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Fraternities Still Show Some Life on Illinois Tech Campus

Fraternity life at IIT is not as dead as many students seem to believe. It is a fact that there is a manpower shortage but, nevertheless, there are eight social fraternities at IIT, of which five are active, and seven are nationals. Phi Kappa Sigma has but one member on the south campus, but many alumni and servemen are still members of it. Theta Xi has only six active members, but they hold monthly meetings. Rho Delta Rho was only a local fraternity, and it is now inactive.

The active fraternities include Pi Kappa Phi, Delta Tau Delta, Triangle, Alpha Sigma Phi, and Sigma Alpha Mu. Most of these fraternities meet weekly, and they all participate in fraternity baseball which is now being held. They also have meets in other sports.

Phi Kappa Sigma, now inactive with only one member, is the oldest fraternity at IIT, being founded about 1895. The newest is Alpha Sigma Phi.

A typical example of why fraternity life should not be considered as dead is that which occurred this last week. A Canadian officer passing through Chicago got in touch with Sigma Alpha Mu, and he, being a member of a Canadian chapter, was taken to dinner downtown by fellows of the fraternity.

Servicemen throughout the country are taking advantage of these opportunities offered to them, and appreciate the fact that they do belong to fraternities, even though they are in service and not attending college.

The fraternities at IIT have all had houses in the past, although many of them are now Navy quarters. Triangle, Delta Tau Delta and Sigma Alpha Mu have new houses in Chicago now, because their old houses have been turned over to the navy. The Pi Kappa Phi fraternity house is now Quarters One.

Most IIT professors belong to one of these national social fraternities at school, because they too appreciate their value.

It is a matter of tradition among fraternities to hold an interfraternity sing each year. Although young, Alpha Sigma Phi has won the sing for the last two years.

The largest of the fraternities on the campus is Delta Tau Delta with about 75 members. Pi Kappa Phi though is rapidly growing, and its members now number over forty.

It may be said from this information that the five active national fraternities of IIT are not as sluggish as most students seem to believe, particularly the underclassmen.

Fraternities

Pi Kapp's Dance Will Be at Bismark Hotel

The Walnut Room of the Bismark Hotel will be the site of a dinner dance being held by the Pi Kappa Phi social fraternity next Saturday. Archon Doug Snyder stated that all actives and pledges will attend the gala occasion.

Robert Spitzig, sophomore mechanical, was pledged to the fraternity last Monday. He and the other pledges are planning a comedy to be given during the dinner. There will be a meeting of the pledges on Monday at 5 p.m. and a meeting of the actives on Wednesday at the same time in 401M.

Sigma Alpha Mu to Hold Social Saturday

A social by Sigma Alpha Mu will be held at the home of Meyer Gilden, September 23. The party will be held in honor of the pledges. Among the entertainment will be a burlesque of the members which is to be given by the pledges.

Sander Steinman '46 was given a farewell party by a few of the members. Sander is returning to Great

Lakes for a new assignment.

Alpha Sigma Phi Will Have Dinner Dance

Alpha Sigma Phi is planning a dinner dance to be held in the Tavern Room at the Bismark Hotel.

This was decided at the monthly business meeting in the Old Town Room of the Sherman Hotel. The date of the affair will be September 30, according to A/S Don Heeden, president.

All members of the fraternity are to be invited.

