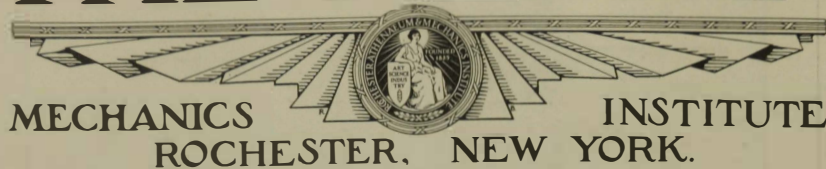


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Chicago U. Matmen Booked To Meet M. I. Grapplers

Institute Will Be Host to First of Big Ten to Compete Here. Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute also Coming for Meet. Difficult Schedule Arranged for Blue and Grey

Coach Mark Ellingson of Mechanics Institute, and Coach Davidson of Syracuse University, have just completed arrangements that will bring the University of Chicago wrestling team east for two matches in February.

This is the first time a member of the "Big Ten" has come to this city or section for a meet and according to plans just made they will oppose the Syracuse U. team at Syracuse on February 21, and come to Rochester on February 22 when they will tackle the Mechanics Institute Matmen.

Coach Vooches of Chicago U. is famous as a college wrestling champion and was at one time contender for the world's championship in his class. His teams are always outstanding in collegiate competition.

Among those who plan to welcome the Chicago team to Rochester are the Big Ten Alumni of the city who will be invited to co-operate with the athletic committee of the Institute.

Another meet which promises plenty of action as well as class is the M. I.—Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute meet. The Institute grapplers will play host to the Brooklyn grapplers on February 15 when the two teams will come to grips in the Eastman Building gym.

Interest Being Shown by Juniors

Decided Increase in the Attendance At Last Meeting

A meeting of the Junior Class was called Thursday evening, December sixth.

A noticeable increase in attendance showed that at least the Juniors are beginning to take interest in their class.

Mr. H. Kent presided over the meeting and the following officers were elected:

Psimar Reporter—Mr. Nichols.
Executive Council—Mr. Auer, Mr. Donahue, Mr. Walters.

Mr. Kent appointed the following committees:

Social Committee—Mr. Forester, Miss Klitgord, Miss Rathjen, Mr. Cala, Mr. Schlee.

Ring and Pin Committee—Miss Klitgord, Miss Richards, Mr. Cuddebach, Mr. Yaw.

Dances were suggested for January and will be definitely acted upon by the social committee.

A GRID-IRON BANQUET FOR PRESS STUDENTS

Psimar Staff to Sponsor Banquet for Contributors and Ramikin Staff

Fifty lucky people will attend a banquet and dance at the Columbus Club, January twelfth.

The Psimar Staff is sponsoring a Grid-Iron Banquet. The Ramikin Staff and regular contributors to the Psimar will receive invitations.

The Staff feels that those who have worked with them will be repayed for their time spent and are positive that they will feel the same. In fact it will act as a stimulus to do more.

No one wearing a long face will get any farther than the door. In other words no wet blankets and crepe hangers allowed.

Something entirely different is in store for those who attend. A good dinner with snappy entertainment will be the first feature of the evening. Dancing will follow to the "sweet and low down" tunes of a red hot band.

The G. R. S. Co. Organizes a Student Club

Mr. W. H. Reichard Addresses Club on the "History of Train Control"

The Students of the Industrial Art School of Mechanics Institute who work at the General Railway Signal Co., have been organized along with other interested employees, into a Student Engineers Club which is under the direction of the Company.

This Club meets every two weeks for supper and is addressed by prominent Engineers of the G. R. S. Co., and various other Railroad Companies.

The last meeting which was held Dec. 4th was addressed by Mr. W. H. Reichard, the Engineer in charge of train control. In his talk he told the history of some attempts at controlling trains, from the time of the first air-brakes to the present day. It was pointed out that some early attempts and some of the present ideas work only to a certain extent and fail. It was also shown that some schemes have worked and worked well. So excellent was their operation that Railroads have installed more equipment than has been required by the Interstate Commerce Commission and have effected savings in money and in time to a very marked extent.

Helper, Utah
Nov. 19th, 1928.

Mr. Fenninger,
*****I received your letter to the graduates and the copy of the school paper, I think it is a fine thing for the school to have paper and hope they will be successful in publishing it.*****
EDWIN O. BLODGETT.

Blodgett was a graduate of the class of '28 and is now on the road for G. R. S. in the state of Utah.

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Mr. Robert Sherwood, President of Chemical Association

Chemists to Have a Live Association

Much Time and Labor Spent to Have Interesting Meetings

According to the present plans of President "Bob Sherwood" of the Chemical Association the chemists are going to have a real live association. President Sherwood and other officers are spending much time and labor obtaining speakers and planning trips through factories using modern chemical processes.

With each succeeding meeting more members of the chemical course are turning out.

Monday evening, December 17, there was almost a perfect attendance. An interesting program was enjoyed by the students and several members of the faculty.

Dinner Meetings Prove Popular

Mechanical Students Enjoy Again the Thrills of the Cobourg Trip

At the dinner meeting of the Mechanical Students' Association on November 15, all records of attendance were broken. As the result of individual notices, there were seventy-five men at the meeting. After the dinner several films were shown, including Freshman Initiation, the Cobourg trip of last year and an interesting explanation of Einstein's Theory of Relativity. An excellent talk was given by Mr. Evans. Two fast wrestling bouts were put on by members of the wrestling team after which the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 20. A talk by a man from a Rochester Industry is to be the feature of the evening.

COUNCIL HAD TO ADJOURN FROSH MEETING

Freshmen Practice Ballot-Stuffing, Council too Much for Them, However

On December 12, the Freshmen Meeting called for the purpose of electing officers and organizing for the year broke up in what might almost be called a riot.

Repeated efforts of Jack Dunn, the president of the Student Council and the other officers of that organization to hold a fair election met with no success even after repeated efforts.

Ballot-stuffing, not evident at first in the election of a president since only one extra vote was cast, had assumed far greater proportions when votes for Secretary were counted.

After warnings concerning the matter revotes were cast. The results varied by two or three votes only.

