

Twenty-Five Years Out

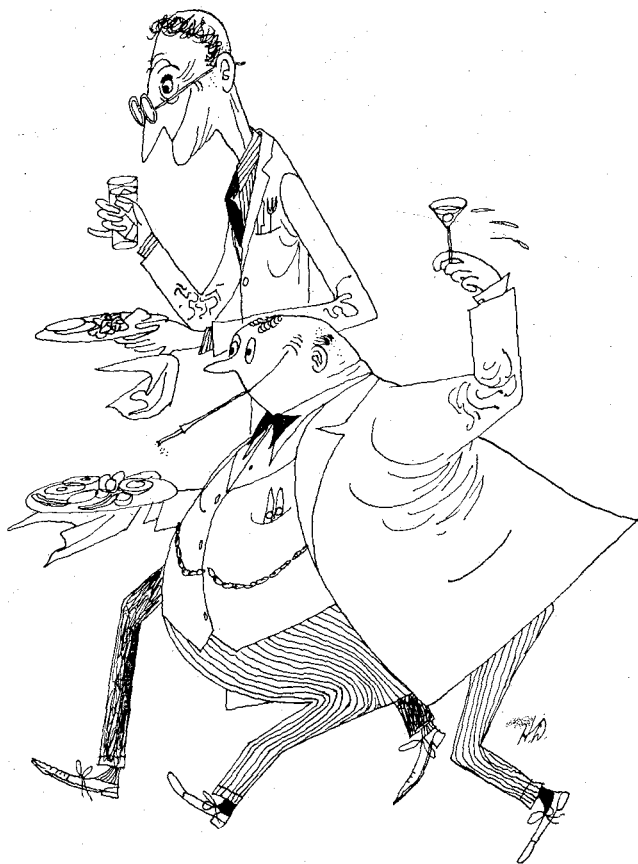
The class of '24 has a 25th reunion

LET'S do this every five years" was the resolution made by the 41 alumni of the class of '24 as they wound up their jovial 25th reunion at a dinner meeting at the Pasadena Athletic Club on June 7th, one day previous to the annual meeting of the Alumni Association.

From a class of 77, of which 73 are still living, this 56.2 per cent was a good turnout, considering the dispersion of the group. Leonard Forbes was conceded to have come farthest, from Denver. The San Francisco contingent consisted of Kenny Anderson, Paul Stoker, Eugene Smith, Ed Wilson and Ed Dorrestein. Ed Groat arrived from Sacramento. Letters were read from Max Moody in Honolulu, Doug Tellwright, who had been transferred to New York the preceding week, "Captain" (to us) Hans Kramer, and many others. The group was honored by the presence of Dr. DuBridge and Professors Judy, MacMinn, Sorensen, Lindvall, and Musselman.

Several of the men had not seen each other in the intervening 25 years, and in a few cases, recognition was not altogether instant. Holly Moyse had extended himself out of bounds. Most of those in attendance had developed a marvelous expanse of forehead, though Lyle Pardee and Elmer Weitekamp appeared to have found the best fur storage and had no noticeable change in cranium coverage.

Bill Holladay had computed the usual statistics. The class is healthier than life insurance mortality tables would indicate, and has contributed 1.8 children per person. Cheers were given for Larry Hall with five children, the eldest of which was graduated from Tech



last year. Emmett Irwin also came in for a hand as he told of having a son who has now completed his Frosh year on the Tech campus. "Tule" Smith created the illusion of having the clearest memory, as he described the individual plays and players involved in the 1924 championship Tech football team, aided, abetted and interrupted by Holly Moyse.

Following cocktails and a cold plate handout, Emmett Irwin introduced Dr. Fred Lindvall who described the difference between the campus and curricula of 1924, and that of today. He even detailed the budget to the closest one-tenth "megabucks." Fred had been a classmate of Bill Holladay and Loys Griswold at UCLA. When the latter two transferred to Tech, Fred went to the U of Illinois. According to the learned Doctor, only this chance move kept him from "sitting at the table with you fellows, listening to some other joker give this talk." Irwin then introduced Dr. Lee DuBridge, whose presence was doubly appreciated inasmuch as he had broken away from other commitments in order to attend this gathering. Dr. DuBridge won the admiration and esteem of the group as he told of present aims of the Institute, presented a view of the physical resources, and described the high qualifications of the candidates now seeking admission.

That the reunion was an overwhelming success was evidenced by the fact that the group did not want to break up. Twenty five years was much too long, they said, and a resolution for repeats at five year intervals met with instant and unanimous response. Harold Gandy and his committee, consisting of Bill Holladay, Ed Lownes, Larry Hall, Emmett Irwin and Ed Layton, were given a heartfelt vote of thanks for taking the initiative and staging the affair.

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