

By Paul Schultz

THE YOUTH who has just completed a four year's university course in 20 months has given an example of well directed and concentrated intellectual effort which may not arouse enthusiasm in the student body, but deserves some respectful attention in that quarter. No doubt he has special abilities not widely bestowed, as for example, the faculty of reading rapidly, which, him to cover and retain a good deal more material in a given time than the average run of student.

THERE HAVE BEEN, and are, individuals who are gifted with a mind which grasps quickly and retains the subjects brought within its scope. Theodore Roosevelt, it is said, could get the gist of a page at one rapid glance, and when we read of the erudition of great scholars we suspect them of having this faculty. But making allowances for this advantage, if the young man has it, we prefer to ascribe his accomplishments in the main to merits which any one may cultivate. He does not seem to be dry-as-dust, but rather has a healthy range of interests belonging to a normal youth, and he took part in many school activities. He was a varsity debater, a member of the debate union, president of the Cosmos Club, a member of the Chapel Council, contributor to the student magazine, and a Rhodes scholarship candidate.

WHAT HE did not do was wool-gather and waste time. Most of us do a lot of that when the spur of necessity is not on our flanks. Emerson, in one of his wisest moments, said that every man is as lazy as he dares to be. We suspect a good many young men and women in the higher institutes of learning could get through their college course in shorter time and in a much better manner if they would make the effort of concentration in study, and they would still have leisure for the pleasant activities of student life.

HOWEVER, here as always there is another side of the story. That the young man worked himself to Polo-Americans Tie the brink of a nervous breakdown offers a warning, not much needed, perhaps, by the run of collegians, though it is worth his attention and that of all other earnest and ambitious students. Regardless of the ad- | March 14, a total of six games were | all over the wall, or, what is worse vantages and the rewards which played, each club winning three. yet, splattering innocent bystanders, and 700 volts sent the current angrimight be derived from such an ac- Last semester, at a meet held at Ar- whose only sin lies in being near a ly flowing through the anatomy of complishment, the fact that his mour, the two clubs also played to chemical laboratory. But not so. A an unfortunate chemist. While health was impaired distracts and a draw. The scores of the meet were | chemical is a chemical, and it takes | tenderly nursing his burned fingers, seemingly makes the project a fail- as follows: ure. For no matter what good was derived is more than counter balanced by the bodily harm which he inflicted upon himself. Another warning suggested by his accomplishments is not so obvious, though it ought to be. No doubt his instructors have often reminded him that learning is not wisdom, that reading without reflection is sterile, and knowledge without the ability to apply it is useless.

Annual Dance to Be Held by Honoraries

The first meeting of the honorary interfraternity council was held in the Tau Beta Pi rooms Wednesday, March 13.

The main purpose of the meeting was to discuss and make plans for the interhonorary fraternity annual dance. After much discussion, the

expected at an early date.

Deadline Set for All Cycle Pictures

Any graduating Seniors who have not had their picture taken for the 1935 Cycle will be given until March 26 to do so. This extension has been made so that the twelve who have not been photographed may still have a chance to help make the Senior panels complete. All others who have not returned their proofs to the studios are urged to turn them in at once. May 1 will be the last day on which seniors may order composites.

Members of social and honorary fraternities and class officers who have not had pictures made for the with a retentive memory, enabled Cycle should take care of this matter by April. All that is necessary is to go to the Marshall Studios, located at 140 N. State Street. There is no charge to these men.

> On Wednesday, March 27, and Thursday, March 28, group pictures for the annual will be taken. The schedule of times will appear on the bulletin board and in next week's Tech News.

Sophomores Plan to See Physics Museum

How much horsepower can you develop? If you are interested in finding out, you have merely to accompany the sophomore class on their trip to the Physics Museum of the University of Chicago, which will take place Friday, March 22, from nine until five o'clock. The entire sophomore class is attending, and Physics classes and laboratories will be excused for the day. Any one who wishes to attend is welcome. The museum is located in Belfield Hall, with entrances on Kimbark avenue, between 58th and 59th streets, and can easily be reached

by the 55th street car line. Among the many experiments to be exhibited, the more popular ones are Michelson's determination of cluding electronics.

