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In the first public announcement issued by Armour Institute of Technology, in September of 1893, the ideals of Philip Danforth Armour, founder of the college, were set forth as follows: "The Founder has conditioned his benefactors in such a way as to emphasize both their value and the student's selfrespect. The Institute is not a free school, but its charges for instruction are in harmony with the spirit which moves alike the Founder, the Trustees, and the Faculty; namely the desire to help those who help themselves."

It is this same desire which has motivated the Development Committee in its work of the last two years. Realizing that the engineering and industrial science has changed considerably, and that expressions of service in that scene must change also, the Committee is endeavoring to keep following the course which was charted forty years ago by the Founder, and to keep correcting that course by consideration of shifting social winds.

year, examining practice and opinion at other colleges and in many leading industries as a background for reorganization of shop teaching to insure greatest educational value to students. In the organization this year of graduate study in each department, the foundation is laid for future development of a substantial graduate division, according to recommendations of the Board of Trustees.

The appointment a year ago of a Director of Research and Testing marked the first step in a program to extend this phase of the Institute's service; the Lecture Bureau, a development feature organized to carry information about Armour Institute into the Chicago and nearby high schools, has had an active and productive year under the capable direction of Professor Paul; the Placement Office has performed a year's work under the trying conditions imposed by continued depression, and an increasing number of alumni is regarding the year's placement record as a good job of work.

The entire program will be carried forward next year; plans for further extension of research and testing, placement work, and adult education facilities will be pushed as far as possible. Progress in the program for development must of course depend in large measure upon the rapidity with which recovery from the depression can stimulate the business and industrial interests of the community. The past four years have been neither more nor less difficult for educational institutions than for business generally. That Armour Institute of Technology has maintained its enrollments and the high character of its student body during this period is an indication that its position in the community is unquestioned. A vigorous, forward-looking program for the future is an assurance that the Institute will continue to improve its position and influence in the Chicago area.