

# *A Breakthrough*

*Spring 1970*

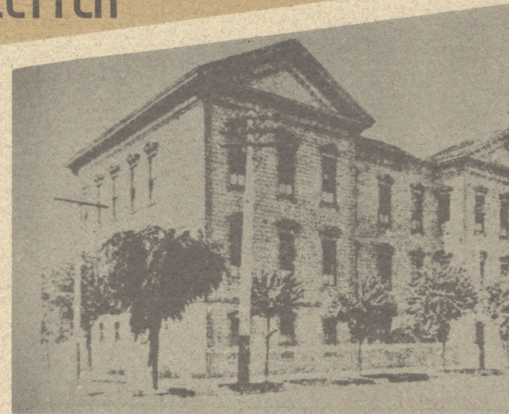
## CHRISTIAN BROTHERS ALUMNI NEWS LETTER

### To Reach Out

To reach out to the graduates of Christian Brothers calls for a **BREAKTHROUGH** of a News Letter. It is an act of confidence for Alumni support. With this concept in mind, the Brothers launch this "Reach Out for CBS" progress.

Christian Brothers assisted in the aspiration of its students, qualified them as individuals for a way of life, and now the "Old School" in its educational need invites the same students to interest themselves in a renewed Alumni Program. A program designed to give a new thrust to Christian Brothers in the Sacramento Community. To insure a stimulant of Christian education, a concerted effort should be made by all members of the Christian Brother community — students, faculty, parents, alumni and friends.

Through the Alumni News Letter and other programs, CBS hopes to keep its diversified community aware and informed about ourselves in a growth process. We shall "reach out" to you. And in so doing, we shall solicit your response. Together then, we shall progress.



1876



1924



1964

# Updating for Christian Brothers

The "Reach Out to the Alumni" is for the growth and recognition of Christian Brothers education in the Sacramento Community. Below is a statement of this educational reality, briefly noting its distinctive make-up.

## A HISTORICAL ASPECT

Nearly a century of educational tradition in Sacramento endows today's Christian Brothers schooling. Founded in 1876 at 12th and K Streets in a three-story building, by the Christian Brothers of San Francisco, it had its second location, 1924, in the Mission styled buildings at 21st and Broadway. Finally, the pressure of need and of city change re-situated the campus, in 1964, on Sacramento Blvd. under the name of Bishop Armstrong High School where CBS had been sending its upper division students since 1956. Eventually in 1968, with acclaim, the title of Christian Brothers restored the school's continuous tradition.

## CAMPUS FACILITIES

Close to a two-million dollar investment placed, on the upper reach of some thirty acres, an ultra-modern, eye catching set of buildings, constructed of metal panels and glass, boundaried by brick. Up to date laboratories for language and science, a spacious library, a well planned cafeteria, apart as a social center, and an equipped gymnasium serve the student co-curricular activities in convenient areas linked together by arcades and intervening spaces of lawn. Beyond the buildings spread the playing fields of more than twenty acres.

## OFFICIAL RECOGNITION

Christian Brothers has excellent recognition from educational associations and federations, both state and national. Consequently, its graduates have proper acceptance at all colleges and universities because of the school's membership and accreditations.

## PURPOSE AND POLICY

The educational purpose and policy of Christian Brothers has the world renowned influence of the teaching order established by the wisdom of St. John Baptist de la Salle, the founder of the Christian Brothers. The Brothers schools are highly prized in more than eighty nations, and their pupils number in the hundreds of thousands. Here on the West Coast, this order conducts eleven high schools as well as Saint Marys College of Moraga Valley.

The purpose of Christian Brothers, simply stated embraces all that a young man should be in the Christian heritage and wisdom of human life. Its educational structure of knowledge and self-discipline intends that a student, not be molded, but be guided, criticized, and evaluated for what is possible in his talent. The Brothers put a value upon him as he nurtures his skills, feelings, and habits of thought into a character worthy and desirable in modern youth.

Christian Brothers educational policy encourages and gives opportunity to all young men according to their ability as indicated in placement tests. The curriculum is college preparatory, yet so taught that three different levels of attainment may be pursued. There is no occupational training at CBS, although there are some remedial courses to qualify students. Co-curricular clubs, athletic programs, and social affairs promote student interest for a full participation in wholesome activity.

