

## Ten Engineers Start Operatic Careers; "Met" Performance Features Students

A capacity crowd of more than 3500 people witnessed the debut of 10 IIT men in the Metropolitan Opera "Aida" last Thursday night at the Civic Opera House.

Assisting Zinka Milanov, who played Aida, Leonard Warren who portrayed her father, Amanasoo, and Kurt Baum who sang the tenor role of Rhadames were the aforementioned 10 students, all juniors, acting as supernumeraries.

Bill Craine, Jake Dumelle and Norbert Polifka appeared in three different acts as temple priests. They found out afterwards that they had been the ruling body of the city in which the opera takes place, Memphis, Egypt. It was they who insisted on entombing the hero, Rhadames and the slave girl Aida, according to the interpretation given by Vincent Bicicchi, 3A opera expert, who watched from "out front."

John Berns, Jim Leichti and Marvin Quateman were drafted to become part of the victorious Egyptian army. They appeared on the stage in the grand march of the triumphal scene in the second act. Quateman said, "Now I know why Scotchmen wear kilts. I discovered that it's a lot easier to get my feet into one of the skirted outfits than putting them in pants."

Joe Algino, 3A class treasurer, demonstrated his uprightness in helping carry about a heavy wooden image of a black goat. Elias Hain likewise struggled under the burden of a golden bull.

Joe Kaleba and Ted Grabacki became be-wigged members of the ragged populace which carried banners in honor of the triumphant army's return. One of the smaller boys holding aloft an image of a sacred boat, started to collapse under the load just after leaving the stage. Grabacki, acting instantly, let his 15 foot standard fall, narrowly missing the stage director and saved the image and probably the opera.

## Personnel Course Started by ESMWT

The most concentrated full time War Training course yet given by Illinois Tech was started last week and will end this week.

The course, running from April 24 to May 6, is being given under the ESMWT program, directed by Dean Fred A. Rogers. It is titled "Human Factors in Industry and Management Methods and Labor Laws".

Classes are being held daily from 12:30 to 10:00 p.m. In addition, the class also meets on Saturdays and Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The course includes trips to the Board of Trade, the Museum of Science and Industry, Foote Bros. Gear and Machine Corp., and Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp. Regular classes are being held at 173 W. Madison Street.

The students completing the course will be awarded diplomas at the courses end, Saturday, May 6, at 12:00 noon.

### Tech Time Table

All items appearing in Tech Time Table will be those which are scheduled with Dean Tibbles. No other items will be used.

Monday

5:30 p.m.—Radio Club, Rho Epsilon quarters

Wednesday

4:30 p.m.—Math Club, 105C

6:30-9 p.m.—General dancing, S U lounge

7:8 p.m.—Dance instruction, Auditorium

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## ITSA Minutes

### ITSA MINUTES

The ITSA Board meeting of April 26, 1944, was called to order by President Ronald Lind at 4:40 p.m.

Members present were Don Hedeon, Joseph Kaleba, Joseph Pape, Tom Kilgariff, Viola Sievers, Lorrene Mattern, Al Petronis, Doug Snyder, Dick Michalek, Raymond J. Spaeth, John J. Schommer and President Henry T. Heald. Six students were also present.

Hedeon reported that Edward Arna was elected the freshman representative to the ASSC.

Lind presented for discussion the situation of IIT when all the civilians leave. As set up now the ITSA funds come from the student activity fee, and when the civilians leave there won't be any income. The navy does not pay a student activity fee. Several aspects of this situation were discussed by Heald and Schommer. Spaeth was asked to present a financial statement of the ITSA as soon as possible.

Sievers, Lewis vice-president, stated that the west campus students would like to install the Honor System on their campus. Lind appointed the following committee to aid in the establishing of such a system: Sievers, Mattern, Hedeon, Kilgariff and Marc Heidmann, Honor Board chairman.

A/S Bob Anderson brought up the subject of a modified Junior Week coordinated with the Navy Ball.

Michalek moved, Hedeon seconded, that Junior Week activities be held during the May 26 week end, subject to the approval of the Navy Commandant and the deans.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Robert Negele, Secretary

## Black Announces 7 Rho Epsilon Pledges

Rho Epsilon, radio honorary, pledged seven men last Friday, announced Ken Black, president, today.

