



PLAN PROGRAM OF ANNUAL FRESHMAN SMOKER, MARCH 11

Room Rented at Lawson Y. M. C. A. Hotel for Social

WILL PRESENT COMEDY

On Friday evening, March 11, the Freshmen Smoker will become a reality.

The social committee of the class has nearly completed its plans, and everything is set for an evening of fun for the freshmen.

Schommer to Attend

A beautiful and modernistic room has been engaged at the recently opened Victor Lawson Y. M. C. A. Hotel at Dearborn street and Chicago avenue. This hotel is probably the most modernistically decorated building in Chicago.

Professor J. J. Schommer will be in attendance, and an interesting talk brightened with his original jokes will be a feature. Professor Heald and other faculty members will probably be present, giving the freshmen an opportunity to become better acquainted with some of the professors, as well as their fellow classmates.

Fight Song to be Sung

An orchestra is being organized by Ray Albano and will, it is expected, provide some really good music for the occasion. The Armour Fight Song will be one of a number of songs to be sung so that the frosh might learn the loyalty song of their school.

Among other features, there will be a short comedy skit by a couple of Armour Players under the direction of E. Carlton. Of course there will be "smokes" for those who smoke, and all will partake of the refreshments to be served.

Tickets Ready Soon

This evening of fun and good fellowship will be open to the freshmen for the nominal sum of 25 cents, which is being collected merely for the purpose of defraying the expenses. Tickets will be ready soon, and they may be obtained from any member of the social committee, namely: G. Wheaton, chairman, G. Collatz, L. Biegler, C. Hupert, and H. Zibbke.

F.P.E. Society to Hear Speaker Next Friday

Due to the assembly commemorating Washington's birthday, there was no meeting of the F. P. E. Society February 19. However, the members will meet Friday of this week at 10:30 A. M. to hear a prominent speaker whose name has not been announced as yet.

Professor Finnegan, the treasurer will appoint certain men to aid in the collection of dues, which will be payable to any of these men immediately after the meeting this week. As soon as fees are paid, certificates of membership may be obtained.

Although definite arrangements for the annual smoker have not been made, those men active in the organization are looking ahead and beginning to form plans for the occasion. It will probably be held during the latter part of April or the first part of May. As usual, it is expected to be one of the bright spots of the year for the members of F. P. E. S.

P. L. U. INITIATES FOUR MEN

The following men have been formally initiated into Phi Lambda Upsilon, national honorary chemical fraternity: H. Fishman '33, L. W. Krizan '33, F. W. Paine '33, and G. J. Stockman '34.

Junior Dance Huge Success

A good crowd attended the junior dance held last Friday in the Oriental Room of the Knickerbocker Hotel. Members of all classes attended, although juniors predominated. A number of alumni were in evidence.

Upon entering, each man was given an identification badge for his lapel and each girl a program. The programs were of gold with celluloid covers having a very novel design. Each bid was punched so the owner might keep it for a souvenir.

Dancing began at 9:00 with music by Cass Simpson's popular "Band from Harlem." He played the hot and mean music which made him so well liked during his recent engagement at the Uptown Theatre. Occasionally the fast numbers were mixed with slow waltzes calculated to please the slower dancers. But everyone who was present agreed that Simpson's "Tiger Rag", played by one of the best brass sections in the country, was a great selection.

The lighting effects made the Oriental room virtually a palace of wonders. Permanent lights of many colors flooded the ceiling. Wall brackets were lighted when the nature of the music demanded more illumination. A special operator controlled the lights of the glass floor by means of a spot light and made the room every color of the rainbow.

It was one o'clock when the orchestra played a last long piece and the dance ended. Those present were unanimous in agreeing that the evening was one to be long remembered.

The success of the junior informal was due to the work of Harold Bodinson and his committee of Oberbeck, Lang and Pechman. They are already making plans for the prom to be held in May.

Committees at Work On Frosh-Soph Dance

Plans for a dance sponsored by the combined freshmen and sophomore classes are emerging rapidly from the nebulous state in spite of the fact that the affair is still eight weeks in the offing.

The two committees under the leadership of F. E. Headen '34 and G. Wheaton '35 are close to an agreement as to the time and place, but the question of an orchestra is still undecided. Friday, April 15, and the beautiful Tower room of the Stevens Hotel, seem to be fairly well agreed upon although the relative merits of various orchestras are still being debated. "Tweet" Hogan of the Drake, and George Devron of the Stevens Opera Club seem to have the inner track, at this time.

F. E. Headen, when interviewed, disclosed plans for novel bids and programs, but stated that the usual price would prevail in spite of the rather lavish expenditure.

Electricals Plunge Entire School Into Darkness During Experiment

From time immemorial, the word schmier, or sloppy, has been associated with students in the chemical laboratories. But let us go down into the Dynamo Laboratory and see if we can't make them shoulder the word for a few weeks, at least.

Last Wednesday, February 17, the junior electricals were running some tests on motors. To make a short story long, somebody changed an electrical device which controlled the current flowing through a motor. Word was passed around that the motor had an unusual hum. Suddenly they heard it accelerating at a tremendous rate. Faster and faster it went. It was running away! The electricals began to accelerate also—for the nearest exit. The floor cleared of students as if a bombshell had been thrown into their midst. But look! There was one fellow looking for the controlling switch. It was Ted, old boy, old boy. The

Russ Blom Bids For Schmier Chemiker With One Big Smell

After a lull of a few months, another candidate for the coveted schmier chemiker trophy has shown his nose, thereby qualifying for the final vote to be held at the end of this semester. This trophy, symbolic of centuries of cracked glassware, misguided reactions, etc., has been given the form of a debottomized Florence flask. It is especially fitting that this trophy be given to Russell Blom, since he caused a beaker to assume the trophy design with sad effects on the surroundings. It is the unanimous opinion of his colleagues that he should win this tight race by at least a nose. Maybe two or three noses will be the margin of victory, but don't be too nosy about the affair.

