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Greetings

Once more an Open House night of Armour Institute "rolls around" and once more the *Armour Tech News* takes this opportunity to extend the hand of greeting to the many friends of Armour, past, present, and future.

We hope our many visitors have an enjoyable time this evening in inspecting the school and the work which it does. The visitor should realize, however, that the show he is viewing is not the whole of Armour Institute of Technology. Back of the startling and interesting little side shows which make up Open House night and more truly the real Armour Institute are the many hours that an Armour student spends in class and at home studying and working on the basic scientific principles of his chosen profession.

An Optimistic Outlook

Recently, our attention has been drawn to comments in current, well recognized periodicals concerning the always popular subject, "The College Graduate, Whither Bound?"

The thing which seemed to be the most remarkable about this particular set of comments was the fact that in gathering the material and facts for the statements contained in the articles, the authors had gone to the college students about to graduate and asked them the question, "Whither Bound?" Although the question had been asked of only ten men, who are editors of the student newspaper on the campus, it had been asked of a geographically representative group and in a general way the answers give a viewpoint which coincides with our opinions.

The general opinion seemed to be that the college graduate of this June has the brightest prospects before him that he has had for several years. In other words, the answer to the question as far as the college graduate could see it was that he expected to find his place in the business and professional world or the graduate school upon his graduation.

Whether these opinions mean anything more than the fact that as a general rule a young college student is cheerful in his outlook on the future, time alone can tell. Also, whether these indications can be applied to the outlook for the engineering college graduate is rather doubtful, since the results of the survey were based on replies from larger schools which were not strictly engineering institutions. Perhaps the outlook for an engineering graduate is even more cheerful than that for the non-technical graduate. As a matter of fact, if we were to venture an opinion, this latter statement would suffice. From all indications which we have noted in a general manner concerning our own placement service, an Armour graduate, at least, also has his bright prospects.

"The Slipstick"

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

"Tis here—'tis here, the week of weeks. The Techwaks! "Paradise" is on Ogden Field during Junior Week. The pentathlon ought to be a wow and there's baseball games galore. Look! Look! Pacuity vs. Seniors in baseball. Well, fellas, here's our chance to see the Profs do their stuff. That Spring Concert is also quite a treat. Sh, sh, mum's the word Thursday night, but be sure you get in on the fun. And so comes Friday, our servant so true, with the Class Rush, the show unexcelled. The Junior Prom brings the grand finale, and is a dance most supreme. Well, you guys, be sure and have fun while you may.

"A word to the wise is sufficient."

"How long are you gonna be in that bathtub?"
"Same length I am any place else, ya' sap."

1st: "I saw Lady Godiva riding in the parade the other day."
2nd: "Zat so? Wish I'd been there. I haven't seen a horse for a long time."

Modern Version—Three cheers for the red wine and brew.

Five Feet: "Might I have this dance?"
Six Feet: "Yes, you mite."

The Seven Wonders of the World

1. When will you wonder clock?
2. I wonder go to the movies.
3. He's wonder guys down the street.
4. The odds are wonder three.
5. Who wonder ball game?
6. It's wonder the rug, dear.
7. If you don't wonder I'll take her.

"The difference between a hairdresser and a sculptor is that while the hairdresser curls up and dyes, the sculptor makes faces and busts."

Doc: "Oh, doctor, I think I'm going to die!"
Student: "What makes you think that?"
Doc: "Well, I just broke my lifetime fountain pen!"

Ed: "Why is a woman like a sailboat?"
Dan: "Because they both make a better showing in the wind."

"Tough luck," said the egg in the monastery. "Out of the frying-pan into the friar."

Needed inventions:
Combination corkscrew and compass.
Flying cake of soap for use in showers.
System for making straight A's.

MORE LINES

The bear sleeps very warm
In his bear skin, I am told;
But when I sleep in my bare skin
I catch one hell of a cold.

Her nose is holed
Her eyes are glassy,
No smile to brag of,
But what a chassie!

