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Mechanics Institute at
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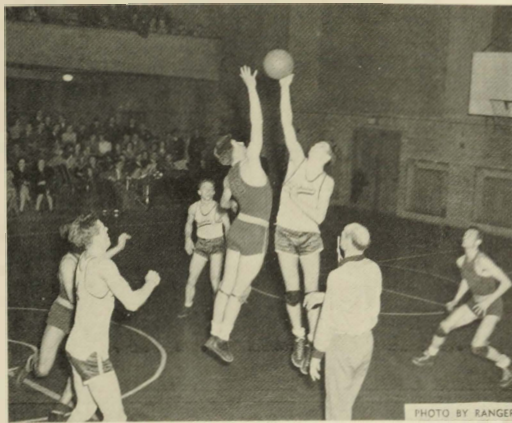
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Seniors
Don't Forget the "Gay
Nineties" Party Next
Friday

TENSE MOMENTS



Institute basketballers, left to right—Frank Beaty, rf.; Fred Martin, rg.; and Jim Andrews, lg.

Quintet Wins From Brockport; Loses To Ithaca

RAMI's varsity quintet split its two contests last weekend, losing to an invading Ithaca College five Friday night, 35 to 53, and winning over Brockport Normal in an out of town contest the following evening, 37 to 33.

Tonight the Blue and Grey team travels to play Alliance College, having met a Geneseo Teachers five on the K of C court last Wednesday evening.

Beaty and Walker were the main scoring treats for Mechanics in both contests. In the Brockport game, Coach Fox's team succeeded in gaining a nine point lead at the three quarters mark, and downed a desperate Brockport attack in the last quarter to win.

Phi Sigs Plan Washington Party

The Phi Sigma Phi Fraternity will hold a Washington birthday party at Clark Union on Feb. 22. The festivities will begin at 8 o'clock and continue until midnight.

The types of entertainment to be offered are secret as the committee refuses to divulge the information, but they promise everyone an evening of utmost entertainment. Dancing and refreshments will constitute the nucleus of the party, however, according to Hub Stamford and Don Stevenson who have charge of the party.

Petty Drawing Stolen from Esquire

Due to the fact that some ill-mannered student cut a full page drawing by George Petty from the new issue of "Esquire," Miss Havens has announced that if this occurs again, the magazine subscription will be cancelled.

At the request of many students the magazine was re-subscribed to after the subscription had expired. The Art students, in particular, use "Esquire" for its excellent advertising and men's fashion illustrations. It would be a definite loss to them, as well as to the cartoon lovers, were the magazine to be discontinued.

MUSIC APPRECIATION HOUR

Program for February 26, 1941

1. Perpetum Mobile..... Johann Strauss, Jr.
2. Fourth Movement from the Scotch Symphony..... Felix Mendelssohn
3. Hall of the Mountain King..... Grieg
4. Wine, Women, and Song..... Johann Strauss, Jr.
5. Dance of the Comedians..... Frederick Smetana
6. Prelude to the Third Act of Lohengrin... Richard Wagner
7. Hungarian Rhapsody Number 2 Franz Liszt

Dorm Girls Celebrate Birthdays at Formal Party

A formal birthday dinner was held by the Dorm girls in honor of the girls celebrating birthdays this block.

Those having birthdays received sweet pea corsages and all the girls present received special favors. Mary Poch, Mary Lois Cornell, Lois Atchison, Barb Coe, Emily Larson, Doris Blacklock, Evelyn Gates and Marion Young were the ones feted

Women's Club Plans Card Party

One week from tonight the Faculty Women's Club expects to pack 'em in at their fund-raising card and game party to be held from eight to twelve in Clark Union. Extensive plans have been made, and tickets have been distributed to members of the club from whom they may be obtained. Tickets may be purchased from Mrs. Lena Karker.

Clark Union possesses some twenty-five tables that will be used, and others with cards will be brought in by members. Refreshments are being planned, and surprise table prizes awarded. On the committee are Mrs. Harold J. Brodie, chairman, assisted by Mrs. Herbert H. Bohacket and Mrs. Warren C. Davis.

STRATTON CONVALESCES FROM FLU

Burton Stratton is now able to leave his south bedroom, and sit by his downstairs fireplace, according to those who have contacted him. He still has some difficulty with sore lungs, an aftermath of flu and a touch of pneumonia. He keeps in touch with affairs at the institute by an almost constant phone exercise,

Wrestlers Tie St. Lawrence, 14-14; Face Syracuse U.

