

The merger of the Armour and Lewis campus was mentioned in the first Technology News issued October 1, 1940. Ran the story:

"Illinois Institute of Technology, a consolidation of two great technological institutions of learning, Armour Institute and Lewis Institute officially opened its doors on Monday, September 16th, 1940. The new school, with its expanded curriculum, its larger faculty, its increased capital and its enlarged all-around facilities, promises to be the greatest technological institution in the country—second to none—and certainly among the top-ranking schools in the teaching of the arts and sciences.

For the present, Illinois Institute will function as a university made up of two colleges. Armour College of Engineering and Lewis Institute of Arts and Sciences.

It was at a quiet dinner in the faculty club of Armour's Student Union, Friday night, September 20, that a new voice and a new spirit were christened and the last vestiges of separate newspaper management of Armour and Lewis colleges slipped away into oblivion. The result—this, the first issue of Technology News, replacing as channel of student expression, the old Armour Tech News and Lewis News.

For those of us present, who had worked on the old staffs, the event was an exciting one, filled with expectant promise, yet colored somewhat by the pleasant, past associations and pleasant hours of effort together. This was, so to speak, a "New Year's Eve", with the unsung haunting strains of "Old Lang Syne" intermingling with the exuberant cries of "out with old, in with the new". We were presenting you then, please, with your kind permission, a different journalistic philosophy, and unqualifiedly sincere promise of effort, and a volume of enthusiasm. Call it what you will... we called it Technology News.

In the editorial column of the same issue the following aims of the Technology News were presented:

"We of Technology News staff present to you with considerable pleasure this first copy of the "World's Greatest College Newspaper." We hope that you enjoy and will continue to enjoy the material included in these pages.

"Our aim has been to effect a merger (patterned after a larger one) of the material, spirit and staff of two outstanding college newspapers—the Armour Tech News and the Lewis News. If we have not succeeded we would like to know about it. A signed letter to the Editor-in-Chief or to your Managing Editor will receive immediate attention.

(1) Contrary to the practices of some "World's Greatest" publications, the Technology News will confine editorial thoughts to this page and will endeavor to present all the news of interest to the students of Illinois Institute of Technology in a straightforward and unbiased manner.

(2) Editorial printed in these columns will be written on the basis of constructive criticism (favorable or unfavorable) of Institute and national affairs as suggested by student spokesmen—"blowing off of steam" will be discouraged. Students will be encouraged to write their own editorials in the form of signed letters to the editors.

(3) Our feature material will continue along the lines developed in the Armour Tech News and the Lewis News in presenting the "The Most Copied Humor Column in the Middle West" as well as complete gossip coverage of Armour, Lewis and Art Institute divisions.



The field house on the south campus was once used as the student lunchroom... Thirty-four IIT instructors have received degrees from the University of Chicago while only 32 have been conferred degrees from Illinois Tech... Half of the active faculty of the FPE department were once editors of Technology News. JOHN HOMMES was editor of the first Armour newspaper in 1928 while THOMAS HUNTER headed the paper staff in 1939... The first chemical engineering laboratory course in the United States was established at Armour Tech in 1908

Man Of The Week—

Gordon Fleischer, Basketball, Baseball Star, Awarded Blanket

Six foot tall Gordon Fleischer will be awarded the coveted athletic blanket, which is given to outstanding lettermen, upon his graduation June 18.

So far in his five semesters at Armour he has won two major awards in basketball and will no doubt receive another one in baseball for this season.

Arriving at IIT after already having spent two years at Concordia Teachers College in River Forest, Illinois, Gordon soon made a name for himself as an athlete.

This was borne out by the fact that after winning his first award in basketball he was elected to Honor I, honorary lettermen's fraternity, where he soon was elected to the presidency, the position he now holds.

In his two years at Concordia he also won two major awards in basketball and was elected captain of the team before transferring to Illinois Tech. He was also headline editor of the sports department on the student newspaper at Concordia.

As a fraternity man, Gordon is

tops, not only as president of Delta Tau Delta, the social fraternity, but also as president of the Interfraternity Council, the guiding hand of all social fraternities on the campus.

