

## Tune in October 7

of Oklahoma radio program will be broadcast from WSM, Nashville, Tennessee, from 9:30 to 10 P.M. Monday, October 7.

The program, sponsored by the National Life and Accident Insurance Company, will employ the extensive facilities of the station, including a thirty-piece orchestra, a large chorus and a dozen or more radio dramatists.



The program is the third of a series of some thirty presentations of outstanding universities of the country. Similar programs have been broadcast for the past two years.

This year, an outstanding alumnus who has had a colorful career has been dramatized for each of the programs. The University of Oklahoma selection was John Joseph Mathews, 20as., author, member of the state board of education, and member of the Oklahoma Alumni association executive board.

He is an Osage, having been born on the Osage reservation near Pawhuska. The incidents of his life were dramatized for radio presentation by Ernie Hill, '33 as, editor of *The Sooner Magazine*. Scenes in the drama include one on the Osage reservation, one on the University campus and one in Washington, D. C., where Mr. Mathews spent considerable time during the winter in behalf of the Osages. He is a member of the tribal council.

The life of John Joseph Mathews, '20bs, left, will be dramatized over WSM, Nashville, November 7, in a University of Oklahoma program. Above, is the WSM orchestra which will be heard playing "Boomer Sooner."

## Walter Ferguson Takes Position

The recent appointment of Walter Ferguson, '06ex, Tulsa, as executive vice-president of the Oklahoma-Kansas division of the Mid-Continent Oil and Gas association was cause for numerous biographical stories of the former banker and newspaper editor.

One carried by the *Tulsa World* told of his early years in Indian and Oklahoma territory. He came to the territory with his parents in 1892. His father, T. B. Ferguson, started the *Watonga Republican* and later became postmaster and territorial governor.

The hardships of young Walter's mother in helping make the paper a success and raising a son were suggested to Edna Ferber when she wrote "Cimarron." The character Sabra in the book is really Mrs. T. W. Ferguson who is still alive.

Walter attended Wentworth Military Academy and then the University. He worked on newspapers in Guthrie, Shawnee, El Reno and Oklahoma City and was reading clerk for the first state legislature. He organized the *Cherokee Republican* and later served in the state senate

Mr. Ferguson has a collection of pictures, books and curios of yesteryear which has attracted wide attention and has been visited by many celebrities. Among the distinguished persons who have visited the Ferguson third floor "den," according to the *Tulsa World*, are:

Judge Florence Allen, Ruth Nichols, Lily Pons, Garv Myers, William H. Coverdale, Sherrill Smith, Gilbert White, Henry J. Allen. Victor Murdock, Curtis Dall, Senators T. P. Gore and Elmer Thomas; David Lawrence, Frederick Palmer, Rose Wilder Lane, Brig. Gen. W. W. Atterbury, the late Charles Bismark Ames, M. H. Cahill, M. S. Sloan, Sissley Huddleston, Stanley Vestal, W. C. Matthews, John Oskinson, Edwin Markham, Grant Foreman, Robert P. Scripps, Edna Ferber, Rex Beach, Irvin Cobb, the late Ray Long, G. B. Parker, Ray Howard, Brig. Gen. Hugh S. Johnson, Gov. Roy A. Young, W. S. McLucas, the late W. T. Kemper, Judge George McDermott, Judge Ed S. Vaught, the late Judge John Cotteral, Judge R. L. Williams, Gov. E. W. Marland, Gordon W. (Pawnee Bill) Lillie, E. E. Dale, Gov. George Hamilton, Chairman Meade L. McClure and the entire membership of the federal reserve bank of Kansas City, Mo., and hundreds of others.

## Mary Ellen Haines Appointed

Mary Ellen Haines, '34as, '35M. A., formerly of Bartlesville, and Dr. Morgan Ward Redus, a graduate of the Uniersity of Chicago, have been appointed to fill vacancies in the University Latin department during the year.

Resignations of Dr. John O. Moseley and Miss Norma Gates brought the appointments.