



By H. M. Ross

THE DREAD shadow of war still hovers menacingly over the world. While the Nile, one of mankind's oldest battlegrounds, has again become a center of world politics, all is quiet along the Rhine. Moreover, it is likely to remain quiet as long as Great Britain has not made up her mind to choose France or Germany as her ally to check the latest challenger to her world rule, Fascist Italy. In competition for British favor, Germany believes she holds trump cards inasmuch as all recent reports from London seem to indicate His Britannic Majesty's inclination toward her. France, though decidedly vexed with the British stand cannot afford to antagonize her, as, losing the British alliance, she would be left to stand alone. The fourth actor in this drama of war or peace, Italy, goes blithely on her way, indifferent to the demands of England, yet watchful of her every move.

IN THE MEANTIME England faces an internal crisis. Every mile of the Italian Army's advance toward Addis Ababa has brought her closer to an awkward and possibly dangerous turning point in her foreign policy. The government is appalled that Italy has virtually won her war before sanctions have had a decisive effect. It is a bitter pill and the problem of the moment is how the British government will swallow it. Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin and his Ministers know that if they allow Italy to dictate peace they will not only shake the authority of the League of Nations, but will also invite the wrath of the British public. But the government also knows that it cannot prevent Italy from dictating a conqueror's peace except by closing the Suez Canal and probably precipitating war. In the present anti-war mood of the British people such a solution is unthinkable, and it has been rejected outright by the cabinet. A retreat by Britain seems inevitable, yet there is no sign that the government knows how to accomplish it without a disastrous loss of prestige both at home and abroad.

IN ASSESSING THE French position one must not forget that there has been no public reaction against Italy in France, as there has been in Britain. The French have said that, as regrettable as it may be from the Ethiopian point of view, Italy is doing no more than France or Britain have frequently done in the past when they were amassing their colonial empires. Furthermore, the French argue, sanctions were one

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Austin Student Wins Armour Scholarship

James D. Charlton, of Austin High School, has been named as the recipient of one of the ten Civic Assembly scholarships and will enter Armour next September. He graduated from high school last February, ranking twenty-third in scholarship in a class of 468, and also engaging in many extra-curricular activities. He was president of the Civic Industrial club, a member of the band, orchestra, Hi-Y, and the chemistry club, and played on the basketball team for two seasons. Norman Seip of Tilden was chosen alternate.

Other scholarships awarded were to University of Chicago, Northwestern, Y. M. C. A. College, and the American College of Physical Education in connection with the celebration of Youth Week. Gold achievement medals were awarded to representatives of the graduating classes of all Chicago public high schools on the basis of scholarship, character, leadership, and activities. From these were chosen the winners of the ten scholarships.

Musical Fraternity Pledges Seven Men

Seven students were pledged to Pi Nu Epsilon, honorary musical society, at a meeting held in the Salamander rooms on last Friday, April 24. The pledges, W. K. Emmerich, F. D. Hoffert, E. C. Hoyer, R. P. Lischer, R. J. Magnuson, W. F. Schriber, and R. G. Stevens, are under the direction of pledge captain A. J. Strazz. They were examined at the Triangle house on the evening of April 16, and they are required to write a theme of 3000 words on a musical subject before they are initiated. The initiation will occur in about five weeks, but the pledges will be eligible for the interhonorary dance on May 1.

Alpha Chi Sigma Has Second Annual Party

Alpha Chi Sigma, professional chemical fraternity, held its second annual alumni smoker last Thursday evening at the Chicago Craftmen's Club, 2954 West Washington Boulevard. About thirty-five members attended, and judging by the jovial mood of the group, they had a very enjoyable evening. Cards and other games were a part of the program planned by the committee of L. W. Robbie, P. R. Schultz and H. J. Brannon who also took care of the refreshments for the party.

The game room recently acquired by the fraternity has made it possible to set up a ping-pong table, and a tournament started. The dark horse apparently cut to win is Bodnar, the soph class president.

An informal initiation for pledges is to be held tonight, and Thursday evening the formal initiation will be conducted with the aid of alumnus members and representatives from the Northwestern University Chapter of the fraternity. About ten men will be initiated.

