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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 that the fame of the SLIPSTICK has for all students left open expressly so that they might have the opportunity to attend these meetings. Unfortunately many of us feel that the time Cola, will do the honors. Have you might be more profitably spent studying or perhaps merely loafing. This in itself is not really Gulp Cola and you won't have any wrong. A "time-out" from routine is always beneficial. However, by missing out on the society meetings, one loses a very valuable experience: namely, that of listening to men established in the engineering 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 students 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 affairs tend to broaden students, particularly if they are prone to submerge themselves in their own

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 No. 5 shown.

traternity Notes

By EDWARD CHEVALLEY 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 Brubaker, 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 versatile 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 ended, they were entertained with songs (?) and were later served tea and krumpets.

For the past week, the stalwarts of Delta Tau Delta have been brushing 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 outcome of that game. The boys have high hopes of successfully defending the title which they won last year.

TRIANCLE

Armour chapter of Triangle held its first initiation of the fall term last Sunday afternoon when the members performed the formal ceremonies 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 promises to be a howling success. Spacious Thorne Hall up at Northwestern's recently finished successful engagecession, Mayer's band will play some unusual arrangements of new song Jarmy.

KNOW YOUR PROFI

Mr. Finnegan

decided that they would begin a ations immediately. policy of engaging for field work. Prof. Finnegan is and has been schools selected.

organized fire protection engineering shop courses in engineering schools, course at Armour, two years after and recommended the existing sysits inception. Mr. Fitz Hugh Taylor, tem of shop courses here. He was who was head of the department at instrumental in organizing the S. P. that time, wished to engage an as- E. E. and was the first president of sistant, Mr. Finnegan being his the Illinois-Indiana section. He has choice. Almost immediately after his been a member of the national counarrival in Chicago, Professor Finne- cil of S. P. E. E. The societies of gan was engaged by Underwriters which he is a member are numerous; Laboratories as associate engineer, some of them are: A. S. M. E., continuing in that capacity until W. S. E., National Fire Protection

PHI PI PHI

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

Talks of great doings are circulatcoming pledge dance. The pledges claim that their dance, which is the and curious frame of mind.

McKinlock Campus has been reserved and ready for the coming season. The technical groups. for Saturday, Nov. 5. Bill Mayer | team is one of the largest since the ments at suburban night spots, will a bit of competition for their posi- fire hazards. furnish the music. As a special con- | tions on the team. Among those outstanding for their performances are: ment are especially urged to attend. Wiley, Gromak, Bakas, Benton, Hux- as the program is planned for their hits whipped up by pledge Howard hold, and Backman. The pledges have interest, as well as for the upperdecided to make Bartusek water boy. classmen.

Professor Finnegan has done "The fire protection engineer is much consulting work in fire proteccontinually faced with the duty of tion engineering on his own account, devising relatively safe methods of and more recently as a member of using and storing the combustibles the research foundation. Early last of this modern world without such spring Professor Finnegan and Dr. restrictions as to involve excess cost Poulter, representing the research inconvenience." So spoke foundation, made an inspection trip Prof. J. B. Finnegan, who, here at to one of the largest steel corpora-Armour, heads the only four year tions in Canada, located in Hamilcourse in fire protection engineering ton, Ontario. After they had inleading to a bachelor's degree of spected the huge plant the manager fered anywhere in the country. expecting an enthusiastic answer to Although Professor Finnegan re- his query, asked them how they liked ceived his degree from M.I.T. in it. "Worst fire trap I ever saw," comchemical engineering, he entered his mented Professor Finnegan. The life's work, fire protection engineer- manager evidently didn't believe ing, almost immediately. At the time, him, but on the very next day a of his graduation there was an active \$200,000 fire, which ruined the fire protection campaign sweeping bezene refinery, in connection with the country because of the Baltimore the by-product coke ovens, convinced conflagration. The New York Fire him conclusively. The outcome of Insurance Exchange, the country's the incident was a telegram to Prof. largest rating and inspection bureau, Finnegan requesting his recommend-

only recent engineering graduates, very active in academic circles. He Mr. Finnegan was one of twelve was chairman of the committee men from six eastern engineering which put in the co-operative mechanical engineering course at Ar-After two years of this field work, mour. He was chairman of the com-Prof. Finnegan entered the newly mittee which conducted a survey of Association, American Association for Advancement of Science, Amer-Meanwhile, the checker and pool ican Association of University Teachtournaments have been drawing to a ers of Insurance, and American Association of University Professors. He is an honorary member of Tau Beta Pi, Salamander, and Sphinx fraternities.

