

Welcome Army—

500 ASTP Men Arrive on IIT Campus

Army Unit to Begin Courses On August 9

Arrival of Second Contingent Finishes Trek from Texas

Two hundred and fifty more khaki clad youths, the second contingent of soldiers to be stationed at Illinois Tech for the Army Specialized Training Program, arrived at the Institute Tuesday.

This second group brings the total number of men now stationed here to 500, 250 having arrived July 16.

Since the opening of their college training is not scheduled to begin until August 9, a series of refresher courses will be offered the cadets by the Institute for the next two weeks. The courses, designed to prepare the men for the five fields of engineering in which they will study, will be presented in lectures in the Student Union auditorium.

To be officially welcomed to the Institute by the administrative executives, the cadets attended an orientation conference last Friday in which the principles of their training were discussed.

Speakers at the conference included: Dr. Henry T. Heald, president; Dr. L. E. Grinter, vice-president and dean of the graduate school, J. C. Peebles, dean of engineering; Dr. Charles A. Tibbals, dean of students, and John J. Schommer, athletic director, and Major Clark Hopkins of the Sixth Service Command.

"The unit at Illinois Tech is ideally located as to accommodations and educational facilities," stated Major Hopkins. "The Illinois Tech unit should turn out to be the best of the 22 units in the Sixth Service Command."

Dr. Heald discussed the organization of Illinois Tech and Dean Peebles, the historical background and development of the Institute. Dr. Grinter, Dr. Tibbals, and Mr. Schommer discussed the set-up of the unit and the educational procedure that would be followed.

Courses in mathematics, physics, chemistry, and English, according to the administrators, will be conducted very much as the regular Illinois Tech courses are given. A greater emphasis, however, on the conditions leading to and the causes of the world war will be featured in the presentation of American history. Geography for the soldiers will consist principally of the economic factors involved in world travel and relations.

Physics will be organized so that laboratory periods will be provided, but the course in chemistry will remain just a lecture course for the first term.

ASME to Toss Coin To Decide Election

Handling the funds of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers will be the job of either sophomores James Leichti or junior Robert Burkart. At the meeting last Friday these men were nominated to fill the treasurer's office left vacant when Robert Osborne joined the Army.

James Cubbage, student chairman, says, "As meeting time is precious, this election will probably be decided by the toss of a coin."

The merits of joining a student branch of ASME were told by Professor John I. Yellott. The minutes were read by Clarence White.

First War Casualty on IIT Campus



—Photo by Bruce Kunde

The army truck which overturned when it struck a car at 33rd and State, injuring three of its twenty-one passengers, is shown still resting on its side following the collision.

IIT Has First War Casualty as Car And Army Truck Collide; 3 Soldiers Hurt

The armed forces at Illinois Tech have suffered their first casualties.

Three soldiers, United States army students of the Institute, were injured Thursday morning when a truck in which 21 privates were riding was struck and overturned.

The truck, which was being driven east on Thirty-third street, was

struck by an auto driven by Jim Jones, 6006 South Racine Avenue.

The injured men were: Lewis Tatham, 18, who received a fractured right arm and lacerations about the face; Wallace E. Hilling, 19, lacerations of the face; and Frank Ander, 19, laceration of the hand.

The accident occurred on the corner of State and Thirty-third streets, a corner which Technology News has repeatedly campaigned for more safety regulations in the past.

Through the efforts of the student newspaper, Thirty-third street was declared by city ordinance a through street two years ago.

The Army truck was being driven east on Thirty-third and Jones was coming north on State Street when the two cars collided.

Tatum was treated at Michael-Reese Hospital, and then taken to the Chicago Beach Infirmary. Both Hiling and Ander were treated at Michael-Reese, but were returned to the Armory following treatment.

Jones was booked by the Stanton Avenue police.

Eleven Young Men in Key Positions Give Illinois Tech Youthful Flavor

Illinois Tech is a young man's school.

Proof of that fact is evident in the large enrollment of young engineering students at Illinois Institute of Technology.

But even more proof is offered by Illinois Tech's administrative and directional staff, which includes eleven young men, all experts in their particular fields. They have achieved nation-wide distinction and have received more honors and awards, yet not one of the group is more than 41 years old and two are not yet 30.

