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Oklahomans at home and abroad

Soonerland in Brief

Spring's first gentle south wind arrived in Norman early in March bringing with it sand and dust from the dry Canadian river bed. While a large part of the state gasped through general dust storms, the campus got more than its share from the mile-wide river bed that accommodates the ten-foot-wide Canadian river.

Before Charles N. Gould, former head of the geological survey, compiled his *Oklahoma Place Names*, published by the University Press, the river to the south of Norman was always referred to as the South Canadian. Officially, Gould has shown, it is the Canadian river, while the branch that passes through Oklahoma City is officially the North Canadian.

George Miskovsky, junior lawyer, won a victory at the state convention of the League of Young Democrats when his Oklahoma county representation was recognized in a contest with another Oklahoma county group over credentials.

So numerous became the stags at free Saturday afternoon dansants in the Oklahoma Union ballroom, that an admission of twenty-five cents is being charged gentlemen dancers without dates. Couples are admitted free. The number of stags has immediately decreased and the number of women students escorted to the dances has shown a striking increase.

A University faculty member recently had the fortitude to do what hundreds of other persons have secretly wished to do. The faculty member was lured into attending the motion picture show, *Clive of India*, which is advertised as an authentic historical story of Robert Clive's adventures in subduing India for the British Empire. Halfway through the picture, the faculty member decided the picture was about as far from historically accurate as was the story of the Babes in the Woods. Becoming a little angered at movies and

himself, he rushed to the box office and demanded his money back, giving all of the reasons why he wanted it in terms not uncertain. He got a refund.

Bill Miley, son of Judge Miley, Oklahoma City, who left a Broadway stage career to enrol in the University law

school also was in the "straight-A" class for the first semester.

They are referring to Major Harry J. Malony, commandant of the R. O. T. C. unit, as "what-a-man-Malony" nowadays. The Major felt ill for several days but, true to the old army spirit, dragged about his work. Finally, he was talked into consulting a physician. The doctor told him he had just suffered an attack of pneumonia and that the crisis had passed the day before. Out of danger, the Major continued with his duties.

Paul Updegraff, '30law, ex-Cleveland county attorney who is a special prosecutor in the fight to place fraternities and sororities on the tax rolls, asked that Phi Delta Theta be used as a test case as well as Phi Kappa Psi, the fraternity agreed upon by attorneys on both sides. "All right," answered Fisher Ames, '30law, attorney for the fraternities, "if you get to hand-pick one, I do too." He and Coleman Hayes, '24as, '26law, who are defending the fraternities, conferred and selected Phi Gamma Delta. The test case now includes all three. Aubrey Moses, '26as, '28law, now Cleveland county attorney, represents the county. Maurice Crownover, '26ex, county treasurer, placed them on the tax rolls.

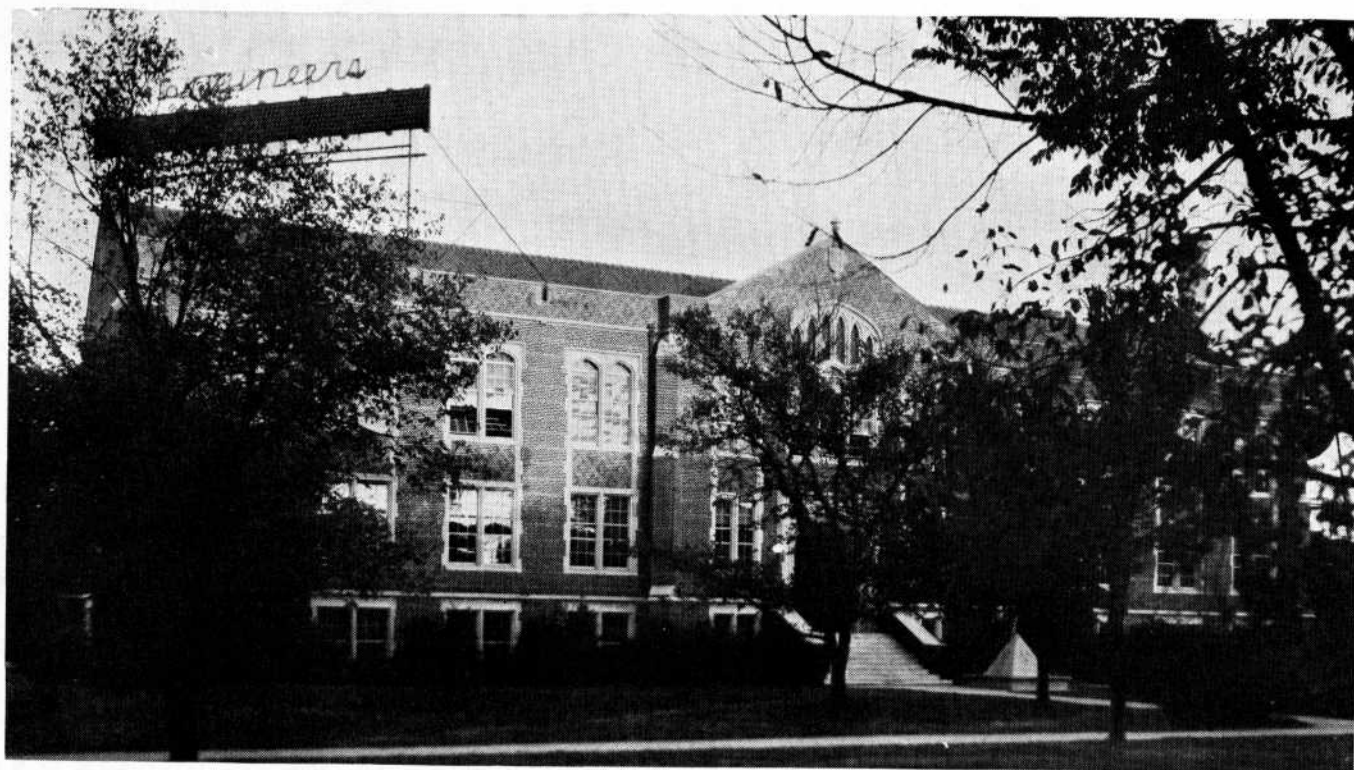
Elizabeth Dearth, Bartlesville, freshman in the art school, is said to possess a perfect Greek profile and head and face contours. As well as an art student, she is an excellent model for sculpture work. She is the sister of Miriam Dearth, '32voice, who is teaching voice at the University.

