

REFERENCE BOOK FINES HEAVY IN OTHER SCHOOLS

Miss Steele Receives Replies to Her Questionnaire

RULES VARY WIDELY

Miss Nell Steele, librarian, in an effort to improve the reference book situation at Armour, has sent questionnaires to twenty-two schools asking for their methods of handling this problem. The replies received disclose several facts which are of interest to Armour students.

Practically without exception the replies indicated that students were not permitted to withdraw over-night books earlier than one hour before the libraries' closing time and were required to return them either at the start of the next day's first class or within the first hour. The libraries of more than half of these schools do not close until 9:00 or 9:30 p. m., which means that reference books in those schools cannot be taken until 8:00 p. m. and, in some cases, until 9:00 p. m.

Fines Vary Greatly

The fines on books overdue range widely, some having no fine at all, some having a fine which varies according to the offense, some placing an hourly fine on each book of from five cents to twenty-five cents, and a daily fine of twenty-five cents to two dollars or more, and some having graduated fines which vary according to the number of hours the book is late.

Northwestern University has a fine of this type. The fine is ten cents for the first hour, twenty-five cents for the second hour, and fifty cents for the remainder of the day after the second hour. Thus, the daily fine amounts to eighty-five cents which can be avoided

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Boxers Get New Squared Circle

If the tentative plans calling for a home and home schedule are carried out by Manager Steck, Armour's boxing fans will be given an opportunity to witness their local pugs in several matches at the school gymnasium.

In the previous years, all boxing matches were scheduled on foreign rings. This arrangement often played an injustice to the school team. At times the team was forced to contend with partial referees, and inadequate scoring systems forcing them to accept the losing end of many close decisions.

It is natural of course for the visiting team to carry on without the aid of any proverbial breaks that are at stake in a match, but Armour's team on several occasions in the past felt as though they failed to receive at least an even break.

Armour's pugs, however, will not look forward to Dame Fate when it schedules fights in the school gym, but they will have the satisfaction of knowing that they'll win the battles if they actually outpoint their men.

The boxing ring and lighting system in the gym is already being improved preparatory to the proposed change in the 1929-1930 schedule.

The regular boxing practice sessions were held last Tuesday and Friday evening. The men continue to show their earnestness by turning out regularly. Coach Weissman, in lecturing to his proteges, stressed that all men must be out for practice if they expect to win a berth with the team. He further stated that no movement could live on enthusiasm if it was not coupled with hard work and promptness in doing it.

McLaughlin Picks Junior Assistants

B. G. McLaughlin, social chairman of the Junior Class, has appointed the members of his committee. These men, C. J. Robin, W. M. Miran, F. M. James, and R. Timmermans, will assist McLaughlin in making plans for the Junior Prom, Junior Dance and all other social events of the class.

Flask and Beaker Rewards Cavanagh

It was decided at a meeting of Flask and Beaker, professional chemical club, held last Tuesday that a membership in the American Chemical Society for one year be presented to the member of last year's Freshman Class in Chemical Engineering who had the highest average. Jack Cavanagh '32, is the student who is to receive the award. This event is to set a precedent to be followed by the club each year, the purpose being to promote interest in high scholastic standing.

The presentation of this award is to be made in the near future at a function observed by Flask and Beaker. Definite information will be given later concerning the date and other details of this function, but it is understood that it will likely be in the form of a Smoker.

While the Flask and Beaker is not an honorary organization, its members are required to have certain scholastic records. It has chosen the method outlined to show its interest in excellent ranking.

The membership presented to Mr. Cavanagh carries with it a year's subscription to any two of the publications of the American Chemical Society as well as all the privileges of membership. These publications are Chemical Abstracts, Journal of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry, and Journal of the American Chemical Society.

U. of I. Archs Inspect Chicago

The Senior architectural class of the University of Illinois consisting of about forty-five students under the direction of Mr. Dillenbach made an inspection trip of Chicago and vicinity last week.

