



ASSEMBLY GIVEN AS MEMORIAL TO ABRAHAM LINCOLN

**Dr. Gilkey, of University
Chapel, Addresses
Students**

CLASSES EXCUSED FRIDAY

The one hundred twenty-third anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln was commemorated by an assembly of the student body on Thursday, February 11 at 10:30. An address on the characteristics of this great American was made by Dr. Charles W. Gilkey, dean of the University Chapel at the University of Chicago.

The orchestra, under the direction of George Rezac, '29, opened the program with "Credo," a stirring march and followed up with "Sunny South," a medley of popular southern airs.

Dean Penn then called upon Dr. Scherger, who introduced Dr. Gilkey. This noted ecclesiastical dean of our nearby university delivered an address, which occupied about thirty minutes.

Had Little Originality

There is little original that can be said about Abraham Lincoln although there are certain aspects in his character which can be stressed more than they have been. John Drinkwater's famous play pictures Lincoln as having an ideal character early in his life instead of showing the true development that continued to his death.

The great emancipator was not much different than most of us, but he became great not because of any boyhood advantages, but because of the difficulties he had to overcome. He had many business failures but did not accept initial failure as final.

Lincoln's Will Firm

Lincoln had a will which set slowly, but once set it remained firm. He had that rare ability of recognizing his faults and handicaps and working hard to remedy them.

Besides a wonderful sensitiveness of human nature as revealed in numerous anecdotes in his life, Abraham Lincoln had a keen sensitiveness of ethics. He believed that that which is wrong should be done away with although he did not believe in employing radical measures. He adopted this policy in regard to slavery and would have abolished the evil by the government's purchase of slaves over a period of forty years. It seems that Lincoln had a divine high purpose which directed his course.

What slavery was to Abraham Lincoln in his day, the institution of war is to the people today. There are pacifists and war radicals, but only a conservative plan covering a generation or two will be able to remove this evil.

Dr. Gilkey Honored

With this suggested solution of an impending problem adopted from the policies of the great emancipator as a conclusion, Dr. Gilkey was given a rising vote of thanks for his address.

The orchestra then played the "Washington Post March" and the "Armour Fight Song", which was heartily sung by the students present.

Next Friday, Feb. 19, at the same hour another assembly will be held to celebrate the two-hundredth anniversary of the birth of George Washington. Dr. Scherger will be the principal speaker at this occasion.

JUNIORS HOLD MEETING

A junior class meeting was held last Friday in Science Hall at 11:30. When president Joseph Fernbach called the meeting to order, the large group of juniors present subsided into silence with a surprising amount of attention. Fernbach addressed the class and introduced Harold Bodinson, chairman of the social committee, who spoke on the coming dance.

Plans were made for the interclass track meet. A manager was appointed, and the meeting was adjourned.

Dramatic Club Meeting Friday

The "Armour Players," formerly the Armour Tech Dramatic Club, will hold a meeting this afternoon at 5 o'clock in the Physics Lecture Room. The reading committee has selected a one act play, the casting of which will start today at the meeting.

At the last meeting, held two weeks ago, about twenty men were present, with Harold Monger presiding, and E. W. Carlton acting as temporary secretary. A play reading committee consisting of C. P. Kuffel, H. Monger, A. D. Burnett, and Professor Hendricks as advisor, was appointed.

Tickets for "Right You Are" now at the Goodman Theatre, were secured, and the members attended the performances on various nights last week. The players are students at the Goodman Dramatic Arts School studying for professional careers.

Monger has also attended a number of one act plays at the Hull House, where a group similar to the Armour Players performs. The other members of the club could not attend these presentations because of examinations that week.

The club has decided that three one act plays will be presented rather than one longer play as was originally planned. This will not only give an opportunity for each man to play a part but will also provide a program with more variety.

Terrific Gale Rips Shingles Off Roof

It was the general consensus of opinion in academic circles at the institute last Thursday that something was in the air. The casual observer was prone to say that the objects were mostly shingles coming from the roof of the Main Building. A roaring wind dislodged several pieces of roofing slate which were then tossed about until they landed on either the ground or else in someone's auto top.

Many students going about their routine trips across the campus experienced what Garr Williams calls "The Minute That Seems Like a Year" as they tried to keep their skull from acting as a backstop for a stray shingle gliding gently toward the ground. However, there were no casualties although there was a slight boom in the auto top patching business as a result of the fact that few of the fellows are listed as being possessors of an armored car.

Although part of the sidewalk in front of the main building was fenced off, the danger area was pretty large and it was indeed a fortunate thing that none were hit.

This wind was practically a gale and one of the most severe that we have experienced in recent years.

