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TWO TALK

•After the April issue of that infamous journal, and we quote, **TECHNOLOGY NEWS**, unquote, you are perhaps somewhat befuddled by the apparently senseless language that appeared quite frequently there-in. Lest you hasten to derive any erroneous connotations, we are attempting to clarify the total situation for our cherished readers (if we have any left).

•Perhaps we may best start by listing some of the more frequently used words. Among them we find the following: druvillogical, dинth, cranph, muctornamically, pymorgulate, vorpai, ipriatism, frumious, and so on, indefinitely. Accordingly we shall define only those listed above, leaving the remainder to the ingenuity of the reader.

•Before we begin, it may well be to emphatically aver that these words are not merely double talk or figments of the imagination of our editorial department. Rather they are all legitimate words, to be found in a more or less standard dictionary, or pure coined cliches. The latter is a perfectly acceptable practice, being found in the more noteworthy novels, periodicals, encyclopedias, etc., of our present era. If contemporary writers of great merit such as Franklin Grant, Paul Stuyvesant, Enid Berkely, and Willis McNelly can use them with some sort of author's license, why can't we, official members of the student publications at the country's second largest engineering school, employ them with immunity?

•Therefore we shall immediately try to permulgate some of them. Druvillogical came into being quite simply. We decided that there should be a descriptive adjective based on George Drevikovsky's name because the Lewis office manager does his work so efficiently, putting his heart and soul into it. This is really not a "crack" at George. The managing board was very sincere about the matter, as usual. It was decided to make the cliché "drevillogical" since "drevikovological" would be rather cumbersome, to say the least. The crindle-slug-brained osophate who operates the linotype machine (yes, we mean you, Joe) (Hmm! he can't mean me. Must be another operator named Joe. There must be!—Or is there?) made one of his oh-so-frequent mistakes, with the result that the word turned out "druvillogical," which it still is, meaning efficient, industrious, etc.

•Dинth is very simply defined as the opposite of concave or convex, whichever. This means that it describes an object that is of opposite shape to an object that is concave or convex in form. Cranph is definitely defined as an adjective of degree, being used for a degree from zero to infinity. Muctornamic is an adjective which conveys degree of velocity. After careful etymological derivation, we find it to be the same rapid speed at which an onion respirates. Pymorgulate is a verb denoting action of re-habilitating by destructive pollution of an otherwise intact object.

•Vorpai is a quite legitimate word, according to Webster's New International Dictionary (Second Edition Unabridged). It is a word gleaned from Lewis Carroll's poem "Jabberwocky," wherein he coined it to mean "keen-edged." (Incidentally, we also plucked rematic; frumious, and manx-ome from the same source.)

•Ipriatism is practically a legitimate word. It describes a condition that no other single word can even come close to covering. This is the state of verbally stumbling over words. Frumious is merely the common word "furious" with an "m" added to impart emphasis. All in all, we are simply employing snide syntax, coinage of cliches, and slightly redolent use of the polysyllabic, which is becoming very widespread in college journals in metropolitan Chicago. (Linotype Operator's Note: And the guy who wrote this says I'm slug-nutty—Well, maybe I'm better off.)

WALTER

OOH. WHAT THEY SAY!

Editor,
TECHNOLOGY NEWS

•During the past months, Illinois Institute of Technology has been administering, under ESMDT, the largest Industrial Safety Engineering Program in the country. More than one thousand students have been enrolled, from 320 defense plants throughout the city, and forty-six sections of the course have been operating in eight high schools, as well as in Chicago Heights and in Waukegan.

•In order to administer this number of sections, student assistants have been stationed in each school on every night when safety classes were held.

•The instructors in these classes have asked me to make known to these students, and to the student body as a whole, their appreciation of the excellent cooperation which they have received. The success of the program has been due in large measure to the fact that the student assistants have worked intelligently and faithfully, and have represented the Institute at each school in a thoroughly commendable manner. May I add my thanks, and those of the Safety Training Committee.

