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The Founder's Day tradition at Babson is one that is looked forward to with unique anticipation and admiration, for Babson Institute is one of the few schools in the nation fortunate enough to have a founder who can be called upon to make appearances and speak to the students.

Although Mr. Babson was not present at this year's Founder's Day observance due to conflicting appointments, the event still retained its interest, the keynote speaker being Mr. Earl L. Smith, Chairman of the Board of Babson's Reports.

In a speech entitled "The Founding and Early Years of Babson Institute", Mr. Smith, who was a 1929 graduate of the Institute, related an inside account of the personality and the exploits of Mr. Babson, and outlined the events which led to the founding of Babson Institute.
Feeling that the well-rounded Babson student should encounter speakers with intellectually challenging opinions on a variety of subjects, the Publicity Department provided a speaker program. The services of eight speakers were secured. Their contributions to the non-business aspect of the Babson education were stimulating and in many cases controversial.

The three speakers in the fall term were Allen R. Foley, a Professor at Dartmouth, whose topic was "Vermont Humor"; Bosley Crowther, film critic of "The New York Times," whose subject was "What You Don't Know About the Movies"; and Geoffrey Harwood, a news commentator for a Boston radio station, who spoke on "Backgrounds to the News."

Winter term saw three more speakers grace Knight Auditorium. They were George C. Holt, a World Federalist, whose topic was "The Case for World Federalism"; Gordon Hall, an expert on the political extremes, who spoke on "Patriotism on the Extreme Right"; and Clifford J. Kamen, an author and lecturer, whose subject was "The Union of South Africa."

Spring term's two speakers were David Warren, a Professor at Rhode Island, who spoke on "American Foreign Policy"; and John Furbay, an author and lecturer, whose subject was "Global Minds in a Global World."

There is little doubt that the speakers program is an integral part of Babson's liberal arts background.