

Slipstick STEAM SHOVEL Other Campuses

S-s-s-h, quite!—here goes—zzzzz *****!!
!!—BOOM!!! Yes, indeed, another big year has now been inaugurated. Greetings to all the profs—, all you lads and yes! lassies also, but special greetings to the newly initiated Irishmen, green caps, etc. In dedicating the initial column of the semester! Here's a column for the U. S. Engineers at Sault Sainte Marie, Michigan. Brush the snow off your shoes and let's get going!

Every man likes to see a broad smile,
especially if she smiles at him.

Telephone operator to new girl she is
breaking in: 'No, honey, you say 'Just a
moment, please,' not 'hang on to your pants,
mister'."

A little bird sits on a tree,
Now he flies away . . .
Life is like that,
Here today, gone tomorrow.

A little bird sits on a tree,
Now he scratches himself,
Life is that way . . .
Lousy.

Ain't It the Truth!

Four marines were playing bridge in a hut
on Wake Island. Suddenly another leather-
neck burst into the room and shouted:

"The Japs are landing a force of about
200 men down on the beach!"

The four bridge playing Marines looked at
one another. Finally one said, "I'll go, I'm
dummy this hand."

Excuse it, please!

"Are you the man who saved my little boy
from drowning?"

"Yes."

"Well, where the hell's his cap?"

She paints,
She powders,
She reads "La Vie Parisienne."
She drinks my liquor,
She cusses, too,
She eats lobsters at midnight,
She does lots of things she oughtn't to,
But, dammit . . . she's my grandmother
And I love her.

He should live so long!

A tourist stopped his car at a country fill-
ing station and asked for some gas. To make
conversation he said to the graybeard at-
tendant: "MacArthur is doing great work,
isn't he?"

"Who is he?" was the reply.

"Why, man, don't you read the papers?"
said the tourist.

"No," was the response. "I don't read the
papers or listen to the radio."

"In that case," said the customer, "never
mind the gas but give me four new tires."

"What's the matter, little boy?"

"Ma's gone and drowned all the kittens."

"Dear me! That's too bad!"

"Yep, she—boo-hoo—promised me I could
do it."

Why Shuurree!

The cop peered into the parked sedan and
barked, "You ought to be pinched, young
lady."

"Say," came from the car, "quit giving
this guy ideas."

Well, I've written that column and can't
do anything about it, but after the gang gets
ahold of me I'll have to go looking for a little
Angel of Mercy. Hmmm, not a bad idea. If
there are any friends of mine still left just send
me "one dozen roses."

Pete "The old fisher 'Min'" Minwegen

The time has come again for the shovel
operator to commence uncovering some of
the sidelights on activities on the south cam-
pus . . . The record breaking enrollment of
freshmen promises to make life more hectic
than ever . . . oodles of praise to Irv Kaluzna
for his swell job in organizing the senior ad-
viser system. Already many freshmen have
benefited from the program . . . The fresh-
man dance on Oct. 10 promises to be one of
the most lavish affairs ever given at the In-
stitute . . . There will be dancing in the lounge,
auditorium, and the cafeteria . . . Start the
social season with a bang by collecting the
favorite girl and have a swell time at this
suave affair . . . 'Tis rumored that sophomore
Bill Pllice is seriously considering a matrimoni-
al contract with a luscious damsel from Win-
netka . . . Also in this frame of mind is Ann
Kaubajak, Sonny Weissman's secretary . . .
Tom Clark and Larry Rademacher started the
wolfing season of the ITTWA with a flourish
by prowling amidst the quail at the recent
Chicago Teacher's dance . . . The upper-
classmen sorely miss Doc Davey, the Syracuse
Superman, whose witty repartee and promo-
tional work in social activities are sorely
missed . . . Brothers Kirk, Keigher, Ryan, and
Shulz recently made an expedition into the
wilds of Wisconsin for a camping trip. Dur-
ing a heavy dew these four combined their
engineering talents and produced a new ma-
terial used in weatherproofing their tent.
Stale gum chewed into the proper state of
elasticity is guaranteed to keep out the wet-
test of water.

