Founders' Day

The fourth annual celebration of Founders' Day was held in Richard Knight Auditorium on the morning of Friday, November 10, 1939. The avowed purpose of Founders' Day, the first of which was held in November, 1947, is to highlight and commemorate the progress of the three Babson Institutions. This year, as before, we were especially honored in having the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Roger W. Babson.

Dr. E. B. Hinckley, President of Babson Institute, opened the program by pronouncing the Invocation. Mr. and Mrs. Babson spoke briefly on their reasons and purposes for founding each of the three Babson colleges.

Next on the program, Mr. Austin H. Fultz, Vice-President of Babson Institute, discussed the progress and growth of Babson in its early years. Following Mr. Fultz, Dr. James Mathews spoke for the Corporation. Mr. Myron Pierce, talking for the Trustees; Mr. J. K. Horner, speaking for the faculty; Mr. Harold Colvin, discussing Alumni activities; and Mr. Thomas Gagner, representing the student body, followed respectively with their congratulatory messages. The Babson Glee Club closed the first part of the program with their excellent presentation of the "Founders' Day Song."

Following the singing of the "Founders' Day Song," Dr. Hinckley introduced Miss Nona Dougherty who formally dedicated the Dougherty Memorial Gate in memory of her father and mother, Daniel and Ellen Dougherty. The Gate, already becoming a landmark on the campus, stands fourteen feet high, bears one lamp on each of its two pillars, and supports a large cross-sectional structure spelling out the words Babson Institute. Two bronze plaques, facing Wellesley Avenue, have been placed at the foot of the two pillars.

Mr. Babson subsequently delivered a very moving, informal speech concerning his "family ties" with the Babson community. Following this speech, the audience was invited to join in on the last two stanzas of the "Babson Hymn." The Benediction closed a most successful Fourth Annual Founders' Day.
IN MEMORIAM

DR. COLEMAN

It was with deep regret that the Babson community learned of the death of Dr. George W. Coleman on July 3, 1950. As first president of Babson Institute, Dr. Coleman was one of those responsible for molding the policies of the school and guiding it through the crucial years that subsequently were to make it one of the finest schools of business administration in the land.

His was the life of a great humanitarian. His work with the Ford Hall Forum and later the National Forum was a definite and positive contribution to the progress of democracy. Faculty, staff, and students whose good fortune it was to be associated with him during his years at the Institute will continue to cherish his memory. His impress on the Institute will last for all time.