The men are Robert Bard, A/S Kenneth Coon, Frank Inami, Russell Kasmar, A/S Ernest Martt, Victor Pavlenko and A/S William Stuart.

The civilian pledges will carry code sending sets to identify themselves to the active members. The pledge period will be climaxed by an informal initiation on May 12, followed by a formal initiation on May 13 at the Swedish Club of Chicago.

Black stated that Bob Reek has been elected secretary to replace Len Chase who has left school to enter the navy.

## AIEE May Arrange Late Meeting Soon

The IIT section of the AIEE is planning an evening meeting, possibly a smoker, in the near future, announced Peter Fritsch, vice-president and program chairman. Fritsch explained that the purpose of an evening meeting is to permit the navy students to attend. The only free hour for students now is 1:30 p.m. Friday and the navy is usually not free at that time. A speaker and a movie will probably be presented.

Last Saturday Fritsch, President Louis Sprung, and Prof. Ernest Freeman, attended an AIEE conference in the Civic Opera Building.

## Alpha Chi Sigma Pledges 13 Chems

Alpha Chi Sigma, professional chemical fraternity, pledged 13 men Tuesday evening.

Those pledges were A/S George Sarvadi, A/S Robert Lasho, A/S Steven Balaban, Roger Tate, Richard Flasckamp, Donald Magnusen, Clarence G. Bergstrom, A/S William Andrew, A/S Carl Legdig, A/S Wesley Muthig, A/S Fred Randal, Robert Swanson and Jack Suriano.

## Four Pledges Named By Sigma Alpha Mu

Sigma Alpha Mu has announced the pledging of four additional men. They are: Sander Steinman, Joseph Levine, Howard Goldman and Robert Horwitz.

## Harris Elected To Honor Board Post

Professor Charles O. Harris was elected as a new faculty adviser of the Honor Board at a meeting held last week. This fact was revealed in a statement by Marc Heidmann, chairman of the board.

Harris will serve with Professor Walter Hendricks, the other faculty member of the board. Heidmann stated further that the board will meet again this week to consider several cases of honor pledge violations.

## Micro Wind Tunnel Added to Auto Lab

A new miniature wind tunnel has been added to the automotive engineering laboratory equipment, announced Daniel Roesch, professor of automotive engineering.

The micro wind tunnel, as it is called, was designed by Professor Roesch for the purpose of measuring small wind drags. The machine, which is small in structure, can measure the drags upon objects accurately to 1/4000 of a pound.

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| These students have left IIT this week to enter the services, according to Dean Peebles' records: |         |
| (A—army, N—navy, MM—merchant marine, M—marines)   |         |
| Leonard Chase   | EE 4 N  |
| William Daughton  | ME 2 N  |
| James Harner  | ME 3 A  |
| Erwin Koci  | ME 3 N  |
| James Kordig  | CHE 3 N |
| Eldred Suhr   | ME 4 N  |
| Lane Wolman   | EE 3 A  |
| Frank Hall  | ME 1 A  |
| Irwin Mejdil  | CR 1 N  |
| Richard Skibbens  | Ch 3 N  |
| Stanley Sourelis  | Ch 2 N  |

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## "Girl-Power" Overpowers IIT Students; Surplus of Women Attracts No Men

Twenty girls were left without partners at the Dance Club last week. About 100 representatives of the fairer sex appeared

Wednesday, with only 80 fellows to take care of them. Joe Rimac, vice-president of the club, expressed hope that any available manpower on the campus will present itself. It is believed that Illinois Tech men can conquer the problem confronting them, and that the girls will no longer be lonely.

The "girlpower" of the Dance Club has steadily increased. From a beginning of only about 30, 100 girls have come to regard the Dance Club as a haven. More and more organizations are represented at the club each week. The list now includes five colleges, one high school, two hospitals, and one railroad.

This Wednesday, as usual, instruction will be given in the lounge from 7 to 8 p.m. A victrola in the assembly hall may be used to provide music for those who do not desire instruction.

The navy swing band, which has proved popular with members according to president A/S Don Felcker, plays for the Dance Club every other week.

## T. M. Moore, Graduate Student, Enters Army

Thomas M. Moore, graduate assistant in chemistry, has left IIT to enter the Army. Moore received his ChE degree here in 1943.

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