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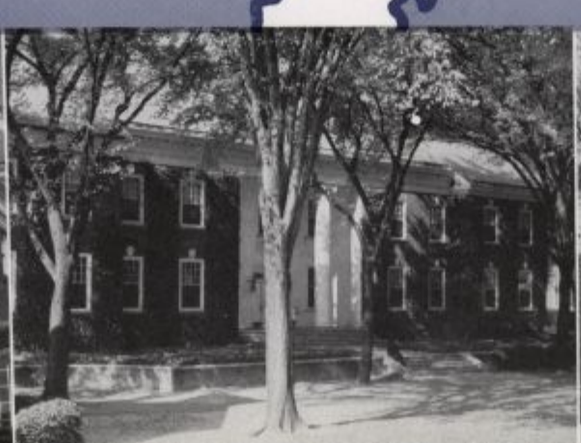

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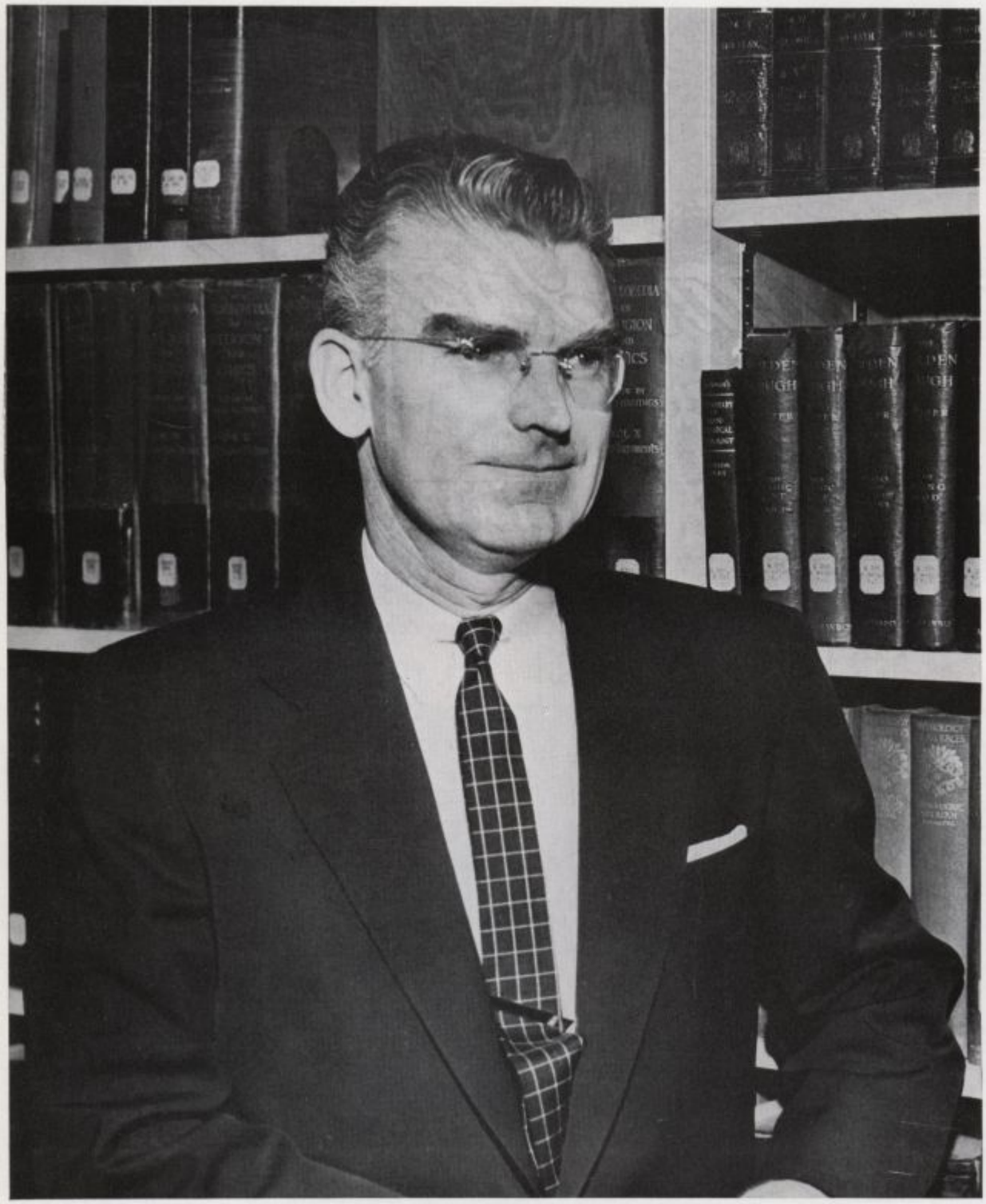

