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#### A Plan To Be Considered

In the senior class meeting, held last Wednesday morning, there was brought before the senior class a proposition which in our opinion deserves further, serious consideration and finally adoption in some form or other by the class of 1935. times.

The plan was presented in a tentative form by Mr. William N. Setterberg, Personnel Officer of the Institute, and in brief has the following general outline: In order to reach the market for engineering college graduates in a more thorough manner, the senior class should print a booklet for each engineering department, in which would be a single sheet for each graduating man of the department, containing certain important information about the man. These booklets would be sir." sent to various industries of the country and especially in the Chicago area who hire or should hire engineers. The plan in a sense is a publicity and advertising campaign for the graduating engineer.

The booklets would bring to the attention of the proper official in each industry the graduating class of Armour and serve as an introduction to the men who might consider hiring engineers.

When the booklet is published there would be published also extra sheets for each man, which could be used very conveniently in any letters of application a senior would write.

Of course, there are many details which will have to be planned to make certain the success of the enterprise. Some of these are: the exact make-up of each individual sheet, the method of acquiring this information, the cost of printing the booklet, and the apportioning to each student the cost of printing and mailing.

This last item raises the problems: Who shall pay for the booklets and should every senior be required to be a part of the plan? Obviously, there will be some few seniors who will not need this service, such as the senior fire protection engineering students, who are under contract to work for the three years after they graduate, and other lucky individuals who already have a position promised them upon their graduation. It seems only logical that these men should not be required to be a part of the plan.

We have heard a number of objections to the added expense of publishing the booklet, but it seems to us the expenditure would be a good investment since it would be an attempt to secure employment upon graduating from school and if the booklets were well designed and well presented the whole project could do nothing else than reflect credit on Armour Institute and its present senior class.

We hope the committee, which is now being formed will consider the matter carefully, since it seems that the project would give a majority of this year's graduating class a necessary service.

# "The Slipstick"

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

#### The Tale of Maurice Alexander

A freshman whose name was M'rice Had his trousers pulled off of his knees.

The sophs answered his pleas, With a "No, you big cheese!" So his kneeses proceeded to freeze.

But Alexander is always prepared So into the school store he fared. Of pants, he found there, A superfluous pair Altho white, and quite tight, he didn't care.

Alexander said later that day, "My trousers that drifted away, Were simply discovered And by me recovered But thank God for white slacks any-

#### Old Joke No. 1

She had no principles but, oh, how she drew interest.

Another week, another column! Here is a pun-gent pun on the persistent Gadfly offered by a committee. "I wouldn't ride the 'L' to school if I Gadfly."

And a good little ghost, I have found, is one who does not spook until spoken to.

Left to Its Fate "I went to the dentist yesterday." "Does the tooth still ache?" "I don't know; he kept it."

#### Athletic Jane

Even after we had spent a bewildering evening they had no love affairs, and that watching a girls' basketball game, we were still unable makes 10 percent liars. to discover the object of the contest. Following the play of one particular bright star, we made note of her activities during the course of the game:

1. Fixed her hair 32 times. 2. Attempted to stuff middy into bloomers 397

3. Pulled up stockings 131 times.

4. Jumped up and down, waved her arms and screamed at short intervals.

WANTED-Man for gardening, also to take charge of a cow who can sing in the choir and play the organ. Westmont (Illinois) paper.

## What's in a Name?

Waiter: "Here is some very good canvas-back duck,

Business Man (after chewing): "Here take the canvas back and bring in the duck."

JUST LINES-Johnny asked-Mary refused. Johnny begged-Mary blushed. Johnny pleaded-Mary pouted. Johnny insisted-Mary gave in. So little Johnny carried Mary's books for her.

#### Blessing in Disguise

She (sotto voce): "Georgie, dear, it's a burglar!" Me: "Sh-h, don't move, maybe he can get that window up; it's the one we haven't been able to open since the painters left."

SURE EVIDENCE ON OUR CAMPUS

It is evident that the handsome young man in the collar ads hasn't worn that collar all day.

#### Constant Tribute

The fellow who invented the first fountain pen is watches, pretty enough to look at, Blacksnake, and her three young, a dead and many a man, without realizing it, is wearing | sweet faces and delicate hands, but | four-foot pilot snake is slithering mourning on his fingers.

