

Nationally Distinguished Sooner Alumni

AS the University of Oklahoma approaches its Semicentennial Anniversary in 1942, it is appropriate to survey the institution's accomplishments, particularly as they are manifest in the achievements of alumni and former students.

Although the University is now less than a half-century old, eighty-two of its alumni and former students have made national reputations sufficiently important to win listing in the 1938-39 volume of *Who's Who in America*.

Nine Sooner lawyers, seven college presidents, five doctors, seven judges, nine editors and publishers, and Sooners in many other fields of human endeavor have earned this national recognition. The list also includes fourteen college and university professors and other educators, a United States senator, three congressmen and two ex-congressmen, three writers, three librarians, five oil men and geologists, two psychologists, two members of the Federal Communications Commission, one opera singer, a consul, a clergyman, a home economist and child-welfare worker, a government statistician, a banker, and a state director of health.

Here is a record of substantial service in a great variety of fields. In this record is new evidence that the people of Oklahoma are getting results for the money they have invested in higher education.

The new volume of *Who's Who* lists two University faculty members not previously included. They are Wilbur F. Cloud, '25, '26ms, professor of petroleum engineering; and Joseph E. Smay, director of the School of Architecture, who is not an alumnus of O. U. A total of thirty-one University faculty members are listed.

Other alumni listed for the first time include Elgin Groseclose, '20; Thurman S. Hurst, '12law; Robert S. Kerr, '16ex; Dr. Earl D. McBride, '12; George Milburn, '30ex; and A. P. Murrah, '27law.

The information contained in *Who's Who in America* is a strong refutation of the currently popular criticism of higher education. Of course there are a great many individual factors to be considered in deciding whether college is worth while for a particular individual, but cold analysis shows that approximately seventy-five of each one hundred persons listed in *Who's Who* are college graduates, and that eighty-six out of each hundred have attended college.

Because of the fact that some of the O. U. alumni in *Who's Who* are no

longer living in Oklahoma, it is not possible to make a direct calculation of the percentage of distinguished Oklahomans who attended the University.

However, it is interesting to note that the number of O. U. alumni and former students in *Who's Who* is more than a fourth of the total for all Oklahoma residents listed in the current volume. Oklahoma's total is 296, and the Sooner alumni total is 82.

Following are the Sooners listed in the current *Who's Who in America*:

College Presidents

John Nelson Armstrong, '17ex, president of Harding College, Searcy, Arkansas, since 1924. Evangelist.

Mother Agnes Arvin, '31ex, president of Catholic College of Oklahoma, Guthrie, since 1927.

H. G. Bennett, '24ma, president of Oklahoma A. and M. College since 1928.

Archie Kay Bracken, '25ma, president Bethany-Peniel College, Bethany, Oklahoma, 1920-28 and since 1930.

E. E. Brown, '19, '25ma, president Northwestern State Teachers College, Alva, Oklahoma.

A. Linscheid, '20ma, president East Central State Teachers College, Ada, Oklahoma, since 1920.

M. A. Nash, '19, '27ma, president Oklahoma College for Women, Chickasha, Oklahoma, since 1927.

Professors, Educators

Wilbur F. Cloud, '25, '26ms, professor of petroleum engineering in the University, and author of technical publications.

E. E. Dale, '11, head of History Department at University of Oklahoma, and author.

William Cullen French, '07, professor of education in George Washington University, Washington, D. C., since 1929. Author.

Roy Gittinger, '02, dean of administration, University of Oklahoma. Author.

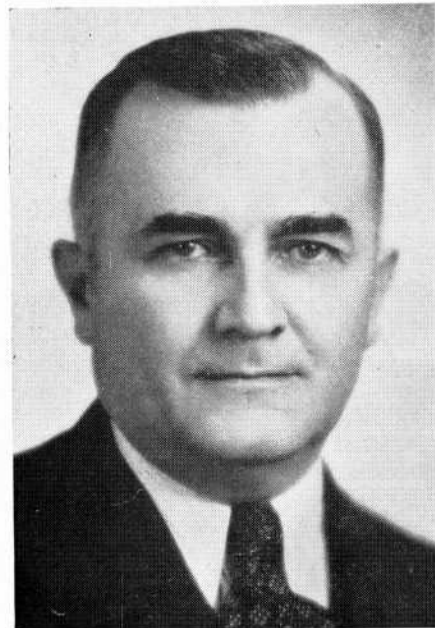
O. E. Hatcher, '27ma, former president of Northwestern State Teachers College, Alva, Oklahoma, and recently superintendent of schools at Duke, Oklahoma.