ERSKINE WAKEFIELD SMITH

Associate Professor of Economics and Business Administration

DEDICATION

Did you ever stop to think of what it would be like without the Student Union? Those coffee breaks between classes, late Saturday breakfasts, and the proverbial "Scrounge time" would be sorely missed. But the smoothly functioning organization with which we are all familiar did not just, like Topsy, grow. Rather it was, to a great extent, the result of the interest and enthusiasm of Mr. E. Wakefield Smith.

It was just six years ago, in 1948, that Mr. Smith came to the University of Delaware campus. At that time, the financial accounts of the Student Union were transacted, with a great amount of red tape, through the business office. But through Mr. Smith's working closely with the student committee, financial independence for the Student Union was achieved. Now, expenditures are smoothly transacted through the coordinator of student affairs; and the self-supporting organization has freedom to operate and improve at its own discretion.

After easing the Student Union over its first economic bumps, Mr. Smith has kept in close touch with its S. G. A. operators. Each month, he has overseen the publishing of a financial statement, and has always given freely of his time and efforts to student organizations wishing financial advice. He is known to us students as one who, in such a short time on campus, has, indeed, our interests at heart. To show, in some way, our deep appreciation for this sincere interest and guidance, we dedicate this 1954 *Blue Hen* to you, Mr. E. Wakefield Smith.

FOREWORD

GROWTH, expansion, improvement! This is the modern trend. By merely keeping both eyes open at the same time, one can see evidence that we are not content to vegetate in a status quo that is outmoded. Perhaps because of the comparatively small size of our state, we have a more compact view of the way in which current forces are joining to give a New Look to the industrial, political, social, and educational picture. In Delaware, growing industry has been followed by an increase in population, which has demanded more houses, shopping centers, and educational facilities.

It is apparent that the University has not been in hibernation during this change. Not long ago, Cannon, Smyth, and Sharp Halls existed merely on an architect's plan, as did the Home Ec and Ag buildings. The convenience of the new football stadium has replaced the weekly jaunts to Wilmington. And the plans for the future point to one thing—expansion.

To capture this prevailing tendency, we have developed as the theme of this year's *Blue Hen* the parallel between the growth of the state and that of the University. The year's activities are now recorded for posterity; the Seniors are the stars, but the underclassmen are ever present in important roles. The length of time on stage has been determined by the extent to which each student took advantage of the opportunities on campus during 1953-54.

