



The dinner meeting of O. U. alumni in Chicago. At the speaker's table, left to right: J. W. Hicks, Mrs. W. B. Bizzell, Grace Williams, Dr. W. B. Bizzell, Wesley Nunn, Fred Ward, Lewis Salter and Adelbert Brown.

Sooners at Home and Abroad

THE beams of the Central Y. M. C. A. Building in Chicago rang the night of November 7 with the strains of *Boomer Sooner* and Joe Hicks' new song *Cheer Oklahoma*. The occasion was the first official get-together of Sooner alumni living in Chicago held in recent years, and the dinner was given in honor of Dr. W. B. Bizzell, president of the University, and Mrs. Bizzell.

With more than sixty loyal Sooners present, the meeting was voted a huge success. Credit for arranging the fine meeting goes largely to Wesley I. Nunn, '17ex, chairman of the Chicago Advisory Council, assisted by the four other council members, Joe Hicks, '23, Adelbert Brown, '17law, Fred Ward, '21, and Leslie Salter, '22law.

Highlight of the entertainment was the effort made by Harry Clausey, University of Chicago, trying to tell us how to sing *Boomer Sooner* when he was the only one in the crowd who couldn't get it straight. Harry has a swell voice and the run of the networks when it comes to singing. He was accompanied by George Moorhead, Whittenburg University.

A bit of magic was provided by George Trosath, well-known entertainer of College Inn and the R. K. O. circuit.

As things progressed and people started looking around, it was discovered that our own ranks were not without unusual talent. Esther McRuer, '22, field secretary of the Presbyterian missions in Chicago and an internationally known whistler, was induced to do some very lovely and fancy whistling for us. This was followed by the discovery of Blanche Morgan Webb, '05, who back in 1904 wrote the music to the original Oklahoma song we all know which starts out "Oklahoma, Oklahoma." The words for this song were written by Roy Hadsell, '04, and believe it or not, it was heard for the first time in 1904 at the Chicago World Fair.

Well, by this time the talent was popping up from every corner, and Joe Hicks had to call a halt in favor of the chicken which was getting cold.

The Sooners attending this banquet could have written a history of the University and never missed an incident, since they were so well distributed through the years that at least one would have been in school every year since the University opened.

Starting with the A's, the group present included Vern E. Alden, '11, and Mrs. Alden (Jennie B. Dyer, '10), who now live out in Winnetka; Drewsilla Beams, '38h.ec; Lawrence E. Bennett, '32 eng, and Mrs. Bennett, '33, whom we knew as Lucile Mann; Adelbert Brown, an attorney in Chicago, and Mrs. Brown; Priscilla Burch, '36bus; and C. H. Butt and Mrs. Butt (Elizabeth Cate, '30bus), who live in Evanston. Elizabeth said that she had heard her brother Roscoe was pretty busy these days, which surprised no one, and any number of people mentioned that they certainly hope Roscoe will keep right on turning out a *Sooner Magazine* that is second to none among the alumni magazines of the country.

Alton Crabb, '38eng, is another of the recent Sooner grads who was present. Then there was Ada R. Crocker, a Sooner by adoption now connected with the Cook County Hospital; Joseph A. Diffendaffer, '26eng, '27ms, a designer and developer of X-Ray equipment, and Mrs. Diffendaffer (Elsa Kendall, '27h.ec), who live in Berwyn; Harry J. Dean and Stella Garee Dean, '22, who came in from Tinley Park; R. E. Falls, '35eng, of the Crane

Company Research Laboratory; Dr. H. Glen Gardiner, '35med, who is practicing in Chicago, and Mrs. Gardiner; Marguerite Giezentanner, '24, who is living in Oak Park; and Ada Hawkins, '28nurse, '32, Cook County Hospital.

