

Faculty Rating System Installed At Tech



WORKMEN ARE SHOWN preparing to pour concrete for the second floor of the new dormitory, located at 33rd and Michigan. The men say that with warmer weather, construction will proceed rapidly.



Joe Lucas

Truman Chooses Davis For Strike Inquiry

Pearce Davis, chairman of the departments of business and economics and industrial engineering, was appointed last week by President Truman as one of three members of a board of inquiry to investigate the current strike in the meat packing industry.

Dr. Davis indicated to a *Technology News* reporter that the issues in the current strike are clear. A wage increase of 29 cents per hour is asked by the CIO union. The companies are offering 9 cents per hour. The union request is supported by a demand for earnings sufficient to provide a reasonable standard of living as determined by the budget studies of the Bureau of labor statistics.

Work Under Stress

Dr. Davis stated that "this strike at the present time is legal under the provisions of the Taft-Hartley Act. It would be illegal only if it were continued after an injunction

were issued ordering the workers back to work. Many popular misconceptions may arise, however, because this is the

Local Sorority Goes National; Initiation Slated For April 10

Sigma Omicron Lambda sorority will be formally initiated into Delta Zeta national sorority April 10, according to Shirlee Langill, president.

The initiation will take place at the Alpha Alpha chapter of Delta Zeta house at Northwestern university. A formal installation dinner for all members of Delta Zeta is to follow the ceremonies and a reception for all friends of Delta Zeta will be given April 11 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the North Union lounge.

Miss Frances E. Westcott, national president of Delta Zeta, Miss Irene Boughton, national executive president and Mrs. George Havens, national vice-president in charge of extension are among the many guests to be at the reception.

Miss Marie W. Spencer, the sorority's present sponsor, has been with

first major strike to occur since the passage of the Act."

April 1 is the deadline set by President Truman for the submission of the board's report. Consequently, the board is working under pressure to hold the necessary hearings and gather the facts. When the President receives the report, he must make it public. He may request that an injunction be issued ordering the workers back to work for a period of 60 days.

Molds Public Opinion

In the opinion of Dr. Davis, the provision for making public the report of facts and issues is very important. "The board thereby informs the public as to issues and helps to mold public opinion."

Dr. Davis, before coming to IIT, worked with the War Labor board and served as co-chairman of the National Meat Policy commission from 1943 to 1946.

Previously he was an instructor at George Washington university, chief instructor of economics at Harvard and later at Radcliff, and assistant professor of economics at Hunter college.

Veterans Must Complete Charges Before Saturday

"All veterans who wish to charge books, equipment, and supplies to the Veterans Administration must make the necessary purchases before the close of business Saturday" stated Paul Fox, bookstore manager, last week.

No charges will be accepted after this date unless authorized by Clarence E. Deakins, veterans coordinator, William J. Kearney, comptroller, and Mr. Fox.

Sigma Omicron Lambda since it was organized on the Lewis campus in 1925. It now becomes the second social sorority on IIT's campus to have national affiliation, the other being Sigma Kappa.

Land Ho!

Most everything takes the path of least resistance—electricity, Techmen, and even water. That's what happened Friday when Chicago was deluged with two inches of rain.

Water came cascading down the Rock Island embankment and entered the Illinois, Tech buildings through cracks around windows and doors. Covering most of the floor of Machinery hall and Main, the water found its way into the heat line conduits causing both buildings to fill with steam.

As a parting tribute to an early spring shower, Heat laboratory was closed for the day . . . Peeling paint due to its impromptu steam bath had dropped from the ceilings into lab machinery.

Seniors Excused For Conference

Dean Peebles has excused all senior electrical and mechanical engineers from their classes on April 7, 8 and 9 so that they may attend the Midwest Power conference being held this year in the Sheraton hotel. Junior EE's are excused from classes April 8, and Junior mechanicals April 9 so that they too may attend.

More than 80 leaders in the field of power generation, distribution, and consumption will take part in the tenth annual power conference, sponsored by IIT and cooperating institutions.

Held annually in Chicago, the power conference provides an opportunity for all persons interested in the national power problems to exchange information and study mutual problems.

Sessions of the three-day conference will include developments in heating, diesel power, electrical measurements, hydro power, industrial power plants, power and control, fuels and combustion, gas turbines, and many other subjects.

Students from IIT attending the conference will be required to sign in at the registration desk in the Sheraton.

Volunteers for student service at the conference are needed, and those interested in serving should see Professor R. A. Budenholzer or Dr. Edwin R. Whitehead, secretary of the conference.

Tau Beta Pi Will Coordinate Distribution Of Questionnaires

A comprehensive instructor rating system for all classes in the engineering division will be in effect this semester, it was announced by Bill Gauthier, president of Tau Beta Pi.

Patterned after the successful EE department questionnaire of last semester, it will be handled by the departmental honoraries in their own departments, and also distributed to the departments of

physics, chemistry, mathematics, mechanics, and technical drawing.

Tau Beta Pi, the all-engineering honorary, is to be the co-ordinating body, working through the Inter-honorary council in facilitating the distribution and use of the questionnaire, after it is approved by all members of the council.

Department Heads Approve

Directors of all departments have been consulted, according to Gauthier, and have given their OK's to

the plan. Requests for suggestions have met with such co-operation as to motivate immediate departmental conferences in several instances, to elicit ideas from the instructors themselves.

As in the case of the EE questionnaire, this will be "for the sole purpose of enabling students to be helpful in improving instruction in their departments." However, there will be definite changes, especially in the manner of grading, to facilitate a more general use, and "eliminate some of the bugs encountered in the EE survey," as Gauthier stated.

"We already have the aid of some students, many suggestions from the various departments, and forms of similar surveys used in other schools," said Bill, "making up a vast store of material to use in drafting the final form."

Former Success Praised

Gauthier said he would appreciate further suggestions, and that students could contact him in care of Tau Beta Pi via the campus post-office.

"A system of this sort could easily get out of hand," warned Gauthier, "especially if the instructors let it degenerate to a system for gaining popularity among the students." He went on to request that such tragedies be avoided by careful administering and conscientious use of the questionnaire among students and faculty alike.

Edwin R. Whitehead, director of the electrical engineering department, commented on the success of the original survey. "It was quite clear that the students gave careful

See Faculty Survey on page 5.

New Class Officer Created By ITSA Constitution Change

The freshman and sophomore classes will elect men to the office of vice-president for the first time in the next class elections.

This is one of the changes submitted to the Illinois Tech Student Association by its constitutional revision committee at the meeting Wednesday. Other proposals submitted by the committee are as follows:

In case one class officer drops out the remaining officers will appoint a student to replace him. This will apply to all offices except president. If a class president drops out, the vice-president will assume his duties.

Representatives To Be Appointed

There will be no election of Student Union Board of Control representatives next semester. From now on the representatives will be appointed by the class president.

The athletic director will no longer be a member of the ITSA board of control. In place of the athletic director the Student Union director will be appointed to the board. At present this change has no effect since Bernard "Sonny" Weissman, Student Union director, serves on the board in the former position.

End Student Honorariums

Other business carried out at the meeting was the appointment of Ed Zietz as student representative to the Publications board and the abolishment of all stipends and honorariums after the completion of this semester. A committee was appointed to formulate a new plan for paying salaries or stipends for student activities.

Also discussed was the sophomore class dance which will be held on the first night of Junior Week, April 21. It is an all-school dance and there will be no admission charge. All expenses will be paid by ITSA.

Heads Up!

There are some things you can't afford to miss. The next



issue of *Technology News* will be distributed Thursday (one day late). Don't miss it.

Red Cross Drive Surpasses Goal

The IIT Red Cross drive, led by Julie Balich, president of the White Collar Girls, has passed last year's mark of \$422 and has now reached a total of \$719.

Of this amount, faculty and institute employees have contributed approximately \$700 and students \$20. Miss Balich has broken the faculty and employee contributions down into a building by building classification, which the Physics building heads with a total of \$160. The Metallurgy building is next with \$100.

Miss Balich feels that this year's drive will realize more than double the amount received last year in the remaining week of the drive.

Sensing one's own power and having the desire to wield it—that's a characteristic human trait. It's a trait that stimulates groups of two, or two million people to exert their influence in the community, attempting to make their desires a reality.

Like congressmen, newspapers, and millionaires, *Technology News* is beset by these pressure groups. That is one way we learn a part of the prevailing campus opinion. When a concerned group of students sees fit to call on the editors to present "their side of the picture," they are more than welcome.

Not all groups act in this direct way, however. There have been attempts to apply pressure "from the rear," intended to force the Managing board into submission. Some persons still do not realize that *Technology News* is NOT CENSORED BY FACULTY.

We believe that criticism, to be effective, must come straight from its source. This is the only "pressure" that can be exerted on *Technology News*.

Sprig Has Cub

Heralds of spring are numerous and varied. Some people point to the appearance of the first robin as the welcome sign. Some doff their red flannels when John L.'s miners leave the pit. But most Techawks use the following criterion: When Odgen field turns from a frozen waste into a shoe-dripping morass, spring is nigh.

For a good many years now, Odgen field has been a source of misery to the athletic department. A swamp in the rainy season, a desert in the dry season, rough and uneven at all times, it can hardly be honored with the term "athletic field."

Nobody quite seems to know what to do with Odgen field. Its days are numbered. In the plans for the Illinois Tech of the future, it is a small part: a new athletic field is planned for a different location.