In the immediate vicinity of his daring exploit, students were seen with their noses in the air and queer half smirking looks on their faces. One of the audience took time out to unscrew his face and yell "peeyoo." What was the odor in the air? They took turns guessing as to its source and saw R. B. with a cracked two liter beaker in his hand.

Lo and behold! There was an oily light brown liquid on the desk and floor which emitted a horrible, almost indescribable odor, but that odor produced a distinctly notice-

able pain in the mid section. Its effect on the body was similar to that of seasickness. Who wouldn't rebel at such an odor? It causes the insides to cut fancy capers which imitate the rolling motion of waves. That putrid, obnoxious odor was almost strong enough to attack the mucous lining of the nose.

In true "fireman to the rescue" style the perpetrator got the mopping section into action and began to attack the invading odorous oil. Windows were flung open, but still the odor advanced. Why did the laws of science work at such a time? The defenders became more furious in the defense of their laboratory and continued their vicious attack. They were urged to further efforts by helpful suggestions from the sidelines.

After considerable effort, the mopping section gained the upper hand and overwhelmed the opponent. Unfortunately, the memory lingered on.

What was this foul stuff? R. B. finally succumbed to the barrage of questions and mentioned his preparation, "Butyric Acid." Your mother would faint at the suggestion of putrid butter, but here was the concentrated stuff—100 per cent impure—tickling the nasal organs. Oh! I'm sick.

Furor Created by Fire Protect

The spirit of the oncoming presidential campaign seems to have been instilled into the bodies and minds of Armour Tech students. Competition and action are getting keener and keener for the office of grand national honorary schmier chemiker.

H. J. Bannasch F. P. E. '33, was distilling the ever dangerous petroleum Thursday, February 18, as a regular experiment in Industrial Chemistry for junior fire protects. For one reason or another a tremendous pressure was built up inside the heated flask and a rubber cork slipped.

A stream of petroleum shot into the air and burst into fire showering the ceiling, surroundings, and Harry Bannasch with the boiling hot liquid, inflicting painful burns upon him.

A pall of heavy, dense, black smoke completely filled the laboratory and covered both apparatus and students.

R. Long, a student in the department of chemical engineering, had the presence of mind to grab a handy fire extinguisher and put out the fire. After the excitement had subsided and the smoke had cleared away, the effect on the recently decorated laboratory could be seen and appreciated.

PROFESSOR FREUD IS PROMOTED IN ARMY

Professor Freud, of the department of chemical engineering, received the news Wednesday, February 9th, that he had been given a more responsible position in the United States army. His new position is Lieutenant Colonel, C. W. Res. of the Chemical Warfare Service with an assignment as Executive Officer of the 304th chemical regiment.

Since the war he has been a Reserve Officer, having duties as Major, Chief of the Development Division of the Chemical Warfare Arsenal at Edgewood, Maryland.

Committee Appointed by Armour Trustees

February 16, 1932

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees held this morning, a Committee on Administration was appointed to carry on the work of the Institute during Dr. Raymond's absence. This committee will consist of those listed below, with the full support of the Board of Trustees:

Dean John C. Penn, Chairman; George S. Allison, Secretary; Prof. J. B. Finnegan; Prof. E. H. Freeman; Prof. George E. Gebhardt; Prof. Harry McCormack; Prof. Earl H. Reed; Prof. John J. Schommer; and Prof. M. B. Wells.

(Signed)—Philip D. Armour, Vice President.

CALENDAR

Tuesday, February 23
5:00 P. M. Musical Clubs meeting.
5:00 P. M. Tryouts for Armour Players in Physics Lecture Room.
5:00 P. M. Orchestra Practice in Assembly Hall.

Wednesday, February 24
5:00 P. M. Stresses and Strains in Assembly Hall.

Thursday, February 25
4:30 P. M. Basketball, Armour vs. Michigan State Normal at Army.
5:00 P. M. Glee Club Practice in Assembly Hall.

Saturday, February 27
7:30 P. M. Track meet, Armour at Sears Roebuck Y. M. C. A.

Goldman Given Scholarship Pin

Harold Goldman, a student in the department of chemical engineering, received the annual award of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers at a meeting held last Friday, February 19 at 1:00 P. M. in the electrical lecture room.

He received the award for having the highest average during the freshman year in that department.

The award given this year is a pin having the general shape of the benzene ring, and mounted upon it is a crest bearing the initials, A. I. Ch. E. Previously, the award given was the latest edition of the "Handbook of Chemistry and Physics."

Freud Presents Award

Each year, at this time, the national organization of the A. I. Ch. E. presents an award to each student chapter to be given to the highest ranking freshmen student in the school. It is given in the spirit of promoting high scholarship among students.

Professor Freud presented the award in the absence of Professor McCormack, head of the department, and explained the value of scholarship to the student after graduation. He cited the statistical fact that men scholastically inclined usually make a success of their professional life.

After the presentation, a discussion was held to decide on definite plans for this semester. It was decided to form an entertainment committee which would, with the cooperation of Professor McCormack, secure outside and student speakers for the meetings.

G. J. Stockman, the president, appointed O. T. Barnett as chairman. His committee consists of J. O. Cavanagh, A. H. Helmick, and H. Goldman.

Tryouts for Armour Players Held Tonight

Tryouts for one of the plays to be given by the Armour Players at their spring presentation are to be held tonight in the Physics Lecture Room at 5 o'clock. Any student at school who is interested in dramatics is invited to be present at this casting and to try out for a part.

Professor Hendricks will cast the parts and make every effort to fill the roles with those most suited for the individual parts. Everyone who comes out will get a trial, and tonight, announcements will be made of further casting during this week.

It is hoped by the players that they will be able to put on three short plays, a tragedy and two comedies. The play reading committee has decided upon one of these, and by the time it is cast another will have been selected. This committee is composed of C. P. Kuffel, H. Monger, A. D. Burnett, and Professor Hendricks, as advisor.

