

Oklahomans at home and abroad

TULSA alumni will hold their annual rally during the state convention of the Oklahoma Education association February 4, 5 and 6 in Tulsa. The annual luncheon for Tulsa alumni and visiting teachers will be held Friday noon February 5, at the Mayo hotel.

Mrs. Floy Elliott Cobb, '17as, was appointed chairman on general arrangements for the luncheon.

The gathering is scheduled during the teachers convention in order to permit a maximum attendance, but all alumni and former students regardless of whether they are teachers are given an equally cordial invitation to attend the luncheon program, according to Alumni Secretary Ted Beaird.

An O.U. alumni booth and "lounging headquarters" will be maintained at the New Tulsa hotel, and Sooners are invited to meet their friends there, to register, and obtain various pieces of literature about the University.

Reunion plans progress

Plans for the spring reunions of the Classes of 1907, 1912 and 1917 are progressing steadily, particularly in the case of '12, the 25-year reunion class.

The general committee in charge of the '12 reunion plans is composed of Ray Haun, Detroit, Mich.; Jerry B. Newby, Oklahoma City, and Dr. Victor E. Monnett, Norman.

The general plans call for a three-day session with a golf tournament and picnic on the new University recreation field on Saturday afternoon preceding Commencement, a dinner and program on Sunday, and attendance at the Baccalaureate service and Commencement exercises in a body. All returning members of the class will wear an especially designed costume in class colors. The group probably will consider replacing the present sundial inside the Oval with a permanent class memorial.

A special issue of the Sooner magazine, the May 1 number, will be devoted chiefly to the reunion and will include pictures of outstanding members of the class, and some "then and now" illustrations, as well as sketches about various individuals.

Tentative plans have been made to give some kind of special recognition to children of members of this class, especially those now enrolled in the University.

Mr. Haun has suggested that prizes be offered for the best dressed man and best dressed woman, the most humorous costume, and the person who looks the most like he or she did in 1912.

Many well known persons were included in the class of 1912. Some of them are Dr. F. A. Balyeat, Oklahoma City, hay fever expert; Frank Buttram, Oklahoma City oil man; Earl Foster, Oklahoma City attorney and president of the alumni association; Thurman S. Hurst, new member of the State Supreme court; Dr. Earl D. McBride, of the McBride Reconstruction hospital in Oklahoma City; and Paul A. Walker, member of the Federal Communications Division and widely known for the telephone investigation which he conducted.

Albert S. Clinkscales, Oklahoma City, is working on plans for the 20-year reunion of the Class of 1917.

On to Washington!

Two Sooners who have made names for themselves in the field of journalism went to Washington, D.C., in January to start choice new assignments with the beginning of the new year.

Beth Campbell, '29as, went to work on the Washington staff of the Associated Press, assigned to cover activities of Mrs. Roosevelt.

"Beth Campbell has earned her promotion," said Walter M. Harrison, managing editor of the *Oklahoman* and *Times*, in his personal column, *The Tiny Times*. "She was a hard worker in the University of Oklahoma, plugged herself into a place of brilliance at Springfield, Mo., before she came to Oklahoma City.

"During the years she has been here, she has been a bright and shining light, handling everything that came her way crisply, deftly and with a touch of wholesomeness about it all that has attracted the attention of a great many writing people to her. You'll hear more from her."

Harold Mueller, '19ex, veteran political reporter and an editorial writer for the *Oklahoma City Times*, went to Washing-

ton to cover the new congressional session for the *Oklahoman* and the *Times*.

Legislative program pushed

A group of 36 leaders in the alumni association and the University Dads association met in January at Oklahoma City and discussed definite plans for putting the University's budget needs before the people of the state.

Earl Foster, Oklahoma City, president of the alumni, C. S. Storms, Waurika, president of the Dads, and many other officers and past officers of the two organizations attended the conference.

It was emphasized that return of faculty salaries to the pre-depression level is vital to maintain morale of the staff and keep good faculty members here, and to provide enough teachers to keep up with the growing enrolment. The need for new buildings is also acute, speakers pointed out.

