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H. C. GEORGE, former director of the O. U. School of Petroleum Engineering, who is now at the University of Pittsburgh, still has a deep interest in things at Norman. He writes the following to Secretary Beaird:

Latham Yates (O. U. 1934) who is an instructor in my department takes *The Sooner Magazine*, so I have access to it. Like many others, I think you are doing a fine job as Alumni Secretary and with the *Sooner Magazine*.

My son Dick who graduated in petroleum engineering at Pitt in June, 1936, is working at Odessa, Texas, in oil well drilling with George P. Livermore (O. U. 1931).

This spring Dr. and Mrs. Bizzell and later Dr. and Mrs. Griffin called on us when they happened to be in the city. We were glad to see them and hear regarding Norman friends.

(Editor's note—word of the death of Mr. George was received as this magazine went to press.)

George I. McFerron, '20, writes a most laudatory opinion of the city of Houston, Texas, where he has lived for the last four years. "The longer you live in Houston the better you like it," he says. "This is the coming city of the south."

"A number of prospective Sooners have called on me for information since the press release concerning the Carter County Advisory Council," writes Fisher Muldrow, '22ex, of Ardmore.

"In my judgment this organization will be of benefit to the youngsters who contemplate entering college each year. I am also being asked questions by many parents who are trying to determine the proper school."

Mary Fern Green, '33, likes the teacher tenure system at Knoxville, Tenn. She writes as follows:

I am happy to announce that I am a permanent city teacher of Knoxville which is under civil service now. No teacher has to worry about his or her position as long as he remains efficient, and whose character is without reproach.

Quite a group of Sooner medical graduates are located in the Philippines, according to a letter from Dr. Alejandro C. Baltazar, '27med, who is connected with the city health government at Cebu City. Mrs. Bertha M. Baltazar, '27med, is in private practice at Cebu.

Dr. Baltazar gives us the following news:

I am very happy to let you know how we alumni of the University of Oklahoma from the far-off Philippines are making out. Dr. Pastor Sapinoso, '34, is instructor in pathology at the University of the Philippines. Dr. Jose V. Pansalan is at present bacteriologist in San Lazaro Hospital of the Bureau of Health. Dr.

Silvino Valderas, '25, is a private practitioner in Batangas, Batangas. Dr. Juan Gonzales of Surigao, '27, is in Arizona, U. S. A. Dr. Jose F. Abelarde, '31, is a private practitioner in Iloilo. These are all alumni of the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine.

Lt. Ralph M. Cissne, '33, writes "just a line" to inform home folks in Soonerland of his whereabouts.

"I am first lieutenant in a CCC camp right in the middle of the Cascade Wonderland, on Hazel Creek, Calif. Wish Dean Findlay and some of the profs could drop in and go fishing. My camp is right on the bank of the Sacramento River and it's some fun. 'Kinda' makes up for being snowed in all winter."

A compliment for the magazine from Betty Kirk, '29, a former associate editor of the publication, is too welcome not to be printed.

"I've enjoyed the copies of *The Sooner Mag* that you and Ted sent me very much," she writes. "You're putting out a swell magazine, chuck full of news. But the best news I've read yet (and you may print this if you want to) is that hazing has been stopped at O. U. Congratulations to whatever civilized people were responsible. It's the surest sign yet that the school has grown up! I hope they have done likewise with that barbaric institution known as D. D. M. C. which did more harm to O. U. than any club ever existent there."

As Miss Kirk is now living in Mexico City, Mexico, we assume that she is safe from any D. D. M. C. alumni who read this.

We like the spirit of Vivian Lorita Smith, '35lib.sci, of Hooker, Okla., who writes that she is a little late in sending in the renewal of her subscription and wants us to be sure that she doesn't miss an issue.

"I keep all *Sooner Magazines* and do not want to break my file," she explains.

John R. Pearson, '29law, Pawhuska attorney and member of the Alumni Executive Board, writes to Secretary Beaird to commend the choices made for membership on the special group representing the classes from 1927 to 1938 at board meetings.

"I want to congratulate you on the selections made," he writes. "It shows you used good judgment in the selection of the special committee. I am heartily in accord with the selections made. I

feel that this group can be of distinct service to the University.

"Ted, you are deserving of a great deal of credit for the work you are doing, and I do want to congratulate you and at the same time to thank you for this efficient work of yours."



"It is so hard to keep up with the Carrs that I have a time doing it myself," writes Denzel Carr, '22ex, in an attempt to describe to us his probable addresses for the summer and fall.

Elizabeth Ball Carr, '24, went to the University of Wisconsin for the summer term, but Mr. Carr, who finished work for a Ph.D. in linguistics at Yale last spring, decided that what he needed was a summer at the Linguistic Institute of the University of Michigan.

"A little more light on linguistics! It is a very, very dark subject," he writes. "Elizabeth took courses in the speech department. You have all heard what happened to the man barber and the woman hairdresser who were married and worked on each other in their spare time. The man soon sprouted curls and the woman grew bald. Something analogous to that may happen to us."



Mrs. Arta Maginnis James, '32bus, of Duncan, writes to say that she likes the lengthy "roll calls" in the Magazine, "and the articles, too."

"In three issues I read news of some fifteen graduates and ex's whom I knew well," Mrs. James writes. "And I was on the campus so long that the articles about the campus make the magazine seem like a letter from home."



"Am glad I live in Texas because of the fact that so many ex-Sooners have found the state to their liking," is the paradoxical message from Charles "Chuck" Haney Newell, '07ex, who is now secretary of the Texas Highway Branch of the Associated General Contractors of America, and is living at Austin.

"There's nothing down here to dampen one's ardor for Soonerland, however," Mr. Newell considerably adds.



Wehrend heads fraternity

W. R. Wehrend, director of the University bands, was elected national president of Kappa Kappa Psi, honorary band fraternity, at the recent national convention. He served as vice-president during the last year. Mr. Wehrend is associate professor of music in the University.

Herman Zeimer, '34, who has been teaching the last three years at Medford, was elected national executive secretary of the fraternity. He will be located in Norman this winter and planned to take some graduate work in the University.

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