

Boycott Called Off; Establish Student Board

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seemed obvious that the boycott was to continue.

Wednesday and Thursday found Armour College's kitchen closed and the students continued bringing lunches from home and eating in various restaurants in the vicinity of the school. The boycott was still very much in effect during these two days, and few people attempted to make purchases.

Stop Boycott

The boycott was officially called off Friday afternoon as a result of a meeting of an officially appointed student group with Dr. Grinter and Dean Peebles. This student group was appointed at a well-attended student meeting over which Morgan Fitch presided.

At the final and decisive meeting, the group stated formally to the two administrative members present the demands of the student body. These included "more variety of food, better quality food and either more generous portions of food at the existing prices or the same portions now received at lower prices." Also demanded were short order hamburgers and red hots at prices existing in other establishments.

Figures Are Shown

At this meeting, Dr. Grinter presented a brief financial report on the cafeteria which showed a net profit of \$1,631.33 for the year ended August 31, 1941. This was the result of a net turnover of \$56,256.48 for the same period. In view of this net profit of 2.9%, much discussion centered around the inefficiency of operation of the lunchroom. Dr. Grinter again reiterated that both the lunchroom and the bookstore were being operated on a near non-profit basis.

Board to be Appointed

It was finally decided, however, that in order to avoid another such occurrence in the future, a student grievance board was to be appointed—subject to approval by the ITSA—and that this board is to be recognized by the school's administrative officers in all matters of school-owned concessions "operating for the benefit of the student." This board is scheduled to meet periodically with Mr. Allison and Mrs. Thompson to decide on cafeteria and bookstore matters. Any student grievances should be taken up with members of this board in the future.

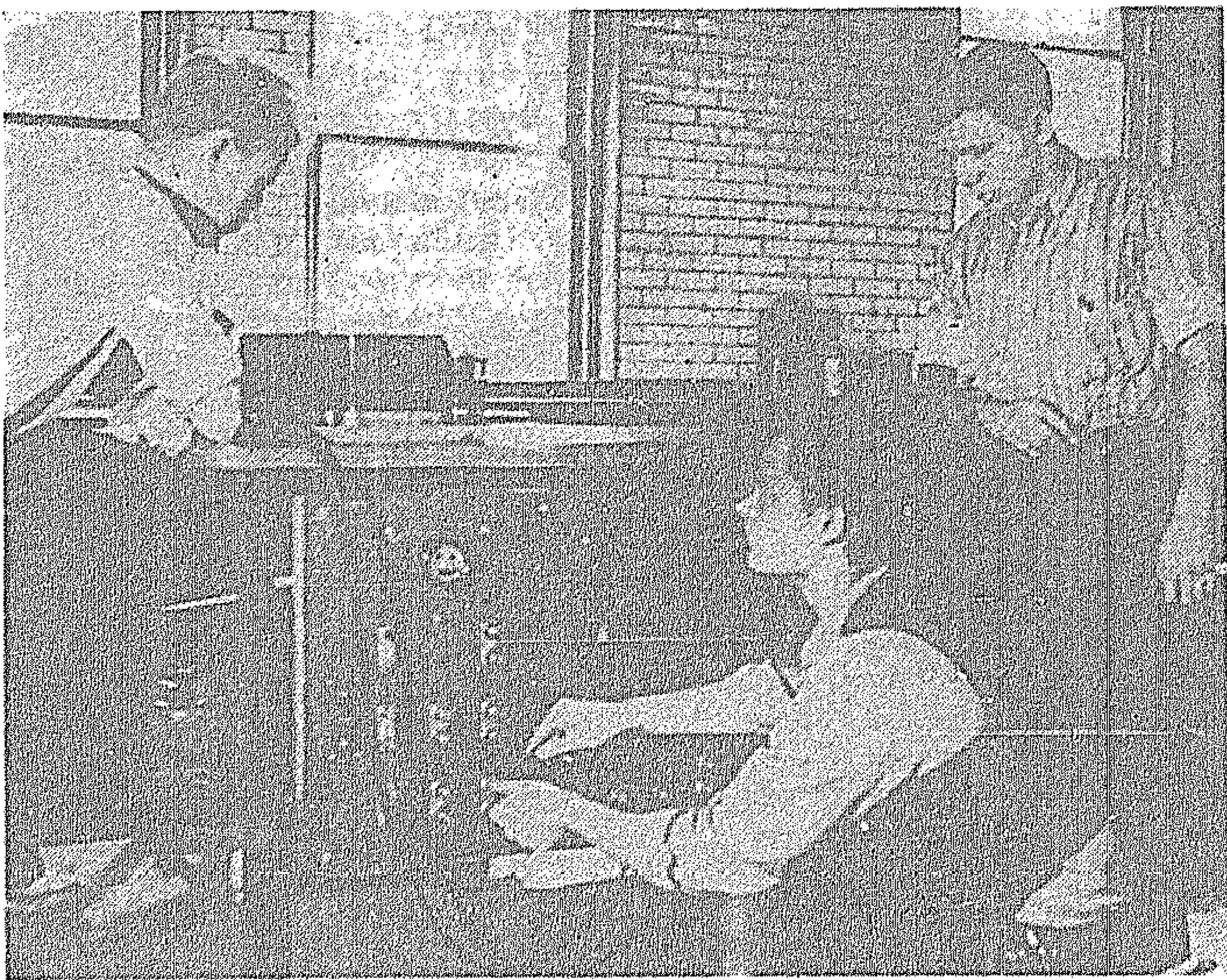
In approving the board at its Friday meeting, the ITSA recognized the fact that these appointments are temporary and that all future members of the board are to be chosen by class elections.

