

EXPANSION FUND REACHES \$1,100,000

'Scat' to swing out at the Formal, Friday

by Chet Swan

Continuing in its endeavor to present to the student body the "ne plus ultra" in dance entertainment, Illinois Tech will present on this coming Friday night, February 27, the Junior Formal.

On this memorable night, the loyal sons of Illinois Tech and their undoubtedly lovely consorts, will dine sumptuously and dance to the inviting strains of Johnny "Scat" Davis and his well-known orchestra. The site of this epochal event will be the gloriously bedecked "Room de la Boulevard" of the Stevens Hotel. For the occasion, tables have been arranged on the upper level and on the lower level dancing will be permitted and encouraged.

Eats at 8:30

The dinner is scheduled to be served promptly at 8:30 and in order to make those "perennial late-comers" conscious of what they may miss if they live up to past performances, we print, at the end of this exhortation, the menu to be presented. In all aspects, the dinner promises to be a feast fit for a king.

The orchestra of Johnny Davis will punch their time cards in at 8:30 p.m. promptly, and conscientiously dispense their musical wares till the hour strikes half past midnight, with but small time out for recuperation. During these intermissions, the study-weary Techmen and their vibrant companions will be soothed and entertained by the Sid Pritikin Trio. This internationally famed group is known near and far for their ingenuity and the irresistibly entertaining mode of presentation. I can here state with all assurances that there awaits the attendees, the fullest measure of laughter and appreciation at the hands of these performers.

"Scat's" been around

A bit of biography concerning the inimitable "Scat" Davis is, at this juncture, most appropriate. The name "Scat" descends from the involuntary actions of singers who insert "who-do-ho" when at a loss for the correct words to the song. Davis uses this principle in his theme song, "Hurray for Hollywood where you're terrific, if you're even good, etc." Johnny began with the O'Grady menage gaining his distinguishing nick name while with O'Grady. Later, Johnny was a featured performer with Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians, and then broke away to form his own band. He's made numerous moving pictures, and has appeared in ballrooms and restaurants throughout the nation, engendering on the part of his listeners the deepest appreciation.

Wolves anticipate Gloria Van

Of considerable interest to the ogling eyes of the Armour Wolves, unassociated, will be the lovely Gloria Van whose pulchritude and sultry song presentations make her the cynosure of all eyes. Also contributing to the entertainment will be

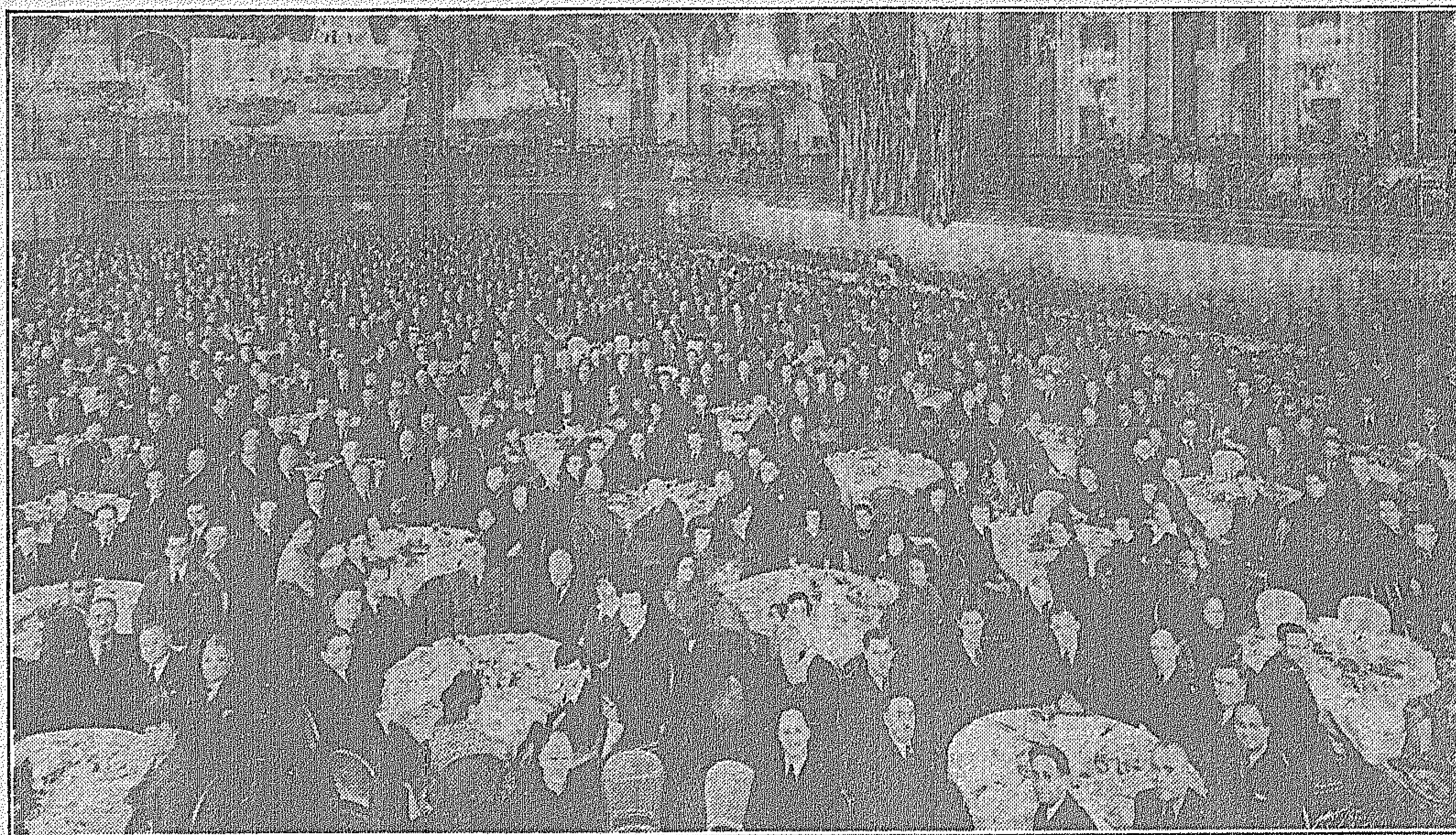
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Alumni Organizations Unified At Banquet



