

# In the Mail . . . .

To the Editor:

The news about my old classmates means a great deal to me. These news items, together with contacts made at the Homecoming football games (and I have missed only four games since 1917) keep me in touch with the "gang."

My two daughters are now in O. U. Frances Cronkhite is in her third year and Audrey Nell Cronkhite is a freshman. I have been a widow for the past ten years, but the old Sooner spirit has prevailed through the years, and while there have been many blue hours, it has been a great privilege and lots of fun rearing and educating these two girls of mine. In short, "My fate has been my fun."

NELL DONNELL CRONKHITE, '17,  
Oklahoma City.

To the Editor:

Sign me up—I'm a "jiner." And to prove it, I'm enclosing the first installment toward a Life Membership in the Association. After all, I can't afford to miss the magazine that walks away with the American Alumni Council's blue ribbons. Please accept my belated congratulations for this splendid achievement.

I'm at the Navy Yard at Bremerton, Washington, now. The ship is getting an overhaul, and I have about half the detachment on the range firing our various weapons. However, we'll be returning to Long Beach shortly, so there is no necessity for changing my mailing address.

I enjoyed the September issue of *Sooner Magazine* very much. Mr. "Range Rider" Beaird's column is superb, but doesn't he ever run across a '37 or '38er? Of course I devour Harold's articles, and certainly hope he gives us a lot of "dope" on the football team his season. Fortunately, I've been able to hear all the games except the Texas struggle.

Say hello to Mrs. Turnbull and Mr. Beaird and give my regards to all the gang.

ALBERT FOLLMAR, '38BUS,  
U. S. S. Lexington.

To the Alumni Secretary:

Congratulations on winning first place with your "Riding the Sooner Range." I have read it closely every issue and have thought it "tops" from the start.

You may have all the information on the enclosed biographical sketch, but as I can't remember filling out this form, I'm sending it along.

JAMIE BELLE R. LONG, '27,  
Oklahoma City.

To the Executive Secretary:

It's my turn to have "a slightly rosy hue" on my face for not having written in answer to your swell letter of July 19th—and for not having thanked you for sending the back numbers of the magazine that I missed. I haven't a single excuse to draw upon—so you might chalk it up to laziness or "professor-ish absent-mindedness!" I am really and truly thankful to have received the magazines—as well as your letter.

Had a grand vacation—never saw so much "scenery" in all my life—water, mountains, and French peasant living! I tried to sketch some of the scenes, but I realize now that it takes hours and hours of concentration to really capture the beauty that I saw at Gaspé and Percé. I also learned that 20 hours of college French means absolutely nothing (might also say that *it might be due* to the *individual student* too) when it comes to trying to order a "sandwich" or a good old American dish of some kind! Lucky for us, they did know about "hot dogs" (from the King and Queen's recent visit)—but they have a lot to learn!

I'm enclosing my check for the renewal of my alumni dues and the subscription to the *Sooner Magazine*. Now I'm trying to figure out how one becomes a life member—not that I don't know how, but I'm trying to figure "finances" so that I'll be able to snare an extra \$60, and complete a dream of mine.

Here's wishing you and the whole staff, as well as the University, the best for another school year—I listened, by the way, to the O. U.-Northwestern game last Saturday, right after having witnessed Pitt's victory over West Virginia—and believe me, I got as much thrill out of hearing O. U. "tramp 'em down" as I did watching the Pitt team push through for a victory.

The Yates are back again and living in the same apartment house with us—G. L. still likes to "recall" O. U. days over a beer or two.

By the way—did you hear Bing Crosby give the *big boost* to O. U. on his broadcast recently commenting on the upset of Northwestern? Was I thrilled when the orchestra played and Bing sang our Alma Mater! It's the first time I've heard it over the air since the Pontiac broadcast from O. U. a couple of years ago. More power to O. U.! Wish I could be nearer so I could see some of those upsets.

Regards to everyone, and personal regards to you—you're doing a swell job on "Riding the Range."

