

## Man of the week

## Ben Sutton, explorer of showers, awaits tiny bundle

By "Wild" Bill Furlong

When he isn't captaining the track team, editing the sports page of *Technology News*, or managing rooming houses, Ben R. Sutton is running into strange women taking showers. Every once in a while, as in the case of Mary Lou Melberg Sutton, he marries them.

One day during the summer of 1945, Ben R. was burdened with the job of fixing the plumbing in the rooming house run by his family. Dutifully he trudged upstairs into the bathroom. There was Mary Lou, wearing exactly what anybody wears while taking a shower.

"He was a complete gentleman," says Mary Lou. "He apologized and backed out of the door. Why, he didn't even wink at dinner a little later!" Since he started off by seeing quite a lot of Mary Lou, Ben R. decided to continue the process. Now he's seeing more of her than ever. He married her December 21, 1947.



Ben Sutton

a degree. They were Wright, Jr., the University of Chicago, Rhode Island State, and Illinois Tech. At Rhode Island State, where he was in the ASTP, Ben experienced his customary luck by slipping on the ice and shattering his leg. To this day he carries a steel plate in the injured member. He came to Illinois Tech in 1945, and is now sports editor of *Technology News*, and a member of Pi Delta Epsilon, Honor I, and the IT Vets.

Except for one little item, nothing definite is on the Sutton agenda if—not when—he graduates in January. That little item will arrive "just about two weeks after graduation," according to Ben.

"... on Valentine's day," says Mary Lou.

## Tech research looks fruitful

Recent discoveries by three scientists at Illinois Tech are expected to help improve the performance of future jet engines.

The three investigators — Otto Zmeskal, director of the department of metallurgical engineering, Pun Kien Koh, formerly lecturer of metallurgy in the Illinois Tech graduate school and John J. Gilman, formerly instructor in metallurgy, worked with a substance called "sigma phase," a brittle compound formed by certain alloying atoms in steel that is subject to high temperatures.

Jet engines depend greatly upon the ability of the metals of which they are composed to stand up under very high temperatures.

## All ACS members excused for field trip Thursday

Tuesday the American Chemical Society meeting will present Eugene Lieber, assistant professor of organic chemistry, in a discussion of "Fundamental Chemistry in Liquid Sulfur Dioxide."

Members will be excused from class Thursday to attend a field trip to the Standard Oil company's new research plant in Whiting, Indiana. A chartered bus will leave from the chemistry building at 11:10 a.m.

Tickets may be obtained from any officer of the ACS or from Dr. Bernays' secretary on Monday or Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.; or from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., in room 206 CB.

## Greek goings-on

## Fraternities build membership

By Ann Allman

## Delta Tau Delta

The Deltas initiated one and pledged two men in the past two weeks. Donald Fox was formally admitted to the active chapter and Ernest Nordquist and Ben Tidball underwent pledging ceremonies.

This year's football squad is out to snatch the trophy that has eluded them for several years, from the favorites in the tournament. Twelve of their huskiest men will try to turn the trick.

## Alpha Sigma Phi

Alpha Sigma Phi started the term with the largest pledge class that it has had in recent years. The pledges are: John Betti, Don Carlson, John Cordes, Edward Grala, Dave Griffiths, Claude Herrick, Harry King, Reggie Kramer, Joe Lokay, Don McCaslin, Doug Metz, Dan Miksa, Gene Peterson, Don

Rusk, Ches Soerns, Don Trezek, and Bill Turner.

## Sigma Alpha Mu

Sigma Alpha Mu social fraternity will sponsor a combination dance and "Mad Hat" party tomorrow in the chapter house.

Social chairman, Perry To-back, expects an attendance of 43 couples.

During the evening prizes will be awarded to those wearing the most unusual hats.

## Pi Kappa Phi

Eleven Pi Kaps motored down to the University of Illinois last week-end to formulate plans for a district conclave. The main social function of the Pi Kappa Phi, get-together was the Purdue-Illinois game.

Also present were Pi Kaps from Indiana University, Purdue University and the host, Omega

## "It's Magic" parody contest

## to end at Pan-Hell dance

The informal dance to be sponsored by the Pan Hellenic council on November 5 in the North union promises to be one of the largest free dances of the season.

A contest is in progress which may be won by any student submitting a suitable parody to "It's Magic." These may be entered by dropping them into the box

provided for the purpose in the *Technology News* office or they may be held and deposited at the dance.

Andrey Read, entertainment chairman, said that she would reveal more specific details as to entertainment in the next issue of *Technology News*.

Virginia Dorociak, invitation chairman, said, "Male students may come either with or without dates as invitations have been sent to several nursing schools and coeducational colleges. Also among the female participants will be the White Collar girls and IIT's female students."

## Ringstad elected head of ITFSA

The IIT Foreign Students' Association met October 21 to elect new officers and discuss plans for the semester.

Elected were Johan Ringstad, president; Sveinn Bjornson, vice-president; Martin A. Vegas, social chairman; Gerd Albers, secretary; and Pierre Krakowsky, treasurer.

There are now nearly 100 students from 30 different countries attending IIT.

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chapter. The conclave was planned for March at Purdue University.

## Phi Kappa Sigma

Robert Ryerson and Charles Adams were formally initiated into Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity Monday night.

Tomorrow night, the Skulls will hold a costume Halloween party for the actives and pledges. Roger Fisher, social chairman of the house has promised a novel program of entertainment for the evening.

## Kappa Phi Delta

Kappa Phi Delta Sorority had their annual White Elephant Sale Saturday, October 23. The purpose of the sale was to obtain money for a scholarship fund and to finance the Kappa's annual Hoe-Down Party.

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