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Beta Chapter of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers has just completed a very successful year. It has striven not only to promote a feeling of fellowship among the students in the department, but also to provide a close relationship with the professional chapter.

A step in bringing about a more intimate contact with the professional chapter was taken when the Chicago section of the A.I.Ch.E. was the guest of the Armour Chapter at a joint meeting and banquet held on the evening of October 11 in the Armour cafeteria. The principal speaker was Mr. Harold J. Brownlee, technical director of the Quaker Oats Company.

On November 23, the chapter was fortunate in securing Mr. Carl S. Miner, chief director of the Miner laboratories, who spoke on the subject, "The Chemical Engineer on the Witness Stand." Mr. Miner drew numerous incidents from his own wide experience as a witness and gave the members an instructive as well as amusing talk.

However, not all the thoughts of the members were concerned with serious problems. On the night of the annual smoker the trials and tribulations of student life were dispelled in a pleasant evening amid cumulo-stratus and nimbus clouds of hazy, blue smoke. A large turnout of the members contributed to the success of the affair.

The coveted Schmier Chemiker trophy seems to have found a permanent berth. The reason for this is that one man has so far excelled all others in laboratory technique that any efforts to surpass his feats are futile. The ancient trophy consists of an artistic replica of a broken flask, suitably engraved and appropriately attached to a safety pin.



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