

ministration. Hollomon's statement strongly implied that the council hadn't been living up to the charges given it by the 1953 charter. With total policy-making responsibility, the council has jurisdiction over the athletic department's every facet—budget, scheduling, scholarships, personnel, postseason contests, eligibility. Yet its critics have accused it of being nothing more than a rubber stamp for athletic department recommendations. Initiative clearly rests with the athletic department; a Hollomon committee (SM, May 1968) was unable to find one instance where the athletic council denied a department recommendation. This is not to say that the department is in the wrong; it does imply that the council has not fulfilled its policy-making function.

Pat Boone Lives

After an article in Campus Notes of the Nov.-Dec. issue of SOONER MAGAZINE describes white bucks as "passé," it is meet that we acknowledge the reappearance of the white buck shoe. After a fifteen-year hiatus, the shoe that gave us Red Foley's son-in-law is back in the Harold's and Clyde Campbell's men's store advertisements. Some men have expressed fear that this could mean the return of another style that accompanied the snowy steppers, as some call them, namely the belt-in-the-back trousers.

Miss Truex Resigns

Dr. Dorothy Truex, in February announced her intentions to resign as dean of women at the University, a post she has held since 1947. She plans to teach and counsel in the College of Education. (*Campus Notes is compiled by the editor.*)

Letters to the Editor

Protest

Sirs:

The January-February 1969 issue of "your" magazine (please note I do not use "our") arrived today. I immediately read it through and just as hurriedly consigned it to the wastebasket. It was an ism, nothingism.

Somewhere in the dim past I understood this to be an alumni publication for alumni, about alumni, pertaining to their relationship with the University of Oklahoma. This has certainly ceased to be the case. It has become yet another voice of agitation and foment, presenting viewpoints *not* representing the majority of the alumni, and I hope not the majority of the student body.

Speaking as one whom (sic) already is alarmed at the trend the university seems to be taking along the path of permissiveness and liberalism, I strongly protest the invasions of these thoughts into the alumni association.

Take a look around you at the names on the buildings, such as Muldrow, Tarmann, McCasland, Dale, Gittinger, Felgar, etc. I guarantee this wasn't what they had in mind when they helped build this once respected institution.

Jack McKinney, '41

Dallas, Tex.

Attention, Regents

Sirs:

Thank your staff and yourself for me.

I'm beginning to make comparisons between the quality of the SOONER MAGAZINE and another one. At first I was surprised to see the quality of your magazine, but as it continues and increases, I'm downright astonished.

I would appreciate it if you sent me a list of the members of the Board of Regents and their addresses. I would like to write them about the magazine. Thanks for SOONER MAGAZINE. It alone is enough to make me glad that I'm a life member.

Jay D. Belford, '59eng

College Station, Tex.

Diagnosis

Sirs:

It is a widespread opinion that the institutions of higher learning have inflicted many of their present crises upon themselves. The infiltration of university and college professorial levels with communists, socialists, and society misfits has been alarming in precipitating our seething higher education problems. The solution rests on two facets, namely, first strictly enforcing the law and that requires only penalizing small minority group instigators and secondly, the careful reevaluation of the professors' intent with regard to their purpose in being part of our endowed and tax paid higher educational program.

J. Hoyle Carlock, M.D., '31ba

Ardmore, Oklahoma

Praise

Sirs:

Since my graduation I have greatly enjoyed SOONER MAGAZINE and upon reading the latest issue, I feel compelled to express my appreciation to this fine publication. It is a credit to the University and an educational service to the alumni. I especially enjoy Campus Notes; if only our local and state newspapers were so scholarly.

Gerald Starr, '65bus

Tulsa, Oklahoma

From a Former Editor

Sirs:

Congratulations on producing one of the best—if not the best—and most interesting alumni magazines in the country. You have the happy faculty of making the *thinking* and the *actions* of the campus come to life. And you are doing a service to higher education in reporting the deplorable free speech situation at Stillwater.

When I started SOONER MAGAZINE in 1928, I hoped it would be a journal of reportage and intellectual stimulation. Now, some forty years later, it has returned to its original purpose.

We are living in an age of dissent and controversy, whether we like it or not. A university magazine which failed to take cognizance of this new phenomenon would be failing its readers.

Joseph A. Brandt, '21ba
Los Angeles, Calif.



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