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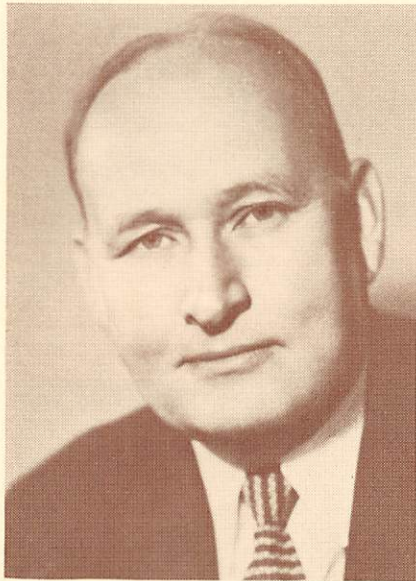
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CAMBELL THE CHOICE FOR 1960



CHESTER W. CAMBELL

The Moles will do their presidential balloting early in this election year, when at the May 4 Annual Business Meeting at the Biltmore they officially endorse the Nominating Committee's choice of Chester W. Cambell.

Chester has been president and chief executive officer of The Foundation Company since October 1956, and has been with that company all but about 10 years of his 35-year (so far) career in construction.

He entered TFC's employ in 1926 as draftsman, estimator and designer, about a year after his graduation from the University of Maine with a B.S. in civil engineering. He spent the next seven years "in the field" for the company on a variety of jobs in Ohio, Missouri, Michigan, New York, New Jersey and Louisiana.

In the 1933-38 period he was examining engineer with the Federal Emergency Administration of Public Works, working in Washington and New York, and 1938-42 he was boro superintendent, Department of Housing and Building, New York City, being in charge of the

boro offices of Richmond, Queens and Manhattan. He returned to The Foundation Company in '42 as assistant to the president and moved steadily to the top.

The other officers to be presented by Edward P. Albright's committee for ratification at the May 4 meeting are: Harry T. Immerman of Spencer, White & Prentis, Inc. as first vice president; Eugene G. Rau of J. Rich Steers, Inc., second vice president; Joseph B. Diamond, treasurer; Eugene F. Moran Jr. of Moran Towing Corporation, secretary, and H. Austin Van Name of H.A. Van Name Engineering Co., sergeant-at-arms.

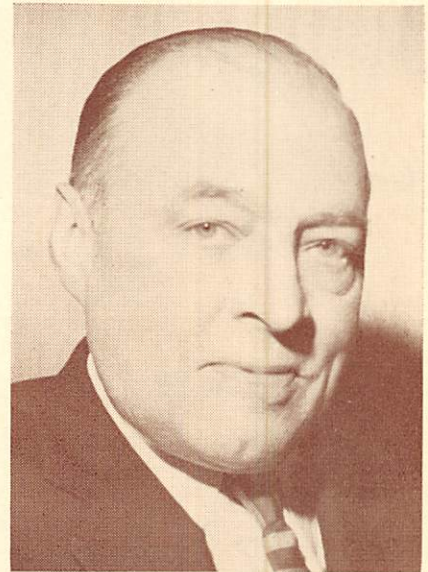
Four three-year-term trustees are proposed: William J. Green of S.J. Groves & Sons Co., Edward J. Johnson of Moran Towing, Henry A. Letoile of Perini Corporation, and Gilbert M. Serber of Stock Construction Corp. In addition, Edward G. Armitage of Armitage & Co., Inc. is proposed for a one-year trusteeship to fill the unexpired term of Joseph B. Diamond.

The new president-designate is a resident of West New Brighton, on Staten Island. He and Mrs. Cambell have one son, a first lieutenant in the Army, now stationed at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Chester has many interests and is active in church and community work; his main hobbies are golf and photography. He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the National Society of Professional Engineers, and the Railroad & Machinery Club and The Engineers' Club. In addition to his B.S. degree, he received a C.E. degree from the U. of Maine's Graduate College in 1938.

Other members of the Nominating Committee are: Guy J. Coffey, vice-chairman; Patrick H. Collins, Hugh E. Cronin, J. Rich Steers Jr., and Robert E. White.

The schedule for the May 4 meeting is: Reception starting at 6; dinner at 6:45; business meeting at 8. Bill Sheehan is chairman of the Program Committee.

