

**ALUMNI NEWS**

Much interesting information has been received from recent alumni visiting the institute through "Mac" McCaffery, alumni secretary. Michael A. DelMonte, '26, C. E., has given up his position in Milwaukee where he has been employed for the past year and a half by the Wenzel and Hensch Co., for whom he did plumbing, heating and ventilating system design. He intends to locate in Chicago.

Victor Peterson, '27, M. E., former golf star of Armour, and member of the team that won the Western Collegiate Golf Championship for the Black and Gold, recently drove in from Shelby, Michigan. He appeared in fine health, completely recovered from the illness of the last two years. He spent last year in California.

Elmer Kapke, '28, M. E., is back in town. He has opened an office in this city for the Harnschfeger Sales Corporation, manufacturers of gasoline driven excavating machinery.

Fred Farrell, '29, C. E., dropped in the other day from Ionia, Michigan, where he is employed by the United States Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Public Roads.

John Hommes, '29, F. P. E., ex-Editor-in-Chief of the Armour Tech News, made a flying visit from Louisville, Kentucky, where he is employed by the Kentucky Actuarial Bureau. Gentlemen prefer blondes, but John only stayed one day.

**Chicago Art Institute Has New Librarian**

Miss Etheldred Abbott, a graduate of Vassar College, has been appointed Librarian of Ryerson and Burnham Libraries of the Art Institute of Chicago. She is to take the place of Miss Sarah L. Mitchell, resigned, who was with the Libraries for the past 14 years. Miss Abbott has served in the Art Department of Wellesley College, at Princeton University, and at the University of Cincinnati. Since 1926 she has been Reference Librarian of the Public Library of Cincinnati.

**REVIEWS**

**TRAMPING ON LIFE**  
Harry Kemp

Garden City Publishing Co.  
Autobiographical narratives are usually an interwoven chain of outstanding events in the life of some famous or notorious personage; these last few years have seen a trend away from this conventional style toward one of sincerity. Modern writings of this nature are tending to furnish a frank, complete, and un glossed version of the lives of men that have had interesting, unique careers; a national reputation is no longer a prerequisite, but merely the appeal of the tale. Such a piece of work is "Tramping on Life," by Harry Kemp.

Kemp is, to almost everyone, an unknown personage. After reading the book, you perceive he is merely a vagabond poet, a sometimes tramp, and in general, no one of vast importance. But the story of his life is one of the most vivid, interesting, and unusual that I have read.

Kemp was connected with some of the various groups throughout the country that we dub as "queer." From his narrative, we can learn a little of their side of the story; the presentation is accurate, candid, and appealing, having none of the atmosphere that invariably pervades a similar topic in the commercial newspaper writings. The fellow is quite a traveller, for we find him active in three different groups of these free-thinkers.

The underlying appeal beneath the whole narration is the reader's curiosity to find out whether the man will succeed in his ambition, for he has early resolved to become a great poet. Yet when you follow him through his vicissitudes, from jail to college, from Australia to Kansas, doubt as to his success floods your mind.

The book is flavored by a lack of reticence; details are revealed with utter frankness that might seem out of place in an autobiography of the older nature. But in these

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**CIVILS TO VACATE ALLEY AFTER ROW WITH ELECTRICALS**

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landed in the drafting room, ruing some of the drawings. The angered electricals rushed the outnumbered civils, causing them to make a hurried retreat. This was the last stand of the civils in the alley because when they returned the order for their evacuation was already posted.

The fight was a culmination of a long-existing difference of opinion occasioned by the civils obstructing the passage of the electricals to their drafting rooms through the civil alley.

"I am free, take me," is the motto of the South Kokomo Times, a new four-page weekly community newspaper, established by Claude Hutson, a sophomore at Indiana University last year.

The paper has a sports section, school notes, theatrical reviews, radio programs, weather forecasts, a society column and a column of personals. The paper contains an editorial by Hutson and a column known as "From Other Pens" and another as "Bits O' Fun."

Only 40 students attended Indiana university in the year of 1829-1830, according to statistics filed in the office of the registrar at Bloomington. At this time the University consisted of one building, which was near the site of the present Bloomington high school.

days, with each author trying to outdo the next in matters of revelation, the book can hardly be condemned on this account.

The book is in the Armour library, and will be in circulation within a short time. A. B. A.

**FRATERNITY NOTES**

**PHI KAPPA SIGMA**  
The Phi Kaps, with their Chicago and Northwestern chapters and the Chicago alumni, attended the annual Founders' Day Banquet given last Friday, October 18th, at the Hotel La Salle.

