

THE IIT CURRICULUM committee will hold a meeting within the next two weeks. At this meeting they will discuss the problem of final examinations for graduating seniors, a problem which concerns all upper classmen.

The practice of excusing graduating seniors from finals has been in effect at Armour for many years, and until the last few semesters this system has proved satisfactory. Last semester complaints were received from many of the instructors that too many of the seniors were lying-down on the job.

Three or four weeks before the end of the semester they would let up and take things easy. Others had the conception that since they were graduating seniors, an instructor could not, or would not, flunk them.

At the next meeting of the curriculum committee proposals will be discussed to reinstate final examinations for the graduating seniors. They feel that this let-down on the part of the seniors will affect the morale of the remainder of the student body.

AS I SEE IT, the situation outlined above should not be permitted to continue. But I do not believe that it is necessary to use final examinations as the answer. And I do not see how the morale of the undergraduate students is hurt under the present system. Not to take final exams is considered one of the privileges of being a graduating student. I believe that the only responsibility

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Sievers Lewis ITSA Member

Viola Sievers was elected Lewis representative-at-large to the ITSA in the first elections held this semester. This election was held Friday under the direction of Ronald Lind, secretary of the ITSA.

The offices contested in this election were the Lewis vice-president and the position of Lewis representative-at-large. Since four votes marked the difference of the totals polled by two of the contestants, a runoff election will be held at Lewis this Friday.

Miss Sievers garnered a total of 34 votes, while her opponents, Joseph Kovanda and George Prochnow, were credited with 16 and 14 votes respectively. For the office of vice-president, Lorraine Kronenberg gained a total of 28 votes against the 24 votes of her opponent, Charles Conforti. Gloria Klouzar was the runner-up with 11 votes.

Two of the three people chosen

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Dance for the Integral Queen To be Held Dec. 11 at Drake

The Integral Dance will be held on December 11 at the Drake Hotel, said Mike Coccia, ASSC chairman, today. At the same time, Coccia announced the social calendar for the coming term.

Main highlight of the Integral Dance will be the presentation of the Integral Queen, whose identity will be unknown until that time.

As yet, a band has not been secured for the dance, which will be sponsored by the ITSA. The price of the bids will not be known until this week. The 400 bids will be placed on sale within the next fortnight.

The social calendar as revealed by Coccia is as follows—

December 4—the second free dance at school.

December 11—the Integral Dance

December 22—the Hockey Hop.

Second week of February—the fourth free dance at school.

Two weeks before the finals—another downtown dance.

Coccia also said that a meeting of

Schommer has Juke Box for Student Union

Alumni to Contribute \$100 Toward Cost IF ITSA Will Match Gift

Illinois Tech alumni will give \$100 toward a juke box for the Student Union, John J. Schommer announced today. The gift will be made on the condition that the student body matches it dollar for dollar, Alumni President George H. Von Gehr stated.

Bernard Weissman will ask the ITSA to appropriate the student share at the meeting Tuesday.

The juke box was discovered by Mr. Schommer, who proposed the plan to Mr. Von Gehr. The box will cost \$200, and can be obtained as soon as the alumni contribution is matched.

Early this year, the ITSA appropriated a small sum of money for the purchase of a juke box. A second hand machine was purchased but was sent back because of mechanical defects. According to Weissman, the dealer had used a form of paper to reinforce a broken gear, which was irreplaceable.

They would not send out another machine after that one was returned. The juke box project was then dropped, stated Weissman.

The Dance Club which holds dances open to all students every Wednesday, expressed the thought that a juke box would be very desirable from their point of view.

Clean Up Campaign Begins in Union

A clean-up campaign to rid the lounge and auditorium of empty bottles and paper is now in full swing, Ted Anderson, president of the SUBC, announced today.

Now, because the use of the lunchroom is not available to them, students are forced to eat in the auditorium and lounge. They have been leaving their paper bags and bottles when they leave.

The cooperation of the users of the lounge and auditorium is needed in this clean-up campaign said Anderson. More refuse containers are promised.

8016 Now Attending Classes at IIT; 1083 New Students Start Winter Term

Representing an increase of more than 15 per cent, a total of 8016 persons are now studying at Illinois Institute of Technology during the winter term, it was revealed today by Charles Kepner, registrar.

This is an increase of 1083 students over the past term. The winter term at Illinois Tech just opened, it being now in its third week.

Larger registrations in regular college civilian day and evening classes and in war training account for the gain. Evening college enrollment is up 67 per cent, day civilian enrollment 22 per cent, and war training classes 32 per cent.

