

## History of Chapin Hall Reveals Origin Of Name and Former Use of Building

The classrooms which are now a part of Chapin Hall were originally built as a means of support for the Armour Mission. Apartments were later installed to house the Armour faculty.

When Armour became an engineering school, more room was needed for classrooms, and as a result, the apartments were turned into classrooms. Armour had been known as Armour Academy, and it was a co-ed school.

After Armour had begun functioning as an engineering school, a prevalent question among students and professors was: "What has been America's greatest need?", and the answer was: "Some means of unifying student life into a wholesome and enthusiastic college spirit."

To accomplish this, Mr. Simeon B. Chapin, a member of the board of trustees of the institute, donated \$500 for which a lounge and club was to be furnished on the third floor of Chapin Hall. Mr. Chapin was the second husband of the widow of Philip Armour III.

The club was dedicated on October 28, 1907, and the constitution was modeled after the Reynold's Club at the University of Chicago.

The future of the club was placed in the hands of the students. Each student paid 50 cents a semester to be a member of the club, and two semesters later over 200 were members.

The Chapin Club functioned nicely until World War I when many students left for service. The club was then inactive, and it never did take form again. The YMCA came into being about this time though, and this organization tried to keep the Chapin Club alive under a different name, but they too failed after a few years.

However, Chapin Hall is still standing today as a memorial to Simeon B. Chapin's generosity.

## Alumni Association Officers Selected

Adolph Fensholt was elected president of the alumni association of Illinois Institute of Technology Thursday night at the annual meeting at the Continental hotel. He is president of the Fensholt Advertising company.

Elected to serve with him are: B. C. Hooper, of Hooper and Walton Engineers, as vice-president; Laura Winkelman, retired home economics teacher at the Lewis campus, as secretary-treasurer; and Edward Wagner, Illinois Tech chemistry teacher and member of the coaching staff, as representative from the graduate school.

## Tryouts to Be Held By IIT Drama Group

Tryouts for "Out of the Frying Pan" will be held by Armour Players in 406M at 11 a.m. Wednesday.

All who are interested either in acting roles or in back stage work are urged by Herman Mirochnik, president of Armour Players, to attend these tryouts. Civilian and navy personnel alike are eligible for parts.

"Out of the Frying Pan", a comedy in three acts by Frances Swan, deals with the trials of six stage-struck youngsters in New York. It is to be given sometime after the first of February, probably at an auditorium other than the one here at IIT.

## Remodeling of 202M



FACE LIFTING—Work is rapidly progressing on the alteration of Room 202M, which is being remodeled to house the A-C network calculating board. The view above shows the southwest corner of the room.

## Explosives Building Now Being Erected

The Institute of Gas Technology will have a new building on its grounds in a short time. It will be a fireproof storage house which will be used to shelter explosives and other incendiary matter.

## Phi Lambda Upsilon Considers Six Men

Phi Lambda Upsilon, national honorary chemical fraternity, held its first two meetings of the semester on Monday and Wednesday of last week.

Six students, all undergraduates, were elected as prospective pledges. They will be given oral and written examinations on Tuesday evening, December 5. Arrangements are being made for the initiation.

## Chemistry Major Wins Research Assistantship

Glenn Marsh, senior chemistry major has been awarded a research assistantship at Northwestern University. Marsh's work will be under the direction of Dr. Frank T. Gucker, Jr., and will deal with the compressibility of solutions.

Working under the supervision of Dr. George Gibson, Marsh's senior research project at IIT deals with equilibria in the system, silicon tetrachloride and anhydrous hydrazine.

## Employees of ARF Form Music Groups

A mixed glee club and band have been organized among Armour Research Foundation employees by Russell J. Tinkham and Howard T. Betz. O. Gordon Erickson is serving as the director and Frank Dickson as the band director.

Tinkham said they had held three rehearsals and intend making their first public appearance on December 28 at the annual year-end party. Their repertoire will include both popular and semi-classical music.

The glee club of 38 members is unusually well balanced, according to Tinkham. A committee composed of Tinkham as chairman, Katherine Harvey, William Penn, and Robert Dalton are in charge.

Betz acts as chairman of the band with Eugene L. Perrine and Elmer Ratzel on the committee. At present there are only 15 in the band.

The organizations rehearse on Tuesday and Thursday at 12:30 p.m. in the auditorium.

## Small Fire Smokes Out Faculty in Chapin Hall

A small fire, which broke out in one of the washrooms on the second floor of Chapin Hall, was cause of considerable annoyance to several members of the faculty who were disturbed by the smoke. The fire, which was caused by a burning cigarette, was extinguished in a short time and caused no damage.