ELEANOR A. WARREN, '35FA,  
University of Pittsburgh,  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

To the Executive Secretary:

Keep the good work going down there because I really feel that you are doing a good job in organizing the alumni of the University to help build a bigger and better University of Oklahoma.

The people out here are stronger for the University than I have ever known them to be, and they are taking pride in referring to it as "our" university.

NEVILLE GILLUM, '35LAW,  
Sayre.

To the Executive Secretary:

A number of O. U. alumni and former students here have re-organized and elected Attorney James F. Haning temporary president. He is enthusiastic and is going to show some action. I believe, as Lowry Harrell told you, he intends to show the Northwestern-O. U. pictures at this first meeting, thereby getting up so much interest that a lot of dues will be collected. Better send him a roster of Pontotoc County so his calling committee can function.

Yours for bigger and better Alumni Association.  
OSCAR HATCHER, '20,  
Ada.

P. S. Enclosed is \$3.00 for my dues.

To the Executive Secretary:

Mr. Oscar Hatcher has just handed to me a copy of the letter he wrote you yesterday.

From the enthusiasm and apparent willingness to work, I gather that a live-wire alumni organization can and should exist here in Pontotoc County. The first thing that we want to do is to show the O. U.-Northwestern pictures sometime next week.

At that time we will perfect the permanent organization. After the football season is over we plan to keep the organization alive and intact by having occasional dances and banquets, as well as lectures from prominent University professors.

It is my desire and intention to work with you for a bigger and better University Alumni Association.

JAMES F. HANING, '36, '39LAW,  
Ada.

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To the Alumni Secretary:

I received your letter of September 10, 1939, relative to subscribing to the *Sooner Magazine*. My failure to answer prior to this time has been due, not to lack of interest on my part, but to the press of other business.

For your information I resigned my position with the Independent Petroleum Association to become an attorney on the staff of the Chief Counsel for the Bureau of Internal Revenue. This change was effective August 1, 1939.

I am enclosing my check for \$3.00 for an annual subscription to the *Sooner Magazine*.

I very joyously listened to the radio account of the manner in which the Sooners shellacked Northwestern. I hope, and am sure, that we will be equally successful throughout the balance of the season.

FRANK B. APPLEMAN, '32, '34Law.  
Washington, D. C.

To the Alumni Secretary:

Enclosed is my check for \$3.00 to cover my 1939-40 Association dues. It's hard to believe that this year marks the 11th time I have paid my dues, but somehow each successive year seems to make this act a little more important to me.

May I congratulate you on your choice of the new chairman of the New York Advisory Council, Mr. Hughes B. Davis? Although I have not met Mr. Davis, I know of him by reputation, and I am sure that his experience and executive capacity will help to put some new life in the organization in these parts (no thanks to the writer!) His success in handling Oklahoma Day at the N. Y. World's Fair indicates that you haven't gone wrong in your choice and if there is anything the writer can do to assist him in this work, you or he have only to call on me.

We expect to visit Oklahoma City around Christmas, and I hope to be able to pay you a short visit at that time. Best wishes for your continued success.

ROBERT E. ROGERS, JR., '29,  
Plainfield, New Jersey.

To the Alumni Secretary:

Enclosed is a money order for three dollars to settle my account for dues and *Sooner Magazine*.

The magazine really is interesting reading. As soon as I receive it, I read it from cover to cover. Continue your good work.

VIVIAN L. SMITH, '35LIB. SCI.,  
Beebe, Arkansas.

To the Alumni Secretary:

On reaching home a few days ago from a trip to one of my offices, I found a postal card addressed to me at 2316 South Arlington Road, Arlington, Virginia, relative to the payment of my alumni dues and indicating that you had sent a number of previous notices to me relative to such matter. I received none of them.