Speaking of vacations reminds us that
there are only 89 more days till Christmas.
. . . The Frosh, newly recruited into the ranks
of the Loyal Sons of Erin, have been getting
publicity right and left. One group was
photographed by the Sun while grouped in
the Bookstore in all their emerald glory. . .
The Frosh and Sophs are again warned that
a ride on the cable car in Main means a dip
in the hydrators on the fifth floor by the up-

perclassmen . . . The class of '46 has that
novelty of novelties about Armour—a coed!
. . . 'Tis such occurrences which have devital-
ized that stronghold of masculinity—The Slip-
stick.

Bill Watson has things well in hand at pres-
ent; he now acts as financial adviser to the
secretary of the Civil Department . . . While
considering the Civils, we wonder if they
have any S.A.? . . . The Senior Mechs seem
to have taken over the dictation to the sec-
retaries of the department . . . The wolf of
the Frosh, Wally Pruter, sat all summer at his
desk in the coop with his tongue hanging out
—it wasn't from the heat. The News Bureau
had to pass him every time she left the office.
. . . Latest reports from the Summer Seniors
have it that Ray W. (my heart is in—
Ohio) Smith spent the better part of the sum-
mer trying to date Sylvia, "La Belle Sans
Merci" of the registrar's office. The fortress
still stands. We wonder how that Co-op
pierced the stone wall to her heart—we wan-
na take lessons . . .

To whom it may concern: the ROR₂ is
starting their first annual campaign for mem-
bership. All interested should apply for
membership in the Integral Office. The ap-
licants must pass stringent examinations and
are placed under observation for a short pe-
riod of time. The emblem of the organiza-
tion takes the form of a half-moon on the
Hudson . . . A lowly frosh recently tested the
Institute's policy regarding draft boards.
Asked he of Registrar Kelly: "Does the school
guarantee draft exemption to those who pay
their \$150 tuition?" Considering the rate at
which freshmen were admitted one might
wonder if there weren't something to the
laddie's query. . .

These few items just about cover the situa-
tion here on the south campus. If you have
any choice items about your associates,
which will make them writhe and squirm drop
them off in the Tech News Office. . . So
long 'til next week.

B. T. O.

BLITZKRIEG!!

Now that "Uncle Sammy" has allowed the
old student body of I. I. T. to resume its
studies and activities, you'll find your faith-
ful sixth columnist right on the job. Yes
siree . . . you can't escape from me!

My goodness, how war does change the
trend of conversation. Not so long ago,
when you met an old friend of yours, he or
she would ask, "How have you been?", now
they'll ask, "Are you married yet?" Seems
that Mr. Cupid has been hitting the jackpot
lately. ANN MOSSNER now has "Mrs."
tacked to her name. ATHLETIC ANNIE,
how you surprised us . . . yes ma'am, you dood
it! . . . LT. RICHARD BARNES has said, "I
dood it" also. MRS. BARNES is a distant
relative of the Lt. Well, there's such a thing
as family tradition, you know . . . LT. RAE
BERRY is now stationed in California . . .
and so is MRS. BERRY!!! . . . HOWIE HER-
ZOG and FLORENCE ALDER have made it
"Mr. and Mrs." So have LIL SNODGRASS
and AL REYNOLDS.

Guess more people might like to travel
via airplane, now that that WCISLO kid is
intending to become an airline stewardess!
Oh boy! Can't you imagine getting air sick
with her around?

Hear that "ACE" PERKINS is ferrying
Bombers to and fro over the Atlantic . . .
and that GLORIA LANDIN'S "RIP" was on
the Yorktown when the ship was sunk . . .
course "RIP'S" O.K., GLORIA tells us. She's
beginning to sing "Wonder When My Baby's
Coming Home" . . . Well, aren't we all??