Having three plays will give more fellows a chance to take part and will go further towards accomplishing the purpose of the club, to promote an interest in dramatics at Armour. The program which is being planned will be filled with variety and it is expected to surpass the excellence of the first presentation made by the players at the Christmas concert.

ANNOUNCE PROMOTIONS

At a meeting of the business department of the Armour Tech News, held Friday, Feb. 19, Raymond E. Nelson, business manager announced several promotions in the circulation department. Raymond J. Dufour M. E. '33 was appointed circulation manager, and he will have as an assistant Maurice J. Erisman M. E. '33. Both the advertising and circulation departments will be under the supervision of Milton A. Collick, advertising manager.

BASKETEERS MEET MICHIGAN NORMAL IN SEASON FINAL

Seek Revenge for Loss Earlier in the Season

ASK STUDENT SUPPORT

Basketball will conclude its season for the Armour Tech cagers Thursday, February 25th. The opponents for the occasion will be the Michigan State Normal College team of Ypsilanti, Michigan, and the game will be played at the Army.

The Kraftsmen are out to get revenge for the defeat at the hands of the Michigan Normal squad earlier in the season, at Ypsilanti. Armour has lost only one game on the home floor, and consequently, the men from Ypsilanti will have to go some to come out on the top again.

Kraft Changing Line-up

Coach Kraft has revised the line-up in recent games. Captain Rossing was moved to his old position at forward, and Rummel is turning in some good work at the vacated guard position. Setterberg is also playing a good game at the other guard position, and has made several nice long distance baskets. He still alternates at center with Beemsterboer, and Robin and Christoph, play their usual stellar game at forward.

The Tech aggregation has won exactly half of their games up to and including the second Crane College game. They defeated Wheaton, Crane, and "Y" College, and lost to Detroit City college, Michigan State Normal, and DeKalb Normal.

Last Game of Season

The Michigan State Normal game, Thursday, will be the last chance for the student body to turn out "en masse" and show the appreciation for the work and effort the basketball team has put forth to make the past season successful. It has been successful considering the many obstacles that have to be overcome, and considering the season's schedule, which was one of the hardest yet arranged for Armour's basketball team. In view of this fact, a large crowd at this final game will not only express appreciation for the past season's work but will inspire next year's team to even greater success. See you at the game Thursday.

Final Cycle Pictures Taken on Wednesday

Cycle pictures were taken last Wednesday in the gymnasium. Although the schedule lagged considerably in the morning, from 11:30 on it kept its proper pace.

The pictures were taken indoors this time in contrast to their being taken in Ogden field, as in former years. This was done for two reasons. When the pictures were taken outside, the cold and unsettled weather of February made the task exceedingly difficult. On the other hand, if the staff had to wait until April for good weather, the Cycle would not be finished in time.

These are the last pictures to be taken for this year's Cycle. As soon as the weather permits, outside pictures will be taken for the 1933 Cycle.

STUDENT WINS MEDAL

A second medal was awarded to the prize winning design of Joseph Palma, architect at Armour, Aare Lahti, painter, and Sal Millic, sculpture of the Art Institute. The problem was a collaborative one and was essential for these three "arts" to work in unison.

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There is a spectacle grander than the ocean, and
that is the conscience.

Victor Hugo,
Born Feb. 23, 1802.

The Student Activity Fee

Why do we pay, in addition to our tuition and laboratory fees, a sum totaling seventeen dollars each year that is known as the student activity fee? What do we get for our money? Why no football team at Armour? Why do we not have student government? The answer to all of these questions is the A. T. A. A.

The Armour Tech Athletic Association was organized by Professor John J. Schommer and Harold W. Munday '23 to secure for Armour newspaper publicity through a football team. Although this objective was never reached, it is well that you know all the details connected with the A. T. A. A. so that each of you may become better members in that organization. The association as it now stands provides for student government. Because of a very negligent president of the Association several years ago, many of its powers fell into disuse and its constitution became dust-laden along with the disappearance of two important offices in the student governing body.

After the payment of all costs for the teams already in existence at Armour, a surplus was to have been built up so that a successful and well-equipped football team might be launched. But, as fast as this surplus was built up, organizations sprang into being and drew upon the funds of the A. T. A. A. These groups were the band, the glee club, the orchestra, the tennis team, the swimming team, the track team, the golf team, the boxing team, the rifle team, etc.

Do you get your money's worth from the A. T. A. A.? That is an important question which might be answered by the average student in the negative. Again this negative answer is an indication of lack of school spirit upon the part of the person who answers in that manner. This lack of school spirit has resulted in the actual overlooking of two officers for whom provision has been made in the constitution of the A. T. A. A. The lack of one of these officers is directly responsible for the fact that two dances were omitted last year; while at least one dance is not being scheduled for the same reason this year.

You, students, know that you receive the *Engineer*, *Cycle*, and free admission to all athletic contests, concerts, and plays as a result of this activity fee. Do you know that it also provides for student government? Do you know that the thankless job of collecting and spending class dues is done by the A. T. A. A.? Have you as a member of the Armour Tech Athletic Association ever seen the constitution of that body? Are you interested in the seventeen dollars that you spend? Are you a thinking student or a robot? Your reaction to our next editorial will determine that question.

O. T. B.

"The Slipstick"

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

The Lady That's Known as Flu

A bunch of germs were hitting up
In the bronchial saloon,
Two bugs on the edge of the larynx, too,
Were jazzing a ragtime tune,
Back to the teeth in a solo game
Sat dangerous Ack-kerchoo,
And watching his pulse was his light of love
The lady that's known as Flu.

This poem (?) is respectfully dedicated to all those students who have been absent from classes this season on account of flirtations with "the lady that's known as Flu." We are a member of this tribe but (unfortunately for you readers) we only had a touch of it.

Joe Fagen said that the best thing to do was to eat oranges and drink warm water. We drank warm water and ate oranges until we were blue in the face, and as a result we were out of school for two days. After this we'll take the advice of Joe Fagen.

The perception of the ludicrous is a pledge of sanity—Emmerson.

So that any of you fellows who can't "see" our jokes know where you belong.

