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JUST AS THERE are handbooks relating to most of the branches of engineering and science, there are handbooks published to tell all about writing, running, publishing, and reading a newspaper.

A lot of folks think handbooks are as essential in these fields as a ride on the elevator is to a freshman; that they are the panacea for every problem.

Well, I found a handbook on editing a newspaper, and it listed five duties of a newspaper. Let's see what they are.

First, a newspaper is expected to bring to the reader every event which the reader cannot attend. Maybe he was buried in a lab somewhere when the game was played, or maybe he just should have been buried somewhere, but he still wants to know what happened.

Second, problems and questions that arise during the course of events are also expected to be clarified or explained through the newspaper.

The third duty, which arises from the necessity of the second, is to present both sides of every story. But there are two ways of telling both sides—your way and the other fellow's way—both must be discarded.

Then there is doing the job that no one else has either the initiative or the courage to start. The newspaper should have enough of both to see that someone stubs his toe with enough force to roll his sleeves up.

But the most essential duty of all, is to investigate thoroughly every story before it is published. This is essential if the editor plans on rending the air with peaceful snores when the lights go out at night.

Probably, an even harder duty, however, and one which the handbook doesn't even cover, is to remember to remember the duties.

WE've got 'em all written down so we won't forget 'em.

IT OCCURS TO ME that the reason the recent brawls have gotten to the point where tempers are flaring with such violence that caution is thrown to the winds, is that those who are supposed to have (See as I on Page 2)

## Tech News Takes Steps Toward Better Paper

### Small Crime Wave Hits Armour Campus

If the ever-growing list of lost and found items on the bulletin board is any evidence, a small-time crime wave is striking the Armour campus.

Latest victim of what appears to be petty thievery is Anthony Glowacki.

His wallet along with an open lock disappeared from his locker in the Armour gymnasium. That wallet has been added to a list of items that has been ever expanding and includes everything from slide rules to overcoats.

Glowacki says that he blames only himself for having left his locker open, but points out that the wallet is valueless to the person who took it.

Besides nine cents cash, the only assets consisted of one share of stock in the Co-op Bookstore and a chemistry breakage card. Since both of these are registered, they cannot be converted into cash. Also contained in the wallet were personal papers and a draft identification card; these articles of no (See CRIME on Page 2)

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## IIT Democracy Failing, Survey Shows

### IIT Acquires Its Eighth Campus

#### Expansion Is Necessary As War Training Grows

Illinois Institute of Technology has just acquired its "seventh and eighth" campuses." Illinois Tech is now conducting classes at the Chicago Lighting Institute's new quarters, and at the John Marshall Law School.

War training classes are being held at both locations. An illumination course is meeting at the former, while ten war courses are held at the latter.

Mushroom growth of war training at Illinois Tech is largely responsible for the extension of its "campuses."

When war training first began at Illinois Tech, classes were simply held on the two regular campuses of the school. And there was a third campus, even from the start, for Illinois Tech's department of architecture meets at the Art Institute at Michigan and Adams.

As men and women continued to pour into Illinois Tech for war training, they outgrew the original campuses, already well occupied with the activities of the regular college.

To train radio code men for the Signal Corps, Illinois Tech leased classroom and dormitory space at the Northern Illinois College of Optometry.

An explosives safety school, which is administered through co-operation of Illinois Tech and the Safety and Security Branch, Office of Chief of Ordnance, was set up next. Rooms for this training program which supplies experts for the nation's more than 600 munitions (See CAMPUS on Page 3)

