

Tom of Lewis Maintenance Completes Years of Service, Retiring at 68

Thomas Alexander of the Lewis maintenance staff who has been at Lewis since 1905, recently retired to lead a less strenuous life. Tom was head of the janitors for many years until recently when he took over the task of operating the elevator.

Tom, although of medium build, graying hair, looked younger than his 68 years. His favorite trick, according to friends, was to turn to his female passengers, remove his cap, and ask, "How old do you think I am?" After the victim would say something like, "Oh, about forty," he would replace his cap and say, "Sixty-eight, would you believe?"

Tom's hobby, fishing, was the butt of many jokes cast by the maintenance department. John Rebik knew Tom when Tom went fishing in the Joseph river in Michigan. According to Tom, he hooked a fish so big that it started pulling the boat down! But the maintenance men think that Tom actually hooked an overhanging branch and fell in line!

While on the maintenance staff at Lewis, Tom was in charge of painting. John Rebik estimated that Tom has personally done enough painting at Lewis to have done the paint job at least twice. Tom lives at 2847 Fulton and has a son, also a painter. Tom served in the Spanish-American War and was a member of the "Veterans of Foreign Wars."

SPENCER

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Spencer authored or co-authored. The previous four are "Technical Drawing," "Technical Drawing Problems," "Technical Drawing for High Schools," and "Engineering Preliminary." The latter book has not yet reached the publishers.

Professor Spencer came to Illinois Tech. in 1941 with an A.B. from the University of Texas and a B.S. and M.S. from Texas A&M College.

Before coming to Illinois Tech, Spencer served for 11 years as a member of the technical drawing department at Texas A & M College. At Texas A & M he had a staff of instructors.

Samuel Karlin Talks on Geometry at Math Club

Samuel Karlin spoke to the Math Club on "Possibilities and Impossibilities of Geometrical Constructions." last week. Two of the impossible constructions discussed were the trisection of an angle and the construction of a nine sided polygon. The program for this week has been announced, and all students interested in coming, are invited. The meeting will be held in room 105 Chapin at 8 a.m.

Wt. George Larson to Attend Gunnery School

George W. Larson, former instructor in the technical drawing department, is now serving with the army air forces at Sheppard Field, Texas.

Because of a pulled ligament in his leg, received while going over a hurdle on an obstacle course, Larson will be unable to attend aerial gunnery school, for a week or so.

Larson stated that he will welcome any and all letters from instructors or students.

He was graduated from IIT as an honor student in architecture.

Wanted: Student to share apartment. All facilities. Excellent transportation by bus, streetcar, or "L". Contact Don Slager or phone Oakland 1803.

LOST—Tan gabardine jacket in washroom. Left on chair at 1:15 a.m. Reward offered to finder. Return to: Herman Nelson Technology News Office

ITSA Minutes

The ITSA meeting of July 26, 1944 was called to order by President Hedeon at 4:20 p.m.

Members present were President Heald, Dean Tibbals, Dean Clark, Mr. Spaeth, Mr. Weissman, Viola Sievers, Dick Michalek, Tom Kilgariff, Doug Snyder and Bob Negele.

Three students were in attendance. Kilgariff and Sievers gave election reports from the Lewis and Armour Colleges respectively. The Armour results were not complete as the ballots had not been tabulated.

The next item of business was the awarding of a letter to the former Intramural Manager Henry Dirksen, who is now in the Navy. Negele moved, Snyder seconded, that Henry Dirksen be awarded a minor letter for his work as last semester's Intramural Manager. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Spaeth presented a financial statement showing the income and expense of the ITSA for the September 1, 1943 to June 30, 1944 period. The actual money spent by the various activities has run consistently below the budgeted amount. \$1,182.47 were taken from the reserve for this period's expenses leaving about \$8,000 in the reserve.

With the above information at hand the ITSA proceeded to make out the budget for this semester. Larry Johnson presented itemized budgets for the Integral, All School Social Committee and the Rifle team. The ASSC request was cut from \$1250 to \$800 in view of decreased enrollment and Rifle Team expenses are to be taken from the General Expense Account.