New Honorary Mole

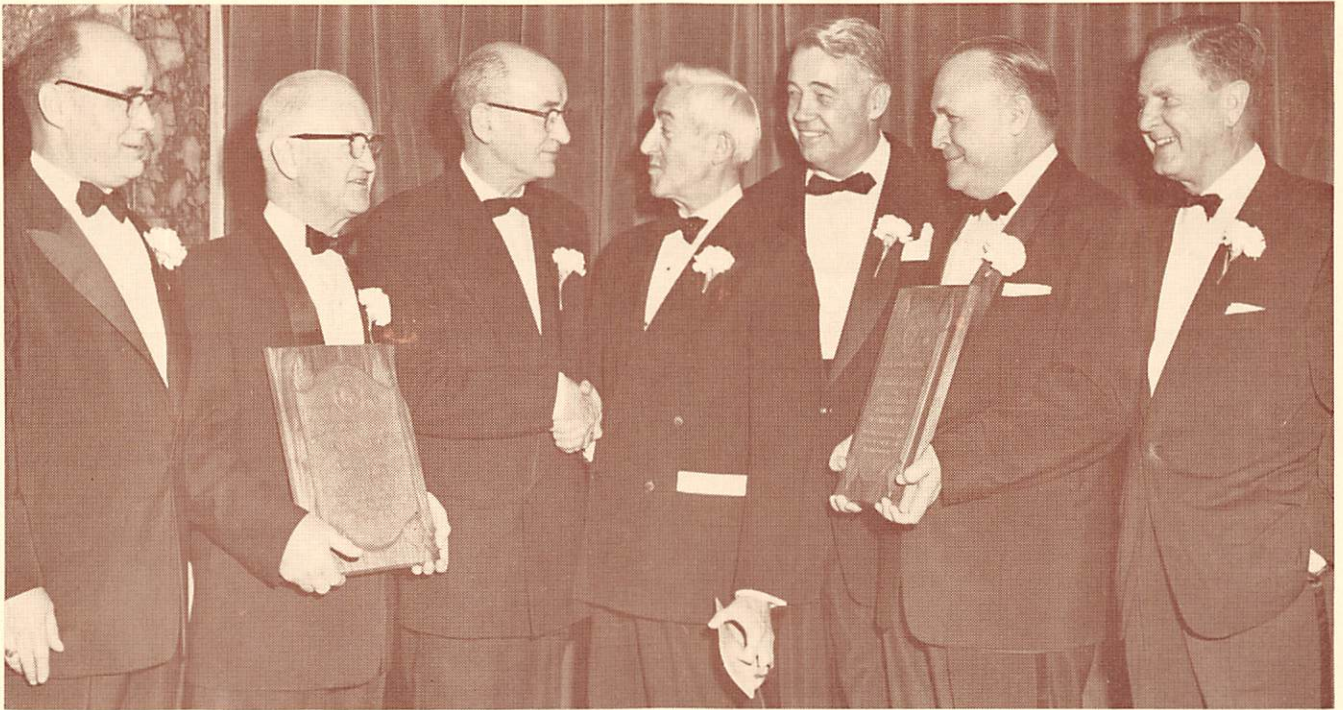


Frederick H. Zurmuhlen, commissioner of the Department of Public Works for more than 12 years, has been elected to Honorary Membership in The Moles, and will be formally inducted at the May 4 meeting.

The Moles are pleased to extend this honor in recognition of the eminent stature their friend has attained as an engineer and administrator of heavy construction work in his role as Commissioner, and in other assignments.

This is only the second time The Moles association has chosen a prominent figure in engineering construction and public life to be an Honorary Member, the other man so honored being the late Irving V. A. Huie.

A special feature of the May 4 dinner meeting will be the performance of the Manhattan College Glee Club's octet. The appearance of these eight young men was arranged by Chairman Bill Sheehan through Brother Augustine Philip, president of the college, as a further "nod" to the Commissioner, who is a Manhattan alumnus and trustee.



HONORED GUESTS and distinguished Moles line up for official photographic record of the 1960 Award Dinner, in gay mood. Left to right: Eugene McGovern, treasurer of the Conduit & Foundation Corp.; non-member Award winner George Morgan Drake; President Mansell MacLean; Abel Wolman, the Johns Hopkins University pro-

fessor who made one of the wittiest speeches in Award Dinner annals; Philip Grove, chairman of the Award Committee; Member winner William Denny, and Past President George F. Ferris, president of Raymond International, Inc. McGovern and Ferris were the "presenters."

I AM AN ENGINEER

"I take a challenging dream and apply to it the knowledge of science and mathematics. I add to these the heritage of my profession and my understanding of God's unyielding laws. With these ingredients I create a new design.

"I organize the efforts and skills of my fellow-men, undergirding them with the capital of the thrifty and the technology of the specialist. From far and near I bring together many products created or developed by skilled and dedicated hands.

