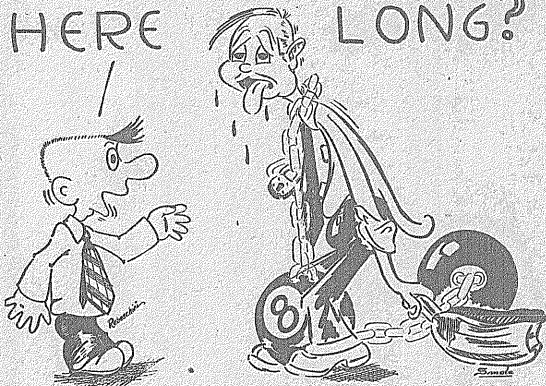


Hi! BEEN GOING HERE LONG?



This Collegiate World

Jobs not as plentiful as they used to be

By Henry Holmes

Some recent IIT graduates are still looking around for that "perfect job," which apparently has become remarkably elusive of late. Satisfactory employment is undoubtedly more difficult to come by these days, and delay in accepting offers may not be rewarded.

Georgia Tech reported good hunting for its December graduates, with 85 per cent of the 250 students involved finding positions several weeks before commencement. The monthly average starting salary was quoted at \$250 for those with bachelors degrees and \$300 for those with masters.

Confident of continued success in placement, GIT administrators have sent letters to more than 2,400 industrial and government organizations, advising them of the availability of almost 1,000 "Ramblin' Reek" graduates during 1949.

Blowing the Gaff

'A' students under fire

I wonder how many of you heard Paul Gibson's program a couple of weeks ago, when he was speaking of the trials and tribulations of a college education.

If you didn't hear it, or haven't heard about it since the broadcast, I may have news for you.

Mr. Gibson came up with the startling statement that the average difference in pay between an "A" student and a student that just gets by is merely \$49 a year.

Of course, this is not the difference in the starting wages but is an average over a period of years. This also does not take into consideration the "B" students.

The reason for the small difference in pay between an "A" student and a student just making the grade is probably based on the effort put into receiving the final marks.

It seems logical to assume that a student receiving "A's" is more intelligent, but with the added intelligence he is more apt to lose his driving power than a student who has to drive all the time to keep his head above water. This effort is probably carried on all through life with him while the "A" student becomes more or less lackadaisical.

The "B" student brings up an entirely different matter. He's the person that has to work for a grade and still is doing better than just keeping his head above water. In my estimation he's the one that will go places.

Jim Gaffney

Slipstick

While in New York on a vacation trip, my wife and I hailed a taxi and told the driver where we wanted to go. He raced off wildly and went careening down the street, swaying, bumping, and giving us several anxious moments. Noticing our concern, he shouted over his shoulder, "Don't worry folks; I ain't going to land in no hospital, especially after spending a year in one overseas."

"How dreadful," answered my wife sympathetically. "You must have been seriously wounded."

"No," he replied cheerfully. "Never got a scratch. I was a mental case."

"We had a fifth at bridge last night."

"Don't be silly, you never had a fifth at bridge."

"Okay, then, it was a quart."

Couple at dance: "Do you play requests?"

Bandleader: "Certainly, what would you like to have us play?"

Couple: "Pinochle."

The snow was falling softly. Poetically, the young man spoke as he helped his girl into the car, "Winter draws on!"

Girl: "Is that any of your business?"

Some gals go to libraries, Also, some gals go to college; But the gal who goes to extremes Acquires a lot of practical knowledge.

She: "You know, I'm five-feet six-inches stripped?"

He: "But you don't have to strip to have your height read."

She: "That's what I told the doctor."

First Drunk: "Shay, know what time it ish?"

Second Drunk: "Yeah."

First Drunk: "Thanks."

Our grandmothers believed that there was a destiny that shaped our ends. The modern girl puts her faith in girdles.

Student: "Why didn't I make 100 on my history test?"

Teacher: "You remember the question, 'Why did the pioneers go into the wilderness?'"

Student: "Yes."

Teacher: "Well, your answer, while it was very interesting, was not the correct one."

Carbelle Guss

Letters to the Editor

Integral Ball brings annual question-fest

To the Editor:

It may seem quite early to bring up the traditional yearly Integral Ball arguments, but the senior class officers feel that opinion of the student body would be valuable at this time since plans for this dance are already under way. By the end of next week the location and date will have been settled.

Then come the problems of trying to settle questions such as, shall the dance be formal, semi-formal, or informal? Should there be a queen of the ball? If there is a queen, should competition be open to all guests attending or limited to IIT coeds?

At the end of last semester, ITSA appointed a committee to investigate these questions. The committee's report, which was approved by ITSA, stated that it would be better for the school to have a coed as the queen of the ball and, also, that a queen does not look like a queen in informal dress; that the ball should be formal if there is to be a queen, or informal if there is no queen.

The coed question brings out numerous valid arguments both pro and con. Most of us will admit that having a coed as queen provides better publicity for the school, especially in helping increase coed enrollment. Another argument is that being a queen of the ball means much more to a girl who spends day after day at school than to a girl who merely comes to a few Tech dances.

On the other hand, there is the problem of sufficient competition to make the contest worthwhile. How many coeds will be coming to the dance? Out of those attending how many will be willing to enter the contest? The girls have expressed the opinion that since there are over a hundred coeds attending IIT there would be no difficulty getting entries. The coeds would fully back the contest if they did not have to buck outside competition.

The majority of male students do

as I see IT

By DAVE PASIK
Editor-in-Chief

"OLD DOC TECH NEWS" yearly administers a spring tonic to its readers, which I hope isn't too hard to swallow.

The eight-week dose of Junior Week promotion which commences with this issue will, I am sure, give only a partial conception of the magnitude of activity now being prepared by just about every department, class, and student organization in the Institute . . . but only those who were here last year really know what I'm talking about. You just have to see it.



ONE OF THE MORE well-remembered events, the sophomore dance, which packed ye olde North Union with a goodly 2000 Techawks and guests, has been financed in the past by a method which I find strange.

This dance, to which there is no admission charge, is traditionally supported by the sophomore class treasury. This is quite a sum to be donated by the members of a single class.

Would it not be possible for Jack Davoust, Junior Week chairman, to partially reimburse the sophs out of his operating budget?

WE'VE BEEN HEARING stories lately about the corner drugstore that sells everything but medicine, and the campus newspaper that does everything but print news.

Well, we hope the stories are not serious; but I'll admit it must seem strange for readers to observe major non-varsity sports events and promotion contests continually appearing in our columns.

Anyhow, watch next week's Technology News for details on how to win a 1949 four-door model Ford.

not quite see this viewpoint. They look at their wives and sweethearts as queens. Since the fellows are paying for the bids they want their girls to have equal privileges along with the coeds.

My personal opinion is that we should give the coeds a break and limit the contest, but a senior questionnaire given to 4B's at registration seems to indicate this a losing battle. The questionnaire allowed three choices; coeds, coeds and secretaries or open to all except professional models.

The results were:
35 votes for coeds and secretaries
55 votes for coeds alone
185 votes for open
10 did not vote any way.

As for the question on type of dress the senior officers felt that a semi-formal dress (men in business suits and women in fellows) would solve all the problems of fellows "putting out hard earned money"

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renting tuxedos, making a queen look "queenly," and allowing the women to "dress to kill." The questionnaire confirmed this belief. The question stated, "Do you have any objection to making the Integral Ball semi-formal?" There were only 28 objections out of 286 questionnaires.

Now I'd like to know what the rest of the student body thinks about these questions.

Bill Dassie
President, Class of January 1950

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