MORETON STUDIES EASTERN SCHOOLS ON RECENT TOUR

Graduate Work Receives Close Attention

Professor D. P. Moreton returned last Thursday to Armour after a three week's tour of major engineering schools in the East, where he investigated policies of graduate study, research, personnel, placement of graduates, and evening school work. He visited nine schools and also studied the relationship between industrial firms and engineer schools.

Engineering on Upgrade

"On my trip through the East I was received with genuine hospitality and cooperation from Armour alumni, school officials, and business men," Professor Moreton said. "Everywhere the general condition of engineering work and business is definitely on the upgrade. I had the opportunity of conferring with many prominent educators and business men, and all were optimistic of the future in the engineering profession.

Use Basic Science Principles

"In many of the eastern schools, graduate work and research is being continually developed and extended. One of the outstanding items I noticed about graduate study is that more and more work is being done on basic science principles in the graduate schools with the scientific applications and advanced studies being left to industrial firms. A great deal of graduate work is being done in practical economics, thermodynamics, metallurgy, electronics, and the closer application of basic mathematical principles to engineering problems. All those I spoke to were impressed with the wonderful opportunity that Armour Institute has for graduate work and research in conjunction with the industrial companies in the Middle West."

Professor Moreton first visited Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Harvard University at Boston. He then went through the Ma-

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New Features in Next 'Cycle' Board

According to the editor, John B. Davis, the *Cycle* will be distributed during Junior Week. Honor *Cycle* will be awarded on Wednesday, May 12, and the general student body will receive their copies on Friday, May 15.

Several new features have been included in the forthcoming edition. President Hotchkiss has an article on "The Advancement of Armour," explaining the cooperative course and telling of the improvements and additions here, while Dean Heald has an article on "What the Future Holds for the Engineering Students".

Humor Section Included

The publication will be divided into four parts: the Senior section, Campus Activities section, College Life section, and the Group section. Each section will have a different border design, and the first half of the *Cycle* will have red borders, while the second half will have blue borders.

For the first time in five years there will be a humor section make-up. In the Campus Activities section, two full pages of action pictures are included. They are engraved from actual snapshots taken on the campus. There is an adequate explanation for each picture, and some are a real surprise.

Larger Number Ordered

925 copies of the 218 page publication have been ordered. This is the largest order in the history of the *Cycle*. This increase is due to the 76 cooperative students. There are enough copies ordered to provide for the demand of part time students and any one else desiring it.

National Lead Plant Visited by Chemicals

Last Wednesday afternoon the senior chemical class made an inspection trip to the National Lead company, 936 West Eighteenth Street. This company produces white lead from lead furnished it by subsidiary companies. The white lead is, in turn, made into what is commonly known as "Dutch Boy" paint. The company also makes red lead, litharge, solder, babbitt, and allied lead products. Professor McCormack and Dr. Barr accompanied the group.

Next week the group will inspect the Sherwin-Williams Company, manufacturers of paints.

Herring to Speak at Next W.S.E. Meeting

At the W. S. E. meeting of May 1, Mr. H. C. Herring, Executive Director of the American Association of Municipal Engineers, will speak on "The Municipality and the Engineer." Mr. Leslie M. Johnson, Director of Public Works, city of Pittsburgh, presented a talk on "The Pittsburgh Flood," at the junior meeting of the W. S. E. last night. Mr. Johnson discussed measures under consideration for minimizing the bad effects of flood stages which may occur in the future. The recent flood exceeded three feet of the prediction made in 1911.

Five Men Pledged to Edfou, Scarab Temple

In an atmosphere decidedly Japanese, five men were pledged to Edfou, Armour's temple of Scarab fraternity, last Tuesday. Those pledged were M. J. Bejcek and W. D. Concolino, seniors, and F. E. Davidson and C. Saletta, juniors, and L. Skubic, a sophomore.

The ceremony was held in Fula's Japanese restaurant, after which a Sukiyaki dinner was served. Following this, Professor T. M. Hoffmeister, a faculty member of Scarab, gave a talk on Japanese houses and culture.