American Chess Club on Thursday, themselves by splattering themselves

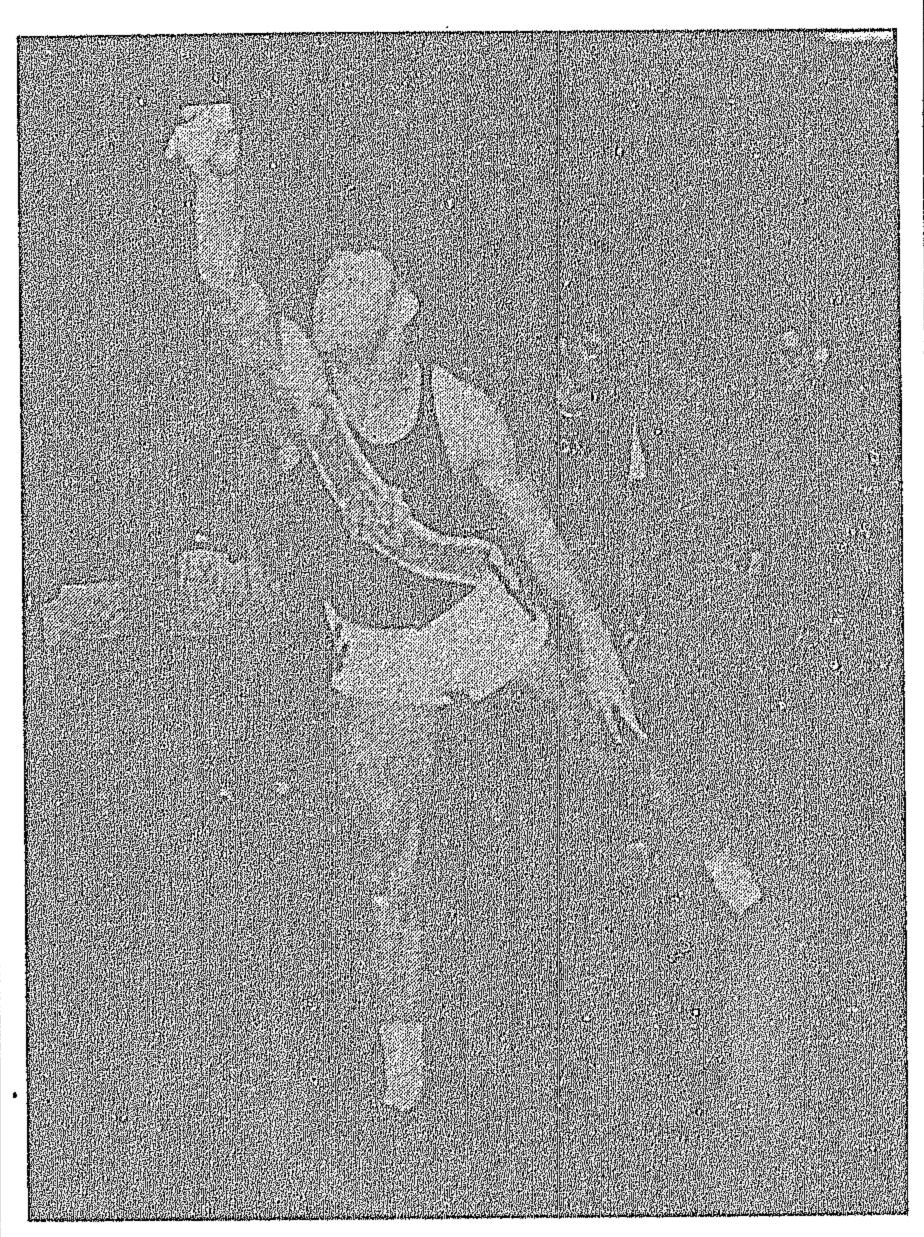
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The Armour Chess Club has entered the Collegiate Chess Tournament, which is being conducted under the auspices of the Illinois Chess Association. The following schools Professor Talks at have also entered teams: Northwestern University, Wright Junior College, University of Illinois, and the University of Chicago. The Armour chess team is scheduled to play

Radio Station W9YW Practically Completed

W9YW, is soon to be on the air. engineering courses are freshmen. date finally decided on was April New apparatus, consisting of two power transformers, has been don- tinue on to other engineering schools This year an invitation to the ated by an Armour alumnus, Mr. upon completion of the two years dance will be extended to the Hon- Murphy, of the Utah Radio Co. The course, and a number of these usually or "A", lettermen society. They electrical wiring has been practical- find their way to Armour. have also made plans to contact the ly completed, and the power supply alumni and invite them to the dance. unit donated by Professor Swineford The council is contemplating the is soon to be installed. For the beneselection of an orchestra and loca- fit of prospective Armour "hams," tion for the dance. A decision is code classes are held every Friday at 3329 Federal Street at 2 p.m.