The athletic department says that at a minimum, the field must be resurfaced and leveled. Gilbert A. Force, business manager of the Institute, says that preliminary to any development of the field, students must learn not to use it as a path to the Chemistry building; nothing can survive under that trampling. Since the students can apparently be kept off only with a ten foot wall, repairs seem far away.

The situation is deplorable for a school which boasts baseball and track teams. Field events of any sort are practically impossible with the field in its present condition.

Something should be done—now!

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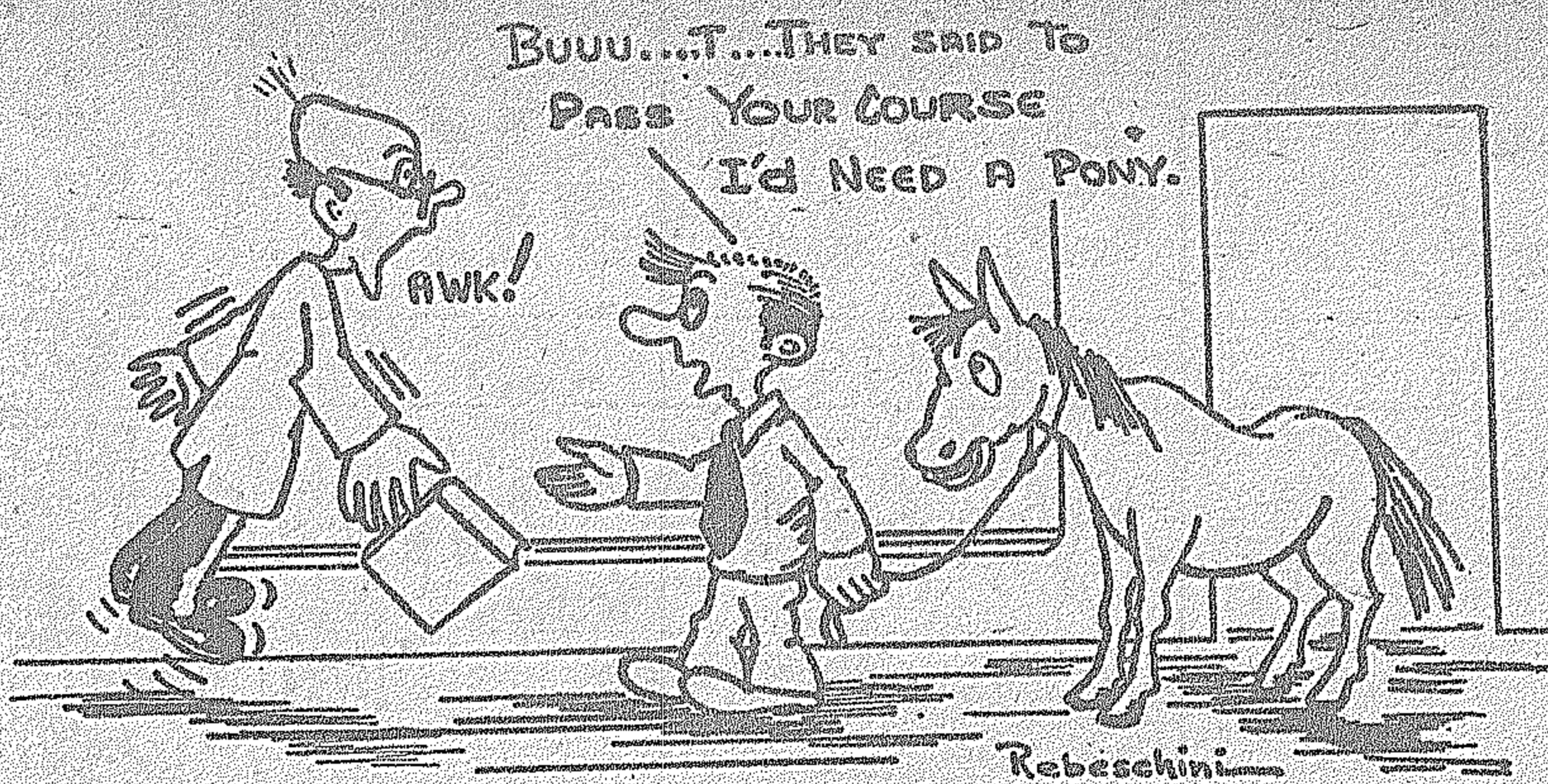
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GUEST EDITORIAL

House Un-American Committee Called 'Threat To Basic Political Rights'

By Donald W. Smithburg

The freedom to assemble and to associate with others in the accomplishment of political purposes is considered a basic American political right. It is one of the things we cite when we criticize totalitarian regimes.

The House Un-American Activities Committee, by startegem rather than by legislation, threatens this right. Through the use of the device of "investigation," this committee seeks to intimidate persons in the exercise of their political prerogatives.

Last fall, the Committee held a public investigation of "Red" influences in Hollywood. Ten screen writers were jailed for contempt of Congress when they refused to answer questions as to whether or not they were Communists. Their case is now pending in the Federal Courts.

As explained in this space last week, the Power of Congress to investigate is a part of its legislative power. It is necessary to get information in order to legislate intelligently. But this committee is not interested in legislation. It has been "investigating" for nearly twelve years, and it has yet to propose a piece of legislation.

Its aim would seem to be the intimidation of dissident political opinions. The Hollywood case is a good example.

Slipstick

I'm smoking a pipe with an 11 3/4 inch stem. My doctor told me to stay away from tobacco.

Papa Robin: "How did that speckled egg get into our nest?"
Mama Robin: "I did it for a lark."

A crystal gazer was addressing one of his clients: "You will be poor and unhappy until you are 40."

"And after that?"
"You'll get used to it."

A word of advice for our feminine readers: "Never let a fool kiss you and never let a kiss fool you."

"I'm looking for the captain of this boat."
"He's forward, miss."
"Oh, I don't mind. This is a pleasure trip."

Discussing the coming Junior Prom two students were overheard:

Jerry: "My girl is going to wear a biblical gown to the formal."
Larry: "What do you mean, biblical gown?"
Jerry: "Oh, you know. Sort of 'low and behold!'"

A farmer, noticing the hired man with a lantern, asked where he was going.

"Courtin'."
"Courtin'? With a lantern? I never took one when I was courtin'."
"Yeah, and look what you got."

Senior: Hello, are you leaving school?
Freshman: Yeah, the doctor's advice.
Senior: Which one?
Freshman: Dr. Gibson.

Tourist Guide: We are now passing the oldest rum house in England.
American: Why?

Carbolic Gus

In the United States it is not against the law to be a Communist. Perhaps it should be. J. Edgar Hoover, however, believes that outlawing the Communist party would not be wise. Congress, since it has not passed such legislation, apparently agrees.

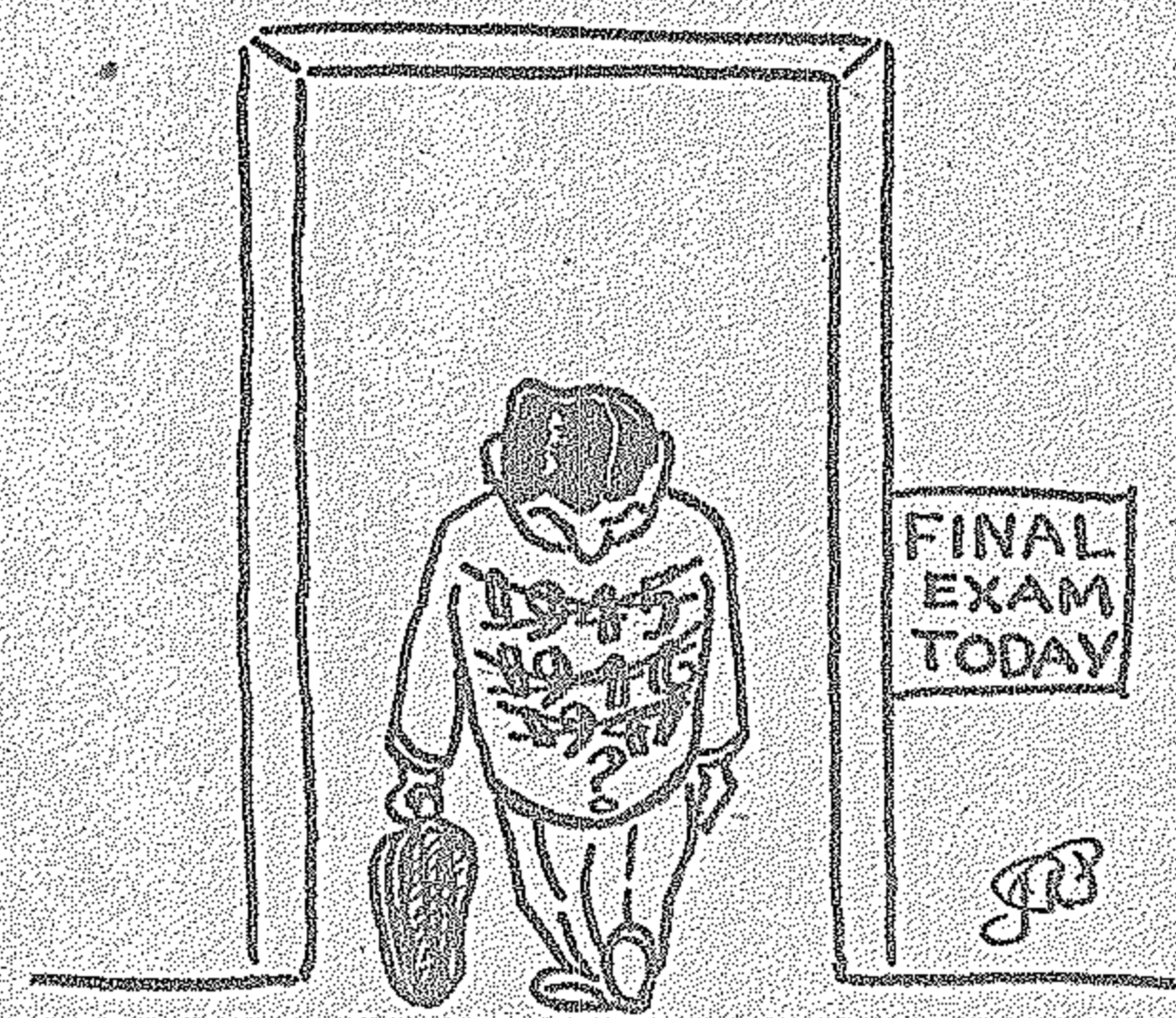
Yet this Committee, by its investigation, has tried to discourage the holding of such views. The technique is interesting. By holding persons up to scorn and ridicule, it hopes to punish them. By the same technique, it hopes to frighten the movie makers.

