



LETTER OF THE WEEK: Rifle Team

For the past two years everyone, including the ITSA, has been crying that there hasn't been enough spirit in extra-curricular and athletic activities. In part, this was due to the war. Men and materials were not available. However, in spite

A Look At Alumni

"Alumni" teachers of the department of language and literature are still "plugging their stuff" both abroad and at home. Doctors Robert Ackerman, Alan Gewirth, Allen Read, Donald Schier and Henry Webb all find that army life is stimulating and that their duties provide excellent material for writing.

Schier, now a captain in the 6th Signal Center Team, has seen combat duty in Europe since D-Day. The January, 1944 issue of "French Digest" contains an article he submitted before he left for service.

Pvt. Webb is now a re-write man with the Information and Historical Service of the 8th Army and is engaged in writing a history of that army. In the March, 1944 issue of the "Bulletin of the History of Medicine" there appeared his article "English Military Surgery During the Age of Elizabeth."

Ackerman, Captain in the Signal Corps, is now stationed in Dayton, Ohio. He has an army story, "Not in Line of Duty," in the current issue of "Story" and a research article in the July, 1944 issue of "Speculum," a journal of mediaeval studies.

Lieut. Gewirth is a member of the faculty of the quartermaster's school at Camp Lee. "The Journal of the British Institute of Philosophy" for April, 1943 contains an article of his, entitled "Clearness and Distinctness in Descartes."

Tech. Sg. Read is working on a military dictionary in New York. He read a paper on pig latin at the Modern Language Association general meeting during the Christmas holidays, which was reported in the "Talk of the Town" section of the "New Yorker." In the current "Saturday Review of Literature," the lead article is by Sgt. Read.

—A/S DICK PETERSON

of these handicaps, a few fellows built the rifle team into a winning combination. Last semester the team played and won three times as many matches as ever before in its history. Their record was fifteen wins as against five defeats. This was done in competition against some of the largest universities and colleges in the country. Victories are recorded against the University of Wisconsin, MIT in two matches, University of Nebraska, University of Montana, Ohio State, University of Arizona, University of Kansas and others. In addition, these teams were composed of members of ROTC Navy V-12, and ASTP units and were managed and coached by military personnel. The Illinois Tech team had but one V-12 member and was managed and coached by civilian students.

The fellows then asked for recognition for such splendid work. They asked that the rifle team be considered a minor sport. John Schommer agreed that the boys deserved this recognition. The next step was to bring the motion to the ITSA board. Sonny Weissman represented the team, but it seemed as though the board had already made up its mind as to a decision. They flatly refused.

What we want to know is what does an organization have to do around here in order to get its just rewards? In view of what has happened, it would seem that being an active and well organized body isn't enough. It would seem that it is also necessary to kow-tow to the so-called "big boys".

Illinois Tech Rifle Team.

Slipstick in China

I wish to voice my opinion on "Slipstick." I have been very happy to receive *Technology News* each week and "Slipstick" is the first column I read. I'm in China where we fellows appreciate good jokes. All I want to say is that if 100% Pure starts writing my favorite column, I would just as soon read Little Orphan Annie.

Pfc. Ed Lenick.

Hope . . . for women

Dedication

Once upon a time there were two schools, Lewis and Armour. Somehow the two schools became one. However, in the minds of the students there remained two schools. In the course of time, that idea began to drift away, and they are now considered the south and west campuses of Illinois Tech. Soon we hope to have a single campus, but until that time, we hope this column will bridge the gap that has existed between the schools, and will let the south campus in on the west campus activities.

Orchids . . . to our pert little redhead, Cecile Ecker, who did such a wonderful job as *Technology News* reporter from this campus last semester. "Cec" has left school and is now in nurses' training.

Sporty Doins

Soon you will see women walking around, the proud possessors of Illinois Tech letters. Yes, in the near future we hope to add a women's Athletic Association to the list of school clubs. For some time now there has been a demand for organized women's athletics, so a group of forty girls got together and started things rolling, complete with a constitution committee. The able committee members, Pat Kennedy, Myrna Lokay, Dorothy Turpin, Reva Zlotnik and Hope Iversen, have the constitution ready to present to the ITSA. All necessary equipment for badminton, archery, volley ball and many other sports is on hand so that there will be no trouble on that score. Watch these girls, Techmen, they are a lively bunch.

Brief Biography

Shirley McMahon . . . "Mac" . . . Senior . . . home economics major . . . senior class president Universities . . . Kiva . . . in "Who's Who in Colleges and dent . . . secretary of Sigma Omicron Lambda sorority . . . Dramatech . . . likes shrimp . . . swimming . . . dancing . . . men six feet tall . . . brown eyes . . . wavy hair . . . considerate . . . intelligent . . . working now at Stouffers . . . plans to continue working there after graduation.

Objects of Admiration

The girls are swooning over the new freshman Barber Shop Quartet. The melodious tones come from the throats of Bob Carroll, Chuck Everett, Jim Herrero and Pete Pinto, who pride themselves in a noteworthy repertoire of "You Are My Sunshine", "Swinging Doors", "Home on the Ranges", "Ain't Got No Use for the Women" and several other operatic selections. Pete not only has the tenor voice of the violin.

