

SIDELINES

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Foreign Policy

Last semester two columns of Sidelines were devoted to a discussion of the military strength of the United States. At that time most people were "just curious" and such an article appeared to be just the thing. Since that time events have moved rapidly and the ever changing pattern of international affairs has been bent and contorted until it hardly seems to convey the same picture now—that it did so short a time ago.

What has happened since then?

About three months ago, President Roosevelt in a speech at the dedication of the new outer-drive bridge in Chicago, gave good indication that our foreign policy (which until that time had been essentially one of minding our own business) was about to undergo some revision. Mr. Roosevelt's "note" could have been considered a polite warning to both Hitler and Mussolini—yet it was aimed directly against the Japanese aggressions in China. Some such message was sorely needed. Here were two vain dictators gone crazy with their success in a few minor but no less abhorrent incidents—drunk with a lust for more and more power—and steeped in the blood of those who dared to defy them. Such men have no place in the delicate balance of foreign affairs.

Today we find that treaties are considered just so many pieces of paper, integrity in foreign affairs has hit a new low—while atrocities have hit a new high in inhumanity, and the whole general outlook for a world of peace is still dark. In the past we watched with more or less curiosity the actions of Hitler and Mussolini as they struggled to build a war machine. We were practically silent in the matter—just shrugged our shoulders, drew our coat tighter about us, and gave our attention to other internal matters. But now when it is apparent that Germany's and Italy's military machines are no longer in the baby stage—but to the contrary, have grown to be full sized monsters—we are beginning to feel uncomfortable.

It took the Sino Japanese conflict in the far east to awaken America to the danger of letting the world's two most popular playboys, wander at will. We have absolutely no reason for believing anything which either of these two dictators may promise. In fact they do not fully trust each other. Both of them claim that their countries need colonies to relieve what they are pleased to call over-population and to provide them with foreign markets.

How can we reconcile this clamor of overpopulation with the much louder shouting for more and more babies. It is commonly known that in both Germany and Italy every inducement possible is given to young men and women to marry and beget large families. Why such an action if such "over crowded conditions" prevail?

Constitution-

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(one for each day of the week), secretary, treasurer, six recording secretaries, and six assistant treasurers. The president, vice-presidents, secretary, and treasurer are elective offices, while the recording secretaries and assistant treasurers are to be appointed.

Many committees serving various purposes are provided for in the constitution. They are executive, membership, program, arrangements, promotional, coordination, housing, activities, and nominating committees.

Revenues for the Association shall be derived from dues and initiation fees from members. There will be no special assessments on the members, but any voluntary contribution to support any phase of activity can be accepted.

Those who were present at the constitution and convention were Fredric Oakhill, J. Chrastek, L. Faitelson, T. Kenny, W. E. Koch, H. A. Lynette, R. North, M. Roth, A. Rulis, R. J. Waykowski. The actual drafting of the constitution was done by Mr. Oakhill.

Round Robin Chess Tourney to Decide Team Positions

Adolph Rune, president of the Armour Chess Club announced today that there will be a special meeting of the organization tomorrow at 12:30 o'clock. The coming meeting will be of great importance to old, as well as prospective members.

The semi-annual round robin chess tournament which leads to the choice of an official Armour Chess Team got under way yesterday. It will continue until all but five participants are eliminated.

Members of the Chess Club meet every noon to play a friendly game of chess. Anyone who feels so inclined, may drop in and enjoy a similar experience.

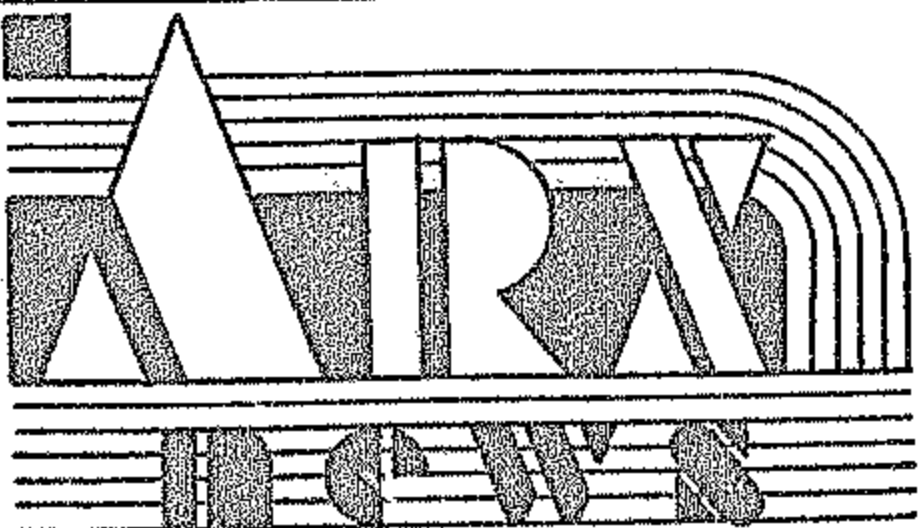
For those who may require the information, the Chess Club meets in the north drafting room on the fourth floor of the Physics Building.

