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Campus

It has often been said that "it is the little things that count most".

On the Armour campus of IIT there are a number of "little things that count" which taken all together, create either a pleasant atmosphere or one which is just bearable. To enumerate just a few: the cleanliness of the cafeteria during the lunch hours from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m.; the enforcement of the Student Union rules; the appearance of the Student Union lounge; the general appearance of the campus. These things are in need of consideration by the student body; however let us give credit where credit is due and not fail to mention the excellent cooperation of Mr. Parduhn in beginning the work of cleaning up that part of the campus between the Main building and the new Research building, and the successful efforts of Sonny Weissman in obtaining someone to check coats in the cloak-room.

The lounge is frequently used by various student organizations for socials, smokers, lectures, and other occasions which are often attended by outsiders of considerable importance. The school is picking its own pocket by not making a favorable impression on such guests.

Today neither the lunchroom nor the lounge represents a satisfactory picture. To improve these rooms the following "not-to-difficult" improvements are necessary: the cafeteria should be kept clean, the lounge furniture should be repaired and redecorated, and carpets should be placed on the lounge floor. The management of the Student Union should fulfill these responsibilities.

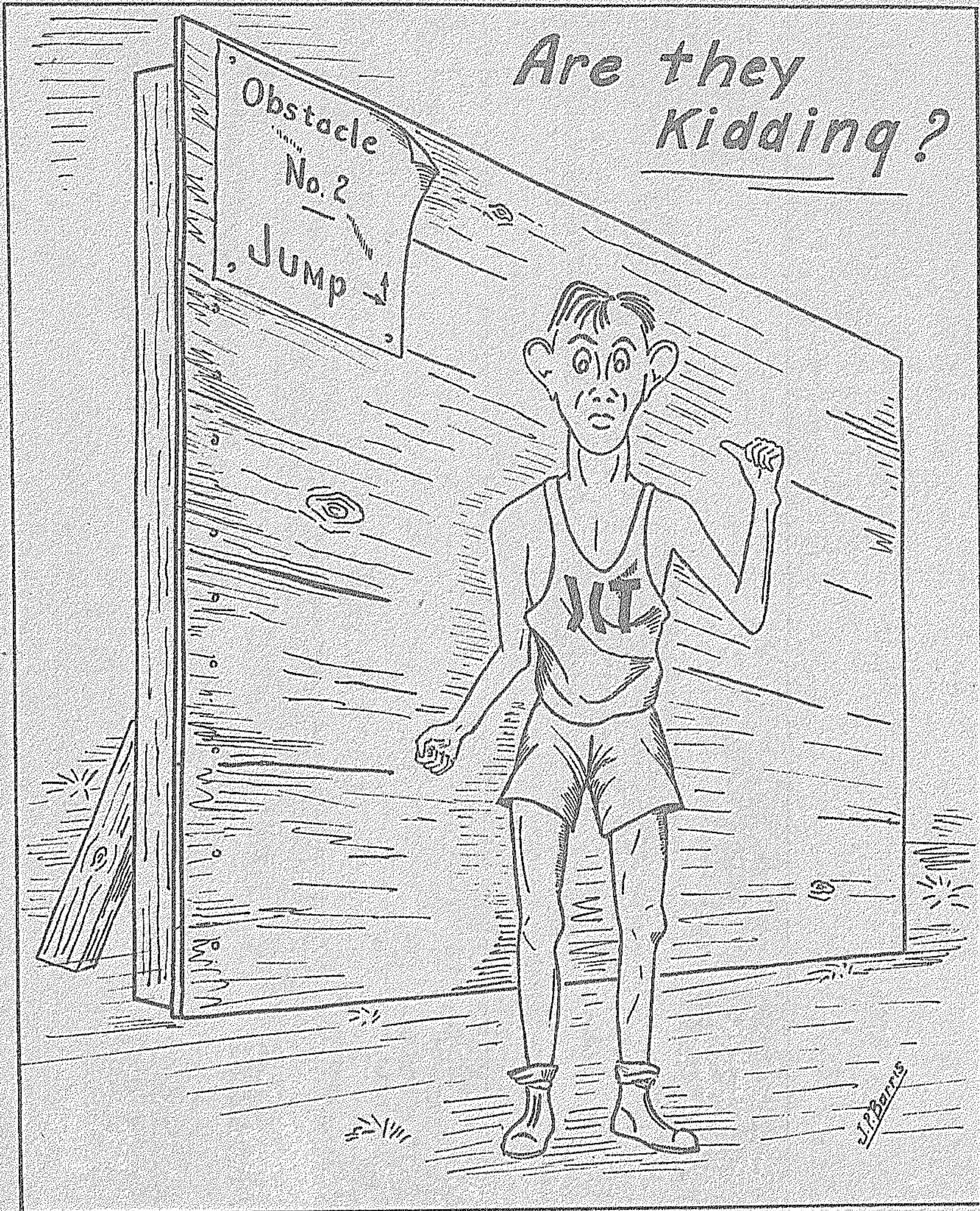
Calendar

Effective this week, Illinois Tech's official school Calendar will serve as the clearing house for all meetings, programs and social functions carried on by the various organizations of the campus.