Kenneth C. Kaufman, '16, '19ma, professor of modern languages University of Oklahoma; literary critic.

Anna Lewis, professor of history, Oklahoma College for Women, Chickasha, since 1917. Author.

John G. Mitchell, '19ma, former president Central State Teachers College, Edmond, Oklahoma; now superintendent of schools at Seminole, Oklahoma.

W. B. Morrison, '25ma, professor of



Wilbur Cloud, author, professor

Wilbur Cloud, '25, '26ms, and Joe Smay are the two University faculty members who appear in *Who's Who in America* for the first time in the 1938-39 edition. Author George Milburn and Federal Judge A. P. Murrah are two of the seven alumni who are listed for the first time.

history Southeastern State Teachers College, Durant, Oklahoma, since 1922. Author.

Harry Clyde Munro, '24ex, director of adult work and field administration, International Council of Religious Education since 1930. Author. Home, Chicago, Illinois.

A. C. Parsons, '02ex, former superintendent of schools at Oklahoma City; recently vice president Globe Fire Insurance Company. Home, Norman.

Alfred Powers, '08ex, dean of extension and summer sessions, Oregon State System of Higher Education since 1931. Author. Home, Portland, Oregon.

Charles Elkins Rogers, '14, professor and head of department of industrial journalism Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kansas, since 1925. Author.

John Samuel Vaughan, '23, '27ma, president Northeastern State Teachers College, Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

Guy Y. Williams, '06, '10ma, head of chemistry department, University of Oklahoma.

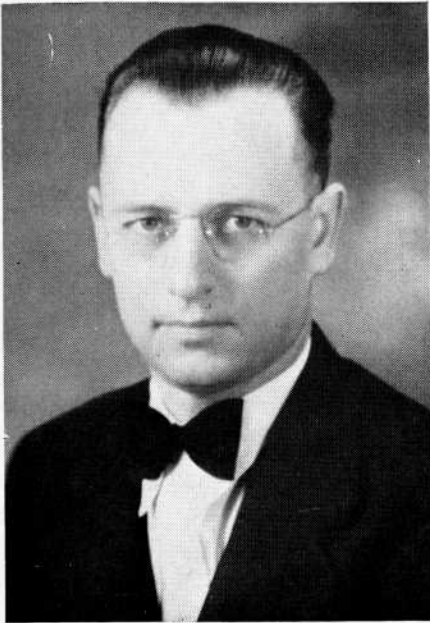
Editors, Publishers

Robert C. Bellatti, '12law, editor and publisher *Blackwell Morning Tribune*, Blackwell, Oklahoma, since 1920.

Edward A. Evans, '11ex, editor news service of Wired Radio, Inc., since 1935. Home, Lakewood, Ohio.

Victor E. Harlow, '31ma, editor *Harlow's Weekly*, president Harlow Publishing Company, Oklahoma City.

Charles E. Marsh, '08, co-publisher and



Joseph Smay, architect, professor



George Milburn, author



A. P. Murrah, federal judge

editor in chief of *Waco News-Tribune*, *Waco Times-Herald*, *Austin American*, *Austin Statesman* and *Port Arthur News* (all of Texas) since 1916. Home, Austin, Texas.

Walter Morrow, '16ex, former editor of *Akron Times-Press* and recently editor-in-chief of the southwestern group of Scripps-Howard newspapers with headquarters in Denver, Colorado.

G. B. Parker, '08, former editor-in-chief of Scripps-Howard newspaper chain and recently a trustee for Scripps estate. Home, Washington, D. C.

John Wallace Perry, '07, editor of *El Paso Herald-Post* until recently.