I've never reminisced
On the chase and sweet waddised,
But oh, the little chidlers,
We've never dubs or fizers!

Flora: "I hate Tony."
Dora: "Why?"
Flora: "Well, I offered to take whatever he thought my kisses were worth and this morning he sent a bill marked 'physical labor'..."

I call her Seven Days—She makes one week.

"How much is this hat?"
"Fifteen dollars, sir."
"Where are the holes?"
"What holes?"
"The holes for the ears of the jackass who would pay that much for it."

They laughed when I sat down to the piano, but when my pants started to rip, I thought they'd split.

Realtor: Now here's a beautiful home overlooking the lake.
Buyer: Where's the lake?
Realtor: That's what's overlooked.

"Mister, so you believe in the survival of the fittest?"
"Heck, no! I'm an undertaker."

"Is there any age limit for sailors?"
"There's no limit of any kind for sailors."

"A girl will love you from the bottom of her heart, but there's always room for some guy at the top."

So long, see you guys and you gals at the dance.

R. H.

STUDENT MUSINGS

A Chautauqua is an institution of learning which uses everyday fresh air instead of college atmosphere. The first Chautauqua was founded by one of the first fresh air cranks. He believed that a series of lectures delivered in a comfortable park would tone down the horrors of acquiring an education to such a degree that many middle aged people, who would be run down and seriously stepped on if they got to a college campus, would eagerly soak up learning if obtained at a popular price of admission.

This proved to be the case and the original Chautauqua is still attended by many thousands who live happily by the lake side at Chautauque, New York, during the summer, perfecting themselves in art, literature, philosophy, stenography, crocheting, brass hammering, basket weaving, and other branches of wisdom.

The Chautauqua at one time was so popular that it spread over all the country like a light rash, beginning in June and continuing until the nights cool off. All that was needed to pull off a Chautauqua was a large tent, some pine seats and plenty of "talent." "Talent" was sold by the lecture bureaus and came in \$50, \$100, \$500, and \$1,000 lots. A plain orator could be obtained for \$50—an orator with a press agent for \$100. Ordinary congressmen brought \$200 if lively. State governors and senators of the first grade got \$500. The highest class of talent got \$1,000 a night and consisted of great ministers, great curiosities and William J. Bryan.

The Chautauqua had usurped the place of baseball in our small towns and had become the prevailing summer amusement. Every year 25,000,000 American people gathered under tents to listen to ministers, educators, humorists, jubilee singers, string bands, politicians, revivalists, impersonators, authors, explorers, and brass bands and to absorb from them enough wisdom to last them through the long, hard winter.

Chautauques are very beneficial to the nation, but it has been recently noticed that the senator who knocks down another senator can usually command a higher price on the Chautauqua circuit afterwards and that the explorer who has computed his diary with a false horizon made by the aid of a basin of water from a New York faucet gets more money a scientist who never got any free advertising.

These facts are dimming the glory of the Chautauqua to some extent, so that we, of the modern age, have to think quite lengthily before we understand the meaning of the term Chautauqua.

P. S.

Arx News

Tomorrow is a big day for our class B as each of these juniors have been making the most of their time and will present to the jury "the best Island Memorials ever designed." The sophs also consider tomorrow their big day because their memorials are NOT due. They have been graciously given an extension until May 15.

Prof. A. C. WILMANS gave his construction enthusiasts quite a treat last week by substituting for his classes an inspection trip to the "Fair" grounds. The boys all claimed to have a swell time. . . I wonder?

Prof. SUTER took his freshman class on an inspection trip last week to the new "C" building. With many a sneeze and ahs the fresh saw a real modern interior. I wonder which one of the frosh does a modern gals lodge now?

After hearing "BOB" SAMUELS brag about his \$12.00 rain coat, the boys decided to test it out by experiment. After filling up the sleeves and pockets with water and seeing no leakage, the boys were convinced of its fitness. Have you decided who is going to foot the bill, Bob?

