



MAIN HALL

A. Beveridge, the present librarian of the Institute.

Mrs. Beveridge organized classes in clay modeling and carpentry in connection with the Mission. The success of her endeavors so pleased Mr. Armour that he decided to take up educational work on a larger scale than the size of the Mission would permit. Thoroughly imbued with the idea Mr. Armour, accompanied by Dr. Gunsaulus and Mr. John C. Black, visited several eastern schools in order to prepare for the organization of what was to be Armour Institute of Technology. In 1892 a special

charter was secured from the state government, the present "main building" erected and Dr. Gunsaulus made president of the Institute.

The first classes were organized in the fall of 1893, from a registration of some seven hundred young men and women. Instruction was offered in mechanical and electrical engineering, architecture and chemistry in the "Technical College," and in Domestic Science, Music, Commerce, Kindergarten work, Stenography, Bibliography, et cetera, in addition to the regular academic or high school course. Between 1896 and 1901 the courses in Domestic Arts, Normal training, Commerce and Music were dropped one by one to meet the



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