Dorrance Douglas Roderick, '22, publisher *El Paso Times*, El Paso, Texas, since 1931; director Globe-News Publishing Company, Amarillo, Texas; vice-president and director *Avalanche-Journal* Publishing Company, Lubbock, Texas.

Seward R. Sheldon, '15, former editor *Fort Worth Press*, and recently on editorial staff of *Cleveland Press*, Cleveland, Ohio.

Judges

Wayne W. Bayless, '20law, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City.

Orel Busby, '14law, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City.

Thurman S. Hurst, '12law, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma.

Alfred P. Murrah, '27law, federal district judge, Oklahoma City.

Monroe Osborn, '05ex, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City.

Fletcher S. Riley, '17, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Samuel Earl Welch, '11ex, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City.

Lawyers

James Burke Alley, '11ex, counsel for Reconstruction Finance Corporation in

charge of bank reorganization and recapitalization during 1932-34; general counsel of corporation since 1935; director of Commodity Credit Corporation, Washington, D. C. Home, Long Island, New York.

James F. Hatcher, '13, practicing attorney at Chickasha, Oklahoma, since 1926; former member State Board of Education; past state commander of American Legion.

Herbert K. Hyde, '18ex, former United States district attorney at Oklahoma City and later practicing attorney at Oklahoma City.

Roy St. Louis, '15law, former United States district attorney at Oklahoma City, former assistant attorney general of the United States, and now practicing attorney in Washington, D. C.

William C. Lewis, '18ex, former special assistant to the attorney general of the United States and former United States district attorney at Oklahoma City. Home, Oklahoma City.

J. D. Lydick, '98ex, former associate justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, practicing attorney at Oklahoma City.

K. Berry Peterson, '13, former attorney general of Arizona, and since 1933 assistant United States district attorney in Arizona.

Leslie E. Salter, '20, '22law, former special assistant to the attorney general of the United States and later practicing attorney at Chicago, Illinois.

Mac Q. Williamson, '10ex, attorney general of Oklahoma since 1934.

Doctors

Ray Morton Balveat, '12, '16ma, '18 med, director Balyeat Hay Fever and Asthma Clinic, Oklahoma City.

Floyd Jackson Bolend, '01, former associate professor of medicine, University of Oklahoma School of Medicine, prac-

ticing physician in Oklahoma City, deputy chief surgeon A. E. F. for Italy, 1919, colonel United States Army (retired).

James Burnette Eskridge, Jr., '21med, obstetrician, gynecologist at Oklahoma City.

Leroy Downing Long, '17ex, surgeon in LeRoy Long Clinic, Oklahoma City, since 1924; assistant professor of surgery in University of Oklahoma Medical School 1929-31.

Wendell McLean Long, '22, attending gynecologist St. Anthony's Hospital, Oklahoma City, and gynecologist LeRoy Long Clinic, Oklahoma City, since 1924; assistant professor of surgery in University of Oklahoma Medical School 1929-31.

Dr. Earl D. McBride, '12, Oklahoma City, orthopedic surgeon and director of McBride Clinic and Reconstruction Hospital.

Members of Congress

Wilburn Cartwright, '20law, congressman from Third Oklahoma District since 1927. Home, McAlester.

Jed Johnson, '15ex, congressman from Sixth Oklahoma District since 1927. Home, Anadarko.

Joshua Bryan Lee, '17, former congressman from Fifth Oklahoma District and now United States Senator from Oklahoma. Home, Norman.

Will Rogers, '30ms, congressman-at-large from Oklahoma since 1933.

U. S. Stone, former congressman from Fifth Oklahoma District (1929-31). Independent oil operator since 1920. Home, Oklahoma City.

F. B. Swank, '99ex, congressman from Fifth Oklahoma District (1921-29 and 1931-35), attorney, Norman, Oklahoma.

Oil Men, Geologists

Frank Buttram, '10, '12ma, chemist and geologist and general manager Fortuna Oil Company 1914-20; organizer

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Francisco, '28ex; Harry Moreland, '21ex; Mrs. Harry Moreland, '21ex.

Tyler football rally

The East Texas Alumni Club met the night of October 6 in the Blackstone Hotel at Tyler, for the annual business meeting and a pep session in advance of the Sooner-Texas game at Dallas the following Saturday.