Thereupon the Council decided to indefinitely postpone such an election until the class is able to hold a fair one.

Those nominated were: President, L. D. Booth, D. Piatt.

Vice President, Dorothy Milham, Marge Lou Payne.

Secretary, H. Rosser, E. Clark, Seele, Besuin.

The meeting was adjourned.

LITERARY GUILD GETS 50 MEMBERS

Over fifty students are taking part in the Literary Guild recently organized for the purpose of selecting the best magazine and book literature of the month for student reading.

Membership so far has been restricted to English classes in the art school and retail distribution department, but after the holidays will be open to all students. Selections of the best periodical reading of the month will be posted by the Guild.

WHY TEN CENTS?

In order to maintain the Psimar we have found it necessary to increase the cost per copy to ten cents. The cost of launching a school paper makes it necessary for every student to cooperate by purchasing each issue on publication.

You can keep no more complete record of your Institute life than the copies of the Psimar.

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WHAT A NAME!

"M-E-C-H-A-N-I-C-S"—The name that tells everything but the truth when applied to the type of work carried out at the Institute.

The fact that the school has flourished under its inappropriate title might well be an example of what the growth and standards of the Institution would develop into if the name did not convey such false impressions.

The "Board of Directors" have given this problem a great deal of thought. They realize that the school has outgrown its name.

The Art School, Home Economics and Industrial Arts are misrepresented.

The name can be changed, the reason why it has not been done is the difficulty in selecting a suitable substitute.

This name has been suggested, "Rochester Institute of Arts and Science". What is your reaction to this important issue which has become so VITAL to our ALMA MATER?

—M. D. W.

TIME TO GROW UP!

Honor is a peculiar thing. Lack of it causes a noticeable deficiency in the sum total of that intangible thing we call personality.

The other night the Freshmen class met to elect their officers. The result of the meeting was a disastrous one. Ballot-stuffing existed to such an extent even after the matter had been brought to the attention of the class that the meeting was postponed.

Such a state of affairs is not an admirable one. Dishonesty in any form deserves a reward other than laughter.

Is this attitude on the part of the Freshmen class to be passed over lightly, to be considered merely as another trend of modern times? Are the Freshmen acquiring the wrong sort of spirit here?

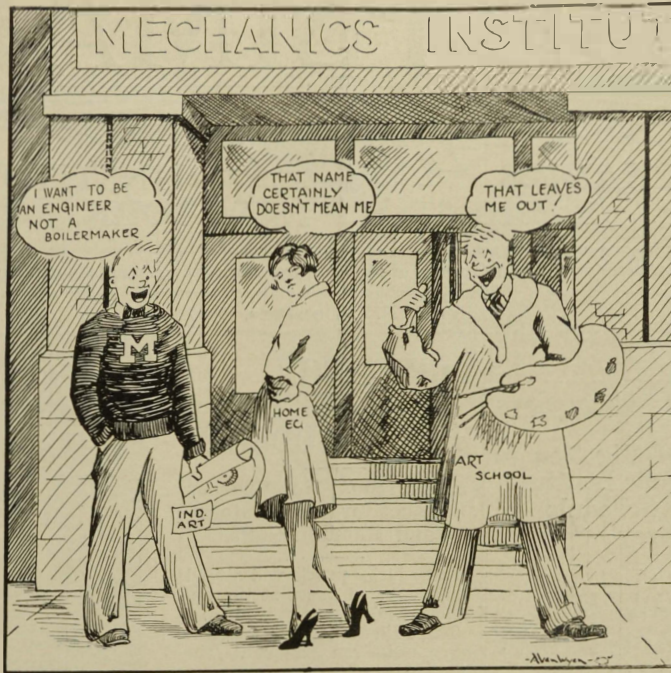
Did the fact that, because the initiation was prematurely called off so that the Freshmen were not sufficiently put in their place have any influence upon their actions at this election?

At any rate, the freshmen in one respect have made a bad start. If such a situation arose mischievously then we believe it will not happen again. If on the other hand, something is fundamentally wrong a remedy for such situations must be found and drastic steps if necessary will be taken to prevent any re-occurrence of the recent procedure on the part of the class on this matter.

Christmas Night

Mellow lights, a cheerful glow,—
Glistening globes of gold;
Tinsel swinging to and fro
Flickering shadows on the snow,
Ivy branches hanging low—
Joyful, young and low.
Mounds of parcels heaped up high
Tied in festive hue;
Laughing children vainly try
Guessing just what treasures lie
Hidden from their eager eye,
Like some pirate crew.
Out upon the snowy sheet,
Blanketed with white,
Carol singers on the street,
Keeping rhythm with their feet,
Singing beautiful and sweet,
"This is Christmas Night."

—H. A. Friedman



STUDENT FORUM

(Letters which appear in the Student Forum are not to be construed as representing the opinion of the Psimar's editorial board. Letters must be signed with the full names of the writers, although these will not necessarily be published.—The Editors.)

NEEDED, A SMOKING ROOM

Dear Editor:

Where do the fellows go when they want to have a smoke, in the halls—NO! It's against the rules. In the Class Rooms, —NO; Not allowed. Well where do they go then? Oh, that's easy. In the GRAND OUT-DOORS where the sun is shining one day, raining the next, snow two inches deep the following day and perhaps on some other day it's so cold that the cigarette even fails to stay lit let alone trying to light it in the wind.

Well why is it then they can't have a place inside provided for them and avoid going out in all kinds of weather which subjects them to all kinds of communicable diseases? The girls have a rest room which is furnished with tables and chairs—for their convenience!

WHY?—Oh just because they are fellows and anything is good enough for them. They don't need anything to make school life more comfortable.

What was this I heard about the 2nd floor of the Manual Training Building being made over into a Smoking Room?

That, oh THAT'S just another promise, —one of those we are handed so often, here in the Institute.

Why don't the fellows do something? What good does it do them to protest? They will only get another PROMISE.

MORAL—(To those whom it may concern)—"NEVER PUT OFF UNTIL TOMORROW WHAT YOU CAN DO TODAY."
—E. V. H.

