

which makes a nationally known product with which we are all familiar. Carl Whiteman, a former student of the University of Oklahoma, is Vice President of General Foods company of New York, distributors of well known food products, many of which appear on our tables daily.

Ray H. Haun, who graduated in 1912, has for several years been Advertising Manager for the *Ladies Home Journal* in Philadelphia.

Delos Walker, General Manager of R. H. Macy and company of New York, one of the world's foremost department stores, is a former student of the University of Oklahoma.

University of Oklahoma graduates also are contributing to the arts as well as to the business and professional life of our times. Joseph Benton, who was graduated from the College of Fine Arts in 1920, is now singing in grand opera in Italy, where he is known as Giuseppe Bentonelli. Recently he sang a leading role in Rome before an audience which included the King and Queen of Italy and Premier Mussolini, and received thirty-one curtain calls.

Last year the Book-of-the-Month club selected Joe Mathew's book, *Wah'Kon-Tah*, published by the University Press. Fifty thousand copies were sold to the members of the Book-of-the-Month club. Mathews was a member of the class of 1920.

Recently word has come to the University from London that Ernest Sharpe—known on the stage as Erik Rhodes—who received his training in dramatic art at O. U., is just as great a success in *The Gay Divorce* in London as he was on Broadway last year.

Murder on Tour, a mystery story, by Todd Downing, '24B.A., now instructor in Spanish at the University, has been so popular that his publishers have asked for another book by Downing.

George Milburn, author of *Oklahoma Town* and *No More Trumpets*, is a former student of the University of Oklahoma. *No More Trumpets*, his most recent book, was rated by H. Allen Smith, United Press book reviewer, as the best volume of short stories published in 1933, and by John Chamberlin, book reviewer for the *Daily New York Times*, as one of the five most important books published in 1933. George is also a feature writer for the Hearst newspaper chain.

These are but a few of the members of the large University of Oklahoma family who have done great things which are a credit to themselves, to their Alma Mater, and to the State of Oklahoma. I wish I had time to name more of them. Really, their names are legion.

In the more than forty years of its existence, the University of Oklahoma has graduated more than eleven thousand young men and young women, the ma-

majority of whom have remained in Oklahoma to contribute to growth and development of our state.

The University of Oklahoma with its more than five thousand regularly enrolled full-time students, is the tenth largest state University in the country and the twenty-fourth largest institution of higher education in the United States. It is the largest school in the Big Six Conference, which includes in addition to Oklahoma, the University of Nebraska, the University of Missouri, and the University of Kansas; Iowa State College and Kansas State College. In the South and Southwest only Texas has a slightly larger enrollment.

The University of Oklahoma has done and is doing great things for Oklahoma; it has weathered many storms—economic and otherwise. It will go on to greater heights and greater service—with your support and good will.



Alumnae Get Offices

Two Sooner alumnae recently were elected to offices in the Oklahoma City Parent-Teacher Council for 1934.

They are Maude Richman Calvert, '20 M.S., who was elected president, and Mrs. Edna Cash Newby, '15as.

Alley Article Reprinted

REPRINTS of *Memories of Roundup Days*, by Colonel John Alley, which appeared in the January issue of the *Sooner Magazine* have been made to serve the great demand for copies of the article.

The reprinted copies may be had free of charge by requests sent to the Oklahoma Alumni office in the Union. Colonel Alley, director of the University school of citizenship and public affairs, received scores of letters complimenting him on the reminiscent article.

One letter of unusual interest was written him by Laura Mauk, of Tokio, Japan, an alumna of Kingfisher college. Six years ago, in contributing to a history of Kingfisher college, Colonel Alley wrote of her: "Among the other girl graduates attention should be called to the remarkable career of Laura Mauk of the class of 1910, who has acquired an outstanding reputation as missionary in Japan and whose service is still in full vigor. Miss Mauk also enjoys a national reputation as a forceful and eloquent platform speaker in the cause to which she has devoted her life."

The letter to Colonel Alley from Miss Mauk follows:

Tokyo, Japan

Dear Prof. Alley,

Ever since *The Sooner* came and I read your article *Memories of Roundup Days* I have wanted to drop you a note and tell you how much I enjoyed it. My enjoyment came chiefly, perhaps, from the fact that I entered Oklahoma at the same time, in the same way and I rather think over the same route. I was only four years old and have never been able to figure out whether I really remember the details of that trip

so well, or have only heard them rehearsed so often by my older brothers and sisters that I think of them as my own—any way I have a perfect memory of our wagons moving on and on between herds of cattle and sleeping on the ground under the stars and hearing the coyotes and crawling up close to Father—Mother's place was in the wagon with the twin babies—and finally reaching the sod house my Father had built for us on the school section near Dover.

My Father burned out in the drought in western Kansas and finally went to Oklahoma to hunt land. He found this vacant School-quarter near Dover—built a sod house, then hurried back to Kansas and moved the family down to it in the spring of '90.

All those early Oklahoma days are still bright memories to me. Just speak of the "Horse-thief-association" and what memories come back of seeing my Father and two older brothers getting their guns ready to go out and watch roads at night or going to a meeting to hear of secret plans to intercept them!

Your article brought so many such memories back and gave me a pleasant evening. I had thought I must stop the magazine as our cub salaries hardly allow me to continue to take it (and I haven't paid this year's subscription yet) but your article and the one about Dr. Scroggs alone are worth more than the subscription price to me.

Hoping you may have a good year in your work, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Laura Mauk