DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

M. E. LAB DANCE

Definition: A lab dance is simply a dance held in the lab—Robinson Lab in this case on Friday, January 17.

Approximately 40 couples attended the dance, which was open to the public. Several engineering students from departments other than M. E. attended. Among the faculty present were Professor Marquis and wife, Professor Bietler and wife, Professor Marco and wife and Professor Bucher—flowers to Mr. Bucher for livening up the party.

J. W. Schaefer, social chairman of A.S.M.E., was responsible for planning the dance and for the necessary arrangements. Music for the affair was furnished by records and the laboratory was enlivened by bright colored paper streamers. Refreshments in the form of coke and candy revitalized the tiring dancers.

Much favorable comment was received by the dance and the financial report was satisfactory. Bigger and better plans are under way for the next dance.

A. C. S.

The second meeting of the quarter of the American Ceramic Society was held at the main offices of the American Ceramic Society at 2525 N. High St. on February 5. Among the various phases of business discussed was the passing of a motion to prohibit anyone not paying his dues from participating in A. C. S. activities in an effort to bring about the paying of dues on time.

Mr. R. C. Purdy, secretary of the parent American Ceramic Society, described his extensive museum and some of the interesting circumstances accompanying the collection of the many articles.

Mr. William Bell, of the Engineering Experiment Station, discussed and showed slides of the subject of "Glaze Fit".

A. W. S.

Student Chapter of the American Welding Society met in University Hall on February 19. Welding with atomic hydrogen was described in a sound film entitled "Hottest Flame in the World". A second film showed electric arc welding in slow-motion, the film speed having been reduced from two thousand frames per second to eighteen frames per second. The film compared welding with bare wire electrodes to that with heavy coated wire electrodes and also direct current welding to alternating current welding.

A petition for representation in the Engineers' Council was placed before the Council February 13. Action on the results will be taken at the next business meeting.

A. I. E. E.

The American Institute of Electrical Engineers' meeting of February 6 was featured by a very interesting talk on the early history of electricity by John Newman. Final plans were made for the annual dinner with Eta Kappa Nu at Beechwold Villa. A discussion of the Big Brother movement, sponsored jointly by H. K. N. and A. I. E. E., completed the meeting.

A. I. E. E.—H. K. N. formal dinner was held February 7 at Beechwold Villa. Charles Wood, chairman of A. I. E. E., introduced Mr. E. M. Boone, who gave "What's in a Name". Mr. S. O. Evans entertained with a talk on his "stunning" craft, the Susie Q. Following this the group of sixty adjourned to the Engineers' Prom.

S. A. E.

The Society of Automotive Engineers held a dinner meeting January 30 with thirty-six members present. The dinner was held at the Ohio Union.

The speaker of the evening was Mr. Cole, the personnel recruiter for the Wright Aeronautical Corporation of Paterson, New Jersey. Mr. Cole described the history of the Wright Aeronautical Corporation from its early beginning through the great period of expansion which it is undergoing at the present time.

S. A. M. E.

Col. Parker Hitt, the Signal Corps Officer of the Fifth Corps Area, Fort Hayes, addressed the society on cryptography and military code work in general. Pi Tau Pi Sigma, Cadet Signal Corps honorary, were guests at this meeting held in Derby Hall.

On February 11th the student chapter S. A. M. E. was invited to attend a meeting of the Columbus Branch of S. A. M. E. featuring motion pictures, figures, description, and other data on the Pennsylvania super highway.

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THE OHIO STATE ENGINEER
TAU BETA PI

A discussion on the value of a union for engineers was held on Wednesday, January 29, by Tau Bete members. Mr. Williams, department of mechanics, and Mr. Parkinson, Batelle Memorial Institute, were proponents of such a union.

Several of the faculty were present including Dean MacQuigg, Dean Emeritus E. A. Hitchcock, Professor Ott, Professor Folk, Professor Herndon, and Professor Beitler.

Mr. Parkinson explained the purpose and organization of the engineers' union as it now stands; however, he encountered a lively debate from skeptical faculty and student members. The discussion was such a success that future discussions are to be arranged.

A. S. M. E.

The American Society of Mechanical Engineers held its Pre-Engineers' Prom banquet in the Alcove of the Pomerene Refectory at seven on the night of the Engineers' Prom.

"Fritz" Kuhn, the toastmaster, introduced several of the seniors and Professor and Mrs. Marquis before introducing Professor Folk, the speaker of the evening, and his wife. Professor Folk's subject was "Why I Became An Engineer".

THE OHIO STATE RADIO CLUB

The Radio Club, at a business meeting on the 27th of January, decided to purchase an electric clock and an antenna change-over relay. On February 3rd the club met to discuss future meetings and to get some of the equipment in working order for the Broadcast Engineers' Conference held during the weeks of February 10th and February 17th.

Teacher: "Who gave us this beautiful school?"
Pupil: "President Roosevelt."
Teacher: "Who keeps the roads so nice?"
Pupil: "President Roosevelt."
Teacher: "Who makes the trees and flowers grow?"
Pupil: "God."
Voice from rear: "Throw out that dam Republican."

Was her father surprised when you said you wanted to marry her?
Was he surprised? Why, the gun almost fell out of his hands.—The Pennsylvania Triangle.

(Over telephone): "Say Mabel, may I come over tonight?"
"Sure Bill, come on over."
"But this isn't Bill."
"This isn't Mabel either, but come on over!"

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