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After a very successful season, functioning as an active organization, both in the national society and as a local group, the Armour branch of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers has drawn its activities to a close. During this year, the third that the society has operated under the plan for student branches, the object of which is to foster a more intimate relationship between the student branch and the parent society, a record membership of sixty has been attained, and a new plan for meetings has been devised.

An effort was made by the officers to have the activities of the society carried on chiefly by various committees in order to stimulate cooperation among as many of the members as possible. One of the chief pursuits of the meetings during the year was to have the students enter into an active discussion of the subjects presented. It is the aim of this society to help the members in becoming proficient in the art of impressing their opinions upon others in a forceful manner. The members were called upon to give various talks on chosen subjects, and a competition was held for the official delegate to the annual student convention.

Variations in the programs were brought about by securing speakers who are leaders in mechanical fields. An innovation this year was obtained in the several inspection trips made by the society. The object of these trips is to help the student in becoming acquainted with the various methods employed in manufacturing and the different types of installations and equipment in use in the Chicago area. The society sponsored a smoker, and the members turned out en masse to enjoy themselves, with no thoughts being wasted on lessons.



A.S.M.E. Smoker at Beta Psi House