

Arx News

The following Armour men passed the May, 1930, Illinois Architectural examinations: George Fredrick Kleinhaus, '29. Harold R. Lutz, '29. Wm. N. Setterburg, '29. Albert F. Heino, '26.

In our issue of May 20th, it was announced that Alexander Bacci, '26, won the Thirteenth Annual Scholarship of the Architectural Sketch Club of Chicago. The scholarship award included a gift of \$1,200 to be used in making a six-months' tour of Europe. Mr. E. S. Hall of the donor's committee, recently received a letter from the winner, which is printed here in full:

Frankfort-on-the-Main, Germany,
August 16th, 1930.

Mr. Emery Stanford Hall,
My Dear Mr. Hall:

Today ends our second week in Germany, and I may add that due to rains and cold it has not been very pleasant. However, in spite of this, it has been interesting enough to keep us hopping around from one town to another.

Berlin, and in fact all the larger cities of Germany, seem very modern to me. Their system of living is not unlike ours in the states, and even in the smaller and more picturesque towns you are impressed with German efficiency and ingenuity.

We plan to stay in Germany several weeks more and then continue on into Italy. In all probability we shall return to Vienna the first of November. I am writing from Frankfort but haven't seen the town as yet. Tomorrow we shall see several outlying suburbs, the addresses having been given to me by some students at the "Kunstgemberishude" in Halle, which, by the way, was one of the most interesting towns on our trip. The school, which dates back to the year 1000, is situated at the foot of an old fort on the Saale River, and in these buildings, surrounded by tradition, are created some of the most unusual and original designs in furniture, jewelry, and weaving we have yet seen. The students were very much interested in what we are doing in America and seem to think the U. S. is a haven for starving artists. I did my best to change their impression.

When we have done Frankfort

Engineer's Device Now Fools the Baby

A young electrical engineer having a baby, a wife that worries about it whenever they go out, a salary so modest that he cannot employ a nursemaid, and an old cigar box, put his mind to work a few weeks ago and evolved a pretty neat little contraption, something like the telephone but more like the Televox. To one side of the cigar box he attached a telephone diaphragm. Inside it he placed transformers, radio tubes, coils, all arranged according to the mystical formulas of electricity. From the bottom two wires lead off, one to a light socket, the other to a buzzer in a neighbor's apartment. Now, whenever he and his wife go out of an evening, the cigar box stands by the baby's crib, silently watching. Baby doesn't cry very often, but when it does, the first yip out of it sets the diaphragm vibrating, the various other sections of the instrument respond, and the upshot is that, two floors down in the neighbor's apartment, the buzzer emits a warning buzz. The neighbor is a good soul, and knows just what to do in such cases.

we shall go on to Worms and from there make several excursions to Darmstadt and Heidelberg, which should prove interesting. I don't have enough imagination to describe our journey to Stuttgart, Murenberg, and Munich, so maybe it's best to close this letter and write one after I reach Italy.

(Signed) Alexander H. Bacci.

During the summer months there occurred an open competition in which a design for a coordinate memorial wall in the lower lobby of the Passavant Memorial Hospital on the McKinlock campus of Northwestern was the subject. Dave Chapman, '32, entered, and although pitted against seasoned professional architects, won second prize of \$100.

Mr. Frank Lloyd Wright spoke in the Fullerton Hall of the Art Institute on Wednesday, October 1st. The idea of his talk might be summed up in a short phrase of Carlyle's, "The Ideal is within thyself, thy condition is but the stuff thou art to shape that same Ideal out of."

REVIEWS

CORONET

MANUEL KROMOFF

While the majority of the books being published today are of the light and interesting variety, occasionally one breaks through and presents a new type of novel. "Coronet," by Manuel Kromoff is indeed a story of this type.

The entire book, and it is quite a thick one at that, is based on a gold coronet and a silver whip, and around these two symbolic items a story that ranges from the medieval days to the present is woven.

The book is replete with descriptive matter concerning the various historical ages that it portrays, but its real charm lies in the interesting narratives wound around the whip and the coronet in each period.

