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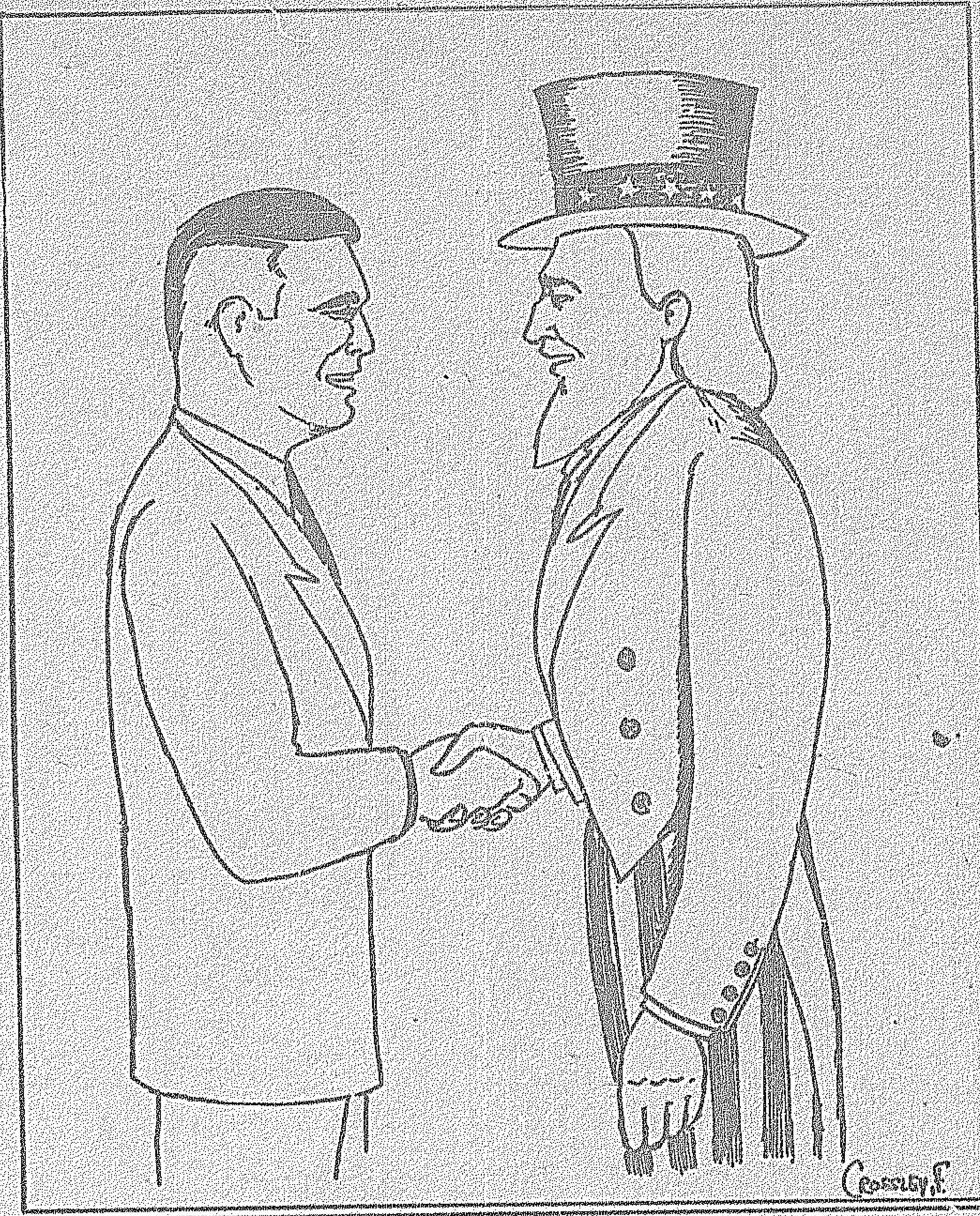
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## IIT's Reward For Good Work



## Man Of The Week—

### Versatility of Interests Marks Illinois Tech Career of Arenson

Don Arenson, the youngest senior at the Institute, is one of the most active students on the campus. Arenson, who is 18, came to IIT in September 1942 on a freshman scholarship, and from that time, his wide range of interests have taken him into a large number of campus organizations and student posts.