Clerk: "Can you let me off tomorrow? My wife wants me to go shopping with her."
Boss: "No. I'm sorry, but we are too busy."
Clerk: "Thank you sir. You are very kind."

SPEED PLUS

"And how," asked the lawyer, "did you hear or figure that you heard the bullet whizz past you twice?"
"Once," began the dorky, "when it whizzed past me, an' once when Ah passed it."

—Wattsit Tuhyuh.

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS BUT—

Club member: "I say, old man, a fellow I know is charged with stealing whiskey. Will you take the case?"
Lawyer: "Certainly. Send it around to my office."

An Irishman coming out of the ether ward after an operation, exclaimed very loudly:
"Thank the Lord! that's over!"
"Don't be too sure," said the man in the next bed, "they left a sponge in me and had to cut me open again."
"Why they had to open me, too, to find one of their instruments," added another patient.

Just then the surgeon who had operated on the Irishman stuck his head in the doorway and yelled:
"Has anybody seen my hat?"
Pat fainted.

Juvenile Education Department

Teacher: "As we step out of doors on a cold winter morning and look around us what do we see on every hand?"

Boy: "Gloves."

Same teacher (helping boy to fasten coat): "Did your mother hook this coat for you?"

Same boy: "No mam, she bought it."

Prosperity and depression will always be here, Undoubtedly produced by financiers. These ups and downs are like the sine wave, Why don't they square it and keep it up grade. If they knew math and the equation of life. The tricks they'd perform could end our strife. So I'll recommend a reform to them. Exam in Calc I. for assistants to come.

Colligator.

SPIRITUALISTIC MEETING

Speaker (at labor meeting): "And where, I ask you, is Julius Caesar? Where is Attila, the Hun? Where are Moses, Robert Bruce, Charlemagne, and Hannibal?"
Enthusiastic usher: "Stand up, boys, so's the boss can see you!"

Judge: "Pat, I wouldn't think that you'd hit a man like that."

Pat: "Suppose he called you an Irish slob?"

"But I'm not an Irishman."

"Suppose he called you a Dutch slob?"

"But I'm not a Dutchman."

"Well then suppose he called you the kind of slob that you are?"

Some Privilege

Judge: "You are charged with running your car sixty miles an hour, smashing a telephone pole, going through a plate glass window, and injuring six people. What have you to say?"

Sweet young thing: "Well, doesn't the fifteen dollars I pay for my license entitle me to some privileges?"

—To Be Prepared in the Future

Diner: "Waiter, will you put a sample of this gravy in a bottle for me?"

Waiter: "Yes sir, but for what reason, may I ask?"

Diner: "I want to get a vest to match."

It's tough, men, with no more vacations for a while. Christmas, Mid-term, Lincoln's and Washington's Birthday vacations prevented our doing any work at all. But we have hopes of doing a little yet.

THE BONGINEER

REVIEWS

MEN OF ART

By Thomas Craven

Did you ever take a trip through the Art Institute and wonder just what the bother was all about? Although you may have felt it, you probably did not voice an opinion that these paintings and exhibitions were downright nonsense. You felt that surely the great stone building would not have been erected for nothing; those two majestic bronze lions could not have been cast solely to decorate picture post cards. Art must be something which to someone is both a useful and an important thing.

Study Art Through Books

Inside the Institute, you gaze at the various pieces with a curious wish to know if you are expected to feel any unusual sensations mentally. Perhaps, you think, one ought to be able to go into a state of raptures for the sake of education, or culture (or something). But your native American sincerity forbids; you can only stand silent before the "masterpiece" and shuffle on to another after a moment.

If you have a sincere desire to appreciate art you should study its principles and personalities in advance. No one should visit an art museum or gallery with a guide book tucked under one arm like a high school history teacher traveling in Europe. The great personalities of art, the worlds they lived in, life as they knew it, and the work they accomplished can all be found in the book of Thomas Craven, "Men of Art". How these things found expression in their painting and sculpturing is also explained in a clear and easily read fashion.

The man of average intelligence and above average curiosity will recognize Thomas Craven for superior work in simplifying the subtle ideas in which an artist deals. He has made that difficulty a pleasant study.

The volume consists of twenty-one chapters, 500 pages, and covers artists and art from the time of Giotto, about 1200 A. D. to the modern mural paintings and futuristic cubism.

Da Vinci Was Well Versed

Leonardo Da Vinci was an architect, engineer, painter, mathematician, and poet. We might well say, "What a man." He invented the parallelogram of forces, designed several excellent buildings, made some powerful military machines, composed some fine sonnets and wrote a most original application for a job. He originated the method of sketching and illustrating his ideas about mechanics and machinery; mechanical drawing starts with Da Vinci. As an artist, his work has not yet been surpassed for imagination or drawing technique.

Michael Angelo also was an archi-

Radio Stars and Band on Vaudeville Tour

New York:—Box office drawing power of radio's big names will be given a thorough test when the Camel Quarter Hour goes on an extensive vaudeville tour of Mid-Western and Eastern cities, opening in St. Louis February 19. Morton Downey, Tony Wons and the orchestra under Jacques Renard will all be included in the stage invasion.

During the 12-week trip the program will be broadcast regularly from CBS stations in the various cities. Eight weeks of work have been definitely scheduled, calling for stage appearances in RKO theatres in St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Albany, Boston and Buffalo. Other cities which probably will see the act are Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Washington and Baltimore.

Arrangements call for the group to leave New York after the regular coast-to-coast broadcast of Tuesday, February 16. The following night they will broadcast from Cleveland and on February 18 they will transmit their program from St. Louis. Their theatre opening in the Missouri city will be the following day, Friday, February 19.

Officials of the vaudeville circuit are confident they will draw capacity houses during this tour of one of the

Armour Musical Club Heads Meet

Officers of the Armour Tech Musical Clubs are to meet today at a convenient hour. The purpose is to consider a revised constitution prepared by E. W. Carlton, business manager. The previous constitution was so antiquated that it was inadequate for proper operation at the clubs.

