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THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Development Committee of the Board of Trustees is bringing to a close the second active year of its program to broaden the usefulness of Armour Institute of Technology in the engineering and industrial world of the middle west.

When school was opened last fall, the new Department of Science bore testimony to the fact that the Committee's recommendations for development were being carried forward. Organized and headed by Professor Charles E. Paul, the new department has increased in size and popularity during the school year in a manner which indicates that it is sure to become an important part of the curriculum.

Throughout the summer and autumn months, the Committee worked strenuously in their search for a man who would be fully qualified to fill the executive position left vacant by the retirement last June of Dr. Howard Monroe Raymond. Many candidates were considered, their records carefully reviewed and their qualifications studied. The search was brought to a successful conclusion shortly after the first of the year, when Dr. Willard E. Hotchkiss was secured for the presidency. With a broad background of successful organization work both in industry and in education, Dr. Hotchkiss has had a richness of experience which assures the Committee of his ability to handle the problems which he is facing here. He believes thoroughly in the policies which are embodied in the Committee's recommendations. His work during the few brief months he has been here has amply justified the Committee's confidence in his leadership.

Along with its other activities, the Development Committee has sought constantly to publicize the school's activities, and particularly to command the attention of the more important industrial and commercial interests of Chicago. Results of this phase of the program have been gratifying. The first published announcement of the development program created widespread interest, and drew a large and enthusiastic response from many of the leaders of Chicago's business and industrial life.

Starting in September of last year, the Committee has presented a series of Sunday evening radio talks over

