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The Band

The Armour Tech Band, the official pep injector of the Musical clubs, has entered into its fourth year of being. Organized in February, 1923, by Bill Douglas with originally fifteen students, it has grown so that now it enjoys a membership of thirty-two members. It might be interesting to note that of the original band there are only three members now in the organization.

The Band is now under the direction of George Rezac, a young accomplished musician who had been persuaded by Professor Phalen to take over the work. It can be said that George has made the Band popular with the student body by the many features which he injects into the music played by the Band. Since this is one of the best balanced bands that we have had in the last four years, and since George has such ability, it is readily understood why the Band has made the progress it has during the past year as a popular Musical organization.

The public appearances of the Band have been mainly at assemblies, pep meetings, athletic events and the Home Concert. According to the established custom, each of these occasions was met with much violent applause, especially if it was desirable to prolong an assembly into another hour, turned loose by a generous audience.

The Band played at the Mid-Winter Banquet of the Armour Tech Alumni Association where it was greeted with some little applause. The Band also made its annual trip with the basketball team on March fifth, when the Lake Forest game was played. On this trip there were in the Gymnasium of Lake Forest about one hundred and twenty-five rooters from Armour Tech, including the official rooter, the Band. Although the game was lost to Lake Forest, we had the opportunity of seeing the greatest basketball team making its best fight ever witnessed by Armourites. After the game a dance was held at the Y. W. C. A. at Lake Forest in order to top off the evening. All reported a wonderful trip.

The Band also played at several of the basketball games at home; and it intends to do the same with the coming home baseball games, and to take part in Circus Day activities. Another of the Band's public appearances will be at the Annual Home-Concert to be held on April twenty-first. George Rezac has been spending much time upon new music entirely to give the audience a treat.

According to statistics sixty-six percent of the trombone section and one hundred percent of the bass sections are to be given walking papers by the Institute. However, even if the bulk of the band will have to get along without their efforts next year, it is believed that George Rezac will be able to build an even greater organization.