

CLUBS

Athenian Club

"Those friends thou hast, and their adoption tried,
Grapple them to thy soul with hoops of steel."

The history of the origin of every fraternal organization is essentially the same. It is an old story of a group of friends who, having found satisfaction in their mutual association, wish to put their friendship on a more solid and enduring basis. They form a club; and, if their standards are neither too high nor too low they are a truly congenial group, they acquire more friends and their group grows and prospers.

Similar to this has been the history of the Athenian Club. Founded in February of 1925 by a group of eight men, the club rapidly acquired new members and grew in strength until, having survived that period of incipency which tests whether a new organization shall die or thrive, it became firmly established among the fraternal organizations of the school. Now, with the class being graduated this year, departs the remainder of those original eight men who first formed the club. They leave regretfully, but with the assurance that the offspring in whose behalf they have expended so much time and energy will continue to live and will strive to fulfill their fondest hopes of achievement.

The rapid growth of the club has involved an immense amount of work and has, therefore, somewhat limited its social activities. The problem of furnishing and otherwise putting into a habitable condition the club house, newly acquired last fall, has alone drawn heavily upon the leisure of the members. Nevertheless, there were held at intervals throughout the year a number of thoroughly enjoyable functions in the form of smokers, dinners, and theater parties.

The crowning event of the year was the pre-initiation party given for the pledges, prompted in divers ways by the actives, proved capable of producing very amusing entertainment. All those present, in fact, were impressed that even an uninspired freshman can be entertaining when he feels that it is really necessary.

Promising, in prospect, to be equally successful is the party which the undergraduate members are planning to give in honor of their graduating brothers. This event will come in the late spring as a culmination to the club's activities for the year.

The Athenian Club takes this opportunity to wish success in whatever they might attempt to those who are being graduated and those, who for other reasons, will not return to Armour next fall; to those whose fortune it will be to continue their course at Armour, the club wishes a pleasant and prosperous summer.