One first meets them in the period of the Renaissance, and the theme in that portion concerns an errant goldsmith's apprentice and his rise to power through the pig industry. This, like all other portions of the book consists of local color intermingled with a rapidly moving and fascinating plot struc-

ture. From this period the story jumps to the time of the Napoleonic invasion of Russia and the framework is wound on the adventures of two lads who enlist in the army. Many sides of the life of Napoleon and his men are revealed here in a light somewhat different than the usual one.

The scene then changes to the post-war days, and gives a chance for more of this descriptive narration. From this point we move through the age of Chopin, and he in turn is sketched.

A sweeping view of Russian life is included through the lives of the Burnin family; they are the owners of the whip and are a most interesting set to read about. As a fitting climax to series of adventures, the story then returns to Chicago, in the year 1919, when we see the coronet finally come to rest in the home of a pork packer. Thus, after all the adventures that the coronet, the symbol of power, has witnessed, it finally returns to the same environment as its beginning, that of pigs.

The book has been rated as a "best seller" for some time, and when one reads it, the skill of the author and his erudite knowledge of conditions are revealed. It is a long book to read, but it has a peculiar charm that will not permit one to desist.

A. E. Erickson, '19 Dies After Illness

Word was recently received of the death of A. E. Erickson, Arch. '19, who died after a short illness on August 19.

While at the Institute he was active, in that he was a member of the Armour Architectural Society, Beta Psi Fraternity, and the "Seabird" in 1919. He was on the Track Team in 1916, and the Class Basketball Championship Teams of 1916-17, 1917-18. He was chairman of the Architectural Social Committee, and aided in the various dances and social programs. When the War came he enlisted and received a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the artillery. After the great conflict he opened an architectural office and continued in that capacity.

Five students at the University of Illinois were recently fined \$12.50 for playing baseball in the street.

Professor William White Convert

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can Association for Advancement of Science, and The National Geographic Society.

His hobbies and interests outside of school work consist of collecting stamps, hiking, fishing and tennis playing. Last season he succeeded Professor Tibbals as coach of the tennis team. He is also interested in building radio receivers and amateur photography. Two being company, his latest interest is touring by automobile. During his last vacation he drove with his wife to the Ozark Mountains of Arkansas and Missouri.

It has been found at the University of California that the athletic leaders among the freshman class are only average in ability as demonstrated in a series of athletic tests recently conducted there.