#### Ode To A Nag

Oh horse you are a wondrous thing, No horns to honk, no bells to ring, No license buying every year, With plates to stick on front or

No clutch to slip, no valves to stick; You start yourself without a click. Your spark plugs never miss or fuss, Your engine never makes us cuss. Your frame is good for many a mile, Your body never changes style. Your wants are few and easily met, No doubt you have something on

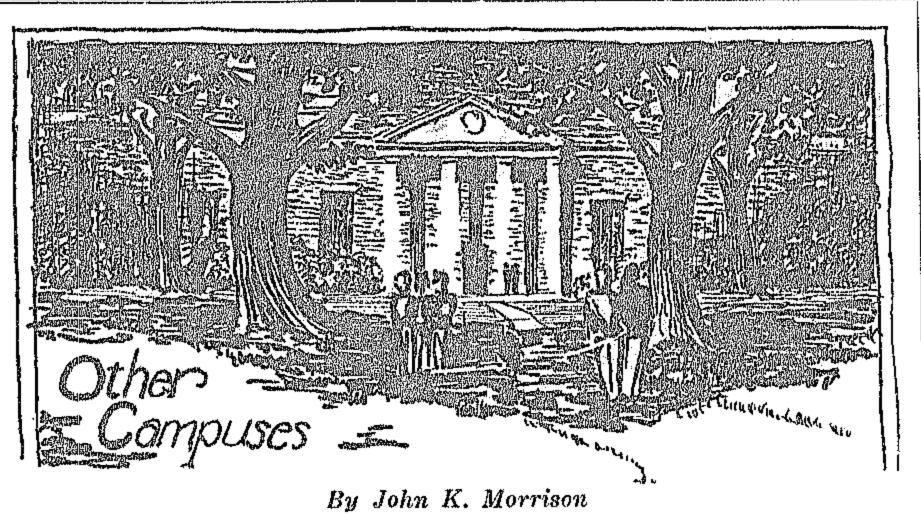
Teacher: Who discovered America, Robert? Robert: Ohio.

the auto yet.

Teacher: No; Columbus did it. Robert: Yes'm. Columbus was his first name.

> It's not what you say It's not what you do It's what you laugh at That proclaims you.

R. H.



Students of the North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering are going to select the most popular professor in the school. The students will have a choice of three on the first ballot. A final vote will be taken on the professors getting the highest number of votes in the first ballot. Could we try something like this?

The story is told of a student at the University of Oregon, that one day, after having a slight argument with a professor, he turned his back until spring, and that death by upon that personage and started to walk off.

"Are you trying to show your contempt for me?" asked the professor steruly.

"No sir," was the reply. "I was trying to conceal it."

From the Augustana Observer: Girls are like final examinations—they keep a fellow up all night worrying about them, and then ask the most foolish questions.

The hero of the day at the University of Illinois is Graham Lynch, who, due to a slight technicality, received a perfect zero on his first impromptu | and said: theme. It seems that when he had completed his theme he found to his amazement that the rest of the class had used punctuation marks. So, Graham, in a moment of inspired action, added the following piece at the end of his theme: "Note to Instructor---,;:.?--;,?;..? Please insert these wherever necessary.

From Lake Forest college we hear that 69 per cent of the co-eds talk over their love affairs with their mothers. Forty-one percent said that

he's the Fascist man in Italy." Daily Illini.

the Purdue university school pharmacy at the Century of Progress Exhibition will be a permanent exhibit in the Rosenwald Museum here in Chicago.

Warren Bachelis, University of California freshman, is only 13 years old. He hopes to complete his sevenyear course in three.

The Republican party held its first meeting in a building on the Ripon college campus in 1854. The building is still in an excellent state of preservation.

Students of the University of California set an all-time high in bridge dancing when they danced atop the Golden Gate bridge.

The first woman to enroll in the University of Rochester engineering school registered there this year.

Of all foolish expressions, none is so sheepish as that of students who had ever enjoyed by lecturing on his impatiently leave the classroom be- criminal career. He made crime pay. fore the professor arrives-and meet | pay. said professor at the door.

A toast to the lovely!

once set going.

Syracuse Daily Orange.

ricultural college have to walk up | Five snakes are at large present. and down all stairways backwards. (Try it some time).

made in this column that a student | pany. This machine set a world's of the Detroit Institute of Technol- altitude record two years ago. It ogy travels 108 miles daily to and will be used for scientific flights and from school. This record is bettered research work in Atlanta and vicinby John Roberts of Armour Tech, ity. who travels 115 miles daily between Crystal Lake, Illinois, and Chicago. He travels about 20,000 miles two Oklahoma students who were animal she represented said, "a during one school year. Can you | signalling in class by means of the | turtle." The sophomores sat with beat this?

The campus of Berea college in Kentucky is literally in the sticks. It embraces 5,400 acres of forest.

French into English. One of the coeds persisted in calling the cow "he" until the professor stopped her short

"He is she, miss. We milk her in the next sentence."

Debating is like apple pie: a lot of apple sauce covered up with crust.—Duquesne Duke.

