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## Campus COMMENTS

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### LETTER OF THE WEEK: That Integral Ball

As one of the students who did not attend the Integral Ball, I was disgusted to hear this week that about three-fourths of this term's allotment had been lost on that dance. In other words, a total of \$600 of my and other civilians' money was squandered on

that undertaking.

Now it's quite true that such dances are not run to make a profit (although they could be), but the idea of spending three-fourths of the money on that one dance doesn't seem to be a very fair thing to do. Any other social activities will have to be undertaken on a very much abbreviated scale.

The main cost of such dances is the huge sum paid out for the big name bands. Personally, I think that the enjoyment from a dance is not dependent on how well known the band is. Some of the big name bands have turned out to be flops at past dances. The fellows are interested in the music that these orchestras have to offer, not in how good a publicity agent the band leader has.

The ASSC hasn't been too active this last term. I noted that not very much publicity had been provided by them for this last dance, and that some students found it quite difficult to find someone from whom to buy a bid for the Integral Ball. Let's hope that any other dances for this term which are ASSC sponsored will be better organized and very much cheaper. After all the most expensive dance is not necessarily the most enjoyable one.

Disgusted Civilian

### No Baccalaureate?

I was very much disturbed the past few days when I heard that the baccalaureate has been canceled for this term. Having attended several in the past, I feel disappointed that the Institute will not have a separate one this term. The baccalaureate is one of those traditions which shouldn't be cast lightly aside. It is as much a part of commencement as are the graduation exercises themselves.

If it is at all possible, the baccalaureate services should not be disbanded this or any other term; this wonderful college tradition should not be canceled, even temporarily.

Disappointed

Having just received an appropriation from the ITSA for the continuance of this sport in the fall semester, several tentative matches have been scheduled. If any one is interested they should contact Dr. Samuel Bibb of the mathematics department or manager Leonard Bass for full particulars.

It is noted that several men are ignoring the regulations of the intramural tennis tourney in regard to the number of sets to be played before arriving at who is the winner of any individual set. Several results have been turned in with only one set played. Three sets are to be played. When the winner is decided in that manner, a score sheet with the signatures of each of the contestants attesting to the validity of the results must be turned in before 24 hours have elapsed after the game was played.

It will be soon noted that the new horseshoes purchased for the intramural horseshoe tournament are not the official horseshoe. Due to wartime restrictions these are unable to be obtained. It is hoped that not too much griping by the "experts" will accompany this change. It was through the students' neglect in returning the horseshoes to the proper place that caused the official horseshoes to be lost in the first place. From now on the new horseshoes are to be logged in and out of Weismann's office in the Student Union.

With the inauguration of eight man touchball in the navy intramural football tournament, "something new has been added" to sports at IIT. From the plans already laid it promises to prove interesting to all those participating. Upon looking over Ogden Field any evening after chow, the immediate impression gained is that Quarters #2 will make itself felt when the tourney actually starts.



## inquiring reporter

### QUESTION

What should be done with Germany after the war?

**BOB NEGELE, Junior Mechanical:** Probably the most definite and permanent action to take against Germany would affect the whole European continent. That would be to set up a United States of Europe, so called. I fully realize this involves the relinquishing of sovereign rights by several nations, however, only true and permanent peace can be had by such co-operation. The racial and nationality differences of the various peoples in Europe are not too divergent to make such a plan impossible.

**CHUCK PORTER, Junior Mechanical:** I think Germany should be given a square deal and allowed much economic freedom.

We should help rebuild Germany in such a way as to promote friendly ties and not hatred. Naturally, she should be governed under a plan the United Nations will make together

and this plan should be rigidly enforced. All in all we should try to treat Germany as fairly as possible so as not to bring on another war.

**BERNARD J. BRILLE, Junior Mechanical:** The main thing is to see that the same thing doesn't happen that happened after the last war.

It is rather hard to say just what to do with her, but after it is done it is easy to criticize. I would say the best thing is to see that her armies are demobilized and ammunition works are discontinued and prevented from being made. Then the people should be educated to the democratic way of thinking.

**ROBERT WOLFE, Sophomore Mechanical:** After an unconditional surrender we can't just carve the country in pieces and kill all the inhabitants. No nation can be destroyed like that.

We must re-educate the people. We'll have to keep an armed guard over there for a time but if we use psychology we should be able to live happily with them.

**BILL POMERHIN, Junior Mechanical:** Inasmuch as we the victors are

people of a democracy, we cannot resort to mass murder. If we did, we would become a nation of barbarians, as low as the Germans we are defeating. The only democratic way left would be complete subdivision and rehabilitation.

