."

It has been planned to hold the next luncheon as soon as some speaker can be obtained.

W. J. Bentley Made Secretary of C. C. C.

Assistant Professor Walter J. Bentley, of the Chemical Engineering department, was elected secretary of the Chicago Chemists' Club, at its annual meeting held Friday, April 24.

Professor B. B. Freud, also of the Chemical Engineering department was elected to the board of trustees at the same meeting.

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ARMOUR'S FUTURE

The news that the proposed affiliation with Northwestern University has been definitely abandoned means a turning point in the history of Armour Institute.

With the way cleared of consolidations and alliances, we may now hope to see the building up of the greatest engineering school in the country; this school to be located in the middle west. Gone is all fear of losing our identity through absorption by a large university. We may plan to make our own future by creating an institution which will be overshadowed by none.

Such a school would be in keeping with the ideals and aims of the founders of this college. Philip D. Armour and Dr. F. W. Gunsaulus were striving for nothing lower than the best when the Institute was founded.

The financial problem will undoubtedly be easily solved. The leaders of Chicago and its surrounding territory realize the need of a greater engineering school in this locality, already the leading industrial region of the country.

New buildings and equipment are needed. The Armour Institute of Technology at the present time is forced to reject three students for each one it allows to enter, because of lack of facilities. Hundreds of earnest and brilliant men are turned away each fall, to our loss and to theirs.

Other problems are too numerous to mention. The task which confronts the executive officers is indeed a large one, and very complex, but we now look to a fitting solution, one which will soon bring into being the great school of our future.

RAH FOR DAYLIGHT

The change to daylight saving time, occurring last Sunday, proves a boon to college students as well as business men. Various opportunities for outdoor recreation are now open for students, which have not before been available because of lack of light.

Baseball games which, in the past have been called in the seventh inning on account of darkness, may now be continued the full nine innings; track practice indulged in by the light of the corner are lights may now be done in sunlight; fraternities may play indoor baseball after supper; other such vital activities carried on.

The only disadvantage is that the men must rise an hour earlier in the morning. Theoretically, by retiring an hour earlier, the same amount of sleep may be obtained. Of course, if the time be wasted in study, sleep may be lost anyway. However, nothing can be done about this evil.

And truly it demand something godlike in him who has cast off the common motives of humanity and has ventured to trust himself for a taskmaster. High be his heart, faithful his will, clear his sight, that he may in good earnest be doctrine, society, law, to himself, that a simple purpose may be to him as strong as iron necessity is to others. —Emerson.

:: "THE SLIPSTICK" ::

Cleave to "The Slipstick"; let
the Slipstick fly where it may.

Time

A motorman's never quite on time,
As you will, no doubt, find,
For he's always behind the car ahead,
And ahead of the car behind.

—Phil J.

A Scene From..... (Any Class)

Stude: What's the date?
Prof: Never mind the date; get busy on the quiz.
Stude: But I'd like to have something right on my paper.

—F. B. A.

The kindergarten teacher thought the children knew how to play blind man's buff. She blindfolded one little girl and when the child did not move, she asked, "Why don't you play?"
And the sweet little child replied, "But, teacher, where is the first cigarette?"

And according to the most recent ads, there isn't a cigarette on the market that's half as good as a

(Lack of space prevents us from listing the twenty brands.)

He Fears Competition

Prof. Scherger: The first date recorded in history is about 4000 B. C.
Don Paul: Who had it?

—A. J.

He Was Raided By the Yellow Knight

She (in a romantic mood): Didst thou come on a charger?

He: Did I? The big stiff charged me a buck for five blocks.

—Freddie.

I. O. N. (another chap who's too bashful to let us know his name) likes to be a sarcastic philosopher. Today he breaks forth with: "Most young men acquire their moustaches on the installment plan; a little down each week."

This Will Give You a Stitch in Your Side

Hubby: Why didn't you mend those socks for me?
Wife: Did you buy me that fur coat that you promised me?

Hubby: N-n-no.
Wife: Well, if you don't give a wrap, I don't give a darn either.

—A. J.

On our last date we had a puncture at three-thirty a. m. Gosh, we sure were proud of our engineering knowledge as we made mere circular motion raise the car; and think that we weren't tickled pink to realize that mere friction was holding those bolts so firmly, despite our wrench. And the crowning achievement came when we discovered that adhesion was the factor that made the grease and grime cling to our fingers. It's great to know these things.