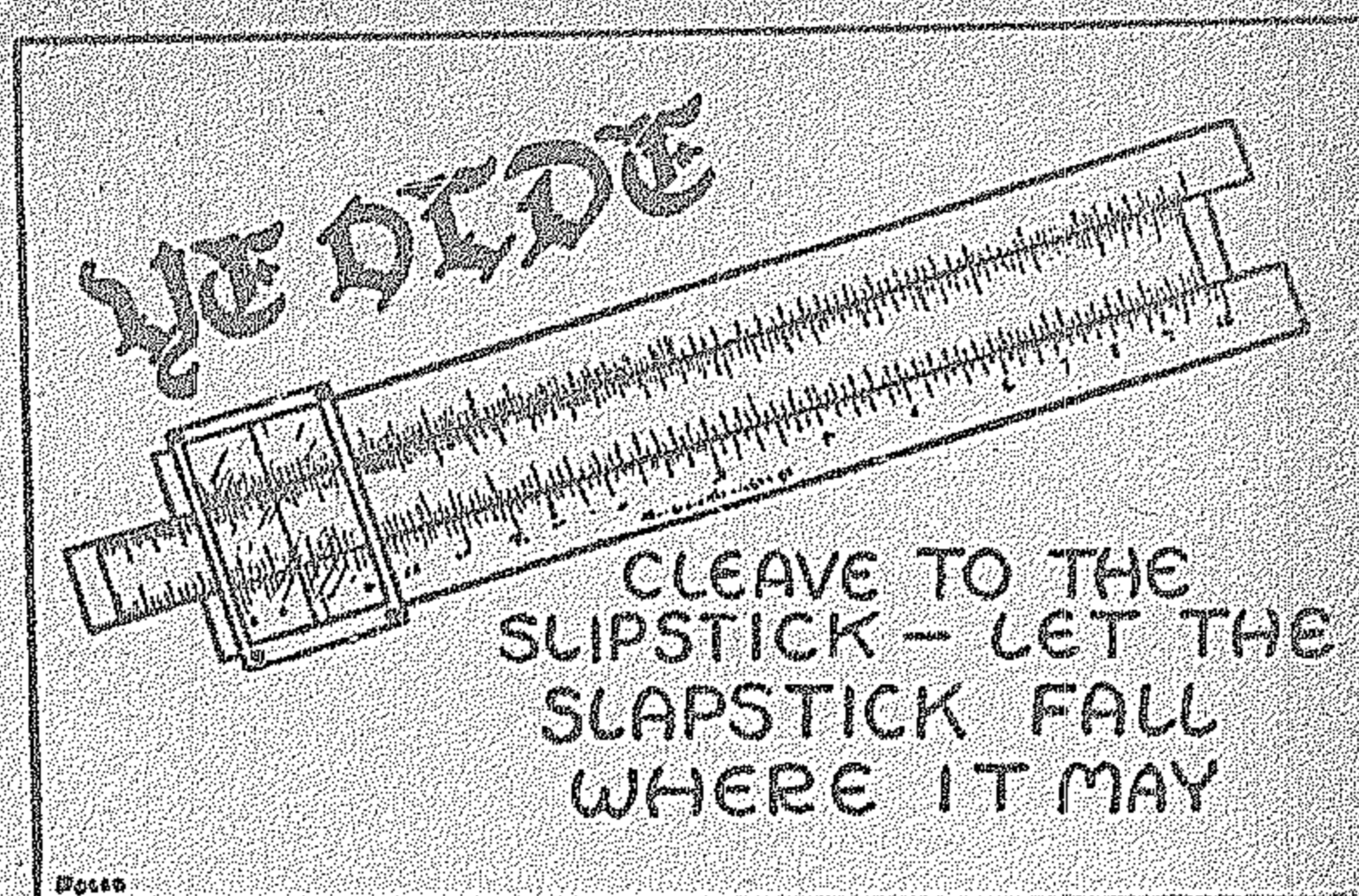
He is a member of AICHE, and of his professional fraternity Alpha Chi Sigma. Gordon also did a good job as chairman of the June graduate jewelry committee.

A touch of the actor was displayed by him during Junior Week when he and two other Senior Chems presented the most humorous, prize-winning skit seen on the campus in some time.

Evening finds him still present on the scene serving as night registrar for ESMWT. In this and other capacities he has been a conspicuous member of the ill reputed "graveyard train."

With the grasping arm of Uncle Sam promising to claim him as a member of the armed forces some time in July, his ambition as a chemical engineer at Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company is temporarily thwarted.

—TOM KILGARIFF



Now that the end of the semester is approaching let us have a little cheer enter our dull days with a few lively jokes?

Mr. Sayer: My wife is scared to death someone will steal her clothes.

Mr. Petronis: Doesn't she have them insured?

Mr. Sayer: She has a better idea. She has some guy stay in the closet and watch them. I found him there the other night.

Negro woman with ten kids—one to ten years old: "Yas, suh, Mr. Census Taker, deys all mine."

"And your husband's dead?"

"He's been dead ten years."

"I thought they were all your children and now you say your husband is dead."

"Yas, suh, but I ain't."

At death Joe Brown admonished his wife that should she ever trifle on him, he would turn over in his grave. A few years later his wife was killed. Ascending to the pearly gates, she met St. Peter, who inquired whom she desired to meet.

"My husband Joe Brown," she replied.

"But," said St. Peter, "we have a great many Joe Browns. Can't you identify him in some way?"

"Yes," she said, "just before he died he told me he would turn over in his grave if I ever trifled."

"Sure," said St. Peter, "I know exactly whom you mean now. You want to see Twirling Joe Brown."