Joe Hicks, '23, who wrote the new Sooner song and provided the swell entertainment, lives in Winnetka with his charming wife (Lois Marshall, '22ex) and a couple of little Hicks. Then there was Rosalie High, '27bus; Dr. C. K. (Casey) Jones, '12, and Mrs. Jones, W. D. Kendall, '38fa, now doing graduate study in commercial art in Chicago; Arthur and Mrs. Littick, who drove over one hundred miles for this banquet from Hoopes-ton, Illinois (Mrs. Littick was Nellie Jane McFarrow, '15, '19ma); and Alfred R. Loeblick, '37, '38ms, who is working toward a Ph. D. in the Walker Museum, University of Chicago.

Others present were Peggy Maguire, '31, formerly of Norman and now a secretary in the office of the National Editorial Association in Chicago; the Myrath twins, Thomas and Robert, '33eng, who shot the University through many a stiff pistol team meet during their years in school and who are now both doing the same things at the same place—working for the Bendix Corporation in South Bend, Indiana; Raymond Meade, '23ed, and Mildred Noble Meade, '24, who came from their home in Aurora, Illinois; Carl H. Milam, '07, who lives in Evanston but has his office in Chicago where he is secretary of the American Library Association.

W. M. Morgan, '26ex, of the Oklahoma Publishing Company at Oklahoma City heard of this meeting in Springfield from a fellow alumnus and came on to Chicago for the occasion. He was on his way to Detroit. Roy D. Norton, '22, and Frances Fry Norton, '26, drove in from their home in Hinsdale, Illinois. Roy is president of the Norton Oil Company.

Incidentally, Wes Nunn, chairman, caused all kinds of confusion when he asked the "head" of each family to make the introductions. The husbands didn't make nearly as good an average as Tom Stidham's football team has, but it was about fifty-fifty.

More alumni at the rally: Kerr C. McQuown, '22, who lies in LaGrange; Harry L. Rice, '19, a pharmacist in Chicago; Lorna Robinson, '20; Winifred Robey, '13; D. D. Roseberry, '38eng, who last year performed for John Jacobs on the track team but now works for the Crane Company in chemical engineering; Leslie Salter, '22, Chicago attorney, and Mrs. Salter (Maud Carroll Salter, '22), who live in Flossmoor; Alice Smith, '33; Lee Stigler, '17ex, who comes from a whole family of Sooners and seemed to know as many present as the next fellow; Jephtha C. Stone, '15, and Katherine Smith Stone, of Evanston (he studied geology at the Uni-

versity and is now district manager for the Fuller Brush Company); Dr. J. L. Walther, '22ex, who lives, as most of these Chicago people do, in a suburb—Wilmette this time; Fred H. Ward and Mrs. Ward (Bereniece Bush, '18), of Park Ridge; Robert P. Webb and Blanche Morgan Webb, '05; and Grace Williams, '15, said to be the first person to graduate from the School of Journalism, who now writes ads for the Fair in Chicago.

Those who planned to attend but found it impossible to get to the dinner because of the rain, the pending election, or personal reasons include: Thompson Gene Hodges, '34bus, and Mrs. Hodges; R. L. McBrien, '33eng; A. H. Benjamin and Mrs. Benjamin (Ethel Byrd, '29ed); A. H. Schmidt, Jr., '36bus; T. O. Westhaver, '14, and Mrs. Westhaver (Addie Maloy, '14); Dr. Ralph W. Rucker, '36med; W. H. Mothersead, '20; and Mrs. Mary Ford Waldrop, '35.

Judging from the number of regrets that Wesley Nunn received and the enthusiasm shown by those who attended, we have a feeling that the next meeting will be twice the size of this one. It seemed that practically everyone there had listened to the Sooner-Kansas State football game over the NBC network the previous week and was ready to hold an amateur quarterbacks' session on a moment's notice.

Dr. Bizzell, acting as the chief informer, was not to be outdone on a knowledge of Oklahoma football and could answer any question they put to him.

Plans are already under way for a victory dinner next year when the Sooners play Northwestern. Somebody said to tell Tom Stidham that they sure hope old "Charley Horse" (the freshman football character fictionized by Harold Keith in a

newspaper series) gets to make that trip.

In the final talk that climaxed the meeting, Dr. Bizzell discussed some of the hopes for the future of the University and pointed to some of the things already accomplished.