The probable reason is that I have been away from Washington most of the time since January 1st of this year. During the greater part of the months of January and February I was on a trip with the Board of Tax Appeals to Houston, Texas, and in the latter part of March I came to Dallas, Texas, at the direction of the commissioner of internal revenue to assume the duties as head of the southwestern division of the technical staff, which was then established as a part of the general decentralization movement in the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

The territorial jurisdiction of the southwestern division of the technical staff includes the States of Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, and Mississippi. Such division has, with few exceptions, exclusive jurisdiction of all federal income, profits, estate, and gift-tax liability cases in which the taxpayer has finally protested the determination of liability made by any revenue agent in charge within the above states.

A check for my dues is enclosed herewith.

WILLIAM G. CULLEN, '16,  
Dallas, Texas.

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# Basketball

## O. U.

vs.

## S. M. U.

### December 16

Plan now to see the Sooner basketball team's only home game in December. The Southern Methodist contest is the only one scheduled at Norman until the O. U. cagers open their Big Six home schedule January 20, with Iowa State as the visitors.

## 1939-40 Games

- Dec. 16 Southern Methodist at Norman.
- Dec. 18 Arkansas at Fayetteville.
- Dec. 19 Arkansas at Fayetteville.
- Dec. 25 Temple at Philadelphia.
- Dec. 28 Fordham at New York City.
- Jan. 5 Kansas at Lawrence.
- Jan. 6 Kansas State at Manhattan.
- Jan. 10 Oklahoma Aggies at Stillwater.
- Jan. 20 Iowa State at Norman.
- Jan. 27 Nebraska at Lincoln.
- Jan. 29 Missouri at Columbia.
- Feb. 2 Kansas State at Norman.
- Feb. 9 Nebraska at Norman.
- Feb. 12 Missouri at Norman.
- Feb. 20 Oklahoma Aggies at Norman.
- Mar. 2 Iowa State at Ames.
- Mar. 8 Kansas at Norman.

University of Oklahoma  
Athletic Association  
Fieldhouse Norman, Okla.

To the Editor:

Tonight I have spent a delightful hour reading several issues of the *Sooner Magazine* which Eva Thomas, '28, '32law, brought over. (Subscription follows.)

Incidentally, Eva, who will be remembered by her law classmates as Eva Thomas Paul, has just opened her own beautiful new law office at 146 Griffin Street here in Santa Fe. I am teaching in the Santa Fe public schools and the Santa Fe Secretarial School.

We love our town with its colorful old world charm and we invite you alum amigos to come out to see us.

ARTEOLA BILBREY DANIEL, '29FA,  
Santa Fe, New Mexico.

To the Editor:

Sorry I'm late. I sure don't want to miss any of those issues of the *Sooner Magazine*. Three cheers for the team, they sure put on a real show up here with Northwestern!

ALFRED H. SCHMIDT, JR., '36BUS,  
Park Ridge, Illinois.

To the Executive Secretary:

Please renew my subscription to *Sooner Magazine* and note my new address on your records. Enclosed is check for \$3.00.

I am teaching commercial subjects in the Ballard School, connected with the central branch of the Y. W. C. A. of New York City, this year. My husband (Larry Southworth, '38med), is training in surgery at the U. S. Marine Hospital on Staten Island. We both enjoy living in New York. As yet we have met no fellow Sooners here.

Of course, we are watching with pride the successful season of the University's football team and hope that no defeat mars its record.

MRS. LOIS ELLEN SOUTHWORTH  
(Lois Ellen Gill, '38ex),  
Stapleton, S. I., New York.

To the Executive Secretary:

Mr. Keith Odenweller, A. B., '34, Mr. Dick Barrett, E. E., '33, and myself, the "O. U. association" located here on the island, heard the O. U.-Northwestern game last Saturday by short-wave radio and enjoyed it very much. Here's hoping we get to hear some more of the games this season.

O. M. WOODWARD, '38ENG,  
San Fernando, Trinidad.

To the Executive Secretary:

Enclosed is a remark by Earl A. Brown, president of the University Dads' Organization, who by the way is a graduate of Texas University and is now located in Dallas, but who is a wonderfully fine lad. I believe that this observation of his justifies a little attention.

