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Fraternity Notes

By EDWARD CHEVALEY

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

PI KAPPA PHI

Alpha Phi chapter of Pi Kappa Phi
is indeed proud to announce the
initiating of Albert Bujan, John Bru-
baker, Meril Dargel, Cecil Gullett,
and Victor Schellschmidt.

A party for the alumnus, Harry
Perlet, F.P.E., '38, is being planned
for Thursday. Harry is to become a
happy groom in the near future.

Our first football game is scheduled
this week.

DELTA TAU DELTA

With dances, teas, and football
practice holding the spotlight these
days, a Delt must be about as versa-
tile as a safety-pin. The evening of
October 8 saw the boys at their
first radio dance of the year. It was
a gala opening of the social season
and was well attended by actives and
pledges alike. The favorite songs of
the evening were *Martha*, and *Little
Rock Get-Away*.

Sunday, the mothers had their first
meeting and formulated general
plans for their activities during the
coming year. When the meeting end-
ed, they were entertained with songs
(?) and were later served tea and
krumpets.

For the past week, the stalwarts
of Delta Tau Delta have been brush-
ing up on their football tactics for
the first game with Theta Xi next
Wednesday. Our theme song has
been temporarily changed to "Cry
Theta Xi" in anticipation of the out-
come of that game. The boys have
high hopes of successfully defending
the title which they won last year.

TRIANGLE

Armour chapter of Triangle held
its first initiation of the fall term
last Sunday afternoon when the
members performed the formal cere-
monies for the incoming men. Those
initiated were: George Hanna, C.E.
'40; George Miles, Co-op M.E. '41;
and Robert Ericson, Co-op M.E. '43.

A banquet was held in the loop
Sunday evening in honor of the new
brothers.

RHO DELTA RHO

This year's pledge dance promise:
to be a howling success. Spacious
Thorne Hall up at Northwestern's
McKinlock Campus has been reserved
for Saturday, Nov. 5. Bill Mayer
and his Royal Ramblers, who have
recently finished successful engage-
ments at suburban night spots, will
furnish the music. As a special con-
cession, Mayer's band will play some
unusual arrangements of new song
hits whipped up by pledge Howard
Jarmy.

Where's the Audience?

This editorial might well be called "Advice to
Freshmen," but from the sparse attendance noted
at most class meetings and engineering society
meetings exhibited so far this year, it could well
be called "Advice to Armour Students."

Friday mornings at 10:30 o'clock is a free period
for all students left open expressly so that they
might have the opportunity to attend these meet-
ings. Unfortunately many of us feel that the time
might be more profitably spent studying or per-
haps merely loafing. This in itself is not really
wrong. A "time-out" from routine is always bene-
ficial. However, by missing out on the society meet-
ings, one loses a very valuable experience: namely,
that of listening to men established in the engineer-
ing field, able to pass on much information not
contained between the covers of books, as well as
many valuable tips.

It is quite obvious that the best speakers do not
relish lecturing to a small audience. They will not
feel inclined to talk before the same group again
if it shows itself a poor audience. If Armour stu-
dents do not return the courtesy the speaker has
shown in coming to lecture to them, by turning out
in sizeable numbers, how can they expect to get the
best men to talk at their meetings?

Class meetings present another side of the same
general picture. Activity and interest in class af-
fairs tend to broaden students, particularly if they
are prone to submerge themselves in their own
affairs.

Class spirit and school spirit have always been
thrown up to Armour men as goals toward which
they might well strive. Active attendance at class
and society meetings is undoubtedly one of the most
important ways in which this spirit might well be
shown.

KNOW YOUR PROFS

Mr. Finnegan

"The fire protection engineer is
continually faced with the duty of
devising relatively safe methods of
using and storing the combustibles
of this modern world without such
restrictions as to involve excess cost
and inconvenience." So spoke
Prof. J. B. Finnegan, who, here at
Armour, heads the only four year
course in fire protection engineering
leading to a bachelor's degree of-
fered anywhere in the country.

Although Professor Finnegan re-
ceived his degree from M.I.T. in
chemical engineering, he entered his
life's work, fire protection engineer-
ing, almost immediately. At the time
of his graduation there was an active
fire protection campaign sweeping
the country because of the Baltimore
conflagration. The New York Fire
Insurance Exchange, the country's
largest rating and inspection bureau,
decided that they would begin a
policy of engaging for field work
only recent engineering graduates.

Mr. Finnegan was one of twelve
men from six eastern engineering
schools selected.

