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At the first regular meeting of the Armour Institute Branch of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Professor Gebhardt spoke on the classification of professional occupations, stressing the point that engineers are seemingly unimportant because of their own reticence.

The engineer by virtue of his mode of training is quiet and unassuming. His ability to solve a situation is unequalled, but he seldom gets a chance to use his invaluable faculties, because for the most part he is unwilling to put himself forward. This latter may be due to inability to self-expression.

With this situation in mind, the society has arranged its work so that this may be remedied. Student talks have been numerous and varied. They are entirely original upon the part of the student. President Regensberger was the first speaker and gave the substance of a letter from the Grand Secretary of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers to all student organizations. The following meetings were made interesting by talks by Messrs. Dunlap, Stahl, Ostrin, Kramer, Benson, Odenwalt, and others on strictly technical subjects.

The Armour Branch feels that it has accomplished much along this constructive line.

On Thursday evening the sixteenth of April, the society held its annual smoker at the Theta Xi Fraternity House. The professors of the Mechanical Engineering Department were present and the Junior and Senior Mechanicals helped burn the cigars and cigarettes. After the refreshments were served the members of the society attempted to put on a musical concert, but due to the lack of knowledge of the instruments at hand the music was a little flat.

At a special meeting, Professor Roesch in co-ordination with the national observance of Gas and Oil Power Week, gave a talk on the subject "*Experiments with Stationary Gas Engines*." The talk covered many interesting facts from both field and laboratory work.