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Appreciative Engineers

For the past two years, approximately, we have sat in the assembly hall anticipating an enjoyable time in viewing a presentation by the Armour Tech Players, each time they present one of their well chosen productions. We have never been disappointed by the Players or their work (in fact, they have done marvelously well when one considers the handicaps under which they labor) but each time we leave the assembly hall after the play, as a result of the performance given by the audience we become more convinced that even an embryo engineer is probably as discourteous, boorish, uncultured, and unappreciative as any so-called civilized human being can be.

These are strong words, we realize, and more than likely do not apply to the majority of the Armour Tech student body. However, the fact that any considerable number of college students could show such discourtesy as was evinced last Friday morning and has been evinced before does not call for words of commendation.

It may be that the students, who are responsible for the disgraceful display, which certainly ought to create a good impression on any visitor to the assembly, do not know the meaning of the word courtesy and what an important part such a quality should play in a human character. For their enlightenment we suggest a work of Noah Webster, which they might consult with profit.

We wonder further, if the offenders realize why the work of the Players demands courteous attention and commendation? For their further enlightenment the following facts are given. The Armour Players have been organized by a group which is sincerely interested in the drama and believes that there should be, and is, a place in the make-up of an engineer for an appreciation of dramatic art. This same group has defrayed all their expenses in presenting the plays and put into each performance an enormous amount of time. When one considers these facts it is very difficult to understand the behavior of the well-known Armour Tech audience.

This harangue, of course, brings to mind the recent discussion concerning the place in an engineering college's curriculum of cultural subjects. At times it appears that engineering students are not so very interested in subjects of that nature and yet it seems quite obvious that one of the requisites of a successful engineer should be a working knowledge of appreciation and common every-day courtesy.

"The Slipstick"

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

The call of spring is lurking
Beneath yon skies of blue;
I do not feel like working,
In fact, I never do.

* * *

"Gotta flat tire."
"Musta been that fork in the road."

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SPONGER

The proprietor of a Turkish bath is a man who earns his living by the sweat of your brow.

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Abe: "Do you play golluf wit knickers?"
John: "No, with white people."

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Death Valley is that portion of pavement between two curbstones.

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Scientists have invented earthquake recorders that go on as alarm clocks. We think it is about time they invented an alarm clock that will go off like an earthquake.

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OUT FISHIN'

A feller isn't thinkin' mean—out fishin';
His thoughts are mostly good and clean—out fishin'.
He does not knock his fellowmen, or harbor any grudges then,
A feller's at his finest when—out fishin'.
A feller's glad to be a friend—out fishin'.
A helpin' hand he'll always lend—out fishin'.
The brotherhood of rod and line
An' sky and stream is always fine,
Men come close to God's design—out fishin'.
A feller isn't plotting schemes—out fishin'
He's only busy with his dreams—out fishin'.
His livery is a coat of tan; his creed—to do the best he can;
A feller's always mostly man—out fishin'
A feller gets a chance to dream—out fishin',
He learns the beauties of a stream—out fishin'.
And he can wash his soul in air
That isn't foul with selfish care,
An' relish plain and simple fare—out fishin'.

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"What has kept you so late?"
"I was fixing a new ribbon on my typewriter."
"You ought to be ashamed to own it. You get rid of her or there'll be trouble."

* * *

Goodby, goodby, goodby
The contrib box is shy
Of articles I sigh
So your thoughts do apply
Then I will not sigh
When next week comes by
So goodby.

R. H.

OTHER CAMPUSES

Comforting indeed! Certain professors at the University of Washington say that students who aim for "A" grades are barren of personality and that the great horde of "C" students moves the world.

In the early days when the Oklahoma A & M College was established at what was then known as "Prairie Dog Town," a rule was adopted requiring all students to leave their firearms outside the building.

Lawson Robertson, Penn track coach, advocates reducing football teams to nine men by eliminating the guards. .....

According to a recent survey, made by the University of Chicago, the scholastic average of students living in dormitories is highest, the poorest being fraternity house residents. Similar observations at Temple University show that fraternity members are under no handicap, and at Purdue fraternity men have a higher average than unorganized men.

At Harvard University, one hundred and fifty tutors have suggested that the university give its graduates either a passing degree or one with honors. This recommendation was made on the grounds that general students and graduate students could thus be distinguished.

A Valparaiso University student is being accused of wearing his riding habit to bed instead of pajamas. "It's only an act of preparedness," he explains. "I'm subject to nightmares."

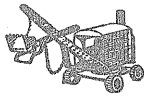
Football men of Oklahoma City College work their way through college by being on the city fire department.

From the Indiana Daily Student: What the country needs, now that the five-cent cigar is back, is a blue serge suit that doesn't get shiny with wear.

Gum chewing has the effect of increasing peppiness about 8 per cent, according to a psychology professor at Colgate.

According to an investigation at the University of Iowa, only one out of eleven college engagements results in marriage.

THE STEAM SHOVEL



Smetana: Will you show us the hot air engine today, prof?

Jimmy Thompson's class: Tell him to look in the mirror!

And so Frank looked in the mirror and took his first shave!

So Ed Koriath admits that he's only seen his girl dressed up once! Tsk, tsk.