Parks, Bachas Win In Soph Balloting

One-hundred and forty sophomore students on the south campus went to the polls Tuesday, October 28. They selected four officers in the final election, a runoff of the previous primary election.

William Parks won over Phil Huguelet and Byron Round to gain the office of president. Ulysses Bachas was elected vice-president over Edwin Johnston. In the contest for social chairman, Julian Bowers, who had been uncontested in the primary, lost to Bruce Worcester. Harry Gillespie was voted in over William Foster, who had been uncontested in the primary, to become Student Union representative.

JUICERS INSPECT EQUIPMENT



Rudy Koehler, Jorma Leskinen, and Henry Wessel, Sr. EE's, giving new type generator panel housing the once over. Photo By Hermanovich

IIT Electric Department Prof Plans More Organized Laboratory

In the electrical department at IIT, work on the plans for new equipment and the development of a more organized laboratory have been progressing successfully under the aggressive guidance of Prof. D. P. Moreton with the aid of other members of the department.

During the last year, many of the motors have been arranged so that they can be conveniently double-decked, leaving more space for new equipment installation. This arrangement is a great improvement over the former plan. It is now possible for students to perform experiments on a motor without being bothered by loose wires and stepping over cables. All the controls for each motor are conveniently located on a side panel. The various parts of the motors are more accessible and any operations on these machines may be accomplished with increased simplicity and accuracy.

Less Confusion

New load boxes have been installed to replace the rows and rows of lamp racks that have been

in the department for years. With this new equipment, loads up to two or three kilowatts may be applied to a generator for experiments without wasting time adjusting dozens of light bulbs. The load boxes consist mainly of successive series of resistance coils. These coils may be brought into operation simply by snapping on the required number of switches. They are portable and may be pushed around the laboratory to any generator.

This year, the department obtained three new torque coupling dynamometers for experiments on motors from the Lewis campus. These dynamometers are replacing the outmoded prony brake apparatus which has seen long service here at IIT. The prony brake system was water cooled and water was splashed on the floor after each experiment. The dynamometers are more efficient and the student has only to balance a scale attachment on the housing of each motor. The torque coupling apparatus is costly but its superior performance warrants the expense.

Dogpatchers Beware! Sadie Hawkins Day!

Proclamation! Saturday, November 8, is Sadie Hawkins Day. And this famous day, especially for the IIT architectural students, is one to be long remembered and even never forgotten.

At this Lil' Abner famed time, the arty Arx will drag out their dustiest duds, and frolic and play in a barn dance party, such as has neva hit this h'yar toawn. The gala affair, which also includes a hayrack ride, is to be thrown at Ruth's Stables, near 119th Southwest Highway.

Refreshments are being cooked up by Ed Farrell, Bill Dunlap and Warren Spitz; games, of the Dog Patch variety, by Kenny Rogers and Jim Michaelson; whereas, Prexy Bill Hasskarl, of the sponsor Armour Architectural Society, has been chasin' up the more complex details of transportation, music and decoration.

An assessment, by the Skunk Hollow council, has been levied at \$1.00 per couple, payable before sundown Thursday. So remember, if you don't catch a gal, she'll be sure to capture you before the end of Sadie Hawkins Day.

Expert Photographer Joins Research Staff

Mr. Clarence Mitchell, well-known technical photographer, has recently joined the staff of the Armour Research Foundation in the capacity of photographic consultant.

An expert in photographic research, Mr. Mitchell has been director of photographic research at the Northwestern University School of Medicine, and has served as research assistant at the Field museum.

New Equipment

In the capacity of photographic consultant, Mr. Mitchell will use newly acquired photographic equipment to record and help solve the experimental projects under way at the foundation. A complete photographic laboratory, containing three air-conditioned darkrooms, is planned to house the new department. It will be possible to take photomicrographs of all types, at high speeds, ultra-violet and infra-red photographs, and high-speed motion or still pictures, in either color or black and white.