This dinner event was an example of Sooner spirit at its best. Dr. Bizzell's straightforward and sincere discussion of the University's problems aroused real enthusiasm among the Sooner group present.—Boyd Gunning, '37law.

'29 Law Reunion

Members of the Law Class of '29 held a reunion Friday afternoon November 11, in the Wilson room of the Skirvin Hotel. After dinner, the group joined the general Homecoming Dinner-Dance held in the Silver Glade Room of the Skirvin Tower Hotel under auspices of the Oklahoma City Alumni Club.

Officers of the class are E. G. De Parade, president; Walter D. Hanson, Mart Brown and Frank Chilson, vice presidents, and Frank Jones, secretary.

New Sooner song

A new Sooner song, *Cheer Oklahoma*, arrived on the University campus last month. It came from the piano of Joseph W. Hicks, '23, editor of a trade journal published at Chicago by H. M. Bylesby Engineering and Management Corporation.

In sending copies of the song to Lewis Salter, dean of the college of fine arts, and Dr. W. B. Bizzell, president of the University, Mr. Hicks explained the origin of the song as follows:

During 1921 and 1922 I had the privilege of being a member of the University of Oklahoma Quartet and Glee Club, and occasionally at the end of a concert when we would sing *Boomer-Sooner*, an alumnus of Yale or some other university would comment upon the use by Oklahoma University of Yale's famous *Boola-Boola* air with *Boomer-Sooner* words.

Since my graduation in 1923, perhaps someone has come through with something more original and apropos in the form of a University of Oklahoma football song. If so, I tender my apologies for the subject of this letter.

One evening before dinner several weeks ago, I was attempting to entertain my two small daughters with some jingles at the piano and my wife inquired the name of the tune I was playing. I told her it was just something I stumbled onto, but the more we played it over, the more it began to develop into a completed air.

Several days later I played it for a friend who is a composer and publisher and he recommended I write some words for it. He further suggested it would make an excellent college or football song. I attempted some words, keeping Oklahoma in mind and the attached printed professional copy is the result.

The publisher has agreed to furnish me with a limited number of copies for preliminary distribution and if by any chance the University would care to consider it as an O. U. song, I would be glad to have them do so.

I am not presuming to suggest that it be adopted as an "official" university song, but rather for such use as may be desirable, and I can assure you that any use that may be made of it by the University, will be ample remuneration.

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This is the cover of the new Sooner loyalty song, "Cheer Oklahoma," written by Joe Hicks, '23, and introduced at the November dinner of O. U. alumni in Chicago

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ation to me personally, being a loyal Oklahoma alumnus and anxious to contribute to the traditions of the University and the State.

I have not considered this in any sense a commercial adventure and while I have had the song copyrighted, I shall be glad to waive such rights as might be necessary for a broad use by the University. The publisher, of course, reserves the rights for sale of copies in sheet music form as is customary under such circumstances.

I am sending a copy to the director of the University band and a four part quartet arrangement to the director of the Glee Club, and a few copies to some of my good Oklahoma friends.

The first reaction on the campus when the song was first tried out by the glee club and other groups was that the music is particularly good for a football pep song. The words of the song go like this:

VERSE

Indians and tom-toms, the oil wells and prairies
Have set a stage for Oklahoma's fame.

Its Boomers and Sooners

Its athletes and crooners

Have spread the news of Oklahoma's fame.

CHORUS

Oh here's to Boomer Soonerland

No better place can be found.

There is so much pep in our gang

As there is oil in our ground.

So watch our boys go, urge them on,

The way they fight sure is grand.

Now let's all join in song

And a cheer for each Oklahoma man.



'31 Law class reunion

About forty members of the law class of '31 had an afternoon and evening reunion Friday, October 21, at the Biltmore Hotel in Oklahoma City. A dinner was served in the evening.

Plans were discussed for the class's ten year reunion in 1941, and tentative arrangements were started for another annual reunion next year.



