

Lack of Honor Board Representation Causes Freshman Disinterest - Olson

Not one freshman has been allowed to serve on the Honor Board since its inception on Nov. 10, 1942, a survey by *Technology News* and the officers of the freshman class revealed today.

Earl Mills, vice chairman of the Honor Board, said, when questioned on this subject, "Freshmen have never been permitted to serve on the Honor Board because it is felt that they do not know each other well enough and might be inclined to elect a man who, although popular, might not be capable as a board member."

Allan Dimoff, president of the freshman class, believes the freshmen know each other well enough by this time in the term to elect a capable board member and might be given the opportunity. He has suggested that, for their protection, the Honor Board might reserve the right to refuse to seat the freshman member elect if he proved to be incapable.

"The reason for the general disinterest in the Honor System on the part of the freshmen," says Ramon Olson, freshman member of the ITSA, "is probably due, to a great extent, to the lack of representation on the Honor Board. The freshmen," he continues, "know little more about the Honor Board than the fact that it exists. There is a general ill feeling about reporting a classmate who cheats, and those who would report

a cheater often do not even know where to submit the name. This condition cannot be expected to improve if the situation remains unaltered. How can we, when we become sophomores, be expected to do any better than we are doing now if our interest is in no way stimulated?"

Harry Anderson, president of the ITSA, commented on the fact that freshmen are not familiar with the traditions of the Honor Board and IIT and hence should not participate on the board until they become sophomores.

However, Olson answered this by declaring that there is no reason that things should not be done to aid them more in becoming familiar with IIT.

Sigma Xi To Meet Tuesday

IIT students are invited to attend tomorrow's two meetings of Sigma Xi, honorary scientific fraternity, announced Dr. Paul L. Copeland, president of the IIT chapter.

Dr. G. W. Stewart, head of the physics department at Iowa State University, will speak at the afternoon meeting on "X-ray Diffraction and the Structure of Liquids". This meeting will begin at 4:30 in 305 Main.

"The Growth of Ideas" will be the subject of Professor Stewart's talk for the evening program which will be held in the rooms of the Lighting Institute, 72 W. Adams, at 7:00. This meeting will be given in cooperation with the Physics Club of Chicago, of which Dr. J. S. Thompson, head of IIT's physics department is president.

There will be no admission charge for either meeting, but it is important that students who plan to attend the evening meeting notify the physics office to that effect, Dr. Copeland stated.

steady supply of engineers for industry and for the services as commissioned officers. He believes, "an engineer's training is the best education for the numerous specialized jobs an officer must know, jobs that are predicated on the knowledge of the basic sciences and their practical and theoretical applications."

"A steady flow of engineers," says Schommer, "must be assured to industry to keep up the production of essential war materials, to create and design new engines of war, and research, and the production of food, medicine, fuel, transportation facilities, clothing, etc. for the non-combatants who support our armed forces in the field. The health and safety of all of our people are in the hands of engineers who are trained in sanitary and sewage disposal engineering. In nearly everything that is made or produced somewhere, an engineer has had a hand."

According to the latest figures, production in the U.S. last month was down 30 per cent below its expected value. Inferior factory help and the lack of engineers are the primary causes of this decline, claims Schommer. The War Manpower Commission has estimated that by the end of this year the U.S. will be from forty to fifty-thousand engineers short of what is urgently needed.

It is because of this that John Schommer is waging his forensic warfare with the selective service system to save engineers for industry and for officer material in the armed services.

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Spaeth, Mr. and Mrs. Paul O. Ridings, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cooksey, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Woolsey, Miss Jeannette Lowrey and Miss Mary Reynolds.

New Course To Continue at IIT

Journalism Class Will Meet Once a Week

IIT students will be given an opportunity to work on *Technology News* for the coming semester. This was revealed by Paul O. Ridings, director of the news bureau at IIT, when he announced that two courses in journalism will be offered next semester. Both courses meet but one hour per week, and give one credit hour in return.

The newspaper's managing board has decided that all members of the *Technology News* staff must take one of the courses in journalism. Both beginning and advanced courses will be given next semester.

Only those students who have completed the beginning course given this semester will be eligible to take the advanced course. Dick Larson, retiring editor of *Technology News*, urges any student interested in doing and learning newspaper work to register for the course.

The purpose of the course is to serve as an aid in writing for the student newspaper. It is designed to instruct the student how to write a news story, emphasizing the correct news style and the appreciation of what news is. Class assignments are given in the form of work on *Technology News*.

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he has made rash statements on occasion; statements which he did not mean and had no intention of putting into effect.

It is unfortunate because as yet he has had no real opportunity to let his actions deny his words, and because he spoke before he was fully acquainted with the Institute.

