

## Campus COMMENTS

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### LETTER OF THE WEEK: An Honor Attitude

There are many navy V-12 students here who don't want to be engineers after the war, in fact, there are some here who don't even want the education they are being offered. The attitude of most of these men is to get the answers any way they can in order to pass and stay here. They probably realize that they can't learn by cheating, but they don't care because they don't want to learn.

## Collegiate World

A "browsing room" to enable students to examine and read rare editions of books and publications has been opened at the Milwaukee State Teachers College. The room, inaugurated in 1938, has a grant of \$6,000 with which it intends to purchase the reading material.

One of the finest things attempted by a college to aid overseas servicemen to continue their education is the correspondence course inaugurated by De Paul University. The course material will be given to the American Red Cross who will distribute it to American servicemen interned in European prison camps. The Red Cross will also be instructed in methods of grading and collecting the work to save time and delay in sending the work back to the U.S. The president of the university states that regular college credit will be given for all work completed.

The "old college spirit" pervaded the University of Chicago recently. A group of students decided that the communistic flag would look well flying from the campus flag pole! So they ran up the red hammer and sickle banner. The pranksters then cut the halyards so that the flag couldn't be lowered. To further complicate matters, the pole was 90 feet tall while the tallest ladder on the campus was only 65 feet long! How the flag was eventually removed is still a campus mystery.

—A/S ALLAN KUKRAL

Recently one of the V-12 students here wrote to his brother who is working as a civilian designer for the navy department and will soon be commissioned. This student, discouraged at all the cheating going on here and wondering what to do about it, asked his brother whether or not there was cheating at Ohio State University and what was done about it. Here is the answer he received and we hope this opinion will help someone.

"Dear Bob:

Yes, there was cheating at Ohio State. It was not handled in a vigorous enough manner in my humble opinion. There was a lot of big talk in one quarter about refusing to give degrees to a bunch of Chems. who had copied ME lab reports wholesale. The ME department wanted to withhold their degrees and the Ch. E Department wanted to overlook the matter, and it was left up to the Curriculum Committee and the Dean to decide the matter. I think they just gave them all D's in the course and forgot the matter. By far, the greater part of the cheating was never discovered by the professors, in my opinion.

As to dealing with cheating, I think a man should have reasonable chance to break such habits and demonstrate that he can make the grade on his own steam. But I think that he must have demonstrated beyond a reasonable doubt that he has abandoned such tactics before he is given a degree. He should be dealt with SEVERELY and DECISIVELY and QUICKLY. If it is a first offence and not very serious he should merely be flunked in the course. Other-

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## IIT Inquiring reporter

### QUESTION

How can registration be improved?

A/S WILLIAM F. ANDREWS, Senior Chemical: School registration has been a head ache to all concerned each semester, and improving it is just as big a headache. Much credit goes to Mr. Kelly and his staff for the efficient way registration was handled last semester, but one thing



should be mentioned. Having program cards filled out in advance was a big help to all navy students especially.

A/S HENRY D. BORDEAUX, Junior Mechanical: Registration was

much more efficiently carried out the past semester than it had been before. However, if each department was represented by the head of the department and his assistants in individual groups, unnecessary confusion would be eliminated in devising a suitable program.

A/S PHIL JANSEN, Junior Mechanical: Regardless of what anyone



can do or of any improvements which are made, the theme of registration day will still be, "First come, first served." A couple of suggestions which I would make would be to have the list of D's, E's, and I's available before registration, and to allow any student who is registering, whether navy or civilian, to obtain the necessary program cards and thus enable him to have his program worked out ahead of time.