Senator Lee on campus

Returning to the University as a public speaker for the first time since his election to the United States Senate in 1936, Josh Lee, '17, formerly head of the department of speech, will preside at an international debate December 6.

He will be the principal speaker at a banquet given in his honor preceding the debate. Outstanding alumni and former members of the debate team will be special guests.

Don Wright, Blackwell, and Paul Cummings, Alva, will represent the University in debate with a team from England composed of a representative of Oxford University and one from Cambridge University.

The subject for the debate is "Resolved: That the United States should form an alliance with Great Britain." This is the national subject for high school debate, and high school debaters of Oklahoma have been invited to attend. General discussion will follow the debate.



Football rally at Ardmore

Nearly 150 persons attended a Sooner football program held the night of No-

vember 7 at Ardmore, with Fisher Muldrow, '22ex, chairman of the Carter County Advisory Council, presiding. Moving pictures of three Sooner football games were shown by Jack Baer and Al Corotto, assistants on the Sooner coaching staff. The brief program included talks by M. L. Wardell, '19, assistant to the president of the University; Charles B. Memminger, '14, '33law, of Atoka, president of the Alumni Association; and T. M. Beaird, '21, executive secretary of the Association.

Members of the Ardmore High School football team were special guests and were introduced by Paul Young, '36ex, former Sooner football star who is now coach of the Ardmore team.

The delegation from Norman which attended the meeting also included C. O. Hunt, of the Extension Division staff, and Roscoe Cate, editor and manager of *The Sooner Magazine*.

Those present included Norman Brillhart, '17, of Madill, member of the Executive Board of the Alumni Association; and Lloyd Noble, '21ex, of Ardmore, member of the University Board of Regents.

Others present included State Senator Joe Thompson, Harry Revell, Laurence Beattie, Rutherford Brett, Earl A. Brown, Ruel Little, Reese Evans, Will Daniel Evans, Doris Coffey, Joyce Coffey, Betty Evans, Mary Elizabeth Polk, Mike Mas-sad, Haskell Carpenter, Dick Davis, H. B. Bogart, Earl Q. Gray, Joe Somerville, Gerald Mobley, Tom Johnson, Ned Brett, Dr. G. M. Gordon, Dr. W. R. Mote, Ed Galt, Paul Liebhardt, Richard Norman, Harold Mullen and George Hann.



Hugh Comfort dead

Alumni, faculty members and people of Norman were deeply grieved last month by the death of Hugh Comfort, '33, '35ma, the 24-year-old son of Dean and Mrs. E. N. Comfort. He was found asphyxiated in his room at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut on October 27.

The accidental death was caused by illuminating gas escaping from a partially open jet on a small gas plate in the student's room. Burial was made in New Haven and a memorial service was conducted later in Norman.

Mr. Comfort had received a master's degree in English and had begun work on a doctor's degree at Yale. After his graduation from O. U. he taught two years at Central State Teachers college, Edmond, and was advisor in the boys' dormitory. He returned to the University last summer to teach an English course.

He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity, and was a Rhodes scholarship candidate while in the University. He was in an automobile accident in 1934, a few months before he was to take the test, and remained in a cast for several months.

His other activities at the University in-

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cluded Phi Eta Sigma, national honorary fraternity for freshmen; Kappa Kappa Psi, national honorary band fraternity; Phi Mu Alpha, national music fraternity, and English Club. He played with the University Band and the University Symphony Orchestra.

Mr. Comfort was a leader in campus affairs and was popular with the students and faculty members.

A large group of his friends gathered with his parents at the First Presbyterian Church of Norman Sunday afternoon, November 6, to pay tribute to his memory.

Dr. Homer L. Dodge, dean of the graduate school, praised Mr. Comfort as "student and campus citizen." Dick Disney, '37journ, long-time friend to whom Hugh wrote his last letter, spoke to honor the memory of his friend.

Dr. John O. Moseley, '16ma, president of Central State Teachers College, and Dr. Jewel Wurtzbaugh, associate professor of English in the University, paid tribute to him. Musical numbers by ensembles of the University band and the a capella choir of Central State Teachers college were presented.

