



SIDELINES

By Leroy J. Beckman

LED BY that fiery Missourian, Senator James A. Reed, a group of distinguished American leaders warned the Senate foreign relations committee last week that the country's security and independence would be imperiled by adherence to the league of nations court. Supporting the appeal of Senator Reed were such men as ex-Senators George W. Pepper of Pennsylvania and Otis F. Glenn of Illinois; J. Reuben Clark, ex-ambassador to Mexico; Edward A. Hayes, national commander of the American Legion; and twelve other witnesses together with a petition of protest bearing 1,344,347 names; names of American citizens.

CONTAINED in the signed petition was the following statement: "We protest against the United States participating in the league of nations or in the world court of the league of nations with or without reservations." Affixed to this and other statements were the signatures of a more than one million names—compare that with the national population. Did every "loyal" citizen respond to crisis? Evidently not. Did every "loyal" citizen care to respond to crisis, again—evidently not. Was your name affixed in denunciation of foreign entanglements?

AS SENATOR REED termed it, there are individuals seeking "to pull down the American flag and substitute for it an international rag." We are led to say that conditions "at home" are of minor interest to many, particularly to the college man. We repeatedly encounter instances where the so-called college "man" is influenced by foreign contact to the extent that he suggests foreign ideals—yes, communistic ideals—to a large majority of sane individuals. The lame-brain who spends four or five years in an American institution of higher learning, gathering knowledge based on fundamental American principles, and then "grandstands" for recognition by assailing American democracy, is the type that favors American participation in foreign entanglements via the world court. Unfortunately, this nation has such damnable curs.

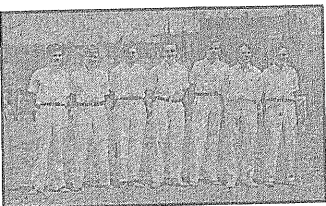
IF THE SERIOUSNESS of the question be lost, one has merely to refer to the resolution adopted by the American Legion at the last national convention: "Be it resolved by the American Legion in national convention assembled at Chicago, Ill., October 2 to 5, 1932, that it is opposed to the entry of the United States into the league of nations or to the adherence to the league court, either with or without reservations." Is there any question as to the intentions of this resolution? The American Legion exists as the remains of the millions of young men

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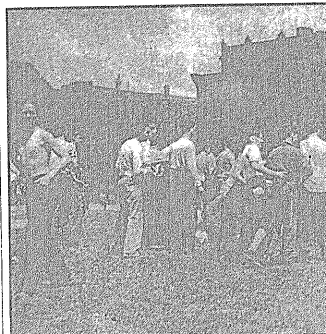
Tau Beta Pi Elects Officers for Year

Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternity, held its election of officers for the coming school year last Tuesday morning in its rooms. They elected the following men to office: R. D. Armsbury, president; J. J. Ahern, vice-president; E. N. Seabl, corresponding secretary; W. S. Earls, recording secretary; A. E. Lauchski, cataloger; Professor Spears, member of the alumni advisory council. The retiring officers of the organization are N. E. Coleman, president; I. A. Kolbe, vice-president; J. E. Schreiner, corresponding secretary; E. W. Gosswiler, recording secretary; and C. L. Shermer, cataloger.

A committee was appointed to consider proposed amendments to the Tau Beta Pi constitution. The report of the committee will be submitted and action taken at a meeting in the near future.



THE JUNIOR Marshalls and some of their assistants line up for the photo.



A CHAMPION outfit is the junior class soft ball team.

UPSETTING all traditions, the sophs defeat the freshmen in the annual class rush. 21-0. This was the second consecutive victory for the class of '36.

Junior Prom Ends Tech Social Season

As a fitting close to the social events of the year and the activities of Junior Week, the annual Junior Formal Dinner Dance was held last Friday night in the Crystal Ballroom of the Edgewater Beach Hotel. The crowd was well representative of the junior class as well as of the other classes.

Music for the dancing was supplied by the orchestra of Phil Levant, recently director of the dance band of the Urban Room in the Congress Hotel. Each of the ladies was presented with a Monte Carlo favor.

Chaperons for this year's prom were: Dr. and Mrs. Willard E. Hotchkiss, Dean and Mrs. Henry T. Heald, Professor and Mrs. John J. Schommer, Professor and Mrs. Herbert Enser, Professor W. Bruce Locking, and Professor Walter Hendricks. The arrangements for the Junior Formal were in charge of the junior social committee consisting of: N. A. Maurer, chairman, John Ahern, Richard Armsbury, John Fenske, Richard Friede, Ched Grakavac, and Robert Patterson.

