

WITH THIS BEING the last issue of *Technology News* of the semester, it might not be out of place to insert a few words on newspaper policy. The Managing Board has had to take some ribbing about its editorial policy. Some people say the Board stays awake nights thinking of things to "view with alarm" while the normal engineering student stays awake to write reports.

It is true that the Board's editorials seem to be unhappy about everything from the failure of the Honor System to the price of milk. But then, IIT men complain about just as many things and some even add to that a concern over women smoking in the cafeteria. The Managing Board just has tried to be a sounding board and offer a few suggestions, that's all. DURING ALL THIS, it is quite possible that *Technology News* has neglected to give credit where it is due; credit to men like Andy Keeney, who is caught in the middle of student complaints, yet goes out of his way to help student activities when they require the use of the IIT cafeteria.

And then there are those of the student body whose work often goes unappreciated. It's hard to mention them all, but we'd like to point out men like Makielaki, Travis, Hartnett, and Hatstad among the graduates as being of the type. They have done more than their shares to keep student activities from becoming "dormantities." Now that they are leaving this engineering factory for the relative ease of industry and the 40 hour week, we wish we had 200 similar men to replace them.

Alumni Sponsor Lecture Series

Dr. Hayakawa Will Speak January 30

The Illinois Tech Alumni Association and the Lecture Committee are once again presenting their Annual Alumni Lecture Series. The talks, which caused widespread interest last year, will be given in Curtiss Hall of the Fine Arts Building, at 410 South Michigan Ave.

There will be no admission charge, although tickets will be required at the door. The Lecture Committee has indicated that IIT students, alumni, and their guests are invited to attend the talks. Tickets are available at the Alumni Office, 43 West 33rd Street.

Dr. S. I. Hayakawa, opening the series on January 30, will talk on one of his favorite topics—jazz. His lecture, "Folk Music Goes to Town," is a discussion of how jazz partly evolved out of this music. Illinois Techmen are well acquainted with Dr. Hayakawa's intriguing presentation of this subject as a record crowd of students and faculty members attended his two earlier jazz lectures during the semester.

For the second talk in the series, the Lecture Committee has obtained Dr. Harvey C. Webster of the IIT English department, who serves as visiting lecturer in English literature. Dr. Webster has chosen as his subject "Poetry and Social Change," which he will give on February 27.

Interfrat Scholarship Award Goes to SAM

Sigma Alpha Mu was named as the winner of the Interfraternity Scholarship award for the March-June 1946 term as a result of averages released recently. The fraternity's over-all average for all active members for the term was 1.81.

Runner-up in the competition was Rho Delta Rho, with an average of 1.78, followed by Phi Kappa Sigma with 1.72. Other averages were: Pi Kappa Phi, 1.67; Triangle, 1.64; Praetorians, 1.59; Delta Tau Delta, 1.54; Alpha Sigma Phi, 1.43; Theta Xi, 1.41; and Daedalian, 1.30.

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ITSA Conducts Honor System Book Exchange Suspended 1Yr.

Used Book File to Aid Students in Shortage

Due to the impending shortage of books and realizing the crowded conditions in the bookstore, the ITSA has pledged itself to organize a "clearing house" of used books. Under the impetus and with full permission of the business manager, Mr. Gilbert Force, the program will be an effort by the ITSA to alleviate the shortage of books.

Under the system a "fair price" will be designated for each book. Students possessing books they wish to sell will merely file them with the ITSA clerk. Any students wishing to purchase books will be free to refer to the file and make contact with the possessor. The price set by the bookstore will be the price which will be refunded to the student if he is studying under the GI Bill. The whole transaction will be in the hands of the students.

The file will be kept in the ITSA office in the Student Union. Clerks will be on duty during registration to conduct the "clearing house." Since the system will be maintained for a number of weeks, a large number of students will be required to volunteer their time. John Makielaki, ITSA retiring president, requested that students asked to aid in the program do so if at all possible.

A list of books which are already definitely known to be needed was published in *Technology News* last week. Students possessing these books are requested to sell them, or consider lending them to a needy student.

Mann Act, ITSA Halt Senior Winter Snow Party to Wisconsin

The senior-sponsored Winter Snow Carnival date has been canceled by the ITSA. At the board meeting last Wednesday, Dean of Students Jack White held that, due to the strictness of the Mann Act, the Institute must exercise all precautions to prevent any cause for comment. The freshmen representative also requested that date be disapproved because the date would detract from the dance on February 21.

The Dean believed that difficulties would be incurred in conducting a mixed excursion across the state line, even if the girls walked across the line. The party was to be held at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, approximately 65 miles from Chicago.

Bill Andrews, senior ME, chairman of the Winter Carnival, stated that because of the vacation and registration schedules, it would be virtually impossible to change the day. The trip was to be made by five busses, already reserved for the date. Preparations were also made for skating, skiing, sleighing, hot dog roasting and dancing at the resort.

Resignation of the members of the Honor Board was accepted Wednesday by the ITSA.

The ITSA voted nine to one, with two abstaining, to suspend the System for one year. The meeting was marked by spirited debate during which blame for the "obvious failure" of the Honor System at Illinois Tech was ascribed to "not only lack of cooperation from both students and faculty, but also to poor organization, presentment, and enforcement."