As the prof opened the back of his watch case to ascertain the cause for the stopping, a bug fell out. "No wonder the thing stopped," he said, "the darn engineer's dead."

—A. J.

It's tough when you have to pay seventy-five cents for a steak, but, man, it's tougher when you pay fifty.

—Freddie.

INDIFFERENCE

"Doctor, how can I ever repay you for your kindness to me?"

"Doesn't matter, old man, check, money order, or cash."

Prof. Wilcox made a mistake. He said, in a recent lecture, that Sir William Crooks discovered the dark spaces. We feel sure that some Neolithic boy and his girl friend beat Sir William by several million years.

—Frank.

Drivers of open cars don't put their lights on as soon as the drivers of closed cars. They feel much more comfortable if they keep their heavies on.

—P. B. A.

Judge: You are charged with stealing; what have you to say in your own defense?
Tramp: Only that I am acting under doctor's orders; he advised me to take things easy.

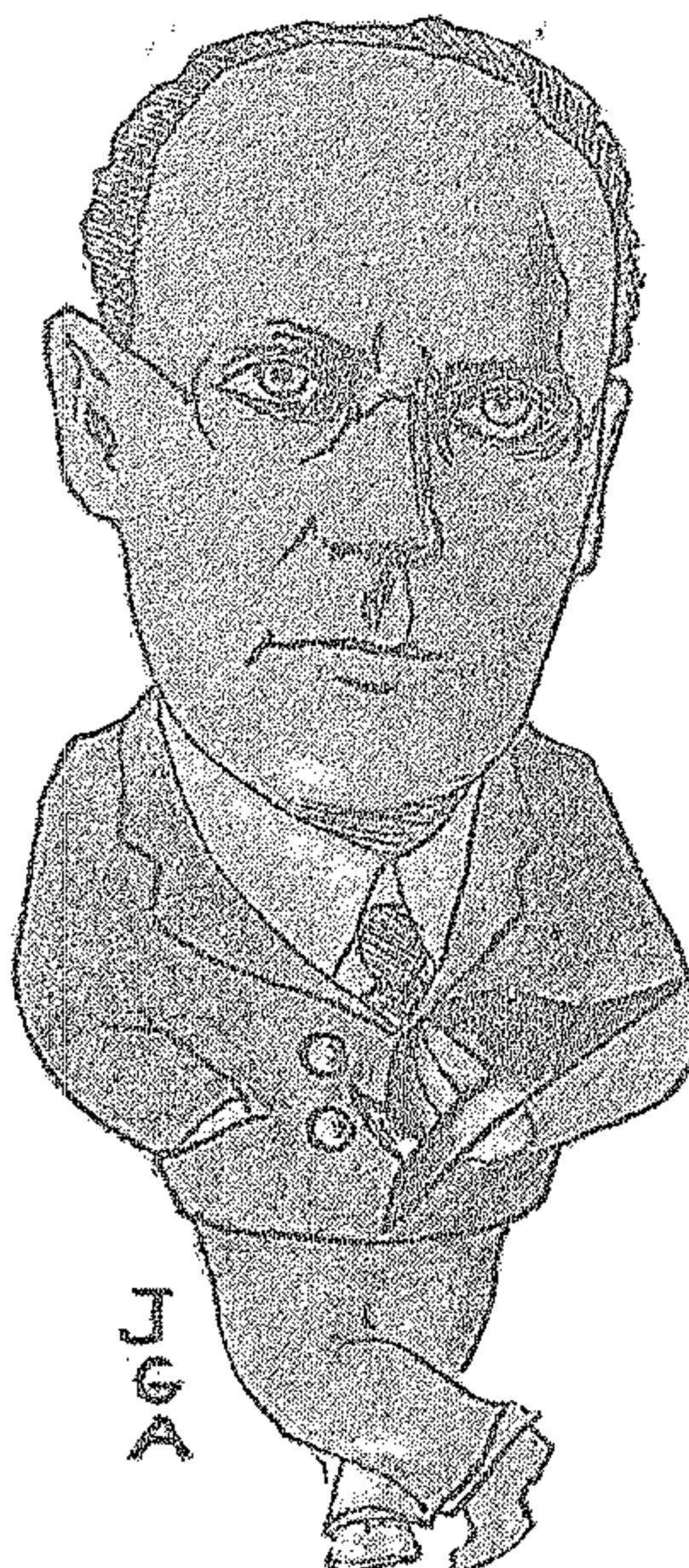
The human brain is a most wonderful piece of mechanism. It begins to work the instant that we get up in the morning, and does not stop nor falter in the least until we get to school.