DEAN'S MESSAGE

October 31, 1941

To Armour College Student Body:

At this time I should like to present to you a brief review of the events of last week on the Armour campus. You are all aware of course that on Tuesday a strike or boycott was declared against the cafeteria. At 11:30 on that day, a group of students met with Dean Grinter and me in my office to present the complaints of the students against the cafeteria. The members of the group were perfectly frank in stating that they were in a measure self appointed, and had no proper authority to act as official representatives of the student body. After considerable discussion it was agreed that the students present would endeavor to secure the appointment of a representative committee, clothed with proper authority, to present the grievances of the students to the proper administrative officers. It was further agreed by this student group that they would endeavor to have the boycott suspended, until such time as a duly authorized statement from the students could be presented to the administration.

After the meeting, the members of the group went to the students in the cafeteria, explaining the action they had taken and suggested a suspension of the boycott. However many of the students were unwilling to accept the suggestion and the disturbances in the cafeteria continued. I recognize that the students who met in my office had acted in good faith and were in no way at fault in the continuation of the boycott.

On Friday at 11 a.m. the duly authorized committee met with us in the East Dining room and presented their requests for improvement. These were as follows:

1. Greater variety in the food served.
2. Better quality, particularly as quality is affected by cooking and service.
3. Lower prices or larger portions at the present prices.

A financial statement covering the operations of the cafeteria for the fiscal year September 1, 1940 to October 31, 1941 was presented. This statement showed that gross receipts of the cafeteria were \$56,256.48. After all direct operating charges had been made against this sum, there remained \$1,631.33 as a reserve. This reserve is certainly no larger than any prudent management would seek to earn as a protection against possible future losses. It is approximately 2.9% of the year's business and easily might disappear entirely if business should be unfavorable.

During the same year the cafeteria checks numbered 419,588. This is approximately 13.5 cents per check. If the contingent reserve noted above be divided by the total number of checks, we find that the amount per check chargeable to the reserve is approximately 0.39 cents. In other words the net earned by the cafeteria amounted to less than four-tenths of a cent per meal.

It seems probable that some remedial action may be possible with respect to items one and two in the above complaints. It was suggested by the student representatives that a student advisory council or committee be appointed to act with the manager of the cafeteria in an effort to improve the service. I hope every student will realize that the officers of the Institute mean exactly what they say when they state that suggestions and constructive criticism

are welcome and will be given the fullest consideration. In the preparation of menus and in cooking procedures any constructive suggestions will be acted upon. So far as prices are concerned, this is an item which will be governed largely by the cost of food and other supplies. It must be realized that these costs have been going up rapidly of late and this tendency will probably continue. Within the budget limitations imposed upon the cafeteria, suggestions for improved menus will be carried out.

Considerable criticism was expressed by the committee because they felt that past complaints about the cafeteria had been ignored. Regardless of the accuracy of these complaints, I can state quite frankly that there will be no reason for them in the future. The leaders of the Institute and of the cafeteria expect to cooperate with the student committee at all times in order that a more satisfactory situation may be developed.

It seems to me that the events of the past week are rather deplorable in an institution of higher learning. I hope very much that a student council can be chosen to act as a permanent avenue of communication between the student body and the Institute officers. Such a council can be an outgrowth of the ITSA or, if the students prefer, it can be an entirely independent body. With such a committee in existence student grievances on any subject can be heard promptly and any possible remedial measures undertaken at once. It is important that the disturbances such as occurred last week should not happen again. They interfere seriously with the scholastic program of the Institute and cannot fail to injure the good name of Illinois Institute of Technology. We expect to cooperate whole heartedly with the students through their duly authorized representatives and look forward confidently to amicable relations at all times.

J. C. Peebles, Acting Dean

"GOLDEN KEYS" NEEDS ADVISERS

Miss Kathryn Judkins, busi-coordinator, in conjunction with the Golden Key clubs is now interviewing candidates for positions as leaders in these organizations. Any young men or women interested in working with youth and able to spend a few hours each week in this type of activity should see Miss Judkins in the co-op office of the Lewis building as soon as possible.

The Golden Key clubs are designed to promote intelligence, integrity, industry and initiative among urban youth, and to secure for them the same benefits that the 4-H clubs give to rural youth. They afford an opportunity for young people to gain vocational experience as to future occupations in an urban economic society.

They provide wholesome recreational and social forces encouraging in the members a sense of belonging in the social group and giving rise to the highest type of citizenship. Lastly, they give youth real life opportunities. The motto of the Golden Key clubs is "Do Something—Be Somebody." Various projects carried on by the clubs include music, aviation, foods, clothing, pets, arts and crafts, garden, natural history and photography.