Such punishment, it should be noted, is as effective as any legal sanction. Several of the writers indicated for contempt of Congress have been fired from their jobs. The movie industry has reportedly shelved a number of films which, following the pioneering of "Crossfire" and "Gentleman's Agreement," were scheduled to tackle ideas. Apparently the industry is reconciled to the endless and essentially stupid boy meets girl formula which is plaguing it with falling box-office receipts.

Both the industry and the writers have, in effect, been prosecuted for, in the one case, beliefs, and in the other, for hiring persons holding such beliefs. Insofar as they are damaged, they have been convicted as surely as if they were fined in a Court of Law.

Perhaps Communists are dangerous. If so, the party and membership in it should be prohibited by legislative act. If Communists are not dangerous they should be allowed to live in peace. Legal, rather than political, prosecution of disloyal persons has worked in the last '50 years. It could work in this instance.

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SCHOOL'S OUT

All classes will be excused for the spring recess which begins tomorrow and ends Saturday. Classes will be resumed again on Monday.

as I see IT

By Sherwood Benson
Editor-in-Chief

WHETHER OR NOT A LETTER to the Editor agrees with the viewpoint of the Managing board has nothing to do with the likelihood of its getting into print. This is best illustrated by the attack of J. R. Brough on last week's editorial, "Just An Old Southern Custom." (See page three, column two).

Mr. Brough objects to our statement that, "Two per cent of Mississippi's eligible voting population go to the polls." After extensive research I have come to the conclusion that our stated two per cent figure was not representative of average-eligible voter participation in Mississippi.—The per cent of participation in general elections vary, however, depending upon the source of information used and the elections considered.

Although Mr. Brough's 14.4% figure taken from the World Almanac is correct, it does not change the picture. For this same reference shows that 78.3% of the eligible voting population of Illinois participated in the last presidential election. This contrast is more than enough to make anyone question the functioning of democracy in the state of Mississippi.

IN HIS THIRD PARAGRAPH, Mr. Brough claims that "In southern states which do not have a poll tax the percentage of the people voting is no greater than in states which do have a poll tax." — This is not true.

Using Information Please Almanac as a reference guide, it was found that all bordering non-poll tax states have a higher eligible voter participation figure. The only exception to this was Louisiana, which has a slightly lower figure than its bordering non-poll tax state, Texas. However, Louisiana voters must pass comparatively rigid residential requirements, plus a literacy test, which does not apply in Texas.

MR. BROUGH ASKS, "In regard to the fair Employment Practices Act do you propose to tell an employer whom he may hire and upon what basis he may select prospective employees?"

Federal FEPC legislation would not require an employer to hire any specified number of Negroes, Jews, Italians, or Aztecs, but would merely give them all an equal chance at job opportunities where available.

To some skeptics this plan sounds idealistic and impractical—but it can work, as illustrated by the progress made by the New York Commission Against Discrimination after two years of activity. Further details can be found in "Tolerance By Law" in Harper's magazine, November 1947.

THE PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE on Civil Rights has reported that available statistics show that, decade by decade, lynchings have decreased; however, in the year 1947 lynching remained one of the most serious threats to the civil rights of Americans.

Mr. Brough writes, "The United States Constitution grants each state the right to enact and enforce its own criminal code." But he seems to ignore the fact that the decade from 1936 to 1946 saw at least 43 lynchings, to say nothing of the many attempts. No person received the death penalty, and the majority of the guilty persons were not even prosecuted. Individual states have had the opportunity to enforce their own antilynching laws and have failed.

Although any federal antilynching law would be hampered by a prejudiced local jury, strong federal legislation in this direction would be a step toward the removal of the threat of lynching that hangs over the head of southern Negroes.

THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE opposed to President Truman's civil rights program have put their objections in the form of a "states rights" argument. In discussing antipoll tax legislation, Ogg and Ray, pointed this out in their book Introduction to American Government. They write, "For purposes of public discussion, Southern opponents place most stress upon constitutional considerations associated with states' rights. Everyone understands, however, that the actual objective is the maintenance of 'white supremacy'."

In the words of President Truman: "We cannot be content with a civil liberties program which emphasizes only the need of protection against the possibility of tyranny by the Government . . . We must keep moving forward, with new concepts of civil rights to safeguard our heritage. The extension of civil rights today means not the protection of the people against the Government, but protection of the people by the Government."

Underwriters' Labs Set High Standards

By John C. Dinou

"Tested for Safety—Underwriters' Laboratories," are words familiar to both manufacturer and consumer, for they appear on a much sought-after label. Equally familiar words are those which appear on a bronze plaque commemorating the life of William Henry Merrill. They say, "the protection of life and property through engineering." These words express the purpose of Underwriter's Laboratories.

In some fifty years of its operation UL has tested perhaps a million articles ranging from juke boxes to pre-cast concrete slabs. There are three major offices and testing centers in this country and 185 branch offices in the United States, Canada, England and Hawaii. Building codes and machine specifications look to UL's stringent safety tests for their fire and accident prevention standards.

Started In 1894

Such was not the case in 1894. The directors of Chicago's great Columbian Exposition decided to headline Tom Edison's electric light. The "new contraption" created such a series of fires at the fair that interested insurance companies became alarmed.

With characteristic efficiency, these people called engineer William Henry Merrill to investigate these fires; to stop them if he could. They installed Merrill in a loft above the horses of Fire Patrol Station No. 1. Within 6 months Merrill came up with the first electrical installation codes and the fires at the fair practically stopped.

The insurance folks rubbed their hands with glee and promptly rewarded Merrill by moving him away from the horses and into a new office

Varied Program Scheduled For Spring Concert

The Spring Concert—the event the musical clubs of IIT have been looking forward to for the past year—will be presented from the stage of the Civic theater April 4, complete with background and lighting effects.

Beginning at 3 p.m. that Sunday, the music clubs' program will last two hours. The listener will be subjected to music varying from the delicate harmony of "Drink To Me Only With Thine Eyes" to the thunderous volumes of Khachaturian's "Sabre Dance." "All in all," said O. Gordon Erickson director, "the boys and I are sure that it will be a very pleasurable afternoon for all those present."

The program, as released by the music department, is:

- Overture, "Die Federmus".....Strauss
- ORCHESTRA
- Salvation Belongeth to our God.....Tehesnokov
- Wake, Soul of Mine.....Hemery
- GLEE CLUB
- Themes from "Scheherazade".....Rimsky-Korsakov
- Adagio.....Godard
- Excerpts from the opera "Nabucco".....Herbert
- ORCHESTRA
- Ranger Song from "RioRita".....Bullard
- Ezekiel Saw De Wheel.....Spiritual
- Wedding of the Painted Doll.....Brown
- Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes.....Old English
- Polovtzeian Dances from "Prince Igor".....Borodin
- Glee club and Orchestra
- INTERMISSION
- Overture, "Sakuntala".....Goldmark
- Inflamatus from "Stabat Mater".....Rossini
- Requiem, Charles Kolar-Trumpet
- Three Dances.....Khachaturian
- Dance of the Rose Maidens
- Lullaby
- Sabre Dance
- Estillan Caprice.....Paul
- Robert Harmon-Saxophone
- Tone Poem "Finlandia".....Sibelius
- Concert Band
- Alma Mater

Placement Schedule

- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24
- Union Special Machines
- N. M. Mintz and Associates
- MONDAY, MARCH 29
- Mechanical Handling Systems
- Public Scales
- Cook County highway department
- Standard Oil Development company
- TUESDAY, MARCH 30
- Carnegie-Illinois Steel
- Inland Steel
- THURSDAY, APRIL 1
- International Harvester—Farm Implement
- Inland Steel
- FRIDAY, APRIL 2
- International Harvester—Farm Implement

in an abandoned schoolhouse. With a slap on the back and \$350 endowment, they left Merrill to his work. Expansion Comes Quickly.

Fortunately Merrill teamed with William C. Robinson, a competent engineer in his own right. These men did much outstanding work on sprinkler systems, acetylene explosions, wire insulation, and code procedures that they attracted the attention of various manufacturers and ever far-sighted insurance companies.

Up to this time these parties had financed their own tests. A central testing station with each outfit contributing a fraction of its former research fund was as natural as "seven-eleven."

