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SIDELINES

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TOLERANCE reached a limit the other day, as far as President Roosevelt was to be concerned, when he put his foot down on Democratic national committeemen who, as lawyers, sell to clients their existing influence with the federal administration in Washington. Of course the president admitted his knowledge of the matter, but it took a letter from a radical senator to remind him that the senate would consider the same as mal-practice.

IT IS AMUSING to notice the results of the president's "disfavor." Postmaster General Farley announced his intention to resign as Democratic National Chairman, Robert Jackson made known his resignation as Democratic National Committeeman for New Hampshire and as secretary of the National Committee, and the National Committeemen from Montana and North Carolina both submitted their resignations. They all decided to apply their "drag" in the practice of law.

WHEN THE DEMOCRATIC administration went to Washington, we had the idea it went clean, it looked good. Maybe it did, in which case the matter of "profit on the side" could be referred to as the result of temptation. But we are more inclined to call it the following of a natural tendency—self-interests first. These men worked with the administration, they were a part of it. But, when the opportunity offered, they accepted compensation for the application of their mere influence in satisfying the desires of individuals, such as "satisfactory" income tax settlements. Hence, a new theory in government—what looks good is probably bad.

SOMETIMES we run across a story that's worth passing on. Here's one as true as night follows day: It was three-thirty o'clock one Sunday morning. A Mr. Brown, accompanied by two men and three women companions, was driving south on Chicago's outer drive, and was of course applying considerable deflection to the accelerator. Also, at the same time a member of the city police force saw fit to uphold the law, and promptly interrupted the rapid progress of the party of six—insisting that they were "doing sixty" and would have to go to the police station at once, unless the matter was settled at the scene of arrest.

NOT WISHING to inconvenience his lady friends, Brown inquired of his party as to how much small change could be collected, only to be told that a ten-dollar bill alone existed. "Well," said Brown, "guess we'll have to go to the station, we only have a ten-dollar bill." "Oh, that's all right," replied the officer, "Come with me and I'll change it for you."

WITH A SOLUTION in sight, Brown and company followed the policeman for more than two miles in a westerly direction before an open store was found, and into which the policeman entered with the ten-dollar bill. When the officer reappeared, he promptly handed Mr. Brown a stack of brown, said counts, and drove off.—Brown counted six single dollars in his change.

Brain Work Features Chess Club Matches

The Chess Club of Armour has been having a good deal of hard brain work in the past few weeks. During the holidays they had a good match with veterans from the Oak Park Y. M. C. A. The Oak Parkers were older men and more experienced at the game so the match was rather one sided. However, the Armour men tried hard and hope to do better next time. Last Thursday there was an informal match with some men from Rogers Park. There will be a business meeting Thursday, January 25, at 12:30 o'clock. The place will be announced later on the bulletin board.

New, Retiring Editors of Engineer



Ellis H. Doane



Herbert Kreisman

Because of the final examinations and the accompanying holidays, the next issue of the *Armour Tech News* will be distributed on Tuesday, February 13.

Work Progressing on Cycle for 1934

Work on the "Cycle" of 1934 is rapidly progressing under the leadership of Thomas C. Peavey, editor-in-chief, and Howard J. Zibble, business manager. Quite a few articles have been written to date and work will be increased greatly after the semester examinations.

The photographing this year is being done by the Marshall Photographers located at 140 North State street. Group pictures of the various organizations, faculty pictures, and fraternity pictures will be taken the first week of the second semester here at Armour. Pictures of the members of the Senior class are being taken at the photographer's studio and all of these photographs must be completed by Monday, February 5.

The editor requests that anyone having snapshots concerning school activities or students in school drop them in the Cycle box by the elevator in the main building. In previous Cycles these pictures have been very interesting.

The deadline on Senior Biographies has been set as Monday, February 5. Any biographies not in at that time will not be published in the Cycle.

A call is also issued for assistance in preparing the Cycle. Anyone possessing any writing ability and desiring to work on the staff of the publication should see the editor as soon as possible.

Scarab Initiates Ten Pledges at Banquet

Members of Edfou chapter of Scarab, professional architectural fraternity, gathered at the Architects Club last Thursday to initiate the following into the organization: Arthur Adreani, Frederick Bartlett Jr., John Benja, Robert Cheatham, Robert Esbensen, Herman Gerhardt, Lester Johnson, Henry Mortorand, Julius Sanstedt, and Carl Seaberg.

A banquet followed the initiation, after which several talks were given. Mr. Voita gave some interesting views on "Kindergarten Chats" by the late Louis Sullivan, who was an honorary member of Scarab. These "Kindergarten Chats" are to be published in the near future.

President Hotchkiss spoke regarding the future in architecture, after which Mr. Hoffmeister, the modeling instructor, spoke on "Industrial Design."

Mr. Luse of the Chicago Face Brick Bureau put a fitting conclusion to the meeting by explaining an exhibit which had been held over from a meeting of the American Institute of Architects.