VAGTBORG IN CONFERENCE

Dr. Francisco Joao Humberto Maffei, director of Chemical Research at the Instituto de Pesquisas Technologicas, during the past week has been conferring with Harold Vagtborg, director of the Armour Research Foundation, on its method of operation. He intends to visit other similar institutions and observe their procedure and equipment. He also intends to obtain equipment and trained men for research work while in the United States.

The Instituto de Pesquisas Technologicas is very similar to the Armour Research Foundation in general organization and size. It is the most important technological center in Brazil, and probably in all South America. Research is conducted in Chemistry, Geology and Mines, Civil, Mechanical, and Industrial Engineering. It is located at Sao Paulo, Brazil. The funds for the Institute are contributed by the state of Sao Paulo and by the Industrial sponsor. In comparison, funds for the Armour Research Foundation are contributed entirely by the interested industries.

It has been the policy of the Armour Research Foundation to co-operate with the countries of South America in the development of research. This is in connection with the government policy of hemisphere solidarity.

THIS WEEK AT IIT WEDNESDAY

Frosh Co-op meeting, 202 main, 8:10 a.m.

ITSA Board meeting, EDR, 4 p.m.

Dance Club, Auditorium, 5 p.m.

Opening of Camera Club Salon, U2E

FRIDAY

ITSA Election for yearbook name, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

ASME meeting, 10 a.m.

Junior Formal, 8:30 p.m.

Lewis TECHNOLOGY NEWS meeting, 313, 10 a.m.

SPECIAL

Watch bulletin boards for schedule of yearbook pictures.

Turn in program cards to registrar's office.

Iowa U. plans soldier subsidy

"Will they return to graduate?" is the question college authorities throughout the nation are asking as students leave their campuses to become soldiers.

Too often, after the last war, this question had to be answered negatively. Now, the University of Iowa is developing a plan to give financial assistance to former students who will return to study after they have been demobilized.

The program calls for gifts of not over \$200 to each returning student who needs assistance. The money will come from a fund made up of voluntary contributions of 10c a week from each student still in college. About \$10,000 could be collected in this manner each semester. This money will immediately be invested in U. S. Defense Bonds.

This plan to help post-war University of Iowa students was originated by Francis Weaver, 22-year-old law student from Mason City.

Returning students, in order to be eligible for the \$200 gifts, must have served at least six months in any U. S. armed force and have been a student in good standing at the University of Iowa on or after October 15, 1940.

Collection of the fund is being carried out on a group basis. Presidents of sororities and fraternities, leaders of dormitories and such groups are responsible for collecting their quotas.

Huge check given at Alumni Dinner

Last Friday night at the alumni banquet in the Stevens Hotel, Wilfred Sykes, president of Inland Steel and chairman of the trustees policy committee, handed President Henry T. Heald a check for \$1,100,000.

This money was raised as a part of the Illinois Institute of Technology's Building Program which calls for new buildings to be constructed at a total cost of \$3,100,000.00. The Illinois Tech development program calls for the raising of this large sum of money to construct and equip new structures, and for the addition of \$275,000.00 to current annual income through endowment or other channels.

Committee shows action

This is the first sizable appropriation of the committee to date and shows definitely that the program will be carried through as scheduled.

Further encouragement is indicated by Syke's announcement that the Institute's drive is ahead of its schedule for 1942 by a sum of money amounting to \$250,000.00. This additional sum was more than expected and marks the aggressive spirit of the policy committee and the men behind Illinois Institute of Technology itself.

All funds received up to date are represented in this check for \$1,100,000.00 which includes the \$750,000 previously reported as subscribed in the campaign.

1600 gather at Stevens

A capacity crowd of more than 1600 alumni of Armour, Lewis and Illinois Tech attended the Alumni Dinner Friday night. In order to accommodate this large number of alumni, it was necessary to use the Grand ballroom of the Stevens hotel. The three alumni groups, Armour, Lewis and Illinois Tech, merged together to form the new Illinois Institute of Technology Alumni Association and adopted a constitution for their organization, an action necessary to bring the alumni together in one unit as the schools were brought together in the merger of a year ago.

Armstrong gives draft views

Commenting on the position of engineering students in the present war situation, Lt. Col. Paul G. Armstrong, state director of the selective service, spoke on the draft laws exempting engineers in defense industries. "These men," he said, "must be kept on the home front fighting in the battle of production."

James D. Cunningham, who is chairman of the board of trustees of Illinois Institute of Technology, presided at the Alumni Dinner. Mr. Cunningham has long been associated with industry and is the president of the Republic Flow Meters Company.

Randall, Roupp, McCaffrey speak

Other speakers present include Clarence B. Randall, the vice-president of Inland Steel; the Rev. Har-

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