Bet He's in a Hole Now

"That man made a grave mistake."
"How come?"
"He went bankrupt in the undertaking business."

The semester is mighty near over; and the staff is undergoing alterations. We would like to hear from anyone interested in helping or in running the column; such contris as F. B. A., A. J., I. O. N., the Bongineer, and the others who have made the column this semester should come forward. Let's hear from you, fellows: the Slipstick must carry on.

—Al Auerbach.



Professor Joseph
Bernard Finnegan

(A Biographical Sketch)

BY STEPHEN JANISZEWSKI, '30

Joseph Bernard Finnegan, Head of the Department of Fire Protection Engineering, was born in Stoneham, Massachusetts, September 27, 1880. His early boyhood was spent in this town, where he attended grade school and high school. He was graduated from high school in the spring of 1899, and entered Massachusetts Institute of Technology the following fall. While in college, Professor Finnegan supported himself by working for the Engineering department of his home town of Stoneham. He also worked during his summers in this connection. Eye trouble forced him to drop out of school for a year, but he returned to graduate with the class of 1904, receiving a degree of S. B. in Chemical Engineering. The burden of working his way through school kept Professor Finnegan from taking part in college athletics.

Previous to his graduation, he worked one summer as a draftsman and also as a chemist for the City Gas Co. of Norfolk, Va. After graduation, he went to work for the New York Fire Insurance Exchange. This concern corresponds to the Chicago Board of Underwriters. He was selected with thirteen other graduates from engineering colleges in what was then regarded as an experiment to see if the technical college graduates would prove superior to other men in Inspection Bureau work. The merit of this experiment is now shown by the fact that all bureaus employ technical college graduates now, twenty five years later.

The department of Fire Protection Engineering had been established in 1903 at Armour, largely on the initiative of W. H. Merrill, President of Underwriters Laboratories. The department was in charge of Fitzhugh Taylor, E. E., '00. Needing an assistant, he went to New York and asked the New York Fire Insurance Exchange to recommend a man with the needed field experience and also of outstanding ability. Finnegan was selected, and came to Armour as instructor in Fire Protection Engineering in 1905.

After a few months here, Professor Finnegan went on the staff of the Underwriters Laboratories in the Protection department. He was made Assistant Professor of Fire Protection Engineering in 1906, and Associate Professor of Fire Protection Engineering in 1907. He held this latter position until he became head of the department in 1916.

At present he holds the title of Associate Engineer in the Protection Department of Underwriters Laboratories. Practically all of the consulting work he has performed since 1905 has been done for the Laboratories. He has done much work upon fire resistive materials, especially fire doors and walls.

Armour Institute has the unique distinction of being the only school in the world that confers a degree of F. P. E. This degree has been given only four times in the his-

As a result of a questionnaire circulated by the University of Michigan among the freshman women it can be taken for granted that mustaches are taboo. Some co-eds expressed the belief that the fad arises from the desire to emulate Adolphe Menjou or Charles Chaplin. Others believe that mustaches are all right in their place but are too often misplaced.

Psychologists at the University of Utah proved that at least 50% of the students cheat during examinations. This practise is prevalent because students feel that cribbing pays and is universal. Crowded rooms and physical inconveniences are blamed for a large part of the cheating.

tory of the Institute, each time to an Armour graduate. When asked if he himself held one, Professor Finnegan replied, with a smile, that it did not seem proper to recommend the conferring of a degree upon one's self.

Professor Finnegan was married to Margaret Bermingham in 1906. He has six children; Alice, Joseph, Jr., Anna, Mary, Stephen, and Helen.

He is a member of Tau Beta Pi, Salamander, Sphinx, N. F. P. A., A. S. M. E., Society for Promotion of Engineering Education, F. P. E. Society, and the University Club.

