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**ENGINEERING NIGHT FRIDAY**

Engineer's Night is one of the most important events of Engineer's Week. On this night all the Engineering laboratories will be running with a full force of students at work just as they do regular laboratory days. The majority of people are busy each day and have no chance to see what is being done at the University. The object of this "night work" is to provide an opportunity for everybody to see just what an engineering course is. Special invitation is extended to the shopman so he may be shown the advantage of an engineering course over the old time apprentice system. An inspection of these laboratories will be very interesting and instructive even to the non-technical and, it is hoped, will correct many erroneous ideas held concerning this profession.

Three laboratories will be open—the civil, electrical, and mechanical. On the first floor of Mechanic Arts Hall the Civil Engineers will make their display. The visitor will be shown how any material is tested to determine its strength. In these machines huge knots are tied in steel bars and large steel rods are slowly pulled in two. Another interesting exhibit is the method of testing cement paving and general building materials to determine their relative value. In another room will be shown the various instruments used by the surveyor in laying out railroads, and in other difficult feats that fall to the lot of the Civil Engineer. These will be fully explained to the visitor and should clear up many hazy ideas concerning them. Also in this room will be exhibited the drawings made by the students in the different years. The architectural department has some very fine drawings made by the students in their school work, and the department of machine design has many sets of working drawings of various machines. Many samples of freshmen drawing will be shown and the visitor will be able to detect any improvement when the student becomes a senior.

In the Electrical Laboratory, the results of this wonderful force will be shown in many new ways. The latest forms of electrical devices for power house and railway use will be undergoing actual tests. Some very modern electric lights will be used for illumination and the visitor will have explained to him any feature of electric lighting he does not understand. He will be shown how his meter works and why some lights cost more than others. The automatic telephone switchboard will be another interesting feature as will the storage battery and the mercury arc rectifier.

In the Mechanical Engineering Laboratory the visitor will see a real factory layout. On the first floor he will see a modern and up-to-date machine shop. Here the twelve-inch equatorial telescope is being assembled. Across the corridor is the power laboratory. Here are engines of all kinds being tested, also a complete hydraulic testing plant and an ice machine. In the foundry the visitor will be shown the mysterious method of making molds and a heat will be run at about 9 o'clock to give the visitor an opportunity to see just how a foundry works and what molten iron looks like. In the forge shop students will indulge in making tools and forgings under the steam hammer. On the second floor is the wood-working room. Here is where the freshmen have their chance to become refined carpenters. Many very difficultly constructed wood articles will be displayed. At the special lathes will be students turning out patterns while others will be at the benches fashioning out by hand. In the fuel testing laboratory one will see one of the most complete layouts in this country for the testing of coal and oils, and

everything will be explained. In another room is the apparatus for heating and ventilation. In the drafting room is an electrical blueprinting machine. This will be in operation and the visitor will be shown the mysterious method of obtaining a blueprint. Thus in a very short time the visitor is taken through a complete engineering course with the difficult features eliminated.

**ZWISCHEN TRINKEN.**

An engineer there was, and he spake to a gang of his kind one day, And the theme of his tale was an ancient theme, and the text of an ancient lay; And again he asked, as others have asked (and many a man shall ask), "Now what is the blame to our honest name, the blight on our mighty task?"

"Their books are full and their papers too, with the flame of others than we, Ye read each day of Croker and Quay,

and the scraps from over the sea;

And it's Captain This and it's General That, and the wedding of Lord Dedd-Broke—

But there's nary a hear for the engineer, 'tis a name that never is spoke!

"We build their bridges, we build their roads, we tunnel their mountains steep,

We build their ships, and we run them, too, on the salty and treacherous deep;

We dam their rivers and make their maps, nad light their cities at night,

But no caress from the public press—why isn't this wrong made right?"

Then another arose from a corner chair, well up in the firelight's glow,

His hands were rough, and his frame was tough, and his laugh was deep and low;

And he smote the board with his empty stein, and he waved his reeking pipe:

"I wot me well of this social hell—but pluck ye the fruit that's ripe!

"The engineer is a power, lads—but a power behind the throne;

Their scrap, and hustle, and scandal-tales but leave us the more alone;

Their preachers preach, and their lawyers law, and none is heard for the din,

But while the sit we get up and git, and gather the greenbacks, in!

"What care we though they know us not, or ken of our mighty craft? They can't dispense with our need immense, we could anchor 'em fore and aft!

And the less they know the more they must pay, for the work of us unknown folk,

So here's a beer to the engineer, the man who never goes broke."

**ENGINEER'S RALLY.**

The Engineer's grand rally and smoker will be held in Brownell Hall, at 137 So. 11th, Thursday evening, May 7th, at 8 o'clock. Chairman Sullivan and the committee have spared neither time nor money in preparation of this stupendous event. Innumerable real stunts are slated for that night, and in addition, there will be a real treat in the line of smokes, as a consignment of cheroots, built of the purest upland Havana tobacco, have been imported by the committee expressly for the occasion.

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