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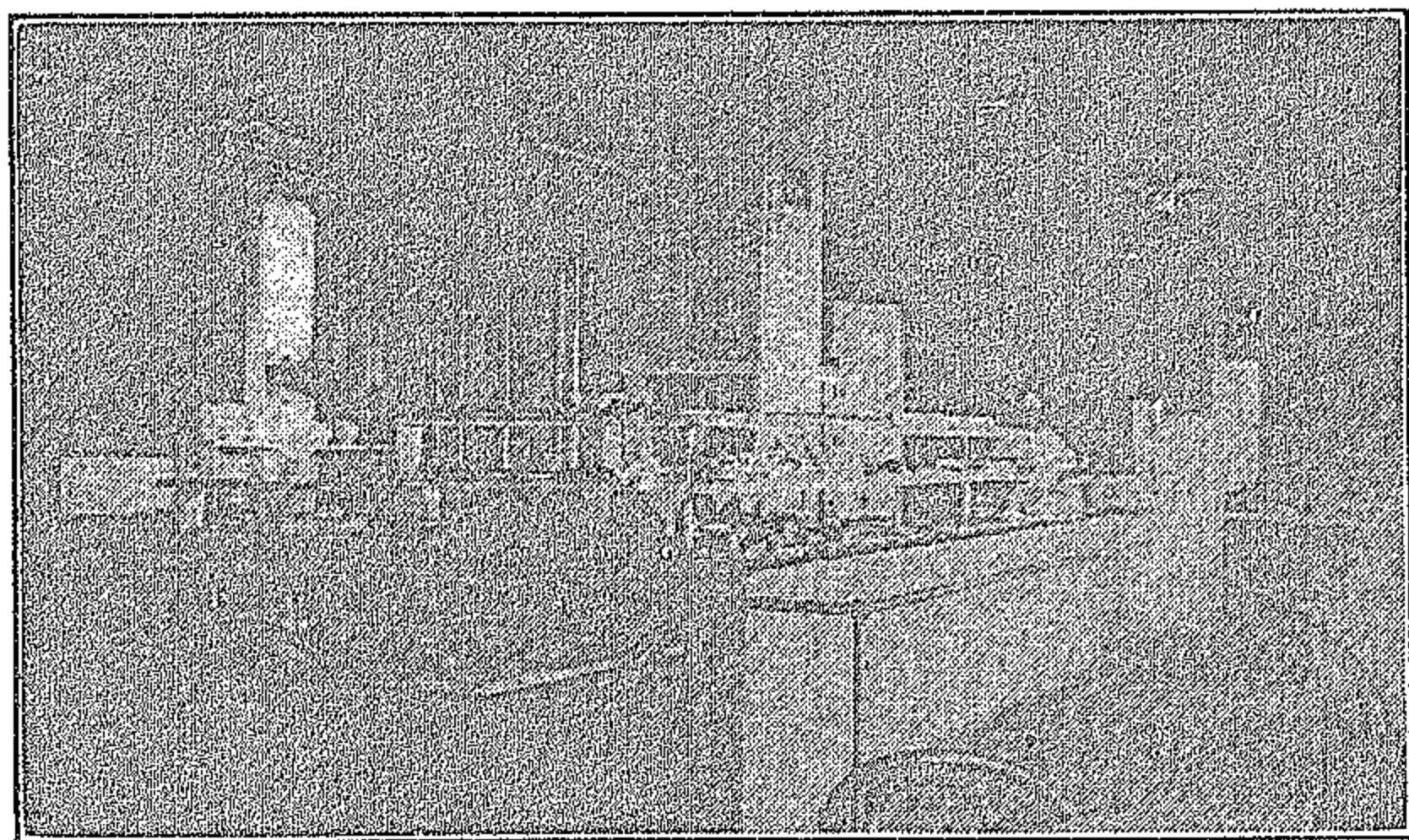
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SENIORS DEFEAT JUNIOR BALL TEAM BY SCORE OF 9-1

Mago Pitches Strike Out Ball Through Five Innings

TITLE TILT TOMORROW

The senior class baseball team defeated the class of '32, 9 to 1, in the opening game of the annual interclass baseball classic last Friday.

Charles Mago pitched strikeout ball throughout the five innings the game lasted. His opponent was Cannell who pitched a creditable ball game.

By virtue of this victory the seniors will meet the victors of the Frosh-Soph game which was played last night. The championship game is scheduled for tomorrow, Wednesday, October 8th.

In the first inning it was three up and three down for the juniors. Owen, Hirsch and Hauser, were struck out by Mago's fast ball. The seniors in their half chalked up three runs on one hit.

Mago opened the second by striking out De Orto. Then Young hit a two-bagger over the right field fence. Grundstrom struck out after which C. Jens was safe on a weak hit. Leichtenberg struck out to close the inning.

The senior second opened with Schohl popping to Hauser. Drigot was walked. Mago hit safely to third. Pepe followed with a hit scoring two runs. Michalski flied out. The bases were cleaned when Robin doubled to left. A safe hit to center by Miran raised the total to five runs. O'Connor closed the inning by flying to Owen.

A run was pushed across in the fourth to make the senior total nine runs.

A mix-up in the fifth gave the juniors their only run. After passing the first three men, the following men were downed by strikes. Drigot dropped the third strike but tagged the plate. He then threw to third where Stehno and Miran ran down Hauser for the third out.

LINE-UPS

SENIOR—9	JUNIOR—1
Pepe, r.f.	Owen, r.f.
Michalski, c.f.	Hirsch, s.s.
Stehno, 3b.	Hauser, l.f.
Robin, l.f.	De Orto, c.
Miran, s.s.	Young, 2b.
O'Connor, 1b.	Grundstrom, 1b.
Schohl, 2b.	Jens, c.f.
Drigot, c.	Leichtenberg, 3b.
Mago, p.	Cannell, p.

