

The board members say---

UNIVERSITY alumni and former students scattered over the state apparently are failing to realize how much they might do for the University by devoting just a very little time and thought to the institution's needs.

A survey of opinions from members of the Executive Board of the University of Oklahoma association shows that these leaders believe much could be done to secure adequate appropriations for the University if alumni and former students would contact their state senators and representatives and express their sentiments.

State Senator Charles B. Duffy, '22law, Ponca City, expresses it very clearly:

"The biennial appropriation requests for the University of Oklahoma will shortly be laid before the legislature, and if the alumni and former students are interested in, and desirous of seeing these needed appropriations granted by the legislature, they should by all means immediately see personally their Senators and Representatives and urge them to support O.U.'s appropriations. If unable to see their legislators personally, they should write them letters forthwith, urging their support of the budget requests. A large and active alumni membership will impress the legislature with the fact that a large and active group of Oklahomans are desirous of seeing the University's needs properly met."

H. M. Woods, '17as, El Reno newspaper publisher, also believes alumni should be concerned about the University's financial status. He says:

"The biggest undertaking the alumni association could sponsor in my opinion is to improve the salary status of faculty members of O.U. Under-pay discourages initiative and progressive action and if the University expects to retain a high rank among the higher institutions of learning, she will have to offer salaries on par with the other schools of the southwestern section. We have witnessed the loss of several outstanding educators from the University in recent years due to this unfavorable salary situation and with the rising costs of living, still others may be forced to move to other positions."

An active effort to expand association membership is urged by R. W. Hutto, '10, Norman banker and alumni leader.

"In my opinion the greatest need of the association is a more active interest on the part of the former students and alumni in the affairs of the University," Mr. Hutto said.

"Their knowledge of the needs and their interest in promoting the welfare of

our school can be best directed through the alumni association. To this end, the University of Oklahoma association should make special effort during the coming year to increase the active membership. I especially would like to see more of the younger graduates as members of the association.

"One of our handicaps has been a lack of field work on the part of the secretary. I

hope we have now arranged our affairs so that the secretary will not be overburdened with affairs in the Union and can devote his efforts largely to this phase of the work."

John Rogers, '14law, Tulsa, made this statement:

"I feel that most of the graduates of the University of Oklahoma can well afford to maintain an annual membership in the Association and that a large number of them, if approached properly, are able and would be willing to take a life membership.

"I believe that the Association should bend every effort to increase its membership and be as vigilant as possible in protecting the best interests of the University of Oklahoma."

Remember back when . . . ?

20 YEARS AGO

The *Oklahoma Daily* reported that Tom Waldrep, '15law, had been elected speaker pro tem of the House.

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Josh Lee, University orator, won the national intercollegiate prohibition contest at Lexington, Ky.

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Phi Gamma Delta national fraternity granted a charter to Phi Kappa Pi local at the University.

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The college of engineering announced plans to start an elementary course in wireless telegraphy.

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Charles Berry, '14, was visiting in Norman and told about the Sooners in New York, including James J. Hill, '16, Tom and Dick Lowry, medical school graduates who were in the Polyclinic hospital at New York, Chester Reeds, who was assistant curator in the American Museum of Natural history, and Lloyd Maxwell, who was studying economics at Columbia.

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The state examination for county engineers was taken by F. W. Denner, C. T. Woods, R. V. James, L. C. Bernard, Dudley H. Jones, Walter E. Myers and George L. Dolph.

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A political story in the *Daily* reported Graham Johnson had no opposition for the office of secretary of the athletic association; Sophie Ellen Black, Helen Thomas and Georgia Shutt were candidates for May queen; and Corinne Breeding, Jesse Hollaway and Mary Reid were candidates to succeed Mary Thoburn as secretary of the student association.

10 YEARS AGO

Ben G. Owen was elected one of the trustees of the American Football Coaches association.

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Henry C. Mugler was elected editor and John Pearson business manager of the 1928 Sooner yearbook.

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Radio station WNAD celebrated its fourth anniversary with a program including Myrtle Childs, pianist; Minnaetha White, soprano; Walter French, pianist; Raymond Selders, flute player; WNAD twins, Arten and Lucille Deane; Jimmie Graham, readings; and Bob Hefner, violin solo.

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Winners in the student election included Tom Stevens, president of the student council; Granville Norris, treasurer; Maxine Woodruff, May queen, and Prentiss Mooney, representative-at-large on the council.

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Campus: Arta Calvert and Dorothy Thweat eating breakfast at 10 o'clock . . . Joe Jones, Mark Brown and Carl McClain all wearing red sweaters. . . Jean Robertson all dressed up for a dinner party in Oklahoma City. . . Bill Fleetwood visiting the *Daily* office. . . Alpha Sigma Phi playing baseball on the campus north of the Fine Arts building. . . Bob Booth, Bill Martin and Hurley Stokes discussing the oil game. . . Marian Harrison eating toast en route to her first hour class. . . Elizabeth Cansler talking to Elizabeth Campbell. . . Virginia Nelson reading about the big contest sponsored by the Hear and Their column. . . Dorothy Fitzgerald and Leslie Kerr singing "The Eyes of Texas."