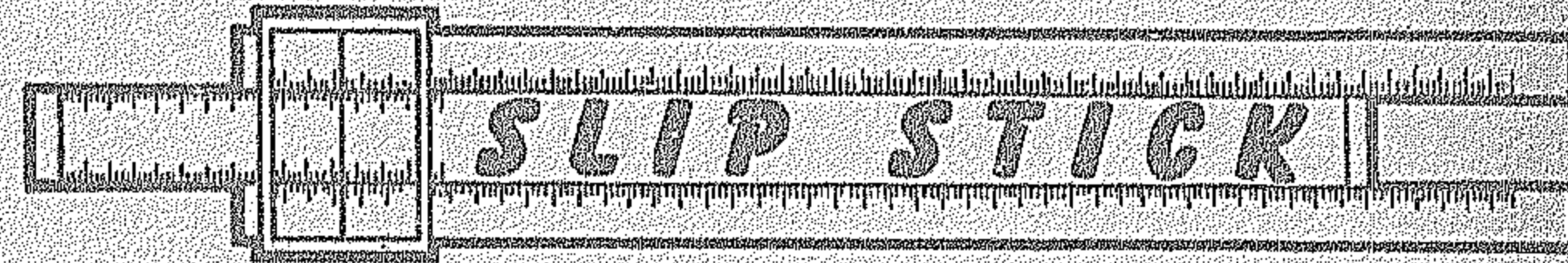
A/S ED McCALL, Sophomore Mechanical: One of the most dreary and dismal moments around this Institution is registering for the new term. I've been to other universities before the war and nowhere was it necessary to waste so much time trying to get started. One system was as follows. Before the students arrived the school knew how many students would enroll; hence they could arrange classrooms, class schedules, and instructors so that there was no turmoil, and no waiting on anyone's part.

GERALD SCHNEIDER, Sophomore Mechanical: It would be an improvement if they would close the classes when the quota has been filled. Many times I have registered for a class, and when I went into it, it was so crowded that I was forced to change. Also, it would help if they held registration in one building, rather than two. As for the actual registration, I think it is handled with a minimum of effort.

—LEONARD BROWN

## Names' Notes

President HENRY T. HEALD is one of the few men in the country who may telephone President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and speak with the president personally. . . . JOHN WILLIAMS, freshman civil, began his college career at the University of Chicago on a scholarship. However, in two weeks he transferred to IIT on another scholarship. . . . CARL BERGSTROM, former freshman and member of the Cicco Wizards, intramural champions, is now in command of a B-24, Liberator bomber, with a crew of ten men. . . . DICK LUND, freshman civil, won seven letter awards in track at Lane Tech. . . . PERRY WINSTON finished grammar school when he was only eleven years old. . . . SOL YANOF wants to be a druggist although he is now studying engineering. . . . NORM BORON claims that he gets ten hours sleep every school night, but also claims that he has never gotten more than five hours over the week-end. . . . In a department of a factory employing four hundred girls JERRY SCHNEIDER was the only male.



Cleave to the Slipstick—Let the Slapstick Fall Where It May

Since the semester is drawing to a close, I thought it would be interesting to review some of the jokes occurring during my stay here. Hold your sides fellows, here goes!!!

First cow: "Where are the rest of the girls?"

Second cow: "They are over in the other lot having a bull session."

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Grandmother was a diabetic patient, and although put on a strict diet, she would not play the game and was cheating all the time. After numerous violations, she was sent to the hospital.

Owing to the crowded conditions of the hospital, the only available room was in the maternity ward. After she had been there only a few days, her granddaughter paid her a visit and was lolling in front of the door of her grandmother's room when some visitors walked past.

"What are you doing here, little girl?"

"Grandmother," said one of the visitors in astonishment. "What is she doing here?"

"Oh," said the youngster, "she's been cheating again."

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A two star general, returning to camp one evening, couldn't produce his identification as necessary. The rookie on guard, unimpressed, refused to let him pass through the gates. Finally, the exasperated general bent forward, pointed to the stars on his shoulders, and bellowed: "Do you know what these mean?"

"Sure," popped the rookie, "you got two sons in the service."

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Thursday at one o'clock the Ladies' Benevolent Society will meet. Sister Johnson will sing, "Put Me In My Little Bed", accompanied by the minister.

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This evening there will be a meeting in the north and south ends of the room. The children will be baptized at both ends.

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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 the holy bonds of matrimony please come forward?"

