Award to Be Given For Finest Essay

The best essay on the subject, "Social Security and Individual Thrift" will bring the writer a first prize of 75 dollars or a second prize of 50 dollars according to an annonnement from the Department of Economics of the University of Il-linois. Competition for the prizes is open to all undergraduates of the University of Illinois, or in any other university or college in the state of Illinois. Essays will be due on May 1, 1946, and should not be longer than 5000 words.

The awards are from the income of a fund established by the com-mittee for the sale of War Savings Stamps in Illinois. Further details may be obtained from Professor M. H. Hunter, 225 Commerce Building, Urbana, Illinois,

The contents and style of the essay are left to the discretion of the contestants. The suggestion is made, however, that each essay contain references and a bibliography. essays will be judged by a committee composed of Professor Simon Litman of the Department of Economics. Professor F. A. Russell of the Department of Business Organization and Operation, and Professor Alta G. Saunders of the Department of Business English, all of the Uni-

European Education Discussed By Gross

Last Friday, Eric Gross, a graduate of the University of Vienna, spoke before the AIEE on the subject of "Educational Systems in Eu-

Dr. Gross stated that the European educational systems are far less democratic than the American educational system, it being the custom in Europe for a child's parents to decide what his career will be when he is ten years old.

In the European universities, students attend lectures. Assignments are not given and quizzes and recitations are not required of the student until the end of the first two years when examinations are given. It is not necessary for the student pass these examinations. At the end of four year, the student re-ceives a profesional degree if he can pass an eight-day written examination and a two-hour oral examina-

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Pre-Med. Students to Take Aptitude Tests

The Association of American Medical Colleges Aptitude Test will be given in the Student Union Auditorium this Friday from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. The test will be taken by all pre-medical students planning to enter medical school in 1946 who have not already taken it. The test has been adopted by the association as one of the normal requirements for admission. It measures one's ability to learn material similar to that which he will have in medical sehool.

Students should obtain applications immediately in the Registrar's Office. A fee of two dollars is required of students taking the exam.

IAeS Re-elects Kukral: Plan Semester Activities

A/S Allan Kukral was re-elected president of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences at a meeting Friday. Other officers elected were: Jo seph Viecelli, vice-president; and Thomas Feehery, secretary-treasur-

A Bell Aircraft Corp. film, "Cannons On Wings," was shown and plans for the semester were made. The semester's activities will include a talk by a well-known figure in the aeronautical profession and a trip to one of the large airline companies. Kukral stated that anyone interested in aeronautics or in taking the aero-option in C.E. or M.E. should see any of the officers.

Fraternities & Sororities

Rho Delta Rho Plans Semester Activities

Rho Delta Rho is now very well established. Shelly Shrieber of the executive committee said that the organization has now prepared a schedule of activities for much of the remainder of the semester.

The members are at present completing arrangements for a New Year's party to which fraternity alumni will be invited.

Last week Rho Delta Rho was invited by former president, now Lieutenant Danny Workman; also an interesting skit was performed by the pledges for the active mem-bers at their weekly meeting Wednesday.

Rho Delta Rho is anticipating re-

gaining its previous position in the school socials with the coming return of its members from the armed

Triangle Fraternity Will Hold Hay Ride

Triangle fraternity is holding a gala hay ride party on Friday, Dec. 21. A barn dance is planned which is to be followed by a regular evening snack. The social chairman, Bill Bloudek is in charge of the committee that is making the arrangements

Up to date, there have been seven men pledged. They are: Raymond Fischer, Kenneth Turner, Haroldwere party. The former will be a Stadnik, Roger Johnson, Heinz stag while the latter is a date af-Stadnik, Roger Johnson, Heinz Cook, Bill Maxey, and John Horn, The promising pledge class has already been assigned its duties for this week by Harold Esser, pledgmaster. The pledges will be seeking the signature of all the actives during every day of this week.

Art Strong Elected President of Delts

Election of Delta Tau Delta officers was held recently and the following were chosen: president, Art Strong; vice-president, A/S Herb Corten; treasurer, Grant Medin; re-cording secretary, Don Lokke; and corresponding secretary, Dave Phillips.

Delta Tau Delta has pledged five new men. They are: Bud Beam, Ed Carstens, Henry Gay, James Kennedy and Keith Walstrom. Since pledging limits have been extended many more are expected.

Other committees were organized, and the chairmen are: social chairman, Race Wilt; house and grounds, A/S Fred Travis, and rushing, Henry Kudenholdt.

Back from a long absence is John Baker. He paid the chapter a visit and is now stationed at Great Lakes. The fraternity is planning both a Christmas party and a New Year's fair.