## NAVAL NOTATIONS

### Quarters #1

Winter is swiftly approaching and several of the southern boys are beginning to notice it, but it is the rugged Chicago Swede, John Erickson, who notices it most. When the average navy man was still going to school without his pea coat, John was wearing coat, gloves and muffler.

William "Benchwarmer" Burns, better known as "Willie," now occupies his favorite spot next to Coach Wagner.

"Uncle Calvy" Rhodes lost five bucks on a bet because he couldn't lose 22 pounds.

The phrase, "I would walk a mile for a Camel" has been revised by Huntley Depew who does it 100 times better and all for a certain blonde on the far north side.

### Quarters #2

The inter-quarters basketball game between room 304 and room 05 was won by room 05. Ted Bujewski was high scorer for 304 while Carl Smith led the men from 05 in points scored.

Ed Ellinger and Dick Meissner, formerly of Quarters #2 stopped at quarters before going home on their nine day leaves from Great Lakes. Upon completion of this leave, they will enter radio school.

Frank Muchy, Glen Goodman, Dick Maloian and Morry Anthony returned to quarters after spending a very enjoyable weekend in Detroit.

Carl Smith has all of Quarters #2 wondering if that shadow under his nose is due to a shortage of soap and water.

### Quarters #3

Rumors are drifting this way concerning the relations that F.O. has been seen having recently. It has been announced by the high officials of Quarters #3 that in case of unforeseen circumstances, the guilt will be placed on Salty seeing that he is available for prosecution. Outside sources are muttering that it was another strange hound that made F.O. what she is today.

Peter Outcalt, medical discharge from Quarters #3, is now studying law at the University of Cincinnati.

For the first time in a long while the boys were happy because they almost had a perfect 4.0 for mouse

inspection. Chief Shearer's only comment was "Ben Farr—adrift in sack."

Peter Parlos and Bill Bicknese have been enjoying themselves lately by enticing innocent boys into room 302 and then, with the aid of others, seeing to it that the boys skin is properly decorated with colored ink from the neck down.

### Quarters #4

Donald Nelson celebrated his 20th birthday on Monday. Proper tribute to the occasion was paid by the men during the half hour study intermission!

On first hearing that now famous quotation, "Ring it again!" Charles Hendries is said to have run into a closet, hung himself on a hook, and tried to look like a pair of dungarees!

William Pottenger, who left for Great Lakes at the end of last semester, visited the quarters on Thursday. It was the last day of his nine day leave before he reported to O.G.U.

Several 301 inmates have been having breakfast in bed but literally. The question is: who put the cornflakes between the sheets?

### Quarters #5

Quarters #5 wishes to make it known that it has an enthusiastic "amphib man" aboard. In fact, this boy is so eager that he practiced deep water landings back in the galley, or did John Heller fall asleep while filling the tub?

The quarters received a very luscious basket of fruit, candy and cookies from Mrs. Abbott. The succulent pears, juicy apples and ripe yellow bananas caused a major problem of division. Slide rules came out, but finally the men drew for numbers giving each a turn to pick the apple of his eye. A load of thanks goes to Mrs. Abbott for her thoughtfulness.

The quarters was visited last Saturday by Al Domiani, Bob Kalenian and Jack Mattson. These men were formerly of Quarters #5 and are now en route to their homes for a nine day leave.

At present, Ken Edge is resting comfortably in sick bay. Hy Winer

returned to quarters after spending a very enjoyable week end in Elkhart, Indiana.

### Quarters #6

The local printing press is busy turning out new crisp sawbucks and fins. Ray Bojanowski, Joe Hardman, John Enander and Ed Forhan are preparing to pay off all of their past debts. These debts were incurred through the backing up of boasts about football teams and women. The payoff day will be at the Holi-Hop which the quarters will attend in full strength. Warning has been issued to all who owe "50 second Bojo" any beer that by arriving late at the dance they will not escape payment as his date is reported to have an amber brew capacity equal to that of her great "hero".

### Quarters #7

Two new additions have arrived in the forms of a magazine rack for the lounge and a new ironing board.

