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We are reminded of the small boy who ran away from home. His inevitable next day return was by prearrangement completely ignored by his family. After a painful minute of silence the boy finally commented "Well, I see you have the same old cat".

Accordingly, after four months silence, we forcibly call attention to our continued existence and to our return on our first birthday. The aims and objectives of the Puget Sound Chemist are the same as they were a year ago. Among these is the desire to report not only the occurrence of meetings but also the activities of members, to foster good fellowship among members and to increase interest in the Society.

OCTOBER MEETING

An interesting meeting is assured on October 8 when Mr. R. T. Barnes of the International Nickel Co. will speak on "Galvanic Corrosion". The speaker is Research Engineer in his organization and is well qualified from experience in the Pulp and Paper industry to speak on corrosion. Mr. Barnes will speak at 8:00 p.m. in Room 140, Bagley Hall, University of Washington.

Dinner. At the Convention dinner of the Section it is understood (the writer was unable to get in due to the crowd) that 80 enthusiastic people crowded into the dining room which fairly oscillated with conversation for an hour and a half. The writer is going to make an early reservation in expectation of at least 50 on Tuesday. Send in your reservations by Monday P.M. The reservations can be made by calling Melrose 0630, Local 439 or by mail. Dinner will be in Room 200, Bagley Hall at 6:30 and will be about 65 cents.

Dope at Dinner. Members who recently attended the convention in Detroit (see below) will tell of their experiences there.

Although a summer has passed since the last issue, activities at least of the writers if not of other members appear to have been at a low ebb. Accordingly we apologize for not having the output of news items proportional to the time elapsed. Possibly the activity coefficients of members will be increased despite the lower temperature of the coming seasons. All of which means we are still avid for news. After your next collision with a member pass on to us some of the increased activation.

NEW MEMBERS of the Section include O. C. Abbott with the Bristol Co., Seattle. Carroll C. Cassill, Associate Chemist in the Bureau of Entomology and Plant Quarantine came to the Yakima station from Washington D. C. recently. His work involves half analysis and half

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research in the field of insecticides. Roger W. Edwards a chemical engineering graduate from Indiana Technical College in Fort Wayne, Ind. has joined the staff of the Washington Pulp and Paper Corp. 1940 Sidney A. Goldman transferred from the Detroit section and is now with the Rex Metal Works, Seattle. Louis S. Keyser comes from the Minneapolis section to work with Rayonier at Shelton.

Dr. Eugene Huffman, formerly of the staff of the College of Puget Sound, is teaching at Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas.

At the University of Washington previous members of the Section who received their doctorates since the last issue are: Dan Elam now at Berkeley, California. J. Goodman has been made research chemist affiliated with the California Academy of Sciences at San Francisco. J. A. Quense has accepted an appointment as Instructor of Mathematics at the U. S. Naval Academy and C. H. Secoy is Instructor in Chemistry at the University of Oregon. To end the alphabetical list appropriately B. M. G. Zwicker, is now research chemist with the B. F. Goodrich Co. in Akron, Ohio.

A. W. Hawkins, although not quite finished with the work for his doctor's degree has been appointed instructor in chemical engineering at Kansas State College.

Everyone in the Section will be glad to learn that Miss Radford of the chemistry staff has recovered most satisfactorily from the injury suffered last spring. She will be back at her regular post this fall.

Of the faculty at the University, Drs. Cady, Kobe, Robinson and Tartar journeyed to the 100th meeting of the Society at Detroit. Apart from enjoying themselves as much as possible, Dr. Cady (with D. A. Rogers and C. A. Carlson) presented "The Preparation of Fluorine" at the symposium on fluorine chemistry; Dr. Kobe and T. F. Doumani gave a paper on unit processes at the Division of Ind. and Eng. Chem. entitled "Aromatic Mercuration as a Unit Process", and Dr. Tartar and R. D. Cadle offered a paper before the Division of Colloid Chemistry entitled "Some Properties of Solutions of the Salts of Certain Alkyl Sulfonates, Sulfates and Sulfoacetates". It should have been mentioned in an earlier section that Dr. Cadle after receiving his degree last June is now with Proctor and Gamble Co.

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LABORATORIES AND PERSONALITIES. In line with the announcement last spring in the write-up of Chemical Education in Washington it seems fitting to give an account of chemistry at the University of Washington, omitted at that time. Although many others are in close touch with the University a survey of the changing size, personnel and activities may be of interest.