Faculty Members Visit High Schools

Answer Questions of Seniors On Engineering

Continuing the active campaign in spreading information about engineering schools among Chicago high school seniors, representatives of Armour will again this week visit and interview prospective college men who graduate from high school this February.

At the invitation of the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, representatives have been sent to take part in conferences held on the "College Days" of the following fifteen schools: Harrison Tech, Lindblom High, Senn High, Calumet High, Austin High, Tilden Tech, Hyde Park High, Hirsch High, Lane Tech, Parker High, McKinley High, Bowen High, Amundsen High, and Deerfield Shields High.

College Information Offered
Representatives from the leading colleges of the middle west are to be present at these meetings. Each representative is furnished with a location or space where he can be found by students who are interested in the particular college which he represents.

The Armour representative has copies of official publications and bulletins describing the various courses, photographs showing interior and exterior views of the buildings, copies of student publications, Armour pennants, and other features of interest to the prospective student. He is prepared to answer individual questions of all who care to enter into these conferences.

Receive Many Inquiries
Armour is being represented at the greater number of these conferences by the Recorder, Mr. Kelly. He has spent most of the time since the Christmas holidays in the high schools of Chicago. He is being aided in this work by Dean Heald and Professors Peebles, Sear and Seegrist.

Professor J. C. Peebles, of the department of Mechanical Engineering reported a live interest among the group of 300 seniors that he met at Lane Tech last Thursday. Sixty-seven of them asked that Armour bulletins be mailed to them.

The present conferences are for the benefit of those students graduating in February. Another series of conferences will be held in May of this year, to aid men who are graduating in June.

Editor of Chemical Journal Visits Here

A recent visitor at the Institute was Mr. S. D. Kirkpatrick of New York City, editor of "Chemical and Metallurgical Engineering." Mr. Kirkpatrick was in the city attending a meeting of the American Chemical Association and called on Professor McCormack, an old time friend, to discuss the manuscript of a book on chemical engineering laboratory experiments.

Use New System for Registration

Enrollment in Classes First Is Innovation

With the beginning of advanced registration yesterday, a new system was being tried for the first time at Armour. Enrollment in classes is to be completed before the bill is paid instead of after, as in past years, and instead of enrolling with individual instructors, students will enroll at eight central points.

Dean Penn, Dean Heald, and Mr. Kelly, who have been considering a change in the registration procedure for some time, expect the new system to be an improvement over the old, but may make further changes next September.

Has Three Advantages

There will be three principal advantages in the new method; permanent program cards will be obtained by the Dean's office at the beginning of the semester, and without the difficulty of former years, mistakes in making out the bills will be eliminated, since the enrollment card will show exactly what courses that require fees the student is taking, and the necessity of the students' searching for individual professors in order to enroll in classes will be eliminated.

Men who register in advance but do not pay their fees will gain no advantage by doing so, since a check-up will be made in the cashier's office before February 5, and those who have not paid will be removed from the rolls, and will be required to repeat the entire process of registration on the regular day.

Give Detailed Directions
Detailed instructions for registration follow:

1. Make a tentative program from the master program in the foyer in the Main Building.
2. Fill in a registration card and turn it in at the Dean's office, in return receiving an enrollment card and a blank permanent program card.
3. Enroll in classes. Subjects are grouped by departments in eight groups. Places of enrollment are posted on the bulletin boards.
4. Return enrollment card and permanent program card, filled in, to Dean's office, and receive a bill.
5. Pay bill in Cashier's Office.

Standardized Ring on Display Today

Samples of the Armour standardized ring were received last Thursday and orders will be taken today. It is expected that the first lot of rings will be ready about two weeks after the orders are taken, according to J. Bacci, chairman of the jewelry committee.

Ring Is Guaranteed

The makers of the ring are Spies Brothers, a Chicago firm. They guarantee the ring against any defect, such as breaking of the ring or stone, or the stone's falling out. Due to the fact that Spies have the die, the ring may be purchased at any time.

The following prices are quoted on the rings with onyx stones. A ten carat eight pennyweight solid gold ring (green or yellow) will cost \$12.80. The "two tone" ring is \$9.00, sterling silver \$6.50, and keys \$5.50. The "two tone" ring is a gold ring with about two pennyweight of gold milled out beneath the top of the ring and silver welded in its place.

Three Classes Cooperate

Because of the high price of gold Armour is fortunate in getting such low prices on the ring, as the contract was awarded immediately before signing the Jeweler's Code. If it had been awarded later it would have meant an increase in price.

The senior, junior, and sophomore classes have combined on the idea of standardizing the Armour ring, and it is hoped that the freshman and following classes will adopt this ring, making it "the Armour ring."

