

## IEs Initiate Two to Bring Department Honorary to IIT

The formation of a student chapter at IIT of Sigma Iota Epsilon, the national professional and honorary industrial engineering fraternity, became a reality last Saturday, Dec. 14. Kenneth Eaton and Arnold Mullen were formally initiated into the fraternity by Professor H. P. Dutton, faculty sponsor and honorary member. The ceremony took place in the east dining room of the cafeteria.

Founded in 1928 by the merger of three local management fraternities, Sigma Iota Epsilon now has chapters at the University of Illinois, Syracuse University, University of Texas, and Northwestern University as well as at IIT. Membership is open under certain scholastic conditions to both undergraduate and graduate students in the field of management, registered in a college of engineering or in a college of commerce.

Sigma Iota Epsilon seeks to arouse and foster a greater interest in industrial engineering and in management, to study and promote the development of science in management, to provide a suitable recognition of scholastic achievement in this field, and to attract to business and manufacturing enterprises a greater number of outstanding men. In addition, the fraternity strives to provide a medium of extra-curricular educational work and also to make possible closer contacts between interested and capable students, business and industrial executives, and faculty leaders.

### Classes to Hold Reunion

Former members of the classes of 1943 and 1944 are invited to attend a Holiday Reunion Dance to be held at the Furniture Club Friday, Dec. 27. Tickets for the dance may be bought from Dan O'Connell, W. Gow, or P. Huguelet in Sonny Weissman's office. The price of the tickets is \$3.30 per couple.

### FRATERNITIES, Sororities

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Highlight of the evening was a talk by Dr. Wilbur H. Cramblet, Grand Senior Alpha President of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity and president of Bethany College, Bethany, West Virginia. He spoke of the increasing importance of colleges in the world of today and of the many services rendered by the college fraternities.

Another significant event within the past week was the "open house," Friday night sponsored by the Mothers' Club. Mothers, fathers, and alumni were guests in the house. The event was an informal acquaintance get-together and was well attended. Refreshments were served.

### TRIANGLE

Last Wednesday's Triangle meeting was highlighted by a joint meeting of the active and alumni chapters. The meeting was further supplemented by liquid lunch and a hearty songfest afterwards.

The appointment of Edward Puchalski, ME '43; John Volakakis, CE '43; and Ernest Willis, FPE '28 to the Alumni board of directors was announced at the meeting. Volakakis was subsequently elected president of the group.

A New Year's Eve party will be held at the house; Marty Gabriel, chairman of the affair, has urged all members to come and make merry and see the New Year in.

A towel shower was held by the Mother's Club last Wednesday. A large quantity of bath towels was presented to the house as a Christmas gift from the club. Proceeds from the Mother's Club card party will soon be applied to the purchase of additional equipment for the kitchen.

## Discusses Registration Law



ENGINEER—Professor H. E. Babbitt, of the University of Illinois, who outlined the provisions of the Illinois Engineers' Registration Law at all-school assembly last Friday.

### Insurance Deadline Set

G.I. insurance which has lapsed more than six months must be reinstated by February 1, 1947, according to F. I. Hand, veteran ad-

visor. Insurance issued prior to January 1, 1946 must be converted within eight years of date of issue, insurance issued subsequent to January 1, 1946 must be converted within five years of date of issue.

## Prof. H. E. Babbitt Discusses Application And Effects of Engineers' Licensing Law

"Passed July 20, 1945, the Illinois act provides a one year period to allow those engaged in engineering work at the time the act passed to obtain their licenses without taking an examination," stated Professor H. E. Babbitt, co-sponsor of the Illinois

Engineer License Act at the all-school assembly last Friday. "Another section of the act," he continued, "provides that men serving in the armed forces at the time the act became law and who had been engaged in engineering work prior to their induction may obtain their licenses within one year after their discharge without taking an examination."

"All men not covered by these sections must take a state examination after four years of experience under a licensed engineer to obtain their license. The test covers the knowledge that should have been gained during those four years. Men who do not have degrees must have an additional four years experience and take a second test covering subjects required for graduation from a recognized engineering institution."

In a question period after the talk Professor Babbitt stated that former radio technicians in the Navy

could apply the time they were rated as RTs to the four years of experience required. He also stated that work before graduation, as in the co-operative courses, would also be counted. Only one year of graduate work may be counted as experience for the purpose of the law. In plants where there are a number of engineers working together, he pointed out, only the chief engineer need be licensed.

A professor of Sanitary Engineering at the University of Illinois, Babbitt is the secretary-treasurer of the Illinois Society of Professional Engineers, a member of the ASCE and vice president and member of the legislation committee of the Illinois Engineers Council. It is this latter group that was largely responsible for the passage of the License Act. His talk here was arranged by the student branch of the ASCE.

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