ALMOST A CHAMPION!



real shove. As one of the competition in the Seventh Armour Invitational Relay Cames, Elser broke the record in the semi-finals only to have Davis of Hillsdale, former champ, come back in the finals with two inches more. Present mark 48 ft. 4 in.

Szzt-Spark-Sputter, and Chemical Students Get Shock of Their Lives

By R. Weismann

Chemical engineering students are the velocity of light, determination | nice to look at from a distance, but of the weight of the earth, and an they are dangerous when approachexperiment on discharge in gases. ed too closely. Not content with On the trip last year a feature which | causing unholy odors and blowing up attracted much attention was a dev- glassware with devilish glee in their ice which measured the horsepower own lab, a group of the aforemenwhich a person is capable of devel- mentioned perpetrators of atomic oping. The exhibits at the museum disturbances had the presumptuous cover all branches of physics, in- audacity to carry their nefarious operations into places where such practices are looked upon with less tolerance. One might believe that in the absence of their beloved test Armour Chess Icam tubes and beakers the chemicals might act in a civilized manner and In a return meet with the Polo- refrain from making nuisances of who are capable, like the electricals. | volt. "I guess I'll connect the plate lead

Local Junior College

Professor J. C. Peebles, of the mechanical engineering department, Northwestern in about two weeks. spoke to a group of two hundred engineering students last Wednesday at the recently opened Wright Junior College. This college, which is located on the northwest side, offers two year courses in engineering. At Armour's amateur radio station, present, all of the students in the

Many junior college students con-

Professor Peebles presented his talk in such a way as to give these students some general knowledge of engineering, such as the different courses offered and the qualifications of a successful engineer.

to the output." "Let's try connect- and debts, so that the equipment button here." "I wonder what would plays more complete and realistic is happen if I touched this wire." all paid for. These and other statements were typical of the emanations radiating from the electronics lab where a bunch of strayed chemicals were enclosed. Thus they rambled on, ignorant of the tragic fate awaiting them should they make just one move | Garsline of Wright Junior College that was all wrong. Meanwhile, will read a paper on "Nomographs" tance medley made up of four men breathlessly peering in at these mis- | before the Math Club. This meeting | from each contestant college, the guided souls, as a person would will be held in Science Hall, and a first running one-fourth mile, the secwatch a child's play with a can of large attendance is expected. nitroglycerine, was the professor. One may tempt the fates for a time but sooner or later the crack of doom will be heard. And it was.

Spark-sputter! Crack!! Bang!more than an electronics lab to off- the victim of fate silently resolved to an set this fact. The gods are kind, but be certain that the electrical connecthey are just. Even a chemical engi- tions would be right the first time, neer can not mock the fates with im- in the future. At any rate, the expunity. In a chem. lab they might | perience developed in him a wholeget away with a lot, and they might some respect for electricity and all be lucky, but playing with electrons those connected with it, while his Side. 1 in a state of extreme agitation is more fortunate companions shudsomething that is confined to those dered in terror of the all-powerful

Having wreaked its vengeance at being so disrespectfully treated the high voltage subsided, and silence reigned in the temple of the Mighty Electron.

THIS WEEK Wednesday, March 20, to Monday, March 25 Thursday-

Chess Club, 12:20 p. m.; 4th floor, 1st entrance Chapin. Glee Club, Assem. Hall, 5 p. m.

Chicago W. S. E.; Engineering Building; 7 p. m.

Physics exhibit; 9 a. m.-5 p. m.; Belfield Hall, Kimbark Avenue between 58th and 59th streets.

Assem. Hall. Math Club; 3:30 p. m.; Sci. Hall.

RECORDS FALL; ONE ARMOUR TECH RELAYS

Tech Runners Victors in Own Meet for First Time; Take Medals in Sprint Medley

THIRTY TEAMS ENTER SCORING COLUMN

'Red Robe' Will Be Spring Production

Having selected as their next play "The Red Robe" by Brieux, the Armour Players are now trying to decide whether it should be presented stands. 400 athletes joined in the at Armour Mission or at one of the games to make the whole meet a downtown theaters. Since this is highly satisfying evening's entertheir first four act presentation since tainment. the successful "Romancers" of a year ago, the players want to have a theater which, while not too expen- | best liked by the Armour fans was sive, will still accommodate all the the sprint relay that was won by four Armour students and their friends.

