



LETTER OF THE WEEK: Navy Men and the ITSA

As all navy men know, Saturday was pay day. Occupying such a position that the men could not avoid him was an ITSA representative with his hand out for money. All but those with the strongest wills almost had to stop and shell out a buck. What is the purpose of this?

A Look At Alumni

From the Philippine Islands, Ensign C. O. Shank writes us that he ran into Jim Neighbor and Garard Bovie. Chuck also tells us that the grape vine has informed him that another Armourite, Max Sage, has walked the aisle of matrimony.

Lt. Ed Swanson writes the following to "Sonny" Weissman: "The old saying, Join the Navy and see the world certainly held true for me. First it was Panama, then Key West, Trinidad, British West Indies, Cuba, San Diego, Guadalcanal, New Guinea, and finally Bougainville. Now I'm home in these United States for a while."

T/Sgt. Fred Alterman, former Illinois Tech student, has completed 70 missions as a Flight-Engineer on a medium bomber over Europe. He has received the Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters and the Presidential Unit Citation.

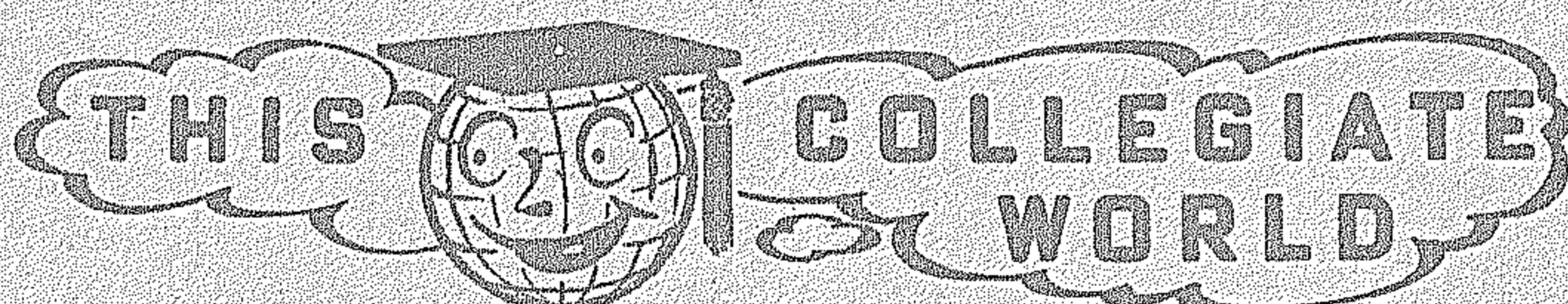
Elaine Seimon, home ec. '43, is now working for an advertising firm doing surveys. A few weeks ago her parents announced her engagement to James Strubb, a medical student at Loyola University.

At a recent ceremony held on the 301st Bombardment Group's Flying Fortress airdrome, Lt. Phillip G. Richman was awarded the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement in aerial flight against the enemy." Phil is 21 years old, and he attended Illinois Tech until he became an aviation cadet in February of 43.

Donald Friedland has started RT in the navy. Don has made some previous attempts at RT and each time he has been caught in the middle of his training with illness, causing him to start all over again.

Perry Winston former mechanical engineering student at IIT is now in the Maritime Service. He is being trained at Hoffman Island in New York. His studies are concerned mainly with radar.

—EDWARD SHORE



Wheaton College is currently engaged in a debate as to whether or not it should install the honor system. Since Illinois Tech already has such a system, it might be interesting to hear what some students think of such a plan. One Wheatonite says, "Gestapo system would more accurately designate the plan proposed, for it does not place the individual on his honor, but on the honor of his neighbor."

Bob Hope chose the queen of the Junior prom which was held last Saturday at Depauw University, Greencastle, Indiana. Hope chose the first, second, and third choices and sent his decision by telegram. The message was opened at the dance.

There seems to be some rabbit trouble down at the South Dakota State College. Rabbits have been doing a great deal of damage to the trees in the orchard and so, in order to exterminate the pests, Professor McCrory gathered a number of AST men and held a hunt. Fifteen rabbits were killed by clubbing them to death. Another hunt may soon be scheduled.

If some of you folks were eager to get your hands on some very precious articles such as cigarettes, gum, and Kleenex, you should have hopped a train and gone down to Indiana to the State Teachers College Ball. An auction was held at which you might have purchased these war time articles. After the sale, a dance, which was quite a success, took place.