Students at Indiana university will select the five "best dressed girls on the campus."

"If all the co-eds on this campus who don't neck were placed in this office," asks the Michigan Daily, "what would we do with her?"

mistook California Somebody "Italian gals fear Mussolini 'cause | Tech's veteran football coach, "Fox" Stanton, for one of his players in a scrimmage last week, and as a result Mr. Stanton is directing his An exhibit on pharmacy set up by | team with a crutch, while nursing a | of broken leg. That leaves him just one leg to Stanton.

> Bill Bonthron, Princeton's great miler and holder of the 1500 meter record, has flat feet.

> The University of Oxford is said to have been founded by King Alfred in 872 A. D.

Evidence that crime paid at least one criminal has been discovered by Thelma Roberts, Columbia university journalism student, who ferreted out the story of Wicked John Goode, a notorious criminal who got his start in the old West. "He worked through Kentucky" in the 1880's.

After 50 years of collecting the wages of crime in the form of prison terms in a half dozen states and constant hounding by police, Goode reformed in a Bowery Mission and made the most comfortable living he

Apparently envious of the freedom, or publicity, or higher education at-To the ladies, who are like tained by his second cousin, Mama somewhat difficult to regulate when somewhere among the textbooks of the Natural Science library at the University of Kentucky. The textbooks have proved very dull to stu-Freshmen girls at the Alaska Ag- | dents but very alluring to snakes.

The aeronautical department of Georgia Tech received an autogyro Two weeks ago a statement was presented by the Coca Cola Com-

> sign language when the professor their mouths hanging open after used the same means to tell them, the answer. "Don't do that any more."

lating a story about a cow from herself across the floor without ut- from it.

## STUDENT MUSINGS

#### NOVEMBER

November is a month which would like to become winter, but which hasn't quite got the nerve. It is usually composed of ten rainy days, ten cloudy days and ten snowy days or freezing days with a pinch of sunshine between the various divisions. It is useful because it makes December seem pleasant in comparison.

In November the trees finish disrobing and as they wave their bare limbs against the sky, the wind converses about them. There is nothing more talkative than a November wind. Along about 10 P. M, on a bleak, damp night, a November wind likes nothing better than to comealong and hang around the entire evening reminding you that the rent is overdue, and that it is a long time freezing is particularly sad, and that unless you pay your last winter's coal bill pretty soon you will have to go to bed to keep warm. A November wind is more pessimistic than anything on earth, except a Wall Street operator during a spasm of public honesty.

November was invented by the Romans, who did so many terriblethings in the early Christian era. It was so named because it was the ninth month at that time. The growth of business has compelled the addition of two more months since then, both of them being of much better quality.

In November automobiling, tennis, and lawn socials begin their long winter's sleep, but football is very popular because it is easier to keep warm in a football game than it is in a house where the furnace is being repaired. Football in November is a game to decide whether the player will dent the ground or the ground will dent the player. The ground usually wins. Corn husking and riding to the polls in an opposition carriage are also two popular outdoor sports during this month.

There are three great uses for the month of November. It kills malaria, flies, and political campaigns. None of these are able to survive the climate of this month. If it were not for November political campaigns might go right up to Christmas. Most of our public officials are elected in November, but we cannot justly blame the month for this.

November was first put prominently on the map by the Pilgrim fathers. About 1630, when they discovered that there was only a few more days of the month left, they instituted a Thanksgiving festival, which has been observed ever since with increased gratitude and devotion. P. S.

### TRY THIS ONE

About 1621, a new edition of Diophantus's Arithmetica appeared in France and a copy came into the possession of the celebrated mathematician, Fermat. After his death this note was found on one of the pages: "It is impossible to partition a cube into two cubes, or a biquadrate into two biquadrates, or generally any power higher than a square into two powers of like degree. I have discovered a truly wonderful proof of this, which, however, this margin is too narrow to hold."

More than three centuries have passed but no mathematician has been able to offer this proof. They all wish that the margin had been wider. In modern terminology Fermat's statement can be formulated in the following way:

Show that the equation

Xn + Yn = Znwhere x, y, and z are to be integers, is impossible when n is an integer greater than two.

Euler showed the impossibility when n is 3 or 4; Direchlet proved it for n equal to 5. Yet, the general proposition has not been proved. Can you prove it?

Just imagine the embarassment of tering a sound and when asked what

"Sundial" Martin, halfback with Freshmen girls at Lake Forest col- | Georgia Tech, is from the mounlege had to impersonate animals in tains of South Carolina and got his A class in French at the Univer- the course of a hazing meeting and nickname from gazing at a sundial sity of Maryland was orally trans- were very original. One girl dragged and trying to get drinking water