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## ARMOUR ENGINEER

It is a far cry from the "Armour Engineer" of seventeen years ago to the present day publication. In that time the "Engineer" has developed from a small technical publication to a larger and more interesting magazine.

The students and faculty were the sole contributors to the "Armour Engineer" when it originated in 1919. During the period from 1924 to 1932, the magazine became affiliated with the "Engineering College Magazines Association," where it rated among the best of the contemporary members. At the end of that time the magazine was revamped, and it appeared before the student body in a more compact and convenient form although it contained a greater amount of information. Due to the fact that the "Engineer" no longer conformed with the specifications of the E. C. M. A. in regard to size, a withdrawal was effected from that organization. Immediately after resigning from the E. C. M. A., the "Engineer" became associated with the



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"National Scholastic Press Association." The highest honors given by that organization were carried off by the publication during the first year's membership, and soon afterward the "Engineer" withdrew from the association.

In 1934 the "Armour Engineer" was entered in the annual competition for the Yale Cup, an award given each year by the "Yale Scientific Magazine" to the most outstanding undergraduate scientific publication. There are no restrictions as to what magazines may enter the contest, other than that they must be in the scientific field. They need not be members of any of the various press associations. The "Yale Scientific Magazine," by giving the award, hopes that the placing of the publications in competition with one another will lead them to a closer knit feeling and to better workmanship. The "Armour Engineer" was the recipient of one of the highest distinctions in the country, when it won the second place award.

The last two years, however, have witnessed the greatest departure from the tendencies of former years. The book has been modernized and made to appeal to the students, faculty, and alumni more as an interesting magazine about Armour than as a journal of technical articles. This has been accomplished by designing the cover in accordance with the modern trends and by using a glossy paper which permits the use of more illustrations. The humor section, in deference to the demands of the student body, has been enlarged. The Alumni Notes have been enlarged and featured with the result that the alumni wait impatiently for each of their copies.

These many changes in the "Engineer" have greatly aided in raising its reputation as one of the leaders among scientific student publications. Further important steps are expected to be taken during the next year to increase the popularity of the "Armour Engineer" with the Armour students, faculty, and alumni. It is hoped that the articles will include contributions from new and interesting sources, and that all Armour alumni will receive their copies of the "Engineer."