And we hereby bestow the badge of the absentest mindedest professor of the week to *WALLY HENDRICKS*, who forgot his two o'clock class last Tuesday. *Wear the badge on your left lapel, Wally!*

It is rumored that with spring approaching *JOHN LEW ROBERTS* will come out with his *"latest"* spring attire—which promises to be fruitier than ever. *JOHN* claims that the well dressed Armourite should wear checker trousers, 1898 "west", rope tie—and assorted curlykews. All admirers (*you dopes*) may expect to see this *"dream"* walking sometime soon after Easter Sunday!

Advice to Those Who Need It Bureau

Dear Adviser: A certain classmate's girl, Virginia, seems to prefer my own personal qualifications to his. Shall I continue to cultivate the new acquaintance?

(Signed) Herb K.

Dear Herb: Since you asked, we'd say that you'd better cultivate hay while the sun shines. And we're told that Virginia has a sunny disposition.

Your Confidential Adviser.

Dear Love Editor: I have been going steady with the same girl for the last six months and have never kissed her. Every succeeding time, however, the urge becomes more evident. Please give me instructions on the most approved method of slipping one over.

(Signed) Bashful Bobby.

Dear Bashful Bobby: Ahem! First of all, ask Nelly Steele for the library's copy of the "Loves of Casanova." If that fails, well, bring her around and we'll demonstrate.

Yours to serve, Love Editor.

Letter Box

To the Editor, Armour Tech News:

Is a college education (Armour brand) intended only to give a man the necessary knowledge to design a floor beam or a machine screw? It seems to me, on the contrary, that four years of mental discipline, four years which, far more than they teach specific matters, show how infinitely many more are to be learned, should, to at least a slight degree, develop a broad and tolerant mental attitude.

I saw the presentation by the Armour Dramatic club last Friday of "The Rising of the Moon," by Lady Gregory. As a sincere effort to produce sympathetically and artistically what is universally recognized by those who have the right to do so, as a modern classic, the work of the players was excellent, and might very well, but for their classmates, have indicated in Armour the presence of the spirit of true scholarship. But the attitude of apparently a majority of the student body toward the whole affair showed quite the contrary.

The discourtesy, the intolerance, and the downright ignorance shown by the Armour students on that occasion was discouraging to say the least.

Boasting of its desire to serve the Middle West by producing highly trained and efficient engineers, Armour is well known to have one of the most rigorous curricula in the United States. But its students appear to have a mental attitude toward everything but hard neaded, brass tacked money-making, so narrow, low, and unappreciative as to be absolutely witless.

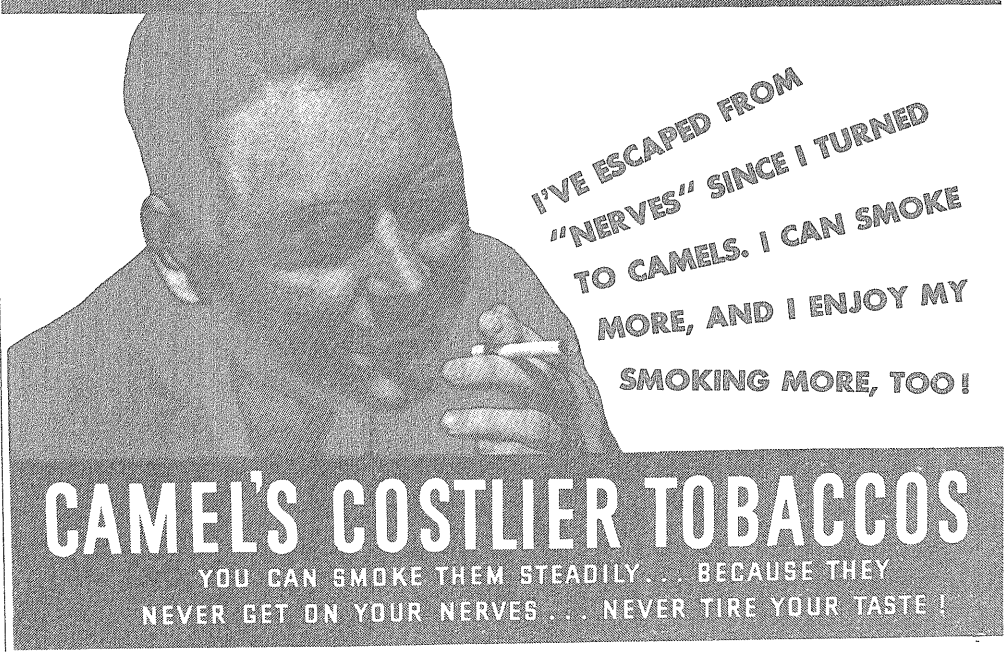
Student.

LOU SIEGAL is hoping that the practical jokers who took his pants, etc., out of his gym locker will relent and return them. The weather is still sort of chilly. "All is forgiven," Lou assures them.

LES KERLIN complains that what with crowded street cars and having to give up his seat to his girl besides, a poor tired Fire Protect can't even sit down any more. **How about getting a bicycle built for two, Les?**

Will the famous **Armour Arab** please ride to the rescue of **Sadie from Summit. Sadie,** disappointed in her bashful Armour sheik, is all set to go to Hollywood. **But say, Sadie,** won't **Emil (Acetate) Adamec** do instead?

NO UPSET NERVES FOR HIM



CAMEL'S COSTLIER TOBACCOS

YOU CAN SMOKE THEM STEADILY . . . BECAUSE THEY NEVER GET ON YOUR NERVES . . . NEVER TIRE YOUR TASTE!