

CAMPUS NEWS

THOMAS AWARD

Prof. Franklin Thomas received the gold medal of the Arthur Noble Award of the City of Pasadena at a dinner in his honor on January 24th. Professor Thomas is the fifteenth recipient of the award for notable service in promoting the welfare of the city.

Professor Thomas served two terms on the Board of City Directors of Pasadena and has been vice-president of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California since its organization. He has also served as president of the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce, and is prominent in many other civic functions.

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SORENSEN HONORED

Prof. Royal W. Sorensen was nominated as president of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers at its annual convention in New York last January. The nomination is tantamount to election.

Professor Sorensen has been a member of the Board of Directors of the A.I.E.E. for several years and is very active in the work of the organization, being chairman of the committee on student branches. Last summer he was elected vice-president of the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education.

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COLOR

The March 5th meeting of the Southern California alumni was devoted to the subject of "Color Photography," being the most popular meeting of the year as attested by the attendance of over 180 members and guests.

The speaker of the evening was Doctor Curtis of the Curtis Laboratories, who has developed a camera and a process for taking color negatives from which color positives can be made. He explained the process and showed samples of the work that can be secured. At the conclusion of his talk, numerous questions, showing the interest of the audience, were answered.

Color transparencies taken by alumni

were then shown which showed the uses of color photography in engineering construction, geologic studies, and industrial applications. Several alumni vacation trips of interest were also displayed. The meeting was arranged by G. Austin Schroter, '28.

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BASEBALL TROPHY

Largely through the efforts of *John Monning*, '33, who was chairman, a group of about 25 former members of the Institute's baseball teams presented a new baseball trophy to the student body on March 4th. The new cup which is to be called the "Alumni Baseball Trophy" is to be awarded to some member of the squad each year on the basis of sportsmanship, moral influence, ability, and individual improvement.

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IN MEMORIAM

RICKETTS

Dr. Louis D. Ricketts, First Vice-President of the Board of Trustees and a member of the Executive Council, died on March 4th in Los Angeles after an

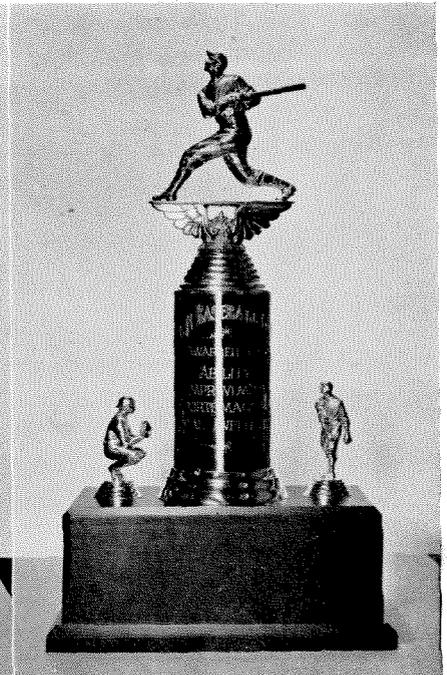
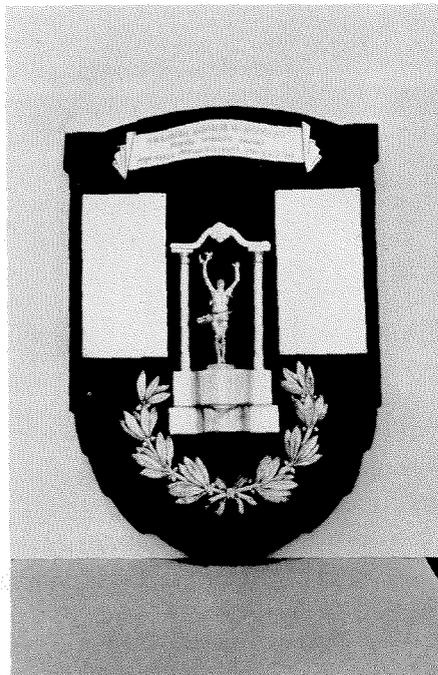
illness of a month. Ricketts House was donated to the Institute by Doctor Ricketts, as the welfare of undergraduate students was always his particular interest.

Doctor Ricketts was a mining engineer of international reputation, having been manager of numerous mines and was a director of the Phelps Dodge Corporation, Anaconda Copper Company and many other corporations. He served as State Geologist of Wyoming for three years, and in 1916 he served as president of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, which last fall awarded him the James S. Douglas Medal for "inspirational leadership and distinguished achievements in the metallurgy of copper."

Doctor Ricketts was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of the Institute in 1926, of the finance committee in 1928, and first vice-president and member of the Executive Council in 1937.

CAMPBELL

John Stuart Campbell, '26, passed away in Rochester, N. Y., in September, 1939. He was a member of the physics department at the University of Rochester, doing research in optics and light, and teaching, since 1935. Prior to that time he had done advanced work in physics at Rice Institute, in Berlin, the University of Chicago, and Rollins College.



LEFT: Alumni Award for House Intercollegiate Competition, donated by the Alumni Assn.
RIGHT: Alumni Baseball Trophy, donated by Alumni Baseball Men.