

DESPITE THE BELATED USE of the theme, this column will begin the new year in the appropriate manner. I do not care to present the numerous idealistic goals toward which everyone has probably been told to strive. I would like to mention my own instead.

For the year of 1944 I resolved to be a good Christian; not a better Christian, but a good Christian. I also prayed that everyone would make a similar resolution. It is always a timely one in any part of any year. That simple phrase can accomplish more than a long list of self made promises even if adhered to only in part.

ALTHOUGH EVERY graduating class since Dean J. C. Peebles has occupied his present office has filled out senior questionnaires, the results of none of these have been seen by him. These forms, which ask the students' opinions on the ability of individual faculty members, the manner in which courses are conducted and how they could be improved, and such other material, can be of great use to the school. The suggestions made by the October class (as seen from only partly completed returns) might have changed some conditions about the campus which are now present. The results, however, were never presented to the Dean.

One person is still compiling the data from the 1942 February class. As far as can be seen, the class graduating next month has done virtually nothing in this regard.

IIT must therefore look to the June class for hearing what students have to say. If anything is to be done, it must be begun now. Unless

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## 10 Men Pledged To Tau Beta Pi

Ten IIT students, outstanding in their achievements as undergraduates, were pledged to Tau Beta Pi, national honorary engineering fraternity, Friday morning in the assembly hall.

Of those pledged six were seniors and four were juniors.

The seniors pledged were George W. Erkert, Victor Graziano, Earl R. Mills, Arnold J. Thompson A/S, George Thyer, and Jesse Lowan Shearer. The four junior pledges are Claus von Fredersdorff, Ronald Lind, Alfred Roberts A/S, John L. Schwemmerger. Last semester there were no junior pledges.

Half of those pledged were chemical engineers, while three were mechanicals and two were electricals.

"Tau Beta Pi honors scholarship, integrity, breadth of interest, character, and the degree of unselfish activity manifested in relations with fellow students", said Bill Parks A/S, president of the fraternity.

Biographies of the pledges follow:

George W. Erkert, a senior chemical engineering major, is a member of the track team, president of AI-

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### Tech Time Table

Monday, Jan. 10

5:30 p.m.—Co-op Bookstore—Stockholders Meeting—Auditorium

Wednesday, Jan. 12

12:30-3:30 p.m.—Graduation Announcement Orders taken—Student Union Lobby

4:00 p.m.—Sigma Xi—202M

5:30 p.m.—Armour Eye Initiation—Armour Eye Clubrooms

Friday, Jan. 14

11:30 a.m.—Senior Class Meeting—305M

12 Noon—Home Economics Club—501 Lewis

Saturday, Jan. 15

8:30 p.m.—Snowball Dance—Lewis Gymnasium

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## Concert to be Held on Jan. 18

### 120 IIT Men to Appear In Goodman Program

The Goodman concert, annual highlight of musical activities here, will be presented this year by the largest musical organizations in IIT history.

The program will be presented at 8:30 p.m., at the Goodman Theater, on Tuesday, January 18. One hundred and twenty IIT, civilian, army, and navy men will participate.

Specialty numbers will include Russian songs by the glee club and two South American numbers by the band. A novel feature will be selections on a vibra-harp to be played in the lobby by William Weathersby as the spectators take their places.

O. Gordon Erickson, musical director, believes that the Goodman Theatre, acoustically speaking, is one of the finest in the country. The modern lighting system will be used to enhance the moods of the various musical pieces.

The naval office here is planning to change the day for navy liberty from Wednesday to Tuesday during the week of the concert so that Navy students will be able to attend.

The cost of admission is 55c for all seats. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the musical organizations.

This concert is the only appearance of the music clubs in the Loop this year.

## Freshmen to Hold First Dance of '44

First freshman social of the new year will be held on January 22, at 8 p.m. in the Student Union Lounge, announced Class President Allen Dimoff. Entitled the "Catches and Matches of '44", the dance will be under the direction of Dimoff and Ted Melin, freshman class social chairman.

Bids will not be sold directly, but will be given out at the door in exchange for receipts to be issued upon payment of the admission price, which has not yet been announced.

## Senior Farewell to Be Cabaret Type Dance at Terrace Casino February 11

### June Grads Elect Puchalski President

Ed Puchalski was elected president of the June graduates, Wednesday, December 22.

In a voting period which lasted from December 22, 1943 to January 4th, 1944, the June graduates also elected Marc Heidmann, vice-president; Harlan Anderson, secretary; Dick Keyes, treasurer; and Tom Artingstal, social chairman.

Three times the graduates voted for a secretary, with Andersen finally winning over Al Purzycki in the third ballot.

Keyes and Heidmann triumphed in the second count, while Puchalski and Artingstal were elected without run-offs.

Appointments for the various committees have been made by the new officers. These are Gordon Fleischer, jewelry; Sid Baker, curriculum; Richard Hood, cap and gown; Ed Neidel, announcements; and Bob La Civita, commencement.

## ITSA Affair to Feature Brown

Warren Brown, sports editor of the Chicago Sun, will be one of the featured speakers at the ITSA Athletic Honor Banquet, January 19.

