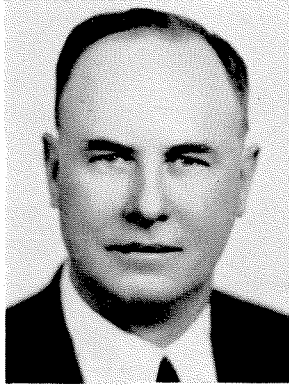


ALUMNI YOU SHOULD KNOW



BUILDING CONTRACTOR

The career of Ray Gerhart, one of the five members of the class of 1913, though unspectacular, illustrates the satisfactions secured from a job well done. He remembers well his part on the 1909 football squad which beat Pomona, only to be beaten by Occidental two weeks later, so badly that only two members

of the team could finish the game, so that the balance of the team was made up of Oxy subs.

Upon graduation he secured employment with the Worthington Pump and Machinery Company, having been smitten with the diesel bug, and worked on diesels, pumps, and mining and milling machinery for nine years, but homesickness finally won out so that he returned to Pasadena.

He arrived on the tail end of a building boom, and presto, he was contracting and has been at it ever since. He has been the builder of numerous residences, store buildings and schools throughout the metropolitan area of Los Angeles, giving all credit to the architects, the engineers, and the plumbers. He hopes that by this time he is as good a builder as can be found and hopes that in another fifteen years he may be better than the best.

His real hobby is his family of three boys, one of whom, Ray Van Dusen Gerhart, graduated from the Institute in the class of 1939. He is extremely proud of the fact that he is one of the Tech graduates who is also the father of a Tech alumnus.

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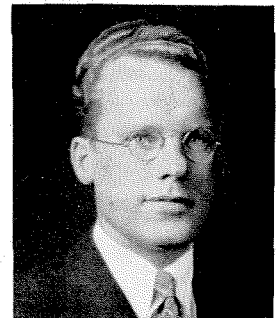
By DONALD P. MACFARLANE, '26

Progress at the Institute is being made, not only in the strictly scientific field, but also to a marked degree by the Caltech Young Men's Christian Association. The program of this student religious and service organization has been more than doubled during the past two years. This growth is due to the excellent student leadership and the work of John W. Price, who became its full-time secretary in September, 1937. Through its fellowship it offers each student an opportunity to participate in its activities regardless of his race or creed.

One of the most active of student organizations is the Y.M.C.A. The program of this organization is planned to meet the interests and the needs of the Tech men. With the individual as the center of the organization, the program is planned to help him understand himself, the essence of the Christian religion and those forces at work in the world of today affecting his ideals. Included in the more tangible items of the extensive program are the following:

1. A two day Frosh camp held prior to the opening of college with 135 Frosh attending.
2. Frosh Tea Dance in Dabney lounge with 120 new men.
3. Public affairs discussion with 100 men attending.
4. Frosh "Y" luncheons meeting once a week for discussions.
5. Soph "Y" luncheons meeting once a week for a series on "Comparative Religions" — just organized this fall.
6. World News Map with special bulletins from the Pasadena Star-News hot off the wire each day.
7. Special assembly programs.
8. Sex lecture series.
9. Vocational interest tests and talk.

10. Christmas and Easter Vesper services.
11. Six intercollegiate meetings with near-by colleges, and ten men to the Asilomar Conference.
12. Non-profit used book exchange—335 books sold for \$600.
13. Loan Fund for short term personal loans was used by 50 students 100 times.
14. Provides typewriters, adding machine, library of current magazines, etc.
15. Fifty students earned \$1,350 in part time jobs secured through the "Y."
16. Student faculty fireside group on "Philosophy of Life," just organized this year.



John Price, "Y" Secretary

Mr. Price is a graduate of Kansas State Teachers College and Yale Divinity School. He has had excellent training in physical education and religious and personnel work so that he is well trained to give able leadership to the Y.M.C.A. He visits all students who are hospitalized and offers appropriate assistance. He is leading two religious discussion groups and helps students who are away from home to become affiliated with the local churches' young people's groups. His confidential and friendly counseling which is always available to students is one of the most important services. In addition to aiding with many other Y items not enumerated above, Mr. Price serves as Frosh Basketball coach and assists with Frosh debating.

The organization has an advisory board of student officers, faculty members, alumni and friends meeting periodically to review the progress of the work.