Lower Classmen Are Planning Joint Dance

A meeting of the freshman class was held Wednesday, January 27. The gathering was well attended by one hundred class members.

Glenn F. Graham of the sophomore social committee invited the freshmen to hold their dance together with the sophomores next spring. This move was suggested by the dean's office because of present financial conditions.

The meeting was brought to a close by the novel method of all joining in an Armour Locomotive.

ALLISON VISITS PEORIA

G. S. Allison, treasurer of the Institute, recently made a trip to Peoria to attend a meeting of the College and University Business Officers Association of Illinois.

Mr. Allison, who has been president of this organization for the last five years, presided over the meeting, which was very well attended. The general discussion dealt with the present and future finances of the various institutions of learning. The annual election of officers also took place. Mr. Allison declined to become a candidate for reelection.

JUNIOR DANCE



News Meeting Is Held This Week

There will be a meeting of the entire editorial department of the *Armour Tech News* tonight, February 16, at 5 o'clock. All members of the *News* staff are expected to be present in the *News* office for this meeting.

At this time, all candidates for positions on the editorial staff of the *News* are asked to turn out. Positions on the staff are awarded on the basis of the ability and efforts of the men. Anyone, who is earnestly interested in the work of the paper, should not fail to attend this meeting in our office tonight.

On Wednesday, February 17, at 12:20 o'clock, there will be a meeting of the managing board together with the copy editor, feature editor, and news editor.

Group Pictures Taken Wednesday

Group pictures for the Cycle will be taken tomorrow, Wednesday, February 17, in the gymnasium. Students will be dismissed from classes only during the time their pictures are being taken. The schedule for the pictures is:

- 9:00 A. M. Junior Class.
- 9:35 A. M. Sophomore Class.
- 10:10 A. M. Freshman Class.
- 10:50 A. M. A. S. M. E.
- 11:15 A. M. A. I. Ch. E.
- 11:35 A. M. W. S. E.
- 11:55 A. M. A. I. E. E.
- 12:15 A. M. A. C. S.
- 1:30 P. M. F. P. E. S.
- 1:50 P. M. Wearers of the "A".
- 2:00 P. M. Honor "A".
- 2:10 P. M. Board of Athletic Control.
- 2:20 P. M. Junior Basketball Team (in uniform).
- 2:28 P. M. Sophomore Baseball Team.
- 2:35 P. M. Salamander.
- 2:40 P. M. Stray Greeks.
- 2:45 P. M. Senior Social Committee.
- 2:50 P. M. Freshman Basketball Team (in uniform).
- 3:00 P. M. Band.

Students should be prompt, as any delay will throw the whole schedule off. There are many who have not yet returned their proofs to the photographer. If these proofs are dropped in the Cycle box in the hall of the Main Building, it will be satisfactory.

Electrical Honorary Initiates Seven Men

A formal initiation was held by the Delta Chapter of Eta Kappa Nu last Wednesday morning in the chapter rooms.

The men initiated were:

- H. F. Abendroth '32.
- W. C. Breh '32.
- J. W. Juvinall '33.
- P. H. Korrell '32.
- J. A. Meuret '32.
- H. W. Richter '32.
- R. F. Rychlik '33.

After the initiation a meeting was held to approve of the petition of Omega Chapter at Oklahoma Agriculture and Mechanical College, to initiate Phillip Stowe Domell, the dean of the School of Engineering, as an honorary member.

Institute President Stricken by Illness

Dr. Raymond, the president, will be absent from his usual duties at school during the next few weeks because of illness. Although he is convalescing satisfactorily, he must have absolute rest and freedom from worry.

It is hoped that this regimen will result in his complete and speedy recovery.

CALENDAR

Tuesday, February 16

- 5:00 P. M. Orchestra practice in Assembly Hall.
- 7:30 P. M. Track — triangular meet at U. of C., Armour, University of Chicago 2nd team, and La Grange.

Wednesday, February 17

- 7:00 P. M. Basketball, Armour versus Crane

Thursday, February 18

- 4:00 P. M. Boxing, Valparaiso versus Armour in Armour Gym.

Friday, February 19

- 4:30 P. M. Basketball, Armour versus Augustana at 8th Regiment Armory.
- 5:30 P. M. Band trials in Assembly Hall.
- 8:00 P. M. American Chemical Society meeting at Midland Club.

JUNIOR INFORMAL PROSPECTS INDICATE LARGE ATTENDANCE AND GALA OCCASION, FRIDAY

**Cass Simpson's Band of Harlem to Entertain
In Luxurious Oriental Room
Of Knickerbocker**

BIDS AVAILABLE FROM SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Constitution for Stamp Society Is Under Formation

Work was again resumed on the constitution of the Armour Tech Philatelic Society at a philatelic meeting held last night in the Electrical Lecture Room from five to six o'clock. The writing of this document was started at a meeting held on January 25.

