

AS THE YEAR draws to a close it is appropriate that we pause to survey the events of most importance that occurred during the past 12 months. Looking through the files for January we find the ITSA Athletic Banquet standing out as the event of the month. In February 285 persons left Illinois Tech with degrees, comprising the largest graduating class of the year. It was also in February that Illinois Tech received its deferment quota only to lose it when the whole system was abolished two months later.

Things moved quickly in March with the ASTP trainees moving out and more rumors floating about concerning the draft, etc. Sports at Illinois Tech discarded their crutches as the Techawk cagers carried the scarlet and gray to 15 straight victories and 16 wins for the season. Bob Negele, now A/S Negele, carried off the honors in the spirited ITSA elections by garnering more votes than any other candidate.

The shadow cast on IIT activities by the abolishment of the deferment quota in April was lifted somewhat in May when the gala Junior Week activities were staged, climaxed by the finest dance that Illinois Tech had seen in many a day in the form of the Navy Ball with Woody Herman and his orchestra. June found civilians preparing for the army and final examinations, with the seniors voicing their disapproval of the honor system. In the field of sports A/S Norm Hankins broke two IIT track records in the Central Collegiate Conference meet for both the 100 yard and 220 yard events.

In June, 118 students received their degrees as the baseball team completed a .500 season with four wins, four losses and one tie. Auggie Clemens led the team with a batting average of .428.

July found *Technology News* continuing with a new managing board and a greatly reduced staff, while students were getting into the swing of the new term and navy men were beginning to take a more active part in student affairs. The west campus finally got its lounge and the IIT secretaries were "introduced" to the school and formed their club.

August and September came in quick succession bringing the Integral Ball with Charmaine Forsland as queen, the 24% reduction in the V-12 quota, and a new ITSA constitution. A great deal happened in October with the school receiving the Ordnance Distinguished Service Award, Destiny Smith winning the *Technology News* pin-up contest, Frank Wheeler taking over Paul O. Riding's job as director of the News Bureau, and, of course, graduation.

The spirited class elections, the social activity fee, and the initial success of the basketball team dominated the scene in November while, this month, the war bond drive, Christmas recess, tutoring classes, and the "get tough" policy of the Honor Board stand out. And so we have an "Outline of History" for IIT in 1944, a summary for new men and old, presented with the hope that from it new ideas may be suggested for the year to come.

## Number of Tutored Students Increases

The free tutoring system initiated by Pi Tau Sigma, honorary mechanical fraternity, has had a steady increase in attendance.

Co-operating with Pi Tau Sigma is Eta Kappa Nu, electrical honorary, and Phi Lambda Upsilon, honorary chemical fraternity. Those tutored have mostly been returning veterans.

The schedule for the classes, which are held in 302MH, can be found on the bulletin board in Main.

# TECHNOLOGY NEWS

## Investing in Uncle Sam



**BOND BUYERS**—A/S Charles Hohmann (left) and A/S C. B. Fenton are giving Lt. M. P. Andersen checks for their bond purchases during the recent War Loan drive. Fenton, a George Williams student, made the largest single bond purchase at IIT, \$5,000. Hohmann made the second largest investment, \$4,075.

## Congress to Consider Possible Absorption of V-12 by NROTC

A bill concerning the future of the present navy V-12 training program was recently introduced in Congress by Senator David I. Walsh, chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee.

"The present V-12 college training program will be eliminated, and V-12 students absorbed by the Naval Reserve Officer's Training Program," explained Senator Walsh, who presented the bill for the purpose of increasing the number of NROTC units in the country from 27 to 50.

This bill will also increase the present NROTC enrollment from 7,200 to 24,000 men, in which strength it would remain until one year after the war when it would be decreased to 14,000 students.

An excerpt from a recent Army-Navy Journal stated that: "The maximum of 7200 students (in the NROTC) was fixed by Congress to reflect the officer candidate needs of the Navy as constituted prior to the present war or of that which would operate immediately following the war. . . ."

"It is believed that the expansion can best be accomplished by converting to the NROTC program the best facilities now in use by the V-12 program. This conversion of facilities would proceed progressively as the V-12 program is curtailed."

"Under this expansion the trainee units would be increased and new NROTC units established at certain universities and colleges. . . ."

"Those institutions to receive new NROTC have been selected and quotas set in relation both to war time and peace time conditions and the schools would fall into two classes."

The classes would be: a) institutions with enrollment sufficiently large so that a peace-time NROTC could be supported and b) smaller colleges which have no commitments to the army for ROTC and which have been enthusiastic and successful in the administering of the V-12 program.

Senator Walsh stated that "The V-12 program which now has an enrollment of approximately 50,000 students, will be steadily reduced after July 1."

The consequences of the passing of this bill on the V-12 unit at IIT have not been clarified as of yet. The NROTC curriculum in engineering is very general and the engineering courses are mainly for languages and naval study curriculum.

It is possible that the V-12 program will continue after July 1 with no future enrollments until its present enrollment of 50,000 is reduced to the number required to fill the 24,000 men quota of the NROTC.

## Christmas Program Wednesday; Knepper and Harmon Will Solo

The complete program for Wednesday's Christmas concert was announced by O. Gordon Erickson today. All ten o'clock classes will be dismissed and the hour and a half program will begin at 10:15 a.m. in the auditorium.

A/S Trent Knepper and A/S Robert Harmon will be the featured soloists of the program. Knepper will sing "Ballad for Americans" with the glee club and orchestra, and Harmon will play Estileau Caprice on his saxophone, accompanied by the band.

The orchestra will do a Christmas-tide Overture during which the audience will join in a caroling.

Other highlights promise to be the glee club's "Dawn of World Peace" by Stoughton and the band's "Deep Purple" by Peter DeRose.

It is planned that gayly colored Christmas decorations shall be erected for the occasion.

### Christmas Concert Program

#### PART I

- March of the Toys.....Herbert Orchestra
- Christmastide Overture...DeLamater
- Carols to be sung by the audience
- Adoramus Te.....Palestrina
- Jubilate.....Russian Glee Club
- Parade of the Wooden Soldiers... Leoui Orchestra
- Dawn of World Peace....Stoughton Glee Club

#### PART II

- Ballad for Americans..... Latoche-Robinson
- A Modern Cantata for chorus, orchestra and soloist
- A/S Trent Knepper—Baritone

#### PART III

- Deep Purple.....DeRose
- Estileau Caprice.....Paul
- A/S Robert Harmon—Saxophone
- "Oklahoma" selection.....Rogers Concert Band

## Bond Quota Met by Large Investments

A total of 181 trainees, or 34.9% of the Illinois Tech V-12 unit, spent \$22,118.25 for war bonds in the recent war bond drive. Civilian and ship's company purchases amounted to \$6,462.50 for a total of \$28,580.75 spent for bonds. These facts were revealed last Friday by Lt. M. P. Andersen, executive officer.

Leading faculty purchasers were Professors Myril B. Reed, Daniel Roesch, Henry Spencer, and William Krathwohl. John F. Wilhite bought more bonds than any other civilian student. Chief Charles Speer and Yeoman H. H. Gutterich were among the highest bond buyers in ship's company.

Quarters #7 led all the other quarters on the Armour campus, principally because of the \$4000 purchase of A/S Charles Hohmann. The second deck at George Williams bought almost \$6000 worth of bonds; A/S C. B. Fenton purchased \$5000 of this.

A total of 26 of the 53 or 49.2% of the total number of trainees in Quarters #4, purchased bonds to carry away the honor of having the largest percentage of war bond investors.

Throughout the entire V-12 unit, 34.9% of seamen bought extra war bonds in addition to the regular monthly allotments being deducted from their pay.

## Underclassmen To Co-operate

The freshmen and sophomores will have a joint class meeting Jan. 3 to discuss further the sophomore-freshman sponsored all school Valentine Day dance which will be held early in February.

The sophomore social committee under social chairman A/S Allan Kukral will be: Bob Loomis, Bob Spitzig, A/S De Witt Pickens, A/S Herb Taylor and A/S Lloyd Gieger.

At present inquiries are being made for a suitable ballroom. The Continental Hotel (Medinah Club) and the Terrace Room of the Morrison Hotel are being considered. Although the dance is still in its early stage, A/S Witold Kosicki, sophomore president, said that he hoped the sophomore and freshman students would continue to support their class officers. At the sophomore meeting last week over a quarter of the students were present.

Along with the sophomore-freshman sponsored dance, plans are being laid for a sophomore sleigh ride, toboggan party and skating party. These social affairs will be discussed at the freshman-sophomore class meeting to be held January 3 at 11:15 a.m. in the auditorium.

Kosicki said that by that time plans will have been laid for price of bids, ballroom, and band; and the students may then voice their opinions and vote upon their choices.

## Another E Is Given For Honor Violation

At a meeting of the Honor Board last week, one student was given an E in a mechanics quiz because he failed to uphold the honor system.

The student who received a failing grade in the quiz was turned in by two students. The board found the student guilty of copying but did not give him an E in the test because of the poor circumstances under which the test was given.

The instructor allowed two students to use the same equipment for the quiz and this led to the students copying. Because of these circumstances the entire blame could not be put on the student; and although he had copied, disregarding the honor system, he only received an E for the test and was put on probation.

A/S Bob Negele, chairman of the Honor Board, said that there will be a meeting of the group Monday at 5 p.m.

Two weeks ago a student was dismissed from school when he was found copying twice in one week, and last week, another student was given an E in a course because the Honor Board found him guilty of copying during an examination.

A total of four students have been dismissed from IIT since the beginning of the honor system.

## Time for Concert At Lewis Changed

The time of the west campus Christmas concert has been changed to 8 p.m. on December 20. It will be the last concert by the girls' glee club of the Signal Corps before their graduation. The program will be given in the Lewis auditorium.

## Juniors Plan Winter Stag

The "Winterland Stag" will be held by the junior class among the chain-of-lakes near McHenry, Illinois in January. Tentative plans have the date set at January 12 to 15.

The stag, lasting three days and nights, will feature skiing, sledding, ice skating, and ice boating.

