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THE ATTENDANCE AT the Tau Beta Pi assembly last Wednesday was very small, in spite of the fact that it was supposedly an all-school affair. No other meetings were to be scheduled, and arrangements were made to get a large turnout. The result of this preparation was that all the students were congregated in the lunchroom and the lounge, and only a handful appeared in the auditorium. I remember as a freshman attending large Tau Beta Pi assemblies with the whole auditorium packed. Then, these assemblies were looked forward to by the entire student body; it was really a main event of the semester. Why can't steps be taken to re-establish the former successful assemblies? If there are no preparations taken to eliminate this situation, pretty soon the only persons to attend these meetings will be the new pledges and the actives.

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has stated that all changes in the registration schedule will be announced on registration day; many classes which were not definitely assigned to professors will now have the instructors' names stated thereon. The dean and registrar should be heartily congratulated for this forward step. Every semester the students have complained about these changes which occurred because they were not told that a different professor would teach the course. The result was that many individuals felt they were cheated when they saw the "wrong" teacher in the class-room. This new system of notifying students of changes will be very happily received by the students.

THE POSTWAR planning committee of the Institute has completed a report listing suggested curriculum changes to be made after the war. In general the corrections they list are quite good, and should be adopted by the school. Especially desirable are the suggestions for liberalizing the courses and giving the students a wider range in choice of electives. Another interesting suggestion is that the taking of attendance should no longer be necessary for college students after the war. This will be well received, for the taking of attendance has always been painful for both the students and the professors.

THIS ISSUE COMPLETES my two terms of editing on *Technology News*, and starting next semester a

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## Two Movies to Be Shown at Assembly Wednesday Morning

"Optical Glass" and "Industry for Health" are the titles of the movies to be presented this Wednesday during the 11 a.m. free hour by the IIT chapter of the American Chemical Society and Alpha Chi Sigma, professional chemical fraternity.

The movies are to be shown in the auditorium and will be the second of a series of all-school assemblies sponsored by the chemical societies.

"The Manufacture of Optical Glass" is a sound film recently put out by the Bausch and Lomb Company. The movie illustrates the methods by which optical glass is produced, poured and formed. A special feature of the film will be a reel of photos of William Bausch, taken shortly before his recent sudden death. William Bausch was a well-known scientist who developed the manufacture of optical glass in America during the last World War when the supply was scarce.

The second movie is "Industry for Health", a sound film by the Upjohn Company.

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## New Tech News Editors

### Six Journalists Initiated Into Pi Delta Epsilon

#### Wheeler, News Bureau Head, Made Honorary Pi Delta Epsilon Member

Five student journalists and the director of the IIT News Bureau were initiated yesterday to Pi Delta Epsilon, honorary collegiate journalism fraternity.

Henry Freund, *Technology News* feature editor; A/S Alan Grant, assignment editor; and Lewis Davidson, A/S Trent Knepper, and Robert Spitzig are the new active members. Frank E. Wheeler of the News Bureau has been made an honorary member.

The initiation ceremony was held preceding the combined *Technology News*-Pi Delta Epsilon banquet. With the five new initiates the total number of active members on the IIT campus is brought to nine. With the end of the present term, however, three actives will leave. There are now seven faculty members.

"All of these men have distinguished themselves by their service to student journalism here", stated Robert Misch, president of the Illinois Tech chapter. Henry Freund, who will be editor of *Technology News* for the coming term, has already served on the managing board in the position of feature editor. Freund will be a first semester junior in the coming term and is an IE major. He has worked on the student newspaper since his freshman year.

A/S Alan Grant, Armour assignment editor and newly appointed to the post of managing editor, has worked on *Technology News* both as a civilian and a V-12 student. Grant was drafted into the navy but returned here as a V-12'er last July. He completed both semesters of the journalism course as a civilian.

Lewis Davidson, assistant feature editor, is the author of the alumni column and has one of the longest records of service on the paper. Davidson is graduating at the end of this term.

Robert Spitzig, assistant sports editor, will also leave at the end of the term, but to await his draft call. A/S Trent Knepper, sole copy, rewrite and headline editor for the last term, will assume the post of assignment editor for the new semester. According to Misch, these men have given both time and effort unselfishly

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### Instructors' Names Are to Be Posted

"The names of the professors which were not listed on the class schedule for next term will be posted on registration day," said Dean James C. Peebles, today.