Chemical Society Has Election of Officers

At a meeting of the A. I. Ch. E. last Friday Jack N. Weiland was elected president for the coming year. The other new officers are R. C. Miller, vice-president; C. H. Ries, secretary, and J. F. Humiston, treasurer.

The election was the second one held as the several officers elected at a meeting last week were unable to accept the offices.

Distribute Cycles to Students on Friday

Distribution of the 1934 Cycle was carried out last Friday morning. To hasten and ease the task, there were 2 places in operation, one on the first floor of Mission for those whose initials were from A to M and the other on the second floor for the remainder.

The new Cycles have a blue cover with a design that depicts the school. At 2 Armour. Individual pictures of the faculty and graduating seniors are arranged in an unusual manner, while the frontispieces of the various sections are pictures of operations in local industries.

Shop Committee Will Make Report

Assemble Data from Other Engineering Schools

A preliminary report of the committee on shop policy will be made before the end of the school year. Professor Joseph B. Finnegan, chairman of the committee, told the Armour Tech News last week. When the courses were suspended last summer, a committee was appointed to study practice and opinion on shop instruction at other engineering schools and make recommendations for the reorganization of this work at Armour.

The committee, which is composed of Chairman Finnegan and Professors Freeman, Heald, Huntly, and Tibbals, has been working actively throughout the present year and has assembled data from 125 engineering colleges. Other sources from which information and opinion were compiled include alumni of Armour who are members of Tau Beta Pi, executives in 75 Chicago industries, superintendents of shop courses at other colleges, and previous studies made by the electrical engineers' honorary society and the Georgia School of Technology. This material is being studied critically in the preparation of the committee's recommendations.

"The character of the assembled data points strongly to the return of shop-courses of some kind," Professor Finnegan stated, "and our recommendations to this effect are already indicated. The greater part of the committee's work, however, is concerned with the kind of shops which should be included in the program, the number of hours which can properly be devoted to this kind of work, the nature and objectives of shop instruction, and other such details of the whole program. These points will all be covered in the report which is being worked out."

Sophomores Postpone Date of Splash Party

Due to Junior Week activities, final arrangements for the sophomore splash party have not been completed and it was decided to postpone it to a later date. Bids for the party, which was originally scheduled for today, are still on sale. The Medinah Michigan Avenue Club and a price of one dollar are still favored. The new date will appear in a later edition of the News.

Faculty Club Sets Date For Banquet

Faculty activities will be formally closed for this year at the Faculty Club dinner to be held Thursday, May 25, at 6 p. m. in the Student Union. Through the efforts of the president, John J. Schommer, a novel program is being prepared.

The two major entertainers are Cal Johnson of the Chicago Daily News, who will present a few reels of motion pictures on fishing and hunting of the north woods, and Pat Barnes, famous radio announcer from the NBC studios, who will give an act and talk. The faculty and many of the trustees will be present.

An Open Letter

The General Information Bulletin for 1934 published last week contains an announcement that annual tuition at Armour Institute of Technology beginning September of this year will be \$300 a year instead of \$250 as heretofore. The cost of operating the Institute has always been far in excess of the tuition and other fees which students pay for their instruction. The plant in which the Institute is operated was donated by members of the Armour family; all of the equipment has come as a result of gifts by numerous benefactors. For many years the annual deficits representing the difference between income from tuition and the cost of operation was contributed by members of the Armour family. In more recent years, the Armour family has been assisted by other public spirited citizens, alumni, trustees and faculty in carrying a large part of this annual burden.

During the depression it has become progressively more difficult to obtain this outside income, an experience which Armour Institute of Technology shares with practically all privately supported institutions of higher education in the United States. It is the consensus of opinion among competent and informed observers of developments in higher education that colleges will find it necessary to be more nearly self-supporting in the future than they have been in the past. The advance in tuition to \$300 a year at Armour Institute of Technology is a logical step in this direction, made necessary by conditions over which the authorities of the Institute have no control.

As compared with other institutions the tuition of \$300 a year is somewhat below the average, which strikes between \$300 and \$400 a year, with engineering schools running generally higher than the average for the obvious reason that expensive laboratory equipment makes for costs higher than in most other types of education.

In connection with the raise in tuition the policy of granting scholarships to as many as possible meritorious students who need such aid will be continued, and every effort will be made to secure more scholarships and to develop student loan funds on a sound business basis. It will be recalled in this connection that last autumn the athletic association voted unanimously to make certain funds in its treasury available for this purpose. This action has been of great help during the current year to many students who would have found it impossible to remain in school if a loan had not been available. Such loans are granted upon the recommendation of the Deans' office and are based exclusively on the merit and need of the individual applicant.