John O. Enander, class president, said there would be no charge other than for transportation and food. Arrangements have already been made for sleeping accommodations. The meals will be cooked by the men themselves.

Trains, buses, or private cars will be available the entire week-end. For further details the men have been asked to contact Enander.

## Windows Get Yule Trimming at Lewis

Glancing up at the colorful Christmas scenes in the windows of the west campus building, an observer might have the fleeting impression that he was passing a cathedral.

He would be seeing, however, not a panel of costly stained glass windows but a simulation made of colored poster paper.

The windows were designed and prepared by Lewis art students under the direction of Miss Ruth Severud. The panel effectively imitates stained glass, yet the entire project was carried out simply with colored paper, razor blades, scotch tape, linseed oil, and turpentine, and was put together like a jig-saw puzzle.

Six windows, each 8 feet high and 3 1/2 feet wide, have been thus decorated. They are divided into two units of three.

A madonna and child form the central motif of one unit, which bears the simple message, "Peace." This is surrounded by angelic figures, wise men on camels, and scenes of Jerusalem.

The outer unit, inscribed "Joy to All," centers around the infant Christ, with joyful children admiring him and playing happy tunes on pipes.



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**Future Dances**

The Holi Hop set a new standard for IIT dances. In the past two years it has been customary for them to stagger with financial failure; this one did not. Equally important it found a recipe for future successful dances. This consists of a good location and a good, but not "name" band. Practicing this policy, any class, with the proper support, can give a good dance.

This dance seems to offer evidence that social activity can be better managed by the individual class than by the defunct ASSC. The acid test will come, however, when the freshmen and sophomore give their dance. They will have a big problem of promotion. If the underclass attendance at the Holi Hop has any significance, then their dance is doomed before it starts.

In order for the underclassmen to make their plans work out as well as those of the juniors, they should follow the junior class in their loyal support. The leaders of the class must show the determined interest of the caliber of Enander, Arends, Knepper, Fairman and other officers.

They should be cautioned not to take up a collection as was done at the Holi Hop to enable the band to play for an hour longer. Such an act shows poor taste in every respect. Another thing which the freshmen and sophomores should try to do is to gain the support of the fraternities to bring out their members.

With co-ordinated action and an excellent example to follow, the freshmen and sophomores should be able to provide another enjoyable evening.

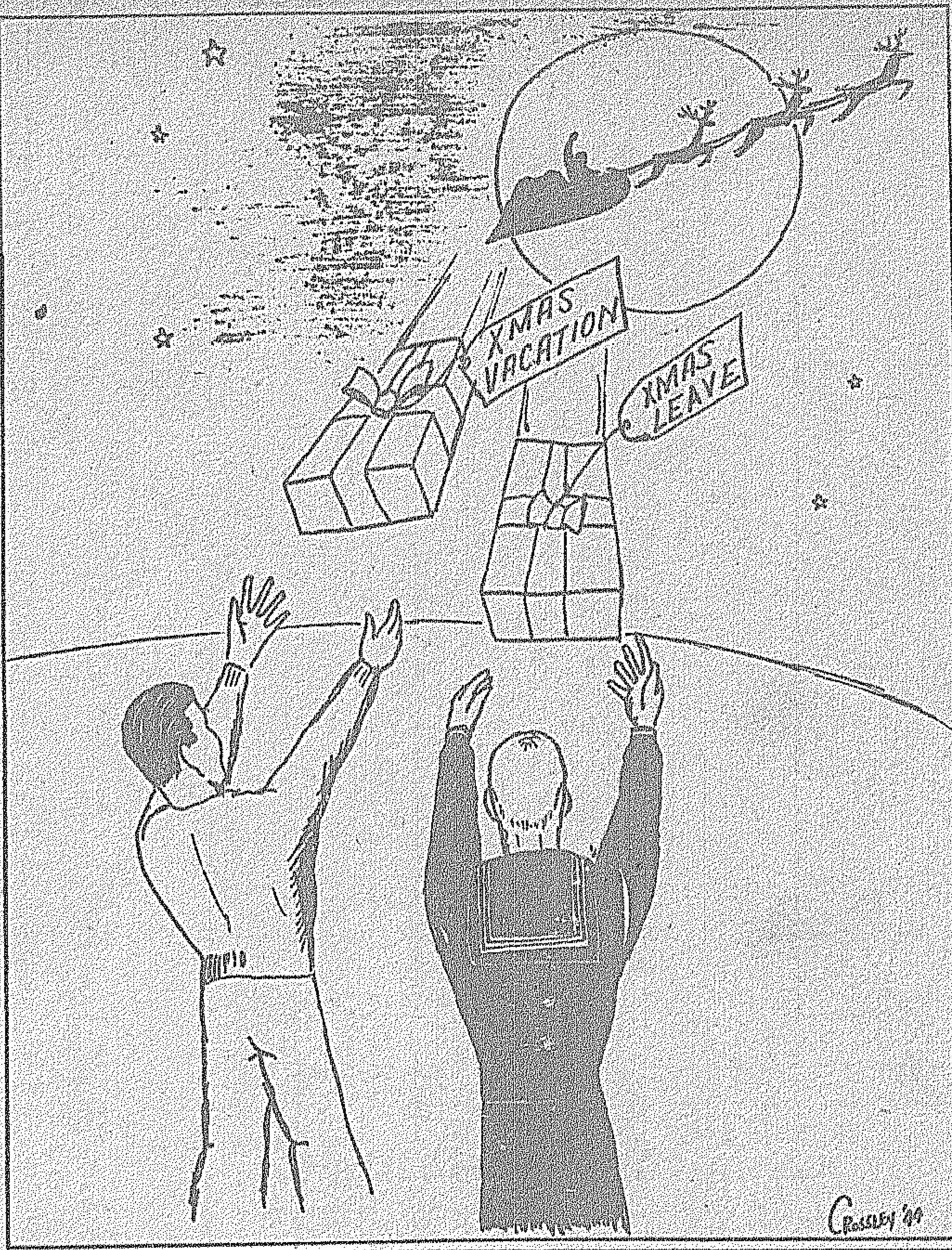
**Tribute to "O. G."**

Every year since 1933, when O. Gordon Erickson became director of the Illinois Tech music clubs, the IIT music organizations have presented a Christmas program of exceptional quality. To all appearances they will surpass previous achievements Wednesday when IIT students will hear the 1944 concert.

The habitual success of the clubs is of course to a great extent due to the members' good work. However, for the most part, the credit should go to "O.G." He is a "shining example" of what an active and interested leader can do for an organization. Instead of allowing the war to curb activities, Erickson went ahead and organized a navy band, a glee club among the signal corps girls at Lewis, a civilian-navy-army band while the ASTP was on the campus, and now a glee club composed of workers at the Research Foundation. All this has been in addition to the regular activities or the orchestra and glee club.

Our hats are off to O. Gordon Erickson. Students who hear the Christmas program Wednesday will undoubtedly remember it for some time to come.

**The Best Gift of All**



**Man Of The Week—**

**Activities and Leadership Rank High in Norm Schmitz's IIT Life**

Norman Sturmen Schmitz is one of our active IIT athletes. He is president of Honor I and has a major letter in baseball.

Born 21 years ago in Cassville, Wisconsin, Norm was practically forced into athletics. High, early winter snows made him take up skiing, and late winter ice made him a speed skater—starting at the tender age of four. Naturally, he is also a hockey fan.

A good athlete has team spirit and school spirit.

Schmitz enjoys playing the game and watching the game. He wishes that more of his classmates would do the same.

Norm is now a senior chemical. He is a graduate of Fenger High School and entered Illinois Tech in the evening division. During his sophomore year he became part of the V-12 unit at IIT. After serving eight months in the navy, he again became a civilian in February of this year. His plans for the future include graduate study in his chosen field.



In the meantime, Norm is engaged in many activities. He is president of Alpha Sigma Phi, a member of the Alpha Chi Sigma social committee, chairman of the senior curriculum committee, and member of the Illinois Tech Vets. After losing quite a lot of money on the last presidential election, Schmitz is also planning to become a member of the Young Democrats Club.

A gentleman and a scholar, Schmitz enjoys reading scientific matter and current novels. Admittedly not knowing classical music very well, he prefers popular pieces. Norm also likes to dance, which brings us to the subject of women. But that's enough said.

Hobbies? What, with all his other activities, about all the time Norm has left is for collecting 1892 issues of a three-cent Afghanistan stamp.

—EDWARD SHORE

**... After Today What?**

Chicago is the leading center of the metallurgical industries in the Middle West. For this reason it seems quite likely that a great deal will be done on IIT's new campus to establish a modern school of metallurgy.

At the present time the two leading schools of metallurgy are Carnegie Tech and MIT, both being in the East. The need for a modern and extensive school in the Middle West then becomes apparent and IIT becomes the logical place for its location.

At the present time there are no students in metallurgy at IIT and only one instructor teaching the subject. After the war, however, the prospects appear much brighter. Metallurgists are very scarce and they receive very high salaries as compared with many other technical men.

This metallurgical center could probably serve another need in this area; that is to train men in industry. There is considerable demand for this since the field of metallurgy is so new that many older engineers have had no training in it at all.

There are plans for a metallurgical building in the new Technology Center. These plans are quite indefinite, but James Waber, a graduate student, has a great many ideas concerning the development of the school. He suggests that some of the equipment which will be needed in this school will be X-ray diffraction, radiography and electron diffraction instruments for studying the surface structure of metals. For research and graduate work a quenching dilatometer will be useful. This is used for studying the allotropic changes in steel.

A great deal of equipment will be needed in obtaining adequate shop facilities. Converters, induction heating devices and electric arc furnaces, for accurate control of melting, will be an integral part of the new plans. Another part of the shop may be devoted to a small experimental foundry and a small rolling mill.

By Henry Freund



The Rod is well oiled and full of holiday cheer (the bottled variety), and it is only appropriate that we should begin this week's diggings by delving into the goings on at the recent Holi Hop.