Continuing a most successful season, the Institute varsity wrestlers tied St. Lawrence matmen, 14 to 14, last Friday evening at the Columbus Auditorium. Tonight the school grapplers meet an invading Syracuse University aggregation at the K. of C.

Ben Sagesse, heavyweight class, Bob Renner, 175-pounds, and Harry Lugert, 155-pounds, won decisions, while Dick Fields, 121-pounds, won the only Mechanics fall of the evening.

Summary:

121 pounds: Fields (MI) threw Woodbury; (St. L.) with figure four, time, 2:30.

128 pounds: Cooper (St. L.) threw Bloom (MI), with half-nelson, time 1:02.

136 pounds: Francis Tench (St. L.) decisioned Charles Costello (MI).

145 pounds: Gerry Bradshaw (St. L.) decisioned Milton Ford (MI).

155 pounds: Lugert (MI) decisioned Zittel.

165 pounds: Bert Furey (St. L.) decisioned Bill Tarplee (MI).

175 pounds: Robert Renner (MI) decisioned Thad Lewkowicz (St. L.). Unlimited: Ben Sagesse (MI) decisioned Charles Rose, (St. L.).

The wrestling team has purchased eight new robes to be used at the various meets. Money for this was from the appropriation they received at the beginning of the year as the Student Council would not appropriate more funds for the purchase.

Parliamentary Law Used In Effective Speaking Class

The Thursday evening class in Effective Speaking held an enthusiastic but strictly "according to Roberts" session last night.

Each speaker reported on a current event as part of a meeting conducted by another class member acting as chairman.

After giving the current event the speaker was assigned a topic for the following week by the class, parliamentary procedure being closely followed in all activity.

Members of the class taught by Frank Clement are: Thomas Brigham, Vana Casaretta, James Cox, Frank DeWitt, Miss Beryl Guthrie, Mrs. Gertrude Hegadorn, William Kloesz, Karl Lamb, Elbert Outerma, Miss Ruth Punnett, Miss Janet MacFarlane, Miss Kay Rexin, Stanley Schutte, Howard Schuyler, Laurence Sullivan, W. E. Williams,

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EDITORIAL

Time and time again students were told NOT to smoke in the rear hall of the Eastman Building and signs were posted to that effect.

Yet, however, any day one can glance at that hallway and see a congregation of smokers literally farming a smoke screen between the two doorways. This hallway can be readily seen from the front entrance of the Institute and persons entering get a bad impression of the Institute when they first enter.

Another result is that the hallway is always cluttered with matches, ashes, wrappers, cigarette butts, etc. and the janitor must clean the hallway a dozen times daily.

To combat this, the Student Council, last year, made it permissible to smoke in the hallway directly beneath it. It is only a matter of a few seconds for a person to walk down a flight of stairs, open a door and enter a place where smoking is permissible.

One of the primary reasons for the establishment of the Student Center was to solve the smoking problem by making it permissible to smoke anywhere in the Union. Even this, however, has failed to solve the problem.

So, students, please let us heed the regulations regarding smoking and do our dissipating in the proper place. Let's give all those entering the Institute and those already in the Institute a good impression.

Frederick von Egloffstein, Federal general in the American Civil war, is said to have been the first to utilize ruled glass screens in making plates from photographic copy. This happened in mid-1860s.—Oklahoma Publisher.

Student Opinion Poll

Last week's Poll of Student Opinion found sensible answers sprinkled with various tongue-in-the-cheek replies, which are worthy of being repeated for their very audacity.

Question: How do you think social life at the Institute could be improved?

"Why not have mixed classes in such subjects as Psychology and English to help the students to get acquainted?"

"By having more Siamese twins enroll. Then getting together would be easier. Killing Dr. Calldare!"

"Have dancing during the noon hour."

"By having student mixer dances each month instead of just the first two blocks."

"There are too many social activities now. How about getting down and doing some work?"

"If something is dead—bury it." Questions some of the students would like to have discussed in the near future are:

"How about all sitting in one section at games to help improve the cheering?"

"What are the Dorm girls doing Friday nights?"

"Do you like the new long faces that are being worn this year?"

"Do you mind the use of a few gentle swear words in the conversation when exactitude of expression seems to demand them."

Next week the Poll will start a series of questions relating to current topics, to tie in with study in the current topic and economic classes. Such subjects should prove to be interesting, and of genuine value.