Tryouts are still being held previous to the regular rehearsals of the clubs. Those interested in music are urged to enter the clubs which appeal to their fancies. In addition to other advantages of a more cultural tone, gym credit is given for participation.

Armour maintains four distinct musical organizations which cooperate together under the title of the Musical Clubs. The orchestra, which has played for several assemblies this year, has been organized for several years. The band has been reorganized this year and is now in a healthy condition. The glee club, under the direction of Dr. Protheroe, has obtained some new music and is planning for an engagement of some sort in the near future. The fourth organization is "Stress and Strains," the student dance orchestra.

Regular practices and tryouts are held weekly at 5 o'clock in the Assembly Hall, as follows:

Orchestra—Tuesday.

Stresses and Strains—Wednesday.

Glee Club—Thursday.

Band—Friday.

tect, painter, sculptor and poet. He had not the genius of Da Vinci and kept a safe distance from the physical sciences. His strength was herculean, at sixty he could work a full day with his mallet and chisel sculpturing marble as fast as the best men of twenty-five.

Titian, the Business Man

Titian, the Venician portrait artist, had a shrewd eye for business. He painted the ugly wives of Doges making them beautiful and charming in oils without losing the resemblance.

Rubens, who operated a portrait factory, could work all day without letup. His assistants did the routine work but his masterful touch was always needed to give the work its distinctive character. This clever Belgian amassed a fortune and a fame unequalled by any artist before or since.

Suggested Art Subjects

Rembrandt, Goya, Velasquez, several Englishmen and Frenchmen are discussed by the author in his specific and clever style. Throughout, his favorite creed seems to be that only real men can produce real art. No room for sissies, dilettantes, red tie intellectuals, or "Bohemians" in his world of art. That explains in part its decline in the modern world. The best men have been attracted to other more profitable and useful fields. However, to offset this tendency there is a rising movement under way to employ the artist in assisting the architect and in mural decoration.

Fine, virile men of keen imagination can save art from the hold of the effeminate by using these novel and original forms. They can use as subjects "... the immensity of New York, the racketeering and banditry of Chicago, the cotton belt and hill billies of the south, the tractors of Kansas ..."

most popular programs on the air. They point out that never before has a radio act including three stellar performers been routed over an extensive circuit. They plan to place all of the strength of their exploitation department behind the act.

One of the interesting features of the tour is that for the first time a radio act will be billed under its commercial name. This will also be Morton Downey's first big vaudeville expedition since he has gained his huge radio following, although he has been featured in New York theatres frequently during the past year. Tony Wons has a considerable following in the Mid-West where he built up his early radio reputation. He has made personal appearances there. Jacques Renard will be seen in the middle west for the first time, although he has made public appearances in New York and Boston.

Theatre

What may be the greatest play of modern times is now in Chicago—the Theatre Guild's production of Eugene O'Neill's trilogy, *Mourning Becomes Electra*. Your critic, who frankly prefers lighter forms of the theatrical entertainment entered the Blackstone at the 4:30 opening, expecting to be bored by the fourteen acts of hate, murder, suicide, and inexplicable workings of the New England conscience. He found it, instead, gripping tragedy, in which the somewhat over-deadly aspects of the plot were made to seem logical and convincing by the great O'Neill.

O'Neill Uses Freud

The trilogy consists of three separate plays, all related however. They are *Homecoming*, *The Hunted*, and *The Hounded*; the first is given before the famous dinner intermission, and the other two after. Those who have taken Dr. Scherger's History of Civilization course are well prepared to make interesting comparisons between the Greek legend of fate, and O'Neill's modern interpretation of it in terms of Freudian theories. General Ezra Mannon, a Civil War hero of stern aristocratic Puritan family, corresponds to Agamemnon; Christine, his wife, to Clytemnestra; Lavinia, his daughter, is the Electra referred to in the title, while her brother Orin represents Orestes; and Captain Adam Brant follows the Greek character of Aegisthus. The Greek comparison is carried still further in the use of the Greek Revival style, which was the rage in this country up to Civil War time, for the settings representing the Mannon house, described by Christine as a home that is a tomb, a pagan temple front masking Puritan gray ugliness. These sets, by Robert Edmond Jones, are of exceptional quality, and should be of especial interest to architectural students.

General Is Poisoned

The plot, which follows the Greek, and is not meant to be a dark secret to you as you enter the theatre, begins with General Mannon's return from the war to a daughter with an abnormal love for him, and a wife who has grown to hate him; the latter helps nature along, during the General's heart attack, with a little poison. When Orin returns from the front, sister Lavinia, who despises her mother, persuades him to kill Christine's lover, Captain Brant. As a result of this, Christine commits suicide; Orin feels responsible for this, and is taken by his sister on a trip around the world, but winds up suicide himself.

This leaves Lavinia, the last of the Mannons, to spend the rest of her life in the old house, with "the Mannon dead." Thus it is said that mourning becomes her, as the title states.

Character Studies Are Good

O'Neill has made some remarkable character studies going into the Puritan conscience (or lack of one), in a way that corroborates my lifelong opinion of Puritannical righteousness. Lavinia is a strong, masculine, and relentless character, tough enough to live on in remorse after the others have been killed off; Christine is the only consistently human character in the family, but she is not of Mannon blood; Orin, with his jealous dislike of his father and Captain Brant, and his morbid devotion to his mother, and later his sister, is a weak character, easily influenced by the domineering Lavinia and the sentimental Christine.

Techniques Contrast

Some interesting comparisons can also be made between *Electra* and *Grand Hotel*. O'Neill's masterpiece is slow and detailed, lingeringly gruesome, though it holds your interest all the way, no small accomplishment; the Vicki Baum melodrama is more superficial, glancing with lightning-like rapidity into the various keeholes of the hostelry, and relying to a great extent on trick staging and mechanical scene changing. Both techniques are effective, but more unlike plays in the smash-hit class are rarely found.