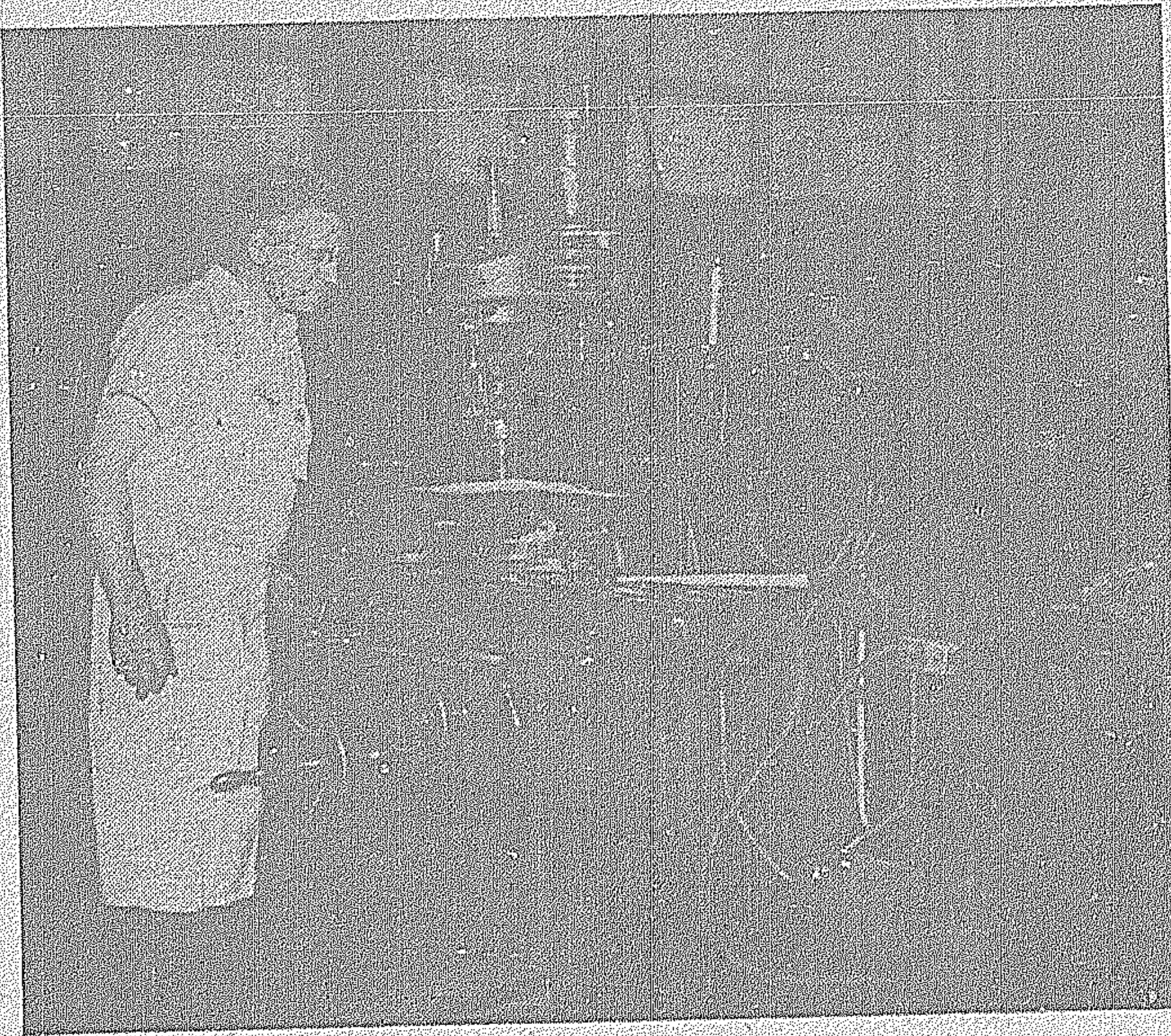
Deltas Plan Hayride; Draft Calls Krahe

Delta Tau Delta is planning a hayride for Saturday, September 23. The ride will start at the Rodeo Riding Stables, according to Art Strong.

Art also disclosed that Larry Krahe is being drafted and that a small farewell party was held in his honor on Saturday.

Last week Gordon Fleischer, a former member now working at the Goodyear Rubber Company, visited the fraternity house.

New ARF Equipment



MACHINERY—This machine was recently installed by the Armour Research Foundation in one of its laboratory buildings. The machine shop was recently moved to the ARF buildings on 34th St.

Bookstore Exhibit Loaned by Kralovec

The souvenirs and curios which appear in the bookstore window have been loaned by Mrs. Grace Kralovec, secretary to the president.

They were received by her from her husband Lt. (j.g.) Otto J. Kralovec who is now serving as engineering officer aboard the USS Elk, an oil tanker. He also served for 15 months aboard the Sawfish, a submarine in the Pacific area.

Mrs. Kralovec has been at IIT for 6 and one-half years. Lt. Kralovec graduated from Lewis in 1940 and later went into service. They were married in January of this year in San Francisco.

The black gown which is in the window was given to Lt. Kralovec by a Chinese priest in Honolulu as a wedding present for his future wife.

Any souvenirs which Illinois Tech veterans may want to lend to the bookstore for the students to view may be turned in to Mr. Alfred Bruhn.

Banquet Sponsored For All Honoraries

The Interhonorary Council is sponsoring a banquet for all members of IIT honorary societies on October 4. The place has not been designated as yet. The president of Pi Tau Sigma is in charge of the arrangements committee.

Faculty members may attend the banquet, together with the undergraduates, if they so desire. The main feature of the program will be a prominent speaker, according to John Schwemberger, the council president. The man who will address the banquet has not yet been decided upon.

Officers Are 65% Of Service Alumni

Approximately 65 percent of the 1,825 IIT alumni in the service are commissioned officers, according to the alumni office.

Major General Charles L. Bolte, '18, is the highest ranking officer of the IIT alumni. Bolte received his degree in chemical engineering.