BUY A BLUE TICKET

Dear Students:

Do you realize how much you spend on your luncheons? Do you know that you save thirty-three cents (33) on a dollar by buying a blue meal ticket and that you get them at the Cashier's desk in the main office? Do you know that your school cafeteria is taking special pains to offer good food, well-cooked and which does not come out of a can? Why not support it? We are offering special luncheons at thirty-five cents (with meal tickets it's twenty-five cents) and fifty cents (with meal ticket thirty-four cents). On the first of the month buy your blue ticket and save your money. Bring a friend with you and try us out.
—M. I. CAFETERIA.

GREATLY BORED!

Dear Editor:

Why can't we have an assembly without its being a vaudeville show? Why should we give up very much needed class time just to be entertained as if we were in one of this city's popular theatres?

I'm not criticizing the performers, they only do what they are bid. But it seems to me that it shows a lack of resource when we have to resort to such performances just to fill in assembly time.

A good speaker need not necessarily be cut and dry, and consequently uninteresting, but he can be profitably entertaining as well as educational. There are plenty of them about—Why can't we have some?

—A DEEP THINKER.

IT'S THE MODERN AGE

Dear Editor,

In regard to the above letter: Our Psimar assemblies, how abused they are. Yet have you noticed the large attendance, the general good feeling and laughter they have inspired?

Oh, you of serious minds, can you not give us poor mortals even one moment of relaxation? Must we ever be discussing and speech making of things that are profitable, educational or the great issues of life?

It is but once a month that Assembly comes—would this be called "much needed class time"? So let's not wet blanket everything that's youth, color and gayness. Old deah, you'll have to remember it's the modern age.

It also could be added that M. I. should be mighty proud to harbor students that can make one feel that they are being entertained "in one of this city's popular theatres".

—FRIVOLOUS MINDED.

He calls his wife "Victrola" because he always recognizes his master's voice.

Pork: There must be lots of liquor in Chicago.

Dutch: "Elaborate."

Pork: Why, you're always hearing about somebody being shot.

Waddie: My big brother throws t. discus for Cornell.

Ash: 'Snothin', my ol' man throws t. switch for the B. & O.

Mr. Weller, the History Prof: Why d. Guinevere give Launcelot the co. shoulder?

Student: Because she liked w. Galahad.

Maloney: Excuse me, madam, but d. you mind coughing more quietly so th. I may better be able to hear your frien. read out the sub-titles?

Editor-in-chief of Ramkin uses ne. method to convey her point to Art Editor. He, so she says, has a habit of walki. away before being convinced so to w. her point she locked him in her offic. Result—Art Editor agrees on ONE poi. in over TEN THOUSAND that have to b. decided between these two individuals.

KINDLINGS OND OTHER HOT TWIG

Have you heard about the Bonfire th. the Junior Class Meeting had the oth. night. There were three heated grou. gathered for the occasion. Some of t. individuals were warm—Normal temper. ture of blood boiled thru their fibro b. ular bundles. The others were smoul. ering—these were the ones that made t. mortar between the bricks crumble w. their repetition of boisterous lamentatio. of silent suggestions—All the othe. smoked and puffed—(On Cigarettes).

THE BIGGEST

I decided to take a short hunting tri. all my myself. I was wandering about t. large, spacious fields of Farmer Joh. with my trusty old muscat over my shoulder, in readiness for any thing th. might be so unfortunate as to cross m. deadly path; when—a large red fox cam. into view gracefully resting itself di. rectly in front of a large boulder. I quickly sighted down the long straiht. steel barrel of my deadly weapon, whic. was pointed straight at this poor innocen. thing. I pulled the trigger—just as I d. so another fox came and sat on the o. posite side of the large granite boulder. As luck would have it, I split the roc. and got both of them (poor things). Th. gun kicked so that it knocked me bac. ward into a small brook. When I got u. my trousers were so full of trout that. button flew off my suspenders and kill. a partridge; then my watch stopped.

MERELY A SUGGESTION!

Dear Editor:

Why rush the first semester? In th. first place the Freshmen have not ha. sufficient time in which to become ac. quainted with all the organizations, an. consequently they do not know what they are getting into when they pledge wit. any certain organization.

Then, too, the organization does not know what kind of members they are getting, and it is unfair to the organizat. ion.

No one makes perfect first and quic. decisions. No one is infallible in judg. ing another person on short acquaintan. How often after an initiation has th. organization found that it has tried to fit a round peg into a square hole, and vis. versa?

Why not rush once a year, in the sec. nd semester, and do it up right with all ev. open and all confident of their judgment. Who agrees with me?

—E. M. S.

Thrilling Moments

or

The Boarders' Revenge

by

Jack Bennett

The morning sun, filtering lazily through the screen, made little checker marks on a pure white blanket which covered the boyish figure of Walton Algeron Crapshoot. The checks were broken here and there with small spotty shadows. These were caused by the dead bodies of a number of unfortunate flies who had spent their last breaths vainly trying to enter unto the odoriferous cooking of Walton's landlady, Ma Pheet. A little sparrow warbled sweetly outside the window—yeah. The rasping noise was disturbing. Walton managed to open one peeper.

"Yo ho an' a couple of oh oh's", he murmured, closing the peeper. Perfect bliss. Oh, if only he had known of Fate's dark cloud, which hung over his existence. When falling asleep, on the eve before, he had not been aware of the presence of Don El Avaytor, the oily villain. The cruel leer of the Don's mouth was real as was the venomous glint of his eyes, my friends, and his intentions? My, oh my!

You ask about the queer odor at this point? Keep your seats. You smell nothing but the burning question of the moment. The cause of the Don's dislike for Walton was the feeling Ma Pheet aroused in his bosom when she gave our sweet hero the best room in her house. This room had been the Don's, but at the news of Walton's probable arrival, he had been shoved unmercifully into a smallish back room. Did he resent? Ah—a warm glow of rank hatred burned in his breast. His heart was full of rancor or ancor or bancor or something like that. It grew worse and worse. The few days before Walton's arrival he became actually morbid. Imagine!

The Don was a native of the tropics. His father, the great Don So and So, was owner of an extensive banana garden in Bolivia, Brazil, Bologney, somewhere down south anyhow. The young Don was in Rochester on business. He had picked Ma Pheet's boarding house to be near his work of selling some bananas to the M. I. Cafeteria. Just some old bananas.