There will be about fourteen characters in the play, five of them probably being women. One of the women's parts has already been assigned meet. George Nelson, running the to the young lady introduced to the 880 as his part took the baton in Armour Players by their stage manager, Michael Pantone. She has had competitors one after another in an previous dramatic experience, including several years with the Hull House Players.

The play is about an ambitious young lawyer who prosecutes a man he believes innocent. Four acts and three scenes dramatically reveal the troubles into which this man's conscience plunges him.

date; students are invited to bring their friends and relatives.

The two plays which the Players presented a short time ago brought in sufficient money to cover expenses ing this funny looking wire to the which has been used to make the

Math Club to Hear Talk on Nomographs

Next Friday at 3:30, Mr. W. W. year's record.

hour because the speaker cannot be State had the win in their laps from here in the morning; besides, the hour the first man, and the passing of will leave ample time for discussion time just made it more certain. Each

the fact that Nomographs are exten- mile, was better than a lap and a sively used in industry and should quarter ahead of the man in fourth therefore be of special interest to place. Their mark stands as a recstudents at Armour. In one case, an ord since the event was introduced Armour alumnus, who had studied this year. Nomographs while an undergraduate student, obtained a job in which he

Frosh May Enforce Green Cap Wearing

Dean Heald and representatives of the sophomore and freshman classes held a discussion last Thursday in connection with the wearing

of green caps. During the discussion, arguments were presented on whether or not the freshman class should wear this top-piece and help establish a tradition. A vote was taken on this question at the freshman assembly yes-"sophs" have other plans.

abolition of this event altogether. . . tacting large towns.

The biggest track event in the sports history of Armour came to a successful conclusion with three record breaking performances last Saturday evening. In keeping with the size of the meet was the recordsmashing crowd of 2500 spectators who turned out to completely fill the

First Place: Armour Tech!

Perhaps the portion of the games of our own men. Neal, Dunbar, Neuert, and Nelson were the runners who contributed the good work to give Armour its only first in the fourth place and strided past his exciting race to finish with a comfortable lead.

The first record breaking came in the prelims of the shot put when Don Elser of Notre Dame put the ball 48 feet 2 inches to better the previous record of 47 feet 71/2 inches, set by Davis of Hillsdale. But Davis came back in the finals to top Tickets will be on sale at an early | Elser's mark by two inches and break his own record by almost nine

New Mark in Pole Vault

Although the pole vault was one of the first events to start the evening off it continued through the whole meet until the field of 23 had narrowed down to Wonsowicz of Ohio State and Seely, of Illinois. The bar was raised inch by inch till only Seely was left, trying to better himself at each mark. The final result turned in was 13 feet 5% inches, 5% of an inch better than last

An interesting race was the disond one-half, the third three-fourths, The meeting is held at such a late and the last, one mile. Michigan following the reading of the paper. | succeeding State man increased the Recent investigation has disclosed lead until the last man, running the

Pitt Cops Feature; New Record

The final and feature events, the supplies all the Nomographs for a mile relays, brought plenty of interlarge industrial concern on the South | est and a new record. In the college division it was anybody's race with all the runners bunched. Armour held second place behind Illinois State Normal until the final lap when Michigan Normal forged ahead to win.

In the university relay it was even more interesting with the contestants putting every ounce of energy (Continued on page 4)

New Students to Be Contacted by Alumni

At the present time, a project is terday. The sophomores have agreed under way to enlist the alumni's cothat if green caps are to be worn, operation in obtaining fit students the freshmen can in some manner for Armour Institute. The plan is see that they are worn one hundred to contact alumni living in large percent. If the freshmen fail, the cities within a 500 mile radius of Chicago and to encourage them to stim-Other ideas pointed out are that ulate interest in Armour among local "brawls," such as occurred last graduating students. In this way, it semester place too much emphasis is hoped that a greater number of on the green caps, with the result- students will be attracted from out-Fencing; 10:30 a. m.; | ing diversion from the day's princi- side of Chicago with an increase in pal occupation. Injury might easily the enrollment of freshmen at the Inresult. Such early anticipation of stitute. A large map of the area is Junior Week might work toward the being drafted for the purpose of con-