The important places visited on the tour were the Art Institute, Goodman Theatre, Burnham Library, Fourth Presbyterian Church, University of Chicago chapel and some of the larger loop office buildings. The offices of Holabird and Root, 333 N. Michigan Avenue, were also inspected.

The trip ended Saturday when the whole group attended the University of Illinois vs. Northwestern football game at Evanston.

Engineer Staff Now Back From Purdue

Members of the Armour Engineer Staff who traveled to Purdue University last week have now returned to their classes.

Many new features and innovations were seen among the exhibits at Purdue. Besides the business that was conducted while away the men took part in several social functions. These informal gatherings proved very interesting to the writers of the Engineer.

The group left Chicago on Wednesday Oct. 30 late in the afternoon. The men left Purdue immediately after the Conference, which ended Saturday morning, and arrived in Chicago late Saturday.

Local Professor Displays Unusual Psychic Powers in Senior Lecture

REVEALS SOURCE OF UNUSUAL EXHIBIT

Hallowe'en it was, though a little early in the day. Professor Umbreit, of Northwestern, and better known at Armour as the exponent of the boot and shoe industry, astounded his class of Seniors with his occult and mystic powers in presenting an unusual exhibit from his favorite industry.

The Seniors, aroused from their state of lethargic reverie, observed an assortment of boots, shoes, etc., float airily across the stage, commanded by a single wave of his hand. A second twist of the wrist by the accomplished professor, and the whole remained stationary at a position directly above him at a height of about a dozen feet.

Great was the wonderment voiced on all sides. To many the most remarkable part of the feat was that the professor did not even have to roll up his sleeves in order to secure the manifestation.

Professor Umbreit was impressed greatly with the reception accorded his display and promised to present additional exhibits in the future. For the next week, he was puzzled as to feasibility, as he intends to discuss the tractor industry.

At the conclusion of the lecture, the professor modestly explained that the stunt was not a true manifestation of occult power, but was faked with the aid of a number of wire pulling Seniors.

Senior Dance to Be On Friday, Dec. 6

The first big social event of the school year, the Senior Dance, has been announced by the Senior Social Committee, headed by Ray Shoan, chairman. The date has been set as Friday night, December 6, and the place decided upon is the Red Laquer Room of the Palmer House, scene of so many successful social affairs of Armour. Waddy Wadsworth and his orchestra will furnish the music from the hours of nine until one.

Each class gives an informal dance each year, and the Junior class also gives the Junior Prom, a formal dinner dance or supper dance. These affairs constitute the main social events given officially by the school.

Bids will be two and one half dollars, and may be obtained from any member of the senior social committee. Any student or alumnus of Armour is eligible to purchase a bid.

Joint Meeting of W. S. E. and A. I. E. E.

The Armour Branches of the A. I. E. E. and W. S. E. held a joint meeting last Friday, November 1st, in Room D, Mission. This was the first meeting of both societies this semester.

Mr. H. H. Field, of the Northern Illinois Public Service Company, who for the last two years has served as Secretary of the Electrification of Steam Railroad Committee, gave an illustrated slide lecture on "Electrification of Railway Lines in Europe."

Mr. Blomme, chairman of the Armour Branch of W. S. E., then turned the meeting over to Mr. Dollemmaier, chairman of the Institute branch of A. I. E. E.

Mr. Dollemmaier announced the members of his committees. The Meetings and Paper committee consists of Baker, chairman; Zimmerman, Sanborn, Bigelow and Patzelt. The men on the Social committee are Serson, chairman; Stier, Hanke, Roffee and Kellner. The chairman of the Membership committee is Southwick and the members are Drigot, Knittel, Fetterman and Johnson.