Letters to the Editor

Irate Student Claims Independent Senior Survey Does Not Represent Majority

Dear Sir:

I am afraid Mr. Louis Fisher, the cynical lad with the gripe against formal affairs, has finally overstepped his bounds. This anti-social publicity hound who writes in his complaints with amazing regularity has impressed several people as nothing but a loud-mouth who uses some sad attempt at statistics to try to prove his weak point.

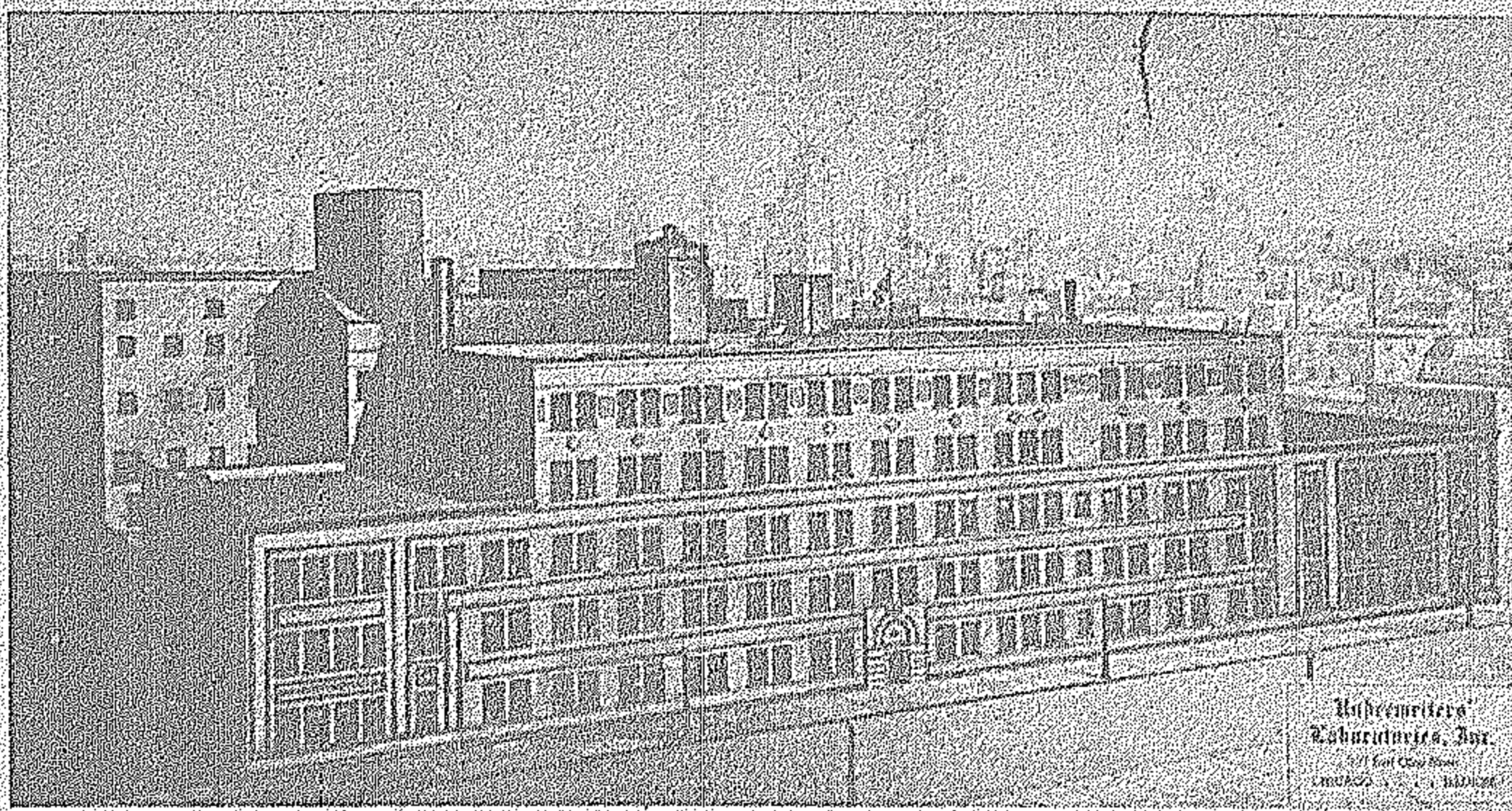
There appeared in the last issue of *Technology News* a "poll" taken of the Senior class which was supposed to indicate that the majority of the class desired the Senior farewell to be an informal affair. There happen to be 400 members of the Class of June, 1948, and Mr. Fisher's clever little survey showed a tally of only 197 statements.

According to my mathematics, that does not indicate a majority, even if all of those were for an informal affair. This number is only about one-half of the class, and if you take 65% of 55%, I'm afraid you will find this is the minority that Mr. Fisher so hotly denounces at every turn.

At every polling taken during class meetings the students, including Mr. Fisher, have had a chance to express their views. Why must a few people clutter up the school paper with their little personal dislikes? The senior committees are functioning with a great deal of efficiency, and if Mr. Fisher were so greatly interested in the welfare of the class he would help them out instead of tossing petty disputes in their way.

He can argue all he wants to about people and their finances, but considering the number of informal affairs offered during the year at which he is more than welcome, and that some of them are free, and that there is only one last Senior farewell, it seems that since he is a big boy now and is supposed to be able to manage, he could take a good look at some of his classmates who can forego some things to make their last social at college something to remember.

If Mr. Fisher belongs to the sad group who find no pleasure in social affairs, then what is his complaint? The class, its commencement, exercises, its responsibilities, are shouldered by the students who are interested in the school and their class. Since he has chosen to be a one-man campaign to down the plans for the senior social, I say



SHOWN ABOVE IS the Underwriters' laboratory at 207 East Ohio street, its location since 1917. UL was established in 1894 after William H. Merrill proved the value of strict electrical installation by the prevention of fires at the Chicago World's Fair.

The expansion from then on was phenomenal. By 1917 UL had incorporated under its own non-profit charter, had installed itself in permanent quarters at 207 East Ohio street, and had become self-supporting. The old sponsors became clients and new clients came pouring in.

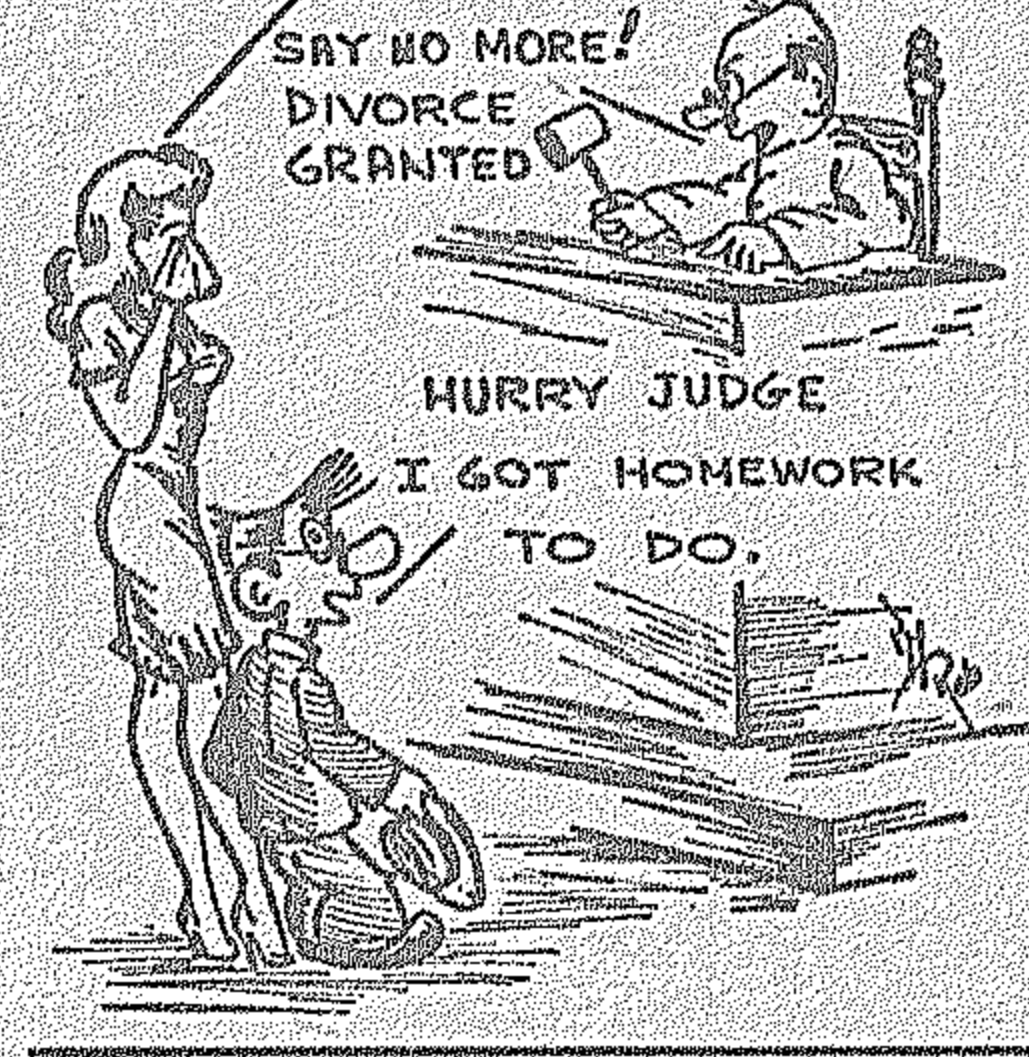
Stringent Tests Required

These clients wanted to manufacture safer products. They wanted to

know about Christmas tree lights, fire doors, hair dryers, juke boxes, etc. Once a product passes prescribed tests it is privileged to carry UL's label of approval.