Definite arrangements were made for sending out information about the budget needs, and acquainting the public with the situation faced by the University if sufficient financial support is not provided. A setup was perfected for reaching into every county in the state.

Appointments confirmed

Recess appointments of two members of the University Board of Regents were confirmed by the State Senate in December. They are Joseph C. Looney, '20as, '22law, Wewoka, and C. C. Hatchett, Durant. Mr. Looney's term will expire in 1942 and Mr. Hatchett's in 1943.

Other members of the board and dates when their terms expire are: George L. Bowman, Kingfisher, 1937; Malcolm E. Rosser, Jr., '21ex, Muskogee, 1938; Major Eugene M. Kerr, Muskogee, 1939; Eugene P. Ledbetter, '14, Oklahoma City, 1940; and Lloyd Noble, '21ex, Ardmore, 1941.

Glee club entertained

Members of the University Glee club were guests of Chester Fleming, '18fa, at a breakfast in Nowata in December. The glee club gave a concert the previous night under auspices of the Presbyterian and Methodist churches in Nowata. The concert "was the outstanding musical event of the season and thrilled the audience of approximately 350 music lovers who attended," the *Nowata Star* commented.

Before the concert, the glee club was entertained at a dinner given by the Nowata Chamber of Commerce. Sooner alumni and former students introduced at



Beth Campbell

Harold Mueller

the dinner included Fleming, James Strickland, '21pharm, Dr. H. M. Prentiss, '18 med, Ralph E. Staffelbach, '25ma, Gerald Fitzgerald, '27as, Myer Roberts, '26ex, Harold Boyd, '19ex, and Victor H. Hicks, '34ed.m.

Geologists have meeting

A committee composed of Mrs. Dolly Radler Chandler, '20as, '21ms, Louis Roark, '12as, Luther C. White, '14as, and Robert H. Wood, '11as, was in charge of arrangements for a meeting of University geology alumni held in Tulsa in December.

Seven chosen for test

Seven University pharmacy graduates chosen in December to take examination at Fort Sill for places in the U.S. Army Medical Corps are Glenn M. Stinson, '36; Robert Cowan '36; Herman A. Jones, '36; Gordon Utter, '36; Albert Wehrenberg, '36; William G. Bray, '33; and Lawrence Mehlhorn, '36.

Skivey Davis promoted

Appointment of Dewey "Snorter" Luster, '22as, '22law, as assistant Sooner football coach, left the Norman school board with two vacancies—director of school athletics and Norman football coach.

One place was filled by making Arlo "Skivey" Davis, '20ex, head basketball coach and assistant football coach under Luster, the director of all Norman school athletics.

Board members tentatively appointed Guy Warren, '31ex, Luster's other assistant at Norman High school, to the position of Tiger coach, subject to clearing up of some technicalities regarding Warren's teaching qualifications.

Warren was a backfield star in both Norman High school and the University.

Hanson gets action

Tom Hanson, '36law, El Reno, joined the Department of Justice last fall and, assigned to investigate counterfeiting in Texas, has not only "got his man" but rounded up 11 persons and two counterfeiting plants.

A recent story in the *El Reno American* tells how Hanson, with the aid of local officers of Sweetwater, Brownfield, Cisco and Abilene, cleaned up a troublesome case in eight days. More than two hundred bogus quarters were confiscated, following the arrest of two women for circulating false money.

Covering the capitol

Half a dozen Sooner graduates have been busy at the State Capitol reporting the activities of the legislature. The group included Otis Sullivant, '24ex, and Frank L. Dennis, '29as, of the *Daily Oklahoman*; Merle Blakely, '25ex, *Oklaoma City Times*; Dick Pearce, '31as, *Oklaoma News*; Harriet Hicks, '36as, United Press; and LeRoy Ritter, '25as, representing a group of smaller newspapers in the state.

Win federal appointments

Two Sooner graduates have been appointed to federal positions in Oklahoma and one has been transferred from a federal position at Muskogee to a similar one at Oklahoma City.

Granville Norris, '29as, Idabel, former Sooner athletic star, was appointed acting



Norris

United States marshal at Muskogee, succeeding the late Samuel E. Swinney, and his permanent appointment to the position has been recommended by Senators Josh Lee and Elmer Thomas.