GEORGE D. HANN, '36MED,  
Ardmore,

*Following is the letter from Mr. Brown to Mr. Hann:*

To Mr. Fisher Muldrow, Mr. Mort Woods, Mr. George Hann:

I regret that I was not in the office Saturday morning when you called. All during the week previous I had looked forward to the opportunity of making contact with the spirit of Ardmore Saturday. Then, when opportunity stalked into the office, I was absent.

I am sure that you, along with the other fifty thousand Oklahomans, enjoyed the football game. Personally, I was in the attitude of being almost neutral. On the one hand, there was the influence of ancient traditions; on the other, the warmth of new attachments and affections. Therefore, after Oklahoma had piled up such a lead, I wasn't exactly disappointed when Texas suddenly made two touchdowns. Perhaps one of the finest bits of sportsmanship ever seen on a football field occurred when the Oklahoma player, who chased halfback Crain down the field when the latter made his second touchdown, ran over to him and patted him on the back and congratulated him.

There is no question but that the better team won. I have never seen a more powerful football team than Tom Stidham exhibited Saturday. I hope they go through the season undefeated.

I look forward to seeing all of you the next time you are in Dallas.

EARL A. BROWN,  
Dallas, Texas.

To the Editor:

Just finished reading my October number of the *Sooner Magazine*, and all the talk about Homecoming makes me wish I could be back there again as I was last year. But I guess I should consider myself lucky to get this even once from so far away.

I listened to every minute of the Columbia broadcast of the Sooner-Northwestern game October 7 and was I proud! I certainly wish I could hear more of the games, but the larger short wave stations are all we seem able to get down here, especially in the day time. In cold weather I can pick up Oklahoma stations sometimes at night.

Enclosed you will find a money order to renew my subscription to the magazine and pay my alumni dues.

GLADYS KIMBRO KNOX, '24MA,  
Cristobal, Canal Zone.

To the Executive Secretary:

I wish to express my thanks and appreciation for the use of the facilities of the Union Building during the annual meeting of the National Association of Music Executives in State Universities which was held here the past weekend. We used room 120 for two of our sessions and room 207 for the final session. The visiting deans from Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, South Dakota, Arizona, Texas and Louisiana were most complimentary as to the appointments and conveniences of the Union Building. They also spoke of the excellence of the food and the moderate price of the luncheon that was served them on Friday in the Rose Room.

The formal dinner in the Woodruff Room Friday evening was also excellent and much appreciated by the guests. Several of the members told me that this was one of the best meetings the association has ever held and I feel that a great part of its success was due to the existence of the Student Union. Indeed, I should hate to have attempted to entertain this association without the Union facilities.

LEWIS S. SALTER, '12FA, '17,  
Dean, College of Fine Arts,  
University of Oklahoma.

To the Executive Secretary:

Enclosed find my check for \$3.00 in payment of renewal of alumni dues and subscription to *Sooner Magazine*.

Permit me to congratulate you and your associates upon the fine job you are doing.

I experienced my first Dads' Day at the University last Saturday. Needless to say, those championship bound Sooners helped make it a complete success. I expect to be back this coming Saturday and also for Homecoming.

R. H. DAVIS, '23, '34MED,  
Superintendent, Grandfield Public Schools,  
Grandfield, Oklahoma.

To the Editor:

Just a few lines to inform you of my change of address. On September 20 I resigned as a petroleum engineer of the Gulf Oil Corporation, at Seminole, Oklahoma, to accept a position as instructor of petroleum engineering at the University of Texas, Austin, Texas. Please change my address on your records accordingly.

My wife (Mary Gittings, '35lib. sci), and I both enjoy the *Sooner Magazine* and the news of old friends so much that we hate to miss a single copy. Incidentally, we have not received the issues for September and October. If you have any copies we would appreciate receiving one of each. Our copies may have been lost in

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# Is O. U. Expensive?

By Bill Brinkley, '40

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article is reprinted from the *Oklahoma Daily* because it presents the student viewpoint on a matter of interest to alumni—whether or not O.U. is an "expensive" school to attend. The writer is editor of the *Daily*.

