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Building Program

With the breaking of ground for the new NROTC building, IIT's dream of the future is turning into a physical reality.

We may now expect, in the near future, more steps toward the completion of our new \$10,000,000.00 institute. It is probable that, with the moving of activities from the west campus to the south campus, a step will be taken in the direction of making IIT not only one of the ranking engineering schools in the nation but one of the top co-educational, liberal arts-engineering universities in the United States.

Of course, there are still many aspects of the plans to be fulfilled. With the completion of the war, the development of the new IIT will be greatly accelerated. Buildings will spring up over the entire area. Our building program will progress along with a city planned slum clearance which will gradually turn this area into the newest part of the city.

Despite the present unfavorable environment, IIT is ideally located. It is in the heart of the greatest industrial city in the nation and enables the students to have valuable close contact not only with the theoretical but the practical aspects of their respective fields.

With the energetic leadership of such men as President Henry T. Heald, IIT is to become a great center of education located in a great city. A.G.

Registration

With registration past, one fact stands out: it was one of the most efficient registrations that I can recall. With the civilians registering first, the usual complaint that the navy students had filled all the desired classes was absent. The navy men, after enjoying an extra day of leave, returned to find an efficient and capable staff ready to register them in record time.

To enable the registration to proceed so smoothly, the registrar's office kept the students up to date on changes in instructors, classes, and time. Thus students knew exactly what courses they wanted that were being given when they reported for registration. To my knowledge, only one error was made, which was the scheduling of an EE class during the free hour on Friday, and even this was corrected the day before registration.

Even the usual trouble of students having to re-arrange their programs during registration due to closed classes was largely eliminated by the well-balanced list of courses distributed by the registrar's office several days previous to registration.

With the past registration as an example, the registrar's office can make future registrations not a chore, but merely another day in the students' life. A.K.

... Techman Talking

O. Gordon Erickson, Director of Music

Fourteen years of training potential engineers to sing or play instruments should entitle one to a free bed in a psychopathic ward.

However, having had a college connection since the days I attended the University of Chicago, I feel that my choice of directing music in a college has been a happy one



As this is free advertising space, I must take advantage of informing you all that, besides my IIT connection, I represent the New York Life Insurance Company. The insurance business is good.

Music at IIT is purely voluntary on the part of the student, and as such, he has an opportunity to relax and enjoy any one of the three organizations; glee club, orchestra, or band. The men are eager to do a good job and over a period of years, have performed creditably on most occasions.

My connection with IIT, came about through a suggestion by my college pal, John Schommer. As a musician, John is impossible, but as an appreciative listener of good music, he is tops. He knew I enjoyed working with young men, so convinced me that here were boys of more than average intelligence who should be given an opportunity of expressing themselves musically.

Well, here I am after many years of wonderful associations with students and faculty. I do want to express my appreciation for the co-operation given me and the musical clubs by the administration.

For the most part, preparing for concerts is a serious business, but there are times when good laughs come at a dime a dozen. If you could join the clubs on a trip where the boys have time for serious discussions on various subjects, better known as bull sessions, you would realize that many a good bit of humor was never put in print.



After a brief vacation, we again find ourselves confronting a new semester, with new courses, new books, new faces, but the same old jokes.

—IIT—

Mabel was in a bar having a beer when a friend from England walked in. "Aye say, Mabel, are you 'aving one?" "No, it's just the cut of me coat."

—IIT—

"What you need is an electric bath."

"No thanks, doc—I had an uncle drown that way up at Sing Sing."

—IIT—

The men in the nudist colony were giving the eye to a shapely new entrant. One man turned to the fellow next to him and said, "Saay, I bet she'd look great in a sweater!"

—IIT—

"Well, I guess I might as well put the motion before the house," thought the chorus girl as she danced onto the stage.

—IIT—

The farmers wife, having given birth to her eleventh child, was leaving the hospital to return home when the head nurse remarked jokingly: "I suppose I'll be seeing you in another year." "Oh no, you wont," said the farmer's wife with an air of great confidence. "What makes you so sure?" asked the nurse. "Well," was the startling reply, "me an' my old man has

found out what's causin' them."

—IIT—

Ship's Cook: You're not eating your fish — what's wrong with it?

Gob: Long time no sea.

—IIT—

First Bride: "Does your husband snore in his sleep?"

Second Bride: "I don't know yet; we've only been married three days."

—IIT—

A/S: I have a pain in my abdomen.

Navy Doctor: Young man, an officer has an abdomen, a petty officer has a stomach. You have a bellyache.

—IIT—

"Is that Venus?" asked the sweet young thing.

"No, that's Jupiter," said the Prof.

"How clever," said the sweet young thing, "to be able to disguise the sex at this great distance."

—IIT—

Before saying '30' here is a bit of advice: Everything may have a hidden meaning—even the little red school house may have something behind it... Hasta La Vista!