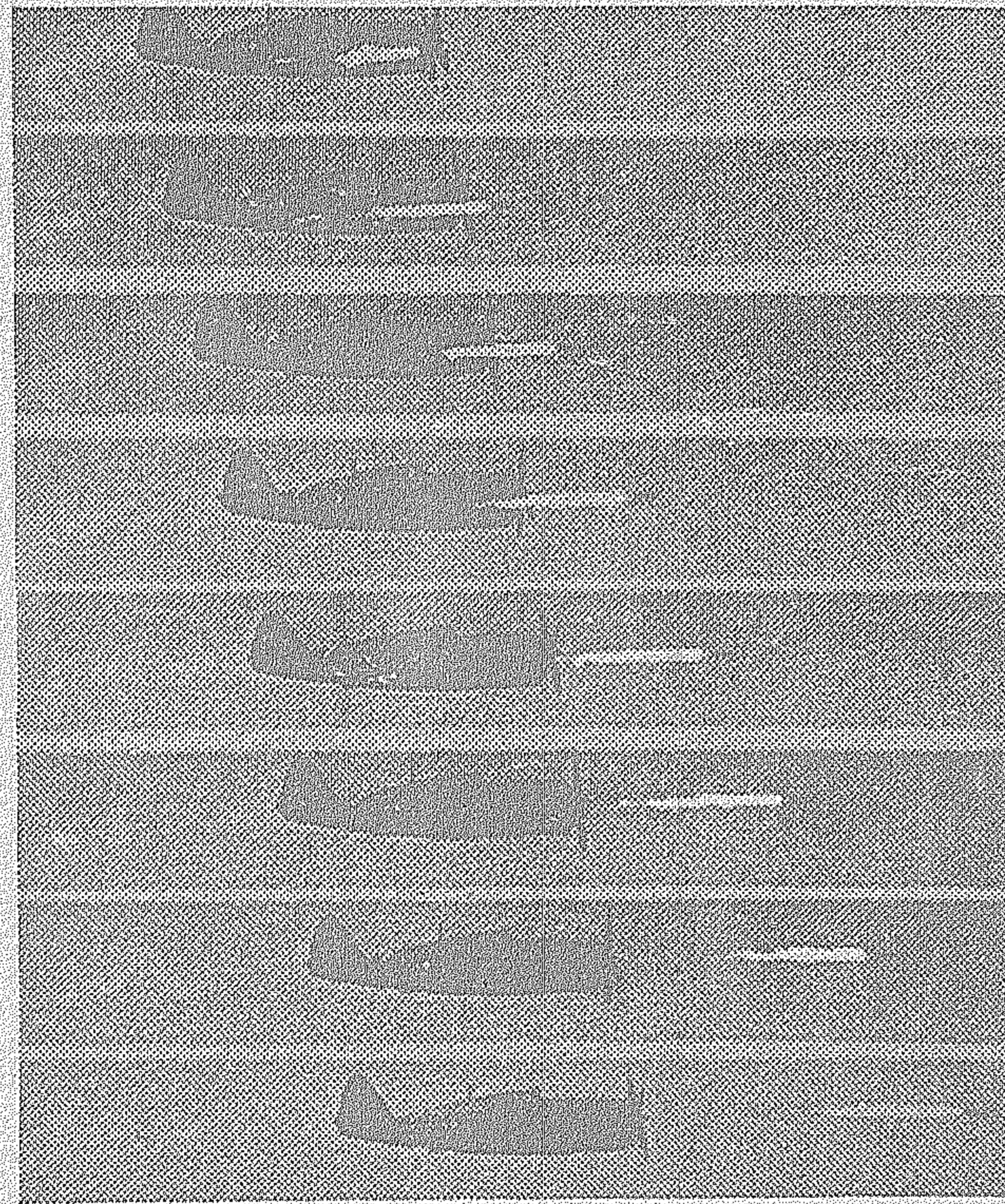
Orchids go to early-birds Gail Parrish, Ivan Goldberg, and Bill "Eager Beaver" Cannon. Parrish, who used to live on a farm, rises and shines at 0400.

Goldberg is so punchy that, on the fear of being restricted and not seeing his one and only, he hits the deck at 0600 and runs madly thru the quarters turning on the lights.

MAA Bill Cannon surpasses the first two in alertness. At 0300 Friday morning, "Eager" awoke on hearing a fly alight on the ceiling and glancing at his watch which stopped at 6:45 p.m., jumped out of the sack and in dread fear of the recurrence of the happenings of Thursday morning, awakened his roommates shouting that the bell had rung.

It is rumored that William Burt has come under the evil influences of Charlie Hohmann. Hohmann made Burt utter the first curse he had ever made. Burt said, "\$#%&".

The order of the "Pink Pantaloon" goes to Jimmy Stewart for sacrifice in battle. For the first time in many weeks Jim turned on his personality in the chow line and got a big heaping tray of food, only to lose it to the O.O.D.



## NEW CAMERA "SHOOTS" FLYING PROJECTILES

WHEN Army ballistics experts needed to photograph speeding rockets, scientists at Bell Telephone Laboratories built the special "ribbon-frame" camera. Their experience came from making high speed cameras to study tiny movements in telephone equipment parts.

The new camera gets its name from the narrow slot that exposes a ribbon of film at a speed of one ten-thousandth of a second. These "stills," taken on ordinary film, show a fast flying P-47 firing its underwing rocket.

This is an example of the many ways Bell System research is helping to provide better weapons, better equipment for war and peacetime telephone service.

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