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Thanksgiving?

Probably the most dangerous thing for an editor of a paper to do is attack his readers. That is just exactly what we intend to do. John Schommer suggested doing this job of telling you a few things allegorically. We refuse to dodge the issue—we are going to "take the bull by the horns." If you can't take it, do not read another word.

This is the Thanksgiving issue and we are going to drill or pound a little thanksgiving and appreciation into you.

We are going to school in the midst of a war-torn world. Our school is a sanctuary compared to most of the other schools in this country. The engineering seniors know they are going to finish and the juniors have more than a fair assurance. This is a lot in contrast to liberal arts and law schools. Our school has not become free from the cutting of draft boards by waving a magic wand. Engineering schools have not been allowed to continue their curricula by any magic either. These things come about only by a "hell" of a lot of work. The school remains at the top of almost every list of better engineering schools. This didn't happen by dreaming either.

Most of you have shown no sign of appreciation for these and many other assets of the Institute.

To be specific:

1. Last week John Schommer kept sixteen men from being drafted so that they could fulfill the more patriotic duty of finishing school. Of these sixteen, only two men thanked him. One man's father called up and expressed his appreciation. What kind of men are you? Schommer did not get paid for it. Pure ingratitude. This has been the case week after week, year after year. Less than half of the graduates placed through "Uncle" John's efforts have thanked him.

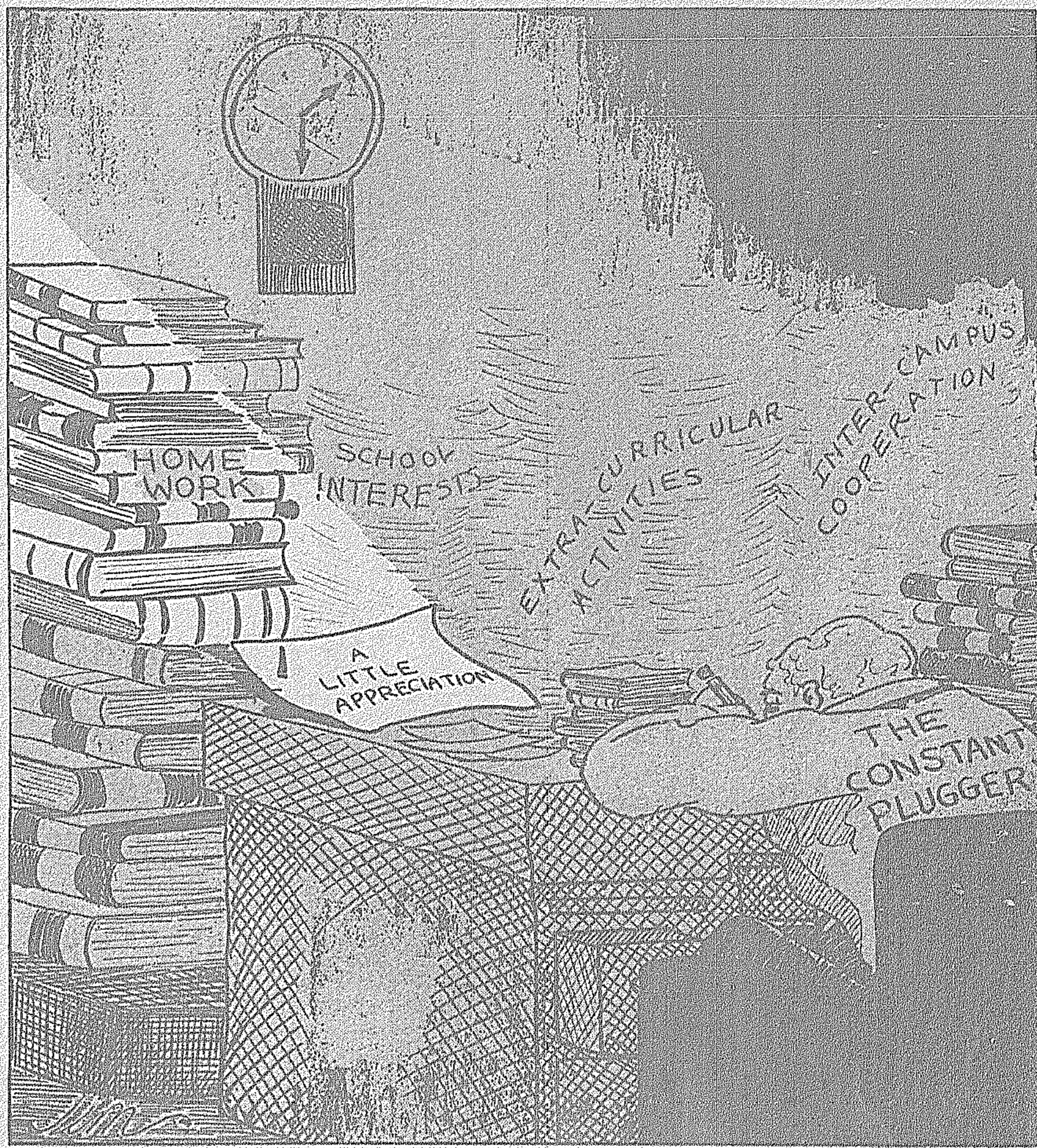
John knows that if one case is lost only heaven can help the rest of us. And that is no FOOLING!!

2. Some men go around making the statement, "To hell with the school! I paid my tuition, now it's up to the school to take care of me. I owe them nothing more than tuition." This is just an assinine statement. Your tuition covers 2/3 of the cost of sending you to school. People who are interested in you and the school have given gifts and established endowments to see that you get an education. Just another case of ingratitude or ignorance.

3. Illinois Tech has one of the youngest and finest faculties in the country. A good many men, from President Heald down, could be making three times what they are making at the school. No, they aren't teaching to make money. They ARE teaching to make engineers and because they LIKE to teach.

