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## Public Pledging

For the first time in the history of Beta Chapter of Tau Beta Pi, national honorary engineering fraternity, the pledging of new members was made before the assembled student body of Armour. The select few, having this high honor bestowed upon them, were acknowledged publicly when they were presented with the pledge button after a faculty member had explained the foundation, the aims, and the purposes of this great organization. The methods of selection and the qualities required in each candidate were also cited before the men were called up to receive their pledgeships and the congratulations of members of the fraternity.

With the advent of such a movement, public pledging by all honorary fraternities at Armour should be permanently established in the near future. A special meeting of the student body, called to acknowledge those who have performed exceptionally meritorious work at school, both in scholarship and in outside activities, would serve not only to recognize these men, but would also inspire the lower classmen to a greater effort on their part. By impressing upon the freshmen and sophomores the importance of scholarship and the necessity of participation in extra-curricular activities, more students would become eligible to memberships in the various honorary fraternities, with a natural tendency toward the raising of the school standard.

Finally, the subject must be approached from the viewpoint of the pledges themselves. The effects produced upon them are strictly beneficial, for if ever the importance and honor of their selection can be impressed upon them, it would be at such a meeting, before their classmates who bear with them. These men deserve special recognition and we feel that the student body would whole-heartedly support similar gatherings for such purposes.

## The Armour Players

Another popular and highly successful dramatization has been presented to the student body by one of the newest organizations at Armour, the Armour Players. The work of these men engaged in producing and staging a play of such merit deserves a special mention, considering the many difficulties that slowed down the progress of the group.

With the advancement of this organization, which will most certainly come after the last performance, more men will be needed to carry on the work of those who will be lost by graduation. For students interested not only in the dramatic side, but also in the technical part of

# "The Slipstick"

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

### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

In promulgating your esteemed cogitations, or articulating your superficial sentimentalities and amicable, philosophical psychological observations, beware of platitudinous ponderosity. Let your conversational communications possess clarified consciousness, a coalescent consistency and a coordinated cogency. Eschew all conglomeration of fatuous garrulity, labelism, incongruities, and naive affectations. Let your extemporaneous descantings and unpremeditated expatiations have intelligibility, various vivacity and unvarying veracity without rate or monotony or thesaurical bombast. Sedulously avoid all polysyllabic profundity, pompous prolixity or sentimental vacuity.

In other words, talk plainly, briefly, naturally, sensibly, truthfully and purely. Say what you mean; mean what you say and don't use big words.

Eds. Note: It all may be true and all that sort of thing but there's nothing like a few good words.

A nod to one who has the advantage to be convicted.

First Model: "I said some very foolish words to my boy friend last night."  
Second Model: "Yes?"  
First Model: "That was one of them." —Rice Owl.

After looking them over, we believe the duckhound is the best front drive dog on the market today.

"Parade me!" said the golfer as he caught up with the members playing ahead of him "would you mind if I played through? I've just heard that my house is on fire."

### ALL OF A SUDDEN

I took her to a night-club,  
I took her to a show,  
I took her almost everywhere  
A girl and boy could go,  
I took her to swell dances,  
I took her out to tea;  
When all my dough was gone I saw  
She had been taking me.

Jack-O-Lantern.

After due investigation we have come to the conclusion that the world is neither flat nor round. It is crooked.

John: "So, your friend became wealthy through a sudden movement in oil. What stock did he buy?"  
James: "He didn't buy any. A rich man tried to start a fire with a can of oil."

### MINUTE PHILOSOPHY

Dignity is one thing that cannot be purchased in alcohol.  
Many a good bean plays second fiddle.  
If any one calls you a fool—we advise never ask him to prove it.

The two agencies used to redistribute great fortunes are taxation and offspring.

Pete: "He's wandering in his mind."  
Repto: "Don't worry. He won't go far."  
—Pie Slipped Piper.

### HATS TO CAPS

Green caps for the freshmen they say  
Would benefit Armour in every way.

For, if these innocents appeared in the green,  
Whenever upon this fair campus seen,  
A tremendous spirit of loyalty and pride  
Would scatter Armour's fame, both far and wide.

But beneath all this honey there lies  
A very sad truth all clothed in disguise.

That upper classmen by their deportment and mien  
Can only be identified with the aid of the green.

Anonymous.

A girl may love you from the bottom of her heart;  
but there's always room for some other guy at the top.

### PRACTICAL CHEMISTRY

The combination that dissolves gold most rapidly is a boy and a girl engaged.

A canoe is like a small boy—both behave better when peddled from the rear.

### THE DEACON.

stage production such as lighting and management, there is now an unusual opportunity, as most of those who have done the major portion of this work so far, are leaving.

To continue the success of the Armour Players, new men are urged to step in and learn, and later carry on the work that their predecessors have so notably performed.

## Armour Host to Industrial Meet

Armour Institute of Technology is officially host to a regional conference on industrial research which is being held at the Administration Building of the World's Fair on April 29. The conference is sponsored by the Engineering and Industrial Research Division of the National Research Council.

The purpose of this meeting, as declared by Professor J. W. Barker, Dean of the School of Engineering at Columbia University and head of the committee which is calling a series of these conferences throughout the country, is to assemble data on the research facilities of engineering colleges, and to discuss methods by which colleges may cooperate effectively with research departments in industry to work out research problems.