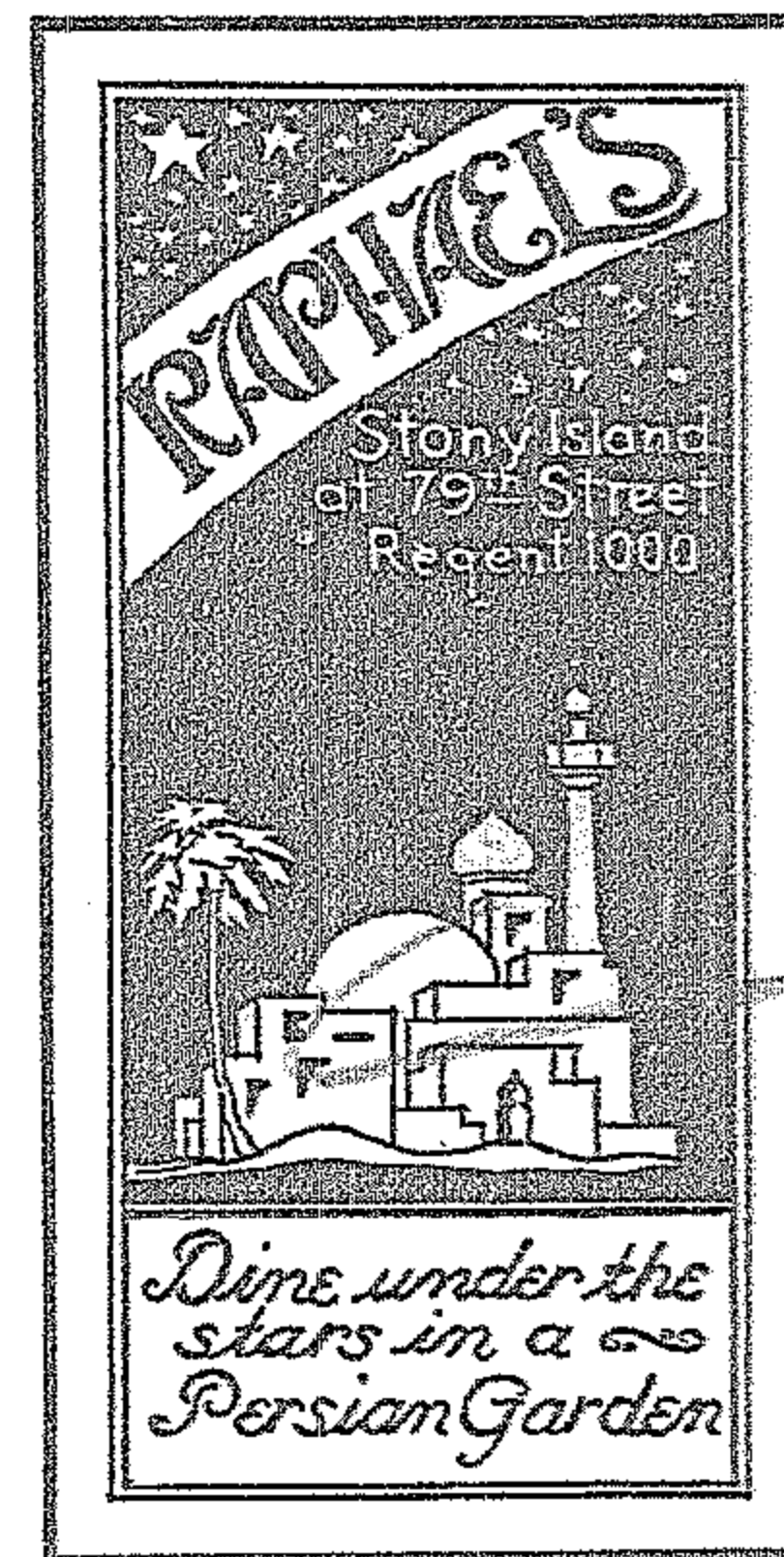
His chief failing is his fondness for Church music. According to his son, Professor Finnegan is also a veteran chess player, and indulges in this pastime frequently. His favorite method of spending vacations is to take a lake trip, making the three weeks so spent an absolute rest. When interviewed for this biography, Professor Finnegan was found propped up in a hospital bed, reading a biography of Queen Victoria by Strachey. He confessed to a liking for good books, stating that this illness was a chance for him to catch up with his reading.

Sr. Elec's Listen to Elevator Talk

The ins and outs as well as the ups and downs of elevators were explained to the Senior Electricals last Tuesday by Mr. Zepernick, field engineer of the Otis Elevator Company. The developments of the different types and the general features of the hand rope, switch lever, and superautomatic elevators formed the basis of his talk. Numerous questions were also answered by the representative. A visit to several of the loop buildings to inspect the elevator systems will be made today.