4. Mr. Heald as president of the SPEE acts as the spokesman for almost every engineering school in the country. The possibility of the sophomores and freshmen to get more education lies on his shoulders. As advisor to the Navy on education he may be the one to determine what happens to the lowerclass men.

5. This summer, some 400 towels were handed out to seniors, co-ops, and Quant



Perserverance

When things go wrong as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all
up hill,

When the funds are low and the debts are
high

And you want to smile, but you have to
sigh,

When care is pressing you down a bit—
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns,

As anyone of us sometimes learns,

And many a failure turns about

When he might have won if he had stuck
it out;

Don't give up, though the pace seem slow,
You may succeed with another blow.

Often the goal is nearer than

It seems to a faint and faltering man.

Often the struggler has given up

When he might have won the victor's cup.

And he learned too late, when the night
slipped down,

How close he was to the golden crown.

Success is failure turned inside out.

The silver tint of the clouds of doubt

And you can never tell how close you are,

It may be nearer when it seems afar;

So stick to the fight when you are hardest hit,
It's when things seem worst that you
mustn't quit.

Sgt. Jerry Richards

chems. There are now 300 missing. These men
enjoyed a privilege and now they will not
bother or take the time to return the towels.

6. The senior class is ending up with about
\$550 in its treasury. It can spend it selfishly
on ourselves, it can contribute something to
the school, or buy a defense bond. Right now
some of the class wants to pour the money
into a dance and the heck with the school.

If anyone thinks in the back of his mind that
this editorial is "kissing someone's foot," we
would like to know about it.

The time has come for the students to quit
bucking the faculty and administration, and
vice-versa. This school is a co-operative af-
fair. We have to work out the problems in-
telligently. We must cease to be such groups
as Armour, Lewis, faculty, administration, and
students. We are ILLINOIS Tech and we
should be thankful for this school and this
country.

Managing Board

Other Campuses

The private lives of a family of bacteria
which breathe carbon dioxide instead of oxy-
gen are undergoing close scrutiny by Univer-
sity of California scientists.

The microscopic organisms are known as
methane-producing bacteria. They die from
exposure to oxygen, just as human beings
succumb to an overdose of carbon dioxide.

Dr. H. A. Baker, assistant professor of soil
microbiology, has invented a system of keep-
ing the microbes in a laboratory without
danger of their being affected by oxygen.

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First of his race to report for duty at the
nation's first and only camp for Negro ma-
rines at New River, North Carolina, was H.
P. Perry, former law student at Lincoln uni-
versity.

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Standard Oil company has announced two
scholarships open to Venezuelan students for
study of medicine at Tulane university.

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The "Old Oaken Bucket" for which Dick-
inson and Gettsburg colleges vie on the foot-
ball field is in reality a mahogany bucket, and
only a few years old.

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A new college honorary fraternity for stu-
dent journalists is starting its first academic
year at the University of Connecticut. The
organization, Sigma Upsilon Iota, calls itself
Alpha Chapter, and members are pledged to
promote formation of other chapters.

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A \$10,570 grant from the United States
public health service has been made to the
University of Texas John Sealy college of
nursing.

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Greek government-in-exile reports the Uni-
versity of Athens has been closed for an in-
definite period because of serious student
disturbance.

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William Werstler, jr., traveled by horse-
back more than 1,000 miles from his father's
ranch at Walden, Colorado, to the Univer-
sity of Illinois.

MAN OF THE WEEK

Tonight's Sphinx banquet will find Patricia
Marie Arns, first feminine president of an
Illinois Tech honorary, presiding at the initia-
tion. Therefore, we add another feather to the
already crowded Arns bonnet by designating
her first female "Man of the Week".

Patricia came to Lewis Institute via the
scholarship route from Siena high school in
1939. Early in her freshman year she was
pledged to Kappa Phi Delta sorority of which
she was president last year. As a result of her
stellar work at the helm of KPD, she was
chosen this year's president of the Pan-Hel-
lenic council, sorority control board.

During her sophomore and junior years
Patricia served as class vice-president which
entitled her to a seat in the Lewis Student
council. At the spring election of the latter
group she was elected its president for the
current year. Having been Lewis representa-
tive in her junior year, Miss Arns is now second
vice-president of the ITSA.

The first issue of TECHNOLOGY NEWS
found Patricia contributing her services. The



Patricia Arns

quality of her work resulted in her appoint-
ment as Associate Managing Editor and sub-
sequent recognition by Sphinx, honor literary
society. She further utilized her journalistic
and organizational talent as Liberal Arts Edi-
tor of the 1942 Integral.

Also included in the list of Arns achieve-
ments are women's badminton championship
in 1940, selection as a junior marshal for last
year's graduation, inclusion in the 1943 edi-
tion of Who's Who among Students in Amer-
ican Universities and Colleges, and member-
ship in the Student War council.

Maintaining a better than B average as a
biology major, Patricia plans to receive her
bachelor of science degree in June and then
establish herself as a laboratory technician.
The attractive coed has earned 100% of her
college expenses by virtue of her toil during
the summers and on Sundays of the college
year at the exclusive Spinning Wheel tearoom
in Hinsdale, Illinois.

Anonymous

I don't see why we were so slow in lowering
the draft age to 18. Where would we have
been in the Civil War if we had kept the age
high? By the way, have you the figures?

The Union army had 2,278,000 men in it,
with only 118,000 more than 21 years old.
Here are the official figures:

18 to 21 years old.....	1,009,000
18 years old.....	307,000
17 years old.....	613,000
16 years old.....	126,000
14 and 15 years old.....	105,000
13 years old.....	300
12 years old.....	225
11 years old.....	38
10 years old.....	26