—LEONARD BROWN

One of DR. WALTER HENDRICKS' political associates is MAYNARD KRUEGER, who ran as vice-presidential candidate on the Socialist Party ticket in 1940. Krueger recently failed to place his name on the ballot for Congressman of the Second Congressional District on the American Commonwealth Party ticket. Hendricks similarly failed to place his name on the ballot . . . DR. DAVID F. BODER, professor of psychology, is married to a doctor of dentistry and has a daughter who is a doctor of medicine . . . SIDNEY MAYSTER, vice-president of the ITV, was a flight engineer for the Army Air Forces . . . RUTH NELSON, who was a member of the court at the Integral Dance, was queen of her high school yearbook and queen of the ROTC military ball. She was escorted by BILL CHRISTENSEN . . . DR. W. C. KRATHWOHL began his teaching career in an eastern girls' school . . . A/S DENNIS O'GEARY, a junior civil, earned twenty-two major athletic awards while in high school . . . BERNARD ("SONNY") WEISSMAN was an FBI agent for three years.



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

Don't beat me! Leggo, don't throw that typewriter at me! I'll work! No, no, not the whip! I'll get those jokes out. Oh, these editors who tend to business; it's simply unconstitutional to a carefree lad.

"Well, doctor, how's the patient today?"

"Coming along nicely. This morning he took a turn for the nurse."

—IIT—

Navy story:

The other night several of my buddies were awakened by the mosquitoes walking around on their chests and turning over their dog tags, to find out what type of blood they had.

—IIT—

Mother (putting Junior to bed): Sh, dear, the sandman's coming.

Junior: For fifty cents I won't tell daddy.

—IIT—

Neighbor: My, but your daughter's growing fast.

Mother: Oh, I don't believe she is any worse than any other girl.

—IIT—

A/S: How many drinks does it take to make you Dizzy?

She: Two, and the name is Daisy and not Dizzy.

—IIT—

Pome:

I once knew a girl named Passion.

I asked her for a date.

I took her out to dinner.

Gosh how passionate.

—IIT—

V-12'ers five years from now:

Say, I remember you. We were mess mates together.

Sure, you used to go out with the same messes I did.

—IIT—

Daffynition:

Pink Elephant is the so called "Beast of Bourbon".

—IIT—

Prof: Take this sentence: "Let the cow be taken out of the lot." What mood?

Freshie: The cow.

—IIT—

First Commuter: If I were you, I'd be more careful about pulling down my shades. Why, only last night I saw you hugging and kissing your wife."

Second Ditto: Is that so? Well, the joke is on you this time, because I wasn't even home last night. Ha, ha!"

—IIT—

PHILOSOPHY

Every woman likes to be taken with a grain of assault.

—IIT—

They were training Mandy in her duties as a maid. Upon answering the phone the first day she brought no message but explained, "Twarn't nobody, a man says, 'It's a long distance from New York;' and I says, 'Yessir, it certainly is.'

—IIT—

So back to that carefree, leisurely life. Oh, yeah.

—LARRY VYTAUTAS CERNAUSKUS

## V-12 VETS

A/S HERB MILLER

A/S Herb Miller, Chicago born, was born on April 6, 1924. Although he began grammar school in Chicago, he finished in Nebraska. The reason for this change was that his father, an engineer, had a job in that far western state.

Herb's father's next job was in Puerto Rico. Herb, of course went with him. It was there that he took his first two years of high school, in 1936.

To many of us, Puerto Rico is just the name of another island on the map. Perhaps with what Herb describes of it, we can draw a better picture of it in our mind.

The climate of the island is comparable to spring all year round. In the day a cool breeze comes in off the ocean and at night the breeze comes from the mountains.

Geographically the island is composed chiefly of mountains which surround a fertile bottom land. The most important produce of the land is cane sugar, which in turn is distilled into rum. This rum is then sold to the U. S., Puerto Rico's biggest customer.

The people in general are very poor; only a few are very rich. There is no such thing as a middle class. Herb went to high school with a boy whose father owned a sugar plantation, two distilleries, docks and harbors, railroads, airports and airplanes, and his own trucking company.

In 1938 the U. S. Navy held maneuvers around Puerto Rico. The navy and marines "captured" over half the island and then withdrew according to plan. Herb said it was a real thrill to see Americans after two years. He also visited several capital ships and smaller warcraft.

Herb then returned to the U. S., where he finished high school at Sullivan, on the north side.

After high school Herb came to IIT as a civilian, and took up civil engineering. He is a member of the ASCE and many honorary fraternities.

Herb was the manager for Tech's baseball team. He participated in intramural basketball, softball, and bowling. He expects to graduate at the end of this semester and up to this time has maintained a 2.5 average.

—A/S CHARLES SMITH