Bill "Whatta Man" Atchinson, that handsome devil from Granite City, Illinois, was observed introducing his beautiful blonde friend Connie to everyone, whether he knew them or not. Bill came awfully close to being refused the date when he told his girl that seniors usually become inebriated at such affairs, and as he was a senior, he would be forced to follow suit. All was serene once more when our Bill, then and there, took the pledge. Latest reports are that Bill did not deviate from the straight and narrow at the dance, but what he and Bob Algren did, till 5 a.m. has us mighty interested.

This week's "Delicious Dingleberry" award goes to Lennie Donarski. At the recent dance his ever loving Lil and another girl were discussing the abilities of their respective boyfriends in the art of love making. Not to be outdone, Lil came up with the prize retort of the week that Len's dad could neck much better than Len himself. His face was seen to turn crimson; and being so terribly embarrassed, was seen making a hasty exit, girl in tow.

Anticipating the enjoyment and fascination that usually accompanies an IIT social affair, a future engineer brought along his Elementary German book. In case the dance became extremely dull and boring our man had only to dash to the cloakroom, grab his book and then escort his girl to a nice quiet corner and start reading. Things being as enjoying as they were, our boy A/S Don Gipple forgot to claim his book, and as a result we have had numerous calls from the hat check girl exhorting us to send someone to claim it.

Latest of the budding romances on the campus—Joan "Lana" French really has been receiving plenty of attention lately. The young casanova who has been noticed casting furtive glances in her direction is none other than the IIT playboy, James Waber. It looks as though Jim's long search for the "right girl" has finally come to an abrupt end, as they look like they were meant for each other. It will be a terrible blow to the secretaries here, Jim; but they'll just have to forgive and forget.

Forrest "The Lover" Neil is promoting the good neighbor policy with his sixteen year old next door neighbor. They spend quiet evenings discussing the foreign situation over a bottle of "Virginia Dare." That's potent stuff, "Lover", so be careful. Apparently her mother hasn't been informed as to your coveted reputation as S.O.B. (Smooth Operating Boy).

Bob De Boo has been completely fascinated with Herb Schoen's collection of pin-up girls because his girl had him firmly convinced that thinner girls could not have wonderful curves. She probably wanted him to believe that he couldn't get a girl who had everything plus beauty. In order to prove to her that there were such things as attractive and appealing girls, Bob has borrowed a few of Herb's pictures to show his girl. We just wonder how you made out, Bob!

Blame it on the cigarette shortage again. For a very amusing sight drop around to 114C at one o'clock and observe Dr. H. S. Wall, mathematics professor, as he tries to roll his Bull Durham cigarettes. First thing he does before embarking upon this ordeal, is to figure out the probabilities of not spilling the precious tobacco on the floor. Wall says, "It isn't easy" when asked how he likes rolling his own. He would surely appreciate a real packaged cigarette, that is, if one of you fellows can spare one.

Rex Gourley recently talked George Slaughter into accompanying him on a blind date which resulted in catastrophe for George. In retaliation, Rex was asked out on a blind date. The damsel was a ravishing beauty and has since invited Rex to dinner several times and best of all, has given him several cartons of cigarettes. Still trying to get even, George tried again, but the same thing happened and Rex's date was far more beautiful than George's. George's motto is, "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again." All he needs to do is stay in there pitching and sooner or later the worm will turn.

As this will be the last issue until classes are once more resumed, hearty greetings are hereby extended to all. Here's hoping you get that most worthwhile gift of all, a beautiful doll to sit on your lap. Not the type that cries "Mama," but the type that will say yes.

—THE ROD



**Campus COMMENTS**

**LETTER OF THE WEEK: Music in Cafeteria**

The music which has been played in the cafeteria recently is excellent. Rho Epsilon, the sponsor of this music, deserves to be complimented.

It is definitely pleasing to have music while you are eating particularly the type which is played over the FM stations. I have heard that many of the navy students find this music quite to their tastes and also a considerable improvement over the conventional chow hall.

**A Look At Alumni**

Dr. Ruth E. Clouse, head of the Home Economics department at Lewis, is the wife of John Henry Clouse, ME '21.

Ulysses Backas, '44, was to be sent to Washington, D.C., for training in radio. Somehow he was shipped to Gulfport, Mississippi, with fellow Illinois Tech classmates, Bob LaCivita and Joe Gleason. Misery, fate, and the "green banana" can't be so bad, for he also met John Volakakis, Ed Leonard, Ed Curran, Don Hibbitt, Bill Krone, and J. J. Roberts at his new home in the "Deeep Sooth".

Thaddeus J. Lubera, AS '26, has been named superintendent of the Eighth Elementary School District. This district includes 39 schools, 29,000 pupils, and more than 700 teachers.

Elmer Reske, FPE '24, has been made the manager of the Cook County Inspection Bureau. Loaded down with campaign ribbons, Lt. Ed Knogring, ME '41, of the USS Chenango, dropped into the placement office.

It seems that our worries are over. Lt. Ed Bell, '43, an Air-Sea Rescue officer, and a friend of his, an electrical engineer, are conducting their own private survey in England. Topics vary from manufacturing and mining in South America to such items as engineering refresher courses to returning servicemen.

Florence Bernstein, HEc '39, is now with the Home Economics department of the Office of Price Administration.

Last Thursday evening, President Henry T. Heald spoke to 85 alumni at a dinner held at the DeSoto Hotel in St. Louis. The occasion was the St. Louis alumni semi-annual dinner.

He's still handy with his hands. Lt. Don Davidson, aboard the USS New Jersey, sent "Uncle John" Schommer a very large handmade Christmas card. He is assistant fire marshal aboard the "battlewagon."

—LEWIS DAVIDSON

As a final word, the only thing that I can criticize is the fact that they do not always play music when the civilians are in the cafeteria at 11 o'clock. If Rho Epsilon could possibly schedule music at this time, then I would really call it a job well done.

J. S

**Co-op Asks for Help**

Yes, the Co-op is ineffective. I have watched it deteriorate steadily since I became connected with it five semesters ago. The reason, however, is not lack of management.

The Co-op Bookstore, as everyone knows, is unlike a business organization in several respects. Perhaps it is a cross between a business and a school activity. However, as a school activity, it needs the support of the students or it cannot function effectively. Anyone connected with the Co-op realizes that the present difficulty in which the Co-op finds itself is not due to its lack of competent management or intelligent planning—it is due to lack of manpower.

We have plans for enlargement of stock, more efficient ordering, perhaps even a better location; but unless we have student support, we, like other student activity in the same position, will fail.

I would like to make an appeal to all students, especially the freshmen and sophomores, to come up to the Co-op, find out what it stands for and what its functions are, and then decide whether you would like to make it one of your school activities. If only fifteen students would volunteer two hours a week, the Co-op would again become efficient. The system is there, only the manpower is lacking. The situation can be likened to a car in perfect order, but which has run out of gas. All we need is about thirty hours of "gas" and we can go to town. What do you say!

Bob Kovnat  
Vice President  
Engineers Co-op, Inc.

**IIT Inquiring reporter**

**QUESTION:**

How do you plan to spend your Christmas vacation?

**RICHARD MINDES, Freshman Mechanical:** My Christmas vacation is already planned. I am going to work during the day at my Saturday job all week, and I'll try to catch up on my back homework in the evenings. This week's vacation is a blessing. It will give me a chance to finish up my school work and start out the New Year with a clean slate.

**SOL YANOFF, Sophomore Civil:** My vacation is going to be one of complete relaxation from schoolastic activities. I have notified my parents that they will not see much of me during the Christmas vacation. I'm just going AWOL, a wolf on the loose. Seriously though, I intend to read at least one popular novel and catch up on some lost sleep.

**ERNEST HAMILTON, Freshman Civil:** My Christmas vacation will be spent with crowded hours. I'll start out the first day by doing my Christmas shopping. Then I'll relax for one day, on Christmas, and then start catching up on my homework. Catching up on my homework should be a big enough job to keep me occupied during the whole week, and I'll try to see my girl a couple of times.

**BOB MARTIN, Freshman Electrical:** Christmas is on Monday, so I'll naturally loaf. Tuesday and Wednesday, I'll clean the house (paint the kitchen). Thursday, Friday, Saturday, I'll see my friends. Sunday the house will be wrecked because of the party. Monday, I hope I can loaf. In between comes the homework, I hope. In short that's a well planned schedule, I think. The possibility of my staying with this schedule is as slight as my going on a date with Snow White; but I can dream, can't I?

**JIMMIE CLARIZIO, Freshman Mechanical:** During my Christmas vacation I plan to see my girl at least once a day. Since I've been at IIT, I have only been able to see her once a week. Of course I'll have to keep up with my studying, so that I'll be able to start off even on the New Year. My hopes are that my studying during the holidays will bring up my average and that extra time with the girl friend will bring us closer together.

**ROBERT MISCH, Senior Chemistry Major:** The coming Christmas vacation is one week which I have been looking forward to for a long time. I am not totally concerned with the free time alone, however, since Christmas itself and the holiday spirit have always meant a lot to me. I do not intend to go out on either Christmas day or the day after, but to enjoy myself at home. Then, I intend to go to a lot of movies and do some very light reading. It has been a long time since I read any pulp thrillers, and I feel it would do me some good. I also expect to be busy building models for my little brother and helping him with his music lessons, chores that I have sadly neglected.