—THE RAZOR BLADE

Man Of The Week

Slaton, Senior EE, Active in IRE, Eta Kappa Nu, Tau Beta Pi

A very well known student among Seniors is Jack Slaton, who likes to work around electron tubes, television equipment, and radio sets, and spends a lot of spare time on these hobbies, Slaton, who has lived in Riverside all of his life, attended

Riverside-Brookfield high school, where the band and orchestra clubs interested him. Among the honor societies to which he was elected was the National Honor Society. His high school career was climaxed by his being chosen valedictorian of his class.

He entered IIT in February, 1943, as an electrical engineering student. In his second year he joined the student chapter of AIEE and has been an active member since.

He is now president of Eta Kappa Nu, honorary electrical engineering fraternity to which he was elected in the second semester of his junior year. Last semester he topped all his honors by being made a member of Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternity.

When the Institute of Radio En-

gineers was formed last semester, he was elected vice-president. Rho Epsilon, professional radio fraternity, claims him as an ardent radio fan.

As an editorial staff member, Slaton lent his service to help put out the last Integral. His duty was checking entries about the electrical organizations. These activities however, have not taken all of his time, since he claims he has never missed a homework assignment. To show for his efforts, he maintains a 2.8 scholastic average.

Upon graduating, Slaton hopes to get a job in Cincinnati where his parents expect to live shortly. After the war, he has hopes of going back to school to work on a masters degree.

—FRANK JANIK



Have you noticed James Waber lately? That shadow on his upper lip is not dirt. It seems that Jim has become enamored of a certain woman who prefers men with mustaches. Jim has had considerable trouble in protecting his "cookie-duster" from insult; the casual observer mistakes it for a film of IIT atmosphere.

A/S Emil Donkers and thermodynamics are "that way" about each other. Emil liked the course so well with Prof. Winston Winston that he's taking it again, with Prof. Winston. However, Emil's "honest opinion" of said prof was overheard by same. I hope he likes thermo as well the third time.

A/S Witold Kosicki returned from leave in a sad condition. He was sun-burned all over! Kosicki claims this state came about thru his association with the model for the current Jantzen bathing suit ad. According to BTO Kosicki, he spent seven days with the "most beautiful girl in the world."

Natalie Eckland, blonde seductress from Armour Research Foundation, is very fond of Armour boys it appears. First it was Chuck Dowd, who left for the Navy and lost her to Richard Peterson of the V-12 unit. Now that Peterson has gone to Notre Dame's midshipman's school, who will the next Sampson be to fall for this Delilah?

Just how Dennis Pinkowski's mind works has always been a mystery, but the climax came during a bull session not long ago. Said Pinky with an air of authority, "Everyone knows that sterility is hereditary!"

A method was suggested to me for those confused acquaintances of the Smaldone twins that is sure fire to tell them apart. It is said that the eyes of one are slightly farther apart than the eyes of the other but whether Peter has the wide bridge or Paul no one knows. All that's necessary now is a pair of oculist's calipers and some one to make the final classification.

There may be no place like home but not to Eddie Bell. He neglected to show up in Port Clinton, Ohio during his six-day leave between semesters. Seems he was invited to Flint, Michigan, by Leslie Gunner for a few days, but because he became so fascinated by Donna, Leslie's younger sister, he just couldn't tear himself away. Such puppy love is really touching!

Race Wilt, sophomore fire protect, may be learning about fire extinguishers and the like, but nothing to compare with the fire extinguishers handed him by his one and only Delores—a cold statement, "I can find better things to do than go with you!"

In a recent poll of secretaries, the following "pet" names for our esteemed professors were unearthed:
 Sternberg Loving-cup
 Winston Cutie
 Mangold Rosy Cheeks
 Knutzen Nails

With a new driver in the seat of the Steam Shovel, you can all expect to feel the pinch of the spade in the future.

—BROWN NOSE

A Look At Alumni

First Lieutenant Robert A. Abrahamson, 26, son of Mr. and Mrs. William I. Abrahamson of 5644 N. Glenwood Ave., Chicago, Ill., and husband of Mrs. Louise T. Abrahamson, 324 Mendoza Ave., Coral Gables, Fla., is assigned to the Caribbean Division's Air Transport Command base as Weight and Balance officer.

With safety and comfort a prime factor in the ATC's "Green Project" redeployment of 50,000 men monthly from Europe to the States, Lt. Abrahamson's duties are accentuated by the fact that the 250 C-47 Skytrains based at Trinidad carry a monthly lift comparable to moving the entire population of a city the size of Miami Beach, Fla., from New York to Berlin.

A graduate of the Armour Institute of Technology with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering, Lt. Abrahamson will play an all important role at the ATC base, busier than all the combined airfields before the war. This base is the "aerial roundhouse of the Caribbean" for the vast fleet of planes that fly the linear equivalent of 280 times around the world each month, leaping from Natal, Brazil, to Miami, Fla., on the last leg of the greatest transport operation the world has ever seen.

—EDWARD SHORE