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Election runoffs set for Friday, October 30

Plans for four year co-op course completed

Plans for streamlining of the Co-op enginering course from five to four years are practically complete, according to Mr. L. J. Lease, industrial coordinator. Definite decisions on the Co-ops schedules await clarification by the government manpower needs.

Co-ops are advised by Mr. Lease to wait until their draft status is cleared up before making any important changes in their plans. Mr. Lease says that the position of most freshmen and sophomores is not definite until the government announces regulations governing the drafting of 18 and 19 year olds.

Present plans call for the graduation of seniors in February, 1943; while juniors will get their degrees in May, 1942, for the A group, and September, 1943, for the B group.

Pre-juniors graduate in 1944

Pre-juniors, or third year men, A group, will finish in February, 1944, and the B group in June, 1944. Members of the present freshman and sophomore classes will graduate together in June, 1945, for the A division, and in September of that year for the B section.

In the event that another cut must be made in the number of years spent in school, new schedules will be drawn up.

Seven 16 week periods, 112 school weeks, have been allowed for completion of work for a B.S. degree. The first four of these periods are stretched over three years, during which time Co-ops will alternate work with school in the usual manner. The last three terms, however, will be completed in one year, necessitating attendance at school for twelve months without interruption.

This streamlining or shortening of the Co-op course has been made possible by intensification of the subjects offered to the student. For example, under the old plan a student was able to get a maximum of 29 semester hours in his first year at school. Now, under new schedules, credit for 36 semester hours may be gained in the freshman year.

Bartusek to fill Walter's shoes

Florence Bartusek steps into the shoes vacated by Gordon E. Walter. "Bucky" held the job of Lewis Managing Editor on the TECHNOLOGY NEWS but because of the draft situation he enlisted in the Signal Corps Pre-Radar school. Even though Bucky has not been a regularly enrolled student of IIT this semester he has spent long days and nights for TECHNOLOGY NEWS and the staff will miss his services. Florence Bartusek, former Lewis Rewrite Editor was chosen by the Managing Board to step into Bucky's place. Florence is active on the year book as well as the paper and has adequate journalistic background for the job.

Draftee Lund bids farewell

A super A-1 salesman for Illinois Institute has now become a 1-A man for the army. Gordon C. Lund, until last week the assistant director of the Illinois Tech News Bureau, reported to his draft board in Fremont, Nebraska, early last Friday morning.

Lund had been at Illinois Tech only since April 1, but he knows all the vital details of the Armour Research Foundation and the Institute of Gas Technology. In addition he has covered the whole war picture at the Institute, including our huge ESMWT program, the 6th Service Command Signal Corps school at the west campus, and the "nation's first" technical war courses for women. All in all, Lund averaged about 60 stories a month, or enough to fill an issue of TECHNOLOGY NEWS every week since he's been here.

Gordon Lund was definitely not a clock watcher, giving all his energies to publicizing Illinois Institute of Technology. It was typical of him to stay to the last minute last Thursday before flying back to Nebraska.

Dr. McNamara test enlistees

One of the persons at Armour who has been feeling the effect of the enlisted reserve program is Dr. J. F. McNamara, the school's medical advisor. Dr. McNamara is in the employ of the United States Army, and it is his job to determine whether or not the applicants for the enlisted reserve program are physically fit.

This job has been taking about 12 hours per week; but due to the increasing number of students attempting to enlist, the doctor feels that he will have to devote even more time to the job.

The main cause for failing the examination has been poor vision. It should be made clear that students whose vision will not enable them to go into the Air Corps may be able to get into (1) the Medical Administrative Corps (2) the Quartermaster Corps (3) the Finance department (4) the Ordnance department (5) the Chemical Warfare department (6) the Adjutant General's department or (7) the Army Air Force Administrative Installations.

ITSA approves budget

The budgeting of the student activities fund was the main topic taken up at the ITSA meeting last Monday, October 19. Coaches' salary was referred to a committee headed by Professor John Schommer; the rest of the budget was approved. There was no track appropriation while a new sport, hockey, received its first fund. The musical clubs received several hundred dollars above last year's expense, the rest of the items were substantially the same as last year.

Medals were ordered for the winning Senior Mech baseball team. Bill Watson and Dick Metcalf were awarded minor sweaters for their efforts with the hockey team. The purchase of 24 kidney pads for intramural football was also approved. Action on the scrapping of the organ was deferred pending an investigation.

A plea by seniors for a partial refund of their summer activities dues was denied after much discussion. The athletic program was reported on by Professor Schommer. Minor expenses were approved and the meeting was adjourned.

Sam Campbell on WSE show

Acclaimed by the entire assemblage of students as one of the most entertaining, and interesting lectures they have yet heard, Sam Campbell's visit to the Armour campus brought in its wake an aura of the outdoors. The assembly at 10:00 a.m. Friday, Oct. 22, in the auditorium of the Student Union was one of the regular Friday morning meetings at which various school problems are taken up.