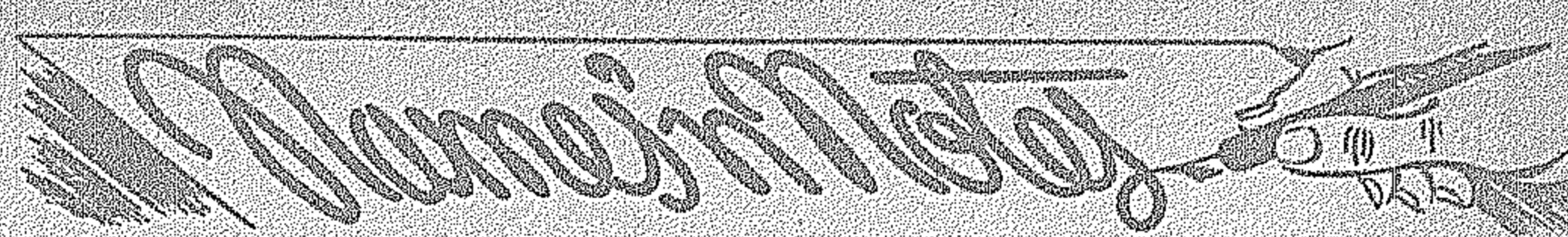
Among the musclemen of the crowd, we find the basketball players coming for their share of attention. Curt Haines, Bill "Romeo" Underberg, Don "Mighty Man" Stuart, Jim Crawford, Ed "Muscles" Mickiewicz, Ray Bartnick and Adolph Schumann are also active men about school and draw a good sized female audience to the cage games.

We have five veterans here—Bert Anderson, Berard Varnevale, John Griffin, Bernard Singer and Glenn Keith—so sorry, we only know Glenn. Why don't you other fellows make yourself known?

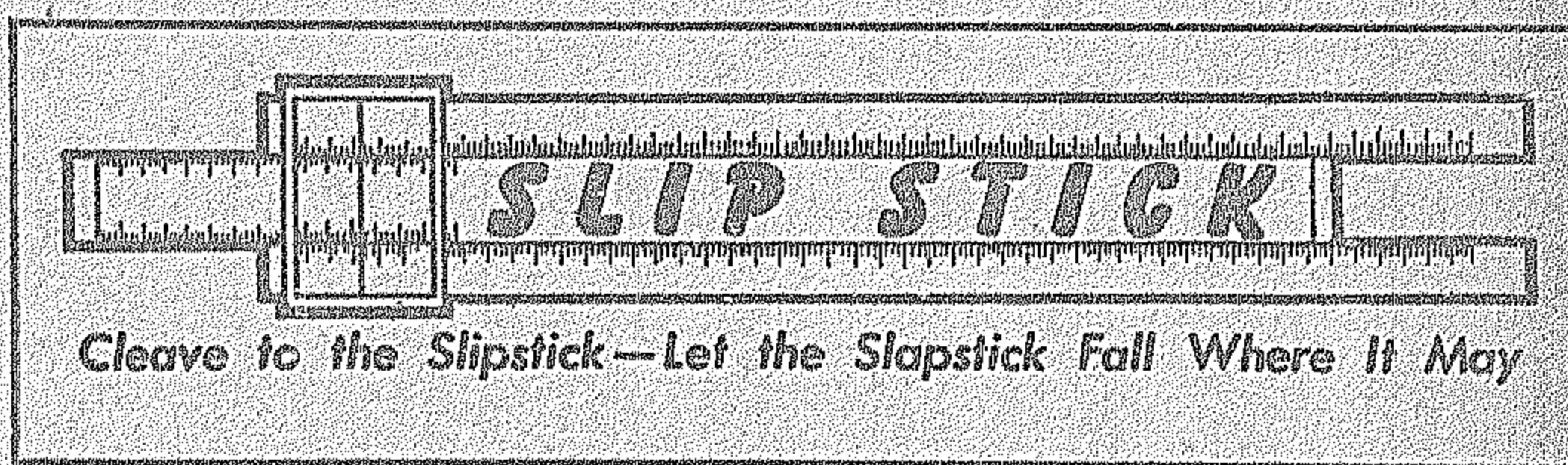
Kiva . . . starts this semester with the election of officers at a meeting Friday, March 30 at three o'clock in the lounge "Li'l Joe" Nicholas, vice president, will take charge of the meeting since Tom Seilheimer is in County Hospital recovering from a broken hip.

—EDWARD SHORE

—HOPE IVERSON



A/S JAMES RANSOM, senior electrical, worked on the construction of the Grand Coulee Dam during the summer months of his high school days . . . ARTHUR CUNNINGHAM taught fencing at the North Park College before coming to IIT. DR. MYRIL REED of the electrical engineering department majored in mathematics, obtained his degree in physics, and is now professor of electrical engineering . . . A/S ROY CHURAN raised mice while in high school which he sold to fellow students. Said Churan, "I started with two and soon had a business." . . . BERNARD BRENNER, sophomore electrical has been repairing radios professionally since he was eleven years old . . . A/S ALAN GRANT'S twin sister sang the lead in Mascagni's "Cavalleria Rusticana" at the Eighth Street Theatre . . . ALBERT MILLER an Illinois Tech Vet, recently became the father of a daughter.



