

ALUMNI NEWS

Placement

DURING THE YEAR 1952-53, there were 326 jobs filled through the Caltech Placement Office. This figure includes 131 students in part-time work, 109 students in summer jobs, 61 seniors and graduate students in permanent employment, and 25 alumni in new positions.

Of the total number of men who received the B.S. degree, 53.4 percent went on to graduate work (slightly higher than last year's 43.6 percent). A larger proportion of the B.S. men went into military duty this year also—5.2 percent as against 1.6 percent last year.

Of the 50 men who received the B.S. degree and accepted employment, 78 percent went to work for industrial organizations, while 12 percent went with research organizations, and 10 percent with government agencies.

Of the 39 employed men who received the M.S. degree, 72 percent went into industry this year (as against 59 percent last year), 18 percent went into research, 10 percent into government agencies, and none into teaching. Last year 15 percent went into teaching.

Of the 52 employed Ph.D. men, 38 percent went into research, another 38 percent into industry (23 percent last year), 12 percent into government (3 percent last year), 12 percent into teaching.

Salaries are still going up. The median salary accepted by B.S. men this year was \$355 a month; \$419 for M.S. men; \$479 for the Engineer's degree men; \$505 for Ph.D.'s.

The maximum salary for a man with a B.S. degree was in the field of mechanical engineering—about \$645 a month; maximum for the M.S. degree was in aeronautical engineering—\$755; maximum for the Engineer's degree was in mechanical engineering—\$575; and for Ph.D.'s it was in physics—\$805.

Chapter Notes

THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA Chapter enjoyed its annual swimming party and picnic at Bob Bowman's ranch in Concord on September 5. About forty attended—including such old timers as Walter Jones and Eugene (Tule) Smith, who were among the organizers of the chapter. We were all pleased to see again the Fred Groats from the Sacramento Chapter and their guests, the Bob Sorensens. The weather was fine for swimming in the afternoon and cooled off to just the right temperature for poker playing and group singing in the evening.

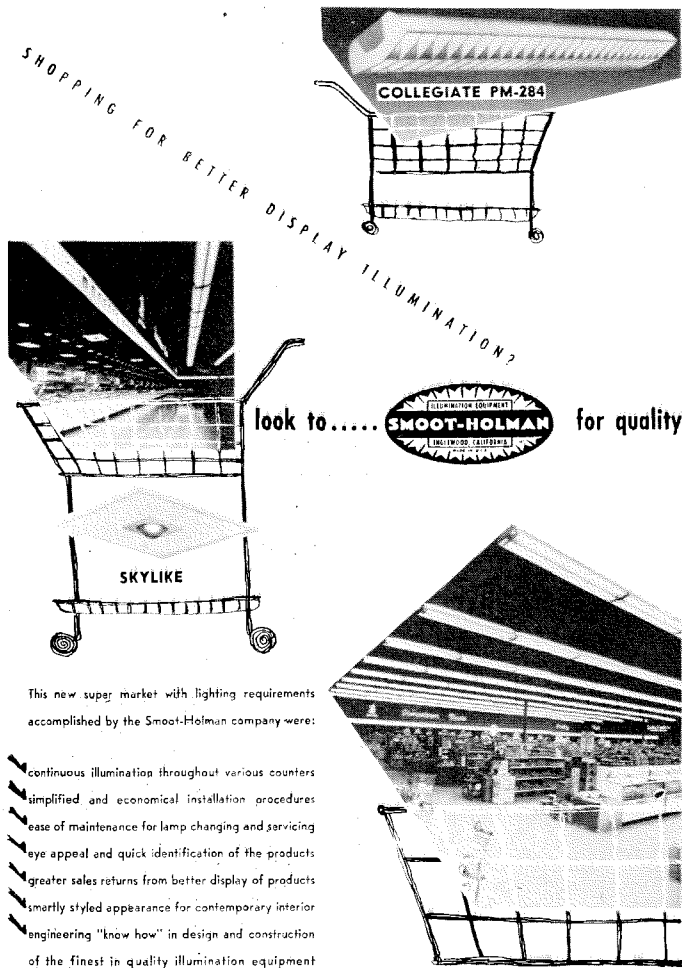
—Robert Heitz

THIRTEEN MEMBERS of the Chicago Chapter met for dinner at the Bismarck Hotel on September 9.

Much of the evening was devoted to planning a sparkling program for the chapter's fall meeting. All Chicago area alumni will be urged at that time to make every effort to attend what promises to be an outstanding affair.

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