Kilgariff moved, Michalek seconded, that the following budget be adopted for the July 1, 1944 to October 30, 1944 semester.

EXPENSE	
TECH NEWS	\$1500
INTEGRAL	950
ENG. & ALUMNUS	400
COACHES	400
INTRAMURAL	200
MUSICAL ORGANIZATIONS	400
ASSC	800
BASEBALL	600
GENERAL	500
TOTAL	\$5750

Motion passed unanimously. Viola Sievers and Dean Clarke presented the rules which are to be used in governing the new Lewis Student Lounge.

A copy of the rules with suggestions by the ITSA are filed with the ITSA minutes. Meeting adjourned 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Bob Negele

Chief Pharmacist's Mate Emil Pokorny Transferred

Chief Pharmacist's Mate Emil Pokorny has been transferred to the south Pacific area.

Chief Pokorny, who had previously served for 3 years in this same sector, has been at IIT for almost 6 months.

Quarters #1

Ensigns Hooper, Haegle and Bell, have visited quarters recently while en route to sea duty. Hooper was assigned to submarine service while Haegle and Bell have drawn destroyer duty. Air Cadet Goertz spent part of his leave here also last week.

The end of this semester will find thirteen men leaving quarters. Farewell gifts have been given to the boys in the past but that's nearly 30% of the men now stationed there.

If anyone was able to find his books during the past week it was merely due to the fact that the painters hadn't been in his room yet.

As yet no one knows who took the neighbor boy's sailor hat off the line for his own. That unclaimed hat in the lucky bag has made the native boy happy again.

Quarters #2

The skit that was successfully presented at the Happy Hour August 4th, "The Muellermeter," was written by J. K. Boughton and presented by Owen Kane, Lee Breeler, Jack Hammack and Jack Maybaum.

Ensign John Kraly formerly in V-12 at IIT spent an evening here last week. At present he is stationed at Cleveland, Ohio, where he is studying diesel.

Aviation Cadet Ralph Wortendyke spent a day at IIT last week. He was formerly stationed at IIT up until last March when he was transferred to the air corps.

Quarters #3

Chillicote Gus Leist was seen strolling through Grant Park at night with a woman. To show one how terrible the navy is—prior to his enlisting it took Gus four years of dating the same girl before he kissed her once.

Howard Cook takes pride in boasting that he has spent only twenty dollars on his dates for the past two years.

It never fails to happen—that Gus Troyan doesn't serenade Pete Parlos by placing coke bottles in his bunk every night.

Also, it has come to the attention

Architect Mies van der Rohe Is Noted For His Quality Work and New Ideas

Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, director of the architectural department, is an architect who says little about himself and has put up only a small number of houses. But such is the quality of his work that he is reported to be second to none in present-day building.

New Compound by Murray Is Studied

Dr. Maurice Murray and Eugene Stevenson have developed a potential anaesthetic in the form of spiroethane. The Squibb laboratories are now studying the properties of this compound that was developed here at Armour last year.

As yet, this new product has not been put on a commercial basis. The work being done on it now is merely to substantiate the chemical properties.

"Information Please" Man Visits Illinois Tech

Franklin P. Adams of "Information Please" fame, paid a visit to IIT recently. He was accompanied by Robert I. Wishnick, a member of the Board of Trustees.

Adams is an alumnus of Illinois Tech, having graduated from what was then the Lewis Academy. He is now running on Democratic ticket for a seat in the Connecticut legislature.

Former Specialist Active in North African Sector

Ensign John F. Shannon, formerly a chief athletic specialist at IIT, is now on duty in the North Africa area, according to a letter received by Lt. W. A. Hamilton, commanding officer.

Ensign Shannon who was at IIT for about eight months, is in charge of a gun crew aboard a merchant ship.

NAVAL NOTATIONS

of the inhabitants of Quarters 3 that the two clerks have assumed enlarged craniums.

Edward Bohn, Leonard Spielman and Tom Muchmore who were former V-12'ers at IIT and now are in pre-flight visited quarters last week.

Quarters #4

David Liston and Jack Eckerly have rigged up a dark room in a large closet on the third deck. Bringing equipment from their homes they have sufficient apparatus for developing and printing. Archie Heim has sent for his enlarger which will make the room complete.

