

Cider Guzzling Arx Hold Bull Session In Student Lounge

As an anti-climax to a most strenuous initiation, an informal social was held last Thursday evening in the Student Union for the new members of the Arx society. After such a hectic day, nothing energy taxing was attempted in the way of entertainment other than the imbibing of huge quantities of cider and doughnuts.

Remove Enimities

The primary purpose of the affair was to acquaint the new members with one another and to remove the barrier which exists between freshmen and upper classmen. The event also served the purpose of removing any enmities that may have developed during the course of the initiation.

The architectural faculty was present for the occasion, proving to the freshmen that professors are human the same as the rest of us.

Signs of Merit

A highlight of the evening was the judging of the drawing problem presented by the new men during the initiation. The object of the judging was to determine which drawings still showed signs of merit after the merciless obliteration by upperclassmen. The problem was that of designing a new administration building for Illinois Institute of Technology. The consensus of opinion seemed to be that the new members had ideas, at least, but that four years of hard work would benefit them considerably.

With the cider all gone and the "bull sessions" talked out, the affair broke up about ten o'clock p.m.

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physical, are those which have the most developed brains. He also finds that the thyroid and adrenal glands have a direct relationship to the energy and efficiency of the individual. The relation of these organs to man has a positive influence upon the advance of civilization.

Study Progressive Schools

One of the outstanding studies of education is the eight year study of thirty schools conducted by the Progressive Education Association. This study will not be completed until 1942, but some of the findings are being published. It seems probable that this study will result in a radical reorganization of education on all levels. The study is carried on in the best scientific manner without any emotional coloring. Fifteen hundred students have been followed from high school to college. The grades made in college by the students from progressive schools are somewhat higher than the grades made by students from traditional schools. In other academic achievement, the graduates of the thirty schools participate in a wider range of activities and have a clearer picture of their purposes. They do more in art, music, and literary activities, and are more active in organizations and groups, dealing with problems of social significance. It is being recognized more and more that academic proficiency is not all there is to an education. Another important idea advanced was that a bright pupil must not be forced ahead. Instead of this he should be given abundant opportunity for thinking and even put under the necessity of thinking.

Alfred S. Alschuler Famous Architect, Tech Trustee, Dies

Alfred S. Alschuler, member of the board of trustees of Illinois Institute of Technology, died last Wednesday of a heart ailment, at the age of 64, in Michael Reese hospital. Funeral services for the nationally famous architect were held last Friday in a synagogue designed by him, the North Shore Congregational Israel.

Impressive Record

Having filled an important part for almost thirty years in the activities of the old Armour Institute of Technology board of trustees and, lately, as a member of the Illinois Institute board of trustees, Mr. Alschuler leaves behind him an impressive record of services. In an expression of deep regret shortly after the architect's death, President Heald said, "I feel that the Institute has suffered a great loss."

Graduated from Armour Institute of Technology in 1899, he began his work in the office of Dankmar & Adler in 1899, and four years later became a member of the firm of Treat & Alschuler. The year 1907 saw him in business for himself.

Best Known Works

Among Mr. Alschuler's many architectural achievements are such large industrial plants as the Cuneo Press, John Sexton Company, the American Radiator Company, and A. B. Dick Company. He designed many downtown Chicago buildings, among which are the London Guarantee and Accident Building, the Harvester building, the Chicago Garment Center, and the Mercantile Exchange building. His synagogues, the Sinai congre-

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business venture to the stability of a three-legged stool, where the legs are money, materials, and men. Of the obvious necessity of capital, nothing need be said. The materials used today are a glowing example of the micrometric precision which the world is experiencing with more and more graduate engineers in industry. Metallurgy is unveiling numerous important items of material structure which, slowly but surely, are answering questions of long standing.

Now that the seriousness of the young engineer's future had been explained, Mr. McBryde remarked about a few of the mistakes he made in his early stages. "Never will I forget," he said, "the sight of my first brick building in ruins." This structure was being erected in a cold zone, and unaware of the effect of the temperature on the mortar (as Mr. McBryde was raised in the warm south), he used it as if it were in perfect condition. Briefly, the result of this structure plus a high wind the following day produced a most heterogeneous mass of materials. A few other examples were cited to prove that everyone must be ready for such setbacks. It is not every venture which is a success, but, as the speaker pointed out, patience, perseverance, and hard work are essential to succeed.

gation, Temple Isaiah Israel, and the North Shore Congregation, are known as the most beautiful in the country. Reinforced concrete construction in Chicago was first used by him and he contributed several innovations to the field of architecture.

Lewis Class of '43 Starts Organization With Class Meeting

Business of the Lewis branch of the class of '43 was started last Wednesday by the president, Art Petterino. Mr. Petterino stated that, as a class, the mere election of the officers is not a solution to the group's problems, that this is only a necessary starting point for the work. He stated that the sophomores must realize the various phases of their relationship to the rest of the Institute. They must note the responsibilities which these relationships impose and, by cooperative use of their abilities, meet these in an adequate manner.

Present Plan

Mr. Petterino then introduced the class sponsor, Mr. Kharasch, who presented the following plan of organization: (1) to learn the actual and pertinent facts, (2) to analyze potential significance of these facts, (3) to use knowledge of the problem, plus abilities, in an effort to arrive at a satisfactory solution.

The activities which have already commenced and require evaluation at this time are: (a) the sophomore dance, (b) a song for I.I.T. and (c) class sweaters.

Mr. Petterino then appointed the following to the various committees: song — Bud Carlson, Mary Flasher, and Jack Halloran; sweaters—Art Petterino and Olga Marcov. Eileen Robinson, the social activities chairman, will work in conjunction with John Peterson, who represents the Armour branch. Pat Arns, Joe DePinto, and Bernard Wentworth were named as the committee on publicity.

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