It goes without saying that the action in respect to tuition was taken with a keen realization of the financial problems which are confronting not only the Institute but equally students and their parents. Officers of the Institute will of course continue to counsel with individual students and to aid in every way possible in the solution of the financial problems involved in making the investment in their own futures which attendance and graduation from Armour Institute of Technology implies.

WILLARD E. HOTCHKISS.

Because of the wish of the management of the Armour Tech News to publish in this week's issue, pictures of happenings of Junior Week, the time of distribution of this issue was delayed one day.

A.T.A.A. Election to be Held Friday

On Friday, May 25, there will be an election of officers for the Armour Tech Athletic Association. The following men have been nominated by the election committee for the three offices: first vice-president, John O. Larson, wrestling, Don J. Neal, track, and Roland Warner, basketball; second vice president, Joseph P. Bartusok, baseball, Eugene A. Helke, basketball, and James Hovdejs, track; secretary, Harry R. Dollenmaier, basketball, William Concolino, Jr., track, and Robert W. Schmidt, wrestling.

The election will take place from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. on the first floor of the main building, all students being eligible to vote. The members of the election committee are V. Omiecinski, L. W. Biegler, D. J. Neal, and F. Hackman.

Due to several misunderstandings concerning this election, the procedure of the election committee will be explained here. This committee nominates three men for each office in the spring of the year. These men are usually outstanding athletes.

Following the names of the men nominated for office this year are the sports in which each man was outstanding. A sophomore at the time of election is elected as first vice-president, a freshman as second vice-president, and a sophomore as secretary. Then in the fall of the year, a freshman is elected as their representative. These men serve as class representatives on the board of Athletic Control. The first vice-president automatically becomes the president of the A. T. A. A. after his term as first vice-president expires. J. J. Ahern is first vice-president this year, and he will become president for next year.

THIRD SOPH CLASS BEATS TRADITION BY WINNING RUSH

Second Rush Won in Which Opponents Fail to Score

PHI KAPS WIN STUNT

Circus Day, with its consequent thrills and excitement, has, like similar memorable occasions, come to an end with the Junior Formal held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel. The noteworthy day was as dry as the proverbial Gobi Desert in Asia.

The sophomores opened hostilities early in the morning; the old clothes that were brought by the freshmen were confiscated and hidden. A pitched battle was fought under the 33rd street elevated station; resulting in the 30 or 40 old freshmen lost to as many sophs. Every freshman in the skirmish paid for the trouble by surrendering his trousers.

Win Two in Succession

At 11:30, the sophomore rush leader and class president, J. O. Larson, assigned the positions and tasks required of each of the active members of the class. As witnesses to the fact that these plans have been carried out perfectly, the sophomore class is the third class in the history of the Institute to have captured two rushes in succession. Incidentally, this rush gives the class the enviable record of handing their opponents a complete washout; the present juniors suffered a 58-0 wallop last year, while the freshmen are now nursing a 21-0 drubbing. The last rush won by sophomores was in 1928 by a score of 30-10.

Following the rush, the four fraternities, Delta Tau Delta, Phi Pi Phi, Beta Psi, and Phi Kappa Sigma, competed in the Interfraternity Pageant. The winning skit was presented by Phi Kappa Sigma. The skits were judged by Professor Schommer, Professor Philip C. Huntly, and Professor Walter Hendricks. The skits were judged on the basis of originality, acting, stage setting, number of actors, and costumes.

Triangle Wins Cup
The skit for the winning skit was presented by Professor John J. Schommer. Triangle won the traveling cup for track for the third time. Medals for the interclass relays for both lettermen and non-lettermen were also presented by Professor Schommer.

The freshmen provided humor for the occasion by burning an effigy of themselves. They had obtained the green doll with a yellow streak and ceremoniously ignited it. They held a pow-wow and war dance over the hot remains.

Not to be overdone, the sophomore (Continued on page 5)

Phi Lambda Upsilon Pledges Six Juniors

Comprising the largest single group to be chosen in its history, the following men were pledged last week to Phi Lambda Upsilon, honorary chemical society: C. H. Hook, J. F. Humiston, A. E. Lauchski, R. C. Miller, C. H. Ries, and H. R. Youngkrantz.

The ceremonies took place in the Tau Beta Pi rooms.

It is expected that these men will be initiated before the end of the present semester.

Pi Nu Epsilon to Hold Annual Alumni Smoker

Pi Nu Epsilon, honorary musical fraternity, will present the annual alumni smoker at the Phi Kappa Sigma house tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Cards and refreshments will occupy the evening. Active pledges are urged to attend.

Friday evening of this week the initiation of pledges will take place at the Phi Kappa Sigma house.