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During the past school year the plan recommended by Professor Snow of having the student members themselves speak at each meeting was adopted and found highly successful. The short addresses given under this plan were found to be of more value to the A. I. E. E. members than a few longer addresses by graduate members, as the local branch meetings were made places for the students to train themselves in speaking, besides being places for the transfer of technical knowledge.

At the meetings of the society which have been held every two weeks, every member willingly took part as a speaker and helped by his snap and ginger to make this the successful year that it was. The topics chosen as subjects of discussion by the various members were chosen either from their own practical experience or from knowledge gained by study, and related to a great many branches of electrical engineering.

At the meeting of December 13, 1920, an exception was made to the rule of having only student members speak, and an Armour graduate of 1918, Leslie Weiss, addressed the society, his subject being, "The Outlook for the 1921 Graduates."

The principal speaker at the A. I. E. E. smoker which was given on February 26, 1921, in the Mission Building, was our own Professor Freeman. He attempted to kindle in the members a true appreciation of what was expected of them after the completion of their school courses and their entrance into the practical world. Basing his talk upon the compiled results obtained from over 5,000 engineers, he discussed the qualities desired in young engineers. In the order of their importance the various qualities were: Character, Judgment, Efficiency, Understanding of Men, Knowledge, and Technique of Practice. The value of the ideas conveyed to the members in this speech cannot be overestimated and they wish to take this opportunity of expressing their thanks to him.