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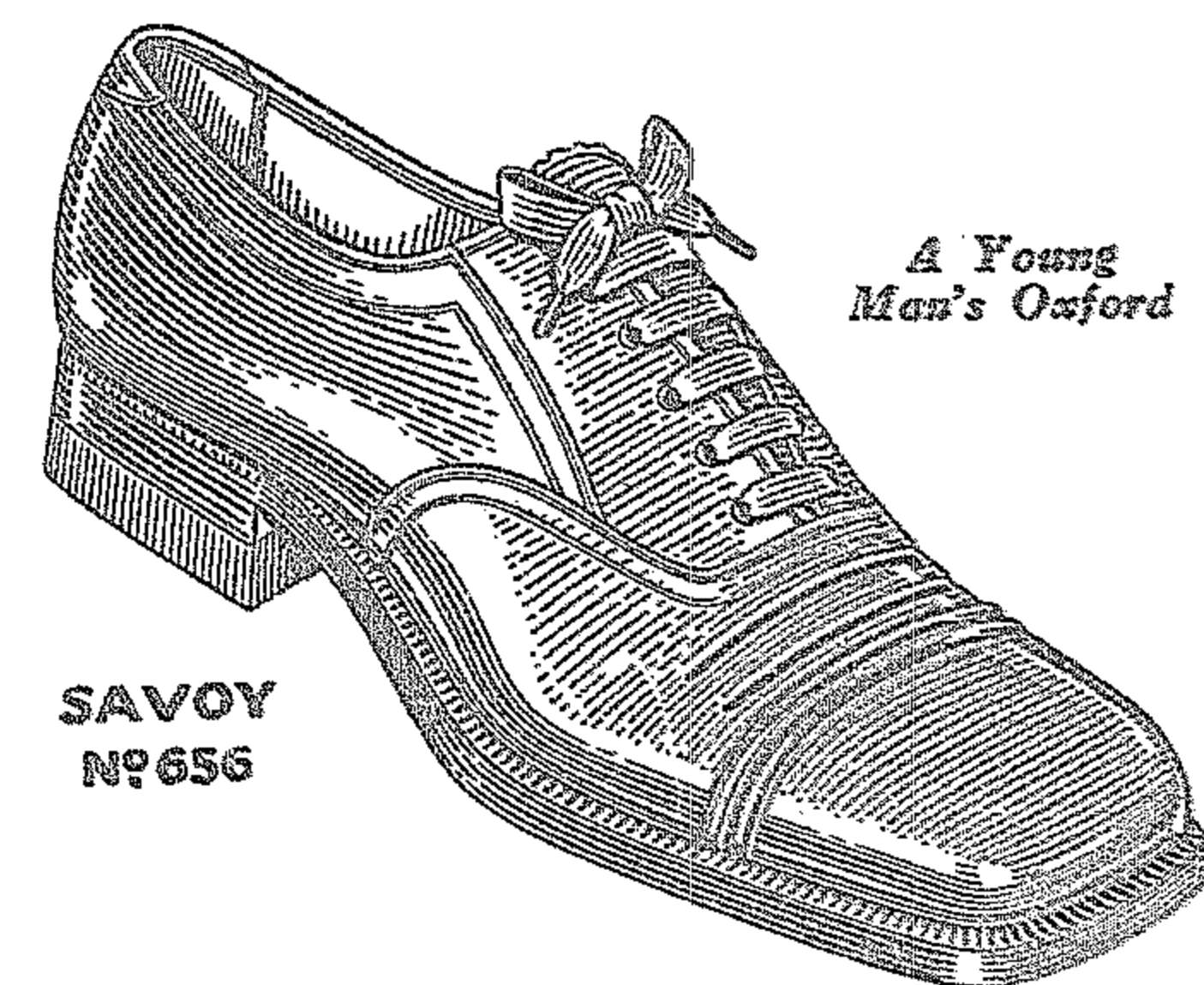
May 11 the Rho Delta Rho fraternity will hold a dinner dance at the Knickerbocker Hotel.