In conclusion those not afraid of a little, or should I say a lot of heavy, thoughtful, and at the same time gripping, drama should not miss *Mourning Becomes Electra*, which is said to be in for three weeks only.

SCHERGER SPEAKS ON WASHINGTON'S LIFE IN ASSEMBLY

After Dr. Scherger's speech given last Friday at 10:30 in the assembly celebrating George Washington's birthday, Dean Penn remarked, "I have been listening to Dr. Scherger speak for the last thirty years, and I like him more every time I hear him."

Two numbers by the orchestra, "The Field Artillery March" and "The Glow Worm," opened the program. Dean Penn, in introducing the speaker, explained the fact that there is a discrepancy in the date of our celebration of Washington's birthday, for he was born on February 11 and at the time of his birth, years began in March instead of on January 1 as they do now.

Dr. Scherger first mentioned Richard Henry Lee's statement that he considered Washington to be, "First in war; first in peace; and first in the hearts of his countrymen." There is no one who has a greater place in the hearts of all Americans. Even Lincoln doesn't surpass him.

Had Little Education

In other countries the people could not tell you who is the greatest man their country ever produced, but in America no one stands out as predominantly as Washington. It seems that we have put Washington and Lincoln on pedestals and made half-gods of them. Recently some people have tried to pick flaws in Washington. The newer books, which are based on sound fact, explode the attacks of these critics. We don't believe in a goody-goody Washington, but we do believe in one who sets before the people an example of true Americanism.

He had no better education than Lincoln. About one year was all of the time that he spent in school. Here he learned to read, write, and cipher. He had a superb penmanship but spelled miserably. His lack of education was a great discouragement to him. Because of this, he always felt ill at ease when he talked with more educated men. He was not a very great reader, and most of his information was secured from conversation. Nevertheless he built up a library of some 850 volumes. He was a wonderful realist and had a typical engineering mind. This is shown by his passion for weighing, measuring, and counting.

A great ability to make friends and wonderful good fortune stood him in good stead all through his life. One of his great pieces of luck was having the rich Lord Fairfax for a friend while still a youth. This friendship gave him a chance to mingle with refined people, to become an out-of-doors man, and to earn from seven to twenty dollars a day while he was only seventeen years old. He saved this money and bought land with it.

Made Many Friends

Some people say Washington was a cold man, but this is not true. He was merely modest. His great capacity for making friends shows that he wasn't cold. Another proof lies in the fact that he was kind to his wife's two children, and altogether he adopted nine children.

He had the faculty of picking out men of great ability, and made very few mistakes in his judgments of men. Alexander Hamilton's ability was recognized by Washington, and as a result, Washington always stood by him.

He was also a very great military strategist. Fredrick the Great said of his retreat across New Jersey that it was the greatest military feat ever recorded in the annals of war. His knowledge of how to handle men and how to get along with them stood him in good stead during the Revolutionary War.

From every point of view Washington was a great man and we would do well to try and follow his ideas, especially those on patriotism and foreign entanglements.

LOST

A Collection of One-Act Plays by Mayorga was lost in the Physics lecture room, second floor, Main, last Tuesday at five p. m. The book was issued from the University of Chicago library.

The return of this volume is very urgently requested. The finder may bring it to the Dean's office.

New Books

Thomas Craven
Men of Art

A. D. Hamlin
History of Architecture

Kimball and Edgell
History of Architecture

S. H. Rathbun
Background to Architecture

David Strang
Printing of Etchings

F. L. Wright
Modern Architecture

H. H. Statham
History of Architecture
(Reviewed in this issue)

Staff Reporters To Have Contest

Organization is the keynote to the plans of the new Tech news staff. At a meeting called last Tuesday evening, Editor O. T. Barnett stressed the fact that only by having all of the men cooperate with each other can the paper be improved to any great extent.

The reporters will cooperate by getting their stories in on Thursday, by being more careful of their English, and by getting as many tips as they can. Impetus was given to the tip getting idea by the starting of a contest to see which reporter can write the greatest number of column inches in a given time. So far this contest has been going for only one issue, but George Wheaton has nevertheless piled up sixteen inches.

The benefits to be derived from these little bits of cooperation are evident. The men who do copy reading, headline writing, and make up work will have more time to do their jobs well, they will have less worry about how to rewrite somebody's incorrect sentences, and they will have more news from which to pick out good articles to print.

Another improvement which is being made is that every week a copy of the paper with all of the mistakes in it marked, is to be posted on the assignment board so that everyone can see just what sort of mistakes are being made, and thus help to eliminate them.

Stamp Club to Hold Election of Officers

Election of officers will be held at the next meeting of the Philatelic Society on Monday, February 29. E. W. Carlton, the originator and organizer of the club, has been presiding as the temporary chairman at the previous meetings.

The group has already developed a number of ideas and intends to put them into operation soon. McKeel's and Lynn's Weeklies, two popular magazines for stamp collectors, were subscribed to at the last meeting. A local stamp library has been organized and is located as a section of the main library, being accessible only to members of the club. A librarian to take charge of this will be one of the officers voted upon. An exchange system is being organized by means of which duplicate stamp books will be circulated among the members for the purpose of exchange as there is no time for making exchanges in any other way.

Doctor Scherger has accepted an invitation to give a talk on the history connected with some of the more important stamps. This will be given sometime in the near future and promises to bring out many points of interest.

The dues have been set at fifty cents per semester and will include the distribution of membership cards and possibly pins.

SCHERGER SPEAKS AT CLUB

Dr. George L. Scherger, head of the history department at Armour, held the distinction of acting as speaker at the Covenant Club Monday, February 22, at noon.

The celebration at the Covenant Club was one of the many held throughout the country this month in honor of the birth of George Washington two-hundred years ago.

E. E. Chilberg Speaks at A. I. E. E. Meeting

E. E. Chilberg, of the Chicago General Electric Company Engineering Department, was the speaker at the meeting of the Armour branch of the A. I. E. E., last Friday.