But to go back—I wanted to bring out the point that the tropics have a whole lot to do with revenges. I might add that Don El Avaytor had a bunch of very, very primitive thoughts when we saw him regarding the sleeper some time before.

I spoke of the morning sun, warbling sparrows, and what not. Ten loud calls were rewarded and few minutes had elapsed before Walton was breakfasting on sample bananas and rather weak cream. This was not the cow's fault, however. Almost refreshed, Walton, throwing a lavender sachet or two in his vest pocket, preceded to the school.

A long half hour passed and Walton found himself in the presence of an austere gentleman, he took to be the school's president. The said gentleman looked over his glasses and nervously twiddled his watch chain.

"What can I do for you?" he said in a soft paternal rumble.

"My name is Walton Algeron Crapshoot," said that person quickly. "I would like a subscription to the Institute."

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SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS



Seniors Elect Class Officers, President is Unanimously Elected

Election Proves That Great Minds Run in the Same Channel

The Senior Class met on Tuesday night, November twentieth in the Assembly Hall of the Eastman Building. Mr. Ellingson, the class advisor, conducted the meeting until our worthy president had been elected, and we are proud to add, unanimously elected, Mr. Dutch Van Emmerick. He then went to the foreground and after a short but sincere word of thanks the meet-

ing proceeded in parliamentary order. This went on until the whole Senior Class was politely "ousted" by the Men's Glee Club.

The officers are:

Allen Van Emmerick, President; Betty Sooy, Vice-president; Kathryn Downs, Secretary; Joseph Curtin, Treasurer; Richard Browne, Chairman of Social Committee.

Graduates Enjoy Reading Psimar

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Gainesville, Florida

Nov. 16th, 1928.

My dear Mr. Fenninger,

*****I thank you very much for sending me the copy of the "Psimar". Please give the organization which is backing this paper my sincerest best wishes for it's success.

I am sorry I hav'n't any good pictures that I could send them. I'll try to get some later.*****

IVAN H. LOUCKS.

Loucks was a graduate of the class of '26 and is Mgr. of a Radio Department Store in Florida that has entire control of the handling of Crosley Radios for 12 Counties through more than 60 dealers.

Buffalo, N. Y.

Nov. 12th, 1928.

Dear Mr. Fenninger,

*****Thanks a lot for the school paper. I sure appreciate it and here's hoping it meets with every possible success.*****

V. ERICKSON.

Erickson was a graduate of the class of '28 and is now located in Buffalo working for the General Motors.

The Dorm Formal Was a Huge Success

The Dorm Formal, one of the main events of the year, was held on Friday night, December seventh, in the ball room of the Rochester Club. Hughie Barrett and his orchestra played their best and helped to make the party a huge success.

The Dorm girls turned out in numbers as well as did a great many other students. There was a larger crowd this year than ever before and the Dorm girls want to thank everyone who was there and helped to make the party a success.

Those who took active parts in making it a success were:

Margaret Fish

Kathleen Downs

Helen Arney

THE GAME IS ON

A basketball was observed in full flight recently, a sure sign that overemphasis is about to burst over the horizon again. Each and every one candidate should set about preparing himself for the coming basket-ball campaign according to the part he will play under the revised rules. Yes, the rules have been revised again—just a few touches, but that needn't make any difference, since nobody knew the old rules except the officials who wrote them, and they only know what they were. They didn't know what they meant.

The rules, therefore are not necessary except as an elegant weapon for squashing an opponent in a controversy. Just suggest coolly to him that he read the rules. Insist on it. Don't give him a chance to turn your flank or start any attack of any kind, not even so such as to call you vile names, say nothing of slapping your left wrist with a wet violet. If he has any sensible idea of the task you are attempting to thrust upon him, the chances are that he will run for his life.

Of course, he may be foolish enough to take your advice and acquire a copy of the rules and try to read them, in which case he probably will go crazy; and nobody pays any attention to crazy people—except wrestling promoters, who make a living providing amusement for crazy people.

That disposes of the rules. Now for the coaches. The usual way for a coach to harden himself for what is to come is to seat himself in training quarters in front of a phonograph which emits squawks something like this: Junkins just broke a leg in a practice game. Luke McGlucke has been flunked out by the faculty. Peter Piper has the pip. The manager says there are no more towels. The referee said it was unnecessary roughness. Irate alumni demand resignation of Coach Whoosis.

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RAMIKIN TO BE "THE BEST EVER"

Ramikin Office Said to be the Birth Place of M. I.'s Popular Ideas

It is the opinion of one concerned that it is about time that the student body in general, and the freshmen in particular, are introduced to the office of the one all-absorbing school activity expressing finality in a single priceless production, i. e. the Ramikin (derivation of this word will be given on request at the office.) The introduction concerns the office however. That little hole in the wall you gaze into so puzzlingly in the Eastman building just around the corner from the boys' drinking fountain, in which a little lamp of knowledge is usually lit, where for color's sake bits of a print are thumb-tacked here and there, where there are enough chairs but not enough room to put them, where there seems to be too much amusement, where a mysterious file in one corner balances the pile of Christmas cards (the latter are For Sale) in the other—is the RAMIKIN OFFICE (this is not a hint for a sign as we have a fine art staff). The Editor would be delighted to relate and show you many minor details that have been necessarily omitted in the foregoing description.

It will behoove each one of you to make at least one entrance to that "birth-place of

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Kat-Nips (from the dorm)

Things heard from floor to floor:

"What, no hot water?" "Darn!"

"Say, do you have any gold earrings?" "May I wear them?"

"How does this dress look?"

"Is your program full?" "Yes. We're not exchanging any dances."

"Say, Flo, did you know you had a caller about an hour ago?"

"Oh my gosh no!"

"Who wants to sew this belt for me?"

"Who took my lip-stick?"

"Darn this hair of mine, I can't do anything with it."

"May I wear your brilliant bracelet?"

"Where do these flowers look best?" "Wouldn't you know Bob would send the wrong color?"