WATTLEY still claims the breaking of his window in the drafting room was an accident. But the office did not believe his story, and invited several of the students into the office to relate their own versions of the accident. I hope they all told the same story!

See you at the formal!
SNOOPING SAM.

DIRECTORY

MAIN BUILDING: 3300 Federal Street. Library: first floor, North
Dynamo Laboratory: first floor, South. Physics Lecture Room:
second floor, North. Electrical Laboratory: second floor, South.
Qualitative Laboratory: third floor, South. Science Hall: third
floor, North. Electro-Chemistry Laboratory: third floor, Center.
Organic Laboratory: fourth floor, North. Industrial Chemistry
Laboratory: fourth floor, South. Drafting Room: fifth floor,
North. Gymnasium, fifth floor, South. Mechanical Laboratory:
basement, North.
ARMOUR MISSION: S. E. cor. 33rd and Federal Streets. Civil Draft-
ing Room: second floor, Room D; basement. Assembly Hall, first
floor.
CHAPIN HALL: 3329 Federal Street. Physics Laboratory: first floor,
North. Radio Station: second floor, North.
FILTRATION PLANT: 3343 Federal Street.
AUTOMOTIVE LABORATORY: North of Machinery Hall.
SOCIAL SCIENCE OFFICE: 43 West 33rd Street.

OTHER CAMPUSES THE HONORARIES

SALAMANDER

Honorary Fire Protection Engineer-
ing Fraternity

Salamander, honorary fraternity in fire protection engineering, was founded at Armour Institute of Technology in January, 1923, for the avowed purpose of promoting high scholarship and encouraging original investigation in all branches of fire protection engineering.

The initial steps for the formation of Salamander were taken by O. L. Cox, '23, and R. M. Beckwith, '24, in cooperation with Professor J. B. Finnegan, head of the Department of Fire Protection Engineering. At that time the aim was to develop a student activity in the form of one of the established fire insurance fraternities.

In the end the founders deemed it a better plan to promote a distinct association in the form of an honorary fraternity. Since all members of the senior class in the department were outstanding in their school life they became the nucleus of the organization. These charter members were: O. L. Cox, G. G. Blyth, J. W. Hawth, O. E. Matson, and J. C. Worley all of the class of 1923; R. M. Beckwith of the class of 1924; and Professor J. B. Finnegan.

The prime requisite for the election of a student to membership in the fraternity is a good scholarship standing. To be qualified for membership, the candidate must be of good moral principles and show evidence of superior abilities. These may be indicated by his activities.

The badge of Salamander is a gold toy whose general outlines represent a conventional sprinkler head. Corresponding to the fusible link in a sprinkler head we find the mythical Salamander, a creature which lived and rejoiced in fire. The seven notches in the deflector are in agreement with the number of founders. Engraved on the reverse side of the key, in addition to the bearer's name, are four two numbers, one giving the number of the chapter and the other the seniority of the member.

The colors of the pledge button are red and black, the red standing for fire and the black for the destruction inevitably following in the path of the fire.

A news letter, the "Deflector," is published annually by Salamander. In its pages are found news of the alumni members as well as that of the active members. This year's edition is in process of publication at the present time.

Each year an award, the "Handbook of Fire Protection" by Crosby, Fiske, and Forster is made to the student of the freshman class in fire protection engineering standing highest scholastically. The award was made this year to R. A. Peterson.

Honorary members of Salamander are: J. V. Parker, chairman of the scholarship committee; W. R. Townley, member of the scholarship committee; J. B. Finnegan, head of the department; O. L. Robinson, associate professor of fire protection engineering; C. P. Holmes, formerly assistant professor of fire protection engineering; and Fitzhugh Taylor, engineer, Underwriters' Laboratories.

There are seventy-four alumni members of the organization and ten active members. The present membership is C. A. Cunningham, president, G. E. Myers, vice-president, A. J. Anderson, secretary-treasurer, C. Huff, E. N. Seary, J. J. Ahern, L. W. Biegler, O. P. Freilinger, J. K. Morrison, and G. W. Wheaton.