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AS THE scholastic year draws to a close it seems fitting to pause momentarily and review our efforts for the year. Accordingly I have accepted Mr. Kleinmaier's request to act as historian, so to speak.

The Engineering College enjoys a unique advantage for activities that the other University colleges do not have. The acquaintances and friendships which the students developed in the laboratories, shops, and field trips form the foundation for promotion of extra-curricular activities. In the past the Engineers have gained a reputation for "doing things" and it would please the Council of 1933-34 to know they have extended and expanded that reputation.

And so the success of any endeavor which the Council undertook was not due to the Council itself but due to the heartening cooperation the entire college offered. But in the same breath, my tribute and gratitude to those few men who assumed the leadership and did the hard work with every project!

The major function of the Fall Quarter was the Quadrangle Jesters' play, "She Run Him Down." Although I don't pose as a dramatic critic I don't hesitate to say that the production was outstanding in its field, a field with little or no competition. Although the play was certainly a dramatic hit and a financial success, I am sorry to say that I feel it misses its mark as an Engineers' event.

My advice to the Jesters would be—Select a play which will not entail excessive rehearsing, and keep the costs so low that no student is prohibited from attending because of finances.

The "big event" of the winter quarter was the Engineers' Banquet, at which 330 engineers ate, sang, and talked together. The function met with universal favor. Dr. Arnstein exerted all his energy in cooperating and no tribute seems ample or great enough for his talk. We hope that future Councils will deem the Engineers' Banquet a worth while institution and make it an annual event.

Undoubtedly the greatest project of the year was the promotion of the Eighth Engineers' Day. The events are of such recent occurrence that I shall not reiterate the details.

In addition to the major projects the Council promoted a series of inter-departmental debates, a Quadrangle News and a Freshman Survey hour.

I hope the Editor will allow me this opportunity to pay tribute to all of the men, especially those Seniors who always responded so whole-heartedly whenever they were asked to serve.

Good luck, successors! Our thoughts will return to you often in the next few years.