Because of the indefinite conditions which exist in many of the departments in regard to their faculties, it was necessary, said Peebles, to place the term "Instructor" after the course title. However, in most cases the decisions as to who will teach the courses have been made, and these will be posted.

Some new men who were scheduled to leave industry to instruct at IIT received last minute orders from the War Manpower Commission holding them to their jobs.

### New "Technology News" Staff



NEWSPAPER WORKERS—Henry Freund, seated, is the new editor of "Technology News." Other new members of the managing board are: (Standing, left to right) A/S Alan Kukral, A/S Trent Knepper, Robert Pritzker, and A/S Alan Grant. Kukral has now resigned his position, however.

## Tau Beta Pi Pledges 15 Men At Last All-School Assembly

Fifteen men were pledged to Tau Beta Pi, national honorary engineering fraternity, at an all-school assembly held last Wednesday. The pledges will be formally initiated this Tuesday. After the initiation there will be an initiation banquet held in the East dining room in the Student Union.

### Seniors to Be Photographed

Graduating seniors will have their pictures taken for the June 1945 Integral during the next two weeks. Since a photographer could not be obtained before the end of this term, February graduates will have their portraits made by members of the Armour Eye.

If possible, students should make an appointment for March 1 or March 2 after 5 p.m. by leaving a note in the Integral box at the post office. If these days are not convenient, appointments may be made from 2 to 5 p.m. today for persons whose last names begin with A to G; tomorrow, H to N; and Wednesday, O-Z.

### Opportunity Given To Be a Reporter

Eng. 211, a course in journalism for Illinois Tech students interested in writing for *Technology News*, will be offered next term, according to Registrar William E. Kelly. Frank A. Wheeler, director of the News Bureau, will teach the class.

The class will meet one hour each week at a time to be arranged with the students taking the course. It is necessary for all new reporters on *Technology News* to take the journalism instruction. Those interested should submit their programs for next term to Wheeler in the News Bureau on the fourth floor, first entrance of Chapin Hall or have the program placed in Wheeler's mailbox.

Homework for this course consists of writing stories for the newspaper. Another course, Eng. 212, is also being offered to advanced journalism students, and its time of meeting will also be arranged. Each course is worth one hour of English credit.

## Chosen Freund Picked As New Editor Of Publication

### A/S Grant Is Managing Editor, Other Jobs to Knepper and Pritzker

Henry Freund as editor and A/S Alan Grant as managing editor will head *Technology News* next term, replacing Co-editors Herman Nelson and A/S Ramon Olson who are retiring from office.

Other officers of the newspaper will be A/S Trent Knepper as assignment editor and Robert Pritzker as business manager. A/S Allan Kukral was promoted to the position of feature editor last week, but found it necessary to resign as he expects to be transferred at the end of this term.

Freund, a second term sophomore in industrial engineering, has been working on *Technology News* since his freshman year. He has held the positions of reporter, headline, rewrite, and copy editor, assignment editor, and this last term the job of feature editor. His other IIT activities include the Society for the Advancement of Management and the newly formed IIT Round Table. Freund came to Illinois Tech from the University of Chicago where he completed two years of college work. He started high school under the U of C plan when in seventh grade and served as a reporter on the newspaper there.

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## Sternberg, Wagner To Receive Ph.D.'s At Commencement

Doctor of Philosophy degrees will be conferred upon Edward Wagner and Elia Sternberg at the commencement ceremony on February 25. Wagner will receive his degree in chemical engineering and Sternberg will receive his in mechanics.

The commencement exercises will take place Sunday at 3 p.m. in the auditorium of the Student Union. The commencement address, "The Challenge of Twenty-four Hours a Day", will be given by John Sanger, vice-president of the U.S. Gypsum Company. Sanger graduated from Armour Institute with a B.S. in ME degree in 1921.

The Institute Marshals are Prof. Charles Nash and Prof. William Colvert. The Student Honor Marshals are: James Anderson, Walter Czeropski, Harry Johnson, Russell Kasmar, Robert Kovnat, John Noble, Gordon Quinn, Leo Schmidt, Nathan Shenfeld, Donald Slager, Robert Swanson, and Arthur Uhrlir.

Those receiving bachelor of science degrees will be: 22 in mechanical engineering, five in electrical engineering, three in chemical engineering and two in civil engineering. Six students will receive arts and science degrees. The total number receiving degrees is 38.

The Registrar's Office said today that tickets will not be necessary for admission to the graduation exercises. If the graduating seniors fail to receive their instructions by mail they are requested by Kelly to go to the Registrar's Office for them.