Si, si, Senoritas JACKIE and LOUISE are
back in our midst again, back from south of
the border, where they attended the U. of

Mexico during the summer months. Yep,
they're back in full swing . . . and so is
GEORGE DREVI . . . gool ol' reliable
GEORGIE! . . . Little VI SIEVERS looks lone-
some without Co-op BOB KENNEY to keep
her company. It won't be long now, VI, he'll
be back . . . Co-op RUS KOLMAR is "co-
operative" in more than one way . . . if you
don't believe us, ask HELEN GORDON.

You should have seen Kappa Kutie ETHEL
WITT rushing out of the Lady's Rest room to
get to the Cafeteria on time . . . she was
scheduled to make eighty hamburgers.
That's what I call mass production . . . for de
stomach, not defense!

Gamma Rho ERWIN POWELL came to
visit his old pals last Tuesday. POWELL, you
haven't changed a bit . . . ask the Lambdas,
they'll tell you . . . he's a great guy, tho.

Got an inkling that Uncle Sam's Signal
Corps is claiming two more of the Lewis
"buddies" . . . they are BUCKY WALTER
and JOE MINGA, by name. It already has
BOB "SONNY" TANDRUP. What will YOU
do now, HANK?

Big boy PAUL BROCKMAN'S mighty
pensive these days . . . what's her name,
BROCK?

The Co-ops tell me that they are study-
ing this semester but they failed to tell me
what they were studying . . . ?

From the looks of ye old library there will
be no more collapsible chairs found within
its portals . . . we hope! Pretty snazzy, eh
what . . . New chair and also don't overlook
the new desks. Yes, chillun, things are look-
ing up around these portals.

The Seventh Columnist

by Raymond W. Sauer

Daniel R. Bergsmark, associate professor
of geography at the University of Cincin-
nati, says forest fires in this country annually
destroy wooded areas 35 per cent larger
than the state of Ohio.

Bergsmark, reporting on studies he has
made of forest fire devastation, declares
relative humidity is the greatest natural fac-
tor in the start and spread of fires.

"All of the great historic fires have oc-
curred during periods of low humidity when
the air feels dry," he said. "I have observed
in northern Minnesota and Wisconsin that a
relative humidity below 30 per cent has
caused fires to spread beyond control."

The rathskeller of the University of Wiscon-
sin Memorial union, long "for men only," has
recently been opened to women students.

Five of Louisiana State university's cor-
respondence students are getting their ques-
tions and grades by foreign mail.

Feeling sentimental about the University
of Oklahoma's curfew whistle, which is sched-
uled to be replaced by chimes, officials have
proposed that the whistle be cut up and
made into watch charms. The curfew signal,
has been in use 36 years

A portable alcoholmeter to be used in de-
termining degrees of drunkenness, invented
by two Yale University scientists, has been
formally accepted by Connecticut police.

Fifty-two per cent of college students in-
terviewed in a recent survey said they own
typewriters.

Prof. W. W. Wilson last year found the
going a little difficult in his Michigan State
college Spanish class.

The recitation first was disrupted when a
coed's string of pearls broke and a 20-min-
ute search was instituted for the beads.

No sooner had order been restored than
the classroom door opened. A young man
stepped in, calmly surveyed the students,
spied a co-ed, and threw her a candy bar.
Then he turned and walked out.

Class was dismissed.

New Jersey has awarded scholarships to
Rutgers University and New Jersey college
for women to 30 physically disabled young
men and women with high scholastic records.

Lain in 1820, the cornerstone of Bentley
hall, Allegheny college, contains a piece of
Plymouth Rock, marble from Dido's Temple,
mortar from the Tomb of Vergil and brick
from the tower of Babel.

While only 2 per cent of the total United
State's population is college trained, this
group comprises 86 per cent of listings in the
1940-41 "Who's Who in America."

Students are in poorer physical condition
when they leave the University of Minnesota
than when they enter, says Wesley E. Peik,
dean of the college of education.

Timothy Alden, founding president of Al-
legheny college, was a direct descendant of
John and Priscilla Alden of Plymouth Rock
fame.

An intensive course in beginning Japanese
is being given at the University of Michigan
to meet the demand for competent transla-
tors of that language needed in government
service.