STEAM SHOVEL

Joe (call me Steichen) ??? is the perfect candid camera fiend, from the victims' point of view. His camera invariably is in needle sharp focus—an inch behind the film. He never notices however, the emulsion dissolves in his special formula developer.

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Some guys have a sturdy individualism that inspires admiration, but the cop on State and Madison failed to recognize this virtue while subjecting Bernard Sternfeld to a rigorous color test as a result of his happily putting his car in gear and grinding through the red.



Not long ago the writer was informed that our famed Art Gum was going out of circulation, at which I gasped and said, "Say no."

When I saw Art Gum, he said, "Tis so." Gasp again. Then he asked if Boz-Art would do the column, to which he replied with hearty enthusiasm, "Sir, I will consider it an honor to be able to inform the esteemed architectural department of all of its many activities, functions, wits, and nits." So here we are.

Needless to say, all contributions will be welcomed. All bits of gossip, scandal, news, etc., will be slightly altered (take notice) in order to pass censorship.

Overheard: Fellow day-dreamer, looking out open window: "Chu hear de birds yapping on de roof." (Engineer's dribble) Burnham has his ears open for more quancies.

Congratulations of the week go to junior Richardson and graduate Forsyth for rating in Paris Prize Prelim.

The Juniors are in their stride now and hit the Marine Museum for several mentions.

Mr. Mell and family are expected to arrive any day now. Sophomores are looking forward to seeing what marriage can do their esteemed crit.

With seniors on charette and yelling for assistance, we must do our duty. Till next, BOZ-ART.

Special Radio Club Meeting Called for Thursday Noon

The first special meeting of the Armour Radio Club will be held next Thursday afternoon, during the lunch period, in the radio club headquarters. Members, both old and new are asked to be present since a great amount of important business will be transacted.

Among other things the task of keeping the radio club's phone station in operation, will be delegated.

Prospective members as well as others who may be interested in the organization's activities, are especially invited to come to this meeting and get acquainted. For their information, the radio club headquarters may be found on the third floor, north room, first entrance, Chapin Hall.

F. P. E.'s Hear J. Thiemeyer Talk on "Report Manuals"

Through the cooperation of the Insurance Co. of North America the Senior Fire Protection Engineering class of field inspection heard Mr. J. Thiemeyer, representative of the company, who spoke about the "The Report Manual." This manual gives uniformity to all reports sent in by inspectors on field jobs. Information as to condition of safety devices, available water supply and other resources peculiar to the safety of the inspected work is included. Through the method described the various insurance companies are able to get a full report although the field inspector has not been in direct communication with the home office.

Gas Hazards Subject at A. S. M. E. Meeting

Safety Engineering Devices Shown to Students

The subject of "Gas Hazards in Safety Engineering" was discussed by Mr. C. C. O'Donnell, field representative of the Mine Safety Appliances Company, at the meeting of the A.S.M.E. last Friday which was held in the Physics lecture room.

The toxic effect of carbon monoxide, the gas which is formed by incomplete combustion, was explained. It was shown that one part of carbon monoxide in a thousand parts of air, while not dangerous, has a slight effect on human beings by combining the oxygen in the blood stream. Two parts per thousand will cause headaches or a general loggy feeling. Three and one-half parts per thousand for a period of five hours will produce unconsciousness. Eight parts per thousand for a period of five hours will cause death.

A number of devices for determining the amount of carbon monoxide present in the air were demonstrated. These consisted of a portable hand pump detectors which indicate the degree of concentration by a color change in a chemical. Other machines measured the heat of combination of carbon monoxide with certain chemicals by a thermocouple arrangement. The amount of heat involved determines the concentration of carbon monoxide.

February 22 Set as Date for New Play

Due to excessive academic duties, Prof. Homer C. Combs has announced his intention of resigning his position as director of the Armour Players, effective immediately after the presentation of "The Marriage Proposal."

This is the latest misfortune to hit the new play. Harassed by insufficient time for rehearsals, and difficulty in keeping the cast filled, the Players bore up well. Now that the cast is once more complete, they intend to stage their production on Feb. 22.

John Keane, Jorma Leskinen, and Miss Yvonne Cavanaugh from Broadcast Productions, Inc. compose the present cast. The sets have been designed, the props are in order, and the players are well versed in their lines. Barring any more untimely interruptions, "The Marriage Proposal" will be presented during 10:30 period on the previously mentioned date.

Successful Dinner Dance Is First Event of Co-ops

The dinner dance held by the co-ops Saturday, February 5, in the twenty-third floor Italian room of the Allerton House proved to be a very successful social event. The excellent time enjoyed by all who attended may be attributed to the fact that the social affair afforded the co-ops their first opportunity of meeting together in a body and to make contacts socially. The nominal price of the bid permitted the attendance of a large number of students.

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