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ENGINEERS ELECT OFFICERS.

Work of the Club for the Year Just
Passed Has Been Very Successful.
Good Prospects for Next Year.

The Engineering Club of the University met for the last time of the year in Prof. DeCou's room in Villard on Saturday evening for the purpose of electing the new officers for next year. This finished the most successful year in the history of the club. In spite of the many counter attractions, the attendance and the interest shown by the members has been exceptionally good. The good addresses and papers, many of them being illustrated, presented to the club have been instructive and entertaining and have shown a great amount of preparation and care. Besides, the club was very fortunate in having an opportunity to listen to addresses by Mr. S. W. Stratton, Chief of the Bureau of Standards at Washington, D. C., at a special meeting a few weeks ago.

Ever since its organization the growth of the club has been steady, and it has become one of the most important of the student body organizations. Its members are earnest and take a pride in its welfare. It bids fair to become an important factor in the growth of the engineering department of the University.

The program consisted of addresses by Dr. Boynton and Dr. Leonard. Dr. Boynton's address was on "Engineering Education and the Importance of Physics in Relation to it." He said in part that "the problem of an engineer is to meet nature and to compel her to yield. Physics is the foundation of it all. Chemistry and mathematics are important, but the bulk of the engineer's problems are to deal with principles of physics. An engineer must know the elements of physics."

"The physics laboratory is well equipped with measuring apparatus, in fact is as well equipped in certain lines, as for instance in standard re-

sistances and cells, as any institution this side of the Rockies. An effort is made to keep in touch with the leading periodicals, and the laboratory methods are abreast of the times, in fact they are ahead of the text-books. The laboratory also keeps in close touch with the Bureau of Standards. The aim of the department is to give students a practical knowledge of the best principles and methods used in electrical determinations, besides a first hand knowledge of important values and data."

Dr. Leonard, after explaining a few interesting mathematical problems, said a few words of advice as a farewell to the retiring members. "At present in the West there is a great demand for engineers. This is different from what it is in the East. A time will come when the supply is greater than the demand, when a greater competition will arise and a contest will result. This is not a normal state of affairs—it is an abnormal state. So prepare yourself for any retrenchment that may come."

"Be loyal to your employer. Do not be wasteful. Keep your employer's confidence; do not tell all the details of your work to every chance inquirer. Develop yourself. Do not be impatient. Formulate your practice. Gather reliable data. Nothing will do more for your welfare than a well written report. Nothing is more valuable to your personality than well written articles. The efficiency of an engineer, the same as of an engine, is measured by his output or the returns he makes. The more you can save for your employer, the more valuable you are to him and the more salary you can expect."

"The honesty of an engineer is of prime importance. Be careful in small matters. The good that a man does may go on for years unnoticed, but it is the small slips that count."

After the two addresses had been delivered the following officers were

elected for the coming year: President, Albert J. Elton, '08; Vice President, Rueben Steelquist, '09; Secretary, Don Stevenson, '08; Treasurer, R. E. Hickson, '09; Sergeant-at-arms, Ethan Collier.

SWIMMING CONTEST

On last Saturday afternoon the mill race was the scene of an interesting swimming contest between two freshmen, Skipper Nicholas and Percy Bretherton. Beginning at the head of the race they intended to swim to Eighth street, over a mile and a half. Accompanied by judges Loosely, Meriman and Hawley, also Hampton and Ross, in canoes, the nifty freshmen began the contest. But in a short time Nicholas, on account of chilling, got out of the race before swimming half the distance. Bretherton swam, with ease, the whole distance in 56 minutes and 10 seconds and sprinted on the finish. The judges pronounce him an excellent swimmer.

PHILOLOGIAN SOCIETY

The Philologists held their last meeting of the school year Saturday night. Matters of business were attended to, and officers were elected for the coming year. Those elected follow: Pres., Curtis Gardner; Vice Pres., Earl F. Kilpatrick; Sec., Fred Kerr; Asst. Sec., W. C. Nicholas; Treas., Jas. Neal; Editor, Henry Davies; Sergeant-at-arms, Benj. J. Grout. Closers for the semi-public debate to take place next December were also chosen. Snow, Grout, Nicholas and Rounds, with Davies and Kerr as closers compose the teams.

Miss Maud Miller entertained informally last Monday evening in honor of Biss Inez Bozarth who leaves soon for Bay City, Oregon. The decorations of the Miller home were pretty and artistic in roses and other cut flowers.

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