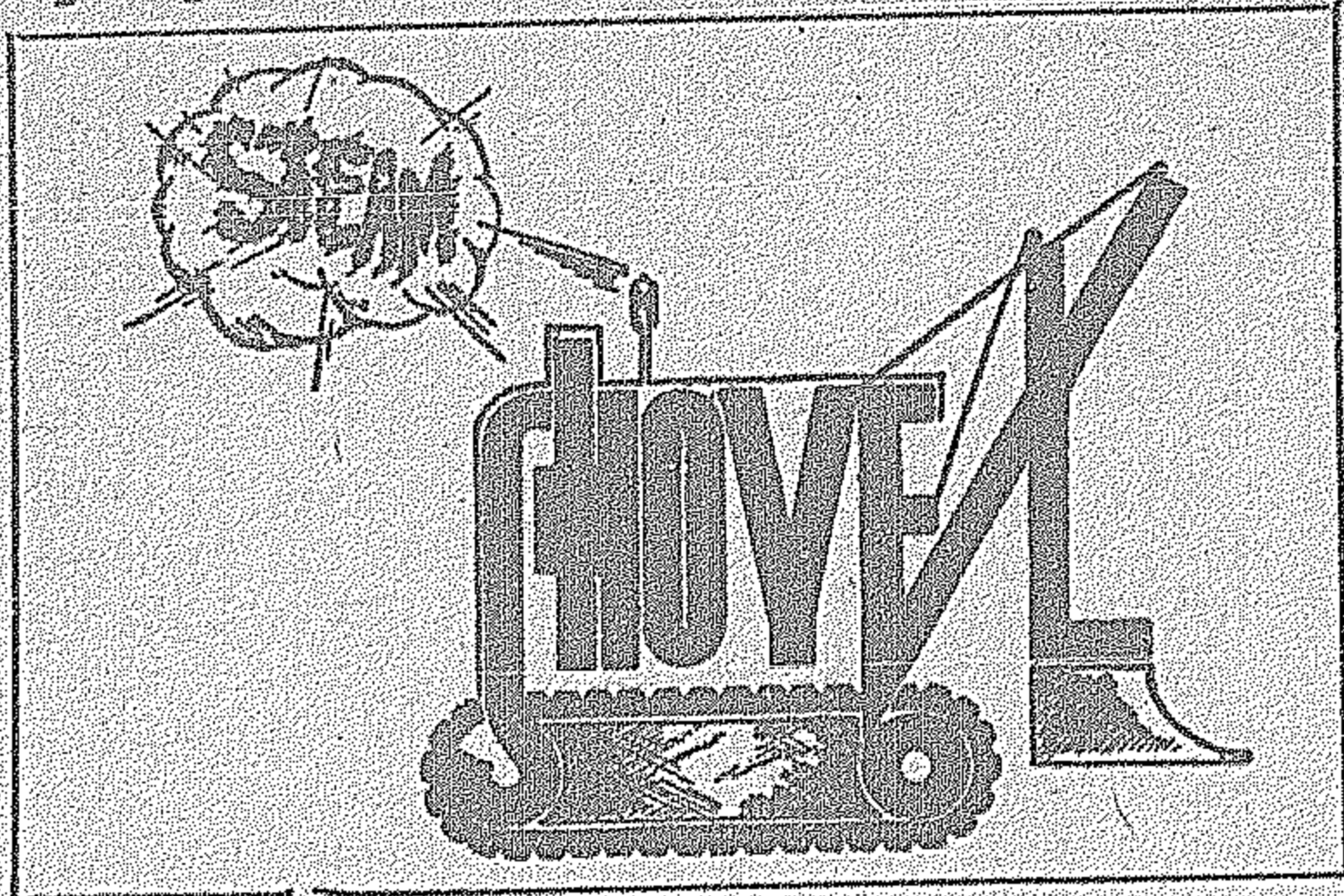


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## Symphony's Popular Concerts Attract Crowds



Nobody wonders why Dottie ("Personality Plus") Jacob got those votes in last week's contest, at least not after seeing how it's done. Eddie ("Wanna buy a vote?") Rabin approached Dot on the subject and soon sold her on the idea. He was all puckered up to collect for his vote, but got kissed on the forehead instead. Quoth Rabin, "Oh, to be about six inches taller, and who knows where I can get a couple dozen ballots?" (Ed. Note: When do the rest of us get paid off?)

It's not only the BTOs who develop the new technique; take Charles ("Shutterbug") Dowd, for example. His "meet-em-in-the-lunchroom" system works as follows: First show camera, and start conversation; next, take picture and get name and address so that print can be delivered. "From there," says Dowd, "Brother, you're on your own!"