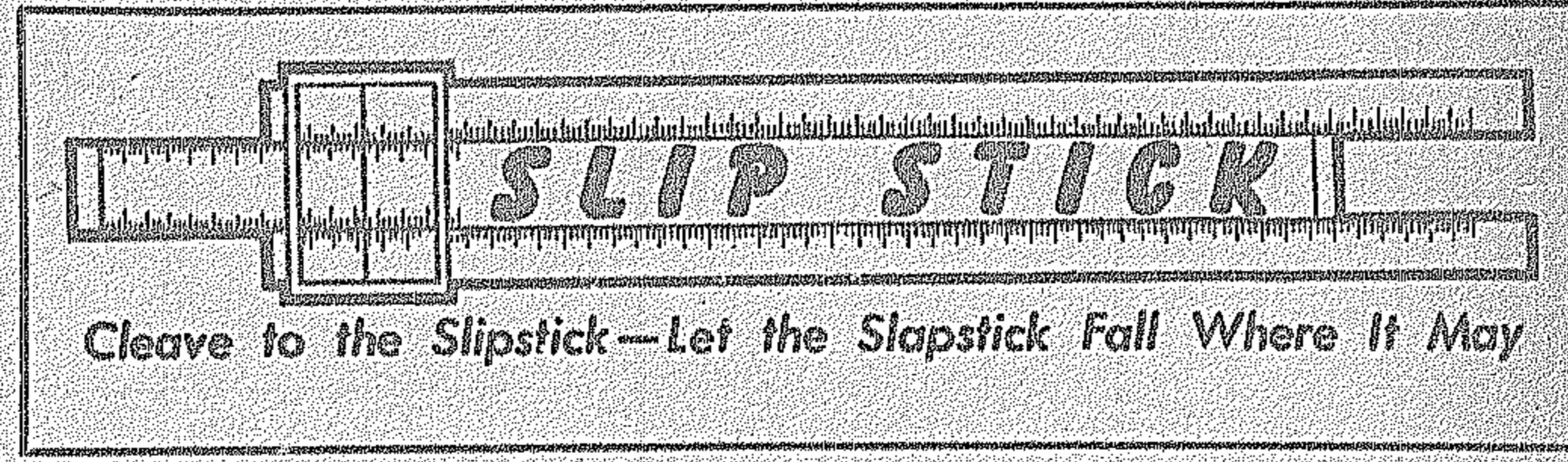
Many students say that they intend to catch up on their sleep, but I would be too worried about losing some of that precious vacation time. If possible, I will put the school completely out of mind until New Year's day, when I will again pull out the old books. I hope that most of the instructors make a point to assign no work over the vacation. I personally know that many students will be doing make-up work as it is.

In more than one way, the vacation will be a boon to me. It will give me time to write some letters and also to build up a gas supply.

—LEONARD BROWN

**Dames' Notes**

A/S ROY CHURAN of Quarters #6 used to raise mice when he was in high school. He sold them to his fellow students. Roy claims that he started with two mice and ended up with a business... SAM KARLIN, mathematics instructor, who graduated from high school in 1942, is now working for his master's degree in mathematics. He received his BS last February... The father of MILAN VOYVODICK, freshman civil, is in the service of the Yugoslavian state department in Chicago... DON PARKER, junior mechanical, has completed 128 hours of flying... ROBERT LOOMIS, sophomore fire protect, is earning his way through college by playing the saxophone for a dance band... Besides HANK KOZI and his twin brother, there is also a set of older twin brothers in the Koci family.



I hope that your Christmas vacation will be enjoyable and that the New Year will be prosperous and lucky for all. I would like to pass on to all of you the "Seasons Greetings."

Nancy: I've seen black eyes like that before Hank, but what I can't get over is that nose.

Hank: That's because the bridge is broken.

—IIT—

"How's your daughter's golf?"

"She says she is going around in less and less each week."

"I don't doubt that, but I asked about her golf."

—IIT—

Jones isn't pleased. He's got twins and he only wanted one child."

"Well, what do you expect? He married a telephone girl, and they always give the wrong number."

IIT

Coach: "Bob, you see this center? I want you to go in and watch him." In less than a minute the center shot two successive baskets, whereupon the coach yanked Bob and said, "I told you to watch him."

Bob: "I did, and he sure has a nice hook shot."

—IIT—

"Hello, is this the City Gas Works?"

"I'm sorry, but this is the Law Department of IIT."

"Gosh, I didn't miss it by much at that."

—IIT—

"Say Art, I've heard a new joke and can't remember if I used it in the 'Slipstick.'"

"Is it funny?"

"Yes."

"Then you haven't."

—IIT—

Did you say you wanted a window or a widow?

Doesn't make any difference. When I get near either of them, I always look out.

—IIT—

"Thanks for the lift," said the woman as she climbed out of the plastic surgeon's chair.

—IIT—

"Son, I don't want to see you going around with that wild girl any more."

"Aw heck, she ain't wild. Anyone can pet her."

—IIT—

A sophisticated girl is one who knows how to refuse a kiss without being deprived of it.

—IIT—

Parson: "Do you know where bad little girls go?"

Sally: "Of course I do. They go down to the railroad station to see the traveling salesman come in."

—IIT—

When you're out New Year's Eve, bear in mind that a girl is like a cigar. You can't tell if they're good or bad until after they're lit up.

—"CHET" PACHUCKI

**V-12 VETS**

A/S Witold Kosicki

When I asked Witold Kosicki, of Quarters #5, for something for "V-12 Vets" he replied, "I haven't done anything but sail around." As he told his story, however, this reply turned out to be a masterpiece of understatement.

Kosicki enlisted in the Navy in April, 1940. Instead of going to a regular "boot" camp, he went through "boots" aboard the USS Dubuque, an old gunboat that operated on Great Lakes. Upon completion of this training, Kosicki, as a fire controlman striker, went to San Diego to the USS Crane, a destroyer. The Crane, an ancient "tin-can" that had been cut down from a four-stacker to a three-stacker to a two-stacker, operated out of San Diego on the "Neutrality Patrol," a patrol of the west coast of the United States.

In May of 1941 "Wit" went to soundman's school and learned to operate the various instruments used to detect submarines. He then went back to the Crane, which was now acting as a convoy and an escort ship. The Crane's convoy duty was submarine protection between the United States and Hawaii. While on one of these trips, a sub was located and bombed, but apparently escaped. Anyhow, the Crane didn't receive credit for sinking it.

While on the Hawaii-U.S. trip, Wit was operating the sound equipment and picked up a submarine. The Crane dropped a depth charge and got this one, officially. On this same trip the Crane rescued a naval flier from the "drink." He turned out to be one of Wit's high school classmates.

According to Wit, "There's nothing like the rugged life on an old tin-can. It's nothing like the easy life on a battleship." This remark was aimed at Joe Hardman, who was "helping" Kosicki with his story. Hardman added, "Kosicki was a fire controlman; and so many fellows think that he worked in the engine room that you had better tell them that a fire controlman directs gun fire, torpedoes, and depth charges, works range finders and synchronizes the equipment of the armament." Kosicki, who lives in Detroit, has a hash mark for his recently completed enlistment. In his naval service, he also has earned the American and Pacific-Asiatic campaign bars, the National Defense bar with a star, and the Good Conduct Award.

—A/S ALLAN KUKRAL

**THIS COLLEGIATE WORLD**

The "Dames Ball" given by the Mortar Board, an honorary on the campus of the University of Indiana, was the scene of several unusual corsages. The coeds, who undertook to perform the traditional male functions such as obtaining the dates, purchasing the bid, buying the corsage, etc., let their imagination run wild. The most extreme floral pieces were a pair of earmuffs covered with flowers; a posie covered halo topped by an electric light; and a nosegay of baby rattles.

South Dakota State is to have a "pin-up" boy. In keeping with the manpower shortage, coeds will submit pictures of boy friends, brothers and fiances who are in the armed forces. Selection of the "pin-up" will be made by a committee comprised of two women and two men. The men will attempt to judge the contestants on "true manly beauty".

A unique ceremony that is a tradition at Grinnell college is the "Yule Log Ceremony". At the Yule Dinner, the Yule log is lighted from the embers of last year's Yule log. The present Yule log will be kept until next year, when the ceremony will be repeated.

Final proof that women are more trouble than men comes from the Iowa State teachers college via their paper, "The College Eye". This comes from an old janitor on the campus who said, "It's a lot tougher on us janitors with so many men gone. They're just about half as much trouble as those women who cannot seem to remember that you can't unlock a locker when you lock it with the key inside." He also claimed that his job would really be tough if he had to keep track of all the purses and lipstick he finds. He ended his judgment with, "But don't think for a minute that I don't like it. I sure wouldn't have worked here for 23 years if I hadn't."

—A/S ALLAN KUKRAL



# FOUR Tech Matmen Beat Wheaton

## Wrestlers Administer Wheaton Worst Defeat

In its first meet of the season, held last Wednesday evening, the Techawk wrestlers defeated Wheaton College 25 to 5. This was Wheaton's worst defeat suffered at the hands of Illinois Tech.

Outstanding among the grapplers were A/S Dick Lander, A/S Don Johnson, and Don Albert.

Wrestling as heavyweight, Lander pinned his man in 58 seconds. Drake, his opponent, outweighed Lander by at least 30 pounds; but it was Dick's day to shine, and so big boy Drake was flat on his back in less than a minute. As a result five of the team's 25 points were marked up in Lander's favor.

A letterman and star performer of last year, Albert pinned his opponent Tweeton in 6 min. 45 sec.; and although the time was rather long, Don had his opponent's number from the first cry of "Wrestle" by Tilden's coach who served as referee. Don pinned his man and also received five points to add to the final total of 25.

A/S Don Johnson defeated his opponent by a score of 10-1. Don is a very fast and crafty wrestler, proof being the ten points which he built up against his opposition. He tried various holds, or you might say toyed with his opponent, constantly building up points till he finally won 10-1 at the conclusion of the match.

It is impossible to describe each man, but coach Weissman can be proud of the fighting spirit of his squad and also of the good showing of the student body which attended the meet. Each man did his best and most of them came out on top.

Saturday evening they met the Iowa Seahawks, but because the paper goes to press Saturday morning, the results could not be given here.

The Seahawks are listed as one of the best, if not the best, wrestling team in the Midwest. Certainly they are one of the best in the country, and if the Tech team defeated them, Illinois Tech may be proud of its fine wrestling team; if they lost, the school can still be proud of them as we know that they did their best.

For the Seahawk match there will be no 121 pound class, and in place of this class A/S Art Marcussen will wrestle in the 151 pound class. The only other change in the lineup from that of the Wheaton match is that A/S Fred McCarthy will wrestle in the 135 pound class.