ELLIS H. DOANE IS ELECTED EDITOR OF ARMOUR ENGINEER BY BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS

Brenner Succeeded by Nachman as Associate Editor; New Staff to Compose the Next Issue

HAUSNER WILL BE NEW COMPTROLLER

A course in Differential Equations will be included in Evening School instruction for the first time during the next semester, beginning January 29. The course will be taught by Professor Bibb on Monday and Thursday evenings, from 7:30 to 9:30 o'clock.

The following elective courses in English will be given at hours to be arranged:

English 204—Writing for Publication.
English 206—Advanced Writing.
English 301—A Play a Week.
English 302—The New Poetry.
English 303—The Novel of Today.

Students who are interested should hand their program cards to Professor Hendricks as soon as possible. These courses are open to sophomores, juniors and seniors.

Players Choose New Production

After two weeks of tryouts, the Armour Players have decided upon the cast for their next production to be given sometime in March. The play, which is called "The Rising of the Moon," was written by Lady Gregory and was selected after several had been studied.

Plan Student Assembly

The play is to be given at a general assembly so that all students will have a chance to see it. The Armour Players are working hard on this play, as they did on the last, gaining more experience so that the success of a three act play, to be given sometime in May, will be insured. The longer play will, in all probability, be given at an evening performance.

Mention should be given of some of the workers on this play who will not appear before you on the stage. If you should see someone going around the Assembly hall tearing his hair, do not be frightened. It is not a lunatic, but only Mike Pantone, the stage manager, hunting for scenery and wondering what he is going to use. John Brenner is also assisting with the stage work.

To Hold Tryouts

The cast of the play will be as follows:

Policeman B Joseph A. Haase
Policeman X John Graf Jr.
Sergeant Donald Suhr
Ragged Man Walter H. Sobel

Tryouts are now being held for the play to be given in May and any students interested in trying for parts should attend the next meeting of the Armour Players. A notice as to the time and place will be posted on the bulletin board.

Sophs Expect to Get Their Jackets Today

The sophomores should be wearing their new maroon jackets by this afternoon. After several delays the first batch of the jackets is due to arrive today. Eighty-three orders have already been placed, and many more are expected to be made while the tailors are here distributing the jackets which have already been made up.

The fellows who are getting their jackets now will have the use of them for five or more semesters instead of just one semester as is the case when jackets are purchased in the senior year. All they have to worry about is—Will the jackets last five semesters?

Ellis H. Doane Jr., F. P. E. '35, was elected editor of the *Armour Engineer* by the Board of Publications, to succeed the present editor, Herbert Kreisman. Doane's appointment, made last Wednesday, is effective immediately, and his staff will compose the next *Engineer*. Two other appointments made at the same meeting were those of Harry S. Nachman, M. E. '36, who will be associate editor, and Leonard Hausner, E. E., who will fill the position of comptroller.

Doane Present Assistant

Doane's experience on the *Engineer* earned him the position of chief executive of the magazine. During the current semester he has been assistant to the editor, a position which well acquaints him with his duties when he takes over the reins. Nachman, who succeeds J. L. Brenner as associate editor, will work with the editor in the technical details which are involved in the make-up of the magazine. He was connected with the Technical Abstract department in previous experience.

Hausner has been connected with the business department of the *Engineer* for some time. He assisted the present comptroller, Barry M. Kostenko, of the retiring staff.

All men interested in work on the *Engineer* are asked to report to the new administration. Further details will be announced on the bulletin board in the main building this week.

Lake Water Analysis Discussed at A.I.Ch.E.

Last Friday morning, Dr. G. J. Fink of the National Aluminate Corporation addressed the local chapter of the A. I. Ch. E. on the subject "Water Treatment." The analysis of our lake water was discussed at great length.

Dr. Fink, himself a well known chemist, clearly set forth various processes used in water softening and treatment of boiler-feed water. The various objects of display which the lecturer exhibited added to the interest of the lecture.

Junior Informal Well Attended

Two hundred couples attended the junior informal dance held at the Shoreland Hotel last Friday evening, thereby making it the most successful dance held by an Armour class in recent years. The reduction in the price of bids increased the attendance without affecting the quality of the affair.

Charley Straight's orchestra, familiar to many through the medium of the radio, furnished the music for the evening and was widely acclaimed by all of those present. The attractive Crystal Ballroom of the Shoreland supplied the setting, and the convenient lounges just outside welcomed those who tired of dancing.

Among the many guests were Dr. and Mrs. Hotchkiss, Dean and Mrs. Heald, Professor and Mrs. Ensz, and Professor and Mrs. Grafton.

The junior social committee consisting of N. A. Maurer, chairman, and J. J. Ahern, R. D. Armsbury, E. R. Fenske, R. L. Friede, C. P. Grakavac, and R. O. Patterson, deserve a great deal of credit for their work as they demonstrated the possibility of giving a successful dance for less money than has been spent for past ones. An actual and sizable profit was made whereas previous dances have always had to draw on the class treasury to make up the deficits.