**SIGMA KAPPA DELTA**  
The S. K. D.'s have a new mascot at their chapter house to go along with George Horras' coat. It is in the form of an animal about a dog and a half long and two dogs high, white with black spots. They intend to use him to pace the cross country men as he has a pedigree a mile long. Incidentally he is a "Rushin' Wolf-Hound."

**SIGMA ALPHA MU**  
Sigma Alpha Mu announces the pledging of the following men:  
D. Michel, Arch. '33.  
O. Barrett, Ch. E. '33.  
S. Edelman, Arch. '32.  
M. Winograd, Ch. E. '33.  
S. Morris, Arch. '33.

**THETA XI**  
Theta XI will give its annual Halloween dance at the chapter house on the night of Saturday, October 26. The chapter from Purdue will attend, following the Purdue-Chicago football game in the afternoon.

An alumni smoker will be given at the house on the evening of Wednesday, October 30, for the alumni of the fraternity now in Chicago.

Twelve members of the Armour chapter plan to attend the Purdue-Wisconsin game at Madison on November 2nd, at which time house opening will be held for the new Theta XI house there. A dinner and dance will be given in the evening.

**Letter Box**

To be accepted all communications must be signed with writer's full name. This name will be withheld upon request.

Most of us came to Armour to learn something, and if one doesn't care to learn, in fairness to himself and others, he ought to quit school. There is a small minority, however, that is apt to be rather derisive of those who wish to get as much out of their classes as is possible. This derision, which is manifested in the form of obnoxious noises, has become so prevalent of late that it promises to kill all the interest that might ordinarily be shown in a class.

I believe we all would like to have closer connections with the faculty, and we can if the attitude of the few is changed. There is only a comparatively small number of men who seem continually to indulge in this form of amusement, but others, following the herd instinct, take up the cry.

The proposition is this: Are we, the majority, going to allow this demoralization of classes to continue, or are we going to create

**W. H. Raedemacher Speaks on Edison**

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cago, assembled to participate in the Golden Jubilee Anniversary of the Electric Light, internationally celebrated today in your honor, wish to convey to you on this historic occasion our congratulations and cherished hope that you may have many years in which to continue your great work in behalf of the comfort and uses of the peoples of the world.

HOWARD M. RAYMOND,  
President, Armour Institute of Technology,  
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R. L.

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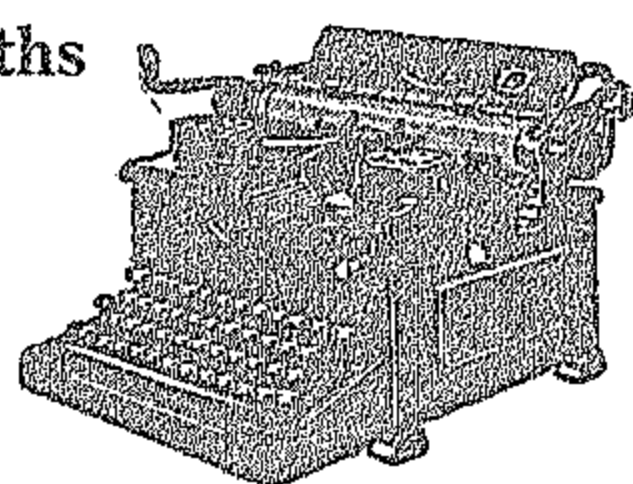
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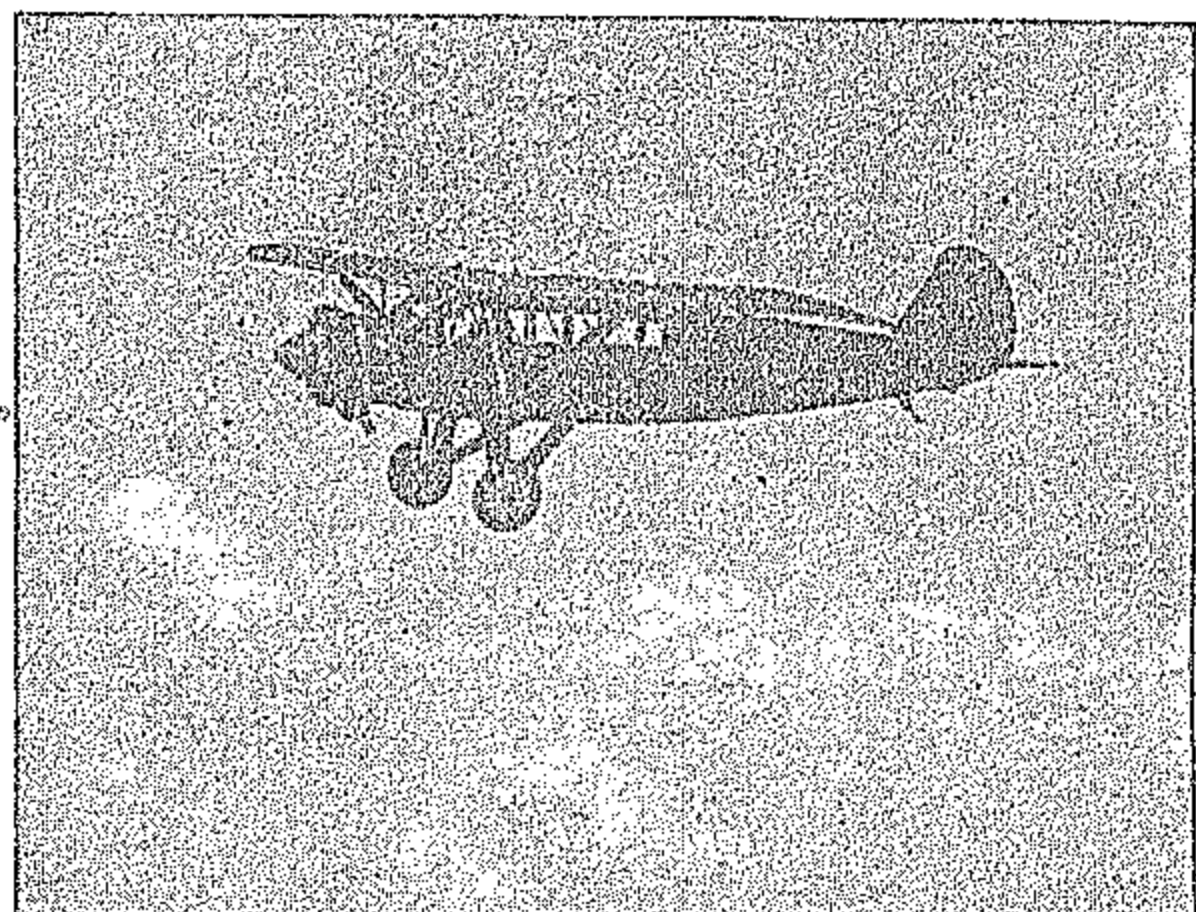
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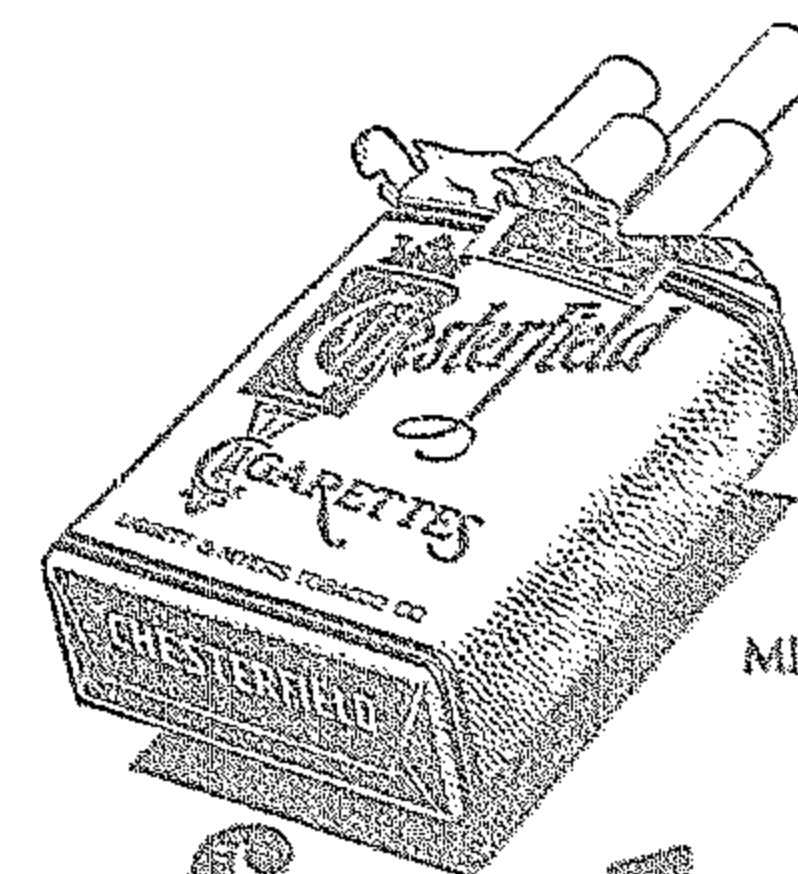
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