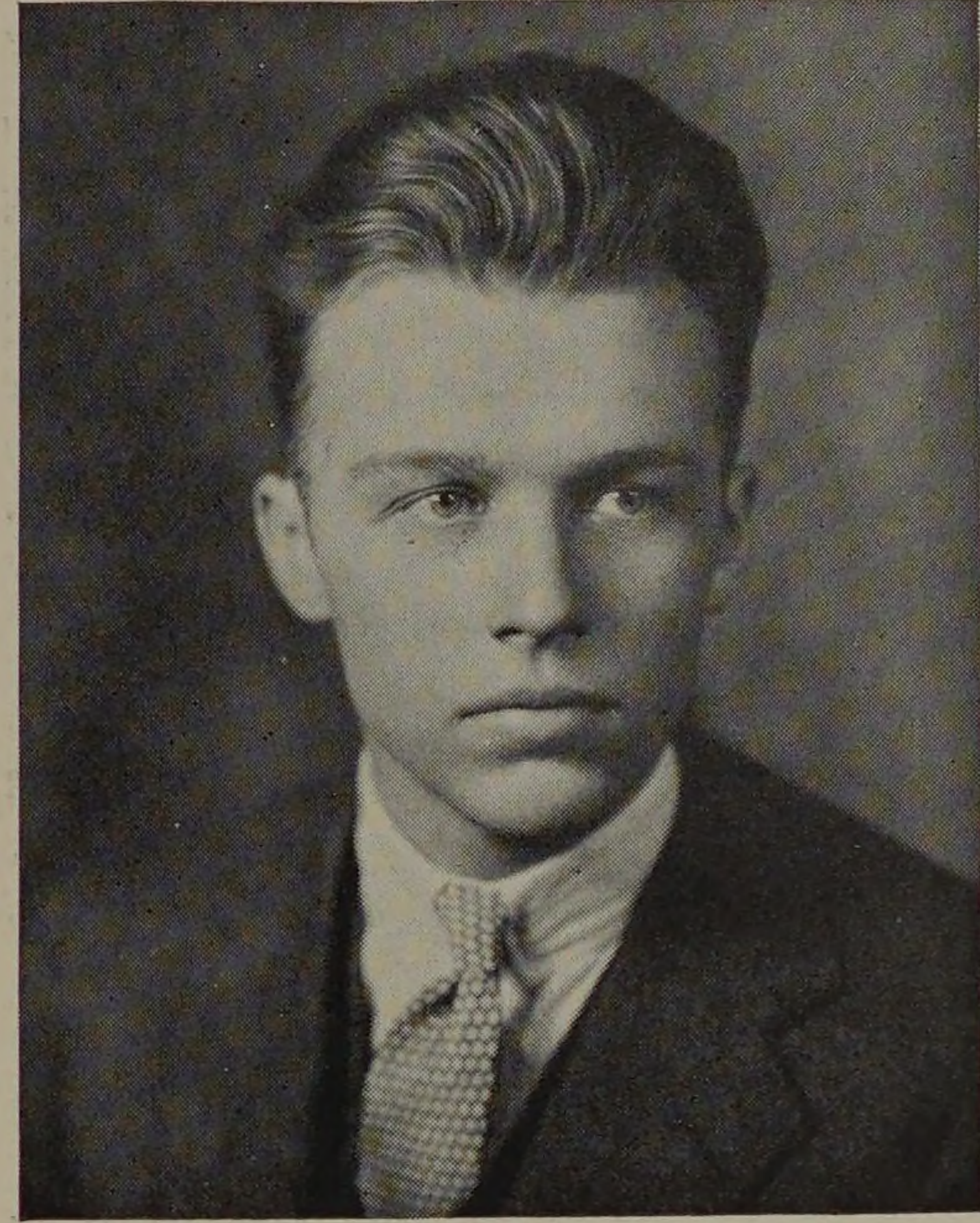


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W. L. Abbot, chief engineer for the Commonwealth Edison Co., was the first outside speaker to address the group. He spoke on "The Value of Contacts for the Engineer" at an organization meeting. Mr. Abbot has often addressed the Society in past years and can be considered one of the staunch friends of Armour Institute of Technology. At the same meeting, Ernest Hartford, district secretary of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, gave a short explanation of the membership plan on which the student branches operate.

A general discussion meeting was called in which the topic was "The Status and the Desirability of Shop Work as Now Given in the Mechanical Engineering Course." Each member offered his own opinion and suggestions. A motion was passed favoring a modification of the shop classes and the using of the time thus gained in studies of a non-technical nature.

The social functions of the year consisted of bi-annual smokers at which both students and faculty members were present. These affairs always arouse an enthusiastic response, since, in the ordinary course of the school year, opportunities for professors and their pupils to meet in a social manner are rare.



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American Society
of Mechanical Engineers

Organized—1880

Incorporated—1881

Armour Branch
Senior Mechanical Club

Organized—1905

A.S.M.E. Charter—1909



Three inspections in one day



Annual A.S.M.E. smoker

One Hundred Seventy-seven

