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The success of the society in the last year was largely due to the adoption of the suggestion of Prof. Gebhardt. Prof. Gebhardt at our opening meeting urged that the fundamental purpose of the engineering society was to give every member an opportunity of talking before the body, so that the members might obtain practice in presenting their subjects in brief but concise terms. The members decided, therefore, to carry out this idea throughout the year; and all agree that it is a most valuable opportunity.

The first meeting of the 1919 year was held January 8. A great deal of business was transacted and plans were made for the coming year. It was also decided to give a smoker January 14, 1919, in the Y. M. C. A. rooms, to which all the Mechanical Engineering Students should be invited.

The smoker proved a great success. We all enjoyed the high class entertainment furnished by the Mechanics' Jazz Band. Short talks were given by all the Professors present, to enlighten the under classmen on the purpose of the Student A. S. M. E.

The meetings following have been held semi-monthly on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Among the many speakers and subjects presented, the following are of special note: Mr. Regansburger, "The Steam Turbine"; Mr. Keeth, "Steam Engine Repair Work"; Mr. Brady, "Oil Testing"; Mr. Rehfeldt, "Method of Drying Wall Paper"; Mr. Carlson, "Flow of Water Through Orifices"; Mr. Jackson, "Testing of Metals."

On the evening of February 17, 1919, Prof. Daniel E. Roesch addressed the society on the subject of "High Compression Engines." He took up in detail all the principal parts of the Diesel and Hvid engines. The advantages and disadvantages of each were brought out by Prof. Roesch. It was a very interesting talk and all those present benefited greatly by it.