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MAIN FLOOR

Local Radio Club Reconditions 9NV; Rebuilds Aerial

DX Hounds Now Work Over Long Range

Energetic work on the part of several members of the Armour Radio Association, has put Armour's Radio Station, W9NV, in operating condition once more. A new aerial of modern design, and adjustments on the transmitting apparatus have given the old station new life.

The brunt of the work has been borne by R. Van Osdol, E. E., '30, and R. Fox, E. E., '30, aided by F. H. Bigelow, E. E., '30, and M. Fagan, '32. Construction has been proceeding every Saturday since the downfall of the old antenna mast.

W9NV already has been in communication with other amateur stations located in Huntington, W. Va.; Mechanicsburg, Ohio; Ada, Ohio, and several nearer points.

The only impediments to efficient operation of the station so far have been some minor trouble with the motor-generator set, and excessive interference by various pieces of high-tension apparatus used in the Physics Laboratories.

Van Osdol has secured a license for an amateur station to be built at the Beta Psi house. This will be a low-powered seven and one-half watt transmitter to be constructed as soon as the Armour station is completed. It will be designated by the call letters W9BRB.

Alumnus Tells of Work as an Editor on Q. S. T.

B. Dudley, Ex '30

Officially the Technical Information Service desk of the A. R. R. L. opens at 9:00 a. m., E. S. T. Actually it opens any time from 8:45 to 9:30, depending upon what was on the program for the preceding night. Anyway, there isn't much to, except to "chew the fat" with the office force of the Tech. Dept. until 9:30 when Ralph brings in the gobs of letters from radio men in all parts of the country—and sometimes foreign countries as well—who want to know—oh, well, you never can tell just what this bunch wants.

Here, for instance, is a chap up in Maine who wants a diagram for a crystal controlled phone transmitter, using a 32 volt D.C. farm lighting plant. The next letter is from a chap in Nevada inquiring about information regarding a DeForest 5-Q-15 power tube. The next is from a former ship operator who wants to start in the amateur game on 7500 kc. and requests a complete station layout, together with constants of the various inductances, capacitances, resistors, etc.; the next fellow wants to know where to purchase a Langmuir condensation pump for exhausting vacuum tubes, while still another wants to know the dielectric constants of various grades of oil.

Fortunately, quite a few of these letters can be answered rapidly by the use of the Dictaphone, which makes it possible to broadcast the answers to the stenographer by remote control, the letters being written as soon as "Dot" can get around to them. There are three men in the Tech. Dept. using dictating machines most of the time, and she shakes a wicked fist on the Underwood. And—fortunately—she has been in the technical department long enough to be familiar with the usual engineering terms.

We grab a bite to eat at one of

Survey Proves University Men Not Collegiate

There is a false impression being formed of the average American college youth by the "collegiate" of the stage and the comic papers according to the opinions of the deans of men or the presidents of about 300 of the leading colleges of the United States, published in a report of Dean H. G. Doyle of George Washington University.

These "collegiate" types were found to be mostly high school students or irresponsibles who are not students at any college.

This report of the college official describes the American collegian as follows. He is a reasonably serious minded young man, who keeps his hair neatly trimmed, wears clean linen, light starched collars, shines his shoes, and is not generally among those whose characteristics are coonskin coats, tumbledown socks, collegiate flivvers, hard drinking and bad manners.

The survey is opposite to the public opinion in that it shows the modern college man and woman has higher ideals and purposes, does better and more serious scholastic work and lives by a higher standard of moral conduct than the student of any preceding generation. This fulfilled its purpose since the purpose was to contribute something toward the correction of erroneous public opinion concerning the modern college student.

Following is a list of questions asked:

1. (a) Is the "collegiate" of the humorous press and the vaudeville stage the typical student of your college? or

(b) Is he an exception in the personnel of your enrollment, and if so, what percentage of the total student body is like him?

2. (a) Is a slouchy appearance, as evidenced by garterless socks, rumpled shirt and collar, sloppy shoes and wrinkled suits of clothing, typical of your student body? or

(b) Is neatness in appearance, as evidenced by clean shaving, well-shined shoes, starched linen, appropriate neckties of neat appearance and well-pressed suits of clothing, typical of your student body?

3. (a) In the main, does the psychological attitude of your student body approve slouchy and careless habits of dress and conduct or neat habits of dress and courteous manners? or

(b) Is there any appreciable attitude of disfavor in your student body toward carelessness in dress and manners?