After two years of this field work,
Prof. Finnegan entered the newly
organized fire protection engineering
course at Armour, two years after
its inception. Mr. Fitz Hugh Taylor,
who was head of the department at
that time, wished to engage an as-
sistant. Mr. Finnegan being his
choice. Almost immediately after his
arrival in Chicago, Professor Finne-
gan was engaged by Underwriters
Laboratories as associate engineer,
continuing in that capacity until
1932.

Meanwhile, the checker and pool
tournaments have been drawing to a
close.

PHI PI PHI

Last Tuesday evening, the chapter
entertained the alumni. The large
number of improvements just com-
pleted around the house has caused
an increased interest of the alumni,
judging from the large turnout.

Talks of great doings are circulat-
ing among the pledges concerning the
coming pledge dance. The pledges
claim that their dance, which is the
first dance of the semester, will be
the best of any in view. They are
keeping their plans a secret, which
keeps the actives in a very anxious
and curious frame of mind.

Our football team is in top form
and ready for the coming season. The
team is one of the largest since the
football competition started. Ambit-
ious pledges are giving the regulars
a bit of competition for their posi-
tions on the team. Among those out-
standing for their performances are:
Wiley, Gromak, Bakas, Benton, Hux-
hold, and Backman. The pledges have
decided to make Bartusek water boy.

Air Conditioning Hazards
Subject of Babcock Talk

"The Hazards of Air Condition-
ing" will be the subject of a talk
to be given by John T. Babcock next
Friday at the meeting of the Fire
Protection Engineering Society in
room A of the main building. Mr.
Babcock, who is a member of the
Western Factory Insurance Associa-
tion, is a qualified expert on the sub-
ject and has appeared before many
technical groups.

Air conditioning is a rapidly ex-
panding field and presents to fire
protection engineering many serious
fire hazards.

All the freshmen of the depart-
ment are especially urged to attend,
as the program is planned for their
interest, as well as for the upper-
classmen.

The Slipstick

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

We thought you'd be glad to know
that the fame of the SLIPSTICK has
grown to such proportions that it has
copped a sponsor. That favorite bev-
erage of yours and mine, Gulp Mor
Cola, will do the honors. Have you
that dull and lozey feeling? Drink
Gulp Cola and you won't have any
feeling or nuthin'.

* * *

He rushed fervently to his loved
one. They had been parted for three
long months.

"Let's make my first night back a
big one," he said, "We'll start where
I left off."

"What first?"

"First? Well darling, I'd like to
kiss you."

"Glob nox ke wap?" she asked.

"Gelakie," he said.

"O bte lab nov pop kek nok!" she
cried.

"Wif make sax koz loo!"

"Galytee!"

"Kop ke hoot!"

"Galoeckie nock!"

"Well, I guess I may as well take
you home then."

* * *

Add Definitions

The spinal column is a bunch of
bones, that run up and down your
back, keeping you from being legs
all the way up to your neck.

* * *

The drunk leaned heavily against
the wall as the officer approached
him.

"Say now, and what do you think
you're doing there," the officer
asked, "holding up the wall?"

"Thash right," reassured the
drunk.

"Well git along with ye now."

"Yesh shir, offisher," said the
drunk as the wall toppled over on
the gentleman of the law.

* * *

"So you say that the water that
you get here at the Delta Gamma
Rho fraternity house is unsafe?"

"Yeah."

"Well tell me, what precautions
do you take against it?"

"First we filter it."

"Yes."

"Then we boil it."

"Yes."

"Then we add chemicals to it."

"Pine. And then . . . ?"

"And then we drink beer."

* * *

"I draw the line at kissing,"
She said in accents fine.
But he was a football hero,
So she let him cross the line.

* * *

Aggravated Prof: Listen here
young man, are you the teacher of
this class?

Sophomore in organic lecture: No
sir, I'm not.

Aggravated Prof: Then don't talk
like an idiot.

* * *

Household Hint

The best way to keep fish from
smelling is to cut off their nose.

* * *

More and Still More Logic

If you get lots of sleep you'll have
many dreams. Some of them will be
nice dreams. A nice dream is to
hold a pretty girl in your arms. To
hold a pretty girl in your arms is
nice work. Nice work is being Presi-
dent of a large corporation. There-
fore, if you're President of a large
corporation you'll get lots of sleep.

* * *

0. That Santa Claus is the only
man who ever pays any attention to
silk stockings when there's nothing in
them?

1. That King Louis XIV wore
clothes that are now considered old
fashioned.

2. That ninety per cent of the wa-
ter that goes over Niagara Falls
never comes back.

2½. That the majority of the ice
in the Arctic regions is not artificial.