Buddy Martin, '34ex, Sayre, who three years ago was the youngest student in the University, is working in the office of Scott Ferris at the state capitol. Martin, when he pledged Kappa Alpha as a freshman, was pictured in *The Sooner Magazine* as the youngest University student.

Now that O.U.'s Walter Emerys have their method of being distinguished from

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one another straightened out, the Elizabeth Kleins have hit upon a scheme. Walter Emery, the debate coach has become Walter B. Emery, while Walter Emery, the former national intercollegiate golf champion and law student, remains plain Walter Emery. Elizabeth Klein, the dancer and singer, has become Elisabeth Klein, while Elizabeth Klein, the graduate student, stays Elizabeth Klein. Both Kleins officially live in Norman, while both Emerys are from Shawnee.

▲ Patchett Names Oil Fields

Glenn Wilson Patchett, '22as, assistant to the general secretary of the Mid-Continent Oil and Gas company, Tulsa, has been active with a committee of oilmen in doing research to provide proper names for both old and new oil fields in Oklahoma and Kansas.

Patchett has dug into the past history, visited with many companies, written a stack of letters, used the telephone a great deal, held many meetings and made suggestions for the important task of providing proper names for the fields in this section of the country. A committee of oilmen have approved the titles he has selected, according to the *Tulsa World*.

He was an economics major when he attended the University and worked on water projects in New Mexico and Arizona for two years after he was graduated. He served as a public accountant with Bird, Hanley and Sheedy of Bartlesville before moving to Tulsa where he joined the C. F. Bledsoe company. Later, he became a valuable assistant to Clarel B. Mapes, '22eng, '23as, '26M.A., general secre-

tary for the Mid-Continent company.

Patchett is married, has two sons and is fond of gardening and amateur athletics.

▲ Laura Mauk Coming Home

Laura Mauk, '10as (Kingfisher), who recently was honored by Japanese university students on the commemoration of her twenty years in Japan, will sail for the United States March 28 and return to her home at Dover, Oklahoma, early in April.

She will spend three months during the summer on a speaking tour throughout the United States and Canada.

Japanese professional and business men and women who have studied under Miss Mauk have written to church officials in the United States asking that she be returned to Japan.

▲ B. T. Williams Takes Office

B. T. Williams, '31as, '34law, became Garvin county judge at the first of the year and is making his home in Pauls Valley.

His wife, the former Ruth Turner, '33ex, who has been employed in Norman, recently resigned her position to go to Pauls Valley to make her home.

▲ Mrs. Calvert, a State Leader

As one of Oklahoma's outstanding women educational experts, Mrs. Maude Richman Calvert, '20M.A., Oklahoma City, has been given an unusual number of honors during the past year.

She is chairman of the Oklahoma County Consumers council, president of the Oklahoma City Council of P-T-A associa-

This issue of "The Sooner Magazine" is dedicated to engineers of the University of Oklahoma. As graduates of Soonerland, they are loyal alumni. As students, they are active in the welfare of the University. No college at the University has more right to be proud of its organization than does the college of engineering. Hats off to the engineers, their queen, St. Patrick and the wearing of the green on the day of the annual celebration.

To Dean James H. Felgar goes much of the credit for the steady progress of the college of engineering.

tions, member of the board of directors of the Oklahoma City Society for Crippled Children and for the past two years has been associate editor of the *Junior Home Magazine*, also holding the position as its nutrition director.

She was chosen to the "Oklahoma Hall of Fame" last November.

Dawson Heads Wichita Alumni

Ed Dawson, '26as, recently was elected president of the University of Oklahoma Alumni club in Wichita, Kansas.

