Senior mechanical: "Honestly, now, you would never

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# Get a Handbook!

When the Armour student directory and handbook comes off the presses in the near future it will answer a demand that has been voiced more and more loudly of late by Armour students, who have felt that full information about all school activities ought to be made easily accessible to every one. Of particular interest to all of us is the fact that the full text of the A. T. A. A. constitution will be published in the booklet. Although every Armour student pays \$15 a year into the fund administered by the A. T. A. A. board of control, it is probable that the total number of students who have read the constitution could be counted on the fingers of both hands. Every student should obtain a copy of the handbook and read the A. T. A. A. constitution.

# STUDENT OPINION

## For Real Social Sciences

The men graduating from Armour after June, 1936, will, unless some change is made, leave Armour lacking an all-important essential to culture that men of the preceding classes had the opportunity of securing in as compact and short a form as was ever developed.

In this respect, I recognize that the revision of curriculum in 1933 had, and still has, as its basis the general and sound idea that engineering education can be a very effective approach to culture. Here culture, in Dr. Hotchkiss' own words, is "a development of the personality, a discipline of the mind and emotions, and a preparation for living and doing one's work in society." In the first approach to our notion of culture this concept of it is one of the best yet developed. However, it lacks something-something which according to the original plans for changing the curriculum was to be emphasized more, instead of less.

In 1932 appeared a pamphlet, now well known among educators, entitled Educating the Engineer. The pamphlet was published by Armour Institute of Technology and discloses the basis for the changes planned. It states: "One of the most significant parts of the Development Plan is the revision of curriculum to include more of the humanities subjects. We do not believe that a man can be considered as educated, even in the scientific sense, unless his knowledge includes something more than a mere acquaintanceship with the humanities. History, literature, philosophy - these are as much a part of the sum of human understanding as are physics and mathematics, and the man who is to lead the way in engineering must have both."

Culture, in a broad and well balanced sense, is best defined as an "awareness of the universe." How can anyone really be aware of the universe if he knows nothing more than a mere acquaintanceship with the humanities? Such lack of these essentials to culture becomes painfully evident in social contacts later in life as prominent engineers have revealed.

It was in Dr. Scherger's courses, particularly his History of Civilization course, where Armour men were given the opportunity of securing the essential fundamentals of the humanities - not smattering bits of in-

formation. It was there that many a student had his interest sharpened on some topic that leads to outside reading and refined enjoyment extending throughout his life. The lecture course took two hours a week in the freshman year, almost an insignificant amount of time. It dealt strictly with the humanities. It was not a business, industrial, or commercial subject labeled social science! To me it was one of the high spots in my education at Armour.

I wonder how many other seniors feel that way I do in this matter - if I am alone in appreciating these values.

> Yours sincerely, Howard P. Milleville, '36.

#### Wants "Hot" News

With due apologies for the slang expression, allow me to express a "merry horse laugh" at a recent announcement posted by the Tech News. This struggling and budding young newspaper, which is supposed to be instilling into its workers, at least a few of the fundamental principles of journalism, has the audacity openly to violate one of the cardinal rules: "Print news when it's news." The reference is to the recent announcement that fraternity notes must be turned in by the Thursday preceding publication date. It seems that four day old news was too fresh, the News had to demand that it be held over to at least five. Yet some day the Tech News will develop out of the category of a statistical report and become a "newspaper."

S. M. Miner.

#### Tradition and Finance

Lately much criticism has been hurled at the social chairman of the various classes because of the fact that there are three or four dances taking place within a very short space of time, starting on November 22nd, followed by the Senior Informal at the Medinah, on the 29th and so on, to the Junior Informal on the Friday before the Christmas holidays.

I wish to state that this would not have happened, had the traditions regarding the dates of class dances been followed by some of the social chairmen.

the four class dances at well spaced intervals during the neighborhood. school year in order to avoid one's interfering with an-

In this spacing, the senior dance was given the preference in having either the latter part of November or the first part of December for their dance, the juniors immediately followed with a dance in the middle of January, and the other classes followed in order up to the junior formal at the close of Junior Week. This arrangement is the only fair one, and doubtless each class will expect to have the consideration when they become seniors.

However, the senior class is in no way offended by what has taken place this year, and merely wishes to state that if other dances should suffer by their proximity to the senior ball, that it is the fault of those who inaugurated the other dances.

For the future it would be well for financial reasons and from the standpoint of school spirit, if the traditions in regard to class dances were re-established.

R. M. Paulsen.

## Freshman Dance

Trianon Ballroom is solely for the purpose of raising tom has never gone out of exist- to put many of the different prod- model was to pose. The gesture was funds with which we intend to use towards various other ence. The only difference is that it ucts of the department in general on nobly done and equally as well apsocial functions in the future. The size and quality of is now on a larger scale and very exhibit. Each one of you could act preciated. In the "old" days such these social functions will largely be regulated by your support of this dance.

intentions of breaking any school traditions. Our sole the SENIORS and the SOPHS low- it over. intention in starting our social events sooner than usual was to enable the fellows to become better acquainted. As members of the freshman class we hope to see

you there.