"Oh! what shall I ever do?—my shoes are at the shoeman's and he's closed for the night."

"Who has some gold slippers?"

Floor phone starts ringing— "___ has a caller!"

And so on far into the night.

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STUDENTS TO HAVE CHARGE OF ASSEMBLY

Student Council Elects Students for Assembly Committee

The Student Council during the past month has elected an assembly committee. Those elected were:

- Miss Kathleen Downs School of Home Ec.
- Mr. Jack Sullivan School of App. Art
- Mr. Stanton Litz School of Ind. Art

For a time the subject of a fencing club caused a bit of talk. However the budget seemed too large for the number of those interested. Also a representative group felt unable to support such an organization—e. g. co-operative students felt that they could not devote sufficient time to the activity. If those interested wish to buy their own equipment such a plan might be put into effect.

Once again the same old story of a men's smoking room has been brought before the Council. There is no doubt that the need for such a room exists but such estimates as have been submitted are too high. If a way can be found to finance such a plan would be advisable.

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FORMER STUDENTS HEADED FOR WIDE AND OPEN SPACES

The G. R. S. Sent Nine Mechanics' Students to Their Headquarters at Salida, Colorado

Girls — don't expect you can date up any of these men—They are all several thousand miles away except one — and he is married.

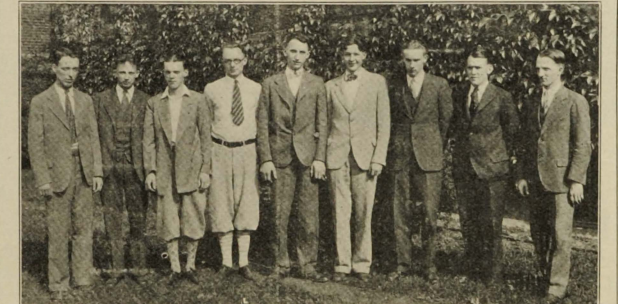
Every summer the General Railway Signal Co. sends out most of its men taking the Electrical course at Mechanics. The G. R. S. electrical graduates of '28 were the lucky ones this year.

The nine fellows packed their trunks and headed for the wide and open spaces of the west. Apparently the spaces were too wide, for now the boys are somewhat separated as the following list will show:—

worked together, having their headquarters at Salida, Colorado. This was a fine western town of about five thousand population, which was division headquarters for the Denver, Rio Grande and Western Railroad.

The G. R. S. had a contract to install A. P. Block Signals on the D. and R. G. Railroad from Canon City to Tennessee Pass, Colorado. The railroad at this section runs through the canyon of the Arkansas which is one of the most scenic regions in the United States.

During the week of the Fourth of July the fellows were priv-



Frank Quinn—Utah, now in Colorado.

Harold Wynn — Utah, Colorado, now in Arkansas.

Stewart Macumber — Utah, Colorado, Louisiana, now in Arkansas.

Sidney Freeman — Colorado, now in Utah.

Marcian Hoff—Colorado, now in Utah.

Edwin Blodgett — Louisiana, Colorado, now in Utah.

Roy Currie—Utah, Colorado, now in Arkansas.

Forest Hitchcock—Utah, Colorado, now in Patent Dept, G. R. S.

Arthur Sutcliffe—Utah, Colorado, now in Arkansas.

The first few months they

will attend a typical western rodeo with all the appendages of such an event.

Some of the fellows made extended trips to such places as the Yellowstone National Park, Salt Lake City and the Mount of Holy Cross. The last being a snow inlaid cross upon the mountain side.

From the accounts of the "bunch", we understand that the summer was a very pleasant one. Of course every one understands how it is when the gang gets together, but as for those incidents we will let them settle up, especially those which happened around Moon Mullins Cash Grocery.

SAID IN A HUNDRED WORDS

Bad spots on human character, like grease spots on white flannels, will come out with a little effort of the right sort.

Frank, of Bevier, one who works a lot, says a lot and is a lot—mostly good—lot.

Commenting upon the more recent fiction: a friend of mine made the remark that she very seldom read anything but those books which are popular solely for their vivid and fascinating scandal. Soon she should read "Child's Garden of Verses" with great appreciation. For her, the works of Dickens, Keats, or Browning would be much too deep; much too deep!

The late President Wilson said of college, "The side shows are so numerous, so diverting, so important if you will,—that they have swallowed up the circus, and those who perform in the main tent must often whistle for their audience, discouraged and humiliated."

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Dear Bob:

Goodness, I have so much to tell you, I don't know where to start. The Ramikin staff is making itself known now, just as it does every year at this time. They are trying to get as many pictures out of the ways as possible before Christmas. I know of several seniors who are having theirs taken. They think it's an easy way to solve the Christmas list problem. I've seen Cha Palmer's proofs and they are dandy. But she can't decide which to have finished because her many admirers cannot agree, and of course they all want one.

The Retailers had their groups taken the day before Thanksgiving because they started working full time in the stores the day after.

You remember Tony Parians and Jimmie Gerceci, don't you? Well, Pork Van Wyen met them in N. Y. C. while he was there during Thanksgiving vacation. He says they're just the same as ever and doing fine. Dutch Van Emmerick was excused from school a week early and, knowing him as you do, you just know there was a method in his madness.

And here's some more madness, or method, as you will: Peg Fish is now sporting a handsome Phi Sig pin and I hear John R. Sullivan's chest has expanded three inches under the weight of an Alpha Psi Sorority Pin. There must be some connection, don't you think?

It's a shame you weren't here for the Dorm Formal. It was wonderful. Of course, I missed you, but I just couldn't help having a marvelous time. It was at the Rochester Club and Hughie Barrett's orchestra furnished the incentive to dance. What an incentive! I guess everyone was there, but why wouldn't they be. We dorm girls are known for the way we do things. Mrs. Thomason is home from Columbia now and she was there. Gee, I was glad to see her.

The first girl I noticed when we got there was Helen Rathjen. She looked just darling in a long black taffeta dress. Helen Arney looked awfully nice in a white affair outlined by crystal beads. Kay Downs was so attractive in her unusual dress, I forget what color it was, but it certainly was pleasing to look at. Oh, and I mustn't forget to mention that Peg Fish has taken to green now and it's really very becoming.