Arenson came to IIT from the Roger Sullivan high school where he was a letterman in sports and president of the chemistry club. He might never have enrolled here if a friend had not persuaded him to take the freshman scholarship examination which he passed without much trouble.

At the beginning of his sophomore year, Arenson became interested in the Co-operative Bookstore and started working as a clerk. In about a week's time he was elected president of that organization and held the post until a recent election.

At about the same time Arenson became co-founder of the fellowship of Rochdale, a group of honor students who have put in considerable time and effort working on the Co-op. Arenson was and is first president of that organization.

In his junior year Arenson became head Junior Marshal and Armour editor of the Integral.

His many other interests have led Arenson to become a member of the Rifle team, Rifle Club, Drama Club, and the now inactive Fencing Team. He is now secretary of Armour Eye.

Arenson's hobbies according to his own statement consist of "women, tennis, women, swimming, and ice skating".

Arenson's vocational interest is biophysics, which is a relatively new branch of science with many possibilities for research.



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## ITSA Constitution

This Wednesday the student body will at last have its opportunity to vote on the ITSA Constitution. After being referred back to the committee an innumerable number of times, it is now in its final form. The ITSA Board has approved the changes, and now it is up to the students to decide whether it should be accepted or not.

Many people about school thought that this voting day would never come, or at least not for a long time. Now, however, the ITSA has actually completed all the revisions it desires and throws the opportunity to the student body to approve or reject this document.

The whole student body should go to the polls Wednesday to vote on this important issue; it is important because it affects them directly. Here is the chance for those perpetual complainers to help build a better student government system at IIT.

The changes made in the constitution are not many, but those made are designed to correct existing faults in the student governing system. For the convenience of those interested in promoting better student government at Illinois Tech, these general revisions are discussed elsewhere in this issue. The whole student body should read them over.

If you are dissatisfied with the new constitution, vote against it. If you believe that it is satisfactory indicate so when you vote. The important thing is to vote intelligently Wednesday.

## IIT's War Effort

"For meritorious service above and beyond the call of duty"; this is the way the citations to American war heroes on the far flung battle fronts read. It is the way that citations to American colleges might well read in recognition of their splendid effort in this all-out world war.

As one of the leaders in this effort, Illinois Tech has done more than its share to earn the Ordinance Distinguished Service Award which it will receive October 11. An examination of the Institute's wide educational program substantiates this statement.

For example, over 41,000 Chicago war workers have received instruction since Pearl Harbor in Illinois Tech's war training program. More than 4300 men were trained for the Signal Corps during 1942 and 1943. At the present time almost 150 women are being trained at Lewis now as Signal Corps inspectors.

Then too, the gigantic tasks of training the 690 sailors in the V-12 unit and the over 500 ASPT men that were until recently stationed on the campus cannot be forgotten.

Yes, Illinois Tech has truly earned the citation which it is about to receive. It is fitting that the army has chosen to recognize this exceptional effort.

## ... Techman Talking

By CHARLES O. HARRIS, Associate Professor of Mechanics

*The job of going to college is like any other in that one must be skillful at it in order to do it well. Unfortunately, most of us don't learn how to go to college until sometime after we are through. In my own case, having been enrolled as a student in five different colleges, worked briefly in engineering practice and, finally, taught for ten years in an engineering college, I feel that I have reached the point where I could do a really good job of going to college if I could start over now.*

*I would realize that the most valuable things I could learn are habits of thinking and working. If I managed to acquire them, the technical information would come as a matter of course. In moments of impatience, when I felt that the course wasn't practical enough, I would recall one instructor whom I hated when I was in his class but admired and respected two years later when I realized how much he had helped me to correct slipshod habits of work.*

*I would not hesitate to ask questions and I would try to find out just what I was supposed to learn in each course. I wish now that I had done this in freshman English because I still don't know what the object of that course was. I would know that any instructor welcomes questions because he is really trying to help students learn and not trying to see how many he can flunk.*

