



By R. R. Johnson

NEVER IN THE world's history, has there been such widespread interest in world affairs as there is today. The questions of government, the rights of man, "social justice," world peace and many others, if they are not actually being thought about in the truest sense of the word, are at least in the minds of common men everywhere.

In the United States in particular, where there is so little restriction on the free interchange of ideas, we find nearly every man holding an opinion on nearly everything. Every old political or social scheme that has ever been thought of, and many new ones, appear to have their proponents.

ALL THIS SEEMS to point to the conclusion that we live in a greatly enlightened world, and when we consider the progress which Science has made in revealing the secrets of the universe, there can apparently be no doubt of it.

But there is one thing that, somehow, fails to fit into the picture; that is the very tenacity with which men hold to their opinions. Every one has his ideas, and every one is sure that his and his alone are right! How can they be so certain?

IN THE FIRST place, it seems to me that in almost anything, the very fact that other people held different ideas from one's own would cause at least a little less certainty. To be only slightly considerate of the beliefs of others hardly seems to require an inferiority complex.

Many, it is true, take a tolerant attitude; "Let him think as he will, as long as he doesn't interfere with me," they say. But may I humbly point out that the mere existence of ideas different from our own is an interference, for it allows at least a possibility that our own may be wrong.

CONSIDERING THE matter from another view point, we might remember that, since the beginning of time, the only thing that has been certain in the world is that everything will change. Ideas that once were scoffed at have come to be generally accepted, and, still later, to be scoffed at again.

That time can actually prove anyone right or wrong I am inclined to doubt, for the very standards of what is right and what is wrong, at least in regard to such matters as government, are lost in that same fog of varying opinions. But it certainly is true that there will come a time when what is most solid and established today will be no more.

ALL THIS MIGHT amount practical.
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Select Best Reports in Business Problems

A study of the system of budget and production control, layout, and building construction of the Edison General Electric Appliance Company by C. R. Bristol, H. Cannon, T. G. DeLang, J. K. Morrison, E. N. Searl, D. E. Young, and H. J. Zibble was awarded the highest ranking of the term papers prepared in Business Problems.

Second place was won by L. A. Cullen, L. F. Higgins, W. M. Uzunaris, R. A. Varone, A. Petratis, and F. A. Wertzler who collaborated on a study of the placement and training of college graduates. H. A. Bisbee, L. C. Galbraith, and C. Handler won third ranking with a comprehensive study of unemployment insurance.

The authors of the above reports have generously placed them in possession of the Institute Library where they are available for reference with several other reports selected for their general interest.

Only Three Days Till Frosh Dance

Armour's social season of 1935 will be continued this Friday night, February 22, with the Freshman-Sophomore Engineer's Hop. The dance this year will be held in the Bal Tabarin of the Hotel Sherman, one of the finest ballrooms in the city, capable of accommodating over 375 couples. Dancing will be from 9:30 to 1:30.

Maurie Sherman to Play
Maurie Sherman, the singing-violinist, and his splendid orchestra are to play. They have been engaged in the College Inn for some time and may often be heard entertaining over the Columbia Broadcasting System. The orchestra features the singing of Joe Plodtke, whose unusual type of singing has made him an outstanding favorite in the entertainment world. Also entertaining the dancers will be Kay Telan, assisting the musicians with her distinctive voice. There is no doubt that the rhythmic and beautiful music will please everyone. In addition to the fine dance music, the College Inn floor show will present their excellent program.

Committees Work Hard
Stanley Healy, freshman social chairman, and Oreste Tomei, sophomore chairman, with the assistance of their committees, have been instrumental in arranging this brilliant event.

The members of the freshman committee are W. Chelgren, H. Downing, M. Hodes, F. Roder, and G. Stober. The sophomore committee consists of R. Bacci, F. Davidson, D. Forberg, G. Starnacci, and I. Thunder. These ten men have worked hard under the direction of the chairmen to make the affair a success.

Bids for the dance, which will sell for \$2, should be obtained as soon as possible in order that the seating arrangements for the tables, which will all be reserved, can be definitely completed. The novel and interesting features of the affair, one of the finest in the history of Armour, will all go toward making the dance a great success.