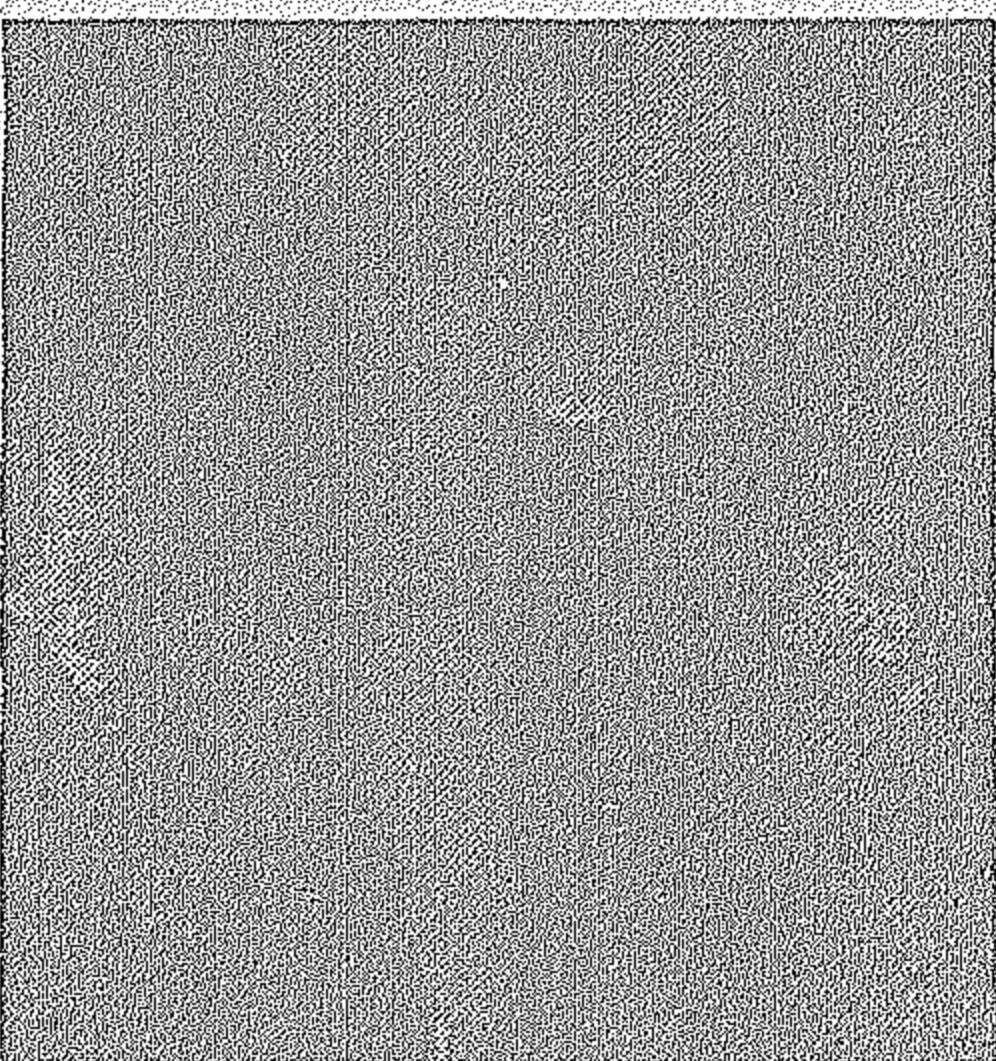
### Music in Cafeteria to Be Given Week's Trial to Settle Topic

Culminating a project inaugurated by Hugh Story and fostered by TECHNOLOGY NEWS for the past year, music poured from the speakers in the Armour cafeteria at exactly noon today.

The music today is from a frequency modulation radio set. Similar music will be heard every noon hour this week, as the plan has been placed on a trial basis for this week.

A definite stand on the matter, which has been a subject of much discussion and controversy throughout the year, was finally taken by the ITSA at the meeting last Tuesday.

#### Hear First Music



Milt Burkart, Bob King and Chuck Rowbotham eagerly listening to F-M music coming from speakers in the cafeteria.

### V-1 Tests to Be Held Tuesday

Naval reservists of the V-1 class, who are now or will be juniors by the end of the semester, are to take an examination Tuesday, April 20, in 305 Main to determine whether they are eligible to enter the V-12 classification.

Rho Epsilon, honorary radio engineering fraternity, was placed in charge of the project. The fraternity is donating the set that is being used this week. At exactly noon today Ulysses Backas turned the switch that brought music to Armour diners.

The idea of having music in the lunchroom was introduced by Hugh Story, at the time managing editor of TECHNOLOGY NEWS and president of the ITSA. This subject has been proposed, discussed and set aside repeatedly for the last year. It has also been mentioned repeatedly by TECH NEWS.

The music being played in the lunchroom is transmitted through the loudspeaker from an FM receiving set. This set is being used because of its greater fidelity and the elimination of commercials accompanying the ordinary radio broadcast. FM also possesses the added advantage of lower cost in comparison with musical recordings.

Final decision as to whether or not there will be music in the cafeteria will rest with the students. The ITSA will base its final decision on the reaction of the students to the music of the week.

To determine the reaction, the ITSA is soliciting the opinion of the students.

### Ten Officers Not Elected

#### Only 3 of 8 on ITSA Elected by Students

Only three of eight student members of the ITSA and one of five officers of the sophomore class have been elected by the students, a survey today revealed.

