

## The Armour Civil Engineering Society

The Armour Civil Engineering Society was formed in the spring of 1906 by the members of the Class of 1907. The object of the society is the discussion of civil engineering topics, the promotion of general information on engineering subjects, and to form a closer bond between the alumni of the Civil Engineering Department of Armour Institute of Technology. This society was formed to fill a long felt want among the undergraduates of the Civil Engineering Department. At an informal meeting held at the home of Mr. A. Hayden, Jr., a committee was appointed to draw up constitution and by-laws for the society. These were adopted at a meeting held just before the close of the spring term.

The management of the society is left largely in the hands of the Board of Direction. This board is composed of the officers of the society and two other members, one who is also a member of the faculty and the other a student.

There are three kinds of members, active, senior, and honorary. All members of the junior and senior classes in the Civil Engineering Department are eligible to active membership. All alumni of the same are senior members of the society. Honorary members are chosen from men of eminence in the civil engineering profession. The society has at present thirty-one active members, thirty-nine senior members, and five honorary members.

The regular meetings of the society are held the second and fourth Thursdays of every month during the school year. At the first regular meeting of the society Prof. Phillips read a paper on "The Training of an Engineer in addition to his Technical Training." At the other meetings, during the fall term, papers were read as follows:—

Prof. M. B. Wells, "Construction of a Car Ferry Slip at Kewaunee, Wisconsin;" A. Hayden, Jr., "Reservoir Survey in Forest Canon, Colorado;" G. D. Tompkins, "Construction of South-west Land Tunnel;" Ray Crow, "Organization and Management of Field Parties."

During the winter term the following papers were read: L. B. Young, "Pennsylvania Track Elevation in and about Chicago;" V. S. Persons, "Construction of Thebes Bridge, Thebes, Illinois;" E. F. Hiller, "Reinforced Concrete Construction;" J. C. Penn, "Construction of North Avenue Bridge."

On April 24, 1907, the first annual banquet of the society was held in the grill room at Tom Jones'.

At the last regular meeting of the society for this year, Mr. L. H. Badger read a paper on the "Construction of a Blast Furnace for the Lackawanna Steel Co."