

Campers COMMENTS

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LETTER OF THE WEEK: Womanpower Shortage

There we were last Wednesday, a bunch of lonely boys with a wonderful band at hand and only a few pulchritudinous creatures.

It seems a pity that we have the navy band to furnish this sweet rhythm, and have only a few couples dancing due to the lack of girls.

Couldn't arrangements be made to

Barber Poll

Well sir, it's amazing how some of my old time customers whom I have taken care of for several years and who have commented on my work, have deserted me since I have been in the IIT organization. They have not as much as come in to say "Hello". I mean Prof. Harry McCormack and Dean C. A. Tibbals.

After all, I don't expect Dean Tibbals to come in for a haircut due to the fact that he passes the University Club Barber Shop several times a day and he would probably feel embarrassed if the barbers at the club would see him with a fresh haircut. And Prof. McCormack may not need any more haircuts since I've left the club.

I would appreciate a visit from them, if nothing else. Of course, I know I am not in a position to give them the full service that they are accustomed to getting at the club.

—IIT—

Well, I'm thinking of holding a contest. I hope to find three winners out of seven contestants that will be picked by me. One for good looking hair—one for medium and one for the worst. I will guarantee you that A/S Archie Heim will be one of the winners.

The judges will consist of three men who belong to the V-12 unit and their decisions will be final. No outsiders will be eligible to participate in this contest. The contest will take place in the Barber Shop in the near future. Time and date will be announced on the bulletin board. There will be prizes for the winners.

Please let me hear from each Quarters for a contestant.

—ROY PATRICK

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The School for Safety Auditors, more commonly known as the "Explosives Safety School," is one of the important activities which Illinois Institute of Technology has carried on to help in the winning of the war.

Only school of its type in the nation, it was organized and conducted by Illinois Tech. Its purpose was to train "super safety experts" to go out to the nation's more than 600-odd munitions plants. Civil service or army appointment was necessary to attend, and 635 persons were trained in the various from two-to-twelve week courses offered by the school between September, 1942, and November, 1943.

The school was conducted for the Office of the Chief of Ordnance, United States War Department. Two floors of the 333 North Michigan Building were taken over for the work, but little was ever known or announced about the school as the veil of military secrecy sheltered its activities.

—dis & data—

Did you know . . .

That Dr. Thomas C. Poulter, senior scientific advisor of the Armour Research Foundation, was the No. 2 man on the last Byrd expedition to the South Pole?

That Dr. Samuel I. Hayakawa, professor of English, is the author of a Book-of-the-Month selection (December, 1941), "Language in Action"?

That Henry C. Spencer, head of the department of technical drawing and author of this week's Techman Talking on the opposite page, is the author of the No. 1 text book on technical drawing and is generally considered to be the nation's top professor of TD (he came to IIT from Texas A and M)?

—dis & data—

Though The Integral became the Integral in 1942, the name is not a new one for Tech's yearbook. In fact, it's just a return to the original name.

In the early 1900's, Tech's yearbook was called The Integral. Then, in 1913, it became The Cycle and continued under this name until the merger in 1940. The 1941 book was known as The Polygon—and then, in 1942, it became The Integral again.

The passing of time must mean progress; The Integral has certainly gone through a full cycle!

IIT Inquiring reporter

QUESTION

What would you like to do most during a leave?

A/S FRANK CROSSLEY, Junior Chemical: What I would like to do



most during a leave would be: during the day—swimming and interesting bull sessions; during the evenings, parties—all kinds of dances: beach, etc. A good bit of idle loafing and just taking it easy would not

hurt me at all.

A/S ED GOETSCH, Junior Aero: Being fortunate enough to live in Chicago, I prefer to go away from home on my leave. A variation in the north woods is nice in the summertime. That's where my last one was spent. I would go east or south during the winter, to some other city most likely.



CARL SIELAFF, Junior Mechanical: My leaves are spent in a much



different way than the usual V-12 leave is spent. I try to do all the things I used to enjoy as a civilian which I cannot now enjoy. For example on our first leave, of three days last fall, I spent all three pheasant hunting in different parts of Michigan. Then on Christmas leave I spent the better part of the time ice-fishing in northern Michigan. Our last leave consisted of more fishing and five rounds of golf.

A/S GIL KATZ, Junior Chemical: I would like most to spend my leave doing what

I miss most, for example, the woman, wine and sleeping. Those are the three necessary things in a sailor's life. First, I'm going to make out my plan of attack, sight the objective, and then my woman will be besieged. If Frances doesn't weaken after the first salvo, then I'll retire to recuperate and assemble new strategy. By the end of my leave I will have eaten, drunk and been merry enough to be satisfied for at least a week.



A/S MARTY GIVOT, Junior Civil: Leave, I've often dreamt of it.