Sincerely yours,
J. I. Yellott

INTEGRAL COMMUNIQUE

•Dan Brown, Editor-in-chief of the Integral, wishes to announce that due to the speedup of the curriculum, the distribution of the Integral had to be postponed to June 15. All those who wish to obtain the yearbook must come to the Armour or Lewis campus to get them. **If the seniors who will be out of town put their June 15 address in the Tech News box before this Wednesday evening, their copies of the Integral will be mailed to them.** Those seniors who are doubtful of their future address should mail it to the Integral office before June 10—their yearbooks will then be mailed to them.

Dear Reader:

•I hereby confess that I was in no way concerned with the publication of this issue. I was busy passing courses. (Hint to professor). I noticed yonder picture when it was too late to do anything about it, except insert these paragraphs.

•I wouldn't object if the picture were legitimate. But it isn't. Any fool, even Gordon Walter, can plainly see that. The picture shows that selfsame Gordon Walter introducing himself to Dr. Ruth Cowan Clouse. And thus another beautiful affair of the heart starts for 'Our Gordon,' as Patricia M. Arns, with a face of marble, looks disapprovingly on.

•The figure on the right, Walter, is in one of the typical poses that he assumes whenever he is fraught with rediction. At the moment the picture was snapped he was displacifying a dинthly initiated audience composed of Dr. Clouse and Miss Arns (center), who resembles many of Walter's friends in that the disguise she is assuming is stiff. Most of his friends, as is Walter himself, are stiff at one time or another.

Ed Farrell

AN EDITORIAL STAND



Honey Chile Spies and Edward Lawrence Joseph Farrell are shown in a touching stance. The two art lovers demonstrate great dramatic powers as they pose fetchingly before an unmoved sculptured figure.

A MENACE IS REMOVED . . .

Splendid cooperation on the part of all brought Illinois Tech its badly needed stop sign at 33rd an State streets and brought it in a hurry. City Traffic Engineer Sorenson rushed the matter through and early Tuesday morning, April 28, all traffic on State street was greeted by a shiny new white stop sign. We failed to get a stop light only because of priority restrictions.

Business Manager Spaeth and President Heald are to be commended for their immediate cooperation. We of the **TECHNOLOGY NEWS** feel that something necessary has been achieved. Drivers and pedestrians alike have only praise for the result, and the students as a body feel that a menace has been removed.

HARRY ANDERSON.

Mr. R. J. Spaeth,
Business Manager,
Illinois Institute of Technology,
3300 Federal Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Spaeth:

•We have your letter of April 21 and a communication from Ed Farrell and Harry Anderson, students, regarding the traffic situation at 33rd and State streets.

•Late last fall we listed this intersection for a change of traffic regulations requiring State Street traffic to stop at 33rd street. Since the passage of the new budget in 1942 we have been endeavoring to purchase stop sign shields for the above and other locations. Priorities as enacted by the War Production Board have held up the execution of contracts already awarded

for stop signs.

•Upon receipt of your letter I asked our Sign Division to secure sample signs for installation at 33rd street and so informed Mr. Harry Anderson yesterday by telephone. The sign Division reports that these signs are being installed today and State street traffic will from now on be required to make a complete stop at 33rd street.

•We deeply regret that conditions beyond our control have prevented earlier action but do wish to assure you of our complete cooperation in minimizing the traffic hazards for the students of the Illinois Institute of Technology.

Very truly yours,
Leslie J. Sorenson,
City Traffic Engineer

•Dean Peebles has announced that next year there will be compulsory gymnasium for all freshmen. This decision was brought about by the national emergency, impressing students with the necessity for top-notch physical condition.

•Only those students who are excused by the physician will not attend. At least two hours a week will be required in the gym.

•Juniors are requested to register with the Registrar for the summer semester on May 7 and 8. At this time they will receive their tuition and fee bills. Payments of tuition should be made on or before June 1, 1942.

•Of late, there has been an increasing number of sluggings, knifings, and hold-ups in the vicinity of the south side campus. Students are urged to be particularly careful when leaving the school after dark. Any such incidents should be reported to Mr. Spaeth, the business manager, immediately.