The results of the Wheaton match are:

ILLINOIS TECH	WHEATON
Mann 121 pounds	Gunderson (decision 4:49)
Albert 128 pounds	Tweeton
Zagzy (decision 6:45)	Phillips
Churan 135 pounds	Gardner
Johnson (decision 6-3)	Taylor
Freund 165 pounds	Babcock
Mieszowski (decision 9-1)	McCulley
Lander 175 pounds	Drake
Lander Heavyweight (decision 1 0:58)	

## Tech Fighters Plan Golden Gloves Entry

The Illinois Tech boxing team, small as it may be, will probably enter six of its eight men in the golden gloves.

Fred Olson is the newest addition to the team; and Berney Harris, who looked very good in workouts, left for service last week.

Captain A/S Charlie Porter, Dick Harmon, A/S Dick Pappas, A/S Chuck Hatstat, Bill Buckness and A/S Bill Newman will probably be the fighters entered in this amateur classic.

Last year Porter went to the quarter finals of the tournament, winning the first match by a decision and the second by a technical knockout.

## Trying for a Basket



JUMPING HIGH—A/S Norm Hankins of the IIT team is making a shot during the recent basketball game with V. of C. A/S Ned Grable of the Illinois Tech is in the foreground. IIT lost this game, 51-43.

## Skaters to Be Cut to Sixteen

Following its Wednesday night practice session at the Arena the Illinois Tech hockey team is to be reduced to sixteen men, announced Coach Hans Landay.

The reasons for the cut are to reduce the team to workable size and to eliminate those skaters who lack the experience necessary to avoid injury in the rough play that is an integral part of the game.

These sixteen men are to comprise four defense men, eight forwards, two goalies, and two centers. There will be at least three more Wednesday night practice sessions before any games are played.

A tentative lineup subject to an entire change depending on future practice sessions is as follows: at right wing, A/S Eugene Kleemann; center, A/S John Hoffman (also co-captain); goalie, A/S James Kier; left wing, A/S John Howser of George Williams; while A/S Jim Sutherin and A/S Charles Hendries will no doubt fill in the defensive positions.

Another puck-pusher who has shown plenty of promise is a veteran of last year's squad and scored the only point in their only game of last season. He is co-captain A/S Robert Sodaro.

The only night available for practice is Wednesday night, when the all navy team works out for two hours on the Arena rink. A deal with the University of Chicago for the use of their outdoor rink fell through when the Maroons decided against an ice rink this year.

## Challengers Defeat Seniors in Bowling

Accepting the challenge of the Senior Mechs doubles team in bowling, A/S Carl Sielaff and A/S Charles Young proceeded to defeat them in a close 1348 to 1331 score.

Although Chet Pachuski amassed a total of 704 for the losers in the four game series, it was not enough to overcome the consistent bowling of both his opponents.

A rematch is scheduled for a future date after the holidays.

SENIOR MECHS	CHALLENGERS
Pachuski—158, 163, 175, 202	Young—151, 170, 139, 219
Panezner—136, 159, 155, 187	Sielaff—151, 192, 158, 169
Total 704	Total 678
Total 627	Total 670
Total 1331	Total 1348

## INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, December 19

12 M-1 p.m.  
Freshman Demons vs. Freshman Playboys

WEDNESDAY, December 20

4 p.m.-5 p.m.  
Senior Chems vs. AIX  
5 p.m.-6 p.m.  
Senior Civils vs. Junior Electrics

## Senior Mechs Beat Freshman Demons

In the first game of the intramural basketball tournament the Senior Mechs trounced the Freshman Demons, 71-13.

A/S Sam Lloyd sparked the Senior attack, scoring 14 points, while Shel Schreiber led the Demons with 8 tallies. A/S Bob Negele and A/S Frank Barley broke up many of the Freshman scoring thrusts.

In the other game scheduled for last week, the Freshman Playboys forfeited their game to the Senior Civils.

Two more teams have been entered in the tourney, the Junior Chems and the Soph Daredevils. According to intramural manager Henry Koci enough entries have been made to make the tournament a success. He urges that all scheduled games should be played and not forfeited.

In the past when a team lost one or two games it would drop from the tournament. Two or three teams would remain in the tourney to determine the winner. This team would not be the champion of the original league but of the few teams remaining.

## TECH SHORTS by TOM KILGARIFF

The present hockey team has labored under more hardships than any other athletic team at IIT as far as I can remember. Notwithstanding the fact that student participation in extra-curricular activities was at its lowest point in many years, several interested students led by A/S John Hoffman attempted to revive a hockey team. Their first big setback came when the physical education department could not appropriate to them any funds to carry out their activities, because their budget had been already allotted to the various athletic teams. As far as the physical education department was concerned, to appropriate a sum to the hockey team was to cut down on the already shortened funds of the other athletics. This was inadvisable, so no money was allotted it.

Despite this dampening effect, meetings were held to keep this interested group together. It was at one of these meetings that Hans Landay of the Armour Research Foundation appeared. He had heard of this group forming and had been prompted by his many active years spent in this sport to aid them in any way possible. And so, without any financial support and no definite place of practice, but having a coach who devoted his spare time without compensation and a group actively interested in the sport itself, the hockey team continued to function as an activity of Illinois Tech. Through the influence of Landay, arrangements were made with the Arena officials for the use of the rink for several hours on Wednesday night. Also, twelve uniforms were obtained from the school to identify the team as ours.

With the assistance of the deans and the commanding officer, Lt. Royal F. Sessions, extra liberty was extended to those interested in working out for the team. This Wednesday will see the squad cut to sixteen men. Even so this is a large group for a coach to handle and even more so when the coach is still unfamiliar to his pupils. Despite all the obstacles placed in its path the present hockey team has a coach, enough uniforms to play with, as fine a place to practice as can be found in Chicago, plenty of spirit, and a chance to meet some good competition.

The basketball team really came into their own when they overwhelmed Gardiner General Hospital 84-44. They defeated the army team by a very large score even though the game could have been called football as well as basketball. One of the highlights of the game occurred when Bernard "Sonny" Weissman offered to put on a boxing match with an army sergeant, the other team's coach. The only game to be played this week is with the 87th Anthony Marines on Wednesday afternoon in the Valentine Boys' Club gym at 5:15 p.m.

## Camp McCoy, Gardiner Hospital Overcome by Techawk Attack

### Hankins, Evers Lead Scorers Against Gardiner; Grable Throws in 13 Points in McCoy Game

Displaying a new style of attack the Illinois Tech basketball team swamped the Camp McCoy quintet 56 to 39. Earlier in the week the Techawks overran Gardiner General Hospital by forty points. The score was 34 to 44.

## IIT Rifle Team Adds Matches

The Illinois Tech rifle team has scheduled four more matches, thus bringing their schedule to a total of 17 matches for this season. Of these 17, three have been completed.

The new matches scheduled are:

Week ending	Opponent
Jan. 13	University of Montana
Jan. 27	University of California
Feb. 10	Georgia Tech
Feb. 17	Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Last week the IIT rifle team fired against the University of Iowa and the State College of Washington. The results of the matches are pending the postal return of their scores. The Tech team fired once this week and these results will be compared with both of the other college teams to determine the winner. It is legal to fire once and have the scores count against two schools.

Captain Len Brown and John Burns shot perfect scores in the prone position. The results of Illinois Tech's part of the match are:

	ILLINOIS TECH			
	Prone	Kneel	Stand	Total
Brown	100	95	84	279
Schmidt	98	91	85	274
Wilt	99	90	82	271
Burns	100	90	77	267
Loomis	97	86	81	264
Total	1355			

## IM Bowling Captains Assemble Tuesday

A meeting of team captains in the intramural bowling tournament will be held Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. in Bernard Weissman's office, stated intramural manager Henry Koci.

Rules to govern the tourney will be discussed, and possible game schedules will be fixed. Any navy men who are interested in entering the tournament should do so.

Instead of the usual fast-break offense, a slower method of attack was inaugurated against the soldiers from Camp McCoy with exceptional results. With the first string in action for the entire first half a nineteen point lead was built up in this period.

An outstanding element in the McCoy offense was their exceptional ability to hit the hoop with consistency from far out in the court. Over half their field goals were scored in this manner.

Starting off the game with A/S Ned Grable and A/S Pete Browning at guard, A/S Norm Hankins at center, and A/S Charles Buckley and A/S Tom Kilgariff at the forward positions, the Techawks displayed their best teamwork of the season.

Led by sharpshooter Buckley, who threw in six field goals in the first half, the slow working but fast scoring Tech team easily piled up a 36 to 19 lead by half time.

It was in the first few minutes of play that the Techawks lost the services of Hankins on the recurrence of an old ankle injury. Filling in for him in the pivot position, A/S Fred Leydig threw in several beautiful baskets to aid the Tech cause.

At the same time Grable's drive and teamwork enabled him to amass a total of thirteen points to lead both teams in scoring for this game.

With the reserves in for the second half the lead was maintained without change. Outstanding for their fight and defensive work were A/S Howard Poulter and A/S Dennis O'Geary with two baskets apiece.

In the Monday night game with Gardiner General Hospital, the Illinois Tech cagers completely outplayed their opponents. This is shown by the great difference in the scores.

Leading the Techawk offense were A/S Norm Hankins and A/S Gene Evers with fifteen points apiece. The 84 point total was evenly distributed over the first two teams.

This game could be easily compared to a football game as blocking and holding were not unusual. Poor refereeing was the main reason for this roughhouse.

The last game of this year will be played this Wednesday evening at the Valentine Boys Club against 87th Anthony Marines at 5:15 p.m.

ILLINOIS TECH

FG. FT. P.

Total .....23 10 16

CAMP MCCOY

Total .....16 7 16

## Service Men Invited to Stadium Hockey Games

To further entertain the Chicago service men the Amusement and Recreation Division of the Chicago Commission on National Defense has reserved for them a large section of seats for all hockey games scheduled at the Chicago Stadium this fall and winter.

Those wishing to attend these games may pick up tickets at either of the Service Men Centers at 176 West Washington Street or 430 South Michigan Avenue.