As these friends praised his memory in word and song, other friends continued their activities to raise a Hugh Comfort memorial fund for the Oklahoma School of Religion, of which his father is dean.

Survivors in addition to the parents include three sisters, Elizabeth, 18 years old, and Ann, 13 years old, of the home address, and Mrs. Tom Losey, Houston, Texas, and a brother, Richard, 20 years old, a student at Oklahoma A. and M. College, Stillwater.

He was engaged to be married in the near future to Lucille McGuire, '32fa, who also was doing graduate work at Yale University.



Hall of fame awards

Two O. U. graduates and one former student were included in the list of nineteen persons by selection for the Oklahoma Hall of Fame at the annual Statehood Day dinner of the Oklahoma Memorial Association, November 16.

Sooners honored are:

Scott Squyres, '24law, Oklahoma City, former national commander-in-chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Dr. H. G. Bennett, '24ma, president of Oklahoma A. and M. College, Stillwater.

Scott Ferris, '19ex, Oklahoma City attorney, national Democratic committee-man, political leader.



Reunion for '30 law

About thirty members of the law class of 1930 attended a reunion luncheon at noon Homecoming Day, in Room 106 of the Union Building. The plans for the ten-year reunion of the class in 1940 were discussed, and Henry S. Griffing, of Oklahoma City, was appointed chairman of the committee on arrangements. It was agreed that the 1939 meeting of the class

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will be held at noon on Homecoming Day as in the past.

F. Leonard Sibel, of Oklahoma City, presided at the luncheon. Special guests included Dr. Victor H. Kulp, Dr. William B. Swinford, Dr. Floyd A. Wright and A. H. Huggins, of the law school faculty.

Class members present were: Fisher Ames, D. M. Bailey, S. W. Biggers, Louise Black, Clarence Black, Frederick H. Brigham, E. S. Champlin, A. David Erdberg, George J. Fagin, J. I. Gibson, Stephen D. Holloway, J. Harry Johnson, Albert Kidd, F. C. Love, Jr., R. R. McCornack, A. F. Nossaman, Farris M. Petree, Houston W. Reeves, Ralph H. Schaller, F. Leonard Sibel, Paul Updegraff, Lee Vernon and Richard L. Wagner.

Other guests were: Mrs. Richard L. Wagner and Roy J. Elam.

▲ Accidentally shot to death

Webb L. Campbell, '23ex, was fatally wounded by a fellow member of the Oklahoma City police force October 29 when they were chasing a prowler in the residential district of the city.

Mr. Campbell was an engineering student at the University in 1922-23 and earned a letter that year in freshman football.

Survivors include a wife and three daughters.

▲ Mills goes to Yankees

Bus Mills, '31ex, former Sooner football star, has been secured by the New York Yankees, world's champion baseball club, in a trade with the St. Louis Browns. The Yankees traded catcher Joe Glenn and outfielder Myral Hoag to the Browns for pitcher Oral Hildebrand and outfielder Mills. The deal was reported by the Associated Press to be a straight swap with no money involved.

Mills is remembered by Sooner football fans for his spectacular ball carrying against Nebraska in 1930, the last game in which the Sooners had defeated the Huskers until this year.

▲ Grant for research

Dr. Fred A. Barkley, '30, '32ms, faculty member at Montana State University, Missoula, has received a grant of \$550 from the American Fellowship Society of Philadelphia, for continuance of monographic studies in the sumac family of trees. Dr. Barkley wrote the first volume of the monograph, covering the classification, morphology and geographical distribution while at Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri.

The sumac family is rather poorly represented in temperate regions but is of great economic importance, producing the finest grades of lacquers, pistachio and cashew nuts, various oils and most of the commercial supply of tannic acid used in the tanning industry.

Dr. Barkley started his research in this

field while working at the University of Oklahoma on the Ray M. Balyeat Fellowship. He expects to continue to assemble literature concerning the group during this year and spend next August and September in study at the New York Botanical Garden and the National Herbarium of Washington, D. C.