Gee, Bob, I just have to stop now to do some studying. The way this man, Cobb, works us is absolutely appalling (according to Webster that means to overcome with sudden terror) but I guess we'll live.

I'll write more next time.
Love,
Sue.

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Thrilling Moments

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"O. K.," said the president, breaking into a wide smile.

"Where are you from, my boy?"

"Some-where-on-the-Hudson," said Walton, feeling that an interest was being taken in him. "That's the Spirit!" for a reason at all.

Walton brightened susceptiblely. With a few more words she made our hero tingle all over the president allowed Walton to fill out a subscription blank.

"Classes sometimes begin at 8:20, Walton." With this nudged Walton and smiled again. Wallie couldn't think of anything to say, so he didn't.

"Good-by, Walton."

"Yes, Sir," exclaimed Walton so excited he shook hands with himself. For moral support he tightened his belt.

And bolting, he retraced his footsteps to Ma Pheet's dwelling. He would tell her of his good fortune. Walton found that Ma Pheet had gone marketing. Pouting, he slid up the bannister hand over hand.

Ah, and the blow smote him as he walked past the bathroom door was just too sad. Oh! Oh! (lower register) There he saw the late rising boarder, Don E. Avaytor using Walton's new tooth-brush.

"This is too much!" shrieked Walton, doing a half-swoon.

The Don turned with a leer. "Too much indeed!" he muttered, between his teeth, lips, and mustache, respectively, gazing at Walton's prostrate figure. "But I have only began," he added, walking over and dropping the tainted toothbrush on Walton's throbbing forehead. Don E. etc., looked for chance spectators in two or three empty rooms, and re-entering the bathroom, he carefully washed his finger prints from the tooth-paste tube. As Walton still did not show signs of life, the Don, sticking one arm ahead and one back, stealthily tiptoed to his smallish back room.

I am sorry, dear friends, but we must leave Walton in a state of unconsciousness. If he were not, I am more than sure he would join in wishing you all a Very Merry Christmas.

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Mechanics' popular ideas" with an informal snapshot of yourself or your friends or with an actual humorous experience of your class mates. May we extend this plea to the faculty. We wish we could impress upon you the necessity of your co-operation in order to make this year's publication your personal school diary. What kind of a publication are you going to make this year's Ramikin? Its destiny lies in your hands.

Each senior is required to fill out blanks for fundamental information pertaining to the senior section. These blanks may be secured at the Ramikin Office or from Dorothy Humstone. If you fail to fill these out by January tenth, the staff will be forced to substitute from their own source of knowledge concerning you, which might not please you. Seniors! you are supposedly on a stage that marks responsibility. May we ask YOU to accept this responsibility.

The play, "A Full House" which is being sponsored by the staff for the purpose of raising funds for the book is at least amusing the cast.

Some subscription blanks will be distributed among the student body the first of the year and we urge that you subscribe early so as to assure having a Ramikin. There will be no more ordered than subscribed for; so place your order early and own a 1929 Ramikin (The Best Ever).

Fraternity and Sorority News

ALPHA PSI SORORITY

The Alpha Psi Sorority entertained twenty guests at its first rush party, November first. A play, "John Ferguson" was presented by the New York Theatre Guild, at the Lyceum, after which the guests were taken to Odenbach's Coffee Shoppe.

The sorority held a formal dinner at the "Popular Way" on November twenty-third as its final rush party. The evening was made most enjoyable by the attendance of several of the alumnae members.

The annual Christmas Party which is to be given for the pledges, will be held on December nineteenth.

CHI EPSILON PHI

Chi Epsilon Phi Fraternity will entertain its new members, pledges and friends at a closed Christmas party at the Fraternity house on the evening of December nineteenth. Dancing will feature the evening, but will be interrupted by a visit from Santa Claus, who will present all those attending the party with an appropriate gift. Music will be furnished by a well-known red-hot orchestra. A good time is anticipated by all those planning to attend.

PHI UPSILON PHI

The Phi Upsilon Phi Sorority entertained its guests at the Rochester Club, Friday, November twenty-third. The occasion celebrated the tenth year of the existence of the sorority. Among those present were Miss Bessie Gillard, who, with president Farnum founded this first sorority in Mechanics Institute, and Miss Loretta McCarty, a charter member.

May the success of this party be a forecast of the year which will follow.

DELTA OMICRON

No human could not have been delighted and filled with the pleasures of being alive, while answering the question affirmatively; concerning the value, as a criterion of success, of Friendship. These are the thoughts of one, echoed by many, who sat at the end of this never-to-be-forgotten dinner table at the Sagamore Hotel on Friday evening, November the twenty-third. The long rows of happy faces were illuminated solely by the two scores of candles. Small corsages scattered here and there were only symbols of the one large human corsage bound there.

The active members of the Delta Omicron Sorority wish to express to their honorary members, alumnae, and guests their whole-hearted delight with their presence among us on this stated night. We are all looking forward to many more happy hours together both in social and beneficial enterprises.

SIGMA KAPPA DELTA

In accordance with the established custom in Mechanics Institute, the first pledge dinner of the year was held by the Sigma Kappa Delta Sorority at the Columbus building Friday evening, November twenty-third.

A short entertainment followed the dinner, consisting of tap and aesthetic dances.

CHI DELTA PHI

About fifty couples enjoyed a closed dance held in Bevier Hall Wednesday evening, Dec. 5. The Chi Delta Phi Fraternity and their guests danced to the music provided by the Blue Bird Broadcasters.

The Chi Delt dance will be remembered as one of the best of the informal dances given so far this year.

The orchestra, which is new to our dances made a hit with the dancers.

CAN YOU IMAGINE

Thelma Schutt saying to Gerry Hilton: "Who are you?—I don't know you!"

Jack Bennett calling "Chat" Palmer "Mother."

The following dialogue between Dot Humstone and Norm Collister:

Dot: You dear!
Norm: Sweetheart!
Dot: Precious!
Norm: Darling!
Etc., Etc., Etc.

Kay Downs telling Jack Bennett that she bets he's kissed every other girl he's ever met and Jack replying, muchly rattled: "N-n-no—not every one—Some got away."