IS THE University of Oklahoma still regarded as a place where snobishness is king and where you have to have a pack of money to get to first base?

The other day I received a letter from a prominent citizen of this state in which he said that this impression is still held by a good many people in Oklahoma.

I know what the story is. I've heard it enough myself in the far reaches of Oklahoma. It runs something like this: "Yes, the university is all right, but unless you get in with the society crowd, you're just left out of everything—and something else—it costs, oh, a whole lot of money to go to school down there. Why, unless you're a rich man's son or know a legislator you haven't got a chance."

Bosh and nonsense! But what can be done about it? This campus hasn't reached perfection by a long shot, but such beliefs as those mentioned above—still held by quite a large number of people in this state—are about as far away from the truth as it is possible to get.

We who are down here know what the facts are. We know that social activities do revolve around fraternity and sorority life, but that there is social life outside these organizations. And we know that while it does take money to go to school here the idea that you have to be a rich man or the son of a rich man to get anywhere on the campus is an utter absurdity.

But the mal-impressions are still here in the minds of at least some of the state's citizenry. I may be wrong, but I think that gradually the people of Oklahoma are coming to a better understanding and a better knowledge of the true state of affairs here—both the good and the bad part. They're on their way—slowly. Too slowly, in fact. More needs to be done to hasten them along.

I don't know whose fault it is, but someone has fallen down—or maybe a lot of persons have fallen down—in not seeing that more was done to eradicate false ideas about this campus and its activities. True, considerable progress has been made. Speakers and entertainers sent out from here have helped break the ground. Some of the university's graduates have aided tremendously. Others of its alumni are among the university's strongest critics.

Start the ball rolling once and it won't stop. Tear down these mal-impressions and they'll stay torn down.

Everyone of us can help simply by letting people know about what goes on here. That sounds like something that came out of the university publicity department, but publicity or no publicity, it's dead true.

I don't advocate that we go around spouting that the University of Oklahoma is just this side of heaven. But the next time someone pops up with one of these inanities about the rule of snobishness on the campus or the necessity of owning two or three gold mines to go to school here, just pin him down. Ask him where he got his information. Ask him to cite some cases. Then proceed in a courteous way to let him know what actual conditions are.

## In the Mail

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our moving and change of address, as we have not received them.

JACK I. LAUDERMILK, '34, '38,  
Austin, Texas

To the Editor:

Every time I have finished reading *Sooner Magazine* I have wanted to write you how much I enjoy hearing about Oklahoma. Now I may add my congratulations for the award your magazine won. Here in Bakersfield where *Grapes of Wrath* has helped make the term "Okie" an opprobrious one, which in any social gathering provokes much discussion and no little feeling, I enjoy your monthly version of the happier side of Oklahoma. And I like to leave your magazine lying around so that my friends can conveniently pick it up and share with me, pleasure in your activities. I have been fortunate to be able to reminisce about O. U. with Rachel Bedford Bowen and Elizabeth Stewart Strange.

Your articles about the O. U. football team have but steadily increased my interest in the team and now I am wondering which Norman

friend I can persuade to sacrifice to me every Sunday *Daily* which gives an account of a game. MARY ELIZABETH SIMPSON ITTNER, '24, '25MA,  
Bakersfield, California

To the Alumni Secretary:

In reply to your letter of September 26th offering me the Chairmanship of the Murray County Advisory Council to succeed Edwin P. Horner, recently moved to Lubbock, Texas, please consider this as an acceptance of said Chairmanship.

I am greatly interested in the University and its program. Anything that we can do to further its cause you may rest assured that you have only to let us know.

If possible I should like very much to get a complete list of the alumni in this county. I should like very much for us to have a "get-together" soon and map out a more complete program.

I assure you I am glad to accept the chairmanship and will do everything possible to further the University's cause. Thanks and let me hear from you at any time.

EWING C. SADLER, '38, '38LAW,  
Sulphur, Oklahoma

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