▲ Information by short wave

When somebody in the Philippine Islands wanted to know about a certain O. U. alumnus, the following things happened, as reported in the *Norman Transcript*.

Short wave radio, as a means of communicating quickly, was used by a department of agricultural official in the Philippines in an attempt to learn whether Fred Passmore was a graduate of the University.

Interested in getting details about the youth as soon as possible, the official sent his message via short wave; it was picked up by a resident of California and sent to the University Registrar by air mail.

The message as received by G. E. Wadsack, the registrar, said: "If Fred Passmore graduated school of journalism, radio reply via RCA today collect; if not reply via amateur radio only."

Records showed Passmore was graduated from the University, and the reply was sent via RCA.

Out of the whole thing rose the coincidental situation of the California resident living in the same town as Mr. Wadsack's brother. Mr. Wadsack planned to notify F. M. Graver, Van Nuys, California, who relayed the message by mail, of the situation and also his brother, who is city engineer in Van Nuys.

▲ Compliment to O. U.

Some kind words about the University of Oklahoma and the Alumni Association were printed in a recent issue of the *Spec-tator* column in the *El Reno American*. The column is written by "J. L. C.," who according to Merle Woods, '17, the editor and publisher of the *American*, is one of the very few men he ever saw who can operate a linotype well and also write a good newspaper column.

J. L. C.'s comments about O. U. follow:

And by the way, it's time folks who've ever been associated with our university at Norman, were taking on an extra load of pride and satisfaction in the achievements of "Ole O. U."—not only on account of the fact that they've a cracker-jack football team that has licked the socks off all opponents this year, including Coach Biff Jones' squad from Nebraska—but the school is rapidly becoming one of the greater institutions of learning in the country.... With an enrollment for the winter term of about 6,500, and an entire yearly enrollment of something near 10,000, Ole O. U. is bound to be playing a most important role in the life and progress of "Ole Oklahoma."

And did you know that the University publishes a splendid big periodical, *Sooner Magazine*, devoted to the interests of the school and former students?... And you are urgently requested to send in your enrolment fee in the University of Oklahoma Association, which includes a subscription to the monthly magazine. Address your letter: *Sooner Magazine*, Union Building, Norman—and enclose three "bucks."

And by the way again, if you were never regularly enrolled in the University, there is still a chance that your name appears on the list of those considered former students—if you happened to have been among those who were enlisted in the army during the World War and sent to the University for training in the de-

tachment barracks there at that time. Moreover, your name may be found on the bronze tablets that grace the walls of the Memorial tower at the student union building on the campus. . . . Look yourself up, and send in your dues to the Association.

'33 Law reunion

Thirty-two members of the law class of 1933 attended a reunion in the afternoon and evening of October 21 at the Black Hotel in Oklahoma City. Paul Pugh, Oklahoma City, was elected president of the class; Murray Gordon, Oklahoma City, was elected treasurer, and Charles B. Kelly was elected secretary and placed in charge of some arrangements for the next reunion.

Those from Oklahoma City who attended the reunion are: Lynn J. Bullis, Jr., Sterling Byers, Milton Elliott, G. A. Fisher, Sam Glassman, Murray Gordon, Saul J. Gordon, Curtis P. Harris, C. B. Kelly, Dorothy Maystrik White, John H. Poe, Paul Pugh, Philip Sureck, John Walker Swinford, Bryan W. Tabor, Charles Harold Thweatt, Thomas Dudley Turner, Jr., Darrell Winings and Wendell Webb.

Those attending from out of Oklahoma City were: Hugh J. Adams, Guthrie; Joe Porter Ballard, Norman; Milton W. Hardy, Tulsa; Thomas L. Hieronymus, Buffalo; Neil Keller, Norman; Kermit Nash, Drumright; William E. Poteet, Commerce; Kenneth P. Reed, Perry; William Woodson Rodgers, Blackwell; Webster Wilder, Jr., Cherokee; William J. Williams, Ardmore; James M. Wilson, Enid; and Sam Whitaker, Marlow.