Mr. Campbell is a noted naturalist, traveler, and lecturer and is employed regularly by the Chicago and Northwestern Railways as a novel advertiser of their tours. His lecture and movies at the south campus last week, was sponsored by the Western Society of Engineers.

Appearance attracts crowd

Upon making his entrance onto the stage, Mr. Campbell, attired simply in outdoor clothes, faced an audience which was crowded on the main floor and overflowing the balcony. Accustomed as we have become to the mundane dress of professors, etc., it was sufficient only to look upon this stocky, ruddy-faced exponent of Natures charms, to seemingly, feel and smell the pungency and freshness of the northern woods.

In his initial address, Sam Campbell immediately captured the listener's attention with simple words describing the grandeurs of the outdoors. In a clear voice and in words rapidly spoken, he explained his objects and principles in his contacts with the flora and fauna of Nature.

Nature affords respite

"In this day," he said, "the average man is bombarded with the facts of the war, discussions upon the narrowness, hatreds and antagonisms of man's relations to his fellow-man and other nerve-wracking exhortations. It is then of utmost benefit to leave this chaotic world to trod, even in fancy, the trails of the forest and recognize the immensity of Nature's works and the punity of man. When leaving the last outpost, one has the feeling of 'returning home' to become as one with the other creatures of the forest. Nature cannot be bluffed; man is stripped of his foibles."

Moving pictures depicting scenes of the forests, and its animal life were shown accompanied by the constant explanatory comments of Mr. Campbell. During the feature of numerous close-up shots, Mr. Campbell explained that "Wild Life" is only such as a result of injustices inflicted by man. "Wild Life" is a misnomer inasmuch as animals are trusting and "natural" in their conduct.

In closing, Mr. Campbell stressed the need for "keeping alive faith in the goodness of Nature"; this being basic philosophy.

Little student interest shown in class polls

Less than half of the offices in the junior, sophomore, and freshman classes were filled in the election of class officers held in the Student Union Building last Friday, under the direction of the ITSA. The remaining officers will be elected in a runoff election to be held Friday, Oct. 30.

Of the five offices in the Junior Class, the results of only three were decided in Friday's election. Those were the offices of secretary, Student Union Board representative, and social chairman, which were taken by Nat Ratner and Michel Coccia, who defeated William Nash and Bruce Worcester respectively. Cliff Oliver was elected Student Union Board representative, with no competitors.

This leaves the offices of president, vice-president, and treasurer to be decided. Ralph Arboe and Byron Round will still be the only competitors for the office of president, while Timothy O'Leary and Harry Gillespie will be in the runoff for vice-president, having eliminated John Pottenger.

Irvin Sloan and Donald McMillan will be in the runoff for treasurer, after the elimination of Trevor Miner and Julius DeVos.

Frosh choose proxy

In the Sophomore Class, 174 ballots were cast, with Peter Minwegan elected, without competition, to the office of president. John Twomey defeated Carrol Wood for the office of vice-president by 44 votes. Perry Anderson is social chairman, after defeating Irwin Pachter and Richard Michalek. The ITSA representative for the coming year will be Warren Furst, who defeated Llewellyn Rowe and Morton Paul. John Reed took the office of Student Union Board representative with no competitors.

Two hundred and thirty-nine freshmen voted in Friday's election.

Tom Kilgariff and Wilson McDermut will be in the runoff for president, after eliminating Walter Grengg, Frank Mungo, and Richard Wagner. William Pottenger and Bob De Boo will oppose each other for the office of vice-president in the runoff after defeating Edward Rabin and Herb Gefvert.

Shirley Sexson out

Donald Arenson and Scott Burr will oppose each other in the runoff for secretary. Shirley Sexson, Illinois Tech's sole feminine engineering student was eliminated from the race. The office of treasurer went to Donald Miller, who defeated Morris Shapiro by 81 votes, thus being the sole freshman officer elected in Friday's election.

Herb Winter and Jack Donovan will compete for the office of social chairman, after eliminating Harry Peysey.

Isaiah Share was eliminated from the race for ITSA representativ

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Tech timetable

Tuesday, October 27
- 5:00 p.m.—Pi Tau Sigma in the Faculty Grill.
- 5:00 p.m.—Managing Board in the Tech News room.

Wednesday, October 28
- 5:00 p.m.—Frosh Co-ops in Room 202 Main.

Friday, October 30
- 10:00 a.m.—Society metings:
  - Asme in 305 Main
  - AIEE in P 2W
  - FPES in 405 Main
  - AiChE in 202 Main with PLU Pledging

Saturday, October 31
- 8:00 p.m.—Pi Tau Sigma in the Student Union

Monday, November 2
- 5:30 p.m.—Tau Beta Pi in the Faculty Grill.