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Fund Drive Reaches $400,000

The fund drive for Suffolk University's long-range development program is well over the $400,000 mark as the result of advance gifts and pledges by the University "family".

The figures were announced at a Sponsors Dinner March 1 that officially opened the drive. The development program includes the construction of a seven-floor building, the renovation of the existing building and the creation of endowments for faculty and students.

The goal of the campaign is $3,000,000. Construction of the new building is already under way at a site on Temple Street adjacent to the present building on Derne Street.

Presiding at the dinner was Land Court Judge John E. Fenton, chairman of the Board of Trustees. Among the speakers were John B. Hynes, chairman of the drive; Thomas A. Fulham, vice-chairman; Stephen P. Mugar, honorary co-chairman; and Paul G. Kirk, associate justice of the Mass. Supreme Judicial Court.

One of the highlights of the program was the announcement that Mr. Mugar, a member of the University's Board of Trustees and chairman of the Star Market Company, had pledged $250,000 for a new Law Library in the building under construction.

Mr. Mugar's gift brought total pledges by the Board of Trustees to $316,200. The figure was announced by Judge Fenton.

Pledges of $54,308 were announced by Richard J. Sullivan, chairman of the Faculty and Staff Committee.

Thomas D. McDonald, reporting for the Senior Class of the College Departments, announced pledges of $17,555. Pledges by the Law School section of the Senior Class, as reported by John J. Sheehan, have reached $6,950.

Early returns also included $1,550 from the Corporation Subscription Committee, $4,700 from the Alumni Memorial Committee, and $2,100 from the Special Gifts Committee.

Following are excerpts from an address by Associate Justice Paul G. Kirk of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court at the Sponsors Dinner.

... The undeniable fact is that young men and women who are aware of the new and still changing concepts of the universe; young men and women whose scholastic desires must be adjusted to the hard necessity of earning a living, of helping out at home, or of keeping the cost of higher education within the family budget are knocking at the doors. They want to enter Suffolk University. The Board of Trustees had to make a decision. I submit that the Board has decided wisely: They have not indulged in dreams of the elm-shaded campus, the ivy-clad walls or the plush student center; but rather, they have decided to keep the "school with the heart" in the heart of the city; to stay true to Suffolk's original purpose; to rebuild and enlarge on the old site, and continue as an essentially functional university, available to those who need it most and whom it can best serve.

Suffolk played a significant part in the mellow old city by the sea which (Continued on Last Page)
PLAN OF CAMPAIGN

By John B. Hynes, General Chairman

In a capital fund effort as large as that being undertaken by Suffolk University, it is fitting that those closest to the institution — those who know and understand its needs best — demonstrate their wholehearted support of the program before anyone else is asked. I am sure you are encouraged to hear that the University "family" committees have already pledged approximately $400,000. Now four other committees are going into action — aiming to complete as much as possible of their work by June.

First is the Alumni Memorial Committee headed by Paul T. Smith, Class of 1937. Lawrence L. Cameron, Class of 1951, and John Z. Doherty, Class of 1930, are vice-chairmen. Judge Frank J. Donahue, Class of 1921, University treasurer and a member of the Board of Trustees, is supervising committee work.

Mr. Smith, past president of the Law School Alumni Association, is a noted trial lawyer. Mr. Cameron, also a past president of the Association, is assistant district attorney for Suffolk County. Mr. Doherty now heads the Law School Alumni Association.

Another committee is Foundations and Trusts under the leadership of Judge C. Edward Rowe, a member of the Board of Trustees and presiding justice of the District Court of Eastern Franklin County.

The Corporations Committee — always a key group in a major effort like this — is under the chairmanship of George C. Seybolt, president of the William Underwood Company of Watertown and also a member of the Board of Trustees.

Greater Boston industries, utilities, retail establishments and financial institutions have always been noted for their generosity and leadership in major community appeals. Other local universities have shared in this generosity, and we feel certain that the same fine spirit of co-operation and support will hold true for Suffolk.

A Special Gifts Committee to invite interested friends of Suffolk as well as key individual community leaders to share in the capital cost of the new facilities will be guided by John P. Chase, whom Suffolk is proud to count among its honorary degree holders. We are particularly grateful to Mr. Chase for his kindness in accepting this important post.

During the summer months, the office staff will be engaged in preparing the way for the general solicitation of the Alumni, which will take place in September, October and November.

The real keynote of this campaign is HIGH LEVEL GIVING by those who are interested in the future of Suffolk University. I am sure that you agree with me that the Suffolk "family" has indeed set a fine example of HIGH LEVEL GIVING for others to follow.

SPONSORS DINNER

Head table guests at the Sponsors Dinner that launched Suffolk University's $3,000,000 Development Fund campaign: John P. Chase, Dr. C.S. '62, Chairman, Special Gifts Committee; Hon. John F. Collins, LL.B. '42, Dr. P.A. '62, Mayor of Boston; Hon. John E. Fenton, LL.B. '24, S.J.D. '49, Chairman, Board Subscription Committee; Thomas A. Fulham, Dr. C.S. '63, Campaign Vice-Chairman; Hon. John B. Hynes, LL.B. '27, Dr. P.A. '50, General Chairman; Hon. Paul G. Kirk, S.J.D. '62, Associate Justice, Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court; Thomas D. McDonald, '65, Chairman, Senior Class Gift Committee, College Departments; Very Rev. Vincent A. McQuade, O.S.A., Dr. Ed. '57, President Merrimack College; Stephen P. Mugar, Dr. C.S. '60, Honorary Co-Chairman; Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward G. Murray, Dr. Humanities '62, Pastor, Sacred Heart Church, Roslindale; Hon. C. Edward Rowe, LL.B. '26, Dr. Jur. '56, Chairman, Foundations and Trusts Committee; Rev. William W. Rowell, St. John The Evangelist Church, Spiritual Advisor, Protestant Students; George C. Seybolt, Dr. C.S. '61, Chairman, Corporation Subscription Committee; John J. Sheehan, L. '65, Co-Chairman, Senior Class Gift Committee, Law School Division; Rabbi Joseph S. Shubow, Temple B’Nai Moshe, Brighton; Paul T. Smith, LL.B. '37, LL.M. '38, Dr. Jur. '60, Chairman, Alumni Memorial Committee; Richard J. Sullivan, Director of Libraries, Chairman, Faculty and Staff Committee.
UNIVERSITY'S UNIQUE ROLE RECOGNIZED BY COMMUNITY