Norris, 34 years old, is the youngest man ever to serve in the marshal's office for the eastern federal district of Oklahoma. He lettered three times each in football, basketball and baseball while in the University, and also worked to pay his expenses in school. He was all-Big Six football tackle in 1927, and served as football and baseball captain. At the 1927 Gridiron banquet he was awarded the "Brown Derby" trophy as the most popular and outstanding student in the University.

After leaving the University he played two years of professional baseball and also played for a time with the Parrott Motor company team in Oklahoma City. For two years, 1933 and 1934, he was coach at Idabel High school.

Later he was an official for the Works Progress administration in eastern Oklahoma.

Frank Watson, '23as, '25law, McAlester, has been appointed assistant United States district attorney at Muskogee. Watson has served three terms as county attorney at McAlester.

He succeeded Earl Pruet, '27, who was transferred to Oklahoma City to fill a vacancy in the position of assistant federal attorney there. Pruet served at Muskogee for two years, following five years as county attorney of Jefferson county.

Lee's oratory awaited

The oratorical fame of Oklahoma's Senator Josh Lee, '17as, preceded him into the United States Senate and Paul Mallon, writer of the "Political Lowdown" column which is widely syndicated to newspapers all over the nation devoted about half of a column to Senator Lee just before Congress opened.

Mr. Mallon said:

"Many good folk in Oklahoma are awaiting the fifth of January with great expectations. On that day their boy orator, Josh Lee, will take the oath of office as United States senator.

"And after that everything will be different.

"It couldn't be otherwise. For 20 years

—ever since he won the national collegiate oratorical championship in 1916—Josh Lee has been, for the proud citizens of Oklahoma, a Demosthenes, a Gladstone, and a William Jennings Bryan rolled into one. In fact, his full name is Joshua Bryan Lee—after the great commoner.

"There is no woman's club, parent-teacher association, Eastern Star assembly which has not been thrilled by one, or all, of Josh's three famous orations—"The Prince of the House of David," "Patriotism or Peace," and "The Success Insurance Company."

"Josh has these lectures carefully memorized and on the moment, can pull out the stops of humor, pathos, and inspiration in each one of them. In addition he has a large repertory of general oratorical matter and can deliver a birthday eulogy on anyone from George Washington to Will Rogers.

"But rhetoric is not the limit of Josh's talents.

"When an audience prefers something in the graphic line, he will take a piece of chalk out of his vest pocket and draw clever pictures. His first success was as a "chalk-talk" entertainer with a college glee club.

"Lee also is an author. His 'Soldier Rimes' are well known in Oklahoma, for he recites them wherever he goes to give a rhythmic touch to the more prosaic passages of his discourse.

"In Oklahoma they say of Josh, 'He can make you laugh and cry by turns. First he tells a funny story, and before you're done laughin' at that, he has you cryin' over a story of life in the trenches.'

"It is no wonder, therefore, that members of the Senate are looking forward to the advent of Josh Lee. Since the passing of Huey Long there has been no colorful oratory in the chamber, and the boys are hungry for a bit of old-fashioned 'stump shoutin'."

A gala dinner honoring Senator Lee was scheduled January 18 in Washington with more than 250 Oklahomans expected to attend. Arrangements were made by W. R. Kavanaugh, and W. B. Cafky, treasurer, of the Oklahoma Young Democrats of Washington.

Senator Lee's committee assignments were the committees on commerce, military affairs, education and labor, irrigation and reclamation, and public lands.

Pharmacists convene

The Fourth Annual Convention of the Oklahoma University Pharmaceutical association was held in December at the University, with more than one hundred persons registering during the day.

Alumni who registered included Ina Griffith, '27pharm, '30as, Apache; Mrs. J. E. Wyly, '33pharm, Spavinaw; R. C. Walker, '36as, Oklahoma City; Wilford King, '36pharm, Lamont; Robert Rigg, '36as, Dacoma; John Marik, '35pharm; Loyd Harris, '24ms, Norman; Ralph Bee-

gle, '22as, Norman; D.B.R. Johnson, 18ma, Norman; Mrs. L. E. Harris, 23as, Norman, and Mrs. Ralph Bienfang, '28as.