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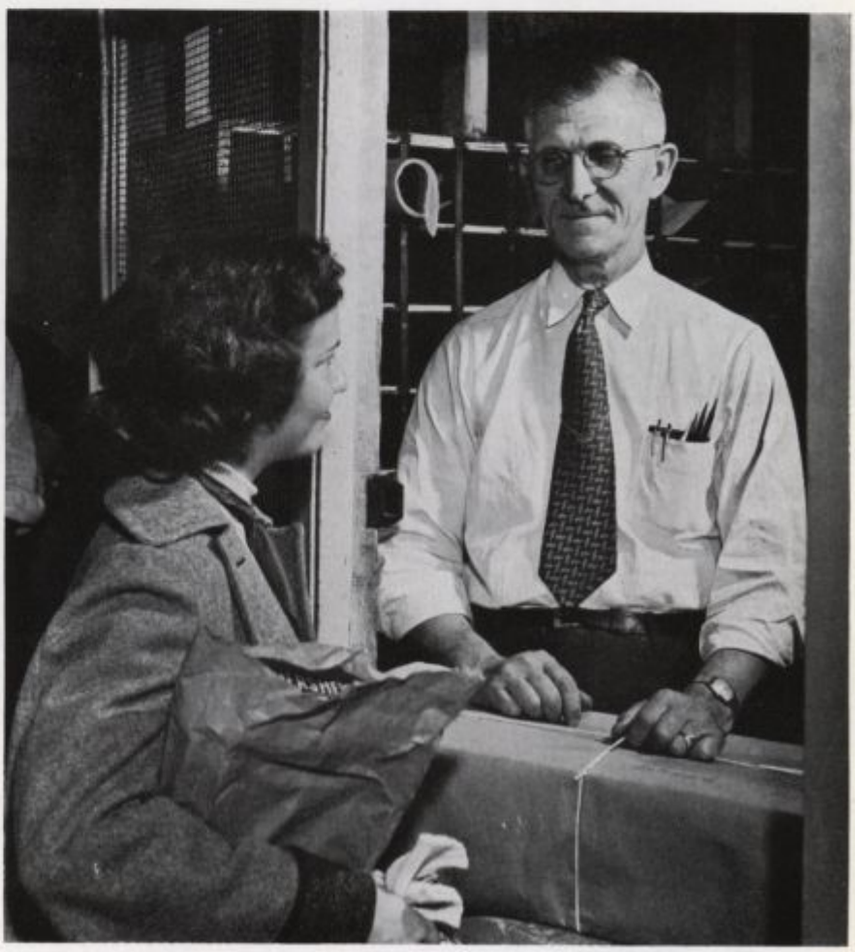
