

☞ REGISTRATION DAY this fall was a homecoming for thousands of Illini returning to complete educations interrupted by the war. More than 18,000 students registered here on the Urbana campus, increasing the population of Champaign-Urbana by almost 50 per cent. Housing facilities have been taxed to the limit. The University has virtually abandoned all efforts to supervise housing conditions, and students are living in basements, attics, garages, trailers and shacks of all descriptions. The circumstances some students are enduring to go to school illustrates the universal realization of the importance of education, the desire to retrieve time lost because of the war.

Champaign and Urbana are having difficulty amusing the 18,000 transients. The veteran is still standing in line. Now it's to eat in public, to go to the show, to bowl, to get a date at Tri Delt. The crowds in Kam's Annex, Bidwell's, 608, Bunny's and Katsinas make them lose some of their familiarity of old. It's college life, 1946, though, and that's all that counts.

The enormous enrollment has made class life greatly different from that before the war. Many students have been unable to take all the courses they desired because the sections filled up before they registered. All sections, even in courses previously unpopular, are filled. The auditoriums in Lincoln Hall and Gregory Hall are used continually for lectures and extra chairs have been added in the regular lecture halls. Lack of space has necessitated holding many classes in the evening, as late as 10 o'clock. The faculty has been flooded with inexperienced teachers, chiefly recent graduates and men from industry. This, of course, has greatly decreased the efficiency of the instruction