

### PROFESSORS TALK TO LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Various professors have been visiting high schools in the Chicago area to explain to the students just what the scope of engineering embodies and what the qualifications are for a prospective engineer.

The work, which is a branch of the Armour Development Plan, is already in full swing. Up to April 1, eleven high schools had been visited and on that date six more engagements for April were already on file. Although the first school was visited in November of last year, real activity did not start until the middle of January.

The purpose of this program, which is to be a permanent function of Armour, is to acquaint the high school students of the Chicago area with the facts about engineering and engineering education, so that those who are fitted for the profession will be attracted to it and those who are not fitted will be warned of the fact before they waste a year or so in pursuing the course.

All of the talks the professors are giving are similar in that they cover the following points:

**What is engineering?**

Different branches and fields of practice.

Opportunities in normal times.

Qualifications for a successful engineer.

**What is architecture?**

Opportunities and field of practice.

Qualifications for a successful architect.

Where training in engineering and architecture can be obtained, and what Armour Institute of Technology has to offer.

At the end of each talk prospective students are given a chance to ask questions they would like to have answered.

Professor Paul, who is in charge of the work, is also getting in touch with the high school teachers to solicit their aid in carrying out these plans. As one of the steps toward this end, he attended the Education Club last night. This club is composed of high school teachers.

This plan will automatically raise the standards of scholarship at Armour for if more students become interested in engineering, the ones that are accepted will probably be of higher caliber.

### Freshmen Urged to Contribute to Fund

Due to the lack of school spirit shown in the expansion program contest by the Freshman class, the committee in charge deemed it necessary to call an assembly last Monday, and inform the students how poorly they had co-operated in the drive for the new Armour fund. The statistics taken on contest revealed that the Freshman class had the lowest percentage of contributions. Prof. John Schommer gave a short talk on what loyalty to the Institute should mean to the students, and what it apparently means to them by the co-operation they showed in the endeavor to raise some money for a new school.

His brief address had the desired effect, for no sooner had he ceased speaking than several students arose out of the multitude, and expressed their desire to add some more to the fund. After a few more donation cards were filled out and turned in, the assembly was dismissed.

### Air Trip Contest Won By Raymond Stormer

Again Armour comes to the front with a prize winner. This time it is Raymond Stormer, sophomore mechanical, who has brought added honor to himself and his school.

Stormer recently wrote an essay on aviation which was judged best in a large field of competition. The contest was sponsored by the Trans-American Air Lines and the coveted award is a free air trip to and from Detroit.

Last year a trip to St. Louis was won by the same man in a similar contest.

### Honor Memory Of Dean Palmer

April 8 will mark the passing of one year since Dean Claude Irwin Palmer succumbed to a heart attack just after visiting his doctor. At the time of his death he had been teaching at Armour for about twenty-eight years.

Dean Palmer was born of old Yankee parentage on May 31, 1871, near Battle Creek, Michigan. His early boyhood was spent on a farm, and for over five years he lived in a log cabin in very much the same manner as did Abraham Lincoln.

While in high school, he had to walk four miles to and from school daily. At the age of thirteen he lost his mother, and from that time on was forced to earn his own living. When nineteen he began his teaching career in the district schools.

After graduating from the University of Michigan in 1903 with a bachelor of arts degree, Professor Palmer immediately joined the faculty at Armour, teaching the summer school course. In addition he did post graduate work at the University of Chicago for a number of years.

In 1910 he received the title of Associate Professor of Mathematics. When Dr. Campbell and Dean Monin retired in 1927 he was made professor, head of the Department of Mathematics and Dean of Students.

The fact that he was unusually well fitted for this last position is shown by the great popularity he enjoyed with the students.

He never made an enemy in all the years he taught at Armour. This is very exceptional, especially for one whose duty it is to reprimand students, warn them about grades, and settle their disputes.

### Fraternity Notes

#### SIGMA ALPHA MU

An installation of new officers was held Sunday, April 3, at the home of Sydney Morris. The following men will hold office.

Orville T. Barnett—Prior.  
Milton J. Winogron—Exchequer.  
Herbert M. Kreisman—Recorder.  
Sydney H. Morris—Pledge Master.  
The group met for a social gathering after the installation.