John J. Schommer, IIT athletic director, arranged for Brown to attend the banquet. Schommer also plans to obtain other speakers of similar note for the occasion, according to Ronald Lind, ITSA first vice-president.

Lind states that the event will be a father-and-son banquet, as has been the practice in the past.

Invitations will be sent out this week. Enclosed will be a card on which students are requested to state whether or not their fathers will attend. A special table will be placed in the Student Union lobby where the cards should be returned, Lind states.

If fathers attend they must pay for the cost of their meals, \$2.80. Approximately 150 to 175 people, in addition to the fathers, are expected to be present.

## Total Modernization of Dynamo Laboratory is Now Underway

### Nine Men Initiated By Pi Delta Epsilon

Formal initiation of nine men into Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalism fraternity, was held yesterday.

Those selected for membership all are or have been active on *Technology News*. They are Reynold Berggren, photo editor; Wilbur Burkhart, feature editor; Ronald Lind, cartoonist; Herman Nelson, assignment editor; James Oldshue, sports editor; and Isabelle Winter, Lewis managing editor.

James Waber, a past editor of *Technology News*, was initiated as an alumni member. He is now studying for his doctor's degree here and was a member of Sphinx, the former campus honorary journalism fraternity.

The ceremonies were held at a banquet in the Swedish Club of Chicago.

The Senior Farewell will take place Friday, February 11, at the Terrace Casino of the Morrison Hotel, scene of the first Integral Dance.

The affair will be a cabaret dance, of the type which has been presented to, and met the approval of, Techmen in the past.

Will Back and his orchestra, who have played for other successful IIT functions, are expected to play for the affair, said ASSC Chairman Mike Coccia A/S.

In addition, Coccia promised a good floor show and said he is endeavoring to put on the most enjoyable event of all the dances of which he has been in charge.

Bids will go on sale in the near future. Sale will be limited to graduates for a definite period, after which June graduates will be permitted to purchase them. No others will be invited.

Those wishing to obtain bids were urged by Coccia to buy early, in order to make sure of getting them. No bids will be sold at the door.

## Purdue's President E. C. Elliot To Be Graduation Speaker

Year's Largest Commencement to Be Held Feb. 21; About 285 Degrees to Be Given

### Valentines Due For Delivery This Week

If you see a downcast soul slowly walking out of the registrar's office this week, you'll know he received a "valentine." Grades for all students were sent to Dean James C. Peebles last week and failing notices will be ready sometime this week.

The navy grades, which are compiled three times each semester, will be used to determine approximately how many replacements will be needed next semester. Contrary to the beliefs of some, those who are failing in two or more subjects now will not be sent to Great Lakes, said Peebles.

IIT's largest graduation of this year will be held February 21, with a ceremony commemorating its 50 years of service. The speaker for the occasion will be E. C. Elliot, president of Purdue University, who notified President Henry T. Heald of his acceptance Friday.

Approximately 285 degrees will be conferred by the Institute, as well as a number of honorary degrees. The baccalaureate sermon will be given by Dr. Harold Roupp at the Central Church on Sunday, Feb. 20.

The majority of the graduating students will be from the south campus with 225 men. The west campus representation will consist of 20 students. Advanced degrees will be awarded to approximately 10 people. The number of honorary degrees to be given has not yet been made public by the executive committee of the board of trustees.

The graduation ceremony will take place in Orchestra Hall and will be carried out by the Honor Marshalls under the direction of C. A. Nash, professor of electrical engineering.

The marshalls will be chosen by Dean J. C. Peebles after February 1. Complete plans for the graduation will have been made by that time. As yet the manner in which the school's fiftieth anniversary is to be observed has not been decided.

## "Snow Ball" to Be Given Saturday in West Campus Gym

Snowballs, ice, and pine cones will fill the atmosphere at the "Snow Ball" dance, to be held Saturday night in the Lewis gym at 8:30 p.m.

The Illinois Tech Navy band, led by Fred Godfrey, will provide the music. This is the first large social event held on the west campus. It is also the first appearance of the Navy band at Lewis. The entire gym floor will be utilized for dancing, while the balcony will be used for consumption of soft drinks which will be on sale at the dance.

The dance is sponsored by the ASSC. It was originally planned by the west campus sophomore class, but since it is an all-school function, management was assumed by the ASSC.

## Ferguson Replaces Lippert, to Manage All IIT Cafeterias

All Institute cafeterias are now under the charge of Miss Elizabeth G. Ferguson.

Previously in charge of the ASTP's cafeteria at the armory, she replaces Miss Vivian C. Lippert, who resigned Jan. 1.

Engaged for several years in restaurant work, Miss Ferguson was recently employed in the cafeteria of the Foote Brothers Gear Company.

Miss Lippert is on a two week vacation, and on her return will be a dietician in a Chicago hospital.

The management of army, navy, and civilian meals will be centralized under Miss Ferguson, said Institute Business Manager Raymond J. Spaerth.

### Minkler Leaves for Navy

Harold Minkler, instructor of technical drawing on the west campus, has resigned his position to enter the armed forces.

Minkler, who is also director of visual education at IIT, has been awarded an ensign's commission in the navy. He will report for active duty on January 28.