The integrity represented by this label is UL's most zealously guarded asset. A subsequent article will outline some of Underwriters' Laboratories severe tests and show how the whole organization backs up this label.

(SO) THEN HE STARTED GOING TO ILLINOIS TECH!



In closing it may be well remembered that there would be considerable disappointment on the part of the Congressmen, who biennially propose these measures, if they were actually passed. Also, I am sure that the late Senator Bilbo would have felt that he was being cheated of a juicy political issue if these laws were not brought up every election year.

J. R. Brough

Editor's Note: See reply in "As I See IT" on page two.

Butter Injustice

Dear Sir:

I am interested in seeing the injustices perpetrated against the manufactures of oleomargarine corrected.

The following is a list of points which have come to my attention:

1. There are direct taxes on oleomargarine (which were pushed through by a "butter lobby").

I do not know who is connected with this lobby, but it definitely is unfair discrimination

2. It is against the law (or prohibitively taxed) for the manufacturers to color oleomargarine.

There is no valid reason why oleomargarine should not be colored. Butter is colored during the winter months. The Pure Food and Drug Act will take care of any misrepresentation of food products.

3. Recent witnesses testify that oleomargarine might be sold as butter.

As stated above, the Pure Food and Drug Act will cover that. The fact that horse meat could be sold as beef does not seem to require any special laws or taxes.

Somebody from Wisconsin displayed a small statue of a cow and said that the cow is the foster mother of the human race.

All School Dance To Be Sponsored By Phi Beta Pi's

Phi Beta Pi sorority will present its first annual all school dance "Platter Parade", at 8:30 p.m. of April 9, in the North Union.

"Dancers will sway to music by the best bands in the nation on records", stated Lillian Phillips, entertainment chairman, "but live entertainment will also be present during the intermission."

The main event of the evening will be a "mystery platter" contest with prizes for the winners. For those who do not care to dance, card tables will be set up in the lounge.

Dancing will go on till midnight. Admission is free and refreshment will be served in the lounge during the intermission.

An abundance of girls has been promised by the social chairman, since girls from local colleges and nursing schools have been invited.

Interesting, but hardly an argument for butter.

4. Government institutions are prohibited from serving oleomargarine.

Oleomargarine is just as wholesome as the finest butter and just as suitable for use in every way as well as being considerably cheaper. If the above mentioned conditions are corrected, the economy will be even greater.

These things directly concern consumers, and I hope that justice is done.

He Likes Theory

Dear Sir:

In three of my classes the instructor has been charged with being "theoretical." In each of these the man's only fault lay in trying to give the students value for their tuition.

Applications are great; I go into applied work myself and appreciate all methods which gather which will help me in my work. But I feel that the I learn now should be of general applications. It is obviously possible for anyone to teach a social method which will cover possible problems with which will be confronted in practice.

The students who cry out against general "theoretical" instruction are, without a doubt, hurting themselves. These men who are teaching us like the jobs. Of course they don't want too many complaints to reach their superiors. The safest way is the path of least resistance to teach whatever the bullet calls for and no more.

Many instructors want to explain the subject matter of their course. They would gladly take the time to teach some elementary analysis or the method of solving a few simple differential equations. They know that if the students' this knowledge a great deal of ground could be covered and one would have a better understanding of the course. But complaints are made even when simple material we all supposedly learned in sophomore calculus is used.

The primary purpose of education is to give a scientific education to intelligent young men. Those who only want "die gear," a machine that will grind out routine answers will do well to investigate the institutions in the vicinity that will call themselves trade schools.

Robert A. Evans

Wolves Cop IM Tournament Laurels

Topple Chem Grads 33-26 For 9th Win

Woeller, Murphy Hold Oldshue And Sachs In Check Throughout

By Larry Shapiro

After more than four months' slumber, the Wolves emerged triumphantly from a field of 24 teams to capture the IM basketball championship. Fighting back from a 17 to 15 halftime deficit they toppled the Chem Grads 33 to 26 in the championship final. It was the fourth straight for the champions and closed their season with an overall record of nine wins and one loss.

The game was won underneath the backboards where the Wolves swarmed around 'Jimbo' Oldshue and John Sachs, the 6' 6" and 7' Grad behemoths. Wolf center Fred Woeller and guard Tom Murphy rate most of the applause for stopping these "giants". Woeller held Oldshue to one goal while Murphy's man, Sachs, was scoreless from the floor. With their tall boys stopped the Chems "little men" Al Stevens, Marv Nussbaum and Ray Dunlap caught fire to sink seven long shots during the first half. These sharp shooting tactics reminded onlookers of the Kentucky University Wildcats, who are about the hottest college team in the nation.

Wolves Forge Ahead

After half the game tempo changed rapidly. The Wolves switched from their zone defense to a man-man and halted the Grads long range attack. Then they started to build up a lead. With less than 10 minutes to play the Wolves led by nine points and held on through the final scramble to clinch victory.

Wolves Chuck Oldenburg and Miller lead the scoring with nine points each, while Murphy and Dunlap added eight apiece.

In the playoff for third place the Whiz Kids were the winners of a 24 to 16 over the Gremlin Maulers. The game was very slug-fest with neither team expending much effort. The Whiz Kids led from start to finish, topped by Bruce Oldenburg's basket and seven charity shots for nine points.

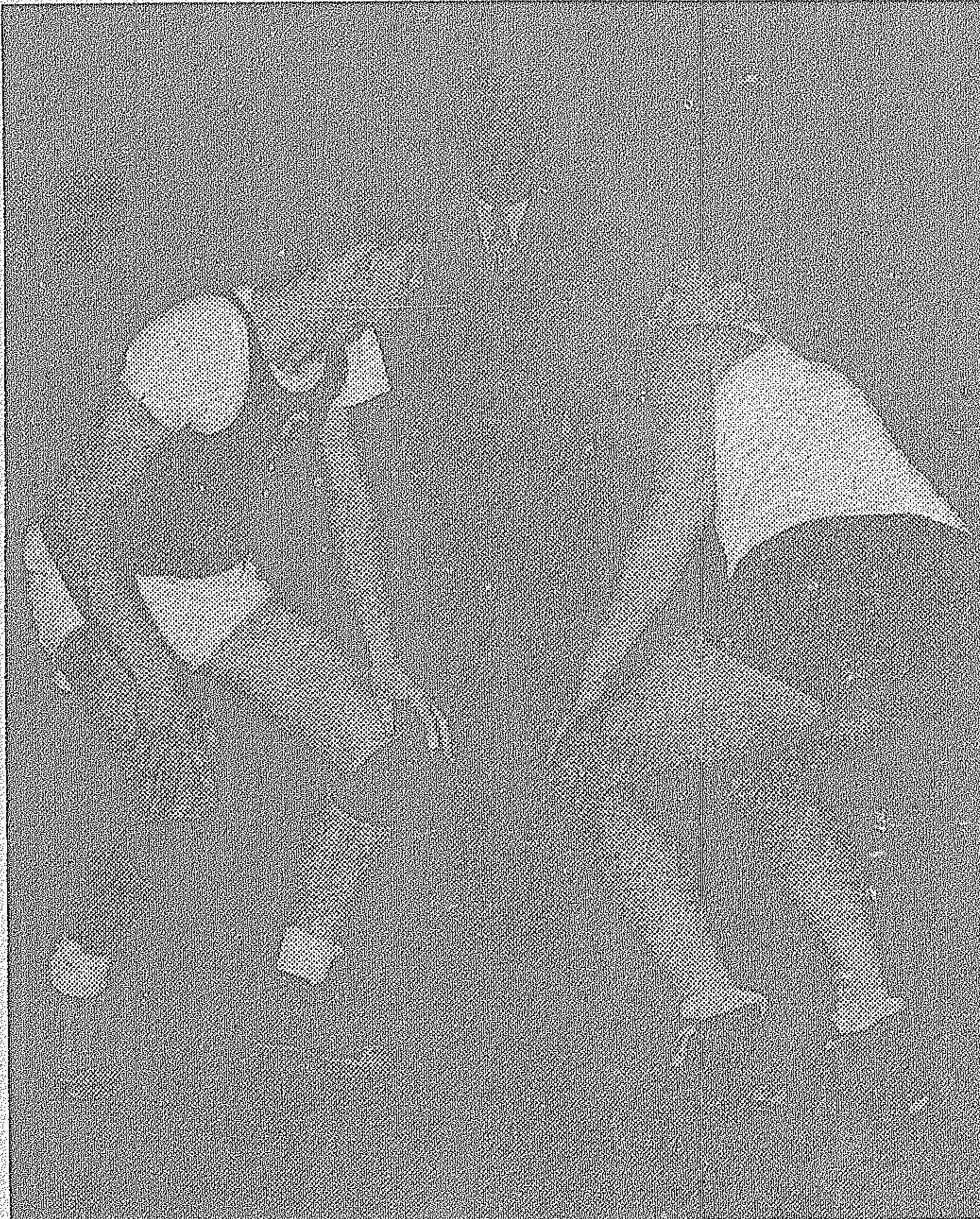
Chem Grad-Mauler Contest Tops

Last Tuesday's semi-finals saw the Wolves and Chem Grads win over Whiz Kids and Gremlin Maulers, respectively. The Chem Grad-Mauler contest was one of the most played and hardest fought of the entire tourney. A total of 37 fouls were called, the Grads and 17 on the Maulers with each team losing one player late.