The following sentences are taken out of actual letters received from wives, mothers, fathers, etc., of men who are in the services and who are either making or correcting applications for allotments:

1. Please send me my wife's form to fill out.

2. Please send me a letter and tell me if my husband has made application for a wife and child.

3. This is my eighth child. What are you going to do about it?

4. Sir: I am forwarding my relief certificate and my two children. One is a mistake as you can see.

5. In accordance with your instructions, I gave birth to twins in the inclosed envelope.

"How many times have you been arrested?" "I'm sorry, Judge, but I've lost count. Der ain't anybody offerin' a prize, is der?"

A young couple asked the parson to marry them immediately following the Sunday morning service. When the time came, the minister arose to say:

"Will those who wish to be united in holy bonds of matrimony please come forward?"

There was a great stir as 13 women and one man approached the altar.

The young kindergarten teacher bowed effusively to a gentleman on a bus, then suddenly realized that he was a total stranger. "Oh, I beg your pardon," she stammered, "I mistook you for the father of one of my children."

A gent had a very bad night in which he consumed a very large amount of beer, having a very heavy hang-over the next morning when he stepped into a drug store... Said the clerk, "Would you like a Bromo Seltzer?"... "Oh, my God, no," said the gent, grabbing his head, "I couldn't stand the noise."

A woman tolerates a man for the sake of matrimony but a man tolerates matrimony for the sake of a woman.

Bobby was asking questions: "But, Papa, if God makes some girls brunettes and makes some girls blondes, who makes the red-headed girls?" "You know," replied Papa absently, "I've often wondered."

Dumbell Pome: As you go on thru life, brother, Let this always be your goal, Keep your eye on the doughnut, And not on the—circle inside.

—LARRY VYTAUTAS CERNAUSKAS



Thanks a Million:

The success of the recent Junior Week activities were due entirely to the splendid cooperation that the Junior Marshalls received from everyone in a position to aid them. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them individually.

A large part of the credit belongs to Dean Peebles and Dean Tibbals. Both men gave freely of their time in checking the details of the organization of the Junior Week plans. They also arranged to have classes excused on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. To Dean Walker at Lewis goes a measure of credit and thanks for excusing classes on the West campus.

Another large share of credit belongs to the Navy office. Mr. Anderson, Mr. Hamilton, and Mr. Glancy all went out of their way to see that the plans would have every possibility of success. Particular credit should go to the Navy office for the splendid Navy review which ended the Junior Week activities.

It is my feeling that if the administration, faculty, class officers, and students would cooperate on all activities to the extent that they did with the Junior Week plans, lack of school spirit at IIT would not be a problem.

Larry Johnson
Junior Marshal

Junior Week Bouquets:

On behalf of the Junior Marshalls I would like to thank the following people for their exceptional help and cooperation during the events which took place during Junior Week:

Mr. Butkus for the information and advice that he gave us. Mr. McCauly and Hans Nord and the track team for their cooperation in planning of the Decathlon; Bob Anderson, Bob Thorin, and the ASSC for planning the Navy Ball as a climax of Junior Week activities; "Casey" Pulchalski for his information on and advice; Technology News for the excellent coverage and splendid publicity that the events were given; Rho Epsilon for providing a public address system when it was needed; Mr. Erickson for planning the spring concert and officiating at the Interfraternity sing; The Interfraternity council for their cooperation in planning the Interfraternity sing; Mr. Parduhn and the Maintenance staff for their excellent cooperation when-

ever it was required; the ITSA for financing the activities; the department heads for keeping all laboratories open on Saturday morning and for providing men to answer questions; Dr. Krathwohl, Dottie Jacobs and Marion Lindstrand for acting as judges in the beard growing contest; Dr. Hendricks, Dr. Richter, and Dr. Meech for acting as judges of the skits; the class officers for their cooperation in organizing contestants for the various events; the students of IIT themselves for being interested in and participating in as many events as they could.

Thanks again, everyone.
Don Arenson
Head Junior Marshal

Honor Roll Negligence:

A travesty on our fighting alumni is being perpetrated here on the campus. Men have gone into service and for their valorous deeds in combat, have been promoted to higher ranks. The honor roll containing the names and ranks of many hundreds of our alumni has not as yet been changed. Some who a few months back were privates are now lieutenants; others have attained captaincy ranks. Who's job is it to take care of these notices—they should be changed about once a semester to keep up with the times. Its their duty and responsibility to show that respect to our alumni. Many who come to visit their Alma Mater are disappointed not to see even their names on the honor roll not to mention correct rank or rating. Lets take up this challenge and do some measure of justice to our heroes.

W. T.

The New Bookstore:

In our reorganization program we are trying to improve the service to such an extent that in reality we will have a new bookstore. Of course cooperation must play its part in the making of a good college bookstore.

We are here to serve the needs of the students and the faculty. We will do our utmost to foster harmony in the functioning of the bookstore.

Let us have your help and we will try to show our appreciation.

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Manager—College Bookstore