"I expend myself toward the achievement of the dream; combating the doubters, the hazards of nature, and a multitude of other obstacles — seen and unseen. I venture on toward new horizons — pioneering in virgin explorations.

"And, when I realize the fulfillment of the dream, I know my efforts have been for the convenience, comfort and welfare of all mankind. By working with the revealed laws of God, I have glorified Him without Whom I could do nothing.

"I have served God and mankind when I have brought into reality my highest hopes and dreams of service. Although my life is but a rivet in the bridge of time across which children of a hundred generations hence may walk, because I have been true to my profession, they shall walk unafraid.

"Yes, I am an engineer!"

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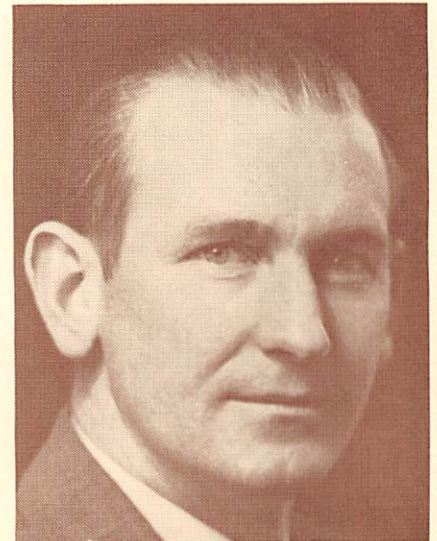
Moles interested in obtaining tie clips, money clips, lapel pins, letter openers, key chains, cuff links or other items adorned with The Moles insignia are advised that order blanks for such items can be obtained from The Moles office, either in person or via the mail. We have an arrangement with one of the country's top outfitters for such items, and the emblem can be a distinctive and attractive addition to one's haberdashery or his desk.

The above tribute was prepared and read at the funeral services in Newport News, Va. for Grover Denny, by the Rev. Mr. Leroy Davis, pastor of the Providence Methodist Church of Dare, Va.



Larger Quarters Soon

Within a few weeks The Moles hope to be moving into considerably more spacious offices, though still on the same floor, 1-M, of The Biltmore. The new three-room suite, "just around the corner" (closer to the elevators), is one that had been occupied by the United States Olympic Association.



PETER C. GALLAGHER, 53, founder and president of Gallagher Bros. Sand & Gravel Corp., died April 12. He was vice president of U.S. Dredging and secretary-treasurer of Neptune Lines. He was a Grand Knight of Mount Manresa, and a member of the New York Athletic Club and the Friendly Sons of Saint Patrick. He was a major in the Ninth Regiment of the National Guard.



Membership Count

The official membership count as of the close of business April 5 was: Active members, 450; Founder members, 3; Members Emeritus, 34; Honorary members, 25.

College Men Get Moles Guidance

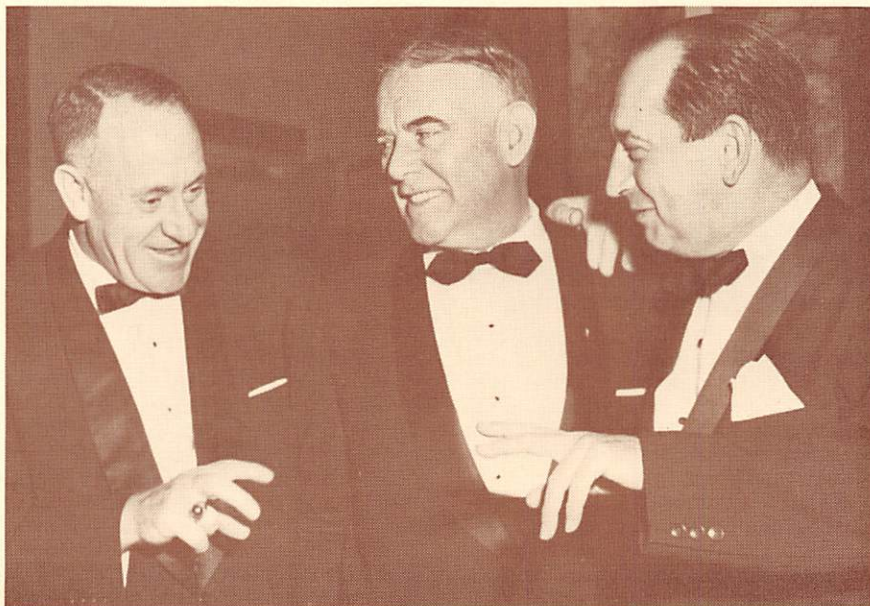
Another successful meeting in The Moles education program, counseling with promising young men from engineering colleges and directing their attention and enthusiasm to careers in construction, was held Feb. 19 in the Engineering Societies Building.