His topic, "Building Network", considered the care and protection required to insure constant electrical service in large buildings where the continuity of service is absolutely essential.

Electrical wires carrying high voltage are protected by stalwart frameworks. Some are incased in metal cables and hidden in the walls.

In case of a fire at some building, such as Marshall Field's store, a fireman might unknowingly break open a cable containing a 13,000 volt wire. The result would be a much worse fire. This is guarded against by the heavy protection coverings.

Provision is also made for breaks in the wires. The wires are automatically acted upon to prevent damage. Current is then brought by alternate wires.

The meeting was held in the Electrical Lecture room at eleven-thirty, immediately following the Washington's birthday assembly, instead of at ten thirty as originally planned. Junior and senior electricals were excused from their regular eleven-thirty classes for this purpose.

FRATERNITY NOTES

KAPPA DELTA EPSILON

The results of the election of officers held last week are as follows: J. Tuchinsky—President. E. Field—Vice-President. N. C. Krause—Secretary. P. Rosenfeld—Treasurer.

The social committee is making plans for a dance to be held in the latter part of February.

Mr. Wise with the cooperation of P. Portnoy ex-'33 is planning to edit a four page bulletin. The purpose of which is to convey items of interest of the fraternity and of the school to the alumni. Pledge H. Shannon has left school for the remainder of the term.

BETA PSI

Hell Week starts with a bang at high noon on Saturday, February 20. Pledge-Captain Wegner will start the ceremonies by caressing Pledge Wittekindt most lovingly with a barrel stave, as the clock tolls twelve.

The formal initiation will occur on Sunday, 28.

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The annual Valentine's party was held Saturday, Feb. 13 at the Chapter House. Several alumni and guests were present besides the actives and pledges.

Plans are being made for an inter-chapter basketball tournament between chapters at Armour, Northwestern, and Chicago. It probably will start about March 6.

Pledges Storey and Curran are living at the House.

Brothers Gregerson and Novak have returned to school to resume their studies at A. I. T.

THETA XI

The newly organized Mother's club was entertained at a luncheon given by the chapter on Monday, February 22. After the luncheon the mothers enjoyed themselves by playing bridge.

Pledge Brother Carlton Landis is now in the hospital recuperating from an attack of flu. We wish Carl a speedy recovery.

Dr. Koch Gives Talk At Meeting of A. C. S.

Dr. F. C. Koch, of the University of Chicago, disclosed many new and interesting facts in his talk on the male sex hormone at a meeting of the American Chemical Society held last Friday, February 19, at 8:00 P. M. in the Midland Club.

Connected with the Department of Physiological Chemistry at the University of Chicago since 1909, Dr. Koch recently has done a great deal of research work on male sex hormones, in cooperation with the Department of Zoology.

When these hormones are present either in too large or in too small quantities, abnormal effects are produced in the person. The probability of a child growing into a giant, or remaining a midget, however is small.

A great deal of work has been done in this field, and now the presence of the male hormone is a firmly established physiological fact of wide significance.

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TECH SQUAD WINS TRACK MEET AT NEW FIELD HOUSE

Defeats Chicago "B" and La Grange Track Teams

SCORES 57½ POINTS

By winning nine firsts and nine places, the Armour track men amassed a total of 57½ points last Tuesday evening, to win a triangular indoor track meet at the U. of C. fieldhouse with LaGrange Junior College and Chicago University B team. LaGrange was second in total points with 43½ points and the Chicago University B team trailed with 22 points.

Individual high point honors of the meet, as usual, went to George Nelson of Armour, who scored 19 points by winning the low and high hurdles, broad jump, tying for first in high jump, and running anchor on the relay team. Sademan and Lind ran fast races in the mile and half mile respectively.

SUMMARIES

60-yd. Dash—Won by Moore, Chicago, B; second, Ackerman, LaGrange; third, Kruezkamp, Armour; fourth, Hewitt, LaGrange. Time—6.6.

1 Mile Run—Won by Sademan, Armour; second, Johnson, Chicago B; third, Stroh, LaGrange; fourth, Richter, Armour. Time, 4:49.1.

60-yd. Low Hurdles—Won by Nelson, Armour; second, North, LaGrange; third, Lillie, LaGrange; fourth, Ackerman, LaGrange. Time, 8.5.

440-yd. Dash—Won by Colville, Chicago B; second, Cavenalkin, Chicago B; third, Roberts, Armour; fourth, Hirsch, Armour. Time, 82.8.

70-yd. High Hurdles—Won by Nelson, Armour; second, Lillie, LaGrange; third, Roberts, Chicago B; fourth, Nordin, LaGrange. Time, 9.3.

2-Mile Run—Won by Winegard, Armour; second, Freer, Armour. Time, 12:06.7.

880-yd. Run—Won by Lind, Armour; second, Franke, LaGrange; third, Stroh, LaGrange; fourth, Mackey, LaGrange. Time, 2:05.6.

Broad Jump—Won by Nelson, Armour; second, Roberts, Chicago B; third, Ackerman, LaGrange; fourth, Roberts, Armour. Distance, 20 ft. 2½ in.

High Jump—Won by Lillie, LaGrange and Nelson, Armour, tied for first; third, Eaton, LaGrange; fourth, Lacher, LaGrange. Height, 5 ft. 6 in.

Pole Vault—Won by Locker, LaGrange and O'Hara, LaGrange, tied for first; third, Eaton, LaGrange and Van Dyke, Armour. Height, 10 ft. 4 in.

Shot Put—Won by Jens, Armour; second, Frateschi, Armour; third, Hendricks, Armour; fourth, Barnberger, Chicago B. Distance, 38 ft. 6½ in.

Four-Sevens Mile Relay—Won by Armour (Sademan, Hirsch, Jens, Nelson); second, LaGrange (Nordin, Eaton, Lillie, Ackerman.)

Final Standing:
Armour—57½ points.
LaGrange—43½ points.
Chicago B—22 points.

ARMOUR CAGERS BEAT AUGUSTANA AND "Y" COLLEGE

With the season nearing a close, the Armour Tech cagers broke into both the win and lose column with two victories and one defeat on last week's schedule.

