Class of '37 Reunion

Members of the Class of '37 voted early last spring to by-pass a projected 25th reunion at Commencement and to hold it instead during Homecoming in the fall. Program plans were to be held to a minimum. A brunch around 10:30 a.m. the day of the Homecoming game was about the extent of the planning. No chairman, no speaker. Attendance was surprisingly good: about 150 enthusiastic persons were on hand for the brunch.

As the brunch at the Daniel Boone Hotel progressed, there was scattered curiosity about who was in charge around here. A stray from the Class of '28 reunion dropped in and was amazed that the '37 group had no president or chairman; the visitor was Eddie Sowers of Rolla, national president of the Alumni Association. He extended greetings and re-

turned to his own group. Presently someone felt obliged to stand up and thank whoever was responsible for the arrangements which had turned out so pleasantly. Our reporter thinks the spontaneous speaker was Bill Hammond of Grosse Pointe, Mich., if he read his name tag correctly. Two or three others got up to echo his appreciative sentiments. At this point Jim Weber of Chevy Chase, Md. went to the head table and suggested that the guests introduce themselves by schools. This proved to be an informative diversion, and the brunch broke up on a friendlier note as the guests boarded special buses for the game. It may have proved, too, that however earnestly a group seeks to eschew a chairman or speaker, eventually there is a need for somebody to take charge and pick up the loose ends.

Seated, from left: Mrs. Haney Swyden, Dr. and Mrs. Mervin Kohn, Mr. and Mrs. Homer J. L'Hote, Mrs. Robert W. Mills and Mr. Mills, and at right foreground, Lucille Ross. Standing, Edward W. Sowers, '28, who dropped by for a visit as national head of the Alumni Association.



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The "leaderless" Class of '37 members appear to be doing all right for themselves at the brunch which preceded the Homecoming game on November 10. The two couples nearest the camera are (at right) Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Graf of Hermann, Mo., and Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Brickey of Kansas City.



Among the other brunch guests were (from left) Jean Frantz Williams and Harold D. Williams, and Peggy Harman, all of the Kansas City area, and Mike J. Rahiya of Louisville.