## THE FACULTY

The faculty comprises Brothers and lay-people who teach in specialized fields of knowledge. All faculty members have college degrees and a majority have state teaching credentials. Also, a good number of the Brothers have master degrees in their specialty. The principal chooses the teaching members with discrimination and foresight to gain a well balanced faculty. As a result, the present age level of the members extends from the late twenties into the sixties, indicating there is a range of wisdom and experience suitable for the grade level of the students.

# ALUMNI *News*

## MEMBERSHIP DUES

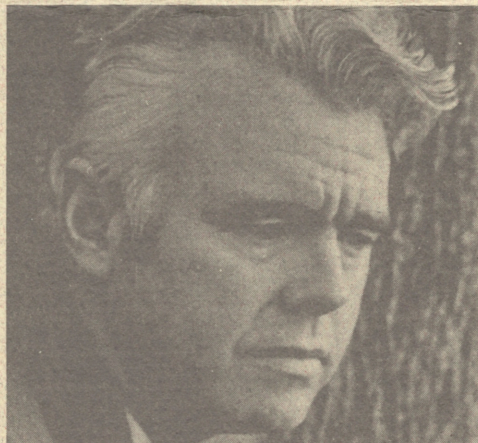
- \$ 1.00 per year for the first five years after graduation.
- 2.00 per year after the the first five years.
- 25.00 Life Membership.

Dues Year extends from each annual dinner. Please remit to the Alumni Association, Christian Brothers.

## THE ALUMNI NEWS LETTER

Present plans intend the News Letter to be bi-annual. This first copy is making the effort of a "break-through"; hence, its initial content necessarily is not too informative of the alumni, themselves. Assist us for the next issue by sending notes to the editor at Christian Brothers. Tell us about your position and success in time for the next News Letter.

## PAT MELARCHY FOR SUPERVISOR



Pat Melarchy '49 is a candidate for City Supervisor, Second District. Since his graduation from CBS, he has served in the US Air Force, distinguished himself as a dentist, and has gained a public image in service to the community.

The problems facing Sacramento in the 70's require vigorous, imaginative leadership in local government. Melarchy can help provide that leadership. He has the qualifications and the determination for the job. Put your vote behind him to effect more equitable taxes, to effect economies in government, to re-establish a sense of community.



TODAY'S HAPPENING

## MEMBERSHIP DINNER OF 1969

The Membership Dinner of Thursday, Nov. 20, became a surprising success. A catered dinner served some 491 graduates of CBS, representing classes from 1906 through 1965. More than forty Christian Brothers, among them being former principals — Bothers Bertram, Raymond, Gabriel and Eugene — returned for this occasion. Bob Roche as toastmaster introduced many of the former coaches. Brother Bertram, now the provincial of the San Francisco District of Brothers, spoke intimately of CBS and of the renewal significance of the Alumni Association.

### Financial Report

The dinner, receiving such a good response, enabled the Alumni Association to establish a treasury of \$833.50. The gross receipts were \$3,625.00.

The expenses of organizing and giving the dinner were as follows:

The catered dinner expense	\$1,818.50
The cocktail hour expense.....	675.00
Printing and other costs.....	154.00
Mailing expense.....	144.00

The financial success of the dinner is definitely keeping the association in the black.

### Committee

The Membership Dinner was organized under the capable chairmanship of Ted Gardner '37. His committee deserves much credit in getting so many of the "old-boys" together for a splendid evening of CBS memories. The following served with him: Al Westlake, Bill Morebeck, Bob Roche, Paul Bernardis, Tom O'Neil, Earl Gabrielli, Jim Burich, Bill Blanas, Jack Stassi, Ron Lineberger, Dan Lorenz, Jack Ryan, Jim Flynn and Mike Koewler.

## LA SALLE CLUB SERVICE

CBS has had the support of the La Salle Club over the past thirty years. This "Booster Club" has financed the school's athletic program, equipping the teams and maintaining the playing fields.

This spring the La Salle Club will spend \$40,000 to recondition all the athletic fields of CBS. A complete and first class job will establish two baseball diamonds, a new football practice field, and runways for the track events. Besides all of this, an automatic sprinkling system will be installed.

This "Booster Club" seeks memberships. Any alumnus, or even those not associated with CBS, interested in supporting athletics should contact Ron Lineberger who is the active moderator of the Club. Ron especially invites the Alumni to share in the annual La Salle Golf Tournament and Dinner, May 22, 1970.

