

# At Home and Abroad

**U**NIVERSITY of Oklahoma alumni and former students appear frequently on the list of more than a thousand candidates who filed for state offices in the primary election to be held in July.

In late May, Leon C. Phillips, '16law, Okemah attorney and former Speaker of the State House of Representatives, was listed by most political observers as one of the three leading candidates in the race for the Democratic nomination for governor of Oklahoma.

The large field of Democratic candidates for lieutenant governor includes Orville Allard, '31ex, Drumright.

Mac Q. Williamson, '10ex, state attorney general, is a candidate for re-election. One of the Republican candidates is Carl E. Mohrbacher, '12law, Shawnee.

A Sooner graduate in the race for state treasurer is Fred Capshaw, '14law, Oklahoma City.

A. L. Crable, '27ma, the incumbent, and R. M. McCool, '32ex, Norman, are Democratic candidates for state superintendent of public instruction. Geen Gilmour, '31ex, Kingfisher, is a Republican candidate for the office.

Joe C. Scott, '28ex, incumbent, and K. B. Cornell, '30ma, Clinton, are running for president of the State Board of Agriculture.

The candidates for insurance commissioner include Charles Lewis, '33ex, Stillwater.

Kale C. Khoury, '30ex, is candidate for secretary of state.

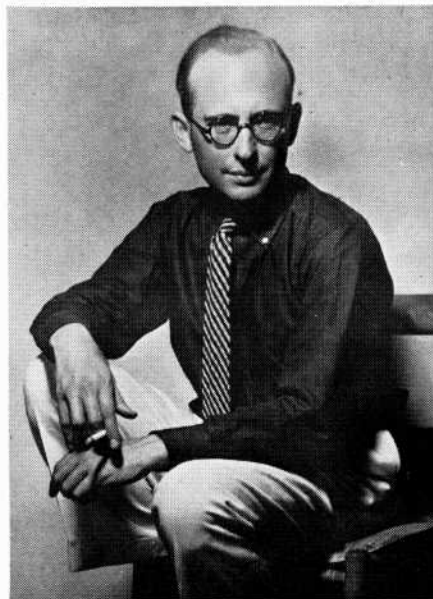
George Dawson, '29ex, Hartshorne, is a candidate for the Corporation Commission, and Hugh McCoubrey, '12ex, McAlester, is candidate for chief mine inspector.

In the race for judge of the Criminal Court of Appeals is William M. Taylor, '23law.

Earl Welch, '11ex, State Supreme Court Justice, of Antlers, became the first winner of a major race in the current political campaigns when the filing period closed without any opposition for him, either Democratic or Republican. He was a candidate for re-election to the Supreme Court from District Two.

James A. Rinehart, '23law, state senator from Canadian county, also had no opposition for re-election.

Monroe Osborn, '03ex, now chief justice of the State Supreme Court, is seeking re-election from District Five. Judge Os-



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born's record has been praised editorially by several newspapers.

In the Eighth District, Denver Davison, '15law, the incumbent, is seeking re-election.

In the Congressional races, O.U. is represented by alumni or former students in every district except the Fourth and Eighth. Russell Grow, '31ex, Jenks, and William R. Breckinridge, '28ex, are candidates in the First District. The Second District candidates include Sample E. Brockman, '34ed.m, Tulsa; Earl Boyd Pierce, '28law, Muskogee; and C. Southern, '33, Henryetta.

Wilburn Cartwright, '20law, McAlester, the incumbent, is seeking re-election in the Third District. One of his opponents is Kate Galt Zaneis, '36ex, Ardmore.

In the Fifth District, Mike Monroney, '24, Oklahoma City, former president of the University of Oklahoma Association, is a candidate. Mr. Monroney ran third in the special election to fill a vacancy in the office of Fifth District congressman last fall.

Others in this race include Merle G. Smith, '21ex, Guthrie; Dave Cotten, '18law, Oklahoma City; and Herman Charles Shockley, '23ex, Oklahoma City.

In the Sixth Congressional District, Jed Johnson, '18ex, is seeking re-election. H. C. Ivester, '27law, Sayre, former state senator, is a candidate for Congress in the Seventh District, as is A. L. Gilham, '36ex, Erick.

Candidates in the congressman-at-large race include F. B. Swank, '99ex, Norman; Tom W. Smith, '20ex, Atoka; and John C. Burns, '17ex, Oklahoma City.

Many other Sooners are candidates for district judge in various parts of the state, and for State Senate, House of Representatives, and various county officers.

## Riggs writing play

A new serious play by Lynn Riggs, '23ex, of Beverly Hills, Santa Fe and various points west, was being completed last month for production next season in New York.

Although he has done screen writing at various times in recent years, he sends word to the *Sooner Magazine* that he has a "continuing and vital interest in the theatre first of all" and that he expects to concentrate on that medium almost exclusively for the next few years.

He flew to Yucaton, Mexico, late in 1937 to finish a comedy, *A World Elsewhere*. Then early in 1938 he went by boat to New York and after staying there a while went to California to write a new play, not a comedy. Both are scheduled for production during the next season.

Not one to take himself too seriously, Mr. Riggs nevertheless indicated that he was pleased over his recent election as an alumni member of the University chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

## Brookings scholarship

John T. Fishburn, '35, of Norman, has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship for study in international finance and banking with the Brookings Institute of Washington, D.C. The award was made jointly by the Fletcher School of Law and the Brookings Institute. The Fletcher School of Law is sponsored by Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, and by Tufts University, Medford, Massachusetts.

Mr. Fishburn, the only person to receive such a scholarship this year, was a graduate assistant in the economics department at Tufts while working for a doctor's degree. The scholarship was awarded for outstanding scholastic standing and for extensive research work.

