

THE HONOR SYSTEM situation at IIT has gone from bad to worse during the past semester, with little immediate prospect of its becoming better. Most of the students seem indifferent to the system, and a few have used the freedom afforded under that system to enable themselves to cheat easily on exams.

The present situation certainly must not be allowed to last indefinitely. The mere fact that the honor system is desirable is no excuse for the common attitude "The honor system is now an IIT tradition and should not be thrown away."

The honor system is not an Illinois Tech tradition—it is still an experiment. If it fails it should be discarded, not kept as a so-called tradition.

I personally want to see the honor system again become workable, but it cannot become so unless all the students make an endeavor to support it wholeheartedly.

The first step in such a program is an educational one. Students should be enlightened on what the board is doing and will do in the future. The board should prepare for publication reports on its meetings and the final decisions taken in all cases (omitting of course the names of the individuals involved). In that way the students and faculty will have at last some idea how the honor system is functioning.

From the results of this and similar surveys it will be much easier to determine how the honor system can be improved; and then the proper action should be taken.

Elsewhere in this issue is printed such a summarizing report on the cases already handled by the honor board.

The important thing is not to delay. The honor system is one of the most important problems facing the student body, and should be solved as soon as possible.

PI TAU SIGMA is now taking the lead in an important project, namely sponsoring tutoring classes for underclassmen. This honorary has volunteered to find out what the general student reaction to this will be. The next step is up to the sophomores and freshmen. If they attend these free tutoring classes, the other honoraries will join with Pi Tau Sigma in introducing more such classes. If very few students take advantage of this program, naturally the honoraries will become discouraged. (See AS-I SEE IT on Page 5)

Honor Board Has Found 93 Students Guilty to Date; Three Dropped From IIT

Despite the little publicity that the Honor Board has received, they have acted upon many of the violators of the honor system. To date there have been 93 such cases acted upon.

A number of things are taken into consideration in deciding the severity of the punishment. Whether the defendant has been before the board before is taken into account. The flagrancy of the violation is also a deciding factor. With these facts and the subsequent evidence in mind, the board then arrives at a decision.

The board can recommend that the violator either be dropped from school, failed in the course, marked down on the particular quiz, or be cleared. The violator may also be placed on probation with the understanding that another violation will bring a recommendation that he be dropped from school. There have been three such cases to date.

Cases of cheating are often reported by students in the class where the violations occur or by professors who detect a similarity in quiz papers. Many cases occur in which one defendant says one thing, but when the other defendant comes up, he says something entirely different. The usual procedure for men who have been reported for cheating in a quiz and have admitted it is to give

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Tau Beta Pi Pledges



HIGH HONOR MEN—Eight students were pledged to Tau Beta Pi, all engineering honorary, last Wednesday. They are: (Front row, left to right) John Hiramoto, Take Taniguchi, Alton Sept and Herman Nelson. In the rear row (left to right) are Karl Bruegmann, John Mitchell, Joseph Odehnal, and Robert Thurston.

Tau Beta Pi Pledges 8 Men At General Student Assembly

Eight men were pledged to Tau Beta Pi last Wednesday at a general student assembly. These eight men included three mechanicals, three electricals, one civil and one chemical engineering student.

GW Enrollment To Be Reduced

A reduction to approximately 140 trainees will take place in the George Williams section of the Illinois Tech V-12 unit next term, according to James C. Peebles, dean of engineering. There are 285 trainees there at present. The Armour section will be reduced from 406 to about 385.

Of the 120 second semester freshmen now at George Williams, approximately 80 will be retained. The other 40 will be sent to other schools in the navy screening program. Of the 80 to be retained about 50 who are studying electrical engineering will be sent to the Armour section. Most of the remaining 30 men, who are studying mechanical engineering, will stay at George Williams. The men who are now sophomores in either mechanical or electrical engineering will probably be stationed at Armour.

The list of students as they were introduced to the students is as follows:

Karl A. Bruegmann, senior mechanical engineer, is president of Pi Tau Sigma, honorary mechanical engineering fraternity, a member of ASME and the wrestling squad. He won an Isodore Prenner scholarship, and has earned all of his college expenses. He was valedictorian of his high school class.

John J. Hiramoto, senior civil engineer, is president of the ASCE and Chi Epsilon, honorary civil engineering fraternity. He was also a member of the baseball team. A transfer student from Stockton Jr. College, Stockton, California, he has earned all of his college expenses.

John N. Mitchell, senior electrical engineer, a transfer student from Central YMCA College, is a pledge to Eta Kappa Nu, honorary electrical engineering fraternity. He has earned all of his expenses by having a full-time job. He has a scholarship both at Central Y and at IIT.

Joseph J. Odehnal, senior electrical engineer, is secretary of the AIEE, a member of the radio club and Eta Kappa Nu, honorary electrical engineering fraternity. He is a transfer student from Morton Junior College and earned all of his expenses while a civilian.

Alton E. Sept, senior electrical engineer is president of the AIEE, vice-president of Rho Epsilon, professional radio engineering fraternity, a member of Eta Kappa Nu, honorary electrical engineering fraternity, and the radio club. He is a (See TAU BETA PI on Page 5)

Dr. Freud to Address IIT V-12 Unit on Friday

"Chemistry in Tomorrow's World" will be the topic of a talk to be presented by Dr. Benjamin Freud to the seamen in the Armour section of the Illinois Tech V12 unit next Friday morning. This fact was revealed by Lt. M. P. Andersen, executive officer of the unit.