Many New Students In Second Semester

Reports from the office of the registrar, Mr. Kelly, indicate a larger number of new students than was anticipated. The greater proportion of new registrants were freshmen, though a few were upperclassmen. As new students are still being enrolled, exact figures as to the enrollment are not available, but the approximate number of students is 760, of which forty are new men.

Students sign up at the office of Mr. Kelly. He then sends the list to the treasurer, Mr. Allison, who holds the cashier's office responsible for tuition fees for that number of students. The cashier's office must then account for each new student. In this way an accurate check is made.

Faculty Club Elects Freeman President

Professor E. H. Freeman was elected at the close of last semester to head the faculty club for the coming year. The meeting, which was held in the club rooms, was presided over by Professor John Schommer. The complete list of officers for the coming year is as follows: Professors E. H. Freeman, president; J. F. Mangold, first vice-president; W. A. Spencer, second vice-president; W. B. Lockling, secretary; and J. S. Thompson, treasurer. The former comptroller of the Institute, Mr. F. U. Smith, was elected honorary president.

The nominating committee was composed of Professors J. B. Finnegan, D. E. Richardson, D. Roesch (chairman), S. M. Spears, and C. A. Tibbals.

Chemalumn Chosen for Junior Chemicals

Last Friday the junior chemicals finally adopted a name for their organization. Of the five names submitted, "Chemalumn," by H. P. Milleville, was chosen. A free bid to the party held last Saturday, was given as a reward for his efforts.

ARMOUR STUDENTS TO HEAR TALK BY PRESTON BRADLEY

Assembly Thursday Is Result of Seniors' Request

MEETING AT 10:30

Next Thursday, Armour students will be privileged to hear Dr. Preston Bradley, the man who three years ago gave, in the opinion of Dean Heald and many seniors, the finest Washington's birthday address in the history of Armour. In fact, it was at the specific request of these many seniors that Dean Heald invited Dr. Bradley to speak. The assembly will occur Thursday morning, February 21, at 10:30.

Educated in Michigan
Dr. Preston Bradley has been pastor of the Peoples' Church since 1912. He was born of farmer parents in 1888, and was raised in Michigan. He attended Alma (Michigan) College for one year, and studied law for the remaining three years at Flint, Michigan, finally taking his degree as Doctor of Civil Law at the University of Chicago.

Dr. Bradley married in 1915. He has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Chicago Public Library since June, 1925; he is a member of the Illinois State Teachers College and Normal School Boards; a life member of the Art Institute of Chicago; and a member of the Isaac Walton League of America, of which he was president in 1930.

Traveler and Lecturer
Dr. Bradley is also a member of the Drama League of America, Phi Pi Alpha (Alma) and Pi Gamma Mu; he is a noted historian, very excellent lecturer, and a famous traveller, being a member of the Adventurers Club of America; and above all, he is very human and interesting.

While Dr. Bradley's address will be the principal feature of the program, the musical clubs will also participate. Members of the musical clubs will be excused from classes at 10:00 a. m.

Players Go Feminine in "Dress Reversal"

Necessary arrangements for the "Dress Reversal," which is slated to be presented on February 28, are well under way. The play is a farce concerning the production of a mystery play and disclosing the trials and 'trivialations' of a group of amateur actors during rehearsals. Half of the comedy in the play will be due to the players trying to impersonate females gracefully. A small charge of ten cents will be made to help defray some of the expenses.

"The Bear," which was also on the program, has been cancelled because of lack of time to prepare it. However, it will be presented at a later date.

Goodyear Interviews Armour Students Here

Mr. T. W. Prior, in charge of the Salary Personnel Department of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, Akron, Ohio, interviewed ten Armour seniors here on Saturday, February 9. Six mechanicals and four chemicals were the ten whom Mr. Prior contacted from 9:30 to 12.

The group first heard a talk illustrated with pictures. In the talk Mr. Prior spoke of the Goodyear plants in different cities and the work done in one of these plants. As the story of Goodyear is almost entirely the story of the tire, the different processes involving the production of a tire were dwelt upon.