## Montgomery O.E.A. president

T. T. Montgomery, '26ms, superintendent of schools at Chickasha, was elected next president of the Oklahoma Education Association at a meeting of the board of directors in May. John G. Mitchell, '19ma, superintendent of schools at Seminole, was reelected to his twenty-first term as treasurer. New officers will be installed at the next state convention, which will be held at Tulsa in 1939.

## Meeting in Pittsburgh

A number of O.U. graduates met in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, recently during a meeting of the Eastern District of the American Petroleum Institute. The group included G. L. Yates, '34eng, '35ms, now



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 (Second Term)

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**Public Sentiment as Reflected By Editorial Comment**

"Oklahoma needs Osborn."—Oklahoma News, April 5, 1938.

"This district needs Osborn."—Norman Transcript, April 8, 1938.

"He will have little opposition in Grady county."—Chickasha Star, March 24, 1938.

"Chief Justice Osborn has brought honor and distinction to Pauls Valley and Garvin county. His home people are enthusiastically for him."—Pauls Valley Enterprise, April 14, 1938.

"Monroe Osborn cast the deciding vote of the Court and wrote the opinion striking down the \$35,000,000 road bonds and thereby became the champion of the people in sustaining the right of self-government. This one service alone entitles him to re-election and, we believe, assures his re-election."—Pauls Valley Democrat.

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on the faculty of the University of Pittsburgh; Lee Minters, '33eng, petroleum engineer with the Belmont Quadrangle Drilling Company located at Bradford, Pennsylvania; John Robinson, '34eng, manager of the eastern district of the Reed Roller Bit Company with headquarters at Clay City, Illinois; and Maxine Shaffer, '32, employe of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Oklahoma City, who was visiting in Pittsburgh.

Mr. Yates has renewed his contract for another year at the University of Pittsburgh but plans to spend this summer working for an oil company in Oklahoma.

**With Safety Commission**

Many former University students are now working for the State Public Safety Department as members or officers of the Highway Patrol, according to a survey made by the office of the safety commission.

The rolls of the patrol include J. H. Blackard, '21ex; Jack T. Smith, '31ex; Weldon C. Gentry, '29ex, former football player, sergeant in Troop A; S. B. Duke, '37ex; Albert H. Briscoe, '23, captain of Divisions 5 and 6; Harold Harmon, '34ex; Carl Tyler, '28ex; J. W. "Dub" Wheeler, '35ex; Walter S. Abbott, '33ex; J. R. Butler, '29ex; James F. Elliott, '31ex; Bert Huddleston, '24ex; Howard J. Flanagan, '33ex; Raymond Peck, '35ex; Eugene S. Clark, '30ex; F. W. Pendleton, '32ex, and Edwin Brown, '36ex.

J. M. Gentry, '15, is head of the Safety Department.

**National fraternity officer**

Lawrence D. Reedy, '36ma, has been appointed assistant general secretary of Sigma Nu social fraternity and will travel among Sigma Nu's ninety-six collegiate chapters, making his headquarters at Indianapolis, Indiana.

Mr. Reedy received his bachelor's degree at Oklahoma A. and M. College where he was president of the Sigma Nu chapter in his senior year and president of the Interfraternity Council. While at O. U. working for a master's degree he served as scholastic counselor for the Sigma Nu chapter at Norman.

This spring he received a Ph.D. degree from Trinity College, Dublin, Ireland, after nearly two years of work there.

Errett R. Newby, '07, '08, Oklahoma City, is the regent, or national president, of Sigma Nu fraternity.

**Appointed district judge**

Floyd E. Staley, '21law, has been appointed district judge in Tulsa and Pawnee counties by Governor E. W. Marland. He succeeds Bradford J. Williams who resigned to enter law practice.

**In new building**

Graham B. Johnson, '19, and King G. Price, '25ex, have moved into their new office building at 118 North Peters Avenue in Norman, across the street from their



*New field secretary of Sigma Nu fraternity is Lawrence D. Reedy, '36ma*

former location. They operate the King G. Price Insurance Agency, and Mr. Johnson is secretary-treasurer of the Norman Building and Loan Company.

**Fourth St. Clair on way**

The St. Clairs have a wandering and rock-breaking habit. George St. Clair, '34ex, is the "bed rock" of a quartet of geology-loving brothers. George, since his departure from the University, has done geological work in Minnesota, Mexico, Cuba, England and Africa.

John St. Clair, '34geol, has been doing diamond drill contracting work in Africa since his graduation. He has two children, one born in East Africa, the other in South Africa. He is now consulting geologist for Goldfield's Limited at Johannesburg, South Africa.

David St. Clair, after receiving his B.S. and A.B. degrees from the University in 1933, went to Oxford, England, as a Rhodes scholar. He was graduated from Oxford in 1935, and was given a research fellowship at Columbia University last year. He is now chief geologist for the Cuban Mining Corporation in Oriente Province, Cuba.

The youngest of the St. Clair brothers, William, is beginning his geologic career as a freshman in the University of Minnesota. He plans to enrol in the University of Oklahoma next fall.

**Protest from Hawaii**

From far-away Hawaii comes a protest signed by A. E. Jenkins, '12law. It seems that people in those romantic islands deeply resent being lumped in with "foreign countries," and are most insistent in maintaining that they are an "integral part of the United States of America."

Mr. Jenkins adds that "In fact, we have been rather making a nuisance of our-

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selves in our clamorous demands for statehood."

This Sooner graduate went to Hawaii, the "Paradise of the Pacific," for a brief stay fifteen years ago and like many others, fell a victim to the charm of the islands and has been there ever since.

He practiced law for two years in Honolulu, Island of Oahu, and the last thirteen years in Wailuku, Island of Maui.

"Perhaps my most interesting experiences here," he writes, "in addition to my enjoyment of the magnificent scenery,