Last week a smoker was held and was well attended by the alumni. "By" Sharpe, chapter advisor; Nat Feldman, former regional adviser; and Phil Sang, one of the founders of the chapter, were among the alumni present.

The chapter will attend a meeting of the Chicago alumni club of Sigma Alpha Mu the latter part of this month; and in the latter part of May, will hold its annual initiation and alumni banquet.

Sigma Alpha Mu is now installed in its rooms at 3339 Michigan Ave.

#### DELTA TAU DELTA

We take pleasure in announcing the pledging of Edward Vendley, M. E., '35.

The 23rd Annual Delt Prom given by the three Chicago chapters was held on Friday, April 1st at the Bal Taberin, Hotel Sherman. "No fooling," it was a party.

The actives and pledges entertained their Mothers Club at a Bridge Tea given at the House on April third.

#### THETA XI

On Friday, April 8, several alumni of the former local fraternity which is now Alpha Iota chapter of Theta Xi at Kansas State College, will be initiated into the bonds. The dinner and initiation is to be given at

the chapter house and will be attended by quite a few of the alumni of Theta Xi.

Plans are all made for the Annual Hard Times party which will be given Saturday evening, April 9. This dance is sure to be well attended as it is the big party of the school year.

#### PHI KAPPA SIGMA

The spring informal, held at the house Friday evening, April 1, proved to be a complete success with Dave Cunningham and his "Gloom Chasers" showing that their name was no misnomer.

Among the alumni who visited the house during the past week were Brothers Miller '27, Martin '27, and Banta '30. Brothers Vallette '33 and Reich '33, now at the University of Illinois, were also welcome visitors.

Several brothers from other chapters stayed at the house while in Chicago for the Armour Tech Relays.

#### TRIANGLE

The twenty-fifth Annual Founders' Day Banquet will be held Tuesday evening, April 12, at the Engineers' Club, in conjunction with the Chicago Alumni association.

Visitors have been in abundance the last week. Bud Windbigler '31, spent the week end with us. Brother Guy Arthur, president of Minnesota chapter and his friend Chester Ayler spent their spring vacation at the house. Dick Duffin of Illinois and Brothers Smith and Wayne of Purdue also spent a couple days of their vacation with us.

A practice game will be played this evening with the Delta Tau Delta baseball team.

#### RHO DELTA RHO

Our alumni held a bridge party on Saturday evening, March 26. The

### New Armour Tech Band Makes Debut Saturday

Thirty men made up the Armour Band last Saturday night at the Relay Carnival and played for the entertainment of the large crowd present. Various college songs appropriate for the occasion were played before the relays began, during the intermission, and after the meet.

Orchestra rehearsals were sacrificed and other special rehearsals were arranged last week by Bonvallet in order that the band could be put in shape for this carnival.

#### MRS. KRAFTT IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. W. C. Kraftt is in Mercy hospital seriously ill after an operation which she underwent last Thursday. She went to the hospital March 26, and will probably be there a week or more, according to Mr. Kraftt. Dr. McNamara is the attending physician.

affair was well attended, with a large number of the old grads and their wives being present.

We have received the glad news that Merton Moskovitz '31 will soon receive an appointment to teach electricity in a Chicago High School.

#### SIGMA KAPPA DELTA

Brother Orville C. Badger '13, a charter member of the fraternity, stopped in for lunch last Tuesday.

The alumni are planning to hold a smoker at the house this Friday evening.

### A.I.E.E. Hears Talk on Generating Stations

A meeting of the A. I. E. E. was held at 11:30 o'clock last Friday, April 1. Mr. Peterson, of the Personnel Department of the Commonwealth Edison Company, gave an interesting talk on generating stations in Chicago. Lantern slides of the Fiske Street, Crawford Avenue and State Line steam generating plant were shown.

The Crawford Avenue Station, furnishing the power for the West and Southwest sides has the most modern installation. Fisk Street Station, supplying the Central Industrial Area, carries the highest load during the day. One third of the Chicago River is pumped through the station for use in condenser cooling. This plant has long been famous for the unique jackpots.

Sixty-five carloads of coal are necessary each day at the Crawford Avenue Station. This does not include the power generated by private plants, like the Sears, Roebuck Co., or the power generated in Chicago and transmitted under high potential to the rest of the Chicago Area.

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