One of the aims of the society is to make anyone connected with the Armour Institute eligible for membership. That is, not only should day school students be members, but faculty members, alumni, and night school students should also be allowed the privileges of membership.

It was decided to meet again on Monday evening, February 29.

Teach Gives History

Constitution writing was not the only business of the evening, for stamps entered in for their share of the discussion. It was announced that a semi-official cancellation would be applied at Mount Vernon on February 22 to any envelope bearing one of the new George Washington stamps.

Professor Teach gave a short talk on stamp collecting. He told how stamps were first introduced in 1840, and how, before they were a year old, philately had sprung into existence. It seems that at that time governmental authorities could not see why anyone should attempt to save their franking labels. In fact, they viewed the whole thing with extreme suspicion and even today a non-collector cannot see why there should be any enjoyment contained in rows of stamps.

Minute Details Shown

These governmental officials, non-collectors, and other sceptics forget, though, that philately is a fascinating pastime. They forget that stamps cannot be collected intelligently without noting minute details of color, printing, design nor can they be filed away without a good knowledge of history and geography. Stamp collecting teaches neatness, requires little room, and is a sound investment.

Professor Teach concluded by saying that as a form of investment, stamps have no rival. Items worth a few cents today may be worth hundreds of dollars tomorrow.

Armour Grads Place Well in Competition

In a recent contest among Cook County Architects in the "Masonite House" competition, a number of Armour alumni upheld the honor of their Alma Mater.

A committee selected by the president of the Chicago Chapter of the American Institute of Architects made its selections from a group of sixty-nine.

Frazer and Rafferty of 664 North Michigan Avenue, won the first award of \$600. Mr. Rafferty is a former teacher at the Institute.

Connors and O'Conner, 540 North Michigan Avenue, both graduates of Armour, won the second award, while Marks of Boston Tech won the third place.

Honorable mention was given to E. Fuhrer '23, A. H. Bacci '26, L. Leibel '21, H. E. Turk '29, and N. J. Schlossman '21, all graduates of Armour.

The subject of the competition was the design of a five room residence to be built on the grounds of the Century of Progress exposition in 1933.

Every fact seems to indicate that the junior informal will be one of the greatest social successes ever planned at the Institute. As well as the combination of hall and orchestra, several other things collaborate to insure a large attendance and a care-free crowd.

The dance is to be this Friday, February 19. The Monday following is Washington's Birthday, a holiday. This will leave a good many men who don't attend the dances, without their time worn alibi: "I can't go because I have too much homework."

Chaperons for Dance

It is with pleasure that we announce the selection of the following patrons and patronesses:

- Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Raymond.
- Dean and Mrs. J. C. Penn.
- Professor and Mrs. H. T. Heald.
- Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Allison.

The social committee has been fortunate in securing the Oriental Room of the Knickerbocker hotel. Several Armour affairs have been held there in the past, and anyone who has attended will be enthusiastic to give information about the splendid decorations and the illuminated glass dance floor. There are luxurious lounges for those who wish to relax between numbers, or "sit this one out."

The Knickerbocker is the building just south of the Drake at 63 E. Walton Place. Adequate parking space is provided, and if you don't roll your own there is plenty of transportation from both the north and south sides. This dance demands your attendance even though you had to walk to get to the hotel.

Have Popular Band

The services of Cass Simpson and his ten piece band from Harlem have been obtained through the R. K. O. circuit. Colored orchestras of the popularity of Cass Simpson have proven very popular this season and the members of the committee feel themselves lucky to have a band of such recognized merit. Cass Simpson will soon appear on the stage of some of Chicago's leading theatres.

Ultra modern bids have made their appearance around school, and are selling rapidly. This is partly because no advance in price has been made due to the special features of this "tripping of the light fantastic." Bids are still \$2.50.

Programs will be unique in design. Harold Bodinson, chairman of the social committee promises that they will be "something different."

Bids Going Fast

The dance is but three days away so call up the girl friends now and make that date. Bids may be obtained from any of the following men:

- Harold Bodinson.
- Arthur Oberbeck.
- Jack Peckman.
- William Lange.

If you don't know these men, some member of your class will sell you a bid.

Professor Clifford Makes Vacation Trip

Professor Clifford, of the electrical department, spent the holiday between semesters by visiting his daughter and son.

He first visited his daughter in a small village forty miles from Denver, Colorado, leaving Chicago on Thursday, January 28, and arriving at her home Saturday, January 30.

After a four day stay, Professor Clifford left for his son's home in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. His son is an oil geologist for the Indian Territory Illuminating Company.