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To Our Successors

Retiring members of the *Tech News* staff always experience a feeling of loss at giving up a job which has occupied much of their time, and which has helped liberalize their engineering education.

We senior members of this year's paper have been particularly fortunate in having an unusually loyal and industrious staff of co-workers, men who have become our close friends through association and a common purpose of presenting the news of the school to the students. Consequently, we feel that we have been lucky in this respect.

We know that we are leaving the paper in capable hands. We hope that our successors have profited by recognizing our mistakes, and will edit a better newspaper than we have.

To the eleventh staff of the *Armour Tech News* we wish a most successful year!

First Pledge Made Toward Student Union Drive

First of the pledges which will be made toward the fund needed for the conversion of the Mission Building into a Student Union building is one of five hundred dollars from the *Armour Tech News*. This money has been made possible through economical administration of the paper, and since it comes from the student body, it was thought fair to return it through this project of benefit to all students.

Comment on the need of a Student Union was brought out last year by the present staff. Early this school year an unfruitful ballot was placed in the paper to determine student interest. Although the ballots returned were few, students have showed interest and should support the project with real spirit.

The cost will depend on the extent to which the work is carried. Prof. Jerrold Loeb, assistant director of the department of architecture, has prepared preliminary sketches of the building but these are only tentative and may receive considerable revision. In pith the idea is to convert the civil drafting room on the second floor of Mission into a modern lounge, to revise the layout of the lunch rooms so as to have a large banquet hall, to redecorate the assembly hall, and to provide rooms for the publications and the alumni files.

Graduates will be able to look back and see a project they aided and can look forward to a possible "homecoming" which might be terminated by a banquet in the Student Union building. Lower classmen will receive the immediate benefit. They will enjoy the association with other students and a chance to let their minds and bodies relax in popular topics and sofas respectively.

The name "Student Union" seems to form a mind picture of two hands clasped in a firm grip symbolizing help to fellow men and the inference that they will not let each other down. It also indicates common interest and effort.

A good symbol for the Student Union campaign

would be those two hands clasped together as mentioned above. It is of common interest and all must work together so as not to "let the other fellow down."

The school does not have a surplus of money so that the effort must arise from the student body and be aided by the alumni, or possibly made possible by a philanthropic gift.

When the time comes to aid a drive for a Student Union, let's be the other hand in that mind picture.

Fraternity Notes

Midnight oil is being burned this week along Fraternity Row. After finals, however, many of the houses are planning affairs to celebrate or forget their recent trials.

The long anticipated Interfraternity Formal has at last arrived. Friday night, at the Lake Shore Athletic club, about eighty fraternity men and their dates will dance to Art Janke's music, and forget all about their finals.

The Interfraternity Council will meet next at the Triangle house. Delegates from all the houses will be present to discuss a Freshman Week preceding the regular semester.

Most of the houses will start practice for the Interfraternity Swimming Meet. Phi Kappa Sigma are determined to retain their swimming championship, while Rho Delta Rho aims to add a first to their string of second places in interfraternity events.

Phi Pi Phi elected officers Monday of last week. They are:

- President Thomas Collier
- Vice President William I. Buckeridge
- Secretary William M. Caldwell
- Treasurer Clayton W. DeMent
- Chaplain George A. Molitor
- Social Chairman Henry B. Muehlhausen
- Sentinel Richard N. Vandekieft

The Rho Deltas' housewarming stag is scheduled for Feb. 3, between semesters. Sid Kreiman and Irv Footlik are planning a gala evening for the actives, pledges, and alumni. Now that their pool table has been assembled, the tournament, under the able leadership of Brother Frank Miller, may be continued.

The Pi Kapp mothers' club held a very successful bridge party last Tuesday. The ping-pong tournament is producing some furious games. The Pi Kappa Phi officers were installed into office at a meeting last week. And incidentally Pi Kapp Newling pinned his steady last week—result: ice cream and cake for the entire chapter from Brother Newling.

The Slipstick

Cleave to the slipstick; let the slapstick fly where it may.

Ah, how we will remember our first column. Like a diamond in the rough, it wasn't so much to look at, but the potentialities were there. We were friendless, our efforts were coldly received, no kind word was ever spoken to us. But now, after three years of polishing that diamond in the rough, what have we got now—a rough-cut diamond, only smaller! We have no enemies now, but all our friends hate us. No one speaks a harsh word to us now—no one speaks to us. What price glory? Does anyone want to buy a second-hand typewriter?

Constipated? So what? So are we! Try Munch-Crunch.

The frats are raising a riot because of the frat notes. This column has always kept out of foreign affairs but this time we must take sides. For example, look at an original copy sent in by Phi Pi Delta:

We refuse to congratulate Rho Alpha Rho on their recent basketball victory over us guys. They're a bunch of dirty rats and we hope they break their legs. Anyhow, our guys were at least built like athletes.

Here's one from Rectangle:

We ain't gonna toin in no more notes to yew old paper. The trouble wid jouse is dat yew copy-reader ruins our gude spelling and grammar. Nertz to youse, Sheehaam and Porker.

