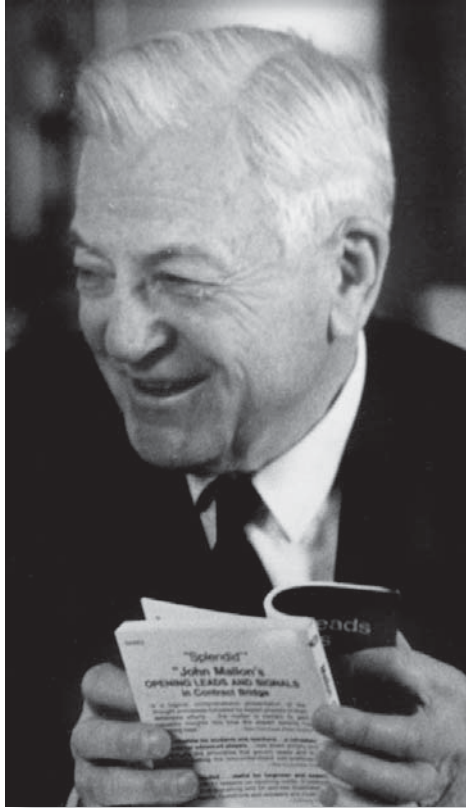


**Horace D. Taft Alumni Medal  
and  
Citation of Merit  
1976 Recipient**



**John Howard Mallon '15  
1896-1984**

Loyal alumnus, successful businessman, wrestler of near-Olympic standing, defender of wildflowers from the bulldozer's blade, you have served your country as a first lieutenant of field artillery and your hometown as a concerned citizen. As an architect of ideas and a proponent of enlightened change, you created a far-sighted and responsive plan for your city's government. Though you were never a holder of public office, your election as "mayor" of your street by the neighborhood children showed that your talents have not gone unnoticed. What child could resist a man who created a "penny tree" in the garden and who shared a house with little red riding-hood, the seven dwarfs, and hickory, dickory, dock? An expert on bridge and a deft partner in an extraordinary marriage, you seem to defy some natural laws of modern society. Believing that a community's purpose is also a human purpose and that progress is measured in the fullness of people's lives, you have won the hearts of all sorts and conditions of men. Today we confirm and publish your achievement by bestowing on you your school's highest honor: the Alumni Citation of Merit.