Dot Humstone telling Gerry Hilton that one can learn a lot in two weeks, and Gerry replying that that is why she has remained single!

Joe French as the typical H'English butler.

"Dutch" Van Emmerick coming to the conclusion "the woman in the case usually makes it ten times worse."

Keith Doone imploring Gerry Duffy as follows:

"Don't tempt me! Don't tempt me! Get thee behind me, Satinees. I'm only feeling."

Bill Stinson being so harsh as to speak thusly to Gerry Duffy:

"I'm going to tell you something and I don't want you to miss it. Which is your good ear? Say! are you conscious?"

Norm Collister telling Betty Ramsey not to call him "Cutie."

Betty Ramsey saying to Jack Bennett:

"Why didn't you come to me like a man and say "I'm tired of you, Vera—I'm in love with another woman."

THE GAME IS ON

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Not a good scorer on the team. No, the squad will not be allowed to cut Friday classes to make those week-end trips. You'll take that referee or the game is off. Your center just made a clean goal from the opposite foul line—Etc., etc."

The players don't have to harden themselves. The coach will take care of that. But, of course, if any player is impatient and wants to hurry the operation, he can hop into the business end of a concrete mixer. If he comes out the far side, it's a sign that he will last as far as the second quarter in the third game.

The spectator has to harden himself to a number of things including:

(a) Snow, rain, ice, hail, frozen feet, group singing and racoon coats.

(b) Digesting lunch-counter sandwiches made of a slice of bird's-eye maple placed between two thin slabs of pine.

(c) Suffering from the strains of the human vocal cords of someone that happens to be seated near by.

(d) And of course, the confusion at the check-room door after the bloody battle has come to a grudgery mighty close.

There's more than that to it, but that will do for the moment. Getting down to real basketball and making a definite, fearless, technical statement. All of the schools on the basketball schedule for this year will have good teams. (Don't shoot! so will M. I. It's to be a surprise for you).

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The Psimar urges each student to place at least one of these posters during the Christmas holidays.
Posters may be secured in the offices of the School of Applied Art, School of Home Economics and the School of Industrial Arts.

1928-29 Basketball Schedule

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| Jan. 11 | Auburn Theological Seminary | at Rochester |
| Jan. 18 | Lima Seminary | at Rochester |
| Jan. 25 | Geneseo Normal | at Geneseo |
| Jan. 26 | Buffalo Normal | at Buffalo |
| Feb. 1 | Brockport Normal | at Rochester |
| Feb. 2 | Lima Seminary | at Lima |
| Feb. 8 | Geneseo Normal | at Rochester |
| Feb. 15 | U. of R. Frosh | at Rochester |
| | R. B. I. | at Rochester |
| Feb. 22 | Auburn Theological | at Auburn |
| Feb. 23 | Oswego Normal | at Oswego |
| Mar. 1 | Buffalo Normal | at Rochester |
| | R. B. I. | at Rochester |
| Mar. 8 | Oswego Normal | at Rochester |
| Mar. 14 | Brockport Normal | at Brockport |
| Mar. 15 | School of Commerce | at Rochester |
| Mar. 22 | Alumni (Mardi Gras) | at Rochester |

Exact dates of R. B. I. games not as yet set.

Last Cut Made on Basket Ball Squad, Schedule Arranged

With the holidays almost at hand, Coach Pete McKay is working his charges extra hard in order that they be in the best possible shape for the two weeks lay-off necessitated by Christmas vacation. With the last cut made, the squad is progressing faster and all of Pete's time can now be given to them.

Those remaining on the squad show: forwards, Captain Cuddeback, Moyes, Leiman, Eddy, Eisenhart and M. Donahoe; Centers, Coryell, E. Donahoe and Van Wyen; guards, Du Bois, Staley, Swayze, Forester and Haskins.

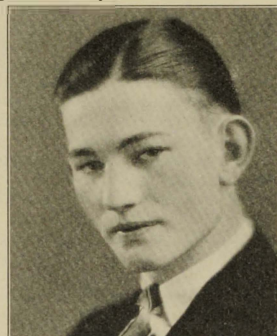
How They Look Now

Captain Cuddeback, of course is a fixture at forward and his running-mate will be chosen from the remaining forwards of whom "Red" Moyes is making the strongest bid for the position with Leiman and the rest close behind. "Zip" Coryell, whose work has been consistently good throughout, will probably fill a regular berth, but whether he will be in at center or guard is not known at present as he has been working at both positions. E. Donahoe is also making a strong bid for center and will see plenty of service this season. "Pork" Van Wyen, the other center candidate, may have to give up basketball and "center" his time on graduating and other school activities which take up much of his time.

The guard berths are being so hotly contended that no one is at present very certain of a regular position, with perhaps Du Bois, Swayze, and Staley having a slight edge over the others.

No Manlius Game This Year

Manager Glen Herman has the schedule arranged and we find seventeen games booked, eleven at home (counting three R. B. I. games, all in Rochester) and six games away.



"MANAGER GLEN HERMAN"

This year two new teams, Geneseo Normal and School of Commerce, have been added to the schedule, and one old rival, Manlius, has been dropped. Our 32-29 win of two years ago and the one point loss of last year (which is still a mystery) with Manlius did not cause then to "beg on bended knee" to be put on our schedule again this year, so that's that.

Cheering Team Organized

"Red" Young is organizing a Frosh cheering team which showed plenty of vocal ability at their practices so far and the upperclassmen present had to admit they had the makings of a real cheering section which is something we have always needed and looked forward to, but not as yet quite realized, so get out, Frosh, and let's have some real cheers!

M. I. Scores Win Over Oswego Squad by 19-10

Matmen Show Speed and Stamina in Opening Meet. Stelljes and Dudley Furnish Plenty of Action as High Lights of First Go

The Institute wrestlers opened the season Saturday, November 24, by defeating the Oswego Y. M. C. A. team in a series of bouts that were full of action from start to finish.

The highlights of the meet, however, were furnished by Stelljes and Dudley and their respective opponents.

