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Registration

After much confusion, the semester is slowly getting under way.

The major portion of this turmoil could have been avoided, however, if the situation that arose had been contemplated. The general confusion was noticed by everyone. Many comments have been made on it and the apparent lack of co-operation that is said to have existed throughout the registration and the beginning of the semester.

In spite of the late date and even though classes have begun, many students can still be seen around the registrar's office or conferring with their counselors in an attempt to change their programs and schedule their required courses. In many cases they are assigned to already overcrowded classes, and this situation may lead to an unfortunate end. Either the student does not take the course, or he is forced to struggle through the course with a minimum of individual help from the instructor.

Someone might suggest that these classes be broken up, but this is quite impossible for two reasons. The first one is that the available working room is almost completely occupied for all periods of the day. This is due primarily to the arrival of the Lewis contingent and their apparatus. With them came many new courses, for which room had to be made, and also their instructors, for whom office space had to be provided.

The second reason is the lack of instructors. Of course, it might be suggested that the Lewis staff might suffice, but a careful analysis of the situation would show different circumstances. As it stands the professors from Lewis were followed by their students, and the school is also swamped by returning veterans.

The general condition of disorder during registration is attributed to various causes. Those which have been uncovered to date are stated presently. Primarily the number of new men who arrived was about 150% more than originally contemplated. The men comprising this group are mostly new freshmen and returning veterans. The classes originally scheduled were quickly filled up, and many new men had to be refused admission because of inadequate accommodations.

Another factor was the lack of student help and limited working space. It seems that men would like the job, which is fairly well paid, of helping new men get adjusted; but, as usual, the school spirit was so low that only the bare crew necessary for registration were obtained.

In spite of all these circumstances the registration was accomplished as best as it could be by the few people who were willing to work long hours.

The college again is springing into life and the term begins with the largest student body since the start of the war.

Man Of The Week

Fred Fitchey, Honor Student, Was Captain of Golf Team

This week the "Man of the Week" spotlight shines on "Hoosier" Fred Fitchey, who hails from Indianapolis, Ind. Fred, who is a V-12 trainee, is majoring in electrical engineering.

Fred came to IIT in a V-12 transfer from Notre Dame University in March, 1944. Previous to his entering the navy, he studied at Purdue University.

While he has matriculated at IIT, Fred has kept a high scholastic average, which at present is 2.35. He is a member of Eta Kappa Nu, honorary electrical engineering fraternity, and Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternity.



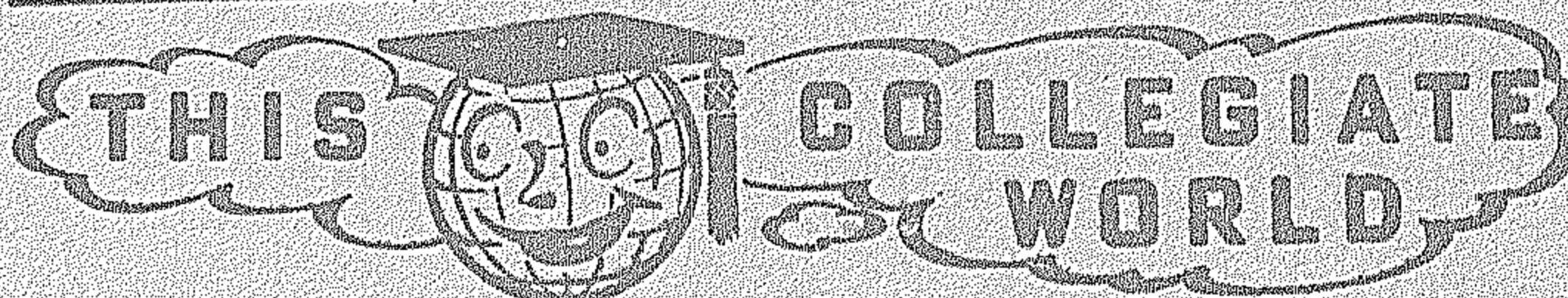
When it comes to sports, Fred is no mere spectator. He was a mem-

ber of the varsity golf team in 1944 and he was captain of the team last season. He was also captain of the navy golf team that gave an excellent account of itself in the Chicago Area Navy Golf League.

At the beginning of this term Fred was appointed platoon commander of the V-12 company and assistant MAA of quarters No. 1.

Fred will receive his B.S. degree and an ensign's commission at the end of this semester. After the navy is through with his services, Fred plans to go into the field of electrical power.

—William Charlton



Students attending Ball State Teachers College in Indiana acquire excellent experience as instructors even before they graduate. Some 65 seniors at Ball State are engaged in student teaching in fifteen schools in and around Muncie, Ind.

Many schools in the country still permit freshman hazing, but never has the occasion arisen where upper classmen have been hazed by freshmen—or has it? New students at Cooper Union Institute in New York have openly defied this usual custom. During the Freshman Orientation Week at Cooper Union, the incoming freshmen, who outnumber the upper classmen 2-1, have ripped the orientation rules from the bulletin boards and have posted their stipulations to the upper classmen of the Institute.

Women have invaded the professional fields. According to registration records in the College of Pharmacy at Austin, Texas, 51 of the present enrollment of 121 students are girls. Before the war, only 11 per cent of pharmacy students were girls, whereas now 40 per cent of the students are women.

In a recent survey of college newspaper all over the country, by the American Collegiate Press Association, *Technology News* was one of ten colleges to receive an All-American Rating (publishing weekly to an enrollment of over 1,000).

Fraternities & Sororities

Rushing Smoker Held By Delta Tau Delta

Delta Tau Delta held a rushing smoker at the house last Wednesday and about a dozen men attended. Bridge and pinochle were played and fun was had by all, according to Herb Corten, president.