"The proposed survey," said Dean Barker in a letter announcing the meeting, "is part of a primary investigation of the relations which may be established for the best material interests of collegiate and industrial research."

"Fuller data on university and technical school facilities would enable the industries to place their problems in centers specializing in the field of science or technology involved, and also provide a more uniform national distribution of research activity."

Professor James C. Peckles of Armour Institute of Technology, who is in charge of arrangements for the conference here this week, also heads the committee from the Armour faculty which is preparing a report on research facilities at Armour.

## ARX NEWS

Well, gents, forty days (including Memorial Day and Sundays) to the finish! And before said date the seniors will have finished their monuments to JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH, the juniors and sophs must complete their "beach clubs," and the frosh will struggle through with their analytiques. Good luck, arch!

You may still be interested to know that IRON, SEABERG, and TAGUE invade the rank of a mention-commended spicce on their churches, and that the local jury had for its outside judge, Mr. Theo. E. TALLMADGE, prominent architect and formerly Dean of Architecture at Armour.

The seniors recently presented a sketch problem titled, "A Great City Movement," in two parts—general sketch and detail of monument. And the only men who clicked two mentions on one judgment were Messrs. CONE, NELSON, and SIEGAL. Incidentally the last two men above named also nipped a pair of first mentions in clay modelling—the problem—"A metal grille in an entrance door."

The Whitney Warren Scholarships were awarded to two men from Yale on their presentations of the Pandolfini palaces, while in the name judgment our own Cone and Skubic garnered mentions from the New York jury.

Believe it or not, some of our prominent sophomores would like to give the faculty an eight-hour sketch problem which they propose to be judged by a student jury! What is this generation coming to?—or is it just another World's Fair "turnabout"?

A very unique method of "reaching" the teacher was ingeniously contrived by MIT KOHN in what might be termed "bottle-shining." The aforesaid "stude" presented a bottle of the LEGAL STUFF to Prof. Sholto SPEARS.

"All good things come in threes," and so three freshmen, LISCHER, VAN SCOYOC, and OLUFSEN were blessed with commended mentions for their composition renderings... EAGLE EYE.

## Thompson and Doubt Attend Physics Club

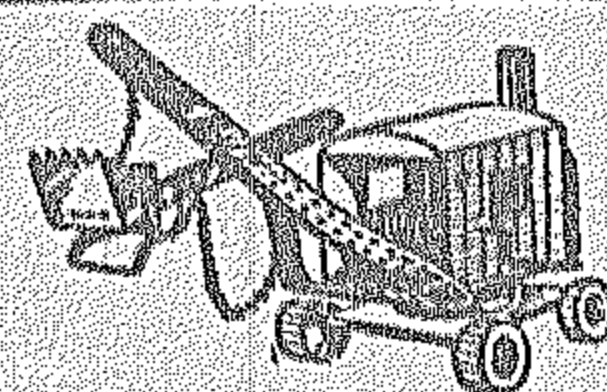
At the last meeting of the Chicago Physics Club, held a week ago at the Lighting Institute, Professor Harkins of the University of Chicago spoke on the neutron theory. Another meeting will be held in the near future, and another interesting talk will be presented.

Members of the club are drawn from all professions, for the membership is composed of high school and college teachers, manufacturers of laboratory apparatus, and men who are merely interested in physics. The purpose of the organization is to promote a wider interest in the subject of physics, and the speeches that are given at the meetings are very general in scope. Last year most of the talks were given at the planetarium and the Lighting Institute, two of them concerning the eclipse and the measurement of time during an eclipse. The club has for its president Dean H. G. Gale of the U. of C., and the chairman is Roy Whitney of Marshall High School. Professor Thompson, who was on the membership committee last year, and Professor Doubt are the two Armour physicists who belong to the organization.

A proposed cure for tardiness! Professors of Creighton University have all vacant chairs removed from their room at the sound of the tardy bell and when students come in late they are forced to stand through the entire lecture. It might prevent sleeping too...

The University of South Dakota student publication suggests that to end the depression we put the farmers in the political offices because they don't know how to spend money, and put the politicians out on the farms because they don't know how to create a surplus.

## THE STEAM SHOVEL



Charley Tibbals inquired whether the students could picture a physical particle so small that it could not be made smaller. And John Scott "immediately" suggested a hot dog at Woolworth's.

WALLY GUNDERSON better watch out the day of the frosh-soph rush. The Sophomore Chemicals are going on the war path that day.

Last Tuesday the soph chemikers all had a good old fashioned cry... But really though, they aren't cry babies. It was only some tear gas leaking from ROY WITTEKENT'S apparatus.

Walt Winchell reports that JERRY PINKOS says the girl upstairs is "chasing" him. We wonder why? By the way her name is VIRGINIA, and Jerry'll tell you all about her if you let him.

No, those weren't Armour's new coeds wandering around the halls last Wednesday. They were the professor's wives.

And did you see Sammy Bibb's little daughter, IKKE KRAWITZ ought to get a job with the institute so he can be around ten years from now when she grows up.

There were fifteen stage Johnnies waiting for Miss Joyce after the play. That's the reason only six junior mechanicals attended Perry's class after the play.

EARL BEARD would make a first class chemical.



## Another aid to business... a Teletypewriter "Central"

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