It looks like Stoop brain Bliss wrote that one. And finally this bit of trash from Kappa Si Sigma, written on the border of a worn out blotter and hurled through a window of the NEWS office tied to a brick: . . .

The Mater's of our dear fraternity met last Friday. Skinny Dugan's mother and Stinky Mason's mother both wore the same dresses. Skinny is joining Tau Lambda Omicron next semester. Fatso Dolan and his mom left early 'cause Fatso fell in the punch bowl and got his clothes wet.

And now reader, who's right . . . the NEWS or the GREEKS?

Dr. Ford to Talk on Fourth Dimension Before Math Club

Dr. L. R. Ford, head of the mathematics department at Armour, will present a talk for the Senior Mathematics Club of the University of Chicago on Tuesday, January 25. His subject will be projective transformation in two complex variables. In his talk Dr. Ford will tell of some unpublished researches of his own and of his former students in the field of four-dimensional geometry. Early next semester the Armour Math Club hopes to have Dr. Ford as guest speaker.

Special Committee to Pick New President

Contrary to popular belief, the work of selecting a president is being carried on by a committee composed of faculty members and the Board of Trustees, according to Dean H. T. Heald. The problem of selecting a president has been found a difficult one. A large number of men have been contacted and a great many more will be approached before a final selection is made.

At the present time, there is no particular hurry in the selection of a president, popular opinion holding that it is to the best interests of the Institute that sufficient time be taken for the selection of the proper man.

Sounds in the Night
"We can still be friends . . ."
"Ma, ain't Pa home yet?"
"Fresh!"
"Ma! . . . Will ya turn on the light for me . . .?"
"Now where in heck is that car?"
"The answer book must be wrong!"
"Easy does it."

Munch-Crunch has a specific gravity of 10.63. It'll stick with you.

Well—we might as well face you. This is our swan-song and we hate to sing it. It's been great fun, being able to rough it up a little every week, and we want to thank you all for the opportunity of doing so. Good luck, every one, and so long!

Ecjaj and Zazu.

Electives Offered to Upperclassmen

English, Social Science, Engineering Directors List Elective Courses

As has been the custom at Armour for many years, various electives will be open to upperclassmen during the next semester. Any of the departmental electives chosen may be pursued only with the approval of the director of the option. Men in one department may also elect courses in other departments.

The chemical department offers four elective courses. The juniors may select from bacteriology and advanced inorganic chemistry; the seniors, plant design, advanced inorganic chemistry, and catalysis.

Variety Offered
Senior mechanicals may take electives in steam power plant drawing, automobile engineering, refrigerating engineering, aero-dynamics, airplane design, and physical metallurgy.

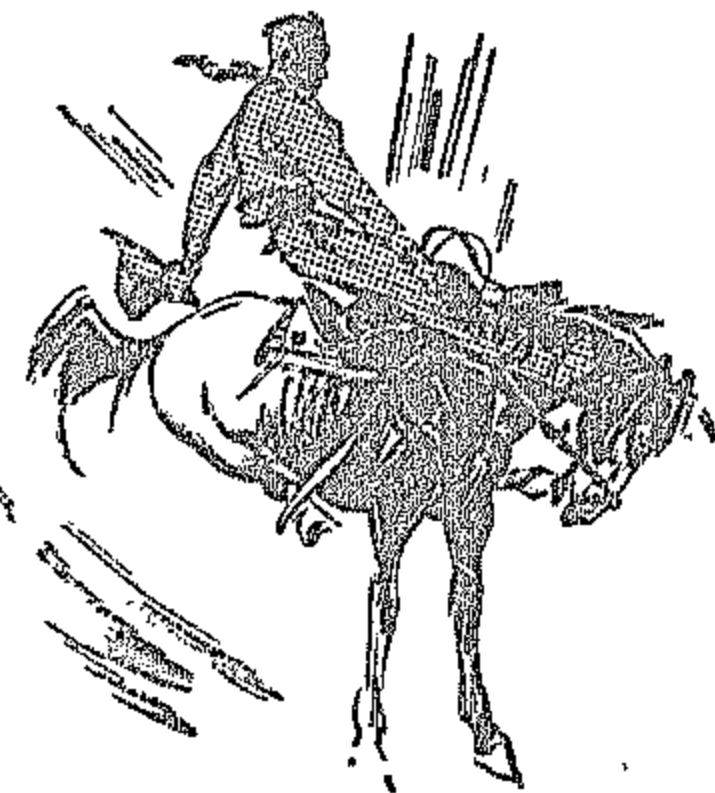
Electrical seniors may elect engineering economics, radio engineering, electron physics, and television. Junior electrical electives are machine design, machine drawing, differential equations, and engineering analysis.

Electives offered to the senior civils are differential equations, astronomy, aero-dynamics, and airplane design; the junior civils may elect mechanism, machine design, mechanical equipment of buildings, and advanced experimental engineering.

Non-Departmental Courses
The English department has listed five possible electives. Modern problems is open only to seniors. Electives offered to the student body as a whole are Utopias, public speaking, dramatics and history of the theatre, and advanced logic.

The social science department has listed three electives which will be offered only if enough students to make a class are interested. They are advanced economics, advanced accounting, and business problems.

