Sane and are often described together
with rejections of wanting to do
things just because they can be done—
nothing at all, noted, of surface ship, substances as good, Dippy or bad things for mankind. They cannot
resist the diabolical urge to do anything
that looks double. Men as more
human men must watch over them to
keep them from the industry in their
own urge and inflicting terrible
damage on mankind by indulging their
urges.

The Bulletin is the voice of the
Scientific community. The Bulletin
must protest against must adequately denounce
the calumny upon the Scientific Society and
shall not, the scientific problem.
and I dare to assert that it is due to a calumny also in respect to the status of Engineering profession.

Of course, there are scientists (and engineers) - we can easily name such - who, out of their political beliefs, believe in the need to abridge their nature, with all the weapons any other nature may build; or, assume for their nature the leadership in all styles of technological progress. I propose that relatively few leaders of individuals who think so smaller groups succeed in gaining the public at large, not to speak of professional politicians. There are also engineers (and some scientists, too) whose main depend on continuation of certain technological projects and who share with labor and entrepreneurship whose livelihood depends on such projects, a vested interest in their continuation.
This is human, but has nothing to do with the supposed dialectical 'dedication to technology for technology sake'.

Science is something else. It is dominated by the urge to understand, not by the urge to build new things, but science used to believe — and many of them still believe — that this urge is fundamentally good and that no attack should be just in its way. This belief has been put to a hard test when the scientific discovery of nuclear fission rapidly led to the engineering achievement of nuclear explosives. Now most scientists are likely to admit that society may be endangered, by prudence, to close certain avenues of research until such time when awareness in these fields may develop lead to avoidable engineering consequences. But other scientists, with no desire to damage reflect damage on mankind, would argue that barriers should be put not before science but on the way to dangerous derivation of the acquired knowledge.