Hope . . . for women

—HOPE IVERSON

Armour Girls

I've been wondering for a long time just how many girls there are on the south campus and what they are majoring in, so I decided to find out. The architects are: Ruth Brandsetter, Ann Horn, Murile Vovie and Leona Johnson; the chemists are: Marlys Hewitt, Virginia Petzing, Carrie Butler, Myrna Lokay and Gloria Landin; the chemical engineers are: Joanne Franch and Alice Lewin; and there is one electrical engineer, Betty Fullerton. Imagine that is the complete list but if someone is missing, please let me know.

When I was seventeen I heard
From each censorious tongue,
"I'd not do that if I were you;
You see, you're so young."

Now that I number forty years,
I'm quite as often told
Of this or that I shouldn't do
Because I'm quite too old.

Oh carping world! If there's an age
Where youth and manhood keep
An equal poise, alas! I must
Have passed it in my sleep.
—Walter Learned.

New Switchboard Operator

When Wanda Berkland, Lewis business office manager, leaves, Valeska Sittin, switchboard operator, will take her place. Maxine Van Deventer will take Val's place at the switchboard. Only found out a little bit about Maxine—she was working at the Park Dearborn Hotel, but found the hours a wee bit difficult to keep up so came to IIT, and she is engaged to Anfers Johannesen of the National College of Chiropractics.

Dude Ranch Party

Just wanted to remind you that the Dude Ranch Party will be held next Wednesday from 10 to 12 in the gym. Classes will be dismissed and all students and teachers are urged to attend. Everyone is requested to wear appropriate costumes. Refreshments will be served. There is no charge.

Brief Biography

Helen Marie Gordon—senior—home economics major—senior class vice-president—Sigma Omicron Lambda sorority president—home economics club—Kiva—badminton club—Integral court—likes tapioca pudding, dancing—would like to work in the textile field or as a buyer in a department store.

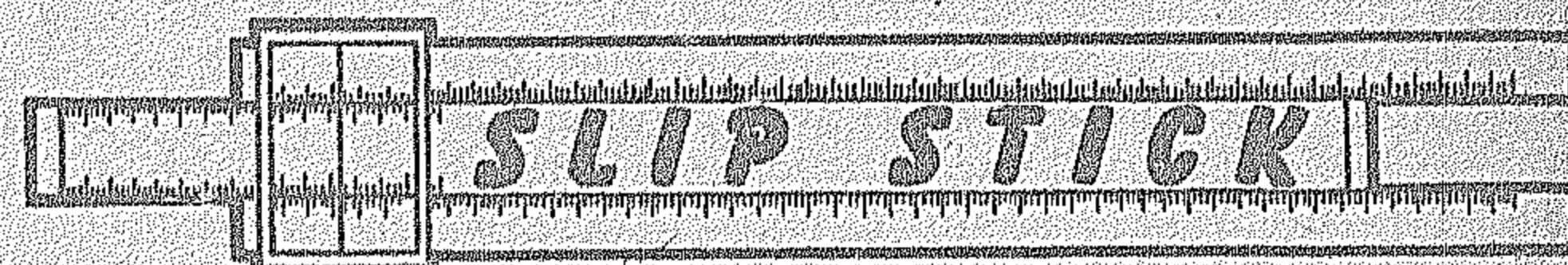
Daedalians

The Daedalians fraternity is being reorganized this semester. Until the spring of 1943 when the last of their members left, the "DD's" were one of the most active fraternities on the west campus. When Jack Fitzgerald returned to school this semester he decided to try to reorganize it. With the help of the faculty members Countryman, Chamberlain and Supple, Jack has gotten two pledges at Lewis. The pledges are Adolph Schuman and Ed Mickiewitz.

If you can hear the whispering about you
And never yield to deal in whispers too;
If you can bravely smile when loved ones doubt you
And never doubt in turn what loved ones do;
If you can keep a sweet and gentle spirit
In spite of fame or fortune, rank or place;
And though you win your goal or only near it
Can win with poise or lose with equal grace."—J. P. McEvoy.