The first game, which took place on Saturday, February 13, resulted in a 25 to 22 victory over "Y" College at the latter's gymnasium. The team played well as a unit, and the two scores were never more than a few points apart during the whole game. Christoph came through in the last few minutes with a nice shot that clinched the victory.

On Wednesday the Tech squad lost a close game to Crane College at Crane, by a score of 27 to 24.

Friday the Tech cagers avenged themselves on Augustana to the tune of 22 to 16 having lost the first seasonal game with that team. They showed much better form than they had earlier in the week and are now ready for the final game next Thursday. I. C. Johnson has been appointed assistant manager of the team.

BOX SCORE				
Armour—22	B	FT	PF	
Robin, f.	0	0	0	
Rossing, f.	2	2	0	
Christoph, f.	1	0	0	
Beemsterboer, c.	2	1	4	
Ilg, c.	0	1	5	
Rummel, g.	0	1	3	
Setterberg, g.	1	5	1	
Total	6	10	11	
Augustana—16	B	FT	PF	
Parsons, f.	1	0	1	
Mattews, f.	0	0	0	
Caldwell, f.	0	2	2	
Rohr, c.	0	2	4	
Woodin, c.	0	0	1	
Schroeder, g.	4	2	0	
Marack, g.	0	0	2	
Neff, g.	0	0	0	
Landon, f.	0	0	1	
Total	5	6	11	

Armour Boxing Team Defeats Valparaiso

Last Thursday, February 18, the Armour Tech boxers beat Valparaiso by a score of 3-2. There was a good sized turnout to see the Tech men defeat the Hoosiers.

Bout number one was won by Marcus of Armour, on a decision. Marcus showed fine form, managing to floor Billings, of Valparaiso, three times in the third round.

The second bout was close, and the decision was given to Wright of Valparaiso over Schavilje of Armour.

The third affair went to Valparaiso on a technical knockout by Nuechterlein over Campione of Armour. This bout lasted one round, at the end of which Campione was so unfortunate as to get his chin in the way of a haymaker.

Bout number four was won by MacDonald of Armour by a decision over the Valparaiso man, Smith.

With the score now even the next bout had every one on the edge of his seat. It was up to Captain Sandstrom of Armour and Captain Bredchoff of Valparaiso to decide to which side the winning point would go. The first round was one of cautious feeling out by both men, but in the next round Captain Sandstrom landed on his opponent's body, and in the third round managed to clinch the bout and win the meet for Armour.

Baseball Season Begins April 12

Tech's baseball season is slowly getting under way. Sixteen men answered the call for pitchers and catchers last week. Practice for the fielders will start in about two weeks.

The schedule for the coming season is printed below. There is a rumor that Mt. Morris may drop out of the conference as they might drop all athletic activities for the coming year. The open dates may be taken by games with either St. Viator College, Bradley Polytech, or the Milwaukee School of Engineering.

The schedule:
April 12—Morton at Armour.
April 16—Armour at North Central.
April 19—Armour at Elmhurst.
April 22—Wheaton at Armour.
April 29—North Central at Armour.
April 30—Armour at Michigan Normal.
May 4—Armour at Mt. Morris.
May 7—Armour at Lake Forest.
May 11—Lake Forest at Armour.
May 12—Michigan Normal at Armour.
May 17—Mt. Morris at Armour.
May 20—Elmhurst at Armour.
May 21—Armour at Wheaton.

DePauw Defeats Swimmers 46-29

DePauw defeated the Armour swimming team last Friday by a score of 46 to 29. The first event of the evening was the 160 yard relay won by DePauw in a time of 1:23.6. Cavanagh of Armour took the 200 yard breast-stroke with a ten yard lead over his team mate Kolve in a time of 3 minutes flat.

In the 100 yard back stroke, Bradley the only DePauw man entered defeated Weston and Bernstein by five yards in a time of 1:49.9. DuShane and Powell, both of DePauw finished ahead of Byanskas in the 40 yard dash by a very close margin.

The 200 yard free style was taken by two of the DePauw men in a hard fought battle with Davison who challenged their lead during the whole of the event. Edwards won in a time of 2:39. DuShane and Bradley, both of DePauw took first and second respectively over Ahern in the 100 yard free style race. The winner's time was 1:02.2.

Weston, Cavanagh, and Carlstrom of Armour defeated Pettet, Kreuke and Edward in the 300 yard medley relay in a time of 3:45.8. Final results of the fancy diving showed that Powell of DePauw was first, with Kolve and Jung of Armour second and third respectively.

TECH SHORTS

King Baseball Returns
Baseball again will soon be in the spotlight of Armour's sports. The pitchers and catchers started practicing in Tech's cigar box gym last week. The first call for fielders will be within the next two weeks.

Basketball will end their 1931-32 season on Thursday night when Tech will encounter Michigan State Normal of Ypsilanti at the Eighth Regiment Armory. All students are urged to attend this game and root heartily for the basketball team so that they can end their season with a .500 average.

Armour's championship tracksters continued their victories by winning a triangular meet from La Grange and the University of Chicago's B team.

Tech copped nine first places out of a possible twelve events. Geo. Nelson won four firsts besides running anchor man on the winning relay team.

Nelson now has 46½ points in two meets, and is well on his way to set a new record for the most number of points in a season.

Assistant Baseball Managers
Any juniors intending to try out for the assistant baseball manager of the current season should turn in their written application to Coach Kraft immediately.

Stan Lind Stars
Stan Lind, 32, surprised the track team last Tuesday night by winning the 880 yard run in 2:05.6, which is only 0.6 second slower than the indoor school record. Good boy, Stan!

Boxing came through with another victory by defeating the boys from Valparaiso, three bouts to two.

Armour's track team will try for their third victory next Saturday at the Sears' Roebuck Y. M. C. A. Invitational meet. The two milers will have to complete 52 laps around the track to finish their race. Will they be dizzy—and how?
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