CALENDAR

Wednesday, Nov. 6
F. P. E. S. Meeting, 9:30 A. M., Room H, Main Building
Basketball Practice, Gym

Thursday, Nov. 7
Cycle Staff Meeting, Theta Xi House

Friday, Nov. 8
Flask and Beaker Smoker
Theta Xi House
Basketball Practice, Gym

Monday, Nov. 11
Basketball Practice, Gym

Wednesday, Nov. 13
Armour Tech News Smoker,
Theta Xi House

Library Announces Addition of Books

The library of the Institute has recently been enriched by the purchase of a hundred and fifty books, both of a technical and non-technical nature. The books are rapidly being catalogued by the assistant librarian, Miss Dorothy Cornwell, and will be open for distribution.

Unusual care has been taken to select the best types of books so that the limited funds may produce the maximum amount of good material.

In order that the men may realize the nature of the purchase, the NEWS lists some of the books under the various headings.

Non-Fiction

Anthony, Katherine—"Catherine the Great."
Ball, W. W. R.—"Mathematical Recreations and Essays."
Beebe, William—"Log in the Sun."
Browne, Lewis—"That Man Heine."
Brownell, L. E.—"Accounting and Finance."
Bryan, G. S.—"Edison—that Man and His Work."
Clapp, J. M. and E. A. Kane—"How to Talk."
Eddington, A. S.—"Nature of the World and Man."
Humphreys, W. J.—"Physics of the Air."
La Coste, J. R.—"La Coste on Tennis."
Ludwig, Emil—"Goethe, the History of a Man, 1749-1832."
O'Neill, Eugene—"Strange Interlude."
Walter, Ellery—"World on One Leg."

Fiction

Byrne, Donn—"Wind Bloweth."
Cather, Willa—"Song of the Lark."
Douglas, Norman—"South Wind."
Feuchtwanger, Leon—"Power."
Hamsun, Knut—"Woman at the Pump."
Hudson, W. H.—"Purple Land."
Ibbanz, Belasco—"Unknown Lands."
The Story of Columbus."
Keeler, E. S.—"Thieves' Nights."
Lewis, Sinclair—"Dodsworth."
Sabatini, Rafael—"Hounds of God."
Tomlinson, H. M.—"Gallion's Reach."
Taking the technical subjects
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Six New Men Apply for Cycle Positions

Initial plans for this year's Cycle were formulated at the first meeting of the staff held Friday, November 1. Organization of the new staff to publish the annual was the principal business discussed. O. Murphy was appointed photography editor. Six new men applied for positions on the editorial staff. A number of sophomores are still needed to assist department heads. A meeting of the officers is planned for Thursday, November 7 in the Theta Xi house.

An assembly will be held next Monday morning, Armistice Day, at which time, General Abel Davis, nationally known military hero, will address the students. The assembly will be in Assembly Hall, starting at ten thirty o'clock in the morning. Mr. Davis is Vice-President of the Chicago Title and Trust Company, one of the largest financial institutions of the country.

Three Honoraries Announce Pledges

The following men have been pledged to Pi Tau Sigma, national honorary Mechanical Engineering fraternity, according to E. R. Rowley, president of the Armour Chapter:

C. T. Link, '31.
F. F. Strassenburg, '31.
A. E. Nelson, '30.
M. Vander Velde, '30.
H. H. Stebbins, '30.
J. E. Higgins, '30.

Chi Epsilon, national honorary civil engineering fraternity, pledged the following men:

G. W. Kohout
M. O. Nelson
R. West

Eta Kappa Nu, national honorary electrical engineering fraternity, announces the pledging of the following men:

H. Stier
C. Rudelius
J. Filmer
E. Hanke
W. Drigot
R. Patzelt

Junior Chems See Lake Mud Filtered

Last Friday, November 1, the Junior Chemical Engineering class visited the 68th Street pumping station and experimental plant. This station is one of the largest in the city, delivering 130,000,000 gallons daily capacity at the present time, with an ultimate capacity of 200,000,000 gallons daily.

