

John H. Baxter, '21 eng., is a conspicuous example of the value of specialized professional training in the industrial field. Engaged in the distribution of a public commodity, he has applied with marked success principles inculcated by college training and personal experience

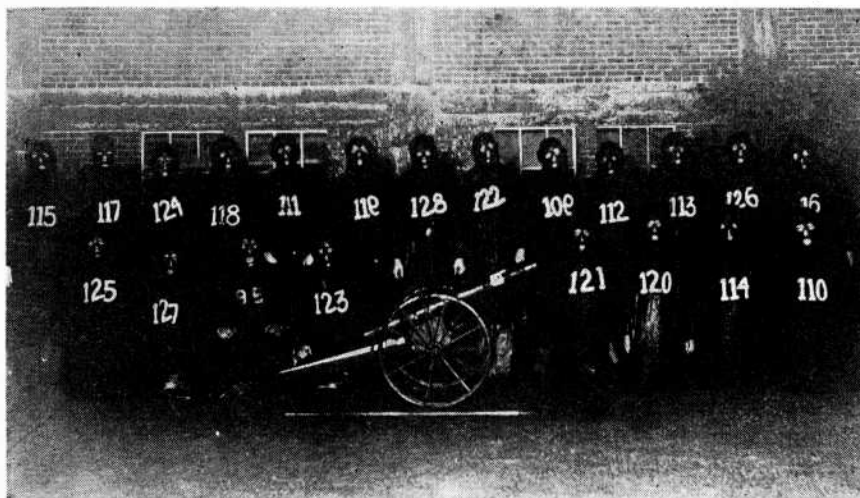
Achievement in gas sale operation

AN outstanding success in engineering has come to John H. Baxter, '21 eng., sales manager in charge of operations in Kentucky, Ohio, and West Virginia for the Inland Gas Corporation. His advancement to high rank in his field has come surely and steadily since graduation from the University of Oklahoma in 1921 with the degree of bachelor of science in mechanical engineering. His career is typical of enlightened proficiency both with regard to successful adaptation to problems of general scope and to the application of highly specialized knowledge to industrial progress.

Soon after Mr Baxter's graduation he joined the Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company as gas measurement engineer, a capacity in which he served for two years. Energy and high proficiency in this position brought about immediate advancement to the assistant gas superintendency with the same company, where he served until 1927.

In June, 1927, Mr Baxter went to the Southwest Gas Company of Houston, Texas, as gas superintendent. In 1928, when this company became the Southwest Gas Utilities Corporation, he was transferred from Texas to Oklahoma to take charge of the southern Oklahoma operations.

Advancement continued rapidly for this engineering specialist. Early in 1929 he went to his present company, the Inland Gas Corporation, as sales manager in charge of operations in Kentucky, Ohio, and West Virginia, which is his present capacity. Ashland, Kentucky is Mr Baxter's base of operations and place of residence. Although somewhat removed geographically from the scene of his preparation, his professional and personal connection with Sooner engineering is alive and well nurtured. Well-ordered careers of the type of Mr Baxter's are the goals of Sooner engineering training.



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Midnight. March 17, 1931. BOOM: What became of the tennis ball. A half pound of black powder caused one to be belched forth from the muzzle of «Old Trusty» on that historical night. The coldest night in 1930—regardless of what weather reports say. Br-r-r-r. The wind blew from the north. A small band of engineers climbed to the dizzy heights of the City water tower. At dawn the next morning L K O T showed forth in large white letters from that tower.

In 1920 the firing of «Old Trusty» broke out more window lights than any hail storm that the campus has ever witnessed. Due to the hostility of university authorities, the organization of L K O T sprung up as a masked order. Thus the tradition of firing «Old Trusty» on the eve of St. Pat has been carried down to the present.

The membership of the ceremonial order is secret and represents the highest honor that may befall an engineer. More than 130 engineers in the field today are members of L K O T.

Engineers may come and engineers may go, but may this tradition go on forever. «Erin Go Braugh»

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