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## Men In Service

Because so many Alumni hold reserve and other commissions in various branches of the military service, and because friends have a difficult time of keeping track of their location after being called to active duty, the Alumni Review will make a special effort in the September issue to present a list of men in the service, and their current assignments. Please send any information you may have along this line to Fred Scott '30, care Alumni Association, Pasadena.

## About Our Authors

Holley B. Dickinson '36, who contributes this issue's leading article, "The Prospects for Air Transport," is well qualified for his analysis of the possibilities and problems of commercial aviation during and after the war. Holley has been engaged in aerodynamic research for Lockheed after coming back to Tech for his M.S. in 1937. He has contributed articles to the Journal of Aeronautical Sciences and has presented papers before several technical groups on aerodynamic subjects. At the 1941 Alumni Seminar Weekend he discussed current manufacturing problems in the Aeronautics Seminar.

One of the outstanding engineering projects of all time is the Colorado River Aqueduct and associated construction work. Bringing water to a thirsty metropolitan area as it does, the Aqueduct not only has important economic and social aspects, but its laying across miles of barren and rugged desert country and its great size presented severe engineering obstacles. Julian F. Hinds, Assistant Chief Engineer for the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, gives an inside picture of the original research on cement, pump, and water problems that made the project successful. Mr. Hinds was one of the speakers at the A.A.A.S. meetings on the Tech campus in June.

Much has been written, and deservedly so, concerning the part that the engineering schools are playing in the gigantic national defense effort. One of the most succinct and analytical summaries, however, was that presented by Morrrough P. O'Brien, Chairman of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of California, at the opening symposium of the American Association for the Advancement of Science meeting held at the Institute. Professor O'Brien's analysis of the aims and problems involved is well worth comprehensive study.

## News Notes

Professor Franklin Thomas has been named recently to the national panel of labor dispute arbitrators of the American Arbitration Association. He is one of the six Californians named to the association which has a record of 400 labor cases settled without a following dispute . . . Dr. Richard C. Tolman, who has been in Washington for a year, returned to Pasadena for a short vacation. He was recently named on a special emergency committee for scientific research and development by President Roosevelt.

## in other words

by JOHN CLINTON



I have fallen in love with a red headed angel with round blue eyes and skin the color of Golden Guernsey cream. Her name's Judy, and I met her while she was sitting on the lap of a good looking young Minute Man at the Union Oil station at Bishop, Calif.

Judy, who doesn't look a day over six, was waiting for her daddy who was over at the store buying supplies for a camping trip. The Minute Men were taking care of her.

"Sure we mind youngsters," said the manager, "and we mind dogs and find lost cats, and we lend campers boots, electric wire and ice picks. We think nothing of finding 2 or 3 purses in the restroom every week, and we still have a set of false teeth waiting to be claimed. Boy, you gotta be on your toes to be a Minute Man!"

I got to thinking about it on the way up to Virginia Lakes—about Judy's red hair and all the things Minute Men do, and I decided that touring is lots easier, safer and more convenient because of these Minute Men you find at Union Oil stations wherever you go.

So when I start my own oil company I'll be as careful as Union when I pick my men. It's a swell way to sell gasoline, and a swell way to run a company. Next time you're driving, drop in and meet a Minute Man. And I wish I had Judy!