Wally ("The Gutter Kid") Grengg is officially ostracized from the gatherings of soph chems, according to a class bulletin. Wally talked a wonderful bowling game, but they caught up with him. The sophs drafted him on the basis of his advertisements when a hole appeared in their bowling team. They changed their minds pretty quickly, however, after the "Gutter Kid" rolled up a smashing 57. Say the chems, "Bah!" Screams Grengg: "They tilted the alley on me!" This column, being strictly neutral in all such matters, has no opinion.

... And still the cradle robbing goes on. Anne Cohen, the 15 year old cousin of Herman Mirachnik, sophomore chemical discloses that she has been the center of attraction for a number of the Rho Deltas at some of their socials. No doubt cousin Herman keeps vigil with a fatherly eye.

Reports coming from the far west, namely Berwyn, throw light on the social side of Herman Nelson, sophomore chemical engineer and student extraordinary. It seems that a week or so ago, Herman was seen entering the local theatre with what appeared from a distance, to be the company of a young lady. Herman denies all the implications, and any further information will be heartily welcomed.

Ray ("Wholesale Lover") Tubergen surprised his brother "Phi Kaps" at a recent fraternity dance when he came an hour late, still without a date. Requests for information brought only a few mumbled unintelligent grunts from IIT's "Beau Brummel." Can it be that Ray is losing his grip and that there was one girl he didn't pick up?

When a phone call came to the *Technology News* Office, and a woman's voice asked for Harry Burkhart, it was only natural for the person who answered it to give it to Harry with the words, "Here you are, Lover". And it was still more natural for Harry to answer it with "Hello, dear". But Harry's face turned an unnatural shade of red when he found that he was speaking to the woman at the Red Cross center from whom he had borrowed the blood donor cartoon for *Technology News*.

Moral:—Don't be too sure of yourself!

This week brings a revival of a feature well loved by post shovel followers. Contributions arrive from the most unusual sources, and no one can tell when his time has come. Purpose: Promote efficiency and smash monopoly. Name: "Stab Your Buddy in the Back," or:

## THE GOAT OF THE WEEK

'Tis fitting to start on the frosh, or rather three of them. Homer Rissman, Ted Merlin, and Marshall Sager have been scrambling after the same chick at the same time. Latest reports say the race is still open and the situation should be investigated. The phone number of the girl under discussion is Sheldrake 1520; investigate, gentleman, the way is open.

Apparently the first of his kind uncovered on the IIT campus, a S.T.O. (Small time Operator) turned up at Armour. The nomination goes to Milton Schwartz, a junior civil, who has been dating the same gal for three years without osculating. Milt claims that although their friendship was "purely platonic," they enjoyed each other's company immensely. It sounded like the same old story but could have been believed until it was heard that the couple was engaged; Milt is not known as a buyer of gold bricks.

BROTHER TINSLEY PHENORTEN

THAT classical music can have a popular appeal has been demonstrated for years by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra. The orchestra's series of popular concerts have attracted capacity houses in the past, and continue to do so. To prove this, try and get a few tickets for a "pop" concert on the day it is to be presented.

The concerts are organized around a theme of presenting classical music that will be recognized by almost anyone who might attend, and then keep the admission price down low enough to admit anyone who wants to attend. A typical program includes Wagner and Strauss, or anything that would provide enough variety to keep the audience interested, explained by concise program notes.

Tickets for alternate Saturday nights are available on the IIT campus until one week before the concert. The usual ticket rates run from 30c to \$1.25 for a box seat, but a 15c reduction is given on tickets bought here on the campus.

In addition to the pop concerts, the Symphony offers another reduced rate service, this one to servicemen. These are admitted for 30c to the Thursday afternoon concerts. Civilians pay \$3.30 for the same seats.

It takes a canine glamor girl to produce a really fine dog picture. At least that's the impression gained after seeing "Lassie Come Home," showing at the United Artists. The story revolves about the travels of the collie, Lassie, after she is taken from her home, and the obstacles she meets.

While the acting honors go to Lassie, she has a fine backing. Most of the characters are simple people, uncomplicated by subtle traits; they are either good people or bad people, and as such, are well brought out by the cast. Topping it all off, is Lassie, who shows surprisingly clear reactions to the situations she meets. It is no less surprising how clearly those emotions of the dog are transferred to the audience while it watches her come home.