Now Poll of Student Opinion boxes will be placed outside the departmental doors for you to drop your ballots in. This will make it easier for both you and the department heads.

Tuesday next again all dance

At Clark Union, four to six;
 No partners needed in advance,
 But cut right in, and mix.

"It has the grandest tone I've ever heard! It is marvelous!" declared Franklin Alderman, Lionel's brother, for whom several Carnegie records were played. Franklin, a graduate of the University of Rochester, now taking a specialized evening course at R. A. M. I., has made some excellent voice recordings that have been played on the new phonograph.

Highly satisfactory has been the attendance at the Carnegie appreciation programs, according to Prof. Milton McCullough. More students seem able to attend on Wednesdays than at other times, for at these specially prepared programs all of the chairs in Room 1 are taken. Additional chairs, ash trays, et al, always can be obtained from other rooms.

One bleak day, affairs here looked very gloomy, for Mr. Fisher and Rose could locate only 214 of the Union's 218 folding chairs. House Committeeman John Bowlan went into action and believe it or not he found the stray sitters and checked them in.

Under-armed with twenty C. U. records, Milford Bohn has been after-game dance supply man recently. Following a single athletic event twenty records about fill the musical menu. Bones may be broken aplenty at basketball or wrestling, but never a record has come back cracked.

So convenient is the record holder containing fifty in order, many have hoped that another such case may be acquired in which to file the second bests. Everybody seems happy over the six new recordings a month that are selected.

More girls play cards at the noon hour than came in last year. Fellows who are here at eleven-thirty usually bring their games to an abrupt close and rush away

Miss Thurber Judges Pie-Making Contest

Miss Bertha Thurber, instructor in the Food Administration Department, was one of the judges at the cherry pie contest for the New York State Championship Contest held on February 8 at the Chamber of Commerce kitchen.

The prize, twenty-five dollars and a four days trip to Chicago to compete in the national contest, was won by Elsie Benson, a Geneva high school girl.

Unionisms

for lunch because they catch the delicious aroma of coffee and confections brought in on the counselors' tray collection.

Also, they catch a brief glance at the white-uniformed cafeteria lass who brings the tempting tray. Girls who have carefully prepared and delivered these petit-dejeuners include Doris Bauer, Mary Cunningham, Jane McNeilly, Jean Rutledge, and Harriet Thayer.

Contract fans will have to make their bids without Julian Kubit tomorrow afternoon, for he has gone to Cleveland to be present at the silver wedding anniversary of his parents.

Who will be the thrilled recipients of those valentine billets that Bob Hall and Ray Hutchinson spent all last Saturday afternoon composing? They were sealed with wax dripped from a red mantel candle.

For three-quarters of an hour on Wednesday the electricity failed to function. It would happen when the Carnegie music lovers were packed in place, and getting set to hear the "Hall of the Mount-ain King," after hearing Schener-azade tell her tale of the prince and princess. No one knew what time it was for the remainder of the evening.

If all prospective freshmen are as attractive, and can lisp in union, "We are from East High," as prettily as did three lassies Miss Jean Northup escorted about this week, then R. A. M. I. has gala times a-coming.

Read Job 40:15-24 for a full explanation of the word BEHEMOTH, applied by a Cleveland reporter to Ben Saggese who won his match against a Case matman. "His bones are strong as pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron." "He draweth it with his eyes; his nose pierceth through snares;" and similar provocative verses describe the Biblical Caliban.

Faculty Hear Speech At Chamber of Commerce

Miss Edwina B. Hodgdon, counselor of the Retailing Department, arranged for a table of Institute faculty at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon held on February 19.

The group heard Whiting Williams speak about "What My double life has taught me." The talk dealt with the people and workers of Europe and America

"DORMITES"

by JIM STEG



"Sue, can I borrow your blue skirt because I couldn't get Ruth's and Mabel's got mine?"

Seniors Plan "Gay Nineties" Party

It's GREAT! It's TERRIFIC!! It's PHENOMENTAL!!! That's the "Gay Nineties" party that the Seniors will hold on February 28 in the Bevier gallery. The party will be open to Seniors only, and there will be no admittance charge. Betty Booden is general chairman.

The theme of the affair will be the "Gay Nineties," and both program and decorations have been built on that idea. The gallery will be trimmed to resemble an old-fashioned music hall, replete with soft-drink bar and free lunch. Hostesses, melodrama, and a sourette or two comprise a most unusual program! Dancing and singing will fill out the evening.