The Calendar is designed to eliminate conflicts such as arise when two organizations, unknown to each other, plan meetings in the same room at the same time. It was felt that some of the effectiveness of the calendar was lost in previous years because there was no central office to which the information could be brought. As a solution to the problem, Miss Leitch, assistant to the dean, has consented to administer the calendar for us, with Jim Barris, junior civil, assisting her.

However, no matter how much time and energy is donated by Miss Leitch, its value will lie in the cooperation given to the enterprise by the student body. The responsibility for the smooth and efficient operation should be delegated to a certain member of each organization. We feel that unless some certain member is delegated to see that the request for a certain room at a certain time is carried out, the information will not reach Miss Leitch or Jim Barris, and conflicts will arise.

Obstacle course for IIT?



Truth and Honor

"Vincit omnia veritas."

Those of you who remember the columns on the editorial pages of the Chicago Daily News might recognize the similarity in the beginning of today's column. Royal F. Munger, through "Old Bill Suggests," occasionally would expound on the Latin phrases that are gems of human experience.

However, I don't intend to give a long dissertation on the above. It simply means "Truth conquers all things." The saying is still as meaningful today as the day it was uttered. The reason for this is that Truth, along with Honor, is a vital characteristic of real human life. No enterprise, no matter how financially independent, has ever lived when it has voided the pacts of Truth.

In the dictionary, HONOR is defined as being "excellence of character with men, integrity and uprightness." Let us assume that this is only a theory proposed by Webster because of actions he had seen. Can it be put into actual practice where actual people are the variables involved? Or, in other words, do people have excellent characters based on integrity and truthfulness?

I think you will agree with me that that last question has been answered 'Yes' many times. But character-building is not a process of eating marshmallows.

Just as Churchill promised "blood, sweat and tears" to the people of England in return for victory, so are noble characters the return from moral struggle.

Our Honor System is founded on the proposition that we are all men of integrity. We of the Honor Board salute you who have taken this proposition to heart.

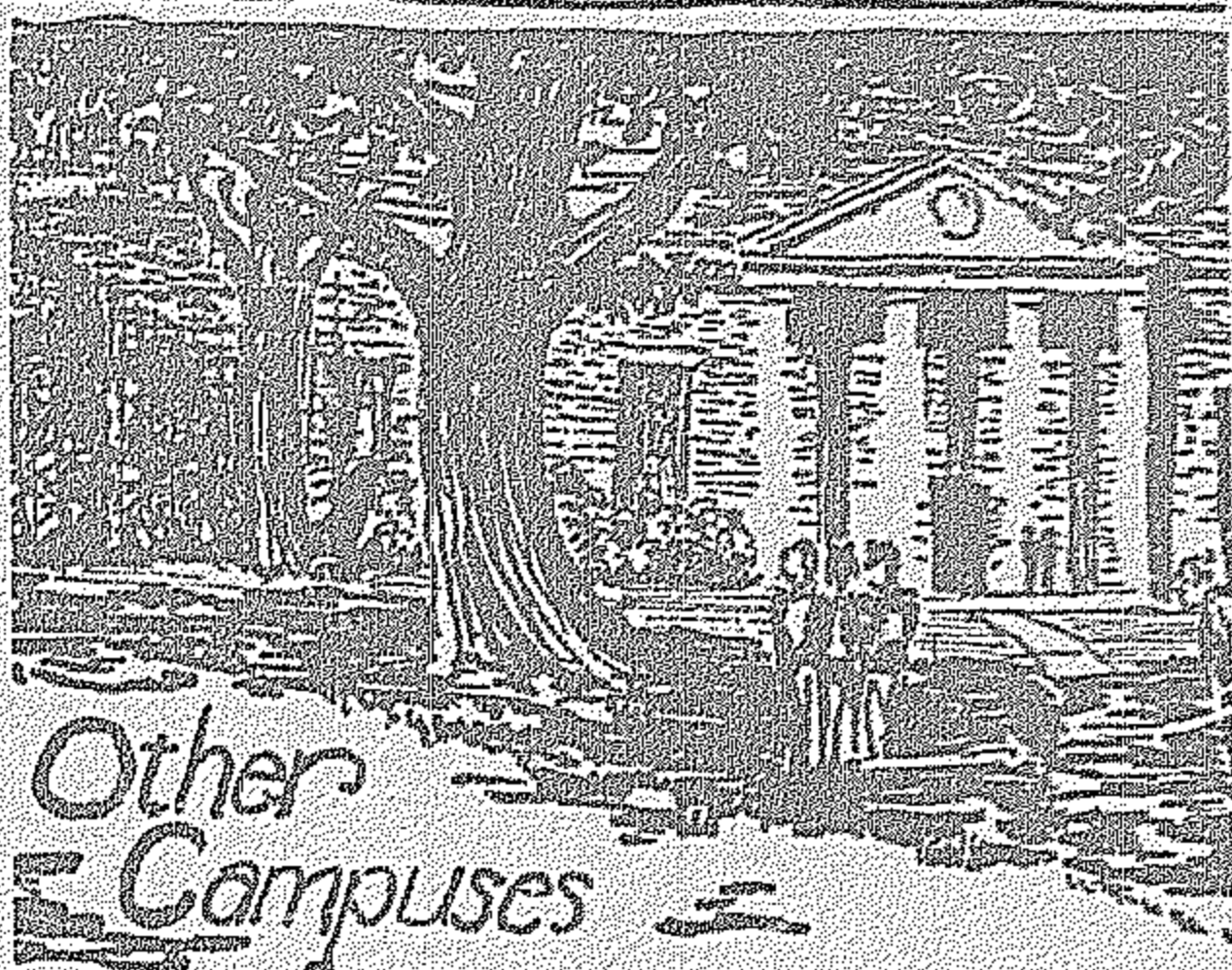
Those of you who have questions to ask or statements to make regarding the System are hereby requested to write them down and deposit them in the TECHNOLOGY NEWS box.

