

LAST WEEK my conscientious make-up man proceeded to cut my little epistle in half and, unfortunately, printed the half which had the least to say about nothing. It is my belated, but none the less sincere, feeling that a round of thanks should be extended to the planners and administrators of registration this term. "Treason" is the word that is running through the minds of some of you as you read the above, but most of you are the ones who would moan even if dollar bills flowed from faucets instead of water. It is the very absence of widespread griping about registration that should be of consolation to the registrars. Naturally, no one is going to say the thing was well organized, but when the screaming against it is only faintly heard things have gone off smoothly. True, there were individual justified cases of fouling up, but on an overall view things went as smoothly as a Tachawk's line with the women.

THE BANDWAGONS are rolling at a fast clip this week. Anticipation is that balloting in the class election Friday will be heavy and close. No matter how stupid you may feel after the Profs have confused you with their first week of equation writing, you're still smart enough to make an "X" on the ballot. And, besides those elected will have the say as to how \$3 of your tuition will be spent for student activities—better make sure that a competent crew gets in.

STUDENT REACTION to proposed insurance plans will be surveyed simultaneously with class election. This \$11 a year plan looks like a fine set-up. Of course there are those who feel they won't get their money's worth out of it. We cordially invite these persons to visit the *Technology News* offices, 4th floor Chapin. We will gladly throw them out the window, thus assuring them of getting more than their share from the plan. Anyway, we must have some sort of insurance or fill in the ruts in the stairs in Chapin Hall, that's all there is to it.

Schommer to Address 4-A Class Friday at 11; Socials to Be Outlined

John J. Schommer will address the graduating seniors at a class meeting this Friday to be held in the auditorium at 11 a.m.

He will outline the procedure to be followed by seniors in taking job interviews and will discuss the forms which must be filled out for the Placement Bureau. Interviews are scheduled to start soon after March 1 with Western Electric and American Bell Telephone among the first.

Ed Lindahl, social chairman, will also be on hand to present to the class the plans made last Friday by the social committee for a dance to be held at school, March 29. The dance is to be an all-school affair.

Plans for the Senior Farewell and commencement are in the preliminary stages and will be presented to the class. The Farewell has tentatively been set for Saturday, June 7, in the Modern Casino of the Congress Hotel and is to be a formal affair.

Health Talks to Resume

Freshman Hygiene talks by Dr. McNamara will be resumed this Thursday at noon in the auditorium. Dr. McNamara will discuss the evils of self medication and some time will also be spent discussing the handling of skin disorders and minor accidents.

These health talks are required for freshmen and all others interested are invited to attend.

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Elections to Take Place Friday

Sign of the Times



"I'LL BACK HIM!"—Bill Ponton (left) looks on as John Coopersmith signs petition of Bob Mielke as time for filing of candidates' petition draws to a close.

Enrollments In Naval Reserve To Be Taken Starting Tomorrow

Beginning tomorrow a recruiter for the Naval Reserve will be in Sonny Weisman's office to accept enrollments in the Reserve from interested Illinois Tech students. Recent congressional action has made it possible for men with two years of college to obtain commissions in the Reserve.

Physical requirements for commissions are normal good health and 8/20 vision or better without glasses. Men who receive commissions remain civilians and can receive six dollars for attending each weekly meeting of the Reservists.

The U. S. Navy has launched a nation wide drive to bring the Naval Reserve to full strength of 1,000,000 men by July 1, 1947, announced Commander A. J. Petersen, Chicago Recruiting District, recently. Accompanying the announcement was the news that enrollment in the Inactive Reserve is now open to non-veteran 17 to 18½ years of age and all veterans of World War II regardless of age. Non-veterans are required to meet approximately the same physical requirement as required for the Regular Navy. World War II veterans of either the army or navy are not required to take a physical examination. Originals or photostatic copies of discharge papers are all that need be shown by veterans upon applying for enrollment.

Enrollment in the Inactive Reserve carries with it the following benefits and advantages:

1. Longevity starts at time of enrollment i.e., a 5% increase in pay every 3 years starting from time of enrollment. (Time spent in the Inactive Reserve is credited for purposes of increased pay).