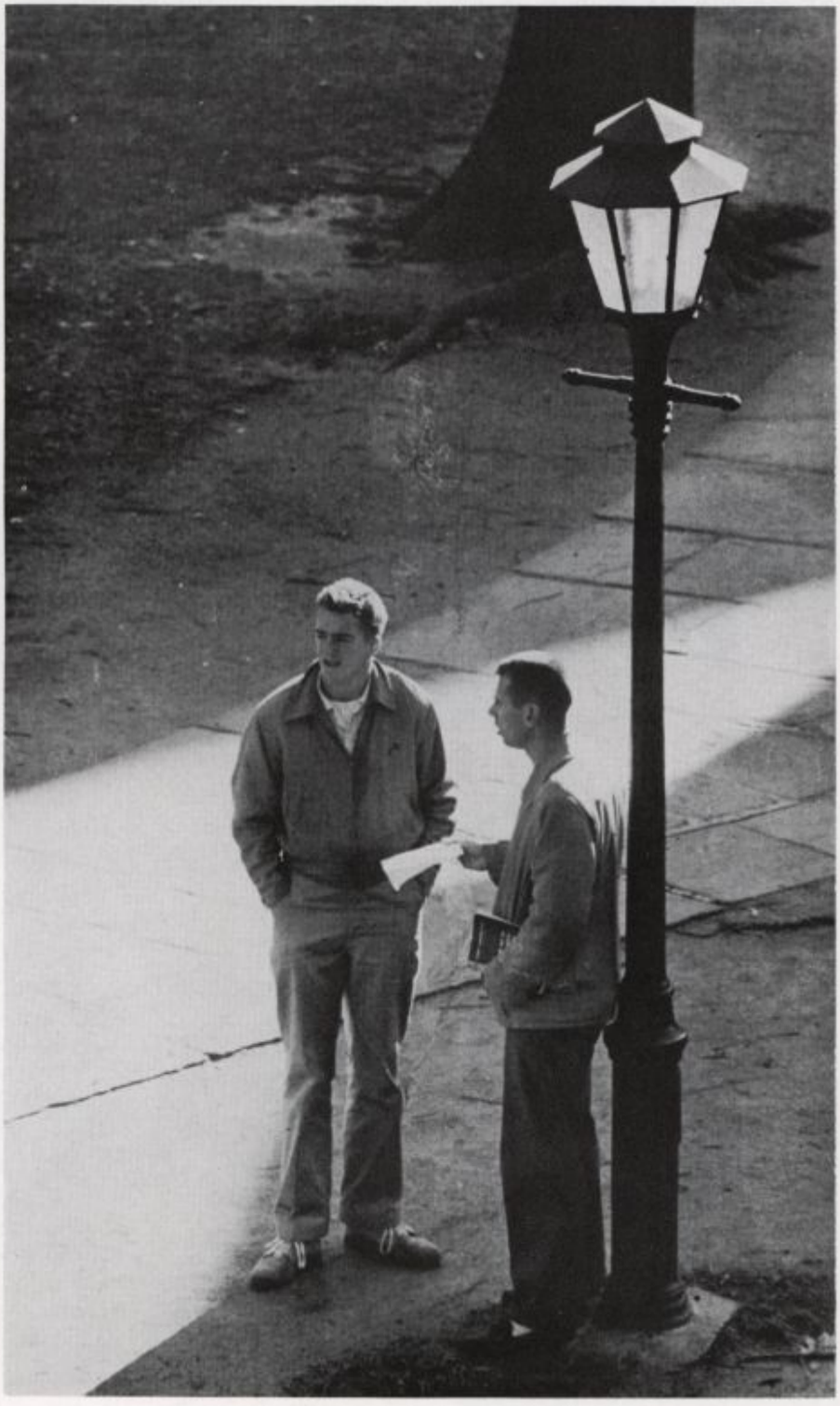
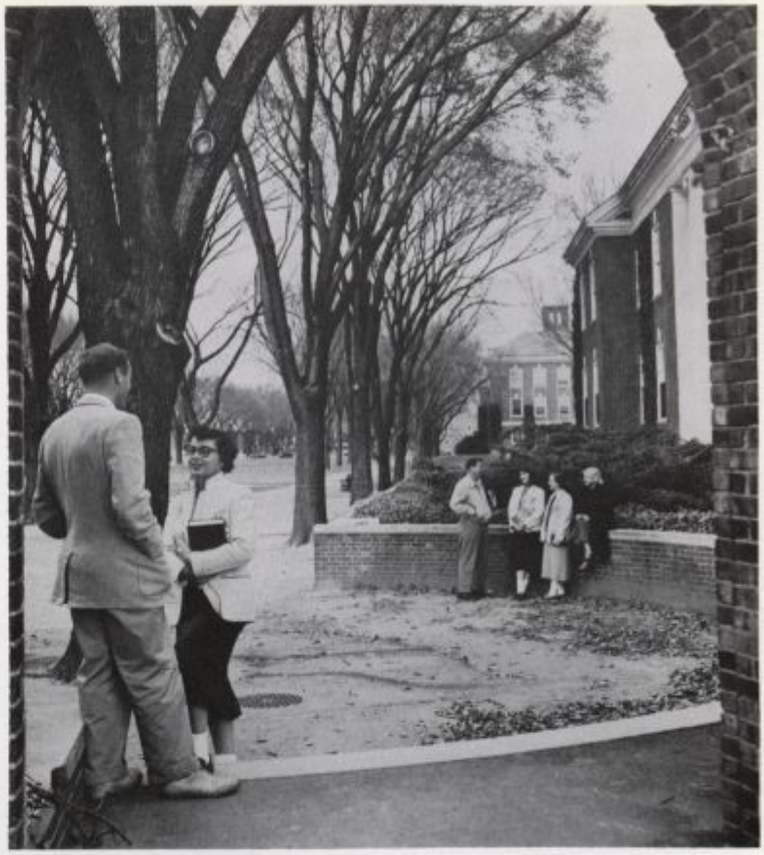
"Was that test announced?"