## Research Reports—

## Illinois Tech Laboratory Works

## On Locomotive Design for Russia

(Editor's note: This column will present each week a brief report of the various research projects being carried on at IIT. Since *Technology News* is the student newspaper of a technical school, these articles will be of a more technical nature than would be possible in an ordinary newspaper, but they will nevertheless be written in such a manner as to be accessible to the majority of the student body.)

Extending inter-Allied comparison to the Illinois Tech campus, the department of civil engineering is working on a project for the Russian government. Steam locomotive designs are being worked out by Professor Phil Huntley. Much of the present work consists of developing draw bars and connections for locomotives, and proof testing them to determine what loads they can be expected to withstand. The work is further complicated by the fact that all specifications are stated by the Russians in the metric system.

While economics and social sciences are not usually considered to offer much to tempt the research worker a project dealing with just those fields has been launched at Illinois Tech. The problem of supplying adequate long term credit to small business after the war is the matter being investigated, and the work is being done by Rollin H. Simonds, instructor in industrial engineering.

More specifically, Simonds is making an analysis of Assistant Secretary of State Berle's suggestion that governmental credit establish banks

## the alumni corner

Lt. Jack Emrick, A '40, is now on a sight seeing tour (by air) of France, Germany, Austria, Yugoslavia, Greece, and Italy. He claims that he has seen a great deal of Europe from his seat in a Flying Fortress.

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The newly-elected president of the American Society for Testing Materials is Dean Harvey, A '00, who is a materials engineer for Westinghouse. For the past year he has been in Washington as a dollar-a-year man as section chief in the conservation division, War Production Board.

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Beverly Dudley, A '29, is the present editor of "Photo-techniques" and western editor of "Electronics."

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Thirty-three alumni are now members of the Illinois Tech faculty. Outstanding among these are James C. Peebles, A '04, dean of engineering; John J. Schommer, A '12, director of placement and director of athletics; and Stanton E. Winston, A '29, acting chairman of the mechanical engineering department.

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Former captain of the boxing team, Leroy Simpson, IIT '42, is now flying wounded from the Southwest Pacific to fleet hospitals in Hawaii for the Pan American Airways.