W. S. E. Opens Series of Science Lectures

The Western Society of Engineers opened their series of monthly scientific lectures with a talk by Dr. James Breasted on "The Beginning of Engineering As Revealed by the Earliest Monuments," on Monday, October 7.

Due to Dr. Breasted's international reputation as the foremost Egyptologist, some of the members of the Armour branch failed to get tickets, due to the fact that only 600 tickets would be issued. The men who did attend found the time well spent, for Dr. Breasted covered the field in a most thorough and interesting manner.

The lecture was opened at 8:00 p.m. instead of the usual hour of 7:00 p.m., in order to accommodate the large number of men who would be unable to make it conveniently at the earlier hour.

This lecture gave an historical background to engineering that made every man feel proud of the profession. While many men had studied in the past about the early Egyptian and Assyrian civilizations, Dr. Breasted correlated this knowledge with its connection to engineering.

A straw ballot for a new president at the University of North Carolina was recently conducted by the Daily Tar Heel, student publication at this university, to estimate student opinion concerning the election. Men on the ballot were from the university faculty, justices of the state supreme court, and three from other university faculties.

Call for Track Managers Soon

A. A. Stagg, Jr., track coach, will soon make a call for the track manager candidates to fill the positions of manager and assistant manager for this season. The choice will be made as soon as freshman football duties on the Midway are straightened out by the coach in such a way as to give Mr. Stagg an opportunity to give this matter the care which it requires. The last season was very successful and the one coming up seems to be of equally good prospects. Although Captain D. Paul, V. Sturm, D. T. Smith and J. J. Kara will be missing when the roll is called, fourteen letter men will be back with us again this year.

Right now is a good time to do some practicing outdoors and the men should register with Captain James or Captain Fox at once. W. Hafner announces that cross-country will not be included in the program for this season.

In regard to the managership, we call attention to the fact that the job carries a major letter award and that the assistant manager will get the position next year.

Tech Men Usher at U. of C. Games

Fifteen Armour men were issued usher passes to the University of Chicago Ripon-Hillsdale games last Saturday at Stagg Field. Approximately 100 passes will probably be issued under the direction of C. J. Robin, president of the Armour Tech Athletic Association for the next University of Chicago home game. The A men and Seniors will be given first choice.

The following rules will have to be observed if these passes are to be enjoyed all season.

1. Be prompt. (Any man reporting after 12:15 P. M. loses his pass.)
2. Wear coats—not sweaters.
3. Be courteous.
4. Do your best in the performance of your duties.

The games at Stagg Field for the 1930 season of the University of Chicago will be as follows:

- October 4—Ripon-Hillsdale
- October 18—Florida
- October 25—Mississippi
- November 1—Princeton
- November 8—Purdue
- November 15—Illinois

Announce Opening of 1930 Golf Tourney

Several applications for the position of manager of the golf team have been turned in to Coach Leigh. The prospects are being looked over by him now and it is expected that a manager will be announced by next week.

A fall golf tournament will probably be announced at this time also. The popularity of this tournament in past years indicates that the play-off will still be going on after the snow falls.

The following men from last year's team have returned to school, Captain Weis, Johannisson, Pearson and Alexander.

The regulars for the 1931 team will be lined up by Coach Leigh from the results of this annual tournament.

An old Northwestern custom requires that no undergraduate have a date to an athletic contest.

HEAVY MEN FOUND LACKING AT FIRST CALL FOR BOXERS

Promising Material Is Found Among Light Weights

TO CHOOSE MANAGER

Last Friday evening, Armour's boxing team, together with Coach Weissman assembled in the gymnasium to discuss matters pertaining to their 1930 campaign.

The appreciable turnout of team members evidenced that this year's squad is determined to set another fast pace in its boxing program. Among those that were present were, Captain Ustrycki, Montesano, Morowitz and Donnelly. All of these men, however, are of 150-pound weight or less, and an effort will be made to secure a number of heavier men.

Several of the heavier men were lost through graduation, last year, leaving their places unfilled. These were Captain Buehling, Schwartz and Whitfield.

The manager's position is likewise unfilled as yet, but the position will be filled this week. Last week Professor Schommer posted a notice to the effect that candidates for this position make formal application by letter. Professor Schommer received a large number of applications and will announce his choice as soon as he has completed checking the qualifications of each applicant.