"For me??"

"Hey is she pinned?"





"We can talk out here."

SECTION ONE

Administration

J. CALEB BOGGS

Governor of the State of Delaware

JUDGE HUGH M. MORRIS
President of the Board

The Board of Trustees

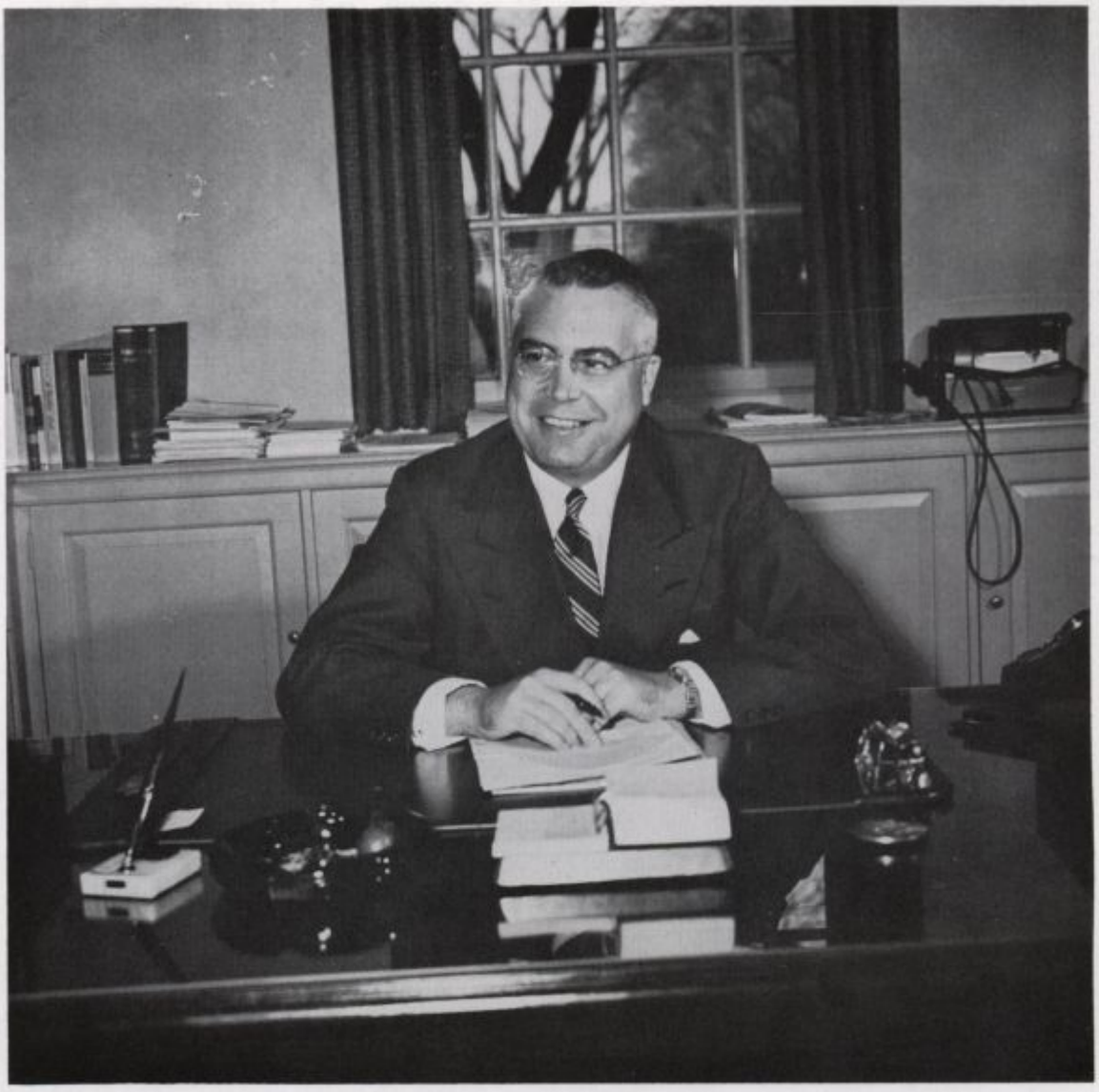
The Charter of the University provides that the Board of Trustees shall consist of twenty-eight members, together with the Governor of the State, the President of the University, the Master of the State Grange and the President of the State Board of Education, all of whom shall be members of the Board, ex officio. Eight of the trustees are appointed by the Governor and twenty are elected by a majority of the whole Board.