The chapter is glad to welcome Jack Bever into its fold. He has just transferred from the Beta Pi Chapter which is located at Northwestern. Also returning is Tommy Galavan who has not been with the Chapter in recent years because of illness.

The Deltas are planning to redecorate their chapter house and hope to render it fit for men to stay in all week.

Triangle Will Hold Smoker Wednesday

Triangle fraternity will hold a smoker this Wednesday evening.

Realizing that there are many IIT students who desire to belong to a fraternity, Triangle will hold a "get-together" in order to acquaint them with fraternity life and its advantages. Men that are interested will be given a warm welcome, said Tom Feehery, president. Refreshments will be served.

The Triangle actives and those that are interested will meet at the Student Union at 5 p.m. Wednesday, where transportation to the fraternity house will be provided. It is located at 5036 South Drexel Blvd.

Theta Xi Initiates 3; Plans Rushing Smoker

Formal initiation of Chet Schirmer, Thomas Humphreys and John Scherba into Theta Xi fraternity

was held Sunday afternoon, at the home of George Underwood.

A dinner was given at The Covered Wagon, in honor of the new actives, and afterwards, all proceeded to President H. T. Heald's house for a party.

Theta Xi will hold a rushing smoker in the Student Union lounge, tomorrow at 7 p.m.

The active chapter joins in extending congratulations to A/S D. W. Hayes on his recent engagement to Jean Wendt.

Betty Jordan is New Sorority President

The Sigma Beta Theta Sorority elected new officers at the first meeting of the semester, Sunday, Nov. 4. The officers are: president, Betty Jordan; vice president, Virginia Petzing; secretary, Corine Cleban; and treasurer, Pat Vedel. At this meeting, plans were also made for the coming rush.

The officers of last semester were: president, Marie Palumbo; vice president, E. Dugan; secretary, Lorene Mattern; and treasurer, Dorothy Vedel.

Seven Men Pledged By Sigma Alpha Mu

Seven pledges were formally initiated into Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity yesterday at a ceremony held at Marty's Renaissance Room on the North side.

Those initiated were: Morton Klein, Dave Lieberman, Lawrence Minoy, A/S Allan Moss, Harvey Weinstein, A/S Warren Witus, and A/S Alan Grant.

The first social function of the semester will be held on Saturday, Nov. 17, stated Meyer Gilden, prior.

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Though this new semester has brought about many new changes in the lives of IIT students, one old familiar institution still remains—the Steamshovel. With so many new students on the campus, including the coeds, the old Shovel should have a tough time keeping up with the nefarious activities of "IIT-ites."

As an instance of the changes the new term has brought, we cite the first item of the week. Howie MacAdam finally has learned the technique. Under the capable guidance of Wally "Past Master" Briesch, Howie latched onto a pickup for Wally and himself last weekend. From all reports the two made out like mad.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to John Makielski for the very bad news he received over leave. As an end to a perfect six days, Johnnie's woman gave him the word that she doesn't love him any more.

His transfer to NROTC caused Homer Wickham trouble last week. Homer was riding on the bus with his "Service Dress 'A'" uniform, which has "NROTC" in big gold letters all over the sleeve, when the lady next to him turned and said, "You know, my son is in the ROTC too; he enjoys it very much. What high school do you go to?" Homer is really giving his all for his country.

Along the same line is the experience of A/S Tom White, who got on a street car the other day only to be told he must pay fare because, "You aren't in the service, you're in ROTC."

The green banana of the week is delightfully handed to Sheldon Levy. This boy went to the Woods Theater feeling lonely, and so he picked up a girl in the darkness of the show. After an interesting necking session with her he asked to take her home. But once outside in the light he changed his mind—the lady had cause to wear a maternity dress.

Just after leaving his girl friend at the railroad station in Kentucky, Bill Parker got well acquainted with a married woman on the train to Chicago. After hearing her sad story, Bill couldn't turn down her tearful request to help her hunt for a room. Picture the two of them going all over Chicago looking for a hotel room.

Chuck Hatstat really got a good liberty the other night. After it was over, Chuck, who makes out the watch bill in his quarters, lay in his sack groaning about all the trouble he was going to have to get Mel Stidam back to stand a watch. Mel is a former inmate of the quarters who graduated and who has been on leave for several weeks.

We have a bulletin from the foreign office. It is reported that Al Dimoff and Shirley Sexton (six words censored) and furthermore than (eight words censored) and will remain true to this agreement. Since this announcement comes from abroad, it must be presented to you in this manner.

Talk about a couple of stoops! Hank Kudenholdt and Bob Fawcett fill the bill exactly. In fact filling the bill is exactly what these two were trying to do at the Edgewater last week end. They managed to gather \$16 between them to cover a \$19 check. Finally Hank hurried to a friendly pastor's house to borrow five dollars, while Bob and the two girls sat holding the check.

Reva Zlotnik is the gullible type. When some kind gentleman offered to let her put her coat and books in his locker, she accepted willingly with the understanding that she could pick them up again at 5 p.m. Unfortunately at five no one was around and poor Rita had to go home without coat or books. P.S. She retrieved them the next day.

The statement of the week was given by Dr. Boder in one of his early morning psychology classes. Dr. Boder was discussing an illiterate soldier attached to the medical corps. After having some service in the army the man was asked in a quiz: "What is the treatment for shock?" The written reply was, "Keep the patient *Worm* and *rape* him in a blanket."

Thus, the end of the beginning of another term of prying into the private affairs of BMOC (Big Men On Campus) is here. We'll be back next week with bigger and better Shovel copy.

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