Plans Now Complete for Honorary Dance

At the meeting of the interhonorary council held last Friday, plans were completed whereby members of Honor A, Sphinx, and Pi Nu Epsilon are eligible to attend the interhonorary dance. This annual affair will take place in the Venetian Room of the Southmoor Hotel at 6646 South Stony Island avenue, and will start at 9:30 p. m. next Friday night, May 1. After much consideration it was decided that the affair will be a table dance.

According to J. O. Larson, president of the council, about 90 couples are expected to attend. Dancing will be to the music of Ed Kraft's Melody Masters, an audition orchestra for the Columbia Broadcasting System. This orchestra has played for dances of the musical clubs, and has been well received.

Armour Is Host to S.P.E.E. Meet

With Armour acting as host, the annual meeting of the Illinois Indiana Section of the Society for Promotion of Engineering Education was held Saturday, April 18, at the Lawson Y.M.C.A. Professor J. B. Finnegan, president of the section, called the meeting to order.

The principal speakers at the meeting were Professor Hardy Cross of the University of Illinois, who talked on "The Importance of Teaching School"; Mr. Lawrence A. Downs, president of the Illinois Central System, spoke on "Engineering Education as a Preparation for Business Responsibilities"; and Dean Henry T. Heald of Armour, who discussed "Part Time Courses for the Graduate Engineer."

Group Meetings Held

Group conferences were held in the afternoon on various subjects. Professor J. S. Thompson presided as chairman of the physics group, Professor C. E. Paul as chairman of the mathematics group, and Professor W. Hendricks was in charge of the English group. Professor C. O. Harris, of the mechanics department, made arrangements for the meeting with the aid of a committee.

Spears Is Secretary

Towards the end of the meeting, the election of new officers took place. Professor R. P. Hoelscher, of the University of Illinois, was elected president, Professor Herbert S. Philbrick, of Northwestern University, vice president, and Professor Sholto M. Spears, of Armour, secretary.

It was also announced that the forty-fourth annual meeting of the National Society for Promotion of Engineering Education will be held June 23-24 at the University of Wisconsin.

Senior Dance Held at Knickerbocker

As the last class dance of their college career, the seniors held a supper dance last Friday night in the Grand Ballroom of the Knickerbocker Hotel. Dancing started shortly after nine o'clock and continued to the rhythm of Emil Flindt's orchestra playing before the supper, which was served at midnight, and afterwards until 3 a.m.

The Knickerbocker's grand ballroom contains a beautiful glass floor which is continuously played upon with colored lights. Emil Flindt, aside from drawing out his fiddle occasionally, brought with him his bag of tricks and novelties, and entertained with his "ten little bottles. . ."

All in all, the seniors felt that this, their last undergraduate dance achieved the acme of perfection that they had so long sought. As the seniors had previously announced, the dance was a strictly private affair being open to seniors only.

ARMOUR PLAYERS STAGE SHAKESPEAREAN COMEDY TOMORROW AT 10:30 A.M.

Condensed Version of 'Henry IV' Is First Play To Be Directed by W. B. Fulghum; S. M. Miner Plays Lead

JUDGES OF AMATEUR PLAYS TO BE PRESENT

All reporters are requested to attend a meeting of the News staff in the offices of the Armour Tech News, Tuesday, April 28, at 12:30.

Armour A.S.M.E. Acts as Conference Host

Armour's student branch of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers was host to the annual Student Conference at the Allerton hotel at the convention which lasted through Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday of last week.

Official registration began on Monday at 8 a. m. and was in charge of Frank D. Cotterman and the student staff of the Armour branch. At 9:30 a. m. on Monday and 9 a. m. on Tuesday, the technical session convened. During this session papers were presented by representatives of seventeen mid-western colleges and universities. The prizes awarded were fifty dollars to D. D. Streid of the University of Illinois, who presented a paper on "Localized Stresses in Torsion," twenty-five dollars to R. L. Iglehart of Washington University, who presented a paper on "Study of Stress Concentration in Photo Elastic Materials," and ten dollars was awarded jointly to J. R. Marks of Rose Polytechnic, who presented a paper on "Design for Appearance—Redesigning the Commonplace," and to R. T. Saul of the University of Wisconsin, who presented a paper on "Centrifuge Developments for Biological Research."