Later each senior was interviewed separately. The purpose of these interviews is to select men to enter Goodyear's training school for young men, called the "Flying Squadron." No result of the interviews was announced.

A.I.T. Represented at Alumni Council

A regional conference of the American Alumni Council, District V, was held at the U. of C. on February 1-2 in the Judson Court lounge, as a supplement to the national convention to be held in Washington, D. C. April 3-6.

The men and women who carry out the work of alumni associations at their respective schools were present at this two-day conference. Schools of Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, West Virginia, and Wisconsin were represented. Armour Institute was represented by Professor D. P. Moreton, Professor John J. Schommer, and W. N. Setterberg.

The main topic of discussion for the first day was "Getting Them and Keeping Them," a problem of membership. The two common problems presented by alumni associations were getting correct information of members and collecting dues. It was suggested that unemployed graduates pursue these problems for fair remuneration. Other suggestions included alumni magazines, certificates of membership, and reduced prices for alumni interested in school activities.

A discussion on "Mouthpiece of the Association," meaning an alumni magazine, was the important event of the second day.

The American Alumni Council is of especial interest to college students, particularly those who are nearing the time of graduation. This organization promotes interest for college work and activity in the alumnus in both national and "alma-mater" alumni affairs. All alumni soon realize the advantages of such connections.

German Club to Hear Lecture on Duehring

Professor Hanns Fischer will deliver a lecture on Eugen Duehring, Germany's most versatile genius, Thursday at 10:30 in F Mission. Duehring, as well as Robert Mayer, were ridiculed and labeled insane in spite of the fact that many of Germany's leading scientists borrowed their ideas from them. This lecture will be in English, and will replace the activities of the German Club for the hour. The members of the German club are ordinarily required to converse in German.

Professor Fischer owns most of Duehring's books. These books are not allowed to be printed and are worth from twenty to thirty dollars per copy.

On January 27, the German Kaiser's birthday, Professor Fischer spoke before the congregation of St. Paul's Church. Professor G. L. Scherger had invited him to tell of his participation in the late war and the revolution which followed. Over 300 people attended the lecture.

Musical Clubs Have Full Schedule Planned

After a short timely rest, the Armour Tech Musical Clubs will again resume their activities in and out of the Institute. A few numbers will be rendered at the assembly on February 21 and this will be followed by an engagement at Park Ridge the next day where only a few of the group will take part. There are also concerts scheduled for March 8 and 22, and April 6. The final arrangements are not completed as yet but will be announced in a short time.

Lost Articles Vary from Soup to Nuts

A number of lost articles remain unclaimed in the office of the registrar, among them a book, the owner of which has posted on the bulletin board a notice asking its return. He has, however, neglected to inquire for it in the office.

The list of articles follows: one text "Economic Behaviour," one gray hat, one pipe, two and one half pairs of gloves, one cap, five assorted notebooks, and one celluloid triangle.

NEW STAFF SELECTIONS ON ARMOUR TECH NEWS ANNOUNCED AT BANQUET

Johnson is New Editor-in-chief; Cotterman Managing Editor; Larson and Du Sell Complete Managing Board

STAFF ASSUMES NEW DUTIES AT ONCE

A meeting for all freshmen and sophomores who wish to work on either the editorial, sports, or business staffs of the Armour Tech News will be held in the office, fourth entrance Chapin, at 12:30 Tuesday.

Heald Chosen as Committee Head

Dean H. T. Heald of Armour Institute of Technology has accepted the chairmanship of the Publication Committee of the Western Society of Engineers. This committee consists of ten engineers, representative in their field, who supervise the publication of the society's monthly journal and the weekly news bulletin.

Next Thursday, February 21, the Junior Society will hold their weekly meeting in the Engineering building. The speaker will be C. L. Perkins, editor and publisher of "Real Estate." His subject will be "Creating Work for the Engineers."

Many of the engineers who are now unemployed feel that they must continue to tread the narrow path that they have started upon. Mr. Perkins is aware of the problems that face these men and is ready to indicate directions which offer outlets for the utilization of an engineer's valuable assets.