The lead changed hands almost as quickly as the referee's whistle. At half-time the score was 23-21 Maulers, and with two minutes to play it was the Maulers' point 30-29. Oldshue scored to the Grads ahead 31-30. Then he tipped in a rebound to bring it to 33-30. Mauler Leo Kins fouled and made the free throw to close the gap to 33-31. The Grads kept ahead and went on to win 35-33.

Woeller Leads Scorers

In tournament scoring medal won by Fred Woeller for the second consecutive year. The rangy center of the champion Wolves scored 75 points during the regular season as the Wolves placed in the "C" division. Woeller was the mainspring of the Wolves' success although handicapped by a knee ailment throughout the season.



"UNCLE" JOHN SCHOMMER tosses up the ball for the first tipoff in the Intra-mural finals. Center Fred Woeller of the Wolves, and Jim Oldshue of the Chem Grads crouch for the leap. The Wolves won 33-26.

Breeze by Shooting Ben Sutton

Stand back, podner! "Two-gun" Sutton is about to take aim on a few sanctimonious targets.

The recent Illinois Tech Relays provided a startling contrast between athletics as practiced at our institutions of higher learning and at other colleges. Schools half the size of IIT were accompanied by trainers. Techhawk athletes are not afforded such a luxury at home, much less on one of their infrequent trips.

True, much of the student body is as apathetic to athletics as the administration. A typical student comment upon the deplorable lack of facilities is "so what?" But I question that this is an admirable attitude.

Many a man goes through life being interested only in his work and immediate family. He likely is successful in his work and he may even become a leader in his field. Yet by keeping his associations within the narrow boundaries of work, home, and an occasional movie he could exist on this earth for 120 years without living a full life.

And what of the administration? A perusal of yearbooks dating back over 40 years indicates that the neglect of athletics is a perennial problem on campus. Certainly we are not to hold the present body to account for the shortcomings of their predecessors.

Wizards Top Field In Bowling League

The "Wizards" are proving themselves the wizards of the lanes at Archer Recreation in the now well-established Illinois Tech Bowling club league. Though Eric Anderson, John Spix, Grace Bussema, Ralph Siegel and Vivian Shaw have bested the grooves of alleys the "Have Nots" and the "Missalots" are driving to cut the Wizards' comfortable seven game lead.

The "handicapped" bowlers have demonstrated that low scores are no handicap in an optional weekly pool. More than 75% of the handicap pots were captured by novices with 80 to 120 averages. Wails Eric Anderson, "I haven't a chance, my handicap is too small."

At 6 p.m. Monday howls of rage and screams of laughter mingle with the din of falling maple. Occasionally a "Hey Marge" or a similar call seeks an errant teammate having a fast refresher.

Plans for a post-season party to be financed by the league treasury surplus are being handled by Ida Wright and Charlie Trost. "May 1 has been tentatively chosen for the affair" stated Ida, league chairman.

Reservations have already been signed for next season and applications for places vacated by graduation etc. are being accepted. "Any student who wishes a spot on next season's teams should apply by submitting his name, address, phone number, and bowling average (if any) to me in Technology News' office. A card dropped through the door slot will be sufficient," stated Charlie Trost.

But what of the future? Is it to be mired in the muck of Ogden Field? Or is the curriculum going to be rounded to include athletics—intramural and intercollegiate—on a level comparable to the size of the school?

The great argument against athletic expansion is financial. But if other schools including Cal. Tech., MIT, and "simon pure" U. of C. can manage, why not Illinois Tech?

Perhaps the school is in need of income-producing endowments instead of gifts to cover current ex-



penses. Granting that such endowments are scarce, if they are needed they must be sought. (A man named Murphy slipped by Tech to donate several millions to Northwestern a few years ago.)

Perhaps, too, the school should curtail some of its technological advances to catch up with some of the secondary, yet important, features of a college.

If this be heresy, get out the rope and lead me to the nearest oak. My guns are empty, boys.

Sports Personality Of The Week

By Ed Jennings

If a successful athletic record is any criterion, Tech's youthful track mentor, Ed McCauley, is the man for the job.

Ever since his days at Bloom Township high school he has run everything from dashes to distance events. In high school McCauley won three letters and set several records. No trackman at Township has yet bested his time in the 440 and mile run.

While studying for his AB degree in physical chemistry at Cornell, Ray found time to earn six athletic awards. Three of these were major letters for the cross country race. He still holds the record count.

Ray was not only an expert at long distance running. He also vied for honors in the 880 yd. and mile run. His versatility in all these events was well acknowledged as he captained the track team for three years.

McCauley recalls as a special thrill the two mile race in the 1939 Drake relay when he ran against the great Greg Rice. Rice won, but McCauley set the pace all the way pushing Rice on to a new record.

Ray came to IIT in 1940 taking up the duties of graduate assistant. In 1943 he received his masters in physical metallurgy and began work as an instructor. In 1944 he took up the duties of track coach and from that time to 1946 was also acting head of the metallurgical engineering dept.

Ray is now working for his doctor's degree and managing the position of assistant professor, a promotion received last summer.

He holds memberships in Phi Lambda Upsilon, Phi Tau Sigma, Lambda Upsilon, and an honorary membership in Honor I.

After a rough indoor season Mac is looking forward to a successful outdoor campaign.

Coach Glancy Releases IIT Baseball Schedule

Ballplayers are still badly needed to fill seven first string positions on the Techhawk varsity. Replacements must be found for first base, third base, catcher, shortstop and all three outfield berths.

"Anyone with ability should have enough school spirit to try for the team" said Coach Ed Glancy.

- The season's schedule follows:
- Mon., April 19—Chicago U. (away)
 - Sat., April 24—Valparaiso (away)
 - Wed., April 28—De Paul U. (away)
 - Fri., April 30—*Chicago Teachers (away)
 - Sat., May 1—Lake Forest (away)
 - Wed., May 5—De Paul U. (away)
 - Sat., May 8—*Joliet Prison (away)
 - Sun., May 9—Joliet Prison (away)
 - Thurs., May 13—*George Williams (away)
 - Fri., May 14—*Chicago Teachers (home)
 - Tues., May 18—Chicago U. (away)
 - Sat., May 22—*Concordia (away)
 - Thurs., May 27—*George Williams (home)
 - Fri., May 28—Valparaiso, (home)
- *Conference Games

Home games to be played on Armour Square field.

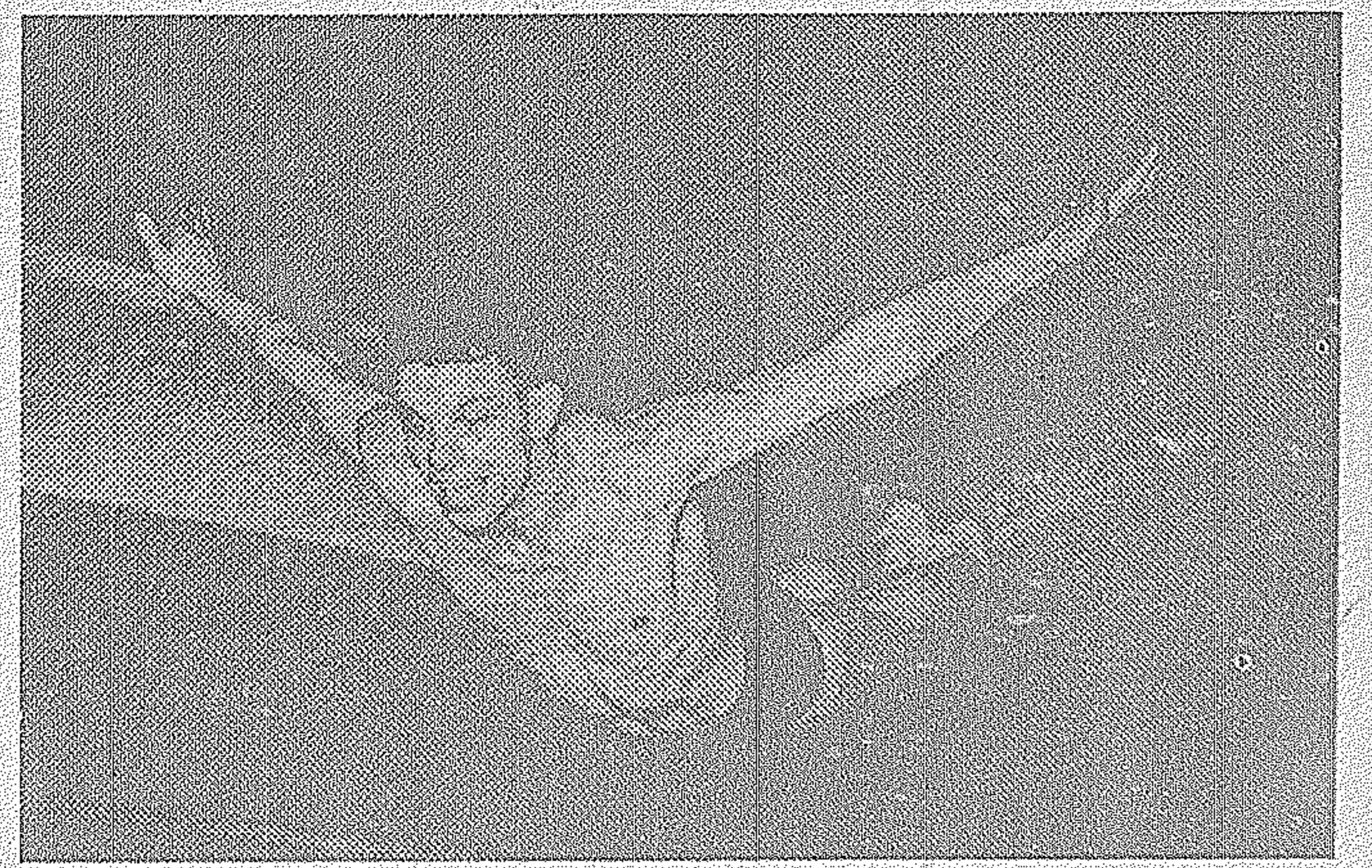
Tech Seals Close Season With Four Wins, Seven Losses

Intercollegiate swimming ended Saturday with the Tech Tankmen finishing third in a quadrangular meet at the U. of C. pool. This last engagement brought the Seals' final record to 4 wins and 7 losses for the 47-48 season. This included victories over Loyola, Indiana State Teachers college, Illinois Wesleyan, and Navy Pier. Conquests were made by Chicago University, De Paul, De Pauw, and the University of Detroit.

