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A Vote of Thanks

The Student Union Building is complete. Professor Moreton has done a superlative job in conceiving of the plan and seeing it carried out. The excellent designing of architects Loeb and Schlossman is shown by the distinctive interior of the building. Professor Seegrist did most of the necessary mechanical engineering work.

It is with heart-felt thanks to these men that the student body takes over. Their job, so indispensable, is completed, and the students' begun, for it is the students who will have to bear the brunt of the directing of the new building.

Of course the active managing and administration will be done by Mr. Weissman, the manager, and his staff. The ultimate power, however, is vested in the student board of control which will be elected yearly by the students. This is only just and fair, for it is the student's building, paid for by the students and operated for the benefit of the students.

This doctrine of the Student Union for the students must be preserved with the years. The present students know their rights in this matter, but will the students of future years know them too?

Many problems will have to be ironed out by the board of control. For example, suppose the alumni, who have been invited by President Heald in his "Homecoming Day" address to hold their affairs and functions at the Union, want the same date that some student group desires? Who has preference? Suppose the school, which certainly lost some valuable teaching space when the Mission was remodeled, desires to use some of the rooms as class-rooms. Can the board of control deny them this?

Fraternity Notes

By EDWARD CHEVALLIER

All fraternity notes must be received by the fraternity editor before 5 P.M. Thursday in order to appear in the next issue.

SIGMA ALPHA MU

Sigma Alpha Mu extends its congratulations to those members of the faculty and student body of Armour Tech who were instrumental in the production of the new Student Union. May its warmth and spirit promote friendship and co-operation for many years to come.

Harold Fisher defeated Bob Abrahamson to win the fall ping-pong tourney. The competition was grueling, both men playing hard, steady, offensive games, each of which went far past deuce. With these two men and A. Levenberg and R. Barrett, Sigma Alpha Mu expects to go far in the interfraternity struggle in the Spring.

Tentative arrangements have been made for the Annual Fall Toboggan Party which will be held on Dec. 18, weather permitting.

Congratulations to Robert S. Kohn on being pledged to Pi Tau Sigma, honorary mechanical engineering fraternity.

PI KAPPA PHI

Alpha Phi chapter of Pi Kappa Phi takes pleasure in announcing the pledging of:

Edward H. Collender, Ch.E., '42.
Founder's Day banquet was a huge success, the attendance being 75—very gratifying.

Members are looking forward to the Christmas dance which is to be held on Dec. 17.

PHI KAPPA SIGMA

At the Alumni Banquet held Dec. 1, 1938, the old grads enlightened the members as to the entertainment that would be theirs when they attend the Phi Kap National Convention to be held in New Orleans during the Christmas Holidays. It looks as if delegates will enjoy coming back to school after the holidays to get rested up.

The Phi Kap Mother's Club engaged in a Rummage Sale Dec. 5, and now it can be seen that the only adjective that can be used to describe any venture in which they participate is "successful."

Donald Charlton has been elected president of the Fraternity.

It is not to be supposed that only student functions should be held in the Union. Such events as the recent Terzaghi talk or a national engineering society convention are much to be desired, because they aid the school and students alike.

Since it is the students' building, it is right that they should treat it as such. The sort of horse-play which was so prevalent among a certain element of the student body in the past is absolutely out of order now. One naturally has pride in one's possessions, especially if they are worth it. Let's treat the Union as a valued possession—let's keep it clean!

Intramural Awards

A SPORTS EDITORIAL

Last June, a group of school-spirited students got together and agreed to try to reorganize the present setup of the Armour Tech Student Association charging inefficient performance of duties. This department, agreeing with the committee, has carefully watched to see what effect the accusations of this committee would have on the Board of Control. It is apparent that there has been little effect.

One of the main grievances against the Board was its ignoring of the main group of athletes of the school—the intramural and interclass tournament participants. More students take part in intramural and in interclass activities, athletically, than in any other sport connected with the school. It seems not only just and ethical, but also mandatory that these activities be given consideration by the Board worthy of the student interest expressed in the activity. **This has not been done.**

Let's look at the evidence of the committee from one member's experience. First, the case of the Frosh "Meteors" who won the softball tournament in May, 1937. They immediately went through the requirements for application of awards. Despite the constant demands of the group it took the Board eight and one-half months to obtain the awards for the freshmen. True, the Board had passed on the awards in June, but they had no executive force to change the words into action.

The same case applies to the then Junior Chemists who won the touchball title in November, 1937. They received their awards after an impatient wait of two and one-half months.

