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Somewhere between the November-December issue and this one our interest turned full scale to the rising drug problem in the land. As a result this month's Sooner has not one but two looks at the issue. One is reprinted from the Harvard Medical Alumni Bulletin and is a doctor's explanation of the various drugs and what they will do. The second article is geared to OU's own program of education to prevent students from abusing drugs. We didn't go out and interview any addicts or load up on statistics. Instead we took a sober look at a sobering problem, and we hope you'll take the time to read them both and perhaps do something about the problem in your own community.

As promised, we have examined the surface of the money issue at the University, a subject we hope to go into in greater detail in later issues. Money is so dear to the hearts of so many people, yet it is amazing how few people really understand the budget woes of higher education. This issue's interview is with Ronald T. McDaniel who has been director of the Alumni Association since last July. The usual campus notes are in the back — bits and pieces of not too startling but nonetheless interesting information. — CBR

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