Air Conditioning Hazards Subject of Babcock Talk

"The Hazards of Air Conditioning among the pledges concerning the ing" will be the subject of a talk to be given by John T. Babcock next Friday at the meeting of the Fire first dance of the semester, will be | Protection Engineering Society in the best of any in view. They are room A of the main building. Mr. keeping their plans a secret, which Babcock, who is a member of the keeps the actives in a very anxious | Western Factory Insurance Association, is a qualified expert on the sub-Our football team is in top form | ject and has appeared before many

Air conditioning is a rapidly exand his Royal Ramblers, who have football competition started. Ambi- panding field and presents to fire Mor Cola, you will be more unthirsty tious pledges are giving the regulars protection engineering many serious than if you hadn't.

All the freshmen of the depart- bit humorous.

The Slipstick

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

We thought you'd be glad to know grown to such proportions that it has copped a sponsor. That favorite beverage of yours and mine, Gulp Mor

that dull and logey feeling? Drink 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

"Wif make sax koz loo!"

"Galytee!"

"Kop ke hoot!"

"Galockie 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

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

"Thash right," reassured the

"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." "Fine. 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 President of a large corporation. Therefore, 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 water that goes over Niagara Falls never comes back.

21/2. That the majority of the ice in the Arctic regions is not artificial. 2%. That once there were two Irishmen, but now there are lots of

3. That if you drink enough Gulp

4. That this stuff is not the least

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



The Town's Best

By BERNARD STERNFELD

down in the Loop for a long stay. Co- your pennies, fellows. lumbia really shot the works on this one. A Kaufman-Hart story, ace director Frank Capra, a great cast whose payroll makes the national debt look like my lunch money-a combination 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 networks 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 "Carefree," the latest Rogers-Astaire screener. He takes picks on "Change electrical students will hold a private Partners" and "The Yams," while | Halloween party on Saturday eve-Henry Busse takes the reverse side | ning of October 29. One requirement of the platter for "I Used To Be for admission is that each couple be Color Blind" and "The Night Is masked, and wear costumes appro-Filled With Music," both from the priate for a Halloween affair. same picture. Decca all the way.

IN THE PICTURE DEPT.: As | the Great Northern. Just beginning sure as seven straight passes, the its run is "Blossom Time" at the town's best is "YOU CAN'T TAKE | Grand Opera House. Top billing is IT WITH YOU," currently settling going to Everett Marshall. Save

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

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

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

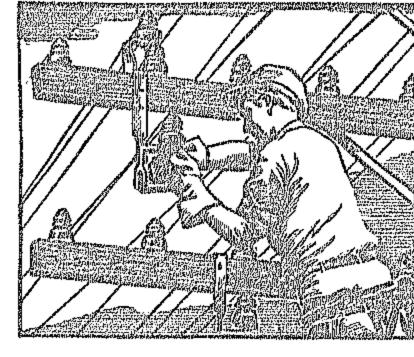
Senior Electricals Plan Closed Hallowe'en Party

Members of the senior class of

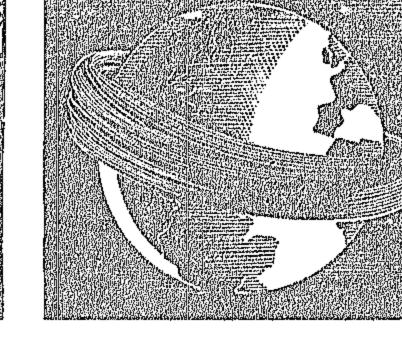
A prize is offered to the couple Everybody seems to have a with the best costumes. Tickets are good word for the swing-copated now on sale at \$1 per couple, which version of "The Mikado" down at include refreshments for the evening.

RIGHT OR WRONG?

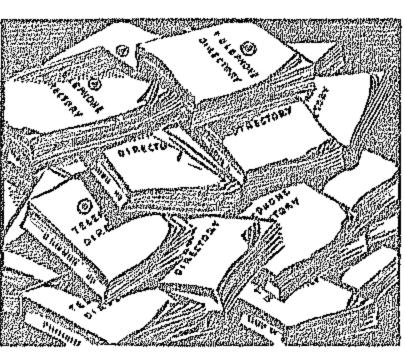
A 2-minute test for telephone users



1. The current used to transmit the voice by telephone is the most delicate current in common use. right 🗆 wrong 🗆

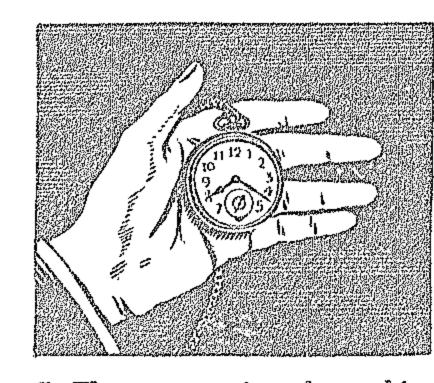


2. Wire in use in the Bell System would go around the world more than 3000 times. right 🗆



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

RIGHT | WRONG |



5. The average time for making long distance telephone connections is 3 minutes. MIGHT D wrong \square



4. Any Bell telephone can be connected with more than 90% of the world's telephones. 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 |