The Trustees pictured here are representative of leadership in the broad fields of the arts, sciences, professions, business and industry of not only the State of Delaware but our nation. Several of them enjoy international reputations.

Contributions of our Trustees to the welfare and progress of the University are many and varied but none is more significant than the imposing record of 150 years of service to our Alma Mater by the combined tenure of four present members of the Board: Chancellor William Watson Harrington, 53 years; Mr. Hugh Rodney Sharp, 38 years; Mr. Henry Francis duPont, 35 years; and Judge Hugh Martin Morris, 24 years.

The Class of 1954 salutes these ladies and gentlemen and expresses its appreciation of their distinguished service.

Seated: Governor J. Caleb Boggs, Chancellor W. Watson Harrington, Mrs. Charles P. Townsend, President John A. Perkins, Judge Hugh M. Morris, Mrs. Henry Ridgely, Mrs. Albert W. James, Mr. Henry Belin duPont. *Second Row:* Honorable C. Douglass Buck, Mr. H. Rodney Sharp, Mr. Henry Francis duPont, Senator J. Allen Frear, Jr., Dr. Charles M. A. Stine, Mr. George M. Fisher, Mr. Arthur F. Walker, Mr. Harold W. Horsey, Judge Richad S. Rodney, Mr. Joseph L. Marshall, Honorable Elbert N. Carvel. *Third Row:* Mr. R. R. M. Carpenter, Jr., Mr. Walter J. Beadle, Mr. Haland Carpenter, Mr. John G. Leach, Judge George Burton Pearson, Jr., Mr. Warren C. Newton, Mr. John Pearce Cann, Mr. Hyland George, Mr. Preston C. Townsend, Mr. Harry C. Johnson, Mr. G. Franklin Waples.



JOHN A. PERKINS, *President*

Toward the Class of 1954 I shall always feel a special kinship. We began our careers together at the University of Delaware in the Autumn of 1950.

This University to which we came so full of expectations has not disappointed us. Temporary, makeshift, post-war buildings have been replaced by several new dormitories and classroom facilities. The Memorial Library has added thousands of volumes. The faculty, always devoted to learning, seems to have become ever more so. New teachers have joined the staff to enrich the variety of courses offered.

Each member of the Class of 1954 must ask himself, "Have I kept my own development abreast of that made by this remarkable institution of which I have been privileged to be a part?" Too often students permit education to appear as the one commodity for which the buyer tries to make the worst possible bargain. Many of you have indeed responded to the opportunity provided. You have made the maximum effort during the last four years. You have given yourself completely to the enterprise of learning. You are rewarded not only with a love for the University but you have discovered that effort put forth in learning brings its own rich and lasting reward. I need only extend to each member of your class every best wish and ask that you keep, throughout your life, faith with your University and its teachings.