Contrary to the record, the Tankmen, at times, showed the zeal and determination of champions, in a Triangular meet with Loyola and Indiana State the Techawks fought touch and go all the way. Only within the last few feet of the final event was their victory assured.

They overwhelmed Illinois Wesleyan and twice lost heartbreakers to De Pauw. Both of De Pauw's victories were decided in the terminating sprint.

High point letter winners of the



TECHNOLOGY NEWS cameraman Joe Lucas catches diver John Sankus poised in mid-air. The Tankers closed their season last week.

season were Ted Erickson, distance swimmer; Jack Madsen, sprint artist; and Ray Klitzke, diver. Major letters were also awarded to Ernie Hellmer, Kirby Strickland, Leonard Carlman, Ted Amberg, Bill Maier, Art Alterman, and Joe Peters. These listings are in the order of total points scored.

Minor letters went to John Mitchell and John Sankus. Leonard

Speicher received a major letter for managing the team.

Ernie Hellmer and Bill Maier have helped win their last meet. Hellmer, captain of the squad, has always been a mainstay. His last minute sprint at the end of the 200 yd. breaststroke pulled many a meet out of the fire. Maier will leave a big gap in the ranks of the team when they gather next season.

Techmen Talk

By Eugene R. Stanley

Question: Do you think the increased veterans' allotment adequate?

Werner Itzel, Jr CE:

"I can do without the increased allotment, myself, since I live at home and work on the side. Having a minimum of expenses I am able to get along without any trouble financially; however, I don't have any money left over. Since many vets are not so fortunate in regards to their cost of living it is understandable that they need this increase.

Robert Tannehill, Senior ChE:

"The government has held this increase off so long that it is not going to do some of us very much good; however the twenty odd dollars may help us defray graduation expenses. This increase will be a great help to those vets with a year or so of training left. I have found that even though my parents grant me my board and room the present \$65 per month just meets necessary expenditures."

Arthur Slater, Junior EE:

"The increase is long over due and should be about three times what it is. With the rising prices the present increase is none too large. It should also be made retroactive to the first of the year.

Along this same line I think the Veterans' Administration should increase the book allowance without losing school time."

Bob Oleson, Senior ME:

"The increased allotment will come in very handy. It was long overdue in the light of present prices, but in many cases it will alleviate definite hardship. The G.I. Bill is a wonderful opportunity and I am sure that the vets appreciate this chance to obtain an education. I'm glad that the government is continuing to back the vets in the pursuit of their goal."

Tau Beta Pi Inducts 21 Graduates Of Lewis Institute

The IIT chapter of Tau Beta Pi, national honorary engineering fraternity, recently elected twenty-one graduates of Lewis Institute to membership, according to William D. Gauthier, president of Tau Beta Pi.

These men were members of Sigma Lambda Tau, a local engineering honorary at Lewis, and since graduation have distinguished themselves in the field of engineering.

Early in 1939 Sigma Lambda Tau had petitioned for a chapter of Tau Beta Pi at Lewis, but due to the impending merger of Lewis and Armour no action was taken by the headquarters of the national society. Thus these men, although eligible for membership, were not elected to the honorary society.

The post-graduate induction is in accord with a section of the constitution of the national fraternity which also provides for these men becoming alumni of IIT.

The new members will be inducted at the regular semester ceremony which inducts the new undergraduate members. However, a few men may not be able to attend this formal initiation because of the travel involved. In such cases the men will be initiated by one of the fifty-two other chapters of Tau Beta Pi.

Newman Club Will Hear CYO Speaker

Further arguments that Communism is fundamentally reactionary will be advanced by Robert Burns, director of public relations for the Catholic Youth Organization, when he speaks before the Newman club at 5:15 p.m. Wednesday in the Chemistry building auditorium.

The meeting of the club will be preceded by the usual coffee hour at 4:30 p.m. in the North Union cafeteria.

In his last lecture Burns observed that Christianity is the only force radical enough to cure the evils of the present capitalistic system. Communism, he claimed, envisions only a revision of the present system while Christianity calls for an entirely new system.

Senior 'Rough Castings' Will Present Mimicry Of Fair Sex During Junior Week

By Saul Needleman

Exhibits of great variety designed to interest even the most ordinary of individuals will be featured for inspection by visitors to Illinois Tech during Junior Week, April 21, 22, and 23.

Following the theme of giving each exhibit a meaning, charts and movies will be used to supplement the other methods of explaining the various departmental displays in an interesting manner.

Highlighting the evening program on April 21 will be the first presentation of a newly organized theatrical group on the campus to be known as the "Rough Castings." Similar to the all-male units already in existence in other colleges, this senior class group will present a full-length musical production, a farce in two acts in which the male participants will endeavor to impersonate rough castings of the fairer sex. Replacing last year's "Burlesque" with its variegated acts, the current production, tentatively titled "I'm a Genius" will be under the direction of Bob Ricker.

Members of all four sororities will participate as one unit in the Interfraternity sing. The first of the rehearsals will be undertaken at a Pan-Hellenic meeting to be held today.

Demonstrations of the methods of the qualitative and quantitative determinations of an unknown sample will be interspersed with the calculation of the weight of a pencil line, a human hair and a finger print by members of the chemistry department. Movies will be used to

MAN - ERR . . . WOMAN OF THE WEEK

Blonde Dynamo Captivates, Dominates— And Then Subjugates; She Competes With Men

By Bill Furlong

Thumbing through one of the promotional pamphlets published by Illinois Tech, a crony of Pat Vedel noticed the usual abundance of photographs of Pat.

"Say Pat," he said, "how many pictures of you in this?"

"Five," she snapped unblushingly.

"Hm-m-m . . . What was the matter?" he countered. "Were you sick that day?"

Blonde Kilowatt

That's the way Pat Vedel is. On days that she's sick she moves only small mountains. There are those who suspect that the energy she generates in a single day would blow every fuse on the campus.

This human dynamo is bundled in a neat five foot five inch package surrounded by some 129 pounds attractively distributed. Her hair

looks like it once had ambitions towards being blonde but didn't receive too much artificial prompting and has become reconciled towards remaining a rather tired blonde. She makes great use of her facial features, drawing them down into an oval when she doesn't quite believe what she is hearing, and bunching them up into a smirk not unlike that of a Cheshire cat when she has won an argument—which is almost always.

Energy is expendable for Pat, as long as it is exhausted in fulfilling one seldom-expressed ambition—to prove that she can do a job as well as any man and better than most. Every action—her short crisp speech, her brisk walk—all mirror her efforts to achieve that ideal.

Pat has displayed a remarkable talent for dominating almost every project to which she has been attracted. That talent is reflected in

the 10 or more times that she has been elected to various offices on the campus. After Pat's graduation from Parker high school in 1944, Principal Joseph Shine sighed, and remarked, "Now we can get back to running the school MY way."

Jaunts To Hospital

She spreads her compliments generously but judiciously, a knack which attracts more than a little aid when work piles up.

Other than her eagerness to cooperate, Pat's chief characteristic in executing her myriad duties is a dogged determination to finish the job. Swamped with work as associate editor of the Integral, Pat paused momentarily between semesters to shed an offending appendix.

She romped devastatingly through Park Manor grammar school and Parker high school before shunning Chicago Teachers and Wilson Junior colleges, both within three blocks of her home, to come to Illinois Tech in 1945. When asked by the Executive club, which awarded her a scholarship to the college of her choice, to list her preferences, Pat recorded Illinois Tech as both her first and second choice.

She Belongs

Faced with the alternative of putting out a supplement to the Integral to include all of Pat's activities, the editors of the Integral threatened to overlook her entirely. Just a portion of that list includes, for instance, the Publications board, the Pan-Hellenic Council, Phi Delta Epsilon, the Home Economics club, Technology News, Dramatech, and the Glee club. Among the positions she has held are president and vice-president of Sigma Kappa, chairman of the Student Advisory Admissions council, co-chairman of Junior Week, and co-editor of the Integral.

By her own admission, the man in Pat Vedel's life will be the guy who can shut her up, who can match her quip for quip and come out on top. That she would meet such a person seemed doubtful until Delta Tau Delta threw a congratulatory dinner for Sigma Kappa when



Pat Vedel No. 2 The date: September, 1949.