Now, again, the Board is sitting back and ignoring the intramural awards. The Board has passed on medals to the Sophomore baseball team who won awards last September, and the Senior Chems who won the touchball tournament a month ago, but again they have just set down words and have failed to apply action. This procedure has become monotonous. Despite the fact that a very minute amount of time and effort would be necessary to carry out this mere detail, this small consideration has been denied to intramural activities. **When will the Board wake up and do something about it?**

At present the reorganization committee is watching the Board, waiting for self-reorganization, for any system should be able to correct its own defects when they are self-evident. This committee has been by no means backward. They are going to take action, but will withhold until the Board of Control has time to do something.

The present setup of the Board is such that when the faculty members neglect their duties, the student members are the only ones who can bring about the efficient handling of the activities at Armour Tech. Here is a case, student members. You are our chosen representatives. We voted for you as men of action and men of action we still believe you to be. . .

—By Jim Fahey.

Scarab Fraternity Holds Alumni Banquet Tonight

The Armour Chapter of Scarab Architectural fraternity held a meeting last Tuesday in the Art Institute. The selection of new pledges was made and the plans of an Armour Architectural Alumni Banquet were completed.

The banquet is to take place tonight at the Swedish Club of Chicago, on North La Salle street, at 7 o'clock. The entire architectural alumni has been invited to attend. This is the first time any such banquet for the benefit of graduates of Armour has been held. The purposes of the banquet are multi-fold, among which are to inform the graduate of what Armour is doing now, and, also, to have a "get-together" of former classmates.

Initiation of the pledges of last October was done at the home of L. Johanson of Evanston, a past-graduate of Armour. It was a very lively affair, as all initiations prove to be.

Some of the events included on this month's Sport and Social Calendar are the Interfraternity Ping Pong and Bowling Meets, the Pledge Dance, and a New Year's Party.

The Slipstick

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

Let's see, this is Tuesday. Then there's Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. And then there is WHOOP-EEEE!! "Gee, I just can't wait. . . Two whole weeks to do nothing but home-work." BANG. Be sure and lower the coffin slowly.

He loves her in the springtime,
When birds all bill and coo;
He loves her in the summer,
And swears that he'll be true;
And in the fall he loves her,
When the harvest moon is new.
But he hates her in December,
When Christmas gifts are due!

The chiropodist entered his office and found his assistants loafing: "All right, boys," he snapped. "On your toes."

Charlie: Say, Bergen, have you a piece of sandpaper?
Bergen: No, Charlie. Why?
Charlie: My face is dirty.

What We Want for Christmas

Pajamas
Russian pajamas
Fraternity ring
Straight A's
Trip to Europe
What We Will Get
Red neckties
Woolen underwear
Book of Mrs. Browning's poetry
Cold
Call from dean's office

Marion: My boyfriend was a Boy Scout when he was a kid and it's still in his veins.

Eleanor: What does he do, make a fire without matches?

Marion: No, every time a pretty girl passes he does his daily good turn.

Disgusted Prof: This class reminds me of Kaffee Hag. 99% of active element has been removed from the bean.

Up to sixteen a lad is a Boy Scout, but after sixteen he becomes a girl scout.

ONLY 12 MORE DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS.

"... And dear Santa Claus please fill our stocking with Hedy LeMarr and a new joke book for the Slipstick. . ."

Hi Yo Silver.

Stoopbrain and Santa Claus Ride Agayne; Danze 'till the Cows Cum Hoam to Roost

By ART HANSEN

Dear Sally:

"Jingle bells, jingle bells, dashing threw the streets; oh wat fun to bea jolly, riding on a darn olde trolley, unquote. Wel, deer Sally, those our my exact sediments az Christmas approaches and wonce agin it iz tyme for mea tew cum hoam for the Christmas and New Yeers holidays. Woopy! Know more skool fore tew weaks. Yowsah, nothing like hollyday cheer, and the anticipation of gifts tew kum frum Sandy Claus. I look forward tew no grater pleasure than stringin lites and tinsel in grandpappy Lame-brain's seven foot beard. I got a keen present fore yew, itz a secret, but I'll tel yew no I kan't keep a secret. It iz a prize pig frum the recent stock show hear, so awl next year awl yew'll half tew due iz look at Hamstooop (that's hiz name) and think of mea. Simple, aren't I, I meen izn't it?