## Entries for Ping-Pong Tourney Still Accepted

Entries for the ping-pong tournament are still being accepted, announced Henry Koci, intramural manager.

The tournament will be dropped because of lack of competition if no more entries are received. Only a few men have entered the singles or doubles competition and this is not sufficient to run the tournament.

Applications may be filed with Henry Koci, or dropped in the intramural box in the Student Union lobby.



## Chi Epsilon Pledges Eight IIT Students

Eight pledges to Chi Epsilon, honorary civil engineering fraternity, were announced last Wednesday by A/S Murray Percival, the chapter president.

The men pledged were A/S Robert Anschicks, A/S George Slaughter, A/S Earl Danielson, A/S Martin Givot, A/S William Cannon, A/S Rex Gourley, A/S William Mathis, and Forrest Neil.

Pledges are required to carry their ASC Handbooks and a leveling rod as well as collect signatures from the active, alumni, and honorary chapter members daily until the initiation banquet which will be held in the near future.

Plans for the activities of Chi Epsilon this semester are not yet completed but will be announced as soon as possible.

## Chi Epsilon Pledges



SCHOLARS—(Left to right) A/S Bill Cannon, A/S George Slaughter, A/S Rex Gourley, Forrest Neil, A/S Martin Givot, A/S Robert Anschicks, and A/S Earl Danielson, are this semester's Chi Epsilon pledges.

## ESMWT Registration To Begin January 2

Registration for the spring term of the ESMWT will begin January 2 and extend for two weeks, announces Dean Fred A. Rogers.

Registration for all electrical courses will be held on the Lewis campus, while registration for all the other courses that will be offered will be held on the Armour campus. The registration will take place in the student Union from 6:30 to 9 p.m. If it is not convenient to register in the evening, one may register in Dean Roger's office during the day.

Classes for the spring term begin January 22.

## Lewis Girls' Volley Ball Team Wins First Game

The girls' volley ball team has won its first game by defeating Sayre Par Team 21-19 and the second 21-3. The IIT lineup is:

Left Forward.....Reva Zlotnick  
Front Center.....Myrna Lokay  
Right Forward.....Lillian Seges  
Left Back.....Henrietta Ferrera  
Right Back.....Dorothy Carlson  
Server.....Lois Duty  
Substitutes.....Mary Harke and  
Corrine Cleban  
Manager.....Hope Iversen

## Quarters 2 Is Former Cudahy Mansion And Chicago Motor Club Headquarters

Navy quarters #2, which now houses 136 men, does not appear exciting, but Professor John C. Penn of the civil engineering department, who started teaching at Armour in 1910, tells us that the old building has quite a history behind it.

### Former IIT Student Is Killed in Leyte Invasion

A former Illinois Tech student and one of the first casualties in the reconquest of the Philippines, Pvt. Carl E. Carlson, Jr. was killed in action Oct. 25 on Leyte Island.

Carlson was a co-op student at Illinois Tech until his induction into the army in August 1943 and was a member of Triangle social fraternity. He took part in the New Guinea campaign before going to the Philippines, and had been overseas since January.

Carlson is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Carlson of Rockford, and two sisters, Beatrice Vivian and Sharon Ann.

A native of Rockford, Carlson was born June 3, 1920. He attended Wight school, Lincoln junior high school, and was graduated from Rockford high school in 1939. While in high school he was cadet major of the school's ROTC battalion. He served in the infantry with Lt. Gen. Walter Krueger's Sixth army.

Originally the building was built by James Cudahy, the meat packer, and it was known as the Cudahy mansion. In back of the Cudahy mansion Mr. Cudahy built stables, and these are now being used as a garage by the navy. On the third floor of the house is a spacious ballroom with a stage and a balcony for an orchestra.

The dining room is finished in Cuban mahogany and each room is finished in a different kind of woodwork. In the rear on the first floor Cudahy put in a solarium. Between the solarium and the dining room there is a beautiful cut glass window. There are also four fireplaces in the house.

During the first world war the Cudahy mansion was used as an army trucking headquarters. Many casualties from the flu epidemic were put in the house in 1918 at the conclusion of the war.

The Chicago Motor Club moved into the mansion in 1919 and made it its main business office. The Cudahy stables were then turned into emergency road service garages. The ballroom became the insurance claims department and the solarium a restaurant. The president of the Chicago Motor Club had his office in the larger bedroom on the second floor.

The motor club also built an extension on the building. An Italian stone cutter picked up scraps of stone from around the school and cut them to match the original front of the house. This is not noticeable now because the front is worn from weather conditions, but it was a difficult job to match the front of the house.

The Chicago Motor Club moved to its present address in 1929. After the motor club moved out, the old Cudahy mansion was turned into a graduate house for Armour students. Part of the house was later used by Theta Xi social fraternity. Until the beginning of World War II the graduate students and Theta Xi remained in the house.

When the Navy V-12 came to Illinois Tech in July of '43, the Cudahy mansion, Chicago Motor Club office and graduate house were turned into Navy quarters, namely Quarters #2. Property of all the social fraternities is also stored in the different attics of the house.

### Home Economics Staff Honors Painter at Tea

Last Thursday the home economics staff had a tea in honor of Miss Marie Blanke, whose paintings are now being shown in the Student Lounge. The tea was held from 2 p. m. until 3:30 p. m. in the home economics dining room. All staff members and some of the former staff members and friends were there.

## Oddments of IIT History Are Revealed With Perusal of Old Newspaper Copies

"The Red Brick Building at the north end of Ogden Field is the Armour Tech Cafeteria. Students entrance through side door opening into Ogden Field"

This ad ran in the Armour Tech News on September 27, 1928.

### TECH TIME TABLE

All items appearing in Tech Time Table will be those which are scheduled with Dean Tibbals. No other items will be used.

#### MONDAY, December 18

SAM, 5:10 p.m., 105C

ACS, 7:00 p.m., SU Lounge

Medical Arts Guild, 5:00 p.m., 413 Lewis

#### TUESDAY, December 19

Armour Players, 6:00 p.m., SU Lounge

IAS, 5:00 p.m., 211C

#### WEDNESDAY, December 20

Christmas All School Concert, 11:00 a.m., Auditorium

Lewis Christmas Program, 8:00 p.m., Lewis Auditorium

#### FRIDAY, December 22

ITV Club, 11:00 a.m., 105C

Christmas Recess, 2:00 p.m.

#### TUESDAY, January 2

Christmas Recess Ends, 8:00 a.m.

#### WEDNESDAY, January 3

4B Seniors, 11:00 a.m., 205M

Sophomore-Freshman Class Meeting, 11:15 a.m., Auditorium

## Play Roles to Be Assigned Tuesday

Assignment of parts for "Out of the Frying Pan" will be made Tuesday by Albert C. Mayer, specialist 3/C, who will direct the play. The final tryouts will begin at 6 p.m. in the lounge of the Student Union.

A total of more than 25 students responded to the preliminary tryouts on both campuses last week. A/S Trent Knepper asked that these people, and any others interested, report again tomorrow.

Tryouts will be continuous from 6 p.m. until all important roles have been filled. Mayer is to make all final decisions.

For further information west campus students may contact Lillian Seges and south campus students should see Knepper.

## Four Men Pledged To Alpha Chi Sigma

Two V-12 students and two civilians were pledged to Alpha Chi Sigma, national professional chemical fraternity, last week. The new pledges are A/S Walter Breisch, A/S Don Gipple, Gorman L. Quinn, and George Wilmsen.

Wilmsen is a senior, while the others are juniors. The period of pledgship begins today and will continue for several weeks. Various duties which these men will have to perform include the signing of a record book each day, the obtaining of signatures, the making of a paddle and other obligations.

A skating party was held by the local chapter at the Chicago Arena last Saturday.

## Eye Doctor Will Speak To Medical Arts Guild

The Medical Arts Guild, at their meeting today, will have as the guest speaker Dr. Martha Rubin Folk, representing the ophthalmology department of the University of Illinois. In keeping with the program of this semester, Dr. Folk's topic will be "Diseases of the Eye." The meeting will be held at 5 p. m. in Room 413 and is open to all those who are interested.

The Guild is holding its first Christmas party in the student lounge tomorrow night at 7:00 p. m. Among those present will be the past members of the Guild.

Students today know of the little "Red Brick Building" as the Field House. In the near future students hope to see this building gone from our campus, and in its place will stand the John J. Schommer Field House!

On April 9, 1928, six months before the above ad was run, the first issue of *Technology News* came off the press.

The feature page, always an interesting part of any newspaper, was quite different from what it is today. However, Slipstick, the oldest column in *Technology News*, was right in there pitching. The jokes, a little spicier than those of today, were intermingled with poems and material such as is now put in the Steam Shovel.

The name of the publication was soon changed, for the very next issue came out with the banner line: "Armour Tech News." In this issue, the Inquiring Reporter made its bow as the second oldest column. The question, "What is your opinion of the school paper?" In the same issue Henry C. Lytton and Sons ran the first advertisement.

Remember W. King Simpson? His picture was the original photo in the school paper. Gripes were common 16 years ago, just as they are today. The "Letter Box"—1928 analogue of "Campus Comments," contained many of the present oft heard complaints. Going to school on election day was emphatically disapproved. Now 1945 finds Tech students almost going to class on New Year's day! As usual, the bulletin was out of date the day it was printed (so says "disgusted"), and the physics lab reports brought such earnest comments as, "I spent nearly six hours in preparing a pre-lim!"

Does Dr. Freud remember this one? It appears in the December 6 issue of 1928:

"Prof. Freud (trying to make himself heard): Order Please!

Junior Ch.E. (just waking up): Make mine ham and eggs!

The pages are brown and torn, but the first few issues are still interesting reading. Familiar names such as Schommer, Tibbals, Hendricks, and Wilcox; familiar scenes; familiar societies; all make up Illinois Institute of Technology. *Technology News* records Tech History!

The next time you see "she calls me a Pilgrim; every time I call, I make a little progress," in the *Technology News*, remember that it was taken from an April '28, issue of the school paper!