2. In time of peace, members of the Inactive Reserve are under no obligation whatsoever to report for duty at any time without their consent.

3. Permits veterans to maintain their rate.

4. Eligibility to apply for a two weeks cruise aboard one of the Navy's newest ships, probably with shore liberty in a foreign port, expenses paid to and from home plus receiving the necessary Navy uniforms and full active duty pay during the cruise.

(See NAVAL RESERVE on page 4)

Students to Choose Officers; Office Petitions Due Thursday

All Illinois Tech Students Are Urged to Vote;
Ballots Will Include Poll of Insurance Plan

Class elections will be held this Friday in the Student Union under the supervision of the ITSA. All students desiring to enter the race for class officers are urged to obtain their petitions immediately from Dean John White's office. The petitions must

be signed by twenty-five of the candidate's classmates and be returned to the Dean's office by Thursday noon.

Honor Writers For IIT Publications At "Scribes' Spread"

Once again the annual "Scribes' Spread" will be held as a partial remuneration for the service to the Illinois Tech publications given freely by the students. It will be held sometime in March.

The banquet will be co-sponsored by *Technology News*, *Integral*, and *Pi Delta Epsilon*, national honorary journalism fraternity. It will be free to those students who have given their time and effort to these organizations during the past year.

Among the persons who will join in the affair will be reporters, copy readers, *Pi Delta Epsilon* members, editors emeritus, professional journalists, and others. A speaker, distinguished in the field of journalism, will address the group. In conjunction with the banquet there will be a *Pi Delta Epsilon* initiation. Students selected by this fraternity are chosen on the basis of journalistic ability, scholarship, service, and character. Bill Burkhardt, *Pi Delta* president, has requested all members to attend a meeting to be held today at 5 p.m. in 105 C for the purpose of discussing pledging.

E. S. Lee to Talk on Professional Gains

Methods and opportunities for advancement in the engineering profession will be the topic of an address to be given by Mr. Everett S. Lee, nationally known engineer, at an assembly here on Wednesday, March 12, at 2 p.m.

His talk will deal with the professional aid extended by the founder engineering societies and the Engineering Council for Professional Development to young engineers in their development to professional status. In outlining this development, Mr. Lee will discuss the three primary avenues of advance: Graduate study in an engineering institution, company training program, and self-help by the individual.

Mr. Lee, who is head of the general engineering and consulting laboratory of the Central Station division of General Electric Co., has recently returned from an inspection trip of G. E. plants in England, Scotland, Belgium, France, Switzerland. He will be accompanied on his visit to IIT by Mr. H. F. Buchanan, educational specialist of the Central Station division of General Electric.

Dr. L. E. Grinter, who is arranging the program, stated that all senior engineering students would be excused from class to attend the lecture. Other students are invited to attend if they have no classes.

TECH TIME TABLE

Items appearing in Tech Time Table are those which have been scheduled with the Dean of Students' Office.

TUESDAY, February 25

American Chemical Society, 5 p.m., 405M
Pi Delta Epsilon, 5 p.m., 105C

WEDNESDAY, February 26

Pi Nu Epsilon, 5 p.m., 405C
Golf Team, 5 p.m., 108C
Newman Club, 5 p.m., 305M
Alpha Chi Sigma, 5 p.m., 405M
Armour Eye, 5 p.m., 410C
Rho Delta Rho, 6 p.m., Fraternity House

THURSDAY, February 27

Metalurgy Dept. Assembly, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., AH

FRIDAY, February 28

Technology News Staff Meeting, 11 a.m., 105C
Illinois Tech Vets, 11 a.m., 305M
Fire Protection Eng. Society, 11 a.m., 114C
Senior Class, 11 a.m., AH
Research Foundation, 1 p.m., AH
Rho Delta Rho, 7 p.m., Lounge
Eta Kappa Nu, 7:30 p.m., Dining Room

SATURDAY, March 1

Sigma Omicron Lambda, 6:30 p.m., Piendilly Restaurant

Technology News Calls!

A meeting of all persons interested in writing for *Technology News* will be held in 105 Chapin this Friday at 11 a.m.

Persons who have written for *Technology News* before, those who have signed up for Journalism 211 and 212 and those who wish to write for the paper but who are not taking the course should attend.