

Ogden Field

WHEN the next school year opens a new chapter will be started in the athletic section of the history of Armour Institute. Ogden Field, for that is the name of our new athletic field and a just tribute to the man who made it possible for us to have such an addition to our college, includes all the property between Dearborn Street and Armour Avenue, and extending north of Thirty-third Street for about three-quarters of a block. This will be all cleared of buildings by next fall and surrounded by a fence, while inside will be a running track, baseball diamond, football field, tennis courts, and space for field events of various kinds. We understand that one of the buildings is to be remodeled and placed at the extreme northern end of the field, there to be fitted up as a clubhouse with large veranda and shower baths on the ground floor. Surely this is more than any of us had ever dreamed of a year ago.

In view of the fact that our future looms up so promising, we will forget the past year and its accompanying lack of interest. The athletic association had no money, and so the football team had to be abandoned. Next year, however, membership in the athletic association will be compulsory, and every one of the students will pay his annual dues, to be used as the board sees fit. This means a coach for each one of our teams. With the boys practicing so near the Institute, more spirit will undoubtedly be the result, and with more spirit we will have better teams. College spirit and enthusiasm is the tonic that helps a great deal to bring out the good athlete, and to encourage him to do his best. The prospect of athletics at Armour is a bright one, and due wholly to the fact that one man was generous—J. Ogden Armour.