At 7 o'clock on Monday evening, the midwest branches held a banquet in the Italian Room of the Allerton Hotel. Entertainment was provided the guests throughout the festivity. After the banquet souvenirs of various companies were distributed. A. M. Lane was chairman and toastmaster at the banquet.

W.P.A. Aids Armour in Landscaping Work

A program of improvement of the Armour campus and buildings has been undertaken by the Institute with the assistance of the W. P. A. The school grounds have already taken on a true campus appearance as a result of the clearing of vacant lots by the workers and the planting of trees and shrubbery furnished by Armour Institute.

In a few days students will be asked to confine their ball playing to the new field which has been cleared at the northeast corner of Thirty-Third and Dearborn streets, so that Ogden field can be re-seeded.

The policy of improving the general appearance of the buildings and grounds has met with universal commendation and is expected to be continued in the future.

Ten Men Are Pledged By Athletic Honorary

Eight students and two coaches were pledged to Honor A in the Eta Kappa Nu rooms last Friday morning. W. C. Kraft and B. Weissman were the coaches pledged, while the students were M. J. Bejcek, D. A. Delve, C. W. Dunbar, R. M. Faust, E. Kreml, W. P. O'Brien, I. Seidenberg, and E. F. Wagner.

The initiation will possibly be held at the awards assembly during Junior Week. A discussion of the type of jacket to be given seniors who receive athletic awards resulted in the selection of a suede and cloth reversible jacket.

Real Shakespearean comedy, with slight changes in dialogue, is the treat offered to the student body by the Armour Players, who will present *Falstaff* tomorrow at 10:30. Mr. Walter B. Fulghum, director of the Players, has taken the scenes and characters from Shakespeare's *Henry IV*, part I, preserving the original as far as possible. The cast finally selected is as follows:

Falstaff S. M. Miner
Prince Hal M. MacConnell
Poins G. E. Danforth
Bardolph R. Weissman
Gadshill H. M. Ross
Sheriff J. Mashman
Tavern Hostess P. W. Cump

Falstaff, the central character, is a typical tavern hanger-on of the Elizabethan period, combining a gross body with a boastful disposition and a sharp wit. His gluttony and self-praise often carry him into embarrassing situations, from which his devious methods of escape make him one of the comic figures of dramatic literature.

In Play Competition

The cast has been practicing three times a week until last week, and every night since then. It is attaining the smoothness of the Globe Players, whose style they employ. The newly-constructed tavern scenery should immediately put all attending in the right frame of mind for comedy. An added feature of the production is the fact that judges for the N.Y.A. play competition, in which the Armour Players are entered, will be present.

According to the players themselves, *Falstaff* is the best show which they have ever attempted. Tickets are selling at the low price of ten cents, the charge being made to cover the necessary expense of curtains, costumes, and scenery.

Emmerich Manages Stage

The work behind the scenes is being taken care of by the stage crew under the direction of W. K. Emmerich. J. M. Kubert manages the stage lighting, while E. C. Mitchell handles the properties, and A. N. Schriber directs the business end. B. H. Griesbach is the stage carpenter, and R. M. Lundberg is the prompter. A large part of the scenery was painted by R. P. Lischer.

Change Location for Junior Formal Dance

According to latest information, the all-important Junior Formal, climaxing Junior Week, will be held at the Elmhurst Country Club. Last week's *News* was not incorrect in stating that the Bal Tabarin at the Sherman House would be the site of the dance since an option had been taken on this location. Early rumors stated that this foremost event of the year was to be a summer formal; the affair, however, will be strictly formal. Emil Flindt's band, which is becoming increasingly popular with Armour students, will furnish the music for the formal occasion.

To insure select table locations, the social committee, headed by Oreste Tomei, has stated that all table reservations should be made by Wednesday, May 13. The committee has also said that instead of the usual flimsy paper favors, a more fashionable and durable program made of metal will be used.

The Elmhurst Country Club is located on Lake Street near Grand Avenue, on the outskirts of Elmhurst. Maps will be available to show the most convenient routes from any part of the city.