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The Engineer's Council

By Morgan Jones

THE Engineers' Council was officially organized at Ohio State in 1922 when the present constitution was adopted. According to this constitution, the membership is made up of eighteen members representing the student societies (two from each degree giving department), one representative from the OHIO STATE ENGINEERING College. Prof. Sada A. Harbarger, and Lenora Glasgow form the engineering College.

The president of the Council is Fred L. Vanosdall. James M. Cayford is vice president, while Charles C. Griffith is secretary-treasurer. The following are chairmen of standing committees: Jack O. Jones, Intramural; Lewis H. Mussman, Quadrangle News; James M. Cayford, Engineers' Banquet; Robert Beetham, Debate; and Wilbur R. Scholz, Quadrangle Improvements. Lewis Mussman is the representative to the Student Senate. Dean E. A. Hitchcock, Jr., Dean W. D. Turnbull, Ass't Prof. Sada A. Harbarger, and Lenora Glasgow form the advisory board.

This Council has shown, since its inception, remarkable progress, and now enjoys an enviable reputation on other engineering campuses as well as this one. Under the able leadership of Mr. Vanosdall, it is taking a prominent part in campus activities and is continually working for the promotion of worth while projects in the College.

Last year this organization sponsored the annual Engineers' Day which has become a tradition on the Quadrangle. On this occasion most of the organizations of the College enter floats in the parade. A prize is awarded the best one. That afternoon and evening the Engineering College maintains open house so that everyone is given an opportunity to see just what each department is doing. At this time, also, the Engineers' Dance is given.

The "Belle of New York," a musical farce, was the Council's great effort last year. This show, cast completed by engineers, proved to be a great success, and resulted in the formation of the "Quadrangle Jesters," which since has functioned as a separate organization.

This year the Council will continue to operate as it has in the past. In addition to sponsoring the Engineers' Day, it will put on an Engineers' banquet, which will be popularly priced so as to be within the reach of all in the College. A series of debates is being arranged. So far S. S. I. E., A. S. M. E., A. I. E. E., and A. I. Ch. E. have signified their intentions of entering teams. It is promoting, in conjunction with the intramural department, a bowling program. This plan will probably be followed in the Spring with baseball.

In order to get the new students better acquainted with the various organizations which make up the undergraduate life of the Quadrangle, the Council plans to have one Freshman Survey period set aside for short talks by representatives from these societies. Something of the same feeling resulted in the "Quadrangle News," a mimeographed sheet, posted on the bulletin boards from time to time, to keep the student body informed of the recent activities of the Council.

One of the most important functions of this organization is the aid which it gives to the student societies. After the business of the evening has been concluded, each meeting is devoted to a round-table discussion of the problems confronting these societies. By this means, each organization may know what similar ones are doing and how they are solving their problems.

It is interesting to note how the Council chooses the representative to the Student Senate. Two weeks prior to the election, Council members nominate non-members. At the next meeting these men, along with any others who wish to volunteer for the position, are interviewed by the Council. At the following meeting, when Council members may be nominated from the floor, the election takes place.

A.S.T.M. Occupies New Offices

Headquarters of the American Society for Testing Materials have been moved from the Engineers' Club Building, 1315 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, to more adequate offices in the Atlantic Building, 260 S. Broad Street, in the same city. The present offices have been occupied for the past 14 years.

The new rooms comprise about 2600 square feet on the fifth floor of the building to be devoted to offices, reception room, members' lounge and board room and 850 square feet on the fourth floor for storage of publications and use as a shipping and general work room. The increase in total floor area is some 40 per cent, while the general office space is nearly 60 per cent greater.

A large and more attractive board room has been planned and, most important, an adequate reception room and members' lounge will be provided. Greatly improved facilities for meetings of administrative committees will be available. The new rooms are excellently suited to the present needs of the society and for some little time in the future.

Friends of the A.S.T.M. are cordially invited to inspect the new headquarters. They are convenient to railroad stations, hotels and clubs, being just a half block from the Engineers' Club.