PROBABLY SOME OF YOU know that Slipstick was started with the very first issue of "The Armour News" on April 9, 1928, but I doubt if any of you know the history of Steamshovel, the column of which this endeavor is alleged to be a front page counterpart.

Steamshovel first found its way into the paper on March 15, 1932, with the statement "This column will appear from time to time. If you know anything about your classmates, put it in the News box on the first floor of the main building. Who knows—we may print it." Three small items followed this timid announcement.

On April 26, 1932 a cartoon of a steamshovel was placed at the head of the column, which was still only one column in width, and it remained there unaltered for nearly seven years. Then on February 28, 1939, Steamshovel graduated to a double column feature, but the original cartoon was retained.

Finally as a part of a Halloween edition in that year, a new, and even larger cartoon was made for the column, and it remained that way until October 1940, when the present cartoon was placed at its head.

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criticism about the school and its courses," states Chet Swan, author of the questionnaire.

"Each staff member was graded A,B,C,D or E; space was also left for constructive comments on the individual person. The remainder of the report was a list of questions concerning courses, lab. reports, departments, school policy, etc." continued Swan.

Individual letters sent to each staff member giving his questionnaire grade (A,B,C,D or E) and a few representative student criticisms clipped from the reports will make this questionnaire a powerful instrument for the betterment of the Illinois Tech faculty and administration, concluded James Carroll.

Soderberg Top Man With Average of 2.81; Dollie Sparmacher of Lewis Ranks Second

Three of the five honor graduates this semester are from the south campus. Of these three, all were ME co-ops until the co-op program was discontinued recently.

Top honor-man in next Sunday's Graduation is John W. Soderberg, with a point average of 2.81.

Second ranking student is a woman, Dollie Lewis Sparmacher, who will graduate from Lewis with a 2.78 point average. Ernest W. Hedeen, Jr., ranks third with an average of 2.71, while fourth and fifth places, respectively, go to Thomas Dunsheath, whose average is 2.64, and Flora A. Philley, a Lewis graduate with a 2.60 average.

J. Soderberg is a V-12 student and a member of Tau Beta Pi, Pi

Tau Sigma, and Triangle fraternities. While a co-op, he worked at the American Steel Foundries. He graduated from New Trier high school in 1938.

Miss Sparmacher has been a student at the Teachers College of Columbia University, University of Chicago, and Herzl Junior College in Chicago. She received nurses' training at the Wesley Memorial Hospital. Her average, as given above, is based only on her work at Lewis which comprises some 59 1/3 credit hours.

Ernest Hedeen graduated from Hirsch High School in 1939. While at IIT he has been a member of the ASME and Pi Tau Sigma, having served as recording secretary of the latter organization during his fourth year.

Flora Philley, who was born in Valparaiso, Indiana, has been a student at Indiana State University. She has done 45 1/3 credit hours of work at Lewis since she started in 1926.

Concert Tickets Are Now Available

Tickets for concerts by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra are now available to the students of IIT. They are being offered at a reduced rate for all army, navy and civilian students.

Tickets for the concert on October 23 will be on sale from October 11 to 16 only, in Dean C. A. Tibbals' office. For future concerts the tickets will be placed on sale only during the second week prior to the concert. They must be returned to the agency a week before the concert, thus allowing only one week for students to purchase tickets.

The tickets will sell for 70c and 40c, thus affecting a 15c reduction for Illinois Tech students. The concert program will be posted on the bulletin boards throughout the school.

Farewell Party for Reissner on Wed.

"Tau Omega, the aeronautical honorary fraternity, and the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences will gather together next Wednesday evening, Oct. 13, in the faculty Grill, to bid farewell to Dr. Hans Reissner, professor of engineering," Bob Erikson, president of Tau Omega, announced today. Dr. Reissner will leave Illinois Tech at the end of this semester to be a consultant at the Curtiss Wright Propellor Division.

Preceding the farewell party will be a short business meeting of Tau Omega, at which time officers for the ensuing semester will be elected. The business meeting will start at 7:00 p.m., and the farewell party by both organizations will begin at 7:45 p.m., said Erikson.

IIT Managers May Get Major Letters

Honor I will propose a major letter for intramural managers at the ITSA meeting tomorrow, it was revealed today.

The action is being taken because it is felt the work of the manager is so extensive that it has become worthy of the higher award.

Foreign Language Exams To be Given October 15

Foreign language examinations for advanced degrees will be held on Friday, October 15. This announcement was made by Dr. F. K. Richter of the language department, who stated that the French and German examinations for the Master's and Doctor's Degrees will be held Friday morning from 9:30 to 11:30 in Room 114 Chapin.

All students working for their M.A. or Ph.D. degrees who wish to take the language tests are urged by Dr. Richter to get in touch with him at once.

Private Snafu

by Chuck Rice