Announce First Swim Tryout for Tank Men

The announcement of candidates for the manager of the 1930-31 swimming team will be issued shortly by Coach McGillivray. This position was ably held last season by M. Vander Velde. Juniors and seniors are eligible for the job.

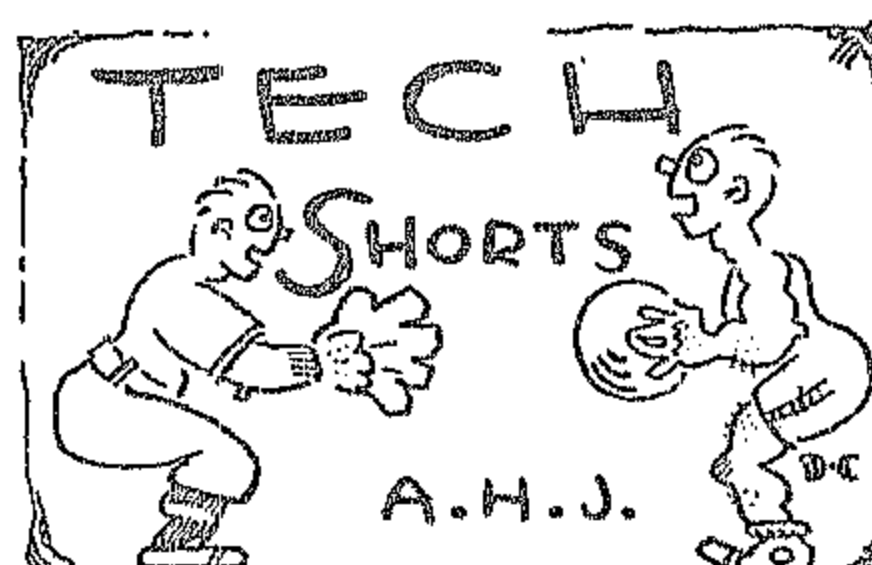
The first practice of this year will be held within the next few weeks at the Bartlett Gym, University of Chicago. A very promising season is in store for the team as practically all of last year's regulars are back in trim for 1930.

Last year water polo was also introduced to Captain Knox's men and a few practice matches were held with the University of Chicago's team.

All new men expecting to try out for the regular team this season are to be sure and watch the bulletin board for future announcements.

Students of McGill University have recently demanded that beer be sold on the campus. The province of Quebec, in which the college is situated, has recently joined the ranks of the wets.

A Chinese student at an eastern university considers American colleges to be institutions of physical training, where certain intellectual discipline is especially provided for feeble students.



WINTER PROGRAM

At this writing the first game of the interclass baseball series is about to begin. The outcome of the game is unknown, but you will find the results and box score in an adjoining column. This series each year begins a group of athletic contests which culminate in the athletic events of Circus Day next May. On the program of winter sports we will find interclass baseball, touch football, swimming, boxing, basketball and indoor track.

ABOUT FOOTBALL

Touch football attracted considerable attention last year and created the desire to establish an Institute football team. It was found to be practically impossible to put such a team in the field. The question was discussed with John Schommer, athletic director, who revealed several reasons why such action was not possible. Topping his list was the item time. Upon examination of the various courses of study offered at the Tech one will readily notice that very little room is left for extracurricular activities. Since football requires at least two hours of practice daily and with games on Saturday a student would have little time for his studies. Hence, football at Armour must remain in its present form, that is touch football.

Speaking of football reminds us of a feature conducted by this

Annual Tennis Match to Start Next Week

The annual school tennis tournament is again under way with prospects appearing as favorable as they have in past years. A notice had been posted on the bulletin board, requesting prospective competitors to sign. To date there are some forty names already listed with the probabilities that 10 or more names will be added this week.

All men desiring to enter this tournament are requested to make their entree within the next day or two. A schedule will be drawn up in the early part of next week and play-offs will be started immediately. After the schedule is drawn up, no additional men will be permitted to compete.

paper last year. Each week a grid question and answer department was conducted. The questions were suggested by students, with answers supplied by John J. Schommer, conference referee and leading authority on football. Schommer has offered to answer questions again if there is sufficient interest shown by the students. Any questions should be placed in the Tech News Box located next to the elevator shaft in the main hall.