*I would realize that in four years of college I would spend about 3000 hours in class room and laboratory and, that if I could learn one thing in each of them, I would know much more than I do now. At the same time, I would not overestimate the value of any one of them and if something of greater importance occurred I would not be a slave to a schedule. In my college days I put this principle to practical test during the hunting season each fall.*

*Finally, and very important, I would take a much greater part in extra-curricular activities than I did the first time because I know now what I missed by neglecting them.*



Last week's diggings tired us out so much we almost didn't make dead-line this week. But people have been turning in tips like mad, and we just had to get the old Shovel out of storage. Maybe some day we'll hock the Shovel and retire to a well earned rest. (Ed. note: "You guys are always resting.") Hey, how did that sneak in? You know we really spend sleepless nights worrying about the troubles all you nice people get into. Oh, well, that's life; so here's the bitter that somehow got mixed in with the better.

Looks like the restriction put on Donnie Lange has proven too much for him. Can't see what else it could be after hearing of the latest of his antics. Seems Donnie was running around Quarters #7 last week with lipstick plastered all over his lips. This wasn't bad enough; he even went around planting large smacks on his quarters-mates. This puts him one ahead of A/S Art Larson of the same quarters who came in from liberty a week ago with a bright shade of "flaming fire" nail polish. Those boys from seven must really be hot stuff. Don't see why some of the eligible males on the campus don't try dating them?

They're all talking at Lewis (especially the girls) about one Dan Thomas who seems impervious to the wiles of the female forte. Dan is the boy reputed to spend 99 44/100% of his time studying. Maybe Dan thinks the girls at Lewis are just not up in his class, but we wonder why he had to revert to taking his cousin to the Kiva theater party of "Oklahoma". Could it be that in this time of a man power shortage he couldn't get a date?

A little note was dropped in our mail box this morning about A/S Phil Jansen. Phil, you remember, was linked in this column with one of the outer secretaries on our campus. Some good people hereabouts are worried about his welfare for we've been informed that he's been spending his time lately with someone called Mary. Wonder who's giving who the business? At any rate it was awful nice of our informant, don't you think?

"Hearts and flowers" are in order for Don (I kissed seven girls at the Integral Ball) Arenson. Irresistible Don is pining for someone who belongs to someone else. Our hearts beat for the boy what has to beat them off (just ask him).

The time is upon us again when we must award the golden green banana. This week's situation is quite different to say the least. Last Thursday morning the Navy V-12 unit had bananas for breakfast—unripe bananas. Result: The navy boys are the uncontested possessors of the green banana this week.

Your faithful servants couldn't quite decide between this next item and the last for the green banana award—it was that close. A/S Art Eger was taking his steady home a week ago Saturday from one of their dates. When he neared her home, Art decided to turn left instead of right so he could "spend more time with her". The young lady, however, balked vigorously. Words were exchanged after which the demure damsel overpowered Art and stopped the car! Thereupon, he concluded that he'd better take her right home. Sad, sad; and the male is supposed to be the stronger of the sexes. Maybe she's a lady wrestler!

Hear about the fate that has befallen Herman Nelson, co-editor of this sheet? Seems that Helen Kluber, Lewis freshman who went to his high school, is setting traps for our boy. Quote Helen, He's cute, unquote. Well!!!

Warning to A/S Harvey Keith of Quarters 3—(he's been boasting that no "line", no matter how good, could take his frail from him)—Fred Olson, sophomore mechanical, is taking up your challenge. Fred's "line" is a sleek convertible. Well, it's your battle; hope you make the best of it.

Hickery dickery dock; the mouse ran up the clock—and jammed the works. And that's why Bob Kasnicka is always late to his 9 o'clock conn law class. Av, that's a fairy tale. Could the real reason be that Nancy C. gets to work about that time? Hmmm?

Our eyes are heavy, the lights are growing dim, again we must say hasta la vista. Come next week and your slaves will once more bid your pleasures. Meanwhile, be good or "it" might get you, and Mammie Yokum might not be around to protect you. If "it" doesn't get you, we will. Hhheeeaaaaa!!!