Stelljes, 145 pound state champion in both the A. A. U. and the Y. M. C. A., was matched against Whitney of Oswego who is the 158 pound Y. M. C. A. champion. Although Stelljes demonstrated his superiority from the first, the match was packed with thrills and held the audience breathless at times.

The judges awarded the victory to Stelljes with a time advantage of 6 minutes, 30 seconds.

Dudley, who tips the beam at 200 pounds, catapulted his man around for awhile, bringing the spectators into a frenzy and then proceeded to down him. At this time Dudley was the most composed man in the gymnasium, excepting, perhaps, the man beneath him who remained quite motionless until "Cy" arose.

The match was well attended, not only by the student body, but also by outsiders who were interested in the contest.

Mr. Weismuller, Physical Director of the Central Y. M. C. A., refereed the match.

The summary of the bout is as follows: 115 pound class:

Bonfiglio (M) defeated Vaughn (O) Time advantage—6 minutes, 58 seconds.

125 pound class: Captain Stinson (M) defeated Sawyer (O) Time advantage—6 minutes, 58 seconds.

135 pound class: B. Wilson (O) awarded decision over Kent (M) on forfeit.

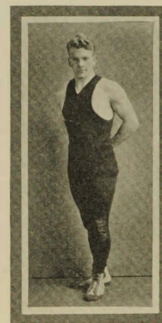
145 pound class: Captain Wilson (O) defeated Hodgins (M) by a fall Time—7 minutes, 25 sec.

155 pound class: Stelljes (M) defeated Whitney (O) Time advantage 6 minutes, 30 seconds.

165 pound class: Hogue (M) defeated Flowers (O) Time advantage—5 minutes, 11 seconds.

175 pound class: Cala (M) defeated Flowers (O) Time advantage—6 minutes.

Heavyweight class: Dudley (M) defeated Myers (O) by a fall Time—2 min., 30 sec.



"GOMER STELLJES"

"M" Club Elects Officers at First Regular Meeting

The newest Mechanics Institute organization was formed on Tuesday, November 27 when the letter men, faculty managers, and coaches of men's activities met and adopted their constitution.

The organization is the "M" club and is composed of the faculty managers, coaches and men who have been awarded the letter for service.

The purposes of the club are: to promote good sportsmanship, encourage participation in athletics, strengthen school spirit in the student body, and to limit the wearing of the block letter to those who have earned the privilege. The club will also cooperate with Steve Brodie in conducting try-outs for cheer-leader. It is the intention of the club to see that a sweater is awarded to the successful candidate.

The officers and members for the year 1928-1929 are: President: Charles Cala.

Vice-president: Samuel Cuddeback.

Secretary and Treasurer: Reginald Penfield.

Coaches: Ellingson and McKay.

Faculty Managers: Brodie and Hagberg.

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- Irving Hall
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Old M. I. Stars Shine Again On Gridiron, Court and Track

Luminaries of Yesterday Recalled When the Institute Was Represented in Five Branches of Major Sports

Our Basket Ball team is being rounded into shape for another yearly go at some of our old rivals and also our newer ones. Although M. I. boasts of a good wrestling team, our favorite sport seems to be this fast and interesting game of Basket Ball. Through this sport alone does the student body as a whole express the cheering thought of an unanimous spirit.

Few of us realize that Mechanics was once a supporting school and that there are names and scores existing not only for Basket Ball but also Base Ball and Track.

"START OF SPORTS"

Our first source of reference on hand is the M. I. Book of 1912, which as its publisher says, is the first record of the growing spirit. Track, Baseball and Basket Ball were the main sports of this year. The older annuals were rather brief, not saying a great deal about any particular player but we find that in 1912 Capt. Ferguson was the athletic hero of the school. His record at Basket Ball was indeed good, for he hung up a total of 49 field goals and made 69 of 78 foul shots, for a total of 167 points. The teams for the next two or three years were 50-50 propositions with 1914 standing out as a slump year. The 1913 men having calmly left school with practically all of the Base Ball and Basket Ball equipment. Putney Wright alone was left as a nucleus. Although not a brilliant athlete Wright undoubtedly deserves a place of honor in our minds for he strove to "Defend Thy name with all his might."

"M. I.'s BIG YEAR ON DIAMOND"

And then comes 1916 THE Baseball year, for in this year Mechanics did great things on the diamond. Backed by a strong team Pitcher Freeman twirled the ball around the oppositions neck and came through with a clear late defeating a powerful

The Sport Department of the Psimar is anxious to give the girls' sports full space and recognition, but is unable to do this due to the fact that no copy is turned in by the heads of girls' sports who are responsible for them.

—Sports Editor.

West High team two straight, an even more powerful R. B. I. nine and then polishing off Charlotte and Fairport.

Freeman. Ah! that boy had an arm. 14 strike outs in the first West High game, allowed three hits in the second which was called off at the end of the fifth a complete route with M. I. at the bat, no men out, three West High pitchers knocked out of the box and more in reserve, McIntosh at the bat having already hit a home run with the bases loaded and the lop-sided score of ten to four. But this boy Freeman, long hail his name and loudly for in four games pitched, he handed in a total of 39 strikes outs and only four passes.

Then we hear of Jim Shoudy, who all through the season showed about the fastest pair of heels ever revealed in local amateur Baseball, accepting chances in the field and making them good when it was next to impossible, stacking up in the neighborhood of twenty stolen bases and by sheer fleetness of foot that so astounded his opponents, he several times stretched lowly singles into two base hits.

Then due to the war we find athletics practically disregarded at M. I. with practically no men out for the teams and even less support.

"DAYS OF FOOTBALL RECALLED"

Way back Mechanics used to turn out glorious foot-ball teams. Teams that fought every inch of the way and hung up many records and then gradually faded and became extinct when foot-ball was discontinued in the Rochester High Schools. Then along came James B. Green who loved foot-ball and to him we owe further records of foot-ball at M. I. for he was another scrapper and finally succeeded with the assistance of Mr. Brodie and Mr. Yonkers to put a team on the Gridiron of which he served as captain. Although a rather disastrous year as far as scores were concerned, the boys out-did themselves and turned in a twelve to nothing victory over the U. of R. Reserves which team was considered nearly as good as the University first team.