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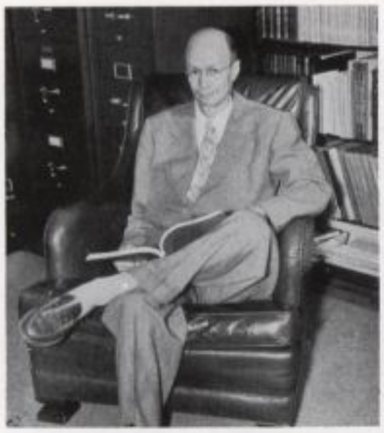

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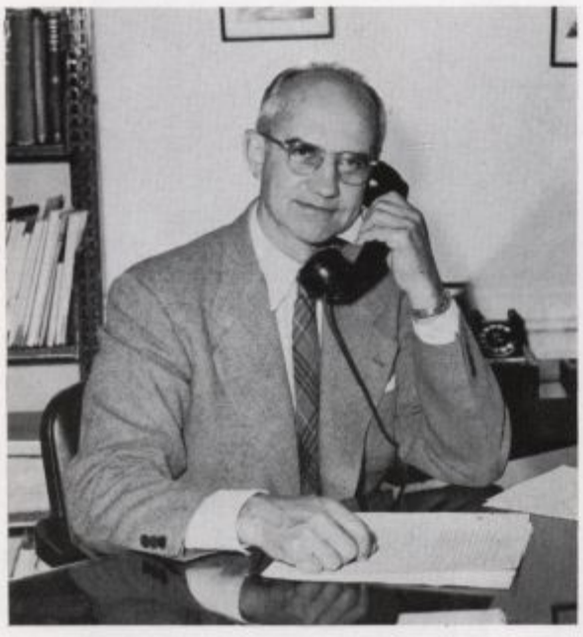

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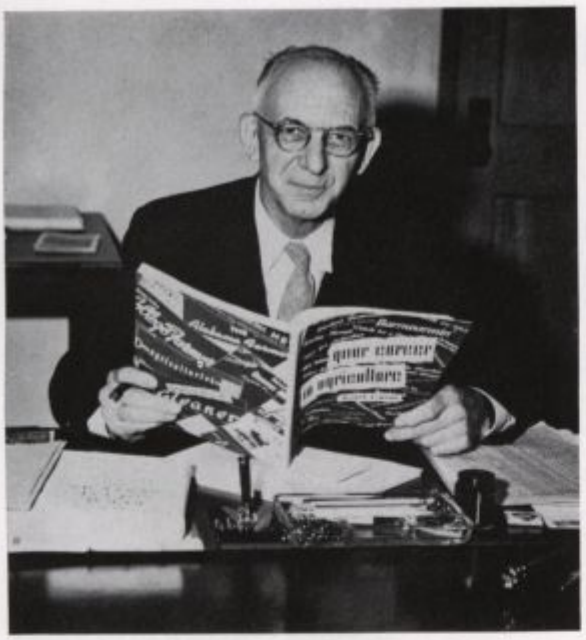

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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

Where is that blond from H 205?

Purnell Hall, that attractive brick house on Main Street, houses the office of Alumni-Alumnae Relations. It is there that Richard D. Groo, Director of Alumni Relations, and Henriette E. Miller, Alumnae Secretary, maintain headquarters for Delaware alumni and alumnae.

Since all students who successfully complete a year of study at the University automatically become members of the Association as their classes graduate, the number of former students and graduates in the Association has reached the nine-thousand member mark.

One of the main projects of Henri Miller, Dick Groo, and their staff is the publication of the alumni magazine, *The University News*, which the Class of 1954, as well as other "old grads," will find in its mail four times a year. In this way, all graduates can keep abreast of the activities of the University in sports, curriculum, administration, and expansion

Other tasks that the Alumni group undertake are: maintaining records on former students, sponsoring activity through the regional clubs and chapters of the Association, and aiding in the conducting of the Annual Development Fund for the benefit of the University.

RICHARD D. GROO
Director of Alumni Relations

HENRIETTE E. MILLER
Executive Secretary

"Old Grads" keep in touch with changing campus scene.