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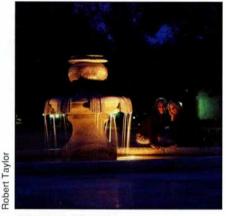
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Alumni making their annual fall Home-coming tour of Van Vleet Oval's spectacular chrysanthemum gardens discovered that something new had been added. Just north of the gardens, formally named the Pitman Parterre, stands the Pitman Fountain, the work of OU stonemason Patrick Dennis. Sooner Magazine photographer Robert Taylor made an evening visit to the oval, where he found freshmen Abbey Manders, of Miami, left, and Abby Allford, of McAlester, among the students admiring the new fountain. More campus fountains on Page 14.

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