Further inquiries were made as to whether there was any connection between the attempt to be "collegiate" and drinking, "necking," neglect of class work, dishonesty in examinations, etc. The so called "collegiate" when present in an institution of learning does not excel in scholarship, sports or other student activities.

the "greasy spoon" diners—haven't come across a good restaurant in this berg yet—from 12 to 1, and perhaps take a hand at bridge.

By the time the afternoon mail is taken care of the morning and most of the afternoon Information Service letters are typed, corrected and ready to mail at 5 o'clock.

In the mean time, there is always material to collect for future possible articles for Q. S. T. and perhaps some experimental work to be done.

But it is interesting work, and the people in the office are just like one large family—only more congenial, much more.

Tech, De Kalb in Two Game Series

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the locals to feel the sting of falling to the tail end of the score.

Armour has had its test and it wasn't a blindfold test by any means. A team that can down Chicago and Lake Forest takes open eyes and skill to perform the stunt, so we can feel assured that the DeKalb contests will not break the string of victories of our team.

If good pitching will be in demand Coach Krafft can rely on Stehno or King Simpson. Both right-hand heavies have been putting them over with a great deal of effectiveness.

Link, it may be safely said is an important mainstay in the Armour squad. His duties behind the plate have been carried on most successfully. John Yount, with two years of experience on the Armour squad is known for his good hitting as well as catching.

The infield will be composed of Captain Gent on third, Weldon on short, Reichle on second and Robinson on first.

Selections for the outfield will be made from Jennings, Hauser, Taylor, Cassidy and Mago.

Armour Netmen to Face N. D. May 3rd

The Armour racketeers will face a real foe when the Notre Dame netmen invade the home courts, May 3, for a match. Previous to this match the Tech team will invade North Central, member of the Illinois Junior Conference. Although this match is as good as a Tech victory, the Armour racketeers should get a good workout for the Irish match to be staged Friday.

The Notre Dame schedule this year includes such schools as Northwestern, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Grinnell, Marquette and Michigan State, therefore the local netmen will wield their rackets to the best of their ability in order to make a real impression in the higher collegiate standings. Coach Tibbals is grooming his veterans and subs as never before, for after Notre Dame there looms on the schedule Michigan State, Detroit and Grinnell.

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THETA XI

Theta Xi is initiating five of its pledges this week. They are:

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A. E. Colcord, '32.
K. D. Hansen, '32.
R. F. Meehan, '32.
A. H. Olsen, '32.

Formal initiation will be held on the afternoon of Saturday, May 4, from which the initiates, together with all the active members, will go to the "6294" celebration which is to be held at the Morrison Hotel. This event, commemorating the anniversary of the founding of the fraternity, is being celebrated in conjunction with the Theta Xi Club of Chicago.

PHI KAPPA SIGMA

Election of officers for Alpha Epsilon Chapter of Phi Kappa Sigma was held on April 22, 1929. The following men were elected and installed:

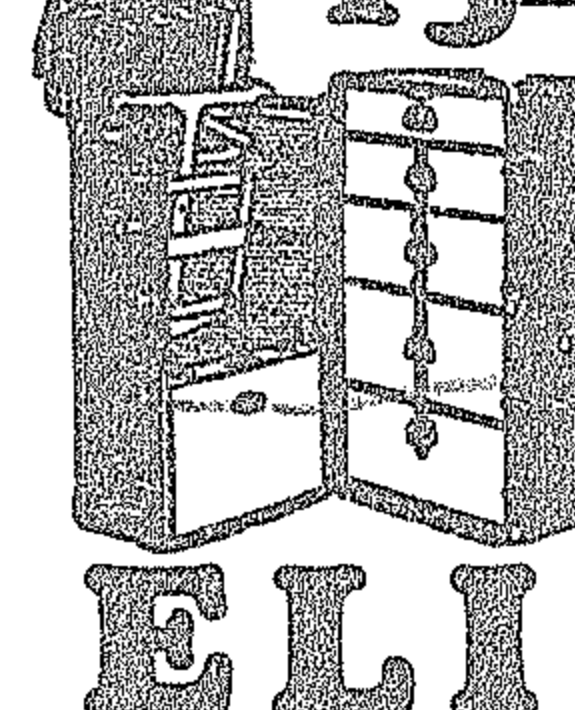
Pres.—Dean L. Banta, '30.
Vice Pres.—Robert N. Wilson, '31.
Treas.—James E. Bryant, '32.
Sec.—Emil Blomme, '30.