Cartwright chairman again

Wilburn Cartwright, '20law, third district congressman, was re-elected chairman of the Oklahoma delegation when the group met to organize for the Seventy-Fifth session of Congress. Jed Johnson, '15ex, sixth district, was elected vice-chairman. A third Sooner, Will Rogers, '30ms, also is serving in the new Congress, as member-at-large.

Graham heads tag agency

B. S. Graham, former University Y.M.C.A. secretary and director of the Stadium-Union fund campaign, has become head of the Oklahoma county automobile tag agency. Mr. Graham, a leader in E. W. Marland's campaign for governor, left a position as executive secretary of the State Planning Board in order to take over the tag agency.

Academy officers

Mrs. John Frizzell, '31ma, and A. C. Shead, '19as, '23ms, were elected vice-presidents of the Oklahoma Academy of Science at the annual meeting held at Stillwater in December. R. C. Hughes, '22as, now of Stillwater, was one of eleven outstanding members named fellows of the academy. The group of eleven included the following University faculty members; G. L. Cross, R. J. Dangerfield, R. H. Dott, Jerome Dowd, R. L. Huntington and F. L. Ryan.

Visit Rose Bowl

Several University alumni accompanied the state champion Norman High school football team to California to see the annual Rose Bowl game. The group included Dewey Luster, '22as, '22law; Guy Warren, '31ex; Arlo "Skivey" Davis, '20 ex; Mrs. L. E. Haskell, '23ex; and Joe Porter Ballard, '29as, '33law.

Bar governors elected

Sooner alumni on the new board of governors of the State Bar of Oklahoma include Walter Arnote, '28as, '28law, McAlester; Tom L. Ruble, '22law, Taloga; A. N. Boatman, '14as, '16law, Okmulgee; and George A. Meacham, '20law, Clinton.

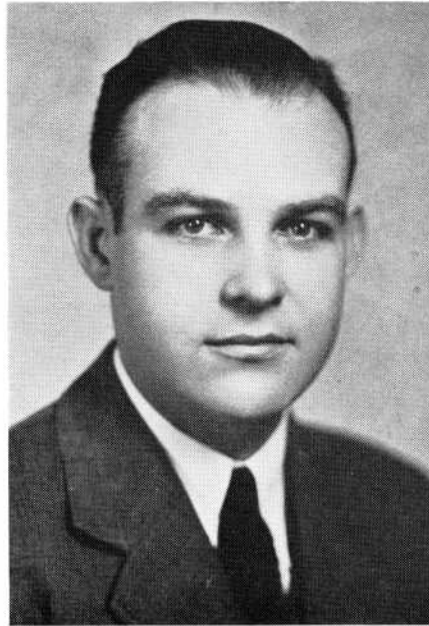
CAMPUS REVIEW

Union improvements made

During the Christmas holidays, the Union cafeteria was redecorated and arrangements for several new services to the student body were made by Manager T. M. Beaird and Assistant Homer Heck.

Improvements planned include a free checking service for students from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Plans were started for an information bureau which would be a central agency for information about time, place and other details of campus activities.

Counsel for Oil Firm



Ralph May

Ralph May, '31law, has resigned as assistant municipal counselor at Oklahoma City to take a position as a trial attorney for the Shell Petroleum Corp. at Tulsa.

Mr. May, who is 29 years old, had an outstanding record in the municipal counselor's office. During his three-year term he never lost a district court jury suit among more than seventy in which he represented the city. The suits in which he participated involved more than \$600,000 in claims against the city.

Previous to his city position, he worked in the law office of Dave Tant, Oklahoma City. He has taught the men's Bible class at the First Christian church in Oklahoma City and a few years ago served a term as president of the Oklahoma County League of Young Democrats.

He and Mrs. May and their 2-year-old son have moved their residence to Tulsa.

Rhodes candidates defeated

Two University students won the state Rhodes scholarship competition, but failed to place in the regional finals held at New Orleans.

The two who went to the finals are James H. Tabor, freshman law student from Checotah, and James A. Long, arts and sciences senior from Roanoke, Va.