Heading the group of young men is President Henry T. Heald, 38 years of age. In 1940 the title, "outstanding young man," was conferred upon him three times, by city, state and nation.

The Chicago Association of Commerce named him the outstanding young man of Chicago for that year, the Illinois Junior Chamber of Commerce conferred the same honor upon him in the state and the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce selected him as one of the ten outstanding young men of America.

Illinois Tech's vice-president, Dr. Linton E. Grinter, is just 40 years old. Serving as dean of the graduate school, Dr. Grinter is a consultant to the Bureau of Training of the War Manpower Commission. In that position he advises the Commission on matters of technical education and training.

41 States, 5 Foreign Nations Represented in Army Unit

Hailing from 41 states of the union, the 500 soldiers billeted for engineering training at Illinois Tech this week represent every state in the United States except Alabama, Idaho, Maine, Mississippi, New Mexico, South Carolina, and Wyoming.

But regardless of their legal addresses, the khaki clad youths all appear native Texans. Each is tanned a swarthy brown after his encampment at Texas A. and M.

The state with the largest delegation is New York. Eighty-four of the men, now stationed in the 108th Engineers Armory, are from the empire state. Pennsylvania with 59, Ohio with 53, Indiana with 32, Illinois with 30, and California with 26 are the other states with large delegations.

Mainly freshman students, who have recently graduated from high schools and have completed their basic training, the soldiers are members of the first contingent of soldiers sent to Illinois Tech. They will study alongside 915 civilians, mainly Chicago and midwestern youths, and 691 Navy apprentice seamen, who represent 31 states and the District of Columbia.

One hundred and fifty-seven of the cadets, according to the first survey of the group, have been enrolled previously in other colleges. The college men have attended 125 of the nation's colleges and universities.

The college with the largest delegation is City College of New York. Seven students were former students there. The University of Washington is second with four students. Indiana University, the University of Pittsburgh, the University of Cincinnati, Wright Junior College, St. Thomas College each have three representatives.

Five of the army students were born in foreign countries. Koan Yee of Jamaica, New York, was born in Canton, China, and lived there 13 years. Gilbert Wagoner of Haw-

thorne, New Jersey, lived in Chile for 12 years. He was born in Osorno, Llanquihue.

The other three with foreign birthplaces are: Isidor Dawer of Brooklyn; Vienna, Austria; Arne Dahl of Bellingham, Washington; Volda, Norway; and Rubin Dakin of Los Angeles; Juarez, Mexico.

William Bartholomew of Portland was born in Manila.

For 15 of the cadets going to school means a monetary sacrifice and a demotion in rank in the army. They had risen to the rank of sergeant when they were made eligible for the army specialized training program. Their stipend as sergeants has now been cut to the \$50 a month basic pay of a cadet.

Tim O'Leary Elected Drama Club Prexy

Officers were elected and plans for a constitution were made at the first meeting of IIT's drama club, the Armour Players.

Tim O'Leary will preside over the group; Ulysses Backas will serve as secretary, and Miss Lou Meyers will be adviser and treasurer. The constitution is being drawn up by Cliff Oliver, Chet Swan, and Herman Mi-rochnich.

Any IIT students with dramatic aspirations are invited to attend the next meeting of the club which will be held on the first Tuesday in August. The meeting place will be announced later. Gamma Theta, honorary IIT fraternity, will announce its pledges at this meeting.

The club will meet once every four weeks, and entertainment will be provided at each meeting.

Lou Wengel 'Man Without Country'

Lou Wengel, coop representative of the ITSA, will retain his office even though there are no more co-ops. That was the decision reached by the ITSA last Tuesday after a short discussion.

It was decided that the board did not possess the power to oust a duly elected student officer in the middle of his term, regardless of the fact that the group he represented is no longer in existence.

IAES to Elect Officers; Aero Options Can Join

New officers of the IIT Student Branch of Aeronautical Sciences will be elected at their first meeting Monday, July 26 in Room 2 AL at 4:00 p.m.

All junior and senior students enrolled in the aeronautical option are invited to join the club by Albert Gail, faculty sponsor, who will preside at the meeting.

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