Freud, who is chairman of the department of chemistry, will strive to bring out the possible effects of progress in chemistry on the industrial and social structure of society. At the same time he will indicate the opportunities of graduates in chemistry and chemical engineering.

Revised ITSA Constitution Now Ready for Vote of Students

The entire IIT student body will have an opportunity Wednesday to vote on the revised ITSA Constitution. The ITSA Board of Control approved the revisions made by the committee, and now the students have an opportunity to voice their final approval or disapproval of the measure.

Senior Dance Bid Sales Lag

There is a definite lag in the sale of bids for the Senior Farewell, according to Henry Koci, 4B president.

More bids must be sold by Wednesday. The sale of bids will be between 11 and 12 a.m. daily in the lobby of the Student Union, he stated further.

The following students are also selling bids: John DeCook, A/S Dick Michalek, A/S George Schober, Joe Kaleba, Bob Kasnicka, Joe Algino, Larry Cernauskas and Clare Puchalski.

A fair amount of bids must be sold by the Wednesday deadline in order to sign contracts engaging the band and the room. Bids will also be sold after Wednesday, but the committee requested that those who cannot buy the bids by Wednesday should make notification of their intent to attend the farewell.

Koci wants to stress the importance of this last affair of the present senior class. It is a climax of many years of schooling and "sweat". The bids will cost \$3.50 plus the government tax. The dance is October 7, at the Medinah Club.

Fordham Awarded Admiral's Citation

"For meritorious and efficient performance while under fire," former Aviation Radio Man 1/c Robert Fordham received a citation from Admiral Chester W. Nimitz last Thursday at a general assembly of the George Williams section of the V-12 unit.

The citation reads that "in the face of intense antiaircraft" Fordham, by his action as aerial gunner aboard a dive bomber, materially aided the pilot in completing his run. This was for action over Rabaul.

Pi Tau Sigma to Begin Tutoring Classes Tomorrow for Undergraduate Students

Pi Tau Sigma, national mechanical engineering honorary society, will begin tutoring classes tomorrow.

The tutors will be regular members of Pi Tau Sigma. The classes will be held in 302 Machinery Hall.

V-12 to Be Judged For Officer Rating

Men in the Illinois Tech V-12 unit will henceforth be judged for officer qualifications, according to Lt. Wayne A. Hamilton, commanding officer. The grade the men receive in this field will be strongly considered when making decisions as to where the men will go at the term's end. It will probably be considered about as highly as the seaman's academic record.

The officer rating will go on the seaman's permanent record.

ASSC Makes Final Plans Wednesday for Dance

Final plans for the forthcoming dance will be made by the ASSC this Wednesday, according to A/S George Schober.

Schober also stated that all members of the ASSC must attend the meeting because the final plans of the dance to be held October 14, will be presented.

A three-fourths majority of the votes cast is required for passage of this new document. The election will be held on both campuses, and voting will be conducted by members of the constitutional committee.

Several weeks ago a first draft of the revised constitution was printed in *Technology News*. However, several additional changes have been made since.

The principal changes made in revising the old constitution are the following:

First of all the references to Armour College of Engineering have been changed to read as engineering, and likewise Lewis will be called arts and sciences.

One additional sentence has been added to the article concerning objects of the organization: "Ex officio control over the Honor Board"

The ITSA Board of control will now consist of 16 members instead of 15. Of these, eight will represent the engineering student body, three the college of arts and sciences, one the IIT student body as a whole and four the Illinois Institute of Technology.

To the duties of the first vice-president has been added the task of checking to see whether or not the actions of the ITSA Board are according to the constitution.

In a new article added to the constitution, it is specified that by-laws can be amended or suspended by a two-thirds quorum of the Board of Control. Notice of such action to be taken must be brought up at a previous meeting. A quorum of the ITSA Board of Control shall consist of eleven chosen members.

An addition has been made to the by-laws concerning class elections. It states:

"Primary elections for class officers shall be held within three weeks (See CONSTITUTION on Page 5)

Chi Epsilon Pledges 2 Students, 1 Prof.

Chi Epsilon, honorary civil engineering fraternity, pledged two students and one professor at the close of the ASCE meeting last Wednesday.

The following men were pledged: Prof. Victor L. Streeter, Selwyn Goldblatt, and A/S Herbert Miller.

Scholarship is not the only prerequisite for Chi Epsilon membership. Leadership, school activities and personality are other important membership requirements.

Skolnick Conducts Talk At Math Club Meeting

The Lorentz group transportation and application to special relativity was discussed at the last meeting of the Math Club. Willard Skolnick, sophomore electrical, led the discussion.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, September 27, in room 105 Chapin.

Anyone is eligible to attend the classes. The tutors will be seniors or second semester juniors and will give help to anyone in any course they have had.

The tutoring classes will run from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., with a regular schedule of Pi Tau Sigmas on duty every period, five days a week.

Anyone is eligible to help in the tutoring, provided they are qualified. The classes will be of particular benefit to frosh and sophomores because the Pi Tau Sigmas will have taken the courses in which these students will receive aid. The main courses in which aid is being offered are math, physics, chemistry, mechanics, and elementary mechanics.

The help will be individual and aid is offered only to students who come of their own volition. The other honorary fraternities on campus will also provide tutors later, but Pi Tau Sigma is blazing the trail.

Pi Tau Sigma is beginning these tutoring classes on the suggestion of *Technology News* made a few weeks ago. A year ago members of some of the honoraries conducted tutoring for those taking freshman physics.