Jim Brophy, chairman, and for several years a member of the Honor Board, represented members of the Board. He recommended that the Honor System be suspended for one year before a final decision is made.

Opposition to the proposed suspension was voiced by Jake Dumelle, senior ME. He emphasized the viewpoint that "to discard the Honor System would be to admit defeat of the long fought battle of professional recognition; yet to allow it to continue to aid those without principle is wrong."

After the motion to suspend the Honor System, Dean of Students Jack F. White announced that enforcement of student honesty during exams would lie with the faculty. Cases will be decided by the administration's discipline committee. Since that time, one student has been expelled from school for "drabbing Chem. 102 experiments and insolence."

Woodchoppers' Band



MUSIC MEN: Joe McFarney and his orchestra pose prettily while cramming for the frosh-top sponsored Woodchoppers' Ball. The dance will be held Feb. 21 at the Continental Hotel.

Woodchoppers' Ball To Pioneer Invitation Card System at IIT

Yesterday, the bids for the Woodchoppers' Ball went on sale. If you were there, you may have been slightly surprised by the invitation card offered with the receipt and wondered if this was the bid itself.

The invitation presented was not the bid, but a part of the plan of the bid committee of the Soph-Frosh Class dance to add a new note to the all-school dances. If you care to, after you have paid for the bid and received your invitation card, you may sign your name and mail it to the lady of the evening after she has been asked and has accepted in the regular way. The receipt you receive at the time you pay your three dollars should be saved; it will be needed to obtain the souvenir bid at the door.

A booth has been set up in the lobby of the Student Union where the bids will be on sale for the rest of this week and at certain times during the week of final examina-

Mechanicals to Number One-half Of 162 Receiving Sheepskins

Dean J. C. Peebles to Deliver Commencement Address; Student Honor Marshals Named

Graduates in mechanical engineering will number one-half of the class receiving the coveted sheepskins on Wed., January 29 at the Museum of Science and Industry auditorium. Of the 162 BS degrees being granted, 81 will be in the field of mechanical engineering, according to figures released by the Registrar's Office yesterday.

Joe E. Brown and Harvey Sought for All-School Assembly

A petition for the appearance of Joe E. Brown, popular actor and comedian, and his 6 foot 1½ inch rabbit Harvey is currently being circulated by the Assembly Committee to obtain a personal appearance of the stars at an all-school assembly early next term.

In announcing the plan, Chairman Dave Hoffman asked that each person make it a point to sign the petition. It will be circulated this week in the cafeteria and can also be signed at the desk in the S U lobby.

Veterans are particularly urged to sign the petition as Brown is known as a great friend of the Vets and will no doubt have an interesting message for them as well as the remainder of the student body. Brown spent the greater part of the war years entertaining and talking with troops in the U.S. and the South Pacific.

Dean of Engineering James C. Peebles will deliver the commencement address. His topic will be "A Lesson in Accounting." This is the first time in several semesters that a person directly connected with the Institute has delivered the address and rumors attributed the move to be the occasion for a retirement speech by Dean Peebles. These rumors are definitely unfounded, according to reliable Institute sources.

The commencement program, which will begin at 8:15 p.m., has been scheduled as follows:

- I The Honor Legion.....Foster Orchestra
- II The Invocation
Reverend Harold W. Ruoff,
D.D., Institute Chaplain
- III The National Anthem.....Key
- IV Addressation.....Berowski Orchestra
- V Commencement Address
"A Lesson in Accounting"
James C. Peebles, Dean of Engineering
- VI A Heart of Freedom.....Foster Glee Club
- VII The Conferring of Degrees
President Henry T. Heald
- VIII The Benediction
- IX The Recessional
Land of Hope and Glory.....Elger

Admission to the exercises will be by ticket only. Each graduate will receive four tickets by mail, and additional tickets can be obtained in Dean White's office. Faculty members can also obtain tickets there. Doors will open at 7 p.m.

Student Honor Marshals for commencement will be: Marvin Brown, Jerome Delson, John Doering, Martin Gabriel, Leonard Hoffman, Hillard Jendrynski, Harry Johnson, Louis Joseph, Seymour Lascoe, Grant Medin, Howard Olsen, and Leo Schmidt.

Urgent Call For Integral Copy

Due to an accelerated press schedule demanded by the printers, all copy and questionnaires for the 1947 Integral must be turned in immediately, stated the Integral editors recently. They said that any delay in submitting copy by organizations or individuals will mean that their place in the Integral will be eliminated, even though pictures have been taken.

The printer's revised press schedule necessitates the earlier deadline if the Integral is to be issued in May. The Integral, therefore, must be completed by the end of this month, instead of February, as was originally planned.

To insure meeting the deadline, twenty students have been given assignments on the staff. The sports section will be handled by W. M. Goldman, Sylvester Massa, Lillian Kozlowski, Wilbert Kedro, Arthur Ries, and Eugene Rezaeck. Sam Rade and Robert Bushelle are writing senior identifications for June graduates, and Joan Nicholas is handling those for January. Copy for sororities will come from Pat Vedel, Marlys Hewitt, and Raleigh-nae Patterson. Remaining staff members include Sherwood Benson, Sam Rand, Fred Belcove, Bill Jenkins, Fren Wild, Max Grimshaw, and Warren Brockmeier.

(See WOODCHOPPERS BALL on page 6)