## Academic Council Studies Curriculum

The liberalizing of the engineering curriculum was the subject for discussion at the meeting of the IIT Academic Council meeting last Friday. This is the first of a group of such talks which will be held among the faculty during the next few months.

The council hopes to devise certain changes in the curriculum which will provide opportunity for students to study liberal arts subjects, but at the same time not detract any emphasis from the important engineering courses. The Academic Council consists of the heads of the school departments.

## New Painting Exhibit Is Now Featured at Lewis

Miss Marie Blanke is now displaying oil and water-color paintings at the west side campus of IIT. She was on the staff of Lewis Institute when it was founded in 1896. She retired only a year ago as art instructor and since that time has continued her career as a painter.

## Fraternities & Sororities

### Pi Kappa Phi Pledges Elect Johnson Head

Pi Kappa Phi pledges elected Howie Johnson as the president of the Pi Kappas' pledge class at a pledge meeting last week. Other offices filled include Len Donarski, secretary; Ed Arends, treasurer, and Hank Pype, warden.

Pledgemaster Roy Churan said that these men will act as regular officers of the pledge class and that their duties will be to guide and help the other pledges in their training.

Tom Ruck, archon, said that the New Year's Eve party will be held at Roy Churan's home, 5954 S. Talmann Avenue. Final plans for the party will be made at the meeting of actives Wednesday at 5 p. m. in 405 M.

### Lambdas Hold Rush Party on Saturday

The formal rush of the Sigma Omicron Lambda sorority was held last Saturday.

The girls had dinner at Polly's Tea Room followed by a play, "Winged Victory," at the Civic Opera House.

The sorority is planning a "slumber party" to be held during the Christmas vacation at the home of Cherryll Benes, who lives in Riverside. They will have their annual Christmas grab bag at that time. Also there will be roasting of "hot-dogs" in front of an open fireplace.

### Delts Pledge Three Additional Freshmen

Delta Tau Delta Fraternity pledged three more freshmen Wednesday, bringing the number in the present pledge class to 13. The men pledged last week were James V. Clarizio, ME; William J. Krzyzewski, ME; and Henry A. Kundenholdt, FPE.

A busy Christmas vacation has been planned by the social committee, under the chairmanship of Larry Johnson. The members are looking forward to a good time in attending the Air Force show, "Winged Victory," on Christmas night. The New Year's Eve party is to be held at the home of pledge Bill Eskridge. In between social dates on the agenda for this same week, all of the "Shelter Boys" that can muster the necessary strength will be down at the house at 3542 South Princeton Ave., giving it an "up-lift" here and there, a paint-job facial wherever needed and in general a new lease on life.

An interesting fact to note about the Delts is that in a house of 22 men, six answer to the name "Bill."

### Sigma Beta Theta Holds Rush Dinner

The Sigma Beta Theta sorority held its formal rush dinner at the Webster Hotel yesterday. After a dinner the girls went to see "Ten Little Indians." Both active and alumni members were there.



### SIX Plans Are Indefinite For V-12 Navy Ball

The Navy Welfare Committee, under the direction of Lt. Samuel Wilhelm, met last Friday and discussed plans for a Navy Ball to be held sometime late in January or early February. According to Lt. Royal Sessions, the dance will be held only in the event that a majority of seamen from each quarter will consent to it.

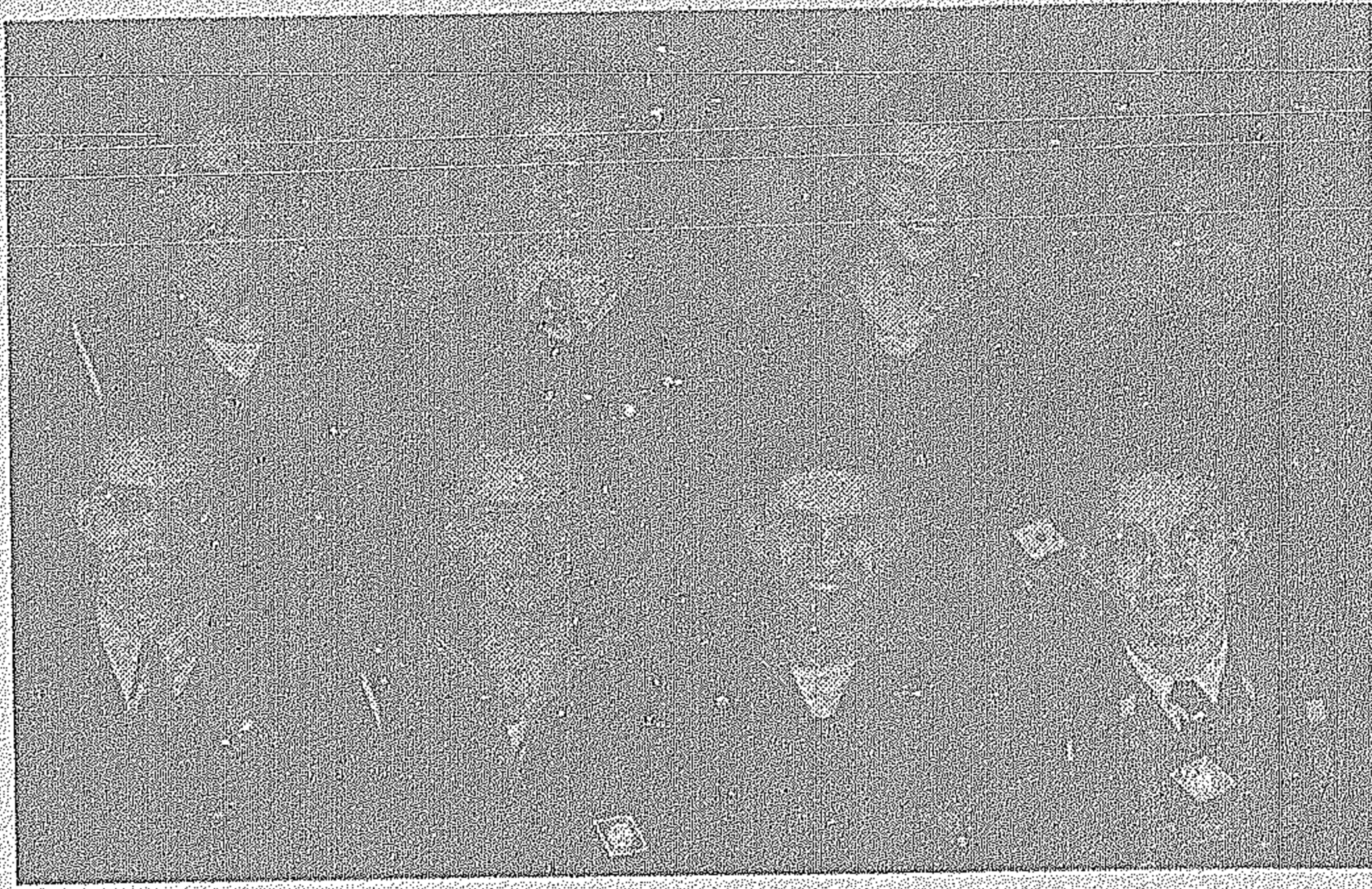
Lt. Wilhelm says that the welfare fund will be contributed toward the dance, but no definite amount has yet been set. \$200 would be a probable minimum.

The personnel shall decide whether a big time band or the Glenview Service Band shall be obtained.

Lt. Sessions says that the dance will be an all school affair, but the desire for the Glenview Band will complicate matters with the civilian students.

The date will be set so as not to interfere with studies.

### Eta Kappa Nu Pledges



FLASH BOYS—Shown wearing the conventional pledge pin light, these eight students have begun their pledge period for Eta Kappa Nu, national honorary electrical fraternity, and will be formally initiated when their week-long period of trial ends. The men are: rear, (left to right), A/S Robert H. Keith, Stanley P. Lapin, A/S Warren Lenox, and Shizuo Hori; front, (left to right), Jack H. Slaton, A/S Robert M. Sodaro, A/S Benjamin Barish, and Walter Czeropski.

## NAVAL NOTATIONS

### Quarters #1

Scuttlebutt has it that Huntley De Pew had his first experience of standing on a street corner waiting for a young lady. It seems as though she didn't show up and the two tickets that Hunt had for "Porgy and Bess" had to go to waste at a cost of five dollars. The other fellow was believed to be a marine.

People wondered where the young woman was hidden in the quarters when they heard William Jay Berk's fine singing voice echoing through the halls.

### Quarters #2

Three Quarters #2 men went to Iowa City. Two as members of the wrestling team and the other as a manager: namely Don Johnson, Roy Churan, and Bob Buckius, respectively.

The huge snow man sculptured by Willie Wade and Rex Gourley was rather short lived, as two of the neighborhood "natives" wrecked it during the night.

"Baldy" Tom Lechner, who has been complaining of room 217 being too cold at night, has been advised by a roommate not to draw out any more blankets, but to purchase a wig!

The basketball game between room 204 and room 304 was won by the latter with Ted Bujewski, Jim Aufenorde, and John Black all contributing about equally to the victory. The final score was 38 to 19.

The Filthy Four: Willie Wade, "Ace" Allen, L. T. "Trigger" Watson, and Willard Duvall has been practicing singing for the past week.

Congratulations are in order for George Slaughter and Rex Gourley, who have been accepted in the civil engineering honorary fraternity, Chi Epsilon.

Carl "Mauler" Smith hit the punching bag a hit too hard last week, and will carry his wrist home for Christmas in a plaster cast.

Bill Riedesel and "Trigger" Watson returned to quarters after spending the week end in their homes in Davenport, Iowa.

It finally appears as though the quarters is to have its face lifted. Four painters have moved in their equipment to begin operations on the third deck.

### Quarters #3

The Quarters #3 Camera Club, at the suggestion of Robert Ezzell, has printed about 200 Christmas cards for various boys in the house. It was done for a nominal fee, of course.

