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TWENTY-THREE electricals are graduating in June, five in August, and three in December. The best class (so they say!) will soon leave Ohio State. However, they will have the memories of the hardships they have been through together and the good times that they have known here. Many intimate friends have been found in this class and it will certainly be difficult to think that they will soon be separating.

At the top of the list alphabetically is WILLIAM S. ALBERTS who transferred here from the University of Cincinnati last fall. He hails from Cincinnati and hopes to become a radio engineer. Bill is a member of A. I. E. E., H. K. N. and Tau Beta Pi.

RANDALL G. ALEXANDER is known as “Randy” and just plain “Alex” to his friends. Alex is the president of A. I. E. E., member of H. K. N. and Tau Beta Pi.

FRANK (3.9) ANDRIX is the high point man of the class and is the holder of the Lamme Scholarship. (The 3.9 is his point hour ratio.) He laughingly said that the toughest course he ever attempted was E. E. 783, Professor Kimberly’s half-hour lecture course. He received his only “C” in this course. Frank is planning to work for the General Electric Co. after graduation.

GLENN LLOYD ROBERT BAUMHARDT (yes, all these names for one senior!) is the E. E. senior class president, member of H. K. N., A. I. E. E., the band leader for Quadrangle Jesters, secretary of Texnikoi, member of the famous marching band, and member of the band fraternity. Besides all of these, Glenn made a lot of high grades in E. E. The class has elected Glenn as their president. They plan to have two class-letters a year and they also plan to have their first class reunion on Homecoming Day in November of 1940.

GRAHAM B. BROWN, known as “Grumpy” because of his constant grumbling, manages to get his eight hours of sleep during class hours so that he can study at nights. He slept through the history final last quarter. Grumpy is a member of A. I. E. E., H. K. N., Tau Beta Pi, and Quadrangle Jesters. He is going to Yale next year where he holds a graduate assistantship.

JOSEPH LOUIS BITONTI hails from Youngstown and is called “Joe Louis” by some of the E. E.’s because of his superb strength. Joe is the Departmental news editor of the Ohio State Engineer. He is also on the business staff of Quadrangle Jesters and a member of A. I. E. E.

MAURICE H. EDDY is an authority on Canton, Ohio (he worked there last summer), where he walked eight miles from a date at 4 o’clock one morning. He is a member of A. I. E. E., H. K. N., Tau Beta Pi, Texnikoi, the Engineers’ Council, and the Student Senate. Eddy is to work for the Lincoln Electric Co. after graduation.

FREDRICK GARDNER, known as “General,” “Fritz,” and just plain Fred. “General” is very much inclined to the military, being the C. O. of Pershing Rifles, member of Pi Tau Pi Sigma, Scabbard and Blade, and the Ohio National Guard. You ought to see the young women crowd around him when he wears all his medals. Once, when Fritz mentioned his weight, one of his fellow students asked, “With or without medals?”

ARTHUR W. FOWLE, Art to the E. E.’s, is one of the communication majors. Art has been keeping company with a young lady who has an identical twin sister. It has puzzled all of the E. E.’s how Art managed to identify the one and only, or has he? Maybe it doesn’t matter.

JOHN (Pretty Boy) HROVATH, the Romeo of the E. E.’s, is a Cleveland lad and manages to go to Cleveland to see several young ladies there occasionally. He said that he tires of going out with O. S. U. girls every night, so he takes a train to Cleveland. John is an active member of A. I. E. E. and Strollers (strolling down to Mirror Lake?).

RICHARD WALTER JOHNSON (no relative of baseball’s famous Walter Johnson) is one of the few serious-minded E. E.’s and plans to marry the lady of his dreams soon after graduation. Good luck, Dick.
CHARLES E. KNIGHT, the Delaware flash, has driven back and forth from Delaware for five years now. Figuring 195 school days per year and 40 miles per day, Chuck has traveled 19,500 miles for his sheepskin. You've gone a long way for that degree, Chuck. Hope it does you good. By the way, that figure is a little low. Chuck made many trips here on Sundays to see a little girl he met in History 637.

J. WESLEY LEAS, drum major, Texnikoi president, H. K. N. and A. I. E. E. member, is a very active Sigma Chi (active with the sweethearts of Sigma Chi). Wesley is going to work for General Electric after graduation. If any more information on Wes is desired, just turn to any old issue of any of the Columbus papers and look for Wes’ picture.

N. WHITNEY MATTHEWS of Caldwell, Ohio, was the chairman of the committee in charge of Engineers’ Day exhibits, and won the loving cup for the best exhibits in the college. Whitney is a member of A. I. E. E., H. K. N., and Tau Beta Pi. His fellow students are expecting to hear of his marriage soon after graduation.

WILLIAM L. REED (L. stands for Law, like what they put you in jail for violating) is a member of A. I. E. E., H. K. N., Tau Beta Pi, and the Tower Club. Bill was very studious until the beginning of this spring quarter. Wonder if spring and young men’s thoughts had anything to do with it?

JAMES M. ROBINSON, another of the activities and high scholarship men. Besides getting very high grades, Jim was president of Theta Tau fraternity, editor of the Ohio State Engineer, member of A. I. E. E., H. K. N., Tau Beta Pi, Texnikoi, Engineers’ Council, and the Student Senate. How do you do it, Jim?

PAUL ROMOSER of Lorain, Ohio, member of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity and A. I. E. E., spent a year at Akron University where he made some very high grades. Then he heard how easy it was to get through at O. S. U., so he transferred. Always looking for something easy, these E. E.’s!

RANDALL THUMM, president of H. K. N., is a member in good standing (so he says) of A. I. E. E. and Tau Beta Pi. “Randy” or “Chum” is another of these high point men. He is going to work for the Lincoln Electric Co. of Cleveland after graduation.

WILBUR VANCE of Columbus is a member of A. I. E. E., H. K. N., Tau Beta Pi, Radio Club, and Photography Club. Besides getting very high grades, Will spends much time with “ham” radio and photography—not saying a thing about the young lady who keeps him up many nights. Will worked at the Bell Laboratories in New York last summer.

WERNER W. VOLLRATH of Milford Center, Ohio, is also a member of this distinguished E. E. class. He is an active Theta Tau fraternity man and member of A. I. E. E.

C. EARL WARREN (the C. stands for Claude) is one of the high point men of the class. He is a member of A. I. E. E., H. K. N., and Tau Beta Pi. Earl has a laboratory assistantship at Mass. (couldn’t spell it out!) Institute of Technology for the coming school year. Good luck, Earl.

JAMES DAVID WATSON, JR., of Tiffin, Ohio (Note: He doesn’t like to be called Junior, so here it is), is getting a degree in Liberal Arts and Electrical Engineering (such ambitious people!). Jim’s main distractions are Phi Delta Theta fraternity and a trip to Granville, Ohio, every week-end to see a certain Denison University junior.