The committee heads are: Natalie Cummings and Art Grabb, entertainment; Dottie Holt, decorations; Eleanor Brockmyre, publicity; Phyllis Frank, refreshments; George Kupfershmid, chaparrons. Other members of the committee are Jim Tobin, Stan Lescaboura, and Johnnie Bowllan.

Ellingson and Jarvie Attend A. A. S. A. Meeting

Dr. Mark Ellingson and Dr. Lawrence L. Jarvie are in Atlantic City where they are playing prominent roles at the annual convention of the American Association of School Administrators and affiliated organizations.

Dr. Jarvie gave three addresses and Dr. Ellingson presided at a session of the National Vocational Guidance Association yesterday.

GLEE CLUB HAS PARTY AT SCOTTS

The members of the Glee Club held a hay ride last Saturday evening at Scott's. After an enjoyable two-hour ride they returned to Scott's where dancing was held and refreshment were served.

Jerry Anderson was chairman of the committee in charge and was assisted by Marcelline Dempsey, Megs Austin and Bob Greenfield.

Success comes from within a person not from without.

Around the Dorm

Happy George Washington's Day, pepul! Things are up and a-doing around the Dorm these days. Must be those few spring-like days we've been having lately!

Megs Austin, Pat Woodard, Dottie Holt and Miss Meyer went to Buffalo Thursday to attend the funeral of Miriam Drewery's father and brother. Miriam has been to the Deaconess Hospital in Buffalo, where she is reported to be doing as well as can be expected.

Bobbie Coe, Bambi Davis and Ruth Kratzer danced to Tommy Tucker and Harry James last Friday night at the Policemen's Ball.

Jackie Pfeleger and Tori Aul Clair were at the Collegiate Club Friday night.

Grace Vary, Virginia Burkhardt and Doris Ward heard Maurice Evans speak at Eastman Hall last Sunday afternoon.

Betty Pedley, Barb Rudd, Grace

Vary, Doris Ward and Doris VanderMeid were "among those present" at the Pop Concert Sunday night. The Southernaires, a negro quartet, were the soloists.

Laura Funnell was the weekend guest of Edith McCullough Darier. Graham stayed with Mary Skivington at the Skivington home in Scottsville on Friday night.

Betty Quinn and Joyce Loftus, Nazareth College, were the guests of Mary Skivington on Saturday night in the Dorm.

Nancy Wood spent the weekend at Colgate University and Jane Hathaway at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. Jimmy Cox was in Syracuse this weekend. Dorothy Sutfin was bridesmaid to her sister at the latter's wedding in Elmira last Saturday.

Thomas Barron and Dick Maurer of Buffalo were dinner guests of Virginia Moesel and Dottie Holt on Sunday in the cafeteria.

Student Builders Have Movie Program

A talk, accompanied by movies, sponsored by the Homosote "Precision Built Homes" people was presented before the Student Builders' Society on Feb. 12 in Clark Union.

Robert Holtby, one of the graduates of the Institute, took charge of the discussion with the assistance of the district Homosote head. They pointed out the advantages of the new system of prefabrication and explained in detail the process of manufacturing this product.

With such knowledge and findings, the construction field has an ever-widening scope with advantages for all who are interested. The society, open for new suggestions and ideas, plans to visit the Rochester agency for this type of home in the near future.

It was the contention of the majority of the members that this was the most successful meeting held by the builders.

During the regular business meeting, a new refreshment committee for the next meeting was appointed and plans for another bowling party were started.

After the meeting, refreshments were served under the supervision of Sam Rankin and Bob Hall.

The airplane used by the Wright brothers is reported safe in a Kensington museum. Sentimentalists had feared the RAF might have overdone its enthusiasm for American planes.

Johns Boosted For County Commander

Genesee Valley Post, American Legion, will boost Alfred Johns Institute registrar and present county vicecommander for county commander.

Johns will run against Maurice Sanlon, endorsed by Police Post Tuesday night for nomination at the summer county convention.

Johns is a former post commander, member since 1919. He has served on the county committee and county executive committee, was chairman of the flag committee from 1927 to 1940, county historian last year and vicechairman of the Rochester 1949 State Convention Committee's finance committee.

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Veteran Worker Remembers School's First Carbon Lamp

by SARA PENN

This is a story of one of the most faithful employees of the Institute. The man is Ira Bennett, one of the veteran workers on the maintenance staff.