A. S. M. E. Will Select Convention Delegate

Members of the Armour Branch of the A. S. M. E. who attend the annual smoker to be held within the next few weeks will be entertained by three fifteen-minute talks on engineering subjects. The speakers, W. W. Henning, A. M. Lane, and H. L. Mayerowicz, were selected at an election Friday on the basis of short talks which they have presented during the past semester. The best one of the speakers at the smoker will then represent the Armour branch at a contest which is part of the Annual A. S. M. E. convention on April 27.

At the last meeting of the society it was announced that a "Handbook of Chemistry and Physics," donated by Professor Roesch, will be awarded to the student showing the greatest activity in the A. S. M. E. during the year. Plans for an inspection trip to the Milwaukee plants of the A. O. Smith Manufacturing Co. and the Allis Chalmers Co. were also discussed.

Science Department Receives New Name

Some students noticing a new program schedule in the foyer of the Main Building headed, "Engineering Science," have wondered if a new department had been formed at Armour. Professor Paul cleared up the matter by announcing that the department of Science will hereafter be known as the department of Engineering Science. The change in name was made in order to make the true purpose of the course more apparent. Since the courses offered are applied and not pure science, the name "Science" was misleading. Professor Paul said the object of the Engineering Science course is to give the student a broader training in the basic subjects upon which the engineering profession is founded. General science and engineering electives will be given as before in the fourth year.

Heading the newly selected staff of the Armour Tech News, announced at a banquet of that publication last Wednesday evening, is a managing board made up of Russell R. Johnson, editor-in-chief; Frank D. Cotterman, managing editor; John O. Larson, sports editor; and Cyril L. DuSell, business manager. This managing board will establish the general policies of the News during their one year term. Other major appointments announced at this time were Roy S. Kercher, news editor and Gordon A. Zwissler, copy editor.

New Men Experienced

Russell R. Johnson, who succeeds Edwin N. Searl as editor-in-chief of the News, has worked on the newspaper for the past two years, functioning most recently as assistant news editor. Johnson, a junior in the civil engineering department, is a member of Chi Epsilon and Sphinx, honorary organizations.

Frank D. Cotterman, replacing Richard D. Armsbury as managing editor, has also had two years experience on the staff of the publication, working with Johnson as assistant news editor. Cotterman is a member of Pi Tau Sigma and Sphinx honoraries, is active on the staff of the Armour Engineer, and is secretary of the junior class.

The new sports editor, John O. Larson, has for the past semester been serving as assistant sports editor under William B. Ahern, whose position he now fills. Previous to this, he had a year's experience as a sports reporter. Larson is a member of Tau Beta Pi, a former president of his class, a letterman in wrestling, and was active in the promotion of the intramural baseball and football tournaments held during the past year.

Du Sell Heads Business Staff
Cyril L. DuSell, who heads the business staff for the coming year, has been advertising manager of the News during the past semester, assisting Robert J. White who has been business manager. Previous to this, DuSell had a semester's experience on the business staff and a semester's experience as a news reporter.

The gathering of news and general make-up work will be supervised by Roy S. Kercher, who succeeds Leroy J. Beckman as news editor. Kercher's department will include John J. Doudera and Myron B. Stevens as make-up editors and Norton Gerber
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Plan for Filter Plant Discussed by W. S. E.

Juniors and seniors who are members of the Western Society of Engineers are requested to attend the next meeting Friday at 10:30, February 22, in C Mission. General business and future plans as to speakers and feature meetings will be discussed.

At the meeting last Friday, Mr. L. D. Gayton spoke on the proposed water filtration plant for the city of Chicago. He began with a brief history of the present water supply which includes six cribs. Under the present system the water is purified by chlorine. The pollution of the lake is the result of untreated sewage which comes from the nearby cities of Illinois and Indiana. The installation of filter equipment would clean this system thoroughly without the use of chlorine. The germs would be removed by the attraction of some chemical corpuscular substance; those which are not caught would be trapped in a sand bed filter. This will give the city of Chicago water that is pure.