

## ALUMNI

promote in every legitimate way the interests of Armour men, and through the strength and influence of our organization to reflect credit on our Alma Mater and advance her interests at all times.

We recognize that a well-organized and influential alumni association can contribute much to the success of an educational institution and to the advance of its graduates in their chosen profession. To this end we have at present a plan for the establishment of a permanent alumni headquarters at some suitable location in charge of a permanent secretary. In this office data will be compiled and properly arranged giving all available information pertaining to our members; their business or professional connections, their accomplishments in their various fields of endeavor, and all other pertinent information.

When such a bureau has been established and all the necessary data has been compiled we believe that it will be of wonderful service to all Armour men. To the elder alumnus in need of engineering services of almost any nature, it presents a means whereby he may get into touch with some Armour man equipped to supply what he needs. To the younger alumnus or recent graduate the advantages are too obvious to require comment. There is no doubt but that a work-together spirit exists among us and if our organization can be given a visible, tangible, existence by a plan like this it will contribute much to the advantage of all.

We have not formed such a plan, however, entirely from motives of self-benefit. An educational institution like any other is known by its product, its graduates. We are the finished products of our Alma Mater and it is from us that the world will form its estimate of Armour's standing in the field of technical education. Therefore, anything which we as an organization can do to contribute to the success of Armour men will be sure to redound to the credit of the Armour Institute of Technology. Our advancement is her success.

It is hoped that very soon the Alumni Association will become a larger factor than ever before in the social life of its members. Branch organizations are beginning to be formed in different cities of the country and are sure to spread as our membership increases. Although your work in the future may possibly take you very far from Chicago and entirely out of touch with the Institute in a physical sense, still you may be able to find a local branch of our association not far away. In this way we hope to keep alive the spirit of loyalty to, and interest in, the Armour Institute of Technology in spite of the cares and responsibilities which, as they come, tend to keep one wrapped too closely in his own affairs.

The Alumni Association extends a most cordial welcome to the class of 1923. We hope each one of you will become actively interested in the affairs of the association and do all that you can to assist in carrying forward our work. We want you to feel that you belong to us and with us, and that we are all working towards the same end. As you leave the familiar halls of the Institute wherein you have enjoyed four well filled years, she says, "Farewell and Godspeed." As you enter the larger world of affairs to take up your work and go your respective ways, we say, "Welcome, Brothers."