Annual Meeting

At the Annual Alumni Banquet held June 9, President DuBridge announced the gift of a $15,000 scholarship fund, presented to the Institute by the Alumni Association.

Income from the fund will be used to provide a four-year tuition scholarship for able and worthy undergraduate students at Caltech. The first scholarship is to be awarded to a freshman entering the Institute next fall.

Establishment of the fund was undertaken after the alumni contributed $168,000 for the Alumni Swimming Pool and Locker Rooms as part of the new Caltech athletic center being constructed in Tournament Park. The alumni plan to make annual additions to the fund for the next three years to provide four Alumni Scholarships, one in each undergraduate class.

Announcement of the Alumni Scholarships was one of the highlights of Dr. DuBridge's report to alumni on Institute developments during the past year. Speaker of the evening was Laughlin E. Waters, who talked on "Justice Is Your Business". Mr. Waters is U. S. attorney for southern California.

Also announced at the banquet was the election of Kenneth F. Russell, '29, as Alumni Association president for the coming year. New vice-president is Charles V. Newton, '34. Professor Donald S. Clark, '29, as secretary, and George B. Holmes, '38, as treasurer, were re-elected.

Newly-elected members of the Alumni Board of Directors for two-year terms are Hugh C. Carter '49, Philip Cravitz '29, William F. Nash, Jr. '38, and Charles P. Strickland, Jr. '43. Reunion classes this year included 1914, 1919, 1924, 1929, 1934, 1939, 1944 and 1949. Reports from most of these classes are presented below.

1924

The class of '24 spent two evenings celebrating their 30th reunion. On Tuesday, June 8th, 18 members attended a class dinner at the Hotel Green in Pasadena, and the following evening 12 were present for the Annual Banquet.

Attending at least one or the other of these functions were Kenneth Anderson, Dale Barcus, Sid Duncan, Carlton Eckermann, Harold Gandy, Morry Goldsmith, Larry Hall, Bob Hastings, Bill Holladay, Grant Jenkins, Oliver Kilham, Ed Lownes, Cliff Maltby, Roy Miller, Holly Moyse, Lyall Pardee, and Frank Pine.

—E. Harold Gandy

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1929

The 25th anniversary reunion of the class of '29 was held at the Van Nuys home of Philip Cravitz, who generously offered the use of his home and spacious patio for a pleasant late afternoon and early evening celebration.

1944

The reunion of the class of '44 was held at the Pasadena Athletic Club on Saturday, June 12th.

With half of the class of '34 still living in southern California, 24 members found it possible to attend the Alumni Banquet in celebration of the 20th anniversary of their graduation from Caltech. This group, the largest reunion group in attendance, included the following: Bob Boykin, Bob Brown, Don Cleveland, John Cortelyou, Willis Donahue, Duncan Douglas, George Downs, Roland Escherich, Bill Everett, Jim Gregory, Lawrence Hallanger, Tom Holton, Garth Nicolson, Dick Parker, Pat Patton, Al Ramoli, George Rucker, Bob Sharp, John Sherborne, Darrel Sluder, Al Switzer, Nick Ugrin and Bill Wilson.

—Don Cleveland

1949

The class of '49—dissipated both physically and geographically—celebrated its first quinquennial reunion with a rather shabby turnout of 21 stalwarts. Those present at the dinner were Allinder, Andres, Baron, Bulkley, Carter, Cossola, Gift, Herzig, Hirschberg, Hylton, Long, Mones, Patterson, Petzar, Saltman, Seitz, Sellick, Simons, Terriere, Vreeland, and Waters.

Some, unable to attend in person, were still able to wield a pen for their Alma Mater and fellow classmates. A few even waxed poetic. Messages of love and devotion were received from Carus, Gardiner, Heggland, Byron Karzas, Nobles, Pond, Peterson, and Stewart.

In the line of accomplishments, special attention should be directed to Hugh Carter’s rise to power within the Alumni Association. Hugh begins his first year on the Executive Board of the Association. Most disappointing was the absence of our permanent class secretary, Chuck Forrester. His neglect resulted in the re-vivification, under protest, of one of the worst literary hacks of the class to write this column.

—Paul Saltman