Library alumni dinner

During the meeting of the Southwestern Library Association October 19 to 22 in Oklahoma City, alumni of the University School of Library Science had a dinner in the Skirvin Hotel.

Those who attended the dinner were J. L. Rader, '08, '13ma, librarian of the University and director of the School of Library Science; James J. Hill, '15, '15ma, assistant librarian; and Ruth Jo Bandel, '34lib.sc, Rosemary Barnett, '33lib.sc, Hazel Beaty, '31lib.sc, Verna Benham, '33ed, '34lib.sc, and Nina Pearl Briggs, '31lib.sc, Opal Carr, '29h.ec, '33lib.sc, Mary Evelyn Potts, '30, Eunice Cockrum, '30lib.sc, Norma Ann Comstock, '30, '32lib.sc, Elizabeth Cooper, '36lib.c, Winifred Cox, '37 lib.sc, Theresa Cromwell, '34lib.sc, Kathryn Dibbins, '36lib.sc, Eleanor Escue, '34lib. sc, Mrs. Janet Greer Coleman, '35 lib.sc, and Esther Grimes, '29, '36lib.sc.

And Mrs. Evelyn Hayes Williams, '31 lib.sc, Ralph Hudson, '32, '33lib.sc, Margaret Hurst, '37lib.sc, Mildred Wallis, '29, '31lib.sc, Mrs. Lola McAninch, '32lib.sc, Joan WcKowen, '37lib.sc, Juanita Miller, '36lib.sc, Anne Ethelyn Markley, '31lib.sc, Elizabeth Mish, '37lib.sc, Rosa Lee Montgomery, '37lib.sc, Mrs. Josephine Paxton Sandron, '29, '32lib.sc, Mrs. Ellen Shaunty Halton, '34lib.sc, Alan Skelton, '33lib.sc,

'34ba, Mrs. Geraldine Smith, '37lib.sc, Nancy Trammell, '37lib.sc, Eloise Wheeler, '31, '33lib.sc, Edna Sue Wilson, '38 lib.sc, Sara Lee, '38lib.sc, and Mrs. Eula Froman, '24ex.

First campus visit in 27 years

A Homecoming visitor who had the unusual experience of visiting the O. U. campus for the first time in twenty-seven years was J. L. Highsaw, '11, who is principal of the Memphis Technical High School, Memphis, Tennessee.

Mr. Highsaw took both preparatory and college work in the University. He recalls that every building now on the campus has been built since he first came to school on the O. U. campus in 1901.

He was living close to the campus in 1903 when the Administration Building burned and believes that he was the first person to see the fire and report it to the city fire department. Along with other students whom he aroused, he helped save from the office most of the books and records of the late James S. Buchanan, one of the much loved, early day faculty members. Mr. Highsaw recalled that "Uncle Buck's" students made much of the report that their professor would have been hard put to recall his usual jokes if his lecture notes had been lost in the fire.

Mr. Highsaw was president of the University Press Club which issued the first numbers of the *University of Oklahoma Magazine*, and he was on the University debate team which met a University of Kansas team in 1911. The Sooner team's speeches that year were considered good enough to use as models in a national debate handbook.

Mrs. Highsaw is the former May Baker, '10. They have two sons, James L. Jr., a graduate of Princeton University, who is now in the Harvard Law School, and Robert B., who is now a senior in Princeton.

News letter for nurse alumnae

An eight-page mimeographed news letter was published in October by the Alumnae Association of the University School of Nursing. According to a message to alumnae nurses from Effie K. Smith Root, '23, Association president, the school now has 338 graduates.

The association was formed in 1931 for mutual help and improvement in professional work, for promotion of good fellowship and for advancement of the interests of the school of nursing.

Officers of the association this year, in addition to Mrs. Root, include Thelma Forbes, '37, vice-president; Mary Jo Kelly, '35, second vice-president; Ethel Garrett, '24, chairman of the financial committee; Julia Peace, business manager.

A new activity of the association is the presentation of an award each year to a member of the graduating class

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