Vice President Chester Cambell presided, and Charles B. Molineaux, Education Committee chairman, presented a program that featured talks by Ralph E. DeSimone and Irving R. Huie, a color slide presentation of Perini Corporation's work at Grass River Lock with Mr. Huie as narrator, and a question-and-answer session with George F. Flay Jr. as moderator and the following panelists in addition to the men mentioned above:

Louis F. Booth of the Port of New York Authority, Howard G. Dixon of Johnson, Drake & Piper, Inc.; Thomas G. Guerin of Tully & DiNapoli, Inc.; Henry A. Letoile of the Perini Corporation, and Charles Stillman of Linde-Griffith Construction Co.

BIG YEAR FOR MANSELL

This has been a very large year for Mansell Lehigh MacLean. Here he is just finishing his year as president of The Moles, and meantime he has become president also of the General Contractors' Association; within the last year he was honored by his alma mater, Acadia University, with a doctorate of civil law, and a few months ago he was given a handsome "profile" write-up in The Explosives Engineer. He has just returned from a six weeks' trip that took him literally around the world and embodied stop-offs at a number of spots around the globe where MacLean-Grove & Co. is carrying on very large projects.



'HANDY' GUYS making with happy talk preceding the Award Dinner are, left to right: Lou Perini, an Award winner himself a few years ago; Howard Collins, immediate past president of The Moles, and Bradford N. Clark, president of the New York Building Congress.

New Members

These 16 new members were voted into the fellowship of The Moles by the Executive Committee at its April 5 meeting:

Stanley M. Dore of the Board of Water Supply, NYC; George T. Hammond of Moran, Proctor, Mueser & Rutledge; Alfred Hedefine of Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Quade & Douglas; Stephen D. Tector of Seelye, Stevenson, Value & Knecht;

Horace O. Boyer of the Conduit & Foundation Co.; John A. Carmody of S.J. Groves & Sons Co.; Louis S. Joseph of Horn Construction Co.; Walter E. Larson of Coakley & Booth, Inc.;

Eugene J. Lynch of the Reliable Drilling Co.; Abram D. McKee of Perini Ltd.; Richard Stephens of the Arundel Corp.; Nathan D. Teters of Morrison-Knudsen International Co., Inc.;

Wilmer P. Hedlund of Blaw-Knox; James J. Lucy Jr. of Lucy-McNiece & Bull (succeeding his late father); Philip A. Rechel of Martin Piling & Lumber Co., and Horace A. Sawyer of Lone Star Cement Co.

No Bounces in a Year

Membership Chairman James T. Denton gave out the happy news, at the April 5 Executive Committee meeting, that for the first time in many years not one person had been dropped for non-payment of dues. That's for the year ended February 1.

A recent addition to the ranks of Members Emeritus is Eugene L. Macdonald, whose application for transfer to that status was approved April 5.



PETER F. CONNOLLY

The Moles' Member Award winner of 1958, Peter Connolly, 76, died of a heart attack Nov. 3 in New York. He was founder in 1908 and president of the company bearing his name, of Osterville, Mass.

A man highly respected for "seeing the bottom of every caisson" of every job of his company, Peter Connolly had an outstanding record of over a half century in construction, primarily in tunnel and pneumatic caisson work. On one of his latest big jobs — demolition of the center pier of the old Harlem river railroad bridge — he planned and executed "the largest shot ever fired in New York City," and it was so well carried off that very few persons even knew it happened.

Surviving are Mrs. Estelle Connolly; a son, Gerard Connolly, of Seattle; a sister, Miss Mary Connolly of Boston, and a granddaughter.

BAYARD SKETCH IN EXPLOSIVES ENG'R.

A highly complimentary sketch of Robert Pilling Bayard, executive vice president of Johnson, Drake & Piper, Inc., with headquarters at 86 Trinity Place in New York, was in the September-October issue of The Explosives Engineer.

It referred to his over-all responsibility for a great array of "far-flung enterprises," and said that a report on the company's Middle East contracts shows projects located in 11 countries scattered over northern and central Africa, the eastern Mediterranean region, and the Arabian peninsula, an area almost as large as that of the whole United States.

Reflecting Mr. Bayard's years of experience in Asia, Europe and Africa, the article says, is the fact that he speaks Spanish and French with fair fluency and Arabic and Italian "well enough to get along."