Long's father is Frank M. Long, '08as, '09ma, who spent 20 years in Y.M.C.A. work in South America. The younger Long is a member of President Bizzell's honor class and a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Tabor is a varsity debater, member of the honor class and of Pe-et, and is secretary of the University Y.M.C.A.

The four scholarship winners at New Orleans were Bernard A. Monaghan, Birmingham, Ala.; Cresson H. Kearny, San Antonio, Texas; Howard K. Smith, New Orleans, and James Ellis Palmer, Gibsland, La.

Students religious

Only one student in eleven in the University has no religious connections, ac-

ording to statistics prepared by Registrar George Wadsack. The report shows 3,532 students members of various churches, 917 with church preferences, and only 415 with no church preferences, and two branches of the Methodist church have the largest representation on the campus and next in rank are the Baptist, Christian and Presbyterian churches.

Tribute to hostess

The December number of *Shield and Diamond*, official magazine of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, devoted an article to Mrs. James E. Pershing, for 15 years house mother of the University of Oklahoma chapter of the fraternity.

Alumni advice heeded

As a result of a series of conferences with alumni geologists over the state, the University's School of Geology has announced several curricular changes. Embryo geologists will be given more work in English, engineering drawing and mathematics, with less specialization in undergraduate work.

Ewing goes to Washington

Dr. John B. Ewing, assistant professor of economics in the University, on January 1 joined the unemployment compensation division of the Social Security board in Washington, D.C.

He will travel in various states, doing technical research, with headquarters at Kansas City.

Dr. Ewing, who had been on the University faculty since 1926, served as state labor compliance officer for the NRA during 1934-35.

Bouquet for architects

When the \$1,000,000 capitol office building and armory bill was passed by the State Senate, an amendment was added providing that if no architect would accept the contract for the one per cent fee specified in the bill, that the plans be prepared by the University and A. and M. college architectural schools.

The idea was suggested by Senator Paul Stewart, of Antlers, who had been favorably impressed by the University's new buildings that were designed by the University School of Architecture under direction of Joe E. Smay.

Before final passage by the legislature the measure was changed, however, and provided for the usual 5 per cent fee for a commercial architect.

I.M.A. publicized

An article about the Independent Men's association of the University, written by J. F. Findlay, dean of men, was published in the December issue of *The Palm*, official publication of Alpha Tau Omega social fraternity.

Entitled "Oklahoma Dean Finds New Uses for the Fraternity Idea," the article describes how the general fraternity idea

has been used at the University to integrate the non-fraternity man's campus life.

"Independent men at the University of Oklahoma have built their association on the pioneer work of the fraternities," the article says. "With different facilities and faced with different problems, these men have made a program for themselves which co-ordinates definitely with that of the Interfraternity Council. It is not set up to run in opposition to fraternities."

Co-ed debaters win

Sooner Co-Eds LaRue Pottorff and Leta Davis placed first in the women's division of the tenth annual southwestern college forensic tournament held at Winfield, Kan. Don Wright, of O.U., won first in extemporaneous speaking, men's division.

Cruce portrait

A large portrait of Lee Cruce, Oklahoma governor 1911-15, painted by Patricio Gimeno, has been hung in the University library.

Win art prizes

Four students won awards in the Oklahoma Artists' exhibition conducted at Tulsa in December by the Tulsa Art association.

Julius Struppeck won first in sculpture, receiving the Waite Phillips \$100 purchase prize; Tom Simms won second place in sculpture; Ira Eppler, Oklahoma City, won a \$75 prize for the best water color in the show; and John O'Neil received honorable mention for an oil painting.

No exemption this time

Fraternities and sororities must pay the employers' payroll tax provided by the federal Social Security act, according to an interpretation by the Internal Revenue office at Washington, D.C. The federal officials turned down the theory that Greek letter chapters are operated exclusively for charitable, literary or educational purposes and therefore should be exempted under terms of the act.

This ruling apparently is in conflict with the ruling of the State Supreme court which has held that fraternities and sororities were exempt from ad valorem taxation.

Shorter mention

J. Bryan Begley, district supervisor for the WPA state mineral survey project, died of heart attack December 14. He was stricken while working in the Geology building.