The other five ITSA members and four sophomore officers have received "emergency appointments" to gain their offices. The survey also revealed that a freshman officer is among those serving under an "emergency appointment."

Following an investigation by TECHNOLOGY NEWS it was discovered that these "temporary" positions have been held for almost five months.

The list of officers concerned includes the following:

ITSA representatives:

Earl Mills, the first vice-president, is a junior chem engineer and also a member of the Honor board.

Harry Gillespie, the secretary, is a junior mechanical engineer with aeronautical option.

Ray Tubergen, junior fire protect, is a junior class representative.

Eileen Robinson, representing Lewis on the Board, is an arts and sciences student.

Ronald Ailara is the freshman representative.

Sophomore class officers: Bissell Smith, functioning as vice-president of his class, is a second year mechanical.

Lawrence Cernauskas, acting treasurer, is a science student.

Lew Rowe acted as student union representative until the Army called him to the colors a few weeks ago.

Richard Michalek, acting so- (See SURVEY on Page 8)

### Lewis to Sing On April 30

Lewis will hold an all-school sing April 30, in the auditorium. O. Gordon Erickson, musical director of Illinois Institute of Technology will lead the regular college students together with the Signal Corps and ESMWT trainees, in a program of school and popular songs. The program is sponsored by the girls' Glee Club who will serve as ushers.

The IIT Orchestra, under Mr. Erickson's direction, will furnish the musical background for the sing. Primarily, the "sing's" purpose will be to introduce the regular college students to those students of the Signal Corps and ESMWT. Secondly, Mr. Erickson feels that a sing will be just the thing to release the strain that all students are undergoing during these trying times.

Since seating capacity is limited to six hundred it will be necessary to divide the Radar school into two sections: five hundred attending the song fest at 10:15 to 10:45, the second group of five hundred 10:45 to 11:15.

At Dean Clarence Clark's request, all 10:00 a.m. classes will be dismissed for the sing and the library, cafeteria, and gymnasium will be open on this occasion.

### Page Gets First FPE Deferment; Schommer Thinks Act Sets Policy

Having won his first draft appeal for a fire protection engineering student this week, Professor John J. Schommer believes that he has established a precedent that may well serve for all the fire protects in school.

Mr. Schommer said in an interview: "Among the critical occupations listed in Occupational Bulletin No. 33-6 was 'Safety Engineering.' It was thought all along that our fire protects could not qualify under the strict interpretation of 'Safety Engineer.' I then investigated libraries and enlisted the services of the National Safety Council in a search of what constitutes a 'safety engineer'. After much hunting we found that no college in the United States gives a course leading to a degree in safety engineering.

"The University of Alabama has a course entitled 'Public Health and Safety Engineering' in which one course in the third year covers industrial safety. There is absolutely NOTHING said about fire protection, the most important industrial safeguard.

"After all," said Prof. Schommer, "if a civil engineer who safeguards the water supply of a plant, and an industrial engineer who puts guards on machinery are considered safety engineers, then a fire protect who guards the entire plant from damage is even more so. On the Safety and Security Branch of the U. S. Ordnance Department where eight hundred war plants are guarded from loss of fire, IIT fire protection engineers are at a premium. They are considered the best engineers for this type of work in the country. Basing our arguments upon these facts, there is no reason to assume that deferments cannot be obtained for all fire protects at Illinois Tech."

Ken Page, Junior Fireman was deferred recently through the efforts of Professor Schommer.

In regard to the status quo of engineering students under the revised draft regulations, Professor Schommer stated that there is no reason to get jittery since the revision does not affect the engineering students in any way.

### Monday Issue Is Step in New Plan

By BILL BURKHART

Something new has been added to Technology News.

The something new is Paul O. Ridings, recently adopted coach.

An extensive reorganization is being undertaken, and today's issue is the first product of the "new order."

The new program, as planned by the managing board of the paper and Ridings, was announced at a meeting of the staff last Tuesday. The purpose of the new program is to produce a better newspaper in a shorter time.

Hereafter, TECHNOLOGY NEWS will be available at the IIT campuses by Monday noon, and there will be enough copies of the paper to supply everyone. Furthermore, complete results of any Saturday sporting event will be carried in each Monday's issue.

Starting with the methods of news collection, the newspaper will be modeled more closely on the pattern of an efficient metropolitan daily. Each reporter has been assigned to a regular beat, and will report any news occurring along his beat. The former system of individual assignments will be discontinued. (See TECH NEWS on Page 4)