Iz Unyon Swei, and How

Did yew no why a hen lays an egg? Wel, I figured out that if shea didn't lay it, it wuld brake. Tew get back tew the point, tho, the unexpected haz finalley hapened. Yew, yew guest it. The new Stewardt Unyon haz finalley opened. They even fooled owr grate skool paper ("Last withe the first" buy opening it a weak later than the paper's flaming hedlines announced. However, it iz open and that iz the mayne thing. The bewtiful lounge (I reely mean it) iz so inspiring that on the opening day a couple of fellows surveyed it and sed, quote: Chee, iz thiz fore us, unquote, and then promptly floped their muddy size 12's on the plush upholstered divans and whont tew sleap. Guys like that ought tew be thrown owt, especially wen they think the ashtrays our owtgrowths of the floor and burn a hole in the chairs withe their cigarettes.

Danzez Awl Laste Weak

The Stewardt Unyon iz so nice that they held the Senior Danze there laste Friday nite in the rejuvenated auditorium, and it wuz kean. Faye Pairidge and hiz orck. suplied the music, and I suplied the moste glamorous woinin after awl. I took that scinealing, sizzling, searing siren of swing, none other than Suzsie Q. Shea iz nown (now) az the belle of toidy-toidy and the tracks. And can shea truck—like Mack. Wen shea does the Lambeth walk yew're feat feal like they're the walk. Oh, well, I had a swel tyme. Also went tew a Xmas danze given by sum coeds at

the Chicago Abnormal College, wear they train teachers tew teech. It iz fun tew sea these bewtiful young things befour they are 70 yeers of age, old, yellowed, mellow and wrinkled and fuzzy, wen they are sent-owt tew awl the grammer and high skools tew teech stewoodts. Befour thiz I never thot teachers were young wonce.

I hav news, Sally, splendid news. The Armoe Star hams iz going tew produce "Journey's End" on the first Friday nite next year, and I hav won of the leading roles. I wil giv yew a synopsis of my grate part. Scene I, Act I. General speaks: "Take that, yew dog!" Mea: "Yew mean mea?" General: "Yes!" Bang! Bang! Bang! Thud! Mea again: "Ugh yew got mea!" (Silence.) Act II, Scene I and II. I am on stage the hole act as a corpse in the corner. Act III, IV, V, VI, etc.; I repose ofstage as a bugle blows tappets (quick taps). I feal shure the audience will relize a superior actor wen they sea mea and throw theyre ripe fruit at sume-one else.

Merry Christmas Anyhow

Az the year draws tew a close, and I look bak and survey the laste 12 months, I feel I hav accomplished many things. Wat they are, I don't no. So I guess after awl I haven't accomplished anything. Shucks, a hole year wasted. It brings bak tew my mind a quotation by that world-famous orator—Augustus Adolph Eureka Sameuloso Mortimer Blank who quoted, "Yew can drive a horse tew drink, but yew can't make him water." Wel, Merry Christmas, an yew can Nick him later fore alimony. Happy New Year!

Yures,
Stoopbrain Bliss.