TRIANGLE

The national convention of Triangle fraternity was held in the Black Cat room of the Edgewater Beach Hotel on April 24, 25 and 26. This annual affair was attended by two delegates from each of the fourteen chapters of Triangle. Armour chapter was represented by Henry Christianson and Roland Spencer, retiring president and president-elect. The function reached its climax Saturday evening in a banquet held at the hotel, attended by all delegates and many members. A theater party followed.

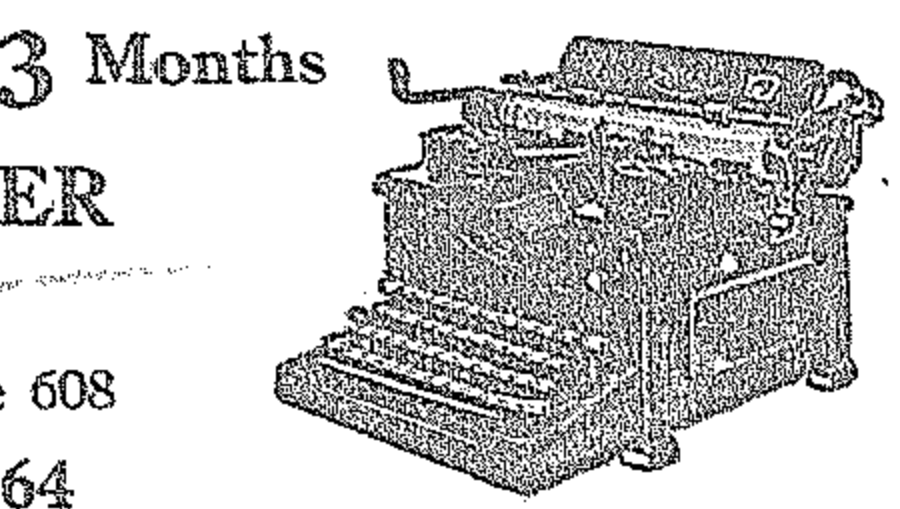
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FRATERNITY NOTES

SIGMA ALPHA MU

Sigma Alpha Mu announces the pledging of Alvin Auerbach, C. E., '31.

LETTER-BOX

(Ed. Note:—Contributors to the Letter-Box should limit themselves to 300 words, and should send in their full name with article. Name will be kept confidential if so desired.)

To the Letter-Box:

It is an acknowledged fact that Armour hasn't an excess of money to spend on athletics. Yet we are wasting money by not using some of our equipment to its fullest advantage. I am referring to the tennis courts, which lie idle on Sunday, in many respects the best playing day of all.

Is there any valid reason why the present policy, if it is a policy, of keeping the courts closed on Sundays should not be changed?

The game of tennis itself needs no extolling. The large number who participate in the sport attest to its popularity. Numbers of men who live in the neighborhood would like to play tennis on Sunday but find it impossible to get on municipal courts after traveling long distances to the different parks. Sunday tennis would help to bring life in Chicago's worst district to a more enjoyable standard.

Two possible objections to Sunday tennis might be voiced. One is that an extra expense would be incurred, and the other is that such an activity is not consistent with a proper observation of the Sunday.

Neither of these is valid. The only increase in cost for the additional day of playing is the cost of proper supervision. The Institute has a man to see that no one plays on the courts on that day; he might just as well be employed to see that only authorized persons play.

The question of observing Sunday should trouble no one. A great many students who now spend their Sundays around bridge tables and at the theaters, could easily improve their time by participating in a few sets of tennis.

—M.

Discussion Club to Elect Officers Wed.

The first meeting of the Armour Discussion club was held last Friday, April 19, at 2:00 P. M. in room H Main.

The three nominees for the President's office were Watson, Richter, and Polli. Five ballots were cast. As no one received the required majority vote, the election was postponed until the next meeting.

A discussion of the constitution, by-laws, and rules ensued. All members and prospective members are urged to be present at the next meeting, which will be held Wednesday, May 1, at 2:00 P. M. in room H Main.

Dean Goodnight, of the University of Wisconsin, in a recent issue of the trade magazine Fraternity, takes a slam at certain widespread fraternity failings, notably the institution known as "hell week" and the low scholastic ratings of fraternity bodies.

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