TECH ALUMNI IN WASHINGTON MEET

ON THE evening of January 13, 44 Tech alumni who are now living in the Washington area met at Schneider's Cafe in Washington for dinner. Most of the evening was spent in getting acquainted with the other fellow and the occasion promised to be the first in a series of dinner meetings to be held at intervals of about three months.

The idea of the meeting originated with Fred Groat, '24, who realized that there are now many Tech men in and around Washington. At a short business session at the close of the dinner, Mr. Groat was elected temporary chairman of the group to plan future meetings. Major Paul Engelder, U.S.M.C., '26, has consented to be the speaker for the March meeting.

Dr. Royal W. Sorensen and Frank Streit, '26, both now at Columbia University, New York, were guests. Dr. Sorensen gave an interesting summary of affairs at the Institute during the past academic year.

Any alumni in the Washington area may contact the group by calling any of the following:


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PERSONALS

1923

LOREN BLAKELEY is recuperating from an attack of infantile paralysis which has kept him from his work since last July. As secretary of the class of 1923, he is anxious to complete the roll call of the class which was begun in an earlier issue of Engineering and Science.

1926

A. M. BALL was a recent visitor to the campus and to southern California war plants in connection with his duties as technical director of the Hercules Powder Company.

W. A. LEWIS, formerly director of the School of Electrical Engineering at Cornell University, has resigned to return to the field of engineering research. He has been named consulting electrical engineer to the Armour Research Foundation at the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, and is also a research professor in the electrical engineering department.

1927

EDWARD M. BROWDER is structural engineer for the department of operations and maintenance of the Panama Canal and is serving as president of the Panama section of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

1928

DR. ALBERT E. LOMBARD, JR., is a special assistant to the director of the Aircraft Resources Control Office at the Pentagon Building, Washington, D. C.

1929

FRANK W. THOMPSON was commissioned a lieutenant junior grade, U.S.N.R., in May, 1942. He received his training at Newport, R. I., and at the naval gun factory at Washington, D. C. He was stationed in the planning section of the Bureau of Ordnance but was later transferred to his present position in the industrial manager's office of the department of design for the repair and conversion of ships, at the 11th Naval District in San Diego.

1930

AL VOAK is in the industrial engineering department of Firestone in Los Angeles.

ERNEST LEVINE is project manager for Contracting Engineers Company in charge of the completion of the $5,000,000 Aliso Street Viaduct over the Los Angeles River.

LIEUTENANT F. T. SWIFT is a radio officer in the Navy and is stationed at a Pacific base.

1934

SID SMITH is in the South Pacific, employed by Submarine Signal Company as a United States technician, doing work for the United States Navy. He is married and has two small sons.

1936

WASSON NESTLER was recently promoted to captain in the Army Signal Corps. He visited his family recently in San Marino, and they returned with him to Florida where he is stationed at Drew Field.

1937

ERNEST MONCRIEF is a process engineer at the Fluor Corporation.

FREDERIC DION, JR., is with the engineering department of Joseph E. Seagram and Sons, Inc., at Louisville, Ky., where his present activities are centered on a program of expanding alcohol production. In October he married Miss V. Elizabeth Myers of Clifton, Va.

MAJOR JOHN H. BLUE, U.S.M.C., returned recently from an overseas assignment of 21 months.

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ENGINEERING AND SCIENCE MONTHLY
Meet Jim Blake, "retired"

The way Jim Blake figures it he's not doing anything worth writing up. He switches cars around at a big Southern Pacific terminal yard. But Jim Blake's been railroading more than 30 years, and he knows a lot of answers. Recently when we've had to train new railroaders, Jim's experience on the job has been very valuable to us. We depend a lot on men like him to keep the war trains moving...

Late in '41 Jim Blake was ready to quit work and switch onto his pension. But when the Japs struck at Pearl Harbor, Jim decided on a different plan. With a lot of the young men going off to war, Jim figured he'd better stick on the job for the duration. His railroad and his country might be needing him.

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DEAN CHAPMAN plans to teach math at the Institute until June and then join Curtiss-Wright Corp. at Passaic, N. J.

A. JOHN A. MORGAN and JOHN MARSHALL are with Aircraft Corp. FRANK SMITH, JR., has joined the U. S. Navy Bureau of Aeronautics.

JAMES R. ST. JOHN will study medicine.

JAMES PLOESER is employed by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Development Laboratory.

CORNELIUS STEELINK is with the Shell Chemical Company, Dominguez, Calif.

GARMON HARBOTTLE is remaining at the Institute to be employed in the chemistry department.

CARL O. MATTINSON is at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

FRANCIS ODELL is employed by the chemical engineering department at Caltech.

JOHN B. NELSON is returning to his home at Honolulu, T. H., where he will be employed by the Honolulu Gas Company.

CRAN BARROW is at Knoxville, Tenn., with the Eastman Kodak Company.

ARTHUR N. CARSON is employed by Sperry Gyroscope.

HOWARD CHANG is attending the Massachusetts Institute of Technology graduate school.

CHARLES COX is a research assistant with the Kellogg Laboratory at Caltech.

THOMAS GILBERT is with Armour Research.

ALOIS SCHARDT is returning to Caltech on a fellowship.

JAY HAMMEL is a physicist at Eastman Kodak, Clinton, Tenn.

DANIEL BOTKIN is with the chemical engineering department at the Institute.

ROBERT THOMAS returned to the Institute on a fellowship.

ALAN ANDREW is with the physics department at the Institute.

WILLIAM OLENBUSH is with the Standard Oil Company.

WESLEY R. SANDELL is with Chemical Warfare, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

ELMER S. HALL has joined the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company.

OWEN OLDS is with Allis-Chalmers, Milwaukee, Wis.

DAVID RUTLAND is remaining at the Institute, and is employed by N.D.R.C.

DOYLE WILCOX is with Consolidated Engineering Corporation in Pasadena.

STANLEY DAVY is in Wallace, Utah, with the Tamarac and Custer Consolidated Mining Company.

CHARLES G. ALQUIST is in Flint, Mich., with General Motors.

TWAY ANDREWS is employed by the Norris Stamping Company, Los Angeles.

HAROLD V. CURCI is with Shell Chemical Company.

DAVID JONES is with the Standard Oil Company.

KEITH DITMAN expects to study medicine while in the Army.

WILLARD A. DODGE, JR., joined the Army in February.

WALTER FILLIPONE is with the United States Geophysical Company.

ENRIQUE SILGADO plans to return to Peru.

PAUL LABANAUSKAS is employed by the General Electric Company.

ENSIGN HARRISON SIGWORTH completed his midshipman’s training at Columbia University recently and visited the campus while on leave before reporting for sea duty.