HUGH J. ('HARRY') HUSH, 54, one of the most popular Moles, died suddenly March 2 while on vacation in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. He was a Moles trustee and program chairman in 1953, '54 and '55. President of Griffin Wellpoint Corporation and also Wellpoint Dewatering and Griffin Equipment, Harry had been honored last September at the 25th anniversary dinner of GWC for his leadership and many contributions to the growth of that nationwide organization. He was president of the Associated Equipment Distributors in 1952. Mrs. Gertrude Hush and six daughters survive.



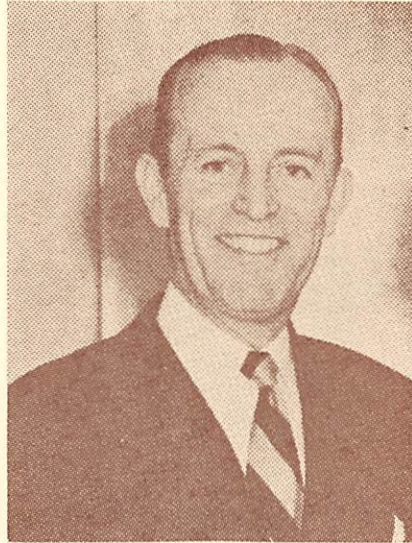
ELWYN E. SEELYE, 75, senior partner in the firm of Seelye, Stevenson, Value & Knecht, died of a heart attack last Dec. 28. An engineering graduate of Cornell in 1904, he worked for the New York Central railroad in connection with the design of complicated structural arrangements of Grand Central Terminal. He was cited by the late Mayor LaGuardia for exceptional public service, and by Cornell University for original research. He authored two books, "Data Book for Civil Engineers," and "Foundations — Design and Practice," the latter dedicated to The Moles.



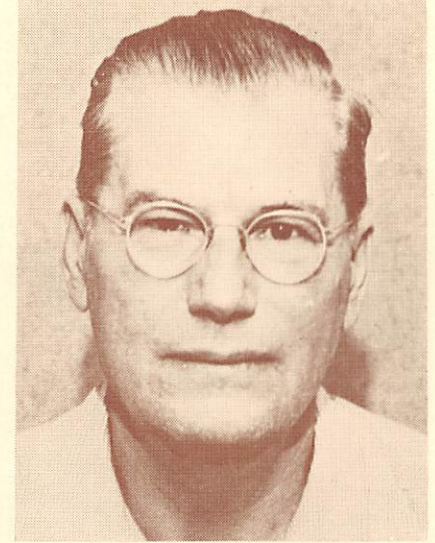
WILLIAM J. CARROLL, 65, founder and president of Carroll-McCreary Co., died quietly in his sleep in March after an 18 months' illness. Mr. Carroll also founded Sylgab Steel & Wire Corp., in 1932, and was treasurer there up to the time of his death, and he was a past director of the Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute. Active in civic and church affairs, he was a charter member of the Hempstead Golf Club, a board member of Mercy Hospital in Rockville Centre, and a long-time trustee of St. Thomas the Apostle church in West Hempstead.



JOHN OMAN III, 54, president of Oman Construction Co., was killed March 20 when the plane he was flying crashed near Nashville while he was returning from a trip to Muscle Shoals. Cause of the crash was not determined. An engineering graduate of the University of Tennessee, Mr. Oman was one of Nashville's most successful men. His company had projects in Pakistan, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Azores, Panama and six southern states. He was a member of the University's planning commission and a director of many companies. He is survived by his wife.



CHARLES M. WHALEN, 57, who had his own office as manufacturer's representative and industrial relations consultant, died in February of a skull fracture suffered in an altercation with a motorist in Kew Gardens. He was a graduate of Drexel Institute, and was a member of Cardinal Spellman's Committee of the Laity and of Mayor Wagner's Citizens Committee on Housing. When with Walsh Construction Company he worked as liaison on disposal of \$250 million of war assets. Later he was with Whitehall Cement. Mrs. Bernardine Gallagher Whalen survives.



GROVER CLEVELAND DENNY, 67, long-time project manager for Merritt-Chapman & Scott, died January 9 in Newport News, Va. after a long illness. Among other large projects, he supervised the building of the massive deep-water foundations of Michigan's Mackinac Bridge, some of them as much as 215 feet under water, and the Baltimore Harbor Tunnel, the world's fifth-longest underwater tunnel. He was a pioneer in the trench tunnel method. Surviving are his widow, two sons and a daughter; three brothers, one of them William, 1960 Moles Awardee, and four sisters.