Time have changed. It used to take two sheep two years to produce material for the outfit of a well-dressed woman. Now a silkworm can do it on his Sunday afternoon off.

—IIT—
Professor: What does "fantasy" mean?

Student: A story in which the characters are ghosts, goblins, virgins and other supernatural beings.

—IIT—
Manager: "Are you sure you are qualified to lead a jazz orchestra?"

Applicant: "Absolutely, I've had two nervous breakdowns, was shell shocked in France and I live in an apartment below a family with twelve noisy children."

—IIT—
Father (looking cautiously into the living room of a fraternity house): "Does Edgar James live here?"

Voice from inside: "Yeah, just lay him on the couch."

—IIT—
Doc Harris: "Who is smoking in the back of the room?"

Student: "No one, sir. That's just the fog we're in."

—IIT—
Co-ed (in letter to gob): I have a fine room here with running water. Gob (answer): Tell that Indian to get the heck out of here.

—IIT—
Question: "What does a dog do that a man steps in?"

Answer: "Pants."

—IIT—
Newspaper item: Mrs. Anna Shue was granted a divorce when she testified that, since her marriage, her husband had spoken to her but three times. She was awarded the custody of their three children.

—IIT—
Dizzy: I was born in New York.

Daffy: Funny things happen in Chicago, too.

—IIT—
His mother was terribly disappointed when he was born.

Did she want a girl?

No, she wanted a divorce.

—IIT—
It was raining out of doors. It was raining hard, you bet! The train pulled in the station. The bell was ringing wet!

—IIT—
Landlady (in hall, talking to a gal): "I thought I saw you taking a gentleman up to your apartment last night, Miss Jones."

Miss Jones: "Yeah, that's what I thought, too."

—IIT—
"Will this suit hold its shape?"

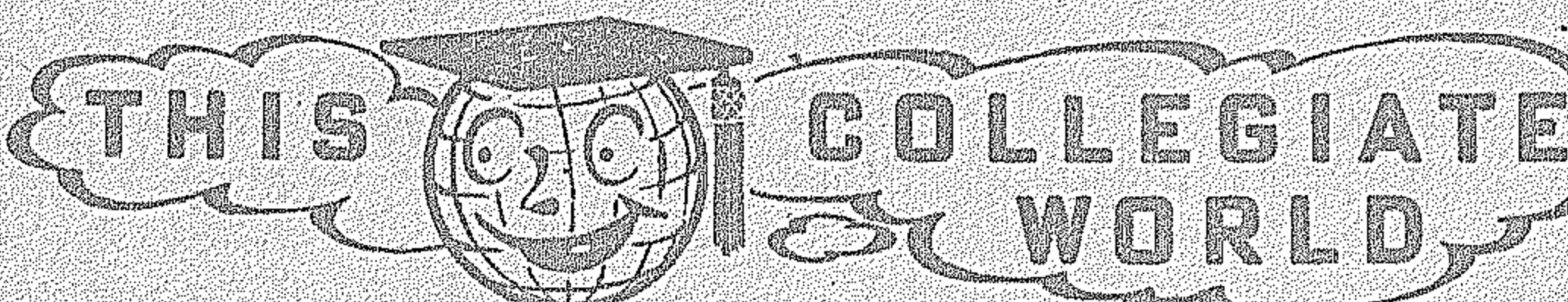
"Why certainly. It's made of pure virgin wool."

"I'm not interested in the morals of the sheep. Will it hold its shape?"

—IIT—
Hint to all young men: The stork is the bird with the biggest bill.

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—GEORGE MARTINKO



The University of Alaska is one of the farthest north schools in the world. Instead of giving the location of their college by an address, which is the custom of most schools, Alaska University gives as their location 64 degrees, 51 minutes, 21 seconds, north latitude.

Back to the United States, we find the University of Cincinnati making quite a fuss over their "pinup boys." Eleven "men" are running for the dubious honor of being voted U.C. Pin-Up Boy of 1945. Votes are being sold for a penny each, and proceeds will be turned over to the World Student Service Fund.

A while back, the girls of Milwaukee University School held a dance for girls only. The girls got dates . . . with girls. The party was in the form of a barn dance and the older girls asked the younger ones to come as their dates. The "boys" were distinguished from their partners by wearing hats.

At Texas state college for women there is an unusual school spirit. The various classes perform stunts in presence of the student body. The first prize goes to the class that performs the best and makes the most noise.

Milwaukee University's Snow Prom had a setting representing an outdoor scene. Believe it or not, there was plenty of snow, pine branches and white trees. The music was by Al Cavalier and the prom was held during the winter holidays.

Students at the University of Chicago aided the Red Cross drive last week by holding a benefit ball. One of the highlights of the evening was the auctioning off of cartoons by noted newspaper artists.