In May 1920, approximately 10,000 Houstonians answered an open invitation to visit the new Rice Institute and see innovative technologies and attractions presented by faculty and students. Included were a radio-controlled car and an X-ray machine that allowed attendees to view the bones in their hands. The Engineering Show, as it was called at that time, became a very popular annual event.

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