2¾. That once there were two
Irishmen, but now there are lots of
them.

3. That if you drink enough Gulp
Mor Cola you will be more unthirsty
than if you hadn't.

4. That this stuff is not the least
bit humorous.

* * *

See you some more next week.
Hi-Yo-Silver.

The Town's Best

By BERNARD STERNFELD

IN THE PICTURE DEPT.: As
sore as seven straight passes, the
town's best is "YOU CAN'T TAKE
IT WITH YOU," currently settling
down in the Loop for a long stay. Co-
lumbia really shot the works on this
one. A Kaufman-Hart story, ace di-
rector Frank Capra, a great cast
whose payroll makes the national debt
look like my lunch money—a combi-
nation that piles up the lovely green
in the box office!

Someone in that cast which includes
Lionel Barrymore, Jean Arthur,
James Stewart, Edward Arnold, and
Mischa Auer, is going to cop an
Academy award. (From my corner,
it looks like L. B.) This pic should
be tabbed a "must."

AMUSEMENT ODDS AND ENDS:
Plenty of entertainment on the net-
works tomorrow night. Wrap an ear
around Paul Whitman's music (7:30
—WBBM) or wait for "Lights Out,"
the bogie man drama, at 11:30 out
of WMAQ. In between, there is the
Fred Allen show, the Star Theatre,
and Kay Kyser's Klass. Anyone of
these packs a high powered Crosley
rating.

Strictly on the upbeat,
Jimmy Dorsey swings out for the
yams on the new tunes from "Care-
free," the latest Rogers-Astaire
scener. He takes picks on "Change
Partners" and "The Yams," while
Henry Busse takes the reverse side
of the platter for "I Used To Be
Color Blind" and "The Night Is
Filled With Music," both from the
same picture. Decca all the way.

Everybody seems to have a
good word for the swing-copated
version of "The Mikado" down at

the Great Northern. Just beginning
its run is "Blossom Time" at the
Grand Opera House. Top billing is
going to Everett Marshall. Save
your pennies, fellows.

In the Sports World: Chicago's
only game of big time football next
Saturday will be the DePaul-South-
ern Loyola scrap. The Chicagoans
copped last year 18-7, but after the
beating Illinois handed them a few
weeks back, they may find the sled-
ding a bit tough.

Report from R. Erisman that
his sister's boy friend is hitting the
main stem from Omaha next Satur-
day via the Oak Park terminal. He
claims this is a sports note, and he
should know. After all, it is his sis-
ter.

The junior chems went out
and copped their opener against a
freshman scrub outfit, 24-0. I know I
said the schmiars are due for a quick
fade-out, but can I help it if the
freshmen don't read the column?

Senior Electricals Plan
Closed Hallowe'en Party

Members of the senior class of
electrical students will hold a private
Halloween party on Saturday eve-
ning of October 29. One requirement
for admission is that each couple be
masked, and wear costumes appro-
priate for a Halloween affair.

A prize is offered to the couple
with the best costumes. Tickets are
now on sale at \$1 per couple, which
include refreshments for the evening.

RIGHT or WRONG?

A 2-minute test for telephone users

1. The current used to transmit the
voice by telephone is the most
delicate current in common use.
RIGHT ☐ WRONG ☐

2. Wire in use in the Bell System
would go around the world more
than 3000 times.
RIGHT ☐ WRONG ☐

3. Old telephone directories are
collected in order to sell them for
waste paper.
RIGHT ☐ WRONG ☐

4. Any Bell telephone can be con-
nected with more than 90% of the
world's telephones.
RIGHT ☐ WRONG ☐

5. The average time for making
long distance telephone con-
nections is 3 minutes.
RIGHT ☐ WRONG ☐

6. Low rates for out-of-town calls
to most points are available after
7 P. M. and all day Sunday.
RIGHT ☐ WRONG ☐

ANSWERS...
DON'T LOOK NOW!

1. RIGHT. It is so delicate
that Dr. Bell once talked
through the bodies of six col-
lege professors hooked up as
part of the circuit.

2. RIGHT. It would go around
the world more than 3200
times.

3. WRONG. Many changes in
telephone numbers are con-
stantly being made. Old books
are collected to eliminate
sources of wrong information.

4. RIGHT. You can talk to
some 70 foreign countries and
a score of ships at sea—93%
of the world's telephones.

5. WRONG. The average is
1½ minutes.

6. RIGHT. Why not tele-
phone home tonight?

BELL TELEPHONE SYSTEM