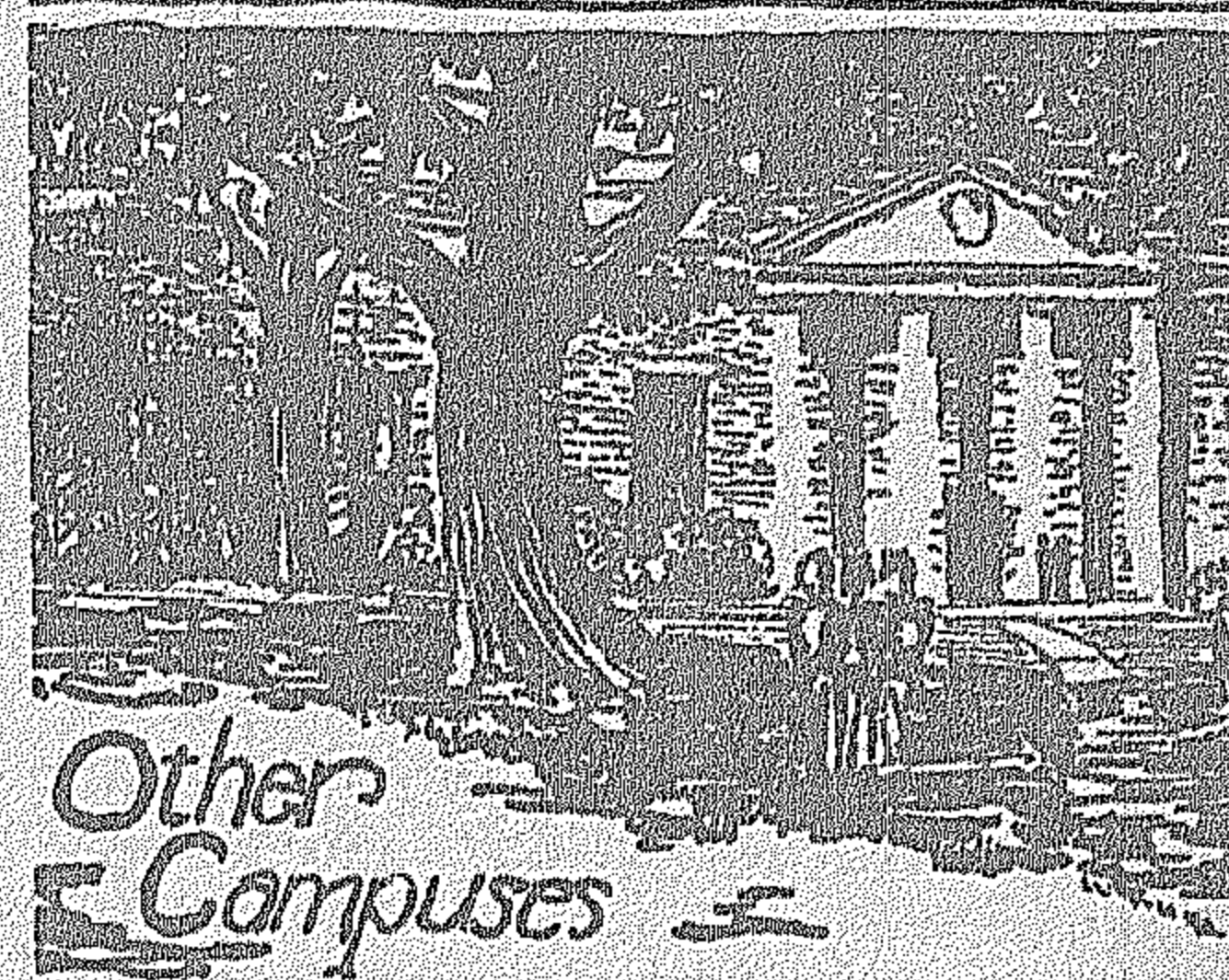
## Such Is Life

"Female Santa Clauses seem to be the style for this Christmas." At least that's what the daily newspapers are reporting these days.

The prospect is novel to say the least, and it could have complications. It's going to be rather hard to explain to the younger generation just why dear old Santa has changed from a bass to a soprano. And how can the kids be made to understand until it is no longer proper to compliment the good saint on how old and fat he looks. After all, a woman's pride will stand only so much.

Then who will it be that's going to sit up and wait to talk with Santa Claus some Christmas Eve? At first glance, it seems that junior will have to decline the honor in favor of his daddy this year. But then how will this be explained to mother? It would be just like Junior to spill the beans.

It's hard work being a Santa this year. People just don't appreciate a girl's position. There was one case where one on Randolph St. had trouble keeping the red britches from falling. The ungallant people just laughed. But such are the personal sacrifices one must make to keep the happy Christmas spirit burning in a wartime world.



Other Compuses

By BURT FRIED

Extensive changes have been made in the mechanical engineering lab reports at Stevens Institute of Technology (Hoboken, N. J.) Previously, a student submitted his report with a discussion included, and his mark was based primarily on this discussion. Now, this section is omitted, and the report consists of object, results, apparatus, computations, and original data. Reports will be marked P or F (passed or failed) instead of being graded. In case of an F grade, the report must be resubmitted and deductions are made for unacceptable reports at the discretion of the instructor. Lab quizzes are given in lieu of the discussion.

The wind tunnel at Georgia Tech (Atlanta, Ga.) was severely damaged by fire last month. The blaze began when an incandescent bulb came into contact with a piece of pyralin. On man was injured in the fire, the heat of which was intense enough to warp several of the girders. It is expected that two months of intensive work will bring the tunnel, and the aeronautics building in which it is located, back to normal.

When Northwestern won its recent 53-6 victory over the University of Illinois, it was no surprise to the Wildcats. For a few days before the game, students in the general psychology class performed an experiment with a Ouija board which indicated that the N.U. would triumph by a score of about 44-6. Evidently, the board was too modest.

Quite a shame from both the masculine and feminine viewpoints is the abolition of mixed swimming for the duration at Lawrence College (Appleton, Wis.) This undeniable hardship is caused by the civilian men's taking over what was formerly the girls' gym locker room, and the coach feels that "even with blinders provided, the set-up might not prove entirely satisfactory". Not satisfactory to whom, one is tempted to ask.

One item from another campus comes from former IIT student Bob Sulzer, now in advanced ASTP at the University of Missouri (Columbia, Mo.). In a recent letter, Bob commented, "IIT should gain a good reputation here. In a recent strength of materials quiz the five high men came from IIT. The more I see of fellows from other schools the more I realize how good IIT was."

University of South Carolina (Columbia, S.C.) students who have served in the armed forces of the United States in this war and who have been honorably discharged from the service are excepted from paying tuition to the university, according to a recent act of the legislature.

Mortar Board, senior women's honorary at Indiana State University, (Bloomington, Ind.) approved a list of flowers and their meanings for a recent dance. Find a girl who is familiar with the code, and it might come in handy. The list included:—pink carnation—a beginner; yellow carnations—backwardness; white carnations—pure but playful; red carnations—playful; red roses—true love; violets—shy; daisies—trustworthy; snapdragons—he knows the answers; poinsettia—blind date.