Bill Ostrow has definitely decided to stay on the ball for a while, so he can at least get his Christmas leave. Even though he has no special girl, he wants to visit his folks and see a little of a certain married woman.

After making extensive plans for spending their Christmas leaves aboard, various members of the house (which consists of practically one-fourth the complement) were shocked by the news from the navy office that their restrictions were

lifted for the occasion.

George "Joyfull" Martinko, the two woman man, is keeping one of his dolls on the line for the purpose of having her write some book reports for him. The other is kept for sentimental reasons. Although he's working hard to hold her, she seems to have a line of her own, of which "Joyfull" happens to be one of the fish.

The fellows have decided to bring some Christmas cheer into the house by chipping in to buy a Christmas tree and having a party before leave. Some of the boys were doubtful whether the spirit of the occasion would cheer them up enough to counteract the grief of making the donation. The majority, almost forcefully, had to convince them that it would.

### Quarters #4

Any phone call for John Bradley should be referred to John Longest, the quarter's Valentino, who needs aliases to keep his sex life straight.

It appears Kenneth P. Milbradt was Leslie Gunner's inebriated companion referred to last week. At present he's busy keeping the story of SPAR's and beer from Eve.

Robert Fries has asked Santa for Rhea Brennan as his Christmas present. All indications are that St. Nicholas will oblige.

The teetotaler of the house, George Sarvadi, sidestepped at a wedding last Saturday night. Whitney Pearson, also at the reception, testified that George as bartender served most of the bar's supply to himself.

The Christmas party planned by Richard Peterson will be held Wednesday night. "Eager Beaver" Peterson bought the front lounge decorations and carried the nine foot tree back in the street car!

### Quarters #5

One of the Quarters #5 fellows, Jack Wright, received the following answer to a request for pecuniary assistance: "Egad; no wad; so sad; Your Dad."

Sam Lloyd, captain of the quarters basketball team, says that the team this year is made up of a bunch of really hot fellows just as a warning to the other quarters teams.

The quarters is considering buying either a pair of roller skates or a sled for Billie Bachtel, who is having a rather rough time keeping up with the company at drill. He loses about seven inches every step.

Speaking of balancing acts—Ducfart Hayes, one of the prominent wolves, has been teetering between the south side and Joliet. Shipmates are wondering who the lucky gal will be?

### Quarters #6

During the past week, Quarters #6 was honored by the return of several of its "alumnae", home from the Lakes. Among them were Chuck Smith, George Greathouse, Harry "Boot" Weinstein, and Vern Selbach. Selbach extended best wishes to his protégé and present mate of the house, "Dusty" Walter Lane, who tries to pattern himself after the past master.

The social event of the week was a brawl tossed by the "Debutantes" of Park Ridge. Present as guests of one John "Otto" Enander, the Hollywood sage, were Bob Petrillo, Roy Golze, Mel Sidham, and Mort "Broadbeam" Miller. Suave, debonair Miller has dined with the upper set before; all the rest "wore their own teeth," it is reported.

Roy Golze, "the kid with the coke bottle figure," and Bill Wilt are the only pledges among a hoard, or herd of Alpha Sig actives living at the quarters. At least the boys are going to have their shoes shined.

This week end John Miller visited his home in Toledo, Ohio for the purpose of lining up a few victims for his coming ten day scourge of the once serene Ohio countryside.

### Quarters #7

Congratulations are extended to Charlie Hohmann. Because of his large war bond purchase the quarters was able to have the best average per man of any of the other quarters for war bonds purchases and subsequently will not have to stand an inspection some Saturday next month.

Len Slazinski, who hurt his knee in a recent basketball game, has gone to the U.S. Naval Hospital at Great Lakes for treatment and will probably be there until the end of the term.

A great change has come over Bob Schrotzberger. When it came to the point that he put on his skivvy shirt to have his head come through the wrong hole, he decided that 16 months was long enough to wear one skivvy, so he finally purchased a new one.

Ned Grable now has his study desk adorned with the picture of a volumptuous blonde. It is rumored that she once worked at The Sycamore Inn.

Richard Kieling and Wendell Omer have developed a very strong desire to repair and play the organ in the auditorium. The last time it was used was when the Student Union Building was the Armour Mission Church. Both men can play the organ and this sudden desire developed after an exploration expedition to the organ loft and a surveyance of the condition the organ is in. According to Kieling, the organ can be repaired at a slight cost.

The men of Quarters #7 are proud of their MAA, Bill Cannon, who has been pledged to Chi Epsilon, civil engineering fraternity.

### Eighth Midwest Power Conference to Be Held in April; Many Sessions Planned

"To victory and postwar prosperity with power" will be the theme of the eighth annual Midwest Power Conference, to be held April 9 and 10 at the Palmer house, Prof. Stanton E. Winston, director, has announced.

The conference is sponsored by Illinois Institute of Technology in cooperation with nine colleges and universities.

Tentative plans for the conference include talks on recent developments in heating and air conditioning, central station practice, Diesel and hydro power, industrial power plants, fuels and combustion. A session of the gas turbine will be given for the first time.

Other sessions will deal with the conditioning and purification of water fed into boilers, and postwar planning of electrical power needs in consideration to such new processes as deep freezing.

In addition, three electrical sessions are being planned.

An all-engineers' dinner and joint luncheons with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the American Institute of Electrical Engineers will take place in connection with the conference.

Assisting Mr. Winston in formulating the preliminary program are Dr. Jesse E. Hobson, new director of Illinois Tech's Armour Research Foundation, and Dr. William A. Lewis, research professor of electrical engineering at the Institute. Charles A. Nash, associate professor in the same department, serves as conference secretary.

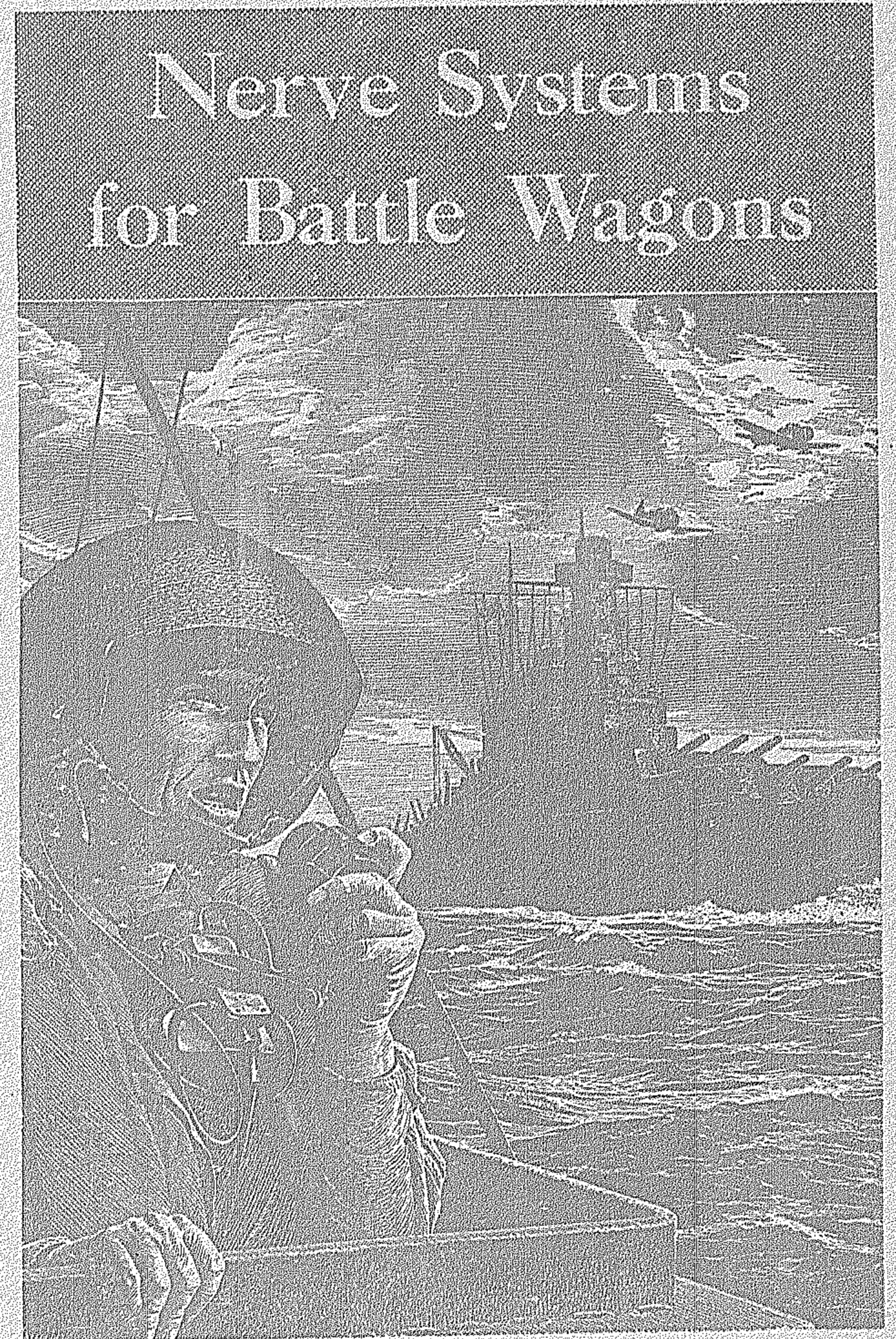
### FPE Honorary Again Resuming Activity

Once again there is a fire protection engineering honorary on the campus of IIT. Salamander has resumed operating after a year of inactivity, with the pledging of Warren G. Brockmier and William Sabastian on December 4.

They will be initiated at a dinner on the evening of December 18 at the Chicago Bar Association. Since A/S Douglas Snyder graduated last October, there have not been any active members in Salamander. Brockmier and Sabastian will be initiated by the alumni and honorary members.

### 4B Committees to Give Class Plans January 3

The 4B senior class will have a meeting at 11:10 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 3, in 305 M. The various committee chairmen will present their general plans, and the social committee will make its announcements. Committee members will also be named. Tom Ruck, class president, urges everyone to be present for this very important meeting.



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