DO COW-PUNCHERS APPRECIATE CAMEL'S COSTLIER TOBACCOS?



TED YOCHUM was born and raised in the cattle country. Speaking from personal observation, Ted says: "Cow-punchers are great Camel smokers. Seems like if a man smokes Camels once—he sticks to 'em. Come round-up time—I'm in the saddle for hours, and not sparin' myself. A Camel sure hits the spot then. I get a mighty pleasant 'lift.'"

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COLLEGE STUDENT Herb Weast (left): "In that jammed-up week before exams, nerves often tighten up. I've found Camels don't get on my nerves."



AUTO MECHANIC Al Patterson (right): "In the garage business you have to catch your meals on the run. I find that Camels seem to smooth the way for good digestion."

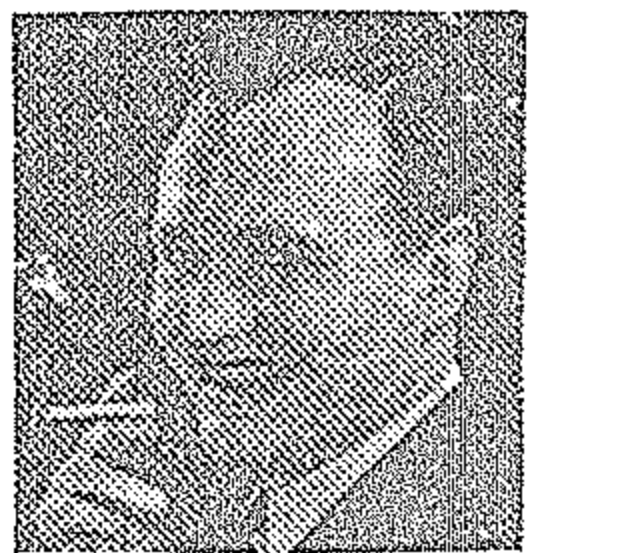


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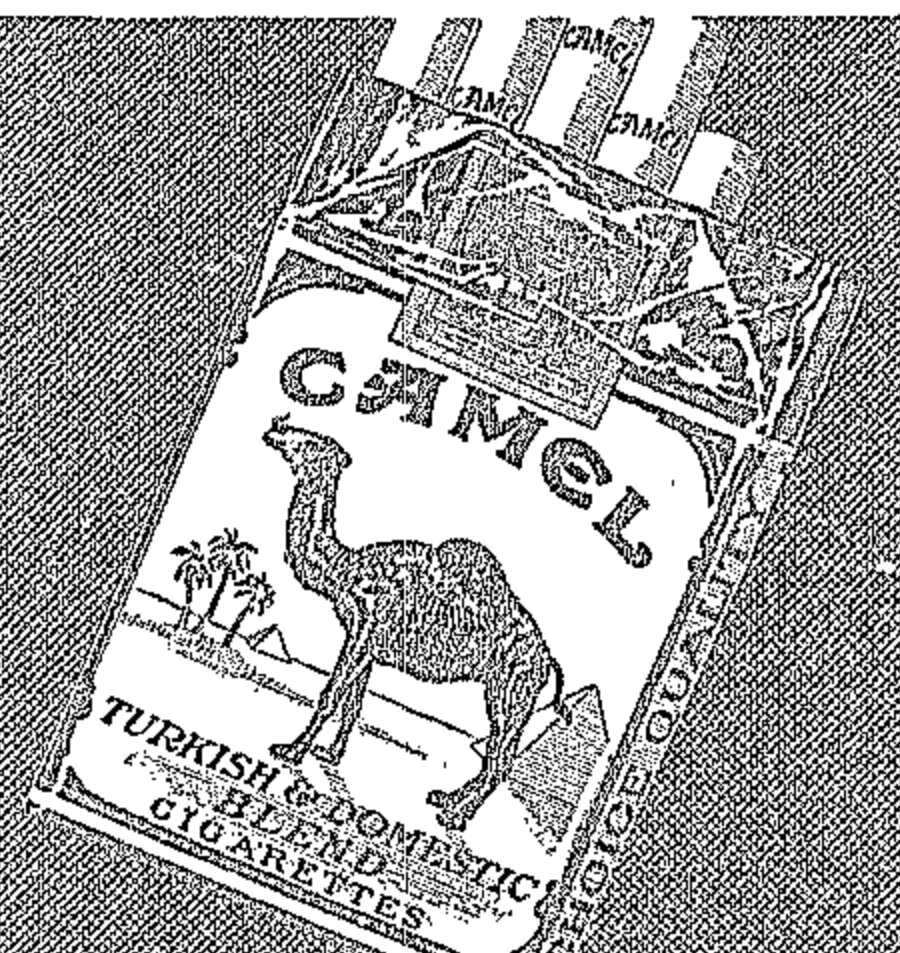


CHAMPION TYPIST Remo Poulsen (left) says: "I enjoy Camels from one end of the day to the other. And Camels don't irritate my throat."



WATCHMAKER I. C. Gorkun (right) says: "Every Camel I smoke seems to be milder and tastier than the last. Camels don't leave me 'smoked out' no matter how many I light up a day."

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