The Social Committee:

Bolton Anderson, Chairman, Jerome Cump, Irving Footlik, Norman Rice, Raymond Starmann.

# "The Slipstick"

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

The Slippery Slip

The typographical error is a slippery thing and sly; You can hunt till you are dizzy, but it somehow will get by.

Till the forms are off the presses it is strange how still | retort. it keeps;

It shrinks down into a corner and it never stirs or peeps-

That typographical error, too small for human eyes-Till ink is on the paper, when it grows to mountain size. The boss he stares with horror, then he grabs his hair and groans;

The copy reader drops his head upon his hands and

The remainder of the issue may be clean as clean can be,

But that typographical error is the only thing you sec. -Knoxville (Ia.) Express.

A squad of Ethiopian recruits had been taken out to the rifle range for their first try at marksmanship. They kneeled at 200 yards and fired. Not a hit. They were moved up to 150 yords. Not a hit. They tried at 75. Not

"Tenshun!" bawled the colored sergeant. "Fix bayonets! Charge! It's your only chance."

He: "Have you ever been kissed before?" She: "Y-y-yes, c-c-cause I n-never could s-say n-n-no

Francois.

\* \* \* "There is some co-operation among the wild crea-It has been the custom for the past four years to hold tures." The stork and the wolf usually work the same

Our Alma Mater It's a grand old college we are going to. She's mighty hard to beat. We get a thorn with every rose; But aren't the roses sweet?

have thought this car of mine was one I had bought second-hand, would you?" Professor Roesch: "Never in my life. I thought you

made it yourself."

## PARTLY WITHDRAWN

Congressman Johnson of Indiana called a colleague an ass and was ordered to withdraw.

"I withdraw the expression, Mr. Speaker," he said, "but I insist that this gentleman from Illinois is out of order."

"How am I out of order?" yelled the man from Illi-

"Only a veterinary surgeon could tell you," was the

Every time a tax assessor comes around a man is glad he doesn't own the earth.

-"and I was marooned for two years on that desert island with this woman!"

"-Oh, you lucky dog!" "Lucky, hell! She was my mother-in-law!"

Freshman: "Is the hot water running in the main

building?" Senior: "Sure, it has to run to keep warm."

Night Watchman: "Young man, are you going to kiss that girl?"

Young Man: "No." Night Watchman: "Here, then, hold this lantern."

"Mama, where do little babies come from?"

"Such a silly question, Junior. Run and ask your father."

A minute or so later. "Mama, Daddy says you haven't told him either - and we'd both like to know?"

Barber (whispering to new helper). "Here comes a man for a shave." Helper: "Let me practice on him."

Barber: "All right, but be careful and don't cut your-

"You got a nice skid there," exclaimed the traffic cop as John's car came to a halt within an inch of a telephone pole.

"Pardon me," said John haughtily, "this lady is my wife."

A. M.



fast enough."

ered their dignity to nigger for the FRESHMEN. However the whole thing is merely a racket because the brothers, the "engineers." Experipresent "niggers" expect the others to help them when they are in need. that is, they hope so.

from the subject to discuss some of | ing, red, luscious apples on his desk. the so-called representative paint- No more, no less, thirty-one apples, ings of the U.S., but in spite of his now you count 'em. SPEARS was "mild" expletives, Ted was very sin- heard to say that he had eaten each cere and gave us "food for thought" | and every one of the apples! Someto say nothing of adding to our vo- thing is wrong; he was in class the cabularies.

forth an original idea, but only as was only lying dormant waiting to an idea, so here goes...each of the be revived, and that honor now be-The age-old custom of "niggering" students have at one time or another longs to none other than Charlie has once more been restored within brought a visitor (lady) to the de- PFEFFER. The other day SIR these lofty portals, by the efforts partment but always at a time when CHARLES, in memory of Raleigh, of Ted HOFMEESTER, but so far nothing was happening, and the idea spread his "satin" smock over a The dance we are staging on November 22 at the as we know the afore-mentioned cus- was to have a "Visitor's Day" and dusty stool on which the "LIFE" much more evident, but how could as personal guide with a personal gallantry was always rewarded, but it help being so when when the whole interest, both the visitor and the now... In presenting this dance at this early date we had no JUNIOR class turned out to help school, but it is only an idea, so think Mr. Krehbiel's water-color-slingers

The ARX could learn how to tame most of the profs from their halfence has probably taught them that the system they now use is the most effective, the same one they used in niggering, HOFMEESTER almost | after SHOLTO SPEARS gave the | runners up were ROSEN and KOHN, started a riot during his culture class, junior civils a quiz in strength of each given a mention. during which he went far enough materials, he found thirty-one shin-

next day.

ARX NEWS would like to bring | Who said chivalry was dead? It

great majority rated. Special attention must be called to RAMP and JOHNSTONE who received a First Mention apiece.

IVAR VIEHE - NAESS walked away with the medal for the summer Besides starting the new craze for the grade schools. Anyhow the day sketches, just as was expected. The

TOM TAX.