FOR THE CHAMPIONS

The awards given for interclass champions consist of gold medals with the sport indicated by a representative figure. The letters A. I. T. and the year are also included.

Following are listed the various coaches of Tech Athletic teams: Baseball and basketball, W. C. Krafft; Track, A. A. Stagg, Jr.; Swimming, E. W. McGillivray; Boxing, E. Weissman; Golf, C. W. Leigh; and Tennis, W. W. Colvert.

SIX REGULARS FORM NUCLEUS OF CAGE TEAM

Practice to Begin in Second Week of November

C. J. ROBIN IS CAPTAIN

Basketball under the direction of Coach W. C. Krafft will begin the second week of November.

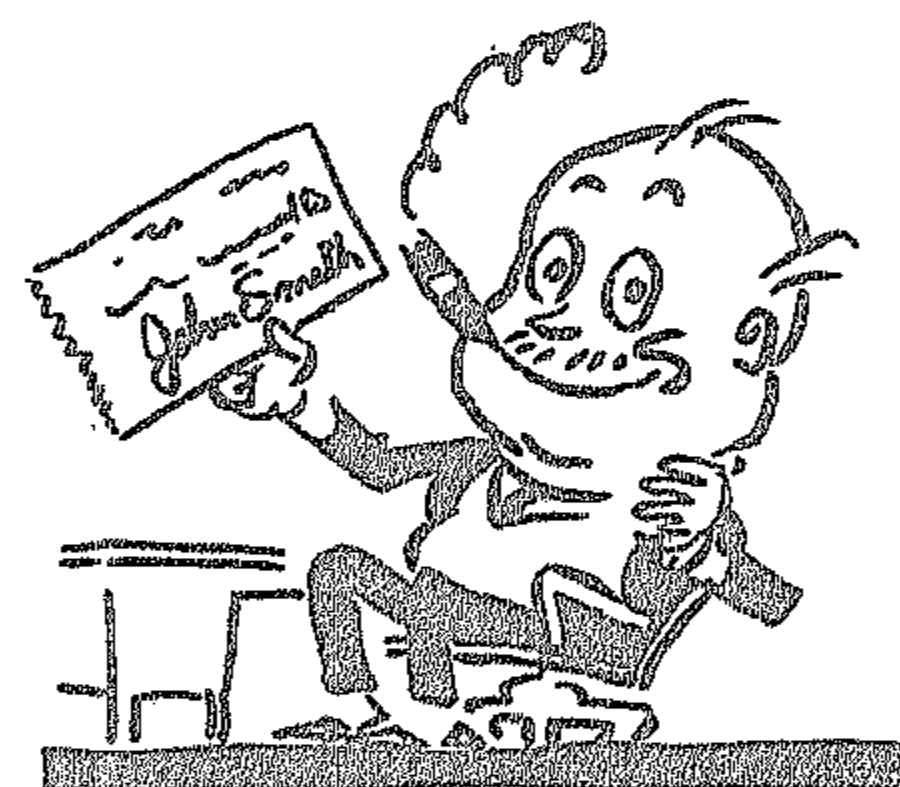
C. J. Robin was elected captain of the 1930-31 team at a meeting held last semester. The outlook of this year's team is very promising because six regulars are returning to form a strong foundation for the team. They are Captain C. J. Robin, T. Rutkowski, S. Ott, H. Rossing, N. Miran, and S. A. Carlson. The freshman material is still unknown, although several high school champions will vie for honors on the team.

E. Erland will be the manager of the basketball team this year. The assistant manager will probably be chosen about the fifteenth of November. An official notice for candidates will be published in the near future.

The annual interclass and interfraternity basketball practice will start soon after the interclass baseball is over. The men of 1933 or this year's sophomore class were the finalists last year. The Phi Pi Phi fraternity won their twelfth annual championship last season. It is hoped to have this year's championships decided before the Christmas holidays.

An all-California debating team is now making a tour of the United States and Europe.

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