The grandfather of ROBERT PRITZKER, sophomore industrial, was a notorious bankrobber in Australia . . . A/S RAY MURPHY pitched the softball team of the Match Corporation to the Chicago City Championship in 1944 . . . A/S KURT KUHNLE was champion ping-pong player in the junior singles division of the Chicago Park District tournament in 1938 . . . The majority of the girls of Sigma Beta Theta sorority started college at places other than IIT . . . DR. B. B. FREUD, chairman of the chemistry department, has been teaching at IIT for more than 40 years while R. V. PERRY, professor of machine design, has been at IIT for 44 years . . . A/S GEORGE SLAUGHTER is the brother of Enos Slaughter, famed baseball player . . . JOHN J. SCHOMMER athletic director, was the first twelve-letter man at the University of Chicago and was recently selected to the all time All-American basketball team . . . DEAN J. C. PEEBLES was born in Dreghorn, Scotland . . . The Coca-Cola ads printed by *Technology News* are drawn by artist Frank Godwin, father of DR. FRANCIS W. GODWIN, assistant director of the Armour Research Foundation.



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

We dedicate this column to music lovers. A true music lover is a guy who, hearing a blond soprano singing in the bathtub, puts his ear to the keyhole.

—IIT—

Husband: "Did you finally pay the iceman, dear?"

Wife: "Yes, yesterday."

Husband: "How much did you give him?"

Wife: "Oh, er—er—about two dollars and something."

—IIT—

"Teacher makes us raise a hand."

Said little Donald Root;
"But Fido hasn't any hands,
So he has to raise a foot."

—IIT—

Then there was the Scotchman who gave his girl friend a watch case for Christmas and next Christmas gave her the works

—IIT—

A wolf is a member of the male species who devotes the best leers of his life to women.

—IIT—

"For a nickle would you let me kiss you?"

"Uh-huh."

"Now, for a dime would you let me give you a hug?"

"Uh-huh."

"Now—are you ready for the two dollar question?"

—IIT—

"At first it was love. He fascinated me—and I kissed him."

"Yeah, I know, and then he began to unfascinate you—and you slapped him."

—IIT—

Sign in a West Side butcher shop: Ladies! Please don't bring your fat cans in here on Saturday!

—IIT—

Doctor: "Nurse, you've been with that handsome patient in 403 over an hour."

Nurse: "Don't stop me now. I've got to get a thermometer."

Doctor: "Gosh, is he running a temperature?"

Nurse: "No, but I am."

—IIT—

During the day Mrs. Smith discharged her old maid and hired a new one who answered the door bell when Mr. Smith arrived home in the evening. He carried a bunch of roses, which he handed to the maid, saying: "Present these to Mrs. Smith, and tell her I want to see her at once." "All right," said the maid, "but you better make it snappy, because she expects the old man any minute now."

—IIT—

Latest news flash: Quote—A convention of furniture men has concluded that men returning from the war, having grown accustomed to sleeping alone, will want twin beds. Unquote. Naive little characters—these furniture men.

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Illinois Tech Vets

Robert Fahr

Contrary to common belief Namur atoll, a less publicized island of the Marshall group, was taken by the Marines only after considerable loss of life and limb. One of those casualties was Robert Fahr, who is majoring in industrial engineering at IIT.

Bob enlisted in March, 1943 while employed as a draftsman by Jefferson Electric. He was sent to San Diego for his boot training and then to Camp Pendleton for further combat training.

It was here that Bob participated in the "Battle of Los Angeles." How it began is still a favorite topic for many a lively debate; but when several sailors reported that they had been jumped on by fellows clad in zoot suits the Marines needed no further incentives.

During night training and infiltration maneuvers, it was the custom for scouts to obtain uninvited admittance into the opposing camps and carry on a little moonlight requisitioning. On one such occasion Bob borrowed an enemy jeep, Bob was forever getting lost on these little jaunts and one such escapade lasted three days.

After three months of intensive amphibious training Bob's outfit shoved off for Namur atoll. On the very first day of the invasion, Bob caught two slugs in his leg. He crawled into a shell hole and joined a group of Marines. There was such a heavy concentration of artillery and machine gun fire that the group was pinned down.

Bob then noticed a Jap rushing their position and immediately fired four rounds. The Jap slumped to the ground and with his last dying breath heaved a grenade. Bob caught the full force of the explosion and lost his right arm. None of the others were injured and the group held off the attacking Japs until reinforcements arrived four hours later.

Bob was evacuated to the States and honorably discharged after eighteen months of active service. He holds the Purple Heart and the Asiatic Pacific ribbon with a battle star.

—JACOB KRAMER