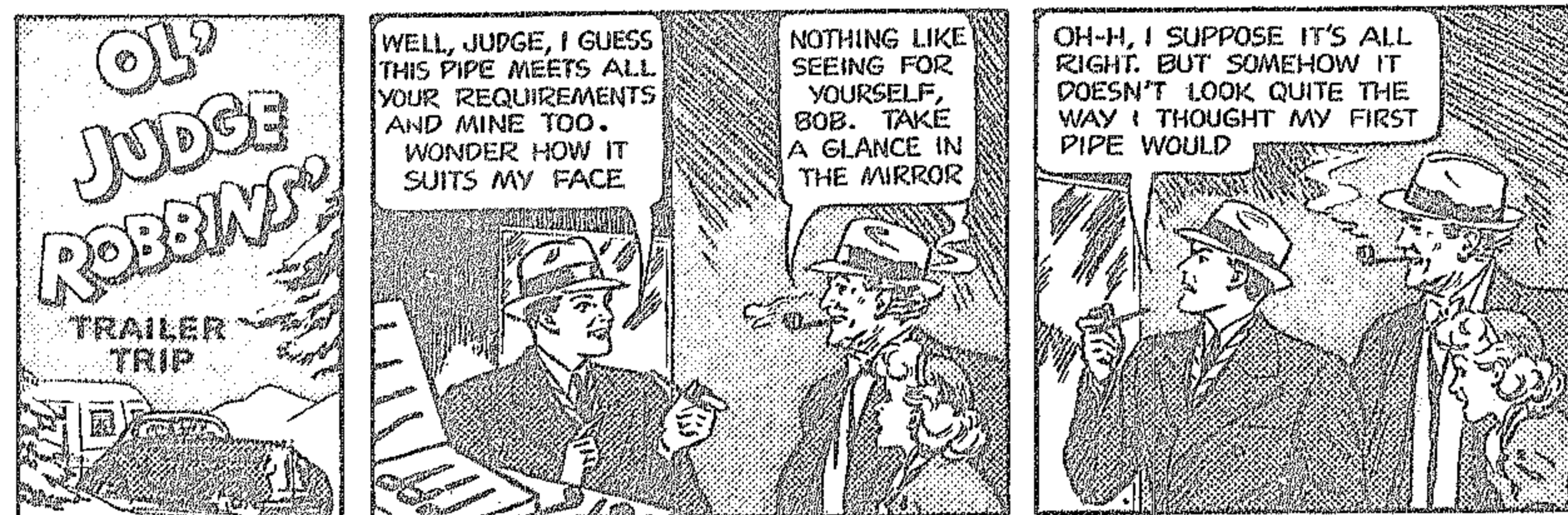
CONCERT—

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Yeakle, baritone solo in "Redman's Death Chant."

Immediately following the last number, an inspection tour of the newly remodeled Student Union will be conducted for the benefit of visitors.

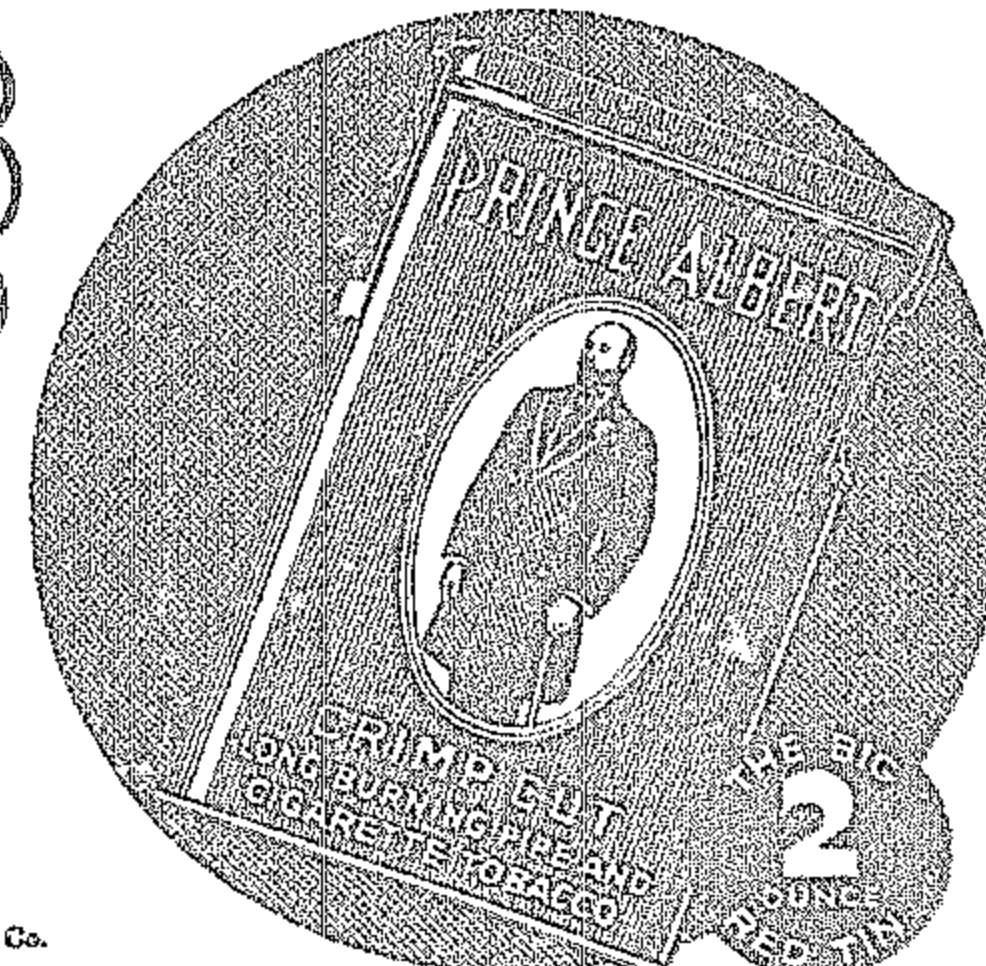
According to future schedules, a social afternoon will be enjoyed by the clubs on Sunday, January 15, at 3 p.m. at the Shawnee Country Club in Wilmette. The program for the afternoon will consist of a full concert for the "dates" and members of the country club, followed by the serving of tea.



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