'37 JOINS ALUMNI

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Kneeling nightly in solemn prayer that they might some day be among the favored few to climb across the steps of Gates to eligibility for Alumni membership, over 600* undergrads, the highest enrollment on record, spent the past year compromising between their consciences, faculty demands, and desirable activities.

The graduation of the class of '37 will indeed be a great loss to the student body, and will be felt in every phase of student life; however, contrary to popular belief among the Seniors, the school will not have to close up. Jack McLean has capably stepped into the work of Student Body President so effectively handled by Robert Mahoney. Roland Stone, as Vice President, has the Honor system efficiently controlled and points toward ambitious undertakings. Bob Parry is giving the Institute unprecedented publicity in his position of Publicity Manager. Keith Anderson, a Freshman of no mean ability and experience, has been editing a first class CALIFORNIA TECH since elections, and apparently isn't going to flunk out doing it. The Big T editor and publications Business Managers have not yet been elected.

No outstanding records of success came in the past season's athletics, though all the teams fairly well held their own and were generally above the Tech average. Football losses this year include Benton, Horkey, Larson, Townsend, Mann, Capt. Wetmore, Wielman and Zimmerman. Captain-elect Claude Brown will, however, lead a fairly experienced team. Captain-elect Stan Wolfberg's 1938 basketball squad will sorely miss Horkey, Harper, Capt. Harold Smith and Walley, but they promise a great deal in varsity experience, and the addition of the Frosh team should afford one of the best basketball seasons in a long time.

The track team didn't send a relay team East, but the spectacular high jumping of Sophomore Bowers brought as many headlines. The team brought home its share of the proverbial pork, and after winning the Pomona Relay trophy, thumbs down, had to take the Pomona team to a surprise cleaning in a regular track meet to prove their rating. Captain Snelling, Hoyt Austin, Benton, Horkey and Wileman will leave a fairly complete squad to run the Orange and White colors next year.

Baseball, tennis, and other teams will have normal sized vacancies to fill, but this year's Frosh class seems a bit more promising than last year's, so that the school is not in the last stages of decline.

Enthusiasm for a gym is entering another of its peak years, and who knows but perhaps the hammer might hit the gong?

The student body was in good attendance at the Alumni Dance and welcomes any opportunities for closer association between alumni and undergrads, hoping that such relations may be appreciably extended this coming year.

^{*}Figure quoted for the first term; after combatting such difficulties as further registrations in ensuing terms, the faculty has only succeeded, by the salting out process, in getting the enrollment down from 612 to around 570—a low batting average, indeed, but the pitching was first rate.