## CALL FOR CLASS CHAIRMAN

The "Planning Committee" of the Alumni Association needs Class Chairman for the Fall Program. To facilitate planning of the annual Membership Dinner, and other affairs, a class chairman, because of his direct acquaintance with class members, can be a most effective help. May the "Planning Committee" have this support? Write or telephone Brother Edward at Christian Brothers to volunteer your services.

## FINANCIAL AID FOR STUDENTS

That it might not close its doors to any student, Christian Brothers has established a Financial Aid Program. This program makes available four types of assistance: scholarship, grants, loans, and part time employment on the campus. Applicants for financial aid are judged as to their need, character, scholastic ability, and progress. In this present school year, \$17,000.00 has been budgeted in financial aid.

THE ALUMNI PROGRAM  
DEPENDS UPON EVERYONE  
AND HIS IDEAS —  
LET'S HEAR ABOUT  
WHAT IS TO HAPPEN!

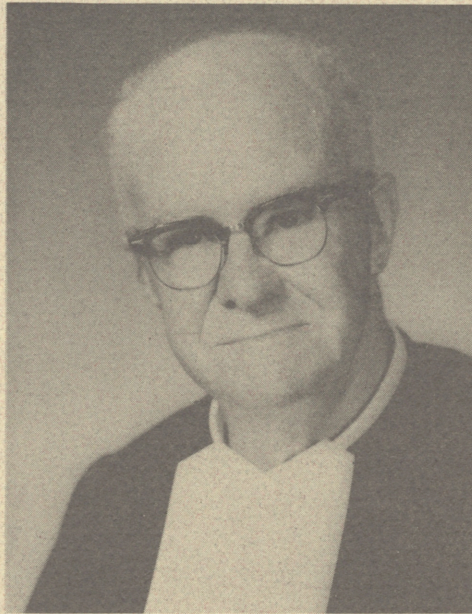
## PARENT GUILD SUPPORT

The CBS Parent Guild activity is school centered and gives special services to the students. Its annual public and select occasion is its Renaissance Ball. This autumn, November 7th, the Ball will be held at the Sutter Club. The Guild most welcomes the alumni to this scholarship fund raising Ball.

### Address Correction Requested

The Alumni Register needs constant up-dating. Because of unavoidable oversights or incorrect addresses, a number of the alumni have not been informed of what is being done. If any alumnus you may know has not received the News Letter, have him send his address to Brother Edward. Also, if any alumnus is changing address, notify the moderator. Help him to keep a more accurate register.

## BROTHER AMBROSE



Brother Ambrose had singular distinction at the "Membership Dinner." Since 1930, he has been associated with CBS. In this expanse of forty years his name has become a legend; his memory, a living history of CBS. To note this continuous span of time, the Alumni Association awarded him an engraved plaque, commemorating his long service in Sacramento. With it all, Brother Ambrose had a great hour with his many past students.

## ASSOCIATES OF CBS

The PARENTS GUILD, the LA SALLE CLUB, and the ALUMNI are service and support groups of Christian Brothers. Each group in its only style and purpose benefit the school's undertakings.

The Alumni Association is now renewing itself to participate in CBS educational purpose and activity. It gives a great deal of promise as was evidenced by last year's response for the Membership Dinner held on the school campus.

## TUITION AND FEES

Even though the Diocese of Sacramento, through the parishes, contributes a small subsidy for every Catholic student, the tuition for one year is \$400.00, and for the non-Catholic student \$450.00. Registration fees and student-body fee sum - up to \$30.00. Textbooks and other supplies are also purchased by the students.

## ALUMNI REORGANIZATION

In the spring of 1968, Brother Haig, principal of CBS, appointed Brother Edward Welch the moderator of the Alumni Association. He then gathered together a "Stirring Committee" to explore what could be done to renew alumni relationships with the school and its faculty. The members of this committee were: Bob Roche '44, Tom O'Neil '47, Earl Gabrielli '49, Stan Gilliam '41, Dan Lorenz '55, and Mike Koewler '58.

The "Stirring Committee" asked Bob Roche to accept the presidency of the Association. In so doing, Bob appointed the following officers: Tom O'Neil, vice-president; Mike Koewler, treasurer; Ron Lineberger, recording secretary; and Dan Lorenz, corresponding secretary.

Presently, these officers are organizing a planning committee to put the Alumni Association on a permanent basis, and program. Any alumnus wishing to aid the planning of the Alumni Program is welcome to call Bob Roche at his office, 447-2871, or at his home, 489-6063. If more convenient, speak with Brother Edward at Christian Brothers.

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