Of the 12 women in service, one of them is a prisoner of war. She is Alice Hahn '43 who was a nurse at Bataan. Miss Hahn is at the Santa Tomas Internment Camp, Manila, P. I.

Twenty-three men have been killed in service.

Bookstore to Get More Slide Rules, Sell Odd Books

Alfred Bruhn, head of the bookstore, has announced that more slide rules will be available by the first of October. He also said that odd lots of books will be put on sale next week at cut prices.

INTRAMURAL SOFTBALL SCHEDULE MONDAY

5:00-6:00
Senior Mechs vs. Freshman Socks

TUESDAY

5:00-6:00
Senior Mechs vs. Junior Mechs
Senior Chems vs. Soph-Isticates

WEDNESDAY

11:00-12:00
Senior Mechs vs. Freshman Flashes
5:00-6:00
Lewisites vs. Freshman Flashes

Proctors Needed in Human Engineering

The Human Engineering Lab, which is run by Johnson O'Connor, is in dire need of more proctors who are qualified to give special tests. These people must have had a college education, preferably scientific, or a liberal arts course which included much science. To qualify for this job, one must not have majored in psychology. Quoting O'Connor: "Our ideas and those of psychologists do not agree. Aside from that our data is gathered on a purely scientific basis, whereas psychology is merely based on opinions." It is a generally conceded fact that O'Connor is looked down upon by most leading psychologists and psychiatrists.

Salter to Talk At Next ASCE Meeting

George S. Salter, a member of the department of subways and superhighways, will be the guest speaker at the ASCE meeting to be held September 20, Room 220C, at 11:00 a.m.

Salter will speak about the design and construction of the Chicago subway, and his talk will be accompanied with movies.

Salter was at one time the secretary of the Illinois section of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

ARF Installs Two New Electronic Instruments

A graphic ammeter has just been installed by the ARF. This instrument will be used to record varying currents in connection with acoustical measurements. The intensity of the sound is indicated by the meter.

This unit is very sensitive, having a range of zero to one milliamper. It entailed a cost of \$450.00 and was built by the Esterline Angus Company.

Another new electronic device added to the equipment of the ARF is a megohmmeter. This measures very high resistances from 100,000 ohms to 1000 megohms. It was built by the General Radio Company.

Math Review Hour Planned

A weekly supervised study period will be held by the mathematics department every Wednesday evening, James C. Peebles, dean of engineering, revealed today. One or more professors will be in 305M from 7 to 9 p.m.

This action was taken, according to Peebles, because 50% of the navy students taking Math 202 were found to be getting a grade of D or E in the midterm reports.

At a meeting of the calculus professors and the dean last Friday, it was decided to change the calculus text book as soon as possible. The change will probably occur sometime this term.

Lt. Wayne A. Hamilton, commanding officer of the V-12 unit, stated today that although the Wednesday meetings are being held principally for navy students who are not doing well, at present attendance will not be compulsory. However, he stated that this will be an opportunity for all mathematics students to improve their work.

Use of Orientation Scores Is Advised

IIT students who may be inducted this semester should get a copy of their orientation test scores.

This is the recommendation of Prof. William C. Krathwohl, who is director of the department of educational tests and measurements.

According to Krathwohl many classification officers are familiar with the IIT orientation tests and will give them important consideration. With the exception of one special test, all the ones given here are the best standard ones available. Therefore, the tests given here may mean more than a student's score on the Army General Classification Test.

In any case, Krathwohl stated, a copy of the IIT scores could not do any harm. If a student's score is too low to be a credit, he may of course disregard it.

The department's office is located on the fourth floor, third entrance of Chapin Hall.

11 Items in "Lucky Bag" Await Rescue

There are eleven items in the V-12 unit "lucky bag", according to the latest inventory. A complete list of the articles is: one "Elementary Surveying", two small loose leaf notebooks, two bound notebooks, one cardboard protractor, one metal protractor, one blue raincoat and one gray raincoat.

According to Larry Lingnor, storekeeper 3/c, these articles may be gotten back by working off extra-duty. Lt. M. P. Anderson will evaluate the articles and the owners will work off their value at the rate of \$1.00 an hour.

Wade May Be Gone Till Next Semester

Professor Frank H. Wade, assistant professor of applied mechanics, has been ill since September 5, and may not be able to return to school before the present term is over. He is suffering from an illness which occurred last year.

According to C. O. Harris, head of the mechanics department, Wade was popular with the students, but other instructors must take over his classes until he returns. Wade has been at Illinois Tech since 1909.

Another Member of Math Club Will Conduct Meeting

A few diophantine equations were discussed at the last meeting of the Math Club. Norbert Kaufman led the discussion. The next meeting will be held September 20 at 11 a.m. in Room 105C. Again the meeting will be led by a member of the club.