A total of 2957 students are attending regular college classes. In-

New Socials for Dance Club



HOLDING FIRST DANCE under reorganized program—Dance Club offers "juke box social."

Dance Club First to Reorganize: Weekly Socials to Be Featured

Complete reorganization of the Dance Club has proved successful, claimed Tom Dressler, president of the Dance Club, last Wednesday. Twenty-five couples initiated the first free, "juke box" dance last Wednesday evening.

Altering their policy completely at the suggestion of Anna C. Orcutt, faculty advisor, the club now has free dances on all but three days of the semester, when beginning and advanced dancing instruction will be given.

Under the present organization, enough young ladies are invited to the meetings to take care of the anticipated number of students who will attend. Dancing is scheduled from 5:30 until 7:00 or later, every Wednesday. Last week, the dancing continued until 8:30 and ended then only because of the closing of the cloakroom, said Dressler. The girls

are students of St. Xavier College, Chicago Teachers College, and student nurses from nearby hospitals.

Music is provided now by a phonograph attached to the radio. It is expected that a regular "juke box" will soon be purchased by the ITSA and the alumni association and will be available for use soon. The lounge is used for the dancing.

"A larger number of students and an equal number of girls are expected to attend our meeting this Wednesday," said Dressler. "The success of the Dance Club is now an accomplished fact."

This club is the first to reorganize in the manner suggested by recent editions of *Technology News*.

Christmas Vacation Is Still Scheduled

No change whatsoever has been made regarding the Christmas vacation. This statement was made by President Henry T. Heald in reply to rumors spreading about the campus regarding his speech to the alumni Wednesday.

President Heald stated that his words were misinterpreted. Christmas vacation will begin Saturday, December 25, and instruction will be resumed on January 2.

The latest directive issued by the Institution states that classes will definitely be held on Thanksgiving Day.

Parmly Unit To be Fourth In IIT Plans

Building Will House Equipment for Work On Auditory Research

Work on the fourth building of IIT's development program will start this week. Ground will be broken on Wednesday announced Peter J. Mills, director of the Parmly Foundation for Auditory Research, for the foundation's new quarters.

The building, to be located at 3318 S. Dearborn Ave., will consist of a sound-proof room, a laboratory, and an office. It will be one story high, with dimensions 64 by 24 ft. Dr. Mills hopes that the building will be completed by the end of the year.

In its new location the Parmly Foundation will continue its research concerning the rehabilitation of aural casualties of the present war. The basic pieces of apparatus necessary for this work have been acquired, and include an audiometer and a harmonic wave analyzer.

The former determines the threshold of audibility of the person being tested, while the latter analyzes a complicated sound wave in terms of its fundamentals and harmonics.

The first three buildings, two of which have been completed are the Minerals and Metals Research Building, the Ceramics building, and the new diesel laboratory of the Research Foundation. The latter is still being built. The new Parmly Foundation building will, like the ceramics building, not be permanent.

It's Your Money

A student faction has been organized to protest against the IIT Student Activity Fee. This action has been taken because many of the items which constitute this fee are believed to be unfairly placed upon the student body in the form of burdens they should not rightfully be compelled to assume.

They are planning to culminate the protest at the ITSA meeting Tuesday, at which they are going to ask that the fee be abolished entirely.

If the refusal of a large majority of the navy men to pay that fee again this semester was in any way responsible for this action, we are thankful to them not only for recognizing that their money was not being used entirely to promote their welfare, but for bringing the question "What is our money being used for?" to the remainder of the student body.

This is a question that should have been asked a long time ago.

We do not think the present condition could have continued indefinitely. But the fact that the navy men should find cause to object to paying a fee just half that which the remainder of the student body had been paying for a number of years, was a valuable stimulus in arousing the rest of us to action.

Before this group demands a complete abolishment, however, would it not be a wiser course to itemize the ITSA budget, decide which expenses should be their responsibility in all fairness, and then ask for a revision to cover these items only?

Certainly it is not fair for the student body to maintain the institute's athletic facilities and coaches, or to build tennis courts, as has also blandly been suggested. But other expenses are rightfully the student's. He should assume them for the same reason that he refuses to assume those not responsible to him.

Nevertheless it should also be remembered that most of these costs are fixed costs, and the student's share should be apportioned according to the enrollment.

We ask this protesting group to consider these things, and also to consider carefully the financial proposal that will be presented at the ITSA meeting Tuesday, before it acts further.

This is your money—you should see that it is spent wisely.

Larson