Edward Mattick celebrates his 23rd birthday Friday. He says he doesn't expect the house gift to him to cost more than \$55—\$1 per man being a large enough donation just after pay-day! (So far no one has started the soliciting.)

Dennis Pinkowski was hurrying along the third deck passageway Wednesday night after liberty when he rather unceremoniously bumped into some one. He stepped back quickly and apologized. "Pardon me, but I jush had a quart of beer and wantsh to hit the shack before it getsh to my head!"

Plumbers have been busily engaged installing two new showers on third deck. The men on third deck are curious as to how the arrangement will work, remembering that the water supply was insufficient for the lone shower they had before.

William Bowers and Leslie Gunner spent the week-end in Flint, Michigan at Gunner's home. Lloyd Johnson was to Youngstown, Ohio, where he saw his brother home on furlough for the first time in over a year. Trent Knepper was in Kendallville, Indiana for his sister's birthday.

Quarters #5

Salty, a brown and white puppy of doubtful parentage, has been adopted by Quarters 5. The only living thing that was sympathetic toward the defeated soft ball teams Tuesday night, he became an immediate favorite. A bath, which incidentally relieved him of his fleas, so changed

His ideas of building differ greatly from those of the average twentieth century architect. To Van der Rohe only the bathroom and kitchen are fixed units, and for the other parts of the house only movable screens are necessary.

Mies is most noted for his Tugendhat House at Brunn, Czechoslovakia, 1930, and the Garden House, Barcelona Exposition, Spain, 1939. Both of these structures demonstrate the idea of a free plan. Of the two, the Garden House is more elegant for it was designed to be exhibited.

Most prominent architects agree that the Tugendhat House is the best of the new houses in Europe. In this house, too, Mies uses the free plan.

The living area has no closed-in spaces, only screens being used to separate the living, dining and recreation areas. Three sides of the house are bounded by clear, continuous glass. The frame work of the house is in steel, with the chromium plated, star-shaped columns exposed.

Beach Party Held at Montrose by Civils

The second beach party of the season was held by the senior civils, last Saturday, according to Lewis Davidson, social chairman.

Milt Garfinkle, a former IIT student, now at Great Lakes, was a guest of the civils.

The affair, held at Montrose beach, was climaxed with a prophecy for all students in the civil department.

his appearance that Quarters 7 tried dog-napping him. Salty exhibits rather glutinous tendencies toward his milk and meat scraps purchased in the cafeteria.

The house is still a turmoil of painters with amateur carpenters lending a hand. Fred McCarthy, Robert Steward, Albert Damiani, and Hy Weiner took up the wooden deck in the galley in preparation for the new one.

S. H. Lloyd won his first rubber of bridge Thursday night. His ship mates believed his change of luck due to a very lovely girl from Missouri who dropped in to see him earlier in the week.

Norman Hockman spent the week-end at home in Defiance, Ohio.

Quarters #6

Chuck Porter, who was recently injured by a flying baseball bat that slipped from the hands of Norman Reisinger returned aboard. A large basket of fruit presented to Chuck by the men of Quarters 6 and a pretty navy nurse seemed to result in a speedy recovery.

Robert Thurston enjoyed a week-end visit at the home of Miss Wilma Lee in Monticello, Indiana. Jack Pocock visited his home in Delaware, Ohio. Don (Roundy) Hedeon spent the week-end with his parents at their cottage located on Eagle Lake in Wisconsin. Roy Hosse spent the week-end at home in Detroit. Roy Bojonowski—well, he was at home in Argo, Illinois.

Quarters #7

The "fast" life of Dick Michalek finally caught up with him, but after a couple of days under the "motherly" care of IIT's pharmacist's mates he is now back in Quarters 7.

Women beware for Bill Cannon is again on the loose. Last week, Quarters 7's clerk, received the sad tidings from his girl friend in Salt Lake City, Utah that she has taken a flyer for a mate. Bill is now reported to be out for new fields to "conquer."

New screen doors were installed in the hold last week by the maintenance department.