A. Clem Wright, '20, '21ma, president of the club, presided at the dinner meeting. Raymond Horton, '30, vice president during the last year, was advanced to the position of president; T. J. Johnson, '25, was elected vice president, and Pauline Heffler, '37journ, secretary-treasurer.

Ted Beaird, '21, alumni executive secretary, was principal speaker. Moving pictures of scenes on the University campus were shown.

Approximately fifty Sooner alumni and former students, and guests, attended the dinner.

Washington council at work

The Washington, D. C., Advisory Council of the Association met September 30 at the home of Paul A. Walker, '12law, chairman.

The council is working on a complete list of Sooners in Washington, and discussed methods of keeping in close touch with affairs at the University and of lending assistance and support to the University and its alumni.

The council plans a general meeting of Association members and friends in Washington at some time during the year when representatives of the University can be present.

Sooners in 'Who's Who'

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and owner Buttram Petroleum Corporation; director First National Bank and Trust Company, and Oklahoma City Mutual Savings and Loan Association. Home, Oklahoma City.

Everette Lee DeGolyer, '11, former president Amerada Corporation; former president Geophysical Research Corporation; president Felmont Corporation since 1934; associate editor *Journal Economic Geology*; technical adviser NRA oil code, 1933. Home, Dallas, Texas.

Robert S. Kerr, '16ex, Oklahoma City, member of Kerr-Lynn & Company, oil drilling.

Charles Townsend Kirk, '04, '05ma, former professor of geology; examinations of mining, petroleum and natural gas lands in Rocky Mountains, Mid-Continent and Spanish America, since 1909. Home, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Luther C. Snider, '11ex, assistant chief and chief geologist for Empire Gas and Fuel Company, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, 1917-25; consulting geologist for Henry L. Doherty and Company, 1925-35; same

for City Service Company, New York City, since 1935.

Writers

Mrs. Walter Ferguson (Lucia Loomis, '07), columnist for Scripps-Howard newspapers, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Luis Munoz-Marin (Muna Lee, '14ex), director of Bureau of International Relations, University of Puerto Rico, since 1927; poet and author. Home, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico.

George Milburn, '30ex, Pineville, Missouri, author.

Federal Communications Division

Irvin Stewart, '19ex, member of Federal Communications Division since 1934. Home, Washington, D. C., and Austin, Texas.

Paul A. Walker, '12law, member Federal Communications Commission since 1934. Home Washington, D. C. and Oklahoma City.

Psychologists

Lawrence W. Cole, '99, professor of psychology and education, University of Colorado, Boulder.

Fowler Dell Brooks, '15ma, head of departments of education and psychology DePauw University, Greencastle, Indiana, since 1930.

Librarians

Milton James Ferguson, '01, '06ma, chief librarian Brooklyn (N. Y.) Public Library since 1930.

Carl Hastings Milam, '07, secretary American Library Association, Chicago, Illinois, since 1920.

Jesse Lee Rader, '08, '13ma, with University of Oklahoma library since 1904, librarian since 1909.

Other Occupations

Joseph Bentonelli, '20, '21, lyric tenor in Metropolitan Opera Company, New York; Chicago Grand Opera Company; concert stage; radio. Home, Norman, Oklahoma.

George A. Bucklin, '03, former counsel general at Wellington, New Zealand; now retired. Home, Berkeley, California.

Mrs. George E. Calvert (Maude Richman, '20ms), home economist, child welfare worker, civic leader, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Hale V. Davis, '26ma, Baptist minister at Oklahoma City.

Alba M. Edwards, '03, statistician for occupations, Bureau of the Census, Washington, D. C., since 1909.

Walter Ferguson, '07ex, banker and oil man, Tulsa (now deceased).

Dr. Elgin Groseclose, '20, Washington, D. C., economist for telephone investigation, 1935-37; author.

Robert Hickman Riley, '09, '13med, director of health and chairman State Board of Health, Maryland, since 1928; lecturer in School of Hygiene and Public Health, Johns Hopkins University, since 1928. Home, Baltimore, Maryland.

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