Ira Bennett was born in Granhaven, Michigan, on May 22, 1871. Although he has seen nearly seventy years pass him by, his unlined face and erect standing give little evidence of this fact. Mr. Bennett is very well liked by his fellow-workers who speak of him as a man with a brown face and a white hair.

Now, after 39 years of faithful service to the Institute, with the closing of the present school year, in June, Mr. Bennett will leave us. He will take with him a collection of all those fond memories gathered through the years from the day he first came to the Institute in 1902 as a student and then later as an engineer in charge of the heating and lighting equipment.

Mr. Bennett has seen many changes in his day. The carbon incandescent lamp was the newest invention at that time, but gas lights still remained in the office and in room 124 for a long time.

Mr. Bennett was in charge of the heating equipment until February, 1911, when the power plant



IRA BENNETT

was put in operation. The power plant furnished heat and light for both the Eastman building and the Dormitory. The Bevier building at that time was heated by the Pall system and the heat was controlled by the Struvent system in the machine shop.

In 1935 Mr. Bennett was transferred to night watching. In 1937 he was placed on the maintenance staff where he does repair work and takes care of all the machines.

We sincerely hope that Mr. Bennett will enjoy his well-earned rest after so many years of service.

SWEEPINGS

Hi Snoop, old gal.

Valentines galore were breezing around last Friday . . . Bee Kemp received a box of red, red carnations . . . Ann Griffiths a corsage of deep pink camellias . . . telegrams for Barb Maulbetsch, Doty Griffiths, Dottie Holt Nancy Wood . . . comic valentines and sentimental ones . . . ah, me, hearts and flowers.

Speaking of hearts, must be Homer Wilson's belongs to the Dorm, 'cause if hearing is believing, the Dorm received a luscious box of sweets from the man.

Snoop, while I think of it, I wish when you're walking down the street with me, you wouldn't turn around and gaze at other gals' dates . . . especially good-looking ones like that man Jean Randall had Sunday night.

Scenario for the week:

ACT I

Time: Saturday, midafternoon

Man asks girl for date. Girl refuses. Man leaves.

ACT II

Time: Sameday, 6:30

All this time girl has been thinking. Girl leaves, searches, finds man.

ACT III

Time: Sameday, 8:00

Man calls for girl. They leave.

Moral: It's a woman's privilege to change her mind, but most men won't let it happen too often!

Since when have snow bags been placed on the back? Maybe it's a new trick of the Foods students—no, Scott?

APOLOGIES: To that Frosh Re-tailer. Sorry George, about the way you spell L-Y-O-N!

Why's Don Warren kept that purty gal a secret for so long? Bring her around, Don . . .

Saw "Western Union" Friday and guess who it was. Mr. Koch delivering telegrams to Nancy Wood in the library.

That's a neat looking frat pin Jane Hathaway wore home from Michigan. Yes, she's still wearing it.

When we saw at the Policemen's Ball: Bambi Davis, with Harry Davis; Ruth Kratzer and Mar MacNeil; Connie Bouchard and Hank Dickinson; and Wally Seawell, wandering around . alone

'Bye now . . .

Jojo

The purchasing class of the cafeteria visited Meyer, Foote and Dayton Co., a coffee and tea establishment. The trip was under the supervision of Miss Gladys Long.

Valentine Tea Dance Was Good Time For All

The Dorm Girls entertained a large number of guests—fellow-classes—last Friday afternoon from four until six in the Dormitory. The occasion was St. Valentine's Day.

The living room rugs were rolled back and there was dancing to music over a public address system. Refreshments making up a light snack consisted of punch, a variety of crackers, cheeses, jams, jellies and peanut butter.

Emily Larson was general chairman, Nancy Wood had charge of publicity; Jane Utter, dancing; Winona Williams, food; Rachael Smith, decorations, and Marion Schumesser, clean-up. Marcelline Dempsey was hostess.

As early as Gutenberg, the Polynesians of the South Seas, it is said, used a kind of papyrus on which they recorded the genealogies of their chiefs.—Graphic Arts Monthly.

Foods Girls Take Field Trip

The Food Administration students have gone on several field trips in connection with their regular classes recently.

The Freshmen visited Cutler Union at the University of Rochester on February 10, and the Monroe County Hospital on February 17, to study the equipment being used.

The Junior Food students visited the Brewster-Gordon Company on February 17 in connection with their study of Food Purchasing.

Mr. Brewster opened cans of food, and explained the difference between various grades of products, letting the girls taste the difference for themselves.

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