Of how I'd sleep in peace, eat in comfort, spend my evenings in the romantic manner of the Quarters 3 "Chiefs". 30 days would just round out my leave, ten days to reorganize situations (make contacts)



19 days to engage in action and one day of mental reorganization for IIT. No doubt I'll enjoy fresh air, sunshine and vitamins A,B,C,D—Z, and all good concerts ranging from Opera Hall to Grant Park.

—LEONARD BROWN

Home Notes

RINGGOLD WILMER LARDNER, better known as R. LARDNER attended Armour Institute for two years. He was in The Wake of The News, for the Chicago Tribune, Ring's Successor for the New York Tribune and in collaboration with GEORGE COHAN the stage play, Elmer The Great . . . A/S MARVIN ROBINSON spoke French with such fluency that he instructed French sailors stationed in Florida prior to his transfer to V-12 . . . ROBERT POGOFF is business manager of both Integral and the Co-op Bookstore . . . CHALMERS MARQUETTE, freshman civil, played in a vaudeville act before coming to IIT. The act, called The Four Masqueraders was booked in the Pantl Room of the College Inn and in the 5100 Club . . . PROF. PHILIP CONRAD HUNTLY, of the civil engineering department, is mayor of Riverside, Illinois . . . NORMAN BORON is growing a mustache to honor the G.O.P. presidential candidate, THOMAS DEWEY.



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

Since my research has shifted from jokes to chemical engineering this week I have yielded to some jokes from that department. I shall have some good jokes for once.

V-12'er: "I'd ask you for this dance, but all the cars are occupied."

—IIT—

Once there were two happy little rabbits just having the best kind of time out playing in the meadow.

One of the little rabbits was a little boy rabbit.

And one of the little rabbits was a little girl rabbit.

Then along came five great big hungry wolves.

The f-g-b-h-ws saw the little rabbits and they chased them.

So the little rabbits ran and hid in a hollow tree.

The five big wolves gathered around the tree—and they waited for the little rabbits to come out.

And the little rabbits stayed in the hollow tree—and they waited for the wolves to go away.

It began to get very, very dark.

And the wolves didn't go away.

So the little girl rabbit turned to the little boy rabbit and she said, "What will we do now?"

And the little boy rabbit answered, "There's nothing we can do except stay right here until we outnumber them!"

—IIT—

Game Soldier

The company cook brought in a plateful of extremely thin slices of bread and butter, which rather dismayed his hungry battalion.

"Did you cut these, Sergeant?" asked one.

"Yes—I cut them," came the stern reply.

"Oh," went on the soldier. "All right—I'll shuffle and deal"

—IIT—

Endorsement

Recalled to the depository window in the canteen to endorse a check, the V-12 scribbled, "I heartily endorse this check."

—IIT—

Two roosters were caught in the rain. One ran for the hen coop and the other made a duck under the fence.

—IIT—

Note for the new draftees:

Recruit: What's on the menu tonight?

Cook: Oh, we have hundreds of things to eat tonight.

Recruit: What are they?

Cook: Beans.

—IIT—

Insurance Agent: Now, madam, I take it that you favor a straight life policy?

Client: Don't make it too binding. I like to step out once in a while.

—IIT—

Little Audrey locked the bathroom door, and then she just laughed and laughed because she knew her father

was having a beer party that night.

—IIT—

So for now, back to beer, I

I mean chemical engineering

—LARRY VYTAUTAS CERNAUSKIS

V-12 VETS

A/S GEORGE CUMMINS

A/S George Cummins entered the navy in June 1942, and took his "boot" training at Norfolk, Virginia. After completing "boot" he was sent to Port Hueneme, Calif. for advanced training. George joined the navy at a time when the navy needed men overseas, and needed them promptly. Consequently, he didn't have a chance to go to a service school, but instead he left for the central Pacific area after his brief advanced training in Port Hueneme (pronounced Wyneeme). He shipped from San Francisco, Calif., during March of 1943.

George was, at one time or another, stationed on most of the islands in the Hawaii group. Much of his work on these islands was in conjunction with the Seabees, clearing bases and landing fields out of an almost impenetrable jungle. An interesting feature of the islands was an almost complete lack of venomous reptiles, etc., usually connected with the jungle and tropics.

Although without a service school record behind him, George worked up to MM 1/c. With this rate he then became attached to a navy oil tanker and worked with the "black gang".

After a record of ten months overseas to his credit George was sent back to San Diego. From San Diego he was sent to Camp Parks, Calif., where he got a month's recuperation at that center. It was at this point during his career in the navy that V-12 stepped into the picture.

While resting at the recuperation center, George took the V-12 test and was accepted. He then retraced his steps back to Virginia, where his career in the navy began, to receive orders to report to IIT.

He reported to Tech on March 1, 1944 and was sent to George Williams for his first semester. On July 1, 1944 George found himself transferred again, this time to the Armour campus.

George hails from San Francisco where he attended George Washington High School. Before getting his blue "suit" he attended San Francisco Junior College and University of California night school.

—A/S CHARLES SMITH