

Faculty Page

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READERS of the magazine should know better some of the prominent women of the faculty. We introduce this month Dr. Helen Brown Burton, professor of home economics and director of the School of Home Economics. She heads a faculty composed wholly of women, twelve in all. Dr. Burton has been director of the School of Home Economics since 1927. The school is located in Old Science Hall, but hopes to have a building of its own some day.

Dr. Milton Hopkins, assistant professor of botany in the University, is writing a weekly article, "Rambling with an Oklahoma Naturalist," for state newspapers.

Professor Joseph R. Taylor, granted a year's leave, has returned to New York after two months' travel in Europe. Because of war conditions, he will spend the remainder of the year in New York in art study. Mrs. Taylor is with him.

The University Symphony Orchestra opened its thirty-seventh season November 14 in Holmberg Hall auditorium under the direction of Paul S. Carpenter, head of the department of stringed instruments. Barre Hill, head of the voice department, Miss Wilda Griffin, assistant professor of voice, and Herman Larson, assistant professor of voice, assisted in this opening concert.

Two instructors have been appointed by the English department to finish out the year in the place of Dr. B. A. Botkin, now on leave. They are Paul Schmidt, formerly professor of English at North Dakota State Normal College, who has been named special instructor in English, and Miss Sarah Graham, instructor last year in the Junior College at Tonkawa. Mr. Schmidt has his master's degree from Chicago, and Miss Graham has a master's degree from the University of Pittsburgh. Dr. Botkin, known to many alumni as editor of *Folk-Say*, took leave to re-assume editorship of the WPA writers' program, at Washington, D.C.

Dr. J. O. Hassler, professor of mathematics and astronomy in the University, spoke in October at an East Tennessee teachers' convention.

Dr. H. D. Moor, '25med, professor of bacteriology in the School of Medicine, has been asked to speak to the section on Med-



Dr. Helen B. Burton heads the only school in the University with an exclusively feminine staff.

ical Education and Hospital Training of the Southern Medical Society in Memphis, Tennessee, November 21-24. The subject of Dr. Moor's talk was "The Physical Requirements for Entrance and the Supervision of the Health and Welfare of Students During the Medical Course." Dr. Moor is chairman of the committee on student health for the O.U. medical school.

Dr. H. Vern Thornton, and Dr. Oliver Benson, both associate professors of government, spoke at the first meeting of the Wewoka Public Forum October 10 at Wewoka. Their subject was "The Present Neutrality Debate in Congress."

The American Association of University Professors has had several meetings this fall. Dr. Charles M. Perry is president of the chapter and Dr. H. Vern Thornton is secretary.

The first of a series of three articles by W. S. Campbell, professor of English, on the basic forms of writing, appears in the October issue of *The Writer