

WESTERN SOCIETY OF ENGINEERS

The Armour Branch of the Western Society of Engineers was founded in 1919 for the purpose of bringing the students of the civil engineering department in closer contact with men engaged in the engineering profession.

This year the officers have endeavored to arrange the program so that there would be continuity in the topics that were delivered by the speakers. The subject of transportation covered waterways, railways, highways, and airways; steel design included the design and fabrication of buildings and bridges; sanitation and hydraulics comprised sewerage, water supply, river work, and dams.

The members of the society have been very fortunate in hearing and meeting men of prominence in the civil engineering field. The meetings, held bi-monthly, have been heartily supported by the sophomore, junior, and senior civil engineers, while there has been even quite a number from the other departments, who were cordially welcomed.

On October 16th was held one of the outstand-



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ing inspection trips of the year when the junior and senior civils, in conjunction with the Western Society of Engineers, examined the grade separation project at 16th and Canal Streets. The project, the elevation of the Baltimore and Ohio, the Chicago and Northwestern, and the St. Charles Air-

line over the Pennsylvania and the Burlington tracks, involved many complicated structures, which were explained in detail.

Mr. C. A. Morse, former Chief Engineer of the Rock Island Railway, gave some of his experiences as a railroad engineer. He emphasized the well-known truth that he became successful as an engineer a man must place engineering achievement ahead of money. Every man, at some time

or other, receives an opportunity and it is up to him to make the most of it.

At the meeting on November 7th, the society was fortunate to secure Mr. K. A. Kennedy of the Boeing School of Aeronautics, an authority in the field of aviation, who discussed the life and train-