If there was ever any doubt that Suffolk University is recognized as an institution that plays a unique and vital role in higher education, it was dispelled at the Development Fund Sponsor's Dinner on March 1.

Ranged around the tables in the Louis XIV Ballroom of the Hotel Somerset were leaders in business, industry, the press, the law, politics and many other fields.

They were there to testify that Suffolk University has a record of accomplishment in which it should take pride and to applaud the University's efforts to expand its service to the New Boston.

Speaker after speaker emphasized the importance of the University's ideal of providing a first-class education at the lowest possible cost to men and women of limited means and to students who must work part-time or full-time while studying for degrees.

If it were not for this dedication, said Stephen P. Mugar, Chairman of the Board of the Star Market Company, hundreds of men and women who have become leaders in their communities might never have had the opportunity to attend college.

"What a terrible waste of human resources that would have been," he declared.

Speaking of the new seven-story building now under construction, Thomas A. Fulham, a trustee and campaign vice-chairman, said: "You have our assurance that the new building has been planned without any extra frills and represents simply educational facilities that are a must to meet the needs of our faculty and student body. Every individual, every company and every foundation that makes a subscription to the Suffolk University Development Fund can be certain that every gift is a sound investment with full dollar value in terms of providing a solid educational background for thousands of young men and women in the years to come."

Mr. Fulham added: "I would think our present overhead per student is among the lowest in this part of the country."

In the major address of the program, Paul G. Kirk, associate justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, who received an honorary doctor's degree from the University in 1962, again emphasized the unique place that Suffolk University holds among accredited universities.

He said, "The distinctive place which Suffolk holds... is, in part, due to the fact that from its beginning as a Law School in 1906, to this hour, its curriculum, its tuition, and its location have been selected and designed to provide an education of quality at the lowest possible cost at a site that is readily accessible to the industrious and self-reliant sons and daughters of working families."

"This basic policy of sound higher education at low cost at a convenient place to deserving young men and women was steadfastly maintained over the years at the Suffolk Law School and has consistently been applied to other departments and schools of the University which have come into being... ."

One of the accomplishments of the kickoff dinner was to focus the attention of the community on Suffolk University's achievements and aspirations.

Newspaper editors thought the development campaign so important that they printed stories and pictures in the morning and afternoon editions. The Herald, the Globe and the Record-American devoted large blocks of space to the campaign, and the Associated Press sent stories to papers throughout New England.

The newspaper publicity was gratifying to the University "family", because it signified that community leaders and the public have recognized Suffolk University's unique and important service to the community.

When Will Alumni Be Solicited

Many of Suffolk University's Alumni have asked Miss Dorothy McNamara, director of Alumni Affairs, when they will be solicited for their Development pledges. Here, briefly, is the schedule.

The Alumni Memorial Committee is concentrating on approximately 700 of the older graduates of the Law School and the College Departments considered able to make above average subscriptions. Since the majority of these prospects are Law School Alumni, the committees now being organized in nine local Massachusetts areas are largely from this group. The committees hope to complete their work by the end of June.

Most of the University's 7,500 Alumni—4,000 from the Law School and 3,500 from the College Departments—will be solicited during September, October and November, 1965. Organization efforts for this General Alumni Committee work will begin during the latter part of the summer.
The two men who have guided the destiny of Boston for the last 15 years are both Alumni of Suffolk University. John B. Hynes, Class of 1927, was Mayor from 1950 to 1960. John F. Collins, Class of 1942, succeeded him and has been Mayor ever since.

During that 15 years, the city has been involved in the most dynamic construction program in its history, a program that includes the Prudential Center, the Government Center, and giant projects of renewal and reclamation.

When Mayor Hynes first conferred with executives of the Prudential company 11 years ago, it was with the hope that the firm might erect a single building in Boston. The fact that it built instead one of the largest complexes of modern buildings in the United States was due, in part, to the leadership of Suffolk's two distinguished Alumni.

At the Sponsors Dinner, former Mayor Hynes, now State Commissioner of Banks, turned to Mayor Collins and remarked how fortunate Boston had been in having as his successor a man of Mayor Collins' ability.

"In fact," he said, "I have frequently thought that the foreseen megalopolis—the Boston to Washington city—would be too much for one mayor. But with the two of us, Mayor Collins with his boundless energy and me with my golden dreams, working in tandem, we could handle the job perfectly."

This is the first in a series of newsletters designed to inform you of Suffolk University's progress in its program of long-range development.

It is our hope that you will learn something of our accomplishments, our needs and our aspirations and that you will join us in spreading the story of Suffolk University throughout the Greater Boston community and will help us in reaching our objectives.