Gracious Hostess

Despite her whirlwind activities Pat is fundamentally a "home girl." She can wield a needle, both sewing and verbal, with as delicate a skill as she does a pencil. Since the time she was 15 she has been making her own clothes. But her home is also a mecca for a flock of zany activities that bear the Vedel trademark. In a moment of inspiration she brought home 150 friends for a snack after a football game.

Perhaps the most frequent cry in connection with Pat Vedel was a poetic, if slightly anguished shriek, uttered by a frustrated administrator one night: "Where in the hell is Pat Vedel?"

That's the only place they haven't looked.

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UMT Favored As Best Approach To Conscription Program

By Technology News Survey Staff

Selective service and the Marshall plan, the two most widely discussed topics on the national level today, were the subject of this week's *Technology News* survey.

The first question was:

"Should Congress pass the Marshall Plan?"

Yes, 67%, No, 17%, Undecided 16%

It appears that a large majority would like to see the plan passed. Many qualified their response, however, indicating that they do not necessarily approve of the complete administration program. Their attitude was that it would be inhuman to allow Europe to starve regardless of the political situation. It was maintained, though, that armaments were beyond the scope of this aid.

The second question was:

"Should the U.S. armed forces be increased?"

Yes, 79%, No, 14%, Undecided, 6%

As concurrence between veterans and non-veterans on this question was very large, only the compiled totals are given. The most frequent stipulation was that this increase should occur in the air forces.

Question three was:

"Which would you consider the best solution?"

	Vets	Non-Vets
General Draft	3%	8%
U.M.T.	54%	66%
Draft of non-vets. only	45%	26%

It appears that UMT is considered the best means of increasing the armed forces of the choices offered by the President. Other possibilities were also advanced by those queried. Among these was that the National Guard should be enlarged and all those eligible for service taken into it rather than the army.

Among reasons given for disapproving of UMT was that there were too many possible future implications. It was felt by others, including vets, that men who have already been in service, but served for less than twelve months, should be included in the mobilization.

Conscriptees should be allowed to finish—

	Vets	Non-Vets
High school	54%	42%
College (under junior year.)	15%	9%
College (junior yr. or over)	26%	49%
None	5%	0%

Veterans feel that primarily, high school students should be deferred. Non-vets on the other hand feel that college upper classmen as well as high schoolers should be deferred.

The final questions were rather closely allied.

"How long should the period of conscription be?"

	Vets	Non-Vets
6 months	11%	27%
12 months	56%	60%
18 months	33%	13%

"Should overseas occupation duty be included?"

	Vets	Non-Vets
Yes	58%	36%
No	39%	59%
Undecided	3%	5%

TECH TIMETABLE

Items appearing in the Tech timetable are those which have been scheduled with the Dean of Student's office.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24
All sororities, 5 p.m., North Union aud.
Fashion contest, 5 p.m., North Union lounge
Pegis club, 5 p.m., navy conference room
THURSDAY TO SATURDAY, MARCH 25-27
Spring vacation
TUESDAY, MARCH 30
AIEE, 11 a.m., MC aud.
SAE, 11 a.m., North Union aud.
Sigma Xi, 4 p.m., executive conference room
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31
Sigma Xi club, 4:30 p.m., east dining room
Sigma Xi club, 5 p.m., CB aud.
Sigma Xi club, 5 p.m., navy conference room
APRIL 1
Sigma Xi, 11:15 a.m., 111C
Sigma Xi, 10:50 a.m., 105C

Boder To Air Views In Radio Debate

David P. Boder, professor of psychology, will take the negative point of view on the issue "Should We Close the Gates to Displaced Persons?" at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday on WGN.

His opponent on the program entitled "Your Right to Say It" is Congressman Ed Gossett, 13th District, Texas, member of the House Judiciary committee, the body now considering immigration matter.

Mr. Gossett, speaking for the affirmative, will open the discussion, followed by a negative reply by Dr. Boder.

Dr. Boder was selected for the program because he is considered a leading authority in the United States on the subject. He has an extensive background from his experience in collecting biographical data for scientific purposes from displaced persons in Europe.

In preparing arguments on both sides of the question, Dr. Boder has obtained data from 230 IIT students on their feelings on the subject.



Sure Mr. Weissman, we can keep him off probation, but will the AAU let him wrestle?

Fraternities And Sororities

Alpha Sigs Celebrate Relays With Night-Long Jamboree

The men of Alpha Sigma Phi revived a time honored ritual—celebrating the Illinois Tech Relays. The celebration, an all-night affair, was launched with a buffet supper prepared and served

at the house by the Mother's club. The Alpha Sigs then trekked en masse to the relay games, after which they returned to the house for dancing and more refreshments.

Five new pledges were accepted by the fraternity: Tom Roscoe, Bob Christensen, Robert Keicher, Dave Buchner, and Svend Ohrvall.

Alpha Sigma Phi is busily pressing its preparations for the Junior Week activities; the track and swimming teams are practising for the coming events, and the fraternity's "golden voices" are prepping for the inter-fraternity sing.

KAPPA PHI DELTA

Taking advantage of Alpha Sigma Phi's recent invitation to the IIT sororities, Kappa Phi Delta has become the first member of the Pan-Hellenic Council to borrow the Alpha Sig ballroom. The Kappas will avail themselves of the privilege April 3 when they will hold an "April Showers" rushing party. All actives, pledges, and rushees have been invited.

SIGMA ALPHA MU

The March 31 Sigma Alpha Mu night meeting will be held at the Standard Club and will feature President Heald as speaker. The Praetorians and Teps have been invited.

The Sammies are, at present, engrossed with the details of redecorating and furnishing the third floor of the Graduate house, where they will reside after September 1.

Leonard Shraiberg, new Sigma

NEWS IN BRIEF

CAMP ARMOUR—Three sessions will be held at Camp Armour this year for the first time. John C. Penn, professor of civil engineering, said that the additional session was required to accommodate all those desiring to attend.

Professor Penn said the change would lower the credit for the course, CE 208, from five to four semester hours. Each session will last four weeks rather than six.

The first camp period will begin June 11 as previously announced.

WHITE COLLAR DANCE—The "Duck Dance," a combination splash party and informal dance sponsored by the White Collar girls, will be held in the Valentine Boys' club at 7 p.m. on April 16.

The feature attraction of the evening will be a water polo game between the White Collar girls and any comers. Refreshments and music will be provided. Bids may be obtained from any member of the White Collar girls.

POP CONCERT—Tickets are now available in Dean White's office for a Pop concert to be given Sunday, April 18 at 3:30 p.m. in Orchestra hall.

Offered at a reduced price, these tickets will be available until April 10.

NEW TURBO-GENERATOR—A 40 kilowatt turbo-generator unit was delivered to the mechanical engineering laboratory Monday, making Illinois Tech one of four schools in the country to obtain this type of equipment.

The generating unit is so equipped that both mechanical and electrical engineering students can gain valuable experience in the operation and testing of similar devices.



FINISHING ANOTHER LONG DAY are Carol Grasmoen, left, and Trudy Gindorf, secretaries in the veterans' office. The girls handle the questions and problems of IIT's 4400 vets.

ASME, SAE To Hear Fluid Drive Talk

Present and future automatic transmissions for automobiles will be discussed by L. H. Nagler, former technical editor of Motor magazine and transmission engineer, to be given at 11 a.m., March 30 in the North Union auditorium.

The lecture, illustrated with slides, is jointly sponsored by the local chapters of the SAE and ASME. "All students should find the subject of automatic transmissions interesting, as most auto manufacturers are planning automatic transmissions in the near future," explained C. Penfold, chairman of mechanical engineering research of ARF, who will introduce the speaker.

Mr. Nagler has spent several years in automatic transmission engineering for General Motors, and for the last three years has followed development work carried on throughout the industry.

TAU EPSILON PHI

The Rho-Delts of Tau-Epsilon Phi followed the dominant trend in fraternity life, pledging, by adding 21 new names to their pledge lists.

The April events list for the Teps will include a night meeting with the alumni (Dr. William Resnick will be the speaker), a pledge dance, and a May day social.

PHI KAPPA SIGMA

Thirteen men were initiated into Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity March 14. They were: Lawrence Buescher, Sam Lucia, Gene Dymek, Bill Matern, Don Nelson, Roger Fisher, Jim

Veterans Keep Secretaries Busy

By Alan Plait

The veteran's office in North Union promises to become a permanent feature at IIT, if President Truman's requests for selective service are answered.

This bustling office, which serves as a connecting link between the student veterans and the Veterans Administration, affects the lives of most of IIT's students more directly than any other office on the campus for it is this office which informs the VA as to what veterans are attending school, who qualifies for subsistence, and which ones are not progressing satisfactorily.

Secretaries Carry Load

Under the direction of Clarence E. Deakins, this office not only keeps track of the 4400 veterans currently attending IIT, but also handles the countless hundreds of veterans seeking acceptance or release.

The brunt of the attack of questions and complaints is borne by Mr. Deakin's able assistants, Carol Grasmoen and Trudy Gindorf. Besides listening to these problems and complaints the girls must also process and distribute the mountains of forms each veteran must fill out each semester. Their job has become more difficult recently due to the closing of the campus VA office. These girls are now the only contact veterans have with the VA.

Problems Easily Solved

"It's pretty easy to help most veterans in their difficulties," says Carol, "because their problems are generally alike."

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