His leave of absence extended, Dr. R. J. Dangerfield, associate professor of government, moved in January from Wichita, Kan., to Waco, Texas, to continue lecture work for the Federal Forum.

Oklahoma corporation laws were described as about the most archaic in the nation by Dr. Floyd A. Wright, professor of law, in the annual convention of the

Heads Illinois Academy



Dr. Clarence Lee Furrow

Dr. Clarence Lee Furrow, '21as, '22ma, has the distinction of serving as president of the Illinois Academy of Science this year. He is professor of biology at Knox college, Galesburg, Ill., and has won an outstanding reputation for developing pre-medical education at Knox during the last ten years.

He will head the 1937 convention of the Illinois academy, which will be held at Rockford. The Illinois academy has a membership of nearly nine hundred, and fifty high school science clubs are affiliates of the organization.

Mrs. Furrow, (Esther Y. Furrow), received a B.A. degree from the University of Oklahoma in 1921. Dr. Furrow received his Ph.D. degree from the University of Iowa in 1933.

state bar. Out-moded laws are keeping new capital out of the state and driving existing corporations to other states, he said.

Acting on the suggestion of national headquarters, the University chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority has closed its chapter house in Norman, at 830 Chautauqua avenue. The action was taken because of financial difficulties.

The University auditorium in the Fine Arts building has been modernized somewhat by installation of an orchestra pit which will greatly facilitate presentation of operas and other productions requiring musical accompaniment.

An audience of 1,500 saw the annual Christmas festival in the University auditorium when the dance drama, "The Juggler of Notre Dame" was presented under auspices of Orchestis and the student Christian associations.

Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity house was robbed twice during the Christmas holidays, about \$50 worth of clothing being taken each time.

Helen Ruth Holbrook, general secretary of the Y.W.C.A., has been appointed member of the national staff of the Y.W.C.A. to serve in the national service division

by assisting groups in smaller universities. Mary Elizabeth Lockett, Norman senior student, has been appointed to handle Miss Holbrook's work while she is traveling over the state.

"Parnell" was scheduled for presentation by the University Playhouse January 15 with Jack Wilson, of Enid, in the title role of the noted Irish leader. Jack Swineford, also of Enid, had the role of Gladstone. Ida Z. Kirk, assistant professor of drama, directed.

H. H. Herbert, director of the School of Journalism, was re-elected secretary-treasurer at the annual convention of the American association of Teachers of Journalism held in St. Louis during the Christmas holidays.

E. M. Brown, 65-year-old Oklahoma City pool operator accused of murder in the death of Harry Gandy, 23-year-old University student and star golfer, was acquitted in a district court trial. He contended that he struck Gandy on the head with a pool cue in self-defense.

Dr. Edwin DeBarr, of Norman, former head of the Chemistry Department, and Mrs. DeBarr went on a South American cruise in January.

J. R. McKinley, senior journalism student from St. Louis, Okla., has been named editor of the *Oklahoma Daily*, student newspaper, for the second semester.

Prospects in mid-January were that the new \$30,000 men's swimming pool back of the Fieldhouse would be ready for use in February.

O. Dale Smith, engineering junior, won a \$10,000 judgment for the injuries he received in the 1934 band bus accident which occurred when the band was returning from Washington to Oklahoma.

A co-operative eating project designed to provide two meals a day for not to exceed \$10 a month was started January 18 under auspices of the Independent Men's association. The University provided a room in the Stadium for the project, but the association financed the kitchen setup. The 48 students who made deposits to finance the plan are mostly working students with little funds.

Plan board change asked

A bill which would create a Bureau of Planning and Social Research at the University, which would replace the present State Planning Board, has been introduced in the State Legislature by Herbert Branan, '32as, now a senior law student and State Representative from Muskogee county.

"The State Planning Board will be abolished by the House anyway, and this is an excellent opportunity to provide the University with facilities to perform the state a valuable service," Mr. Branan said. "The same thing could be done here for \$15,000 that costs \$100,000 at the planning board." The bill would authorize the Board of Regents of the University to establish and regulate the planning bureau.