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

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The subject of kissing was debated with much earnestness by a girl and a young man calling upon her. He insisted that it was always possible for a man

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## V-12 VETS

A/S HOWARD GRANT

When the Sea Raven, a U. S. submarine, surfaced and shelled the coast of Japan, Howard P. Grant of George Williams college was aboard as an electrician's mate 1/c. Howard's sub had been operating off the coast of Japan and was on hand for the "big blow-off."

Howard, who enlisted in the navy in February, 1941 and received electrician's mate training in San Diego was first stationed at Pearl Harbor aboard the U.S.S. Scupper, a submarine. In October of 1941 the Scupper was transferred to Manila and was there when the Japs attacked Pearl Harbor and the Philippines. Grant's sub was one of those selected to evacuate army nurses from Corregidor. For this task, the men of the Scupper were awarded the Presidential Unit citation.

The Scupper then proceeded to Australia where Howard was transferred to the Sea Raven. The next task that Howard recalls was the evacuation of 40 Australian fliers who were trapped on Timor. The operation was successfully completed and for this feat, the Sea Raven was again awarded the Presidential Unit citation.

Howard's sub operated out of Australia around Borneo and the Dutch East Indies until February of 1943 when Howard came back to the United States for the first time since 1941. In March of the same year Howard again left for the South Pacific, this time to Pearl Harbor. He was operating out of "Pearl" when Tokio was bombed, and the Sea Raven hit the Japs. In March 1944 Howard was transferred to the V-12 and came to George Williams college.

Howard, who took his "boots" in Newport, Connecticut, enlisted under a minority enlistment and has a "hash mark." In his naval service, Howard has earned six ribbons, two Presidential Unit citations, the So. Pacific theater, American theater, before Pearl Harbor and Navy Good Conduct bars. Howard also has the Submarine Service pin with four stars.

Grant gave up his rating of electrician's mate 1/c for an apprentice seaman's stripe and a chance to go to college.

—A/S ALLAN KUKRAL

## dis & data

Dr. Hobson, chairman of the electrical engineering department, voted "The Outstanding Young Electrical Engineer for 1940" by Eta Kappa Nu fraternity, was born in Marshall, Indiana, in 1911. He received a B.S. degree in electrical engineering, with distinction, in 1932 from Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana, and earned a master of science degree in the same subject the following year.

A magna cum laude doctors degree from California Institute of Technology, after two years of study, was received by Dr. Hobson in 1935. At Purdue Dr. Hobson had been editor of the "Engineer" and a member of the orchestra. Among honors he has received are the Tau Beta Pi research fellowship, 1932-33; the Charles A. Coffin Foundation Fellowship, 1933-34; an honor mention from Eta Kappa Nu; recognition of the Outstanding Young Electrical Engineer for 1940.

Dr. Hobson is a member of Sigma Xi, Tau Beta Pi, Eta Kappa Nu, Sigma Delta Chi, The American Institute of Electrical Engineers (associate membership), Triangle fraternity, and Masonic, A.F. and A.M. He is a member and secretary of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers subcommittee for the investigation of arc furnace overvoltages and a member of the AIEE's committee on science.

Dr. Hobson has taught at California Institute of Technology as a graduate assistant from 1933 to 1935; at Earlham College, Richmond, Indiana, during 1935 and 1936, as assistant professor of mathematics; at Armour College of Engineering of Illinois Institute of Technology, from September, 1936, to February, 1937, as instructor in electrical engineering; at University of Pittsburgh, from 1937 to 1941, as a lecturer in electrical engineering; and as a lecturer in electrical engineering at Northwestern University in 1939-40.

Dr. Hobson's industrial experience began with the Kelman Electric and Manufacturing Company in the summer of 1935, when he was supervisor of high voltage power frequency and surge acceptance tests on circuit breakers for the Boulder Dam-Los Angeles transmission line. He assisted, also, in designing and building a 1,000,000 volt surge generator for the California Institute of Technology in 1935.

Dr. Hobson began in February of 1937 at his present position as engineer in the central station section of the industry engineering department of Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, East Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Since August, 1938, Dr. Hobson has been stationed at headquarters for the northwestern district with Chicago, Indianapolis, Minneapolis, Milwaukee and Madison as part of his itinerary. He has contributed widely to professional publications.