Among the Sooners most active in the organization which plans an extensive program in the spring are Leroy Elmore, '16law, and his wife, Madge Harlow Elmore, '18as, '24M.A.

Dawson's wife, the former Margaret West, '26fa, is also a graduate of the University and is active in the Sooner club.

Maxwell May Be N.Y. Candidate

Lloyd Maxwell, '12as, economics expert, New York City, recently received considerable publicity in New York City newspapers when it was reported that he was a potential candidate for postmaster of the city. Maxwell's residence is at 3824 Waldo avenue in New York City.

Ralph Wallace Leads Ticket

Ralph Wallace, '23ex, San Diego, was elected to the California state legislature recently, leading the entire republican ticket in southern California. Wallace has been practicing law in San Diego.

His brother, Fred Wallace, '25ex, former Sooner basketball star, managed Ralph's campaign. The brothers are law partners and both are members of Phi Gamma Delta, social fraternity.

George Gibson Gets Appointment

George E. Gibson, '34as, Grove, has been appointed head of the traveling section of the Home Owners Loan corporation's legal department at Washington, D.C. The appointment was announced by the general counsel's staff of the HOLC at Washington.

Gibson, who is a member of Phi Delta Phi, law fraternity, and Pi Kappa Alpha, social fraternity, has been attending the George Washington law school this year.

Stars on Sooner Golf Team

Three of the state's ten ranking golf players are ready to compete in the spring on the University golf team.

They are Harry Gandy, ranked second only to Zell Eaton, Walter Emery, third ranking Oklahoman, and Maurice Hankinson, who was picked as the state's seventh best amateur.

A half dozen fine players will be trying for the fourth position on the Sooner team that will enter state, Big Six and national intercollegiate tournaments.

Buttram Heads Biltmore Board

Frank Buttram, '10as, '12M.A., Oklahoma City oil man, was elected president of the Oklahoma Hotel Building company which manages the Biltmore Hotel recently at its annual business meeting.

James Barrett, managing director of the Biltmore in Oklahoma City, was given a vote of thanks and confidence by the board of directors when he presented his annual report showing that profits at the

Biltmore increased 330 per cent during 1934. His contract to continue operation of the Biltmore was renewed. His report showed that occupancy of the hotel during the year increased twelve per cent.

Margaret Moore in Mexico

Mrs. Margaret Moore, '20as, '25M.A., instructor in Spanish at the University, has gone to Mexico City where she will engage in graduate study during the second semester and summer months.

Her leave of absence is part of a plan worked out by members of the modern languages faculty to keep all members of the department on the staff although decreased appropriations made it necessary to eliminate several positions. The members of the department have been taking turns going on leaves of absence to engage in graduate study during the period.

While she is in Mexico City she will be the guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. M. de la Torre, and family. A. M. de la Torre, '26as, '29M.A., instructor in modern languages at the University, also is taking a leave of absence this year under the same plan and is studying at the University of Mexico.

Hurley Visits Campus

Patrick J. Hurley, former secretary of war, Tulsa, was a visitor on the University campus early in February. He made an unannounced and unofficial inspection of the Phillips Historical Collection in Monnet Hall.

Hurley has been interested in the collection of historical material at the University for many years. He made a personal donation of several books to the Phillips group while he was in Norman.

He was accompanied on the trip by his sister, Mrs. Alice Hurley Mackey, '16as, and her husband, Clifton "Hi" Mackey, '16as, '17bs, of Oklahoma City.

Hood Directs Seismographers

Forrest W. Hood, '25as, geologist, is in charge of seismograph work in the field for the Marathon Oil company. Hood, whose home is in Sulphur, has been working in various parts of the state with seismograph crews.



THREE CANNON BLASTS

By No. 100

A rising sun may herald the dawn of another St. Pat's Day, or St. Pat may come in a snow storm. But regardless of all weather conditions, Old Trusty's keepers, the L.K.O.T., will announce his arrival with a bang—three of them.

Again during the fireworks, Old Trusty speaks his piece at the command of the queen and St. Pat.

With the final banquet, the big celebration ceases, but the activity of L. K. O. T. goes on the year round. The members work to uphold the traditions of the college of engineering and to make each year a green-letter-year for the school.

Twenty-nine Alumni Are Editors

Two hundred sixty-three alumni who have been trained in the University journalism school today are working on newspapers, magazines, in publicity departments and in other branches of writing, a survey conducted in February by the *Sooner State Press* shows.

Employment in journalistic fields increased thirteen per cent over last year, the study revealed.

A tabulation of types of work showed that twenty-nine former journalism students were editors and owners of publications, nine were managers and owners, eleven were trade journal editors and writers, seven were managing editors and news executives, one was an editorial writer, nineteen were advertising managers, thirty-two were city editors and deskmen, twenty-two were correspondents, nine worked for press associations, twenty were free lance and magazine writers, twenty-two were advertising salesmen and copywriters, nine were college journalism teachers, nine were high school journalism teachers, sixteen were publicity writers and directors, seven were mechanical employes, three were radio continuity writers, three were newspaper association employes, one was a circulation worker, one was a librarian, two were promotion workers and two were printing salesmen.