Kappa Phi Deltas **Entertain Rushees**

The Kappa Phi Delta sorority entertained their rushees at the Chi-cago Theater of the Air a week ago Saturday. Following the performance, they stopped at Corner

Last Sunday, they took their rushees to a hockey game, the Blackhawks vs. the Canadians. Following the game, they stopped for Bar-B-Ques.

Sigma Omicron **Entertains Rushees**

The Sigma Omicron Lambda sorority entertained their rushees at an informal gab session at the home of Helen Gordon, two weeks ago. After

an afternoon of just plain gossip-ing, a light supper was served. Last Friday, the Lambdas enter-tained their rushees at the home of Claire Brinkerhoff. Claire lives in Flossmore, 23 miles from Chicago and 888 miles from New Orleans, so the group spent a good percentage of the time on trains. Dinner was served, and then ping pong, taffy pulling, and bubble blowing completed the evening.

Dr. G. Mainland Has Unique **Collection of Drosophila Flies**

By Saul Needleman

In a small room on the second floor of south Chapin Hall can be found close to 300,000 fruit flies of twelve different species, coming from 26 American states, seven Mexican states and several other countries throughout the world such as Guate-

and several other countries thromals, New Zealand, and Sweden.
With these flies, and months of experimenting, Dr. G. Mainland, associate professor in Biology, hopes to determine some of the basic revolutionary factors in the lowest form, of how the various species and sub-species are formed in nature

Dr. Mainland, who did most of his work on the collecting of the Droso-philafly at the University of Texas, is confining his experimenting to three of the 90 known species of Drosophila which form a chain circ-ling the United States and Mex-

The Drosophila (dew-love) Funebris (funeral first described in 1787, is the only one of the species known to live on decayed or fer-mented flesh, and because of this, is also called the "Bar Fly" or the "Drunkard Fly." It is normally

a fungus feeder.

The Drosophilla Macrospina (big spine), first described in 1939, is found from Florida to Central Texas southward to Coahila, Mexico, and north to Ohio and Michigan.

D. Macrospina Limpiensis (named for the Limpio Canyon in the Davis Mountains in western Texas where it is found) is of the same family as the fly mentioned above. It is found from western Texas to western Arizona, north to Utah and south to Chihuahua and Sonora in Mexico. Only three have been collected on the west coast around Pasedena, California.

The D. Subfunebris is similar to

the first fly mentioned. By crossing these strains of Drosophila which are found in the western states with those found in Pasedena, Dr. Mainland hopes to determine why in the resulting generations of fies some of the fies, both male and female, become sterile while some remain fertile.

In studying the several habits

of the flies, Dr. Mainland, has found that after a courtship of about 20 minutes flies from the same sec-tion of the country will have an atraction for each other but that 60 to 70 days are required for flies from opposite ends of the country. He has found that males from the east will reproduce with females from the west but the reciprocal crossing cannot be accomplished.

Dr. Mainland stated that this was the first chain series that has been subjected to analysis through "visenpross" (vacecross).

Dr. Mainland has traveled sev-

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eral thousands of miles with a specially equipped trunk and an assistant, and is on record for having caught over 600,000 flies. Of 904,047 flies listed in a University of Texas publication, he has caught more than half of them. Dr. Mainland has found these flies in the Flies Keys, along the Pan-American highway, in jungles, deserts, on glaciers and even at altitudes 11,000 feet. He works in coniunction with hundreds of other Drosophila workers all over the United States and several other countries on this phase of evolution.

IT Vets Meeting to Hear H. M. Bonney

The Illinois Tech Vets Club will hold an open meeting in Room 305 Main. There will be a talk by H. M. Bonney, plant personnel manager of the Chicago Pump Company. The subject of his talk will cove problems confronting the graduate engineer that cannot be found in text books. All veterans are invited to

At a closed meeting of the ITV last Friday, regulations and policies regarding membership and activities were acted upon. The system of obtaining member's signatures as a prerequisite for admission to the Club has been repealed. Instead the prospective member has to secure the sponsorship of two active mem-

Discussing the future of ITV president Burnham Peters stated that with the tremendous influx of new members into the club, it will undoubtedly become the foremost school organization.

Architect Student to Be Awarded Scholarship

A scholarship of \$1,000 it to be awarded to an Illinois Tech student in the School of Architecture. Provided by the Weymer Foundation Inc., the scholarship will be awarded to a man selected by a board composed of faculty and American Institute of Architect members on a competitive basis.

The award was announced by

President Henry T. Heald and will begin with the school year of 1946.

Donor of the scholarship fund is E. M. Weymer, head of the Weymer Foundation. The foundation specializes in architectural metal works.

