

# ALUMNI NEWS

## Plane Crash

**O**DELL CARSON AND DON SHEPARD, both in the class of '50, were killed last month when their light plane crashed in the Columbia River, near the Hanford Atomic Energy Works in Richland, Washington, where they had been working since graduation. With two other junior scientists at the Hanford Works—who also died in the accident—they were returning from a week-end trip home to the Los Angeles area when the single-engine plane, piloted by Don, went down, a mile short of their destination, while they were attempting a landing in a thick fog.

## Director Macartney

**E**VERETT J. MACARTNEY was named last month as a Director of the Alumni Association, filling the vacancy caused by the recent death of Robert J. Hare.

Ev received his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering in 1943. As an undergraduate he served on two A.S.C.I.T. Boards of Directors—as Second Representative-at-Large and as Athletic Manager—and he was Senior Class President.

He made Varsity letters in football and track, and was captain-elect of the '42 football squad. The war resulted in the temporary suspension of football, however, and

the '42 team was one of those which suffered. He was a member of Ricketts House, the Beavers, and the Varsity Club, and holder of two Honor Keys.

Upon graduation Ev entered active duty with the Naval Reserve, and was accepted for submarine duty following Officers' Indoctrination School. He served out the war on the *U.S.S. Thornback* and *U.S.S. Carp* and in 1946 he was placed on inactive duty as a Lieutenant.

Since 1947 he has been employed by Standard Oil of California at the El Segundo Refinery in various capacities within the refining and engineering department.

Since 1948 he has served as a vice-chairman on the Alumni Fund Committee.

## ASME President

**J.** CALVIN BROWN, ex-'17, has just been elected president of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers for 1950-51. An attorney at law as well as a mechanical engineer, he received the degrees of LL.B. and LL.M. at the Hamilton College of Law in Chicago. He specializes in patent, trademark and copyright litigation before the United States Courts.

Brown is a member of the bars of the U. S. Supreme Court and of the highest courts—both State and Federal—in California, Illinois and the District of Columbia.

He has held a number of offices in the ASME since he became a member of the Society in 1928, has also been president of the Los Angeles Engineering Council

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of Founder Societies, chairman of the Patent Section of the Los Angeles Bar Association, president of the Los Angeles Patent Law Association, as well as a member of the Society of Motion Picture Engineers, Society for the Advancement of Science, and California Water and Power Resources Committee—among others.

### Chapter Notes

On Friday, October 13, Eben Vey '41, Secretary of the Chicago Chapter; William A. Lewis, Jr. '26, Ph.D. '39, Dean of the Graduate School of the Illinois Institute of Technology; and Robert L. James '36, Research Associate of the Illinois Institute, were hosts at a luncheon at the Faculty Club of the Illinois Institute for Dick Armstrong '28, the Caltech Alumni Association director in charge of chapters . . . Most recent meeting of the Chicago Chapter was timed to coincide with a visit from Dean Franklin Thomas.

The Washington, D. C. Chapter met on October 20 at the Roger Smith Hotel to hear a talk by Dr. H. P. Robertson, now on leave from the Institute to serve with the Department of Defense in Washington . . . 1950-51 officers of the chapter elected at this meeting: James Boyd '27, Perley G. Nutting '36.

### Kickoff Luncheon and Open House

**T**HE ANNUAL OCCIDENTAL-CALTECH Kickoff Luncheon, held at the Athenaeum on October 20, the day before the Oxy-Caltech game, was as lively as usual this year. The lunch was good, the speeches were brief and the Oxy band must certainly have been the loudest musical organization ever to perform in the Athenaeum.

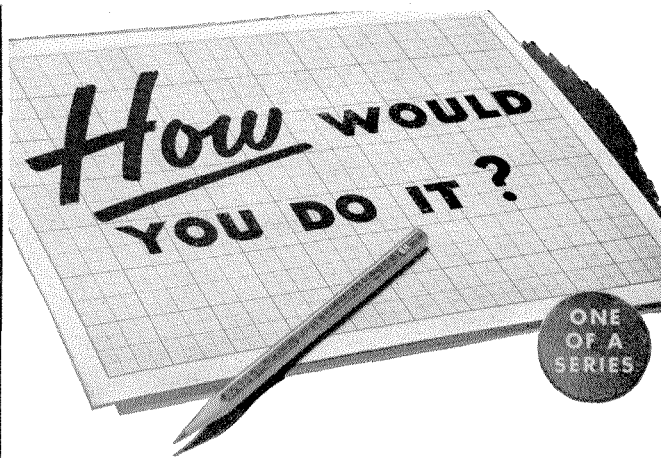
The pessimistic tone adopted by most of the Caltech speakers, in discussing the team, was unfortunately justified by the result of the game next day: Oxy-20, Caltech-7. At the Kickoff Luncheon, however, President DuBridge spared himself any possible disappointment by referring to the approaching game as the annual contest "to determine which school develops brawn, and which develops character."

The Alumni Open House held in Dabney Lounge after the Oxy game was a rousing success, drew 75 couples, who enjoyed the refreshments and dancing until the doors were closed at 1 a.m.

### Help Wanted

**T**HE ANNUAL ALUMNI SEMINAR won't be held until April 15, but that doesn't mean that the committee in charge of the day isn't already at work. In fact the Seminar Committee needs some spare hands. Maybe you'd like to serve? It takes a lot of manpower to work out all the arrangements for the Big Day.

If you'll call the Alumni Office at the Institute (SY 6-7121) and let them know you're interested, Gerald Foster '40, Seminar Committee chairman, will get in touch with you later and tell you what jobs are still open. Thanks.



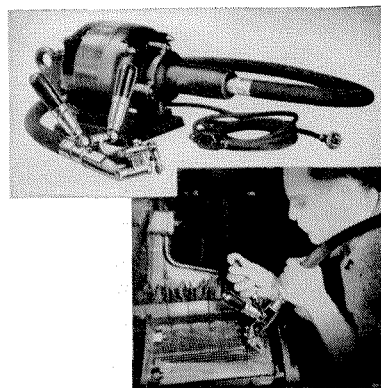
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Last month cards went out to all alumni, asking them to check off certain information about themselves for purposes of the new directory. Did you get your card? If *not*, will you fill out the duplicate card above? Send

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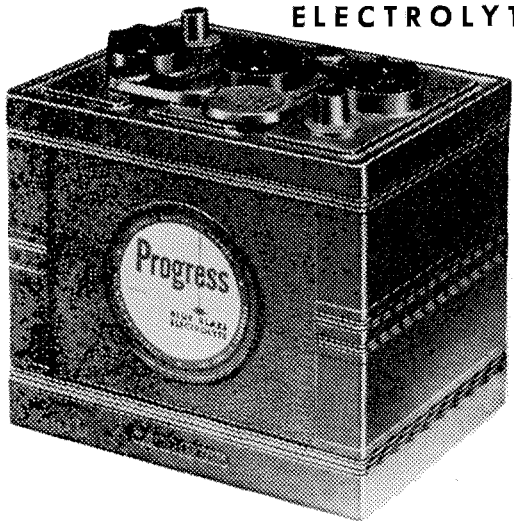



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