Arx News

The most lovable character amongst the Arx this week is our amiable personality Arty Bastian. Art as you know is the silent partner of the Rissman-Bastian syndicate. Art sits back in his apparently unconcerned manner, weighing the flimsy arguments of his gaseous partner, discards the unreasonable arguments and retains the reasonable. When M.R. the dilettante steams off too much with his dogmatic drive, Arty, acting like the governor on a steam engine, retards the action . . . speaking of retarded action, Stepan Fetchit Smith now has twice as much loafing to do. His inspiring room-mate William E. Daly was gifted with an "all expenses paid" vacation by Uncle Sam's Army Air Force last Thursday . . . if there is any truth in the statement that the quality of thoughts emanating from the human mind are influenced by environment, the work turned out by the Arx should be of very high calibre from here on in. This being due to the greatly appreciated improvements which have been made in the design departments . . . attention you potential Carusos, Tibbets and Bob Cwiaks, the acoustics in the drawing rooms in which we draw to don't do justice to your voices. I wouldn't give up in despair however, because the Art School Glee Club is in need of some masculine support. They have a singing room that can make McMasters sound like Binkleys . . . and oh! before I forget, Kenneth "Bumps and Grinds" Rogers is now running the "R" theatre with the able assistance of Howard "Take-it-off" Lane!

Leading the Arx delegation at the recent Michael Reese Social was Bob "Why are there only four women to every fellow" Leyden. Bob has had much valuable experience at such gatherings and consequently was able to bravely plow through the beauties until he came to the lady-of-his-choice, all of whom were very nice.

Guests Who



William A. Nash

The University of Texas has added a collection of 400 "dime novels" to their 700,000 volume library. This collection is catalogued and is used as supplementary reading material for students in an advanced English course in the literature of the west.

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The major project of the spherical trigonometry class at Wilson Junior College during the past semester has been to plan the most direct routes from Chicago to Moscow and from San Francisco to Guadalcanal.

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At Creighton University, as a wartime measure, each unexcused absence from class is punished by two hours of physical exercise or campus work. For coeds, each absence brings a \$1 fine, which may be worked out in the library or in the office.

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At Edinburgh University there are no bells or whistles to announce the beginning of class period. For centuries uniformed "bedels" have solemnly called the students to class.

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The University of Minnesota has a library of 1300 rare volumes on magic.

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A survey conducted by a University of Pennsylvania professor at five universities reveals that girls like to play poker and watch horse races as well as discuss political problems.

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Pennsylvania has more colleges and universities than any other state in the Union—51. New York is second with 46.

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Bemidji (Minn.) State Teachers College is the coldest school in the country. Temperatures often get below -40°F.

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Dartmouth college is opening a separate department of geography in recognition of the global character of the war.

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Over eighty college degrees are represented in the teaching staff of the San Angelo AAF Bombardier School. There are five Ph.Ds and an equal number of M.A.s. There are several Bachelors of Laws and Masters of Science. The remainder is about evenly divided between Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science.

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According to the U.S. Office of Education, 8000 collegiate instructors left campuses for the armed services or war industries last year.

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Curtiss-Wright Corporation is now seeking 800 American college women for special training as engineers in eight universities. The young women will start as engineering student employees of the company in aviation courses where they will remain for 10 months. After completion of this course, they will enter various plants of the corporation in the Middle West to take over engineering positions.

WANTED

Student with good grasp of English and writing ability to fill a rewrite position on the Feature Staff of TECHNOLOGY NEWS. This position will require three hours' work every Thursday evening. If this activity appeals to you, drop your name in the TECH NEWS box.