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WHO SAYS STUDENTS DON'T WORK?

CAMPUS NOTES



There is to be another debate during the spring quarter between the Electrical Engineering Department and the Mine Engineering Department, who won debates from the Industrial and Mechanical Engineering Departments respectively, February 17 and 24. The debate will be on "Resolved: That the War Debt Should Be Canceled." The winner will be awarded a silver cup which is to be donated by the Engineers Council.

There is an interesting project in progress in the Engineering Experiment Station under the supervision of Professor Tang of the Electrical Engineering Department. This project has to do with the effect of glare from windows on visual performance and also the effect of intensities of different light sources on visual fatigue. A special machine is being built for this kind of work. It will be tested sometime this quarter. This machine shifts cards individually without the observer noticing it.

A joint meeting of the student branch and the downtown section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers at this University will be held April 22.

The A.S.Ch.E. held a dinner meeting at the Neil Gables on Thursday, March 3, which was attended by about fifty members and guests. Following the banquet, those fortunate enough to be present were entertained by a most interesting and thought-provoking discussion of the "Fundamentals of Today's Depression Problem" by Samuel S. Wyer, nationally known consulting engineer of Columbus. Mr. Wyer offered numerous causes for the present depression, backing up his statements with positive proof in the form of charts, and then proceeded to outline a policy of reconstruction on the basis of known facts. Following his talk, Mr. Wyer held an informal discussion of various phases of our social and political life.

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At the regular meeting of the A. S. M. E. on Friday, March 4, the following officers were elected for the spring quarter: President, Charles M. McDermott; Vice

President, Lester M. Harlan; Secretary, Robert W. Reinicke; and Treasurer, Joseph P. Gatto.

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The entire chapter of the A. S. M. E. and about one hundred other engineering students and faculty members were the guests of the S. S. I. E. at a banquet held in the cafeteria of the Ohio Union on Monday, March 7. Immediately after the dinner, the group moved up to the auditorium for the evening's program, which was presided over by H. F. Carroll, president of the S. S. I. E. Carroll first brought up the subject of an All-Engineering banquet to be held in conjunction with all colleges of engineering which was voted upon favorably by all those present. Professor Younger presented Carroll with a fountain pen desk set emblematic of the choice of the Industrial Engineering Department as being the most outstanding I. E. student of the year. Miss Betty Bowman, a pretty blonde from the R-K-O vaudeville circuit, interpreted a few popular songs, accompanied by Geer Parkinson, a well-known Ohio State student.

The speaker of the evening was W. J. Fishleigh, consulting engineer from Detroit, Mich. Mr. Fishleigh was in charge of all ambulance maintenance during the war and later became affiliated with the Ford Motor Co., where he served as the assistant chief engineer. During this period, he was instrumental in laying out the production lines for the model "A" car and the Ford Trimotor Airplane. His subject was titled "Engineering Leadership," which he discussed in an interesting and inspiring manner. His theme was a plea for the students to break away from traditional engineering and strike out in unknown and uncharted paths for greater progress. During the talk, with the aid of slides, he outlined the design of a radically new car called the "Tear Drop" which involved the use of 100 per cent aerodynamic streamlining, individual mounting of wheels instead of the conventional axles, and the mounting of the engine in the rear. This created something of a sensation and provoked considerable discussion after the meeting adjourned.