The experimental plant was of special interest at the present time, for data was being gathered on methods for the filtering of water. The water before undergoing the treatment resembled a heavy mud solution, but came through perfectly clear. Many south side residents, unable to assimilate the mixture that has been furnished of late instead of water, prefer to carry bottles of the filtered product rather than drink what comes from the faucet. It is hoped by the officials of the plant that some day Chicago will have the filter system adopted throughout the city so that palatable water can be furnished under all weather conditions.

Pumping systems and duplicate chlorine installations which are able to take care of any emergency conditions were explained in detail. The two laboratories, an experimental and a control laboratory, were also visited. Professor Bentley of the Chemical Engineering department was in charge of the inspecting group.

Work of Underwriters, Topic at F.P.E.S. Meet

Clarence Goldsmith will be the speaker at the bi-weekly F. P. E. S. meeting. The meeting will be held Wednesday, November 6, at 9:30 o'clock in Room H of the Main Building. All members are urged to be present and on time.

Mr. Goldsmith, who is with the National Board of Fire Underwriters, will speak on the work of this organization.

The smoker for the staff of the Armour Tech News, to be held on November 13, is being prepared for by a committee of M. O. Nelson, S. Janiszewski, A. Weston, R. Ellis, B. C. Scott, R. Mulrone, T. Leavitt, and J. G. Papanthey.

SERSON SELECTS SENIOR CLASS COMMITTEES

Committees To See That Seniors Graduate in Style

FIVE MEN ON EACH

Five Senior committees of five men each have been appointed by Bob Serson, Senior Class President, during the last week. The different committees are the Announcement committee, Jewelry committee, Photography committee, Cap and Gown committee, and Auxiliary committee. The different chairmen are Jack Hurley, Vernon Sturm, P. E. Heath, Jack Dollemmaier, and George Heller.

These committees will take care of the work coming under their jurisdiction, enabling the Seniors to graduate in becoming style. The design of the senior jackets has not yet been decided, according to Jack Hurley, chairman of the Auxiliary committee.

The committees and their members as appointed are:

Announcement Committee
Jack Hurley, Chairman.
E. Blomme.
R. A. West.
M. O. Nelson
W. D. Wilson.

Jewelry Committee
V. A. Sturm, Chairman.
W. K. Simpson.
B. H. Roffee.
D. T. Smith.
E. B. Ross.

Photography Committee
P. E. Heath, Chairman.
W. Scott.
D. J. Paul.
J. E. Higgins.
F. J. Aste.

Cap and Gown Committee
J. Dollemmaier, Chairman.
F. E. Sanborn.
F. H. Bigelow.
J. G. Papanthey.
J. S. Meck.

Auxiliary Committee
R. B. Johnston, Chairman.
E. R. Rowley.
C. F. Vojteck.
C. L. Carlson.
H. W. Faulstich.

Better Homes Contest on Exhibit Downtown

The sketches and floor plans of nearly 100 homes awarded prizes or honorable mentions in the 1929 Better Homes contest sponsored by The Daily News, the Home Owners' Institute and twelve other newspapers throughout the country are on display now at the Burnham Library of the Art Institute. They will be kept there until November 23.

The exhibit contains examples of the best work of leading architects in all parts of the country. A total of \$29,000 in prizes, the largest prize list ever offered in such a contest was awarded, and the entry list representing practically every state in the union is said to have been the largest of any architectural contest ever held under the auspices of the Contest Committee of the American Institute of Architects.

Plans for the building of three of the prize-winning homes under direction of the Daily News to serve as demonstrations of modern home planning, buildings and equipment are nearing completion and will be announced in the near future.

FROSH INJURED

George J. Beemsterboer, '33, C. E. sprained his ankle very badly playing basketball in a gym class last Thursday noon. He was taken home in a taxi as he was unable to walk.

FLASK AND BEAKER SMOKER

Flask and Beaker will hold a smoker at the Theta Xi house next Friday, November 8.