



The Alexander C. Humphreys Memorial

In the front entrance to the Administration Building stands a bronze tablet which bears the inscription, "Alexander Crombie Humphreys, 1851-1927, President of Stevens, 1902-1927." The relief portrait on the tablet is the likeness of President Humphreys, bareheaded, clothed in academic robes, and seated with a scroll in his hand. This work of sculpture was done by Trygve Hammer, who is perhaps best known for his "Theodore Roosevelt" at Tenafly, N. J., which attracted much favorable comment last summer.

The memorial was unveiled at the inauguration of President Harvey N. Davis on November 23, 1928. The Class of '81, of which the late President Humphreys was a member, donated the gift. Mr. John Aspinwall, '81, made the speech of presentation. In giving the acceptance speech, Mr. Alten S. Miller, '88, told of the work that Dr. Humphreys had done for Stevens during his twenty-five years as President. Little Peggy Loud, great-grandchild of Dr. Humphreys, was supposed to pull the cord, but she got lost at the psychological moment. Her father, Sherman Loud, Stevens, '20, grandson of Dr. Humphreys, performed the ceremony instead.

The Alexander C. Humphreys Chair of Economics of Engineering

On March 6, 1929, President Harvey N. Davis announced, at the New York State Chamber of Commerce, the contribution of \$50,000 toward the endowment of the Alexander C. Humphreys Chair of Economics of Engineering. At that time the endowment was only one-fifth completed, but a special donation of the salary required for the first year made it possible to appoint an occupant at once. One-half of the present endowment fund was given by Arthur G. Glasgow, Stevens, '85, of London, England, who was a former business partner of the late President Humphreys. The other contributors are: John Aspinwall, J. B. Klumpp, E. S. Mott, George Gibbs, Albert Blum, Henry L. Blum, Robert Boettger, Theodore Boettger, Frederick A. Muschenheim, and Greer, Crane and Webb.

William Duane Ennis, graduate of Stevens in 1897, was appointed to the professorship. Professor Ennis is at present Director of Research of the Technical Advisory Corporation of New York. Recently, he completed a comprehensive industrial survey of the State of Virginia, and of late years he has made similar surveys of fifteen other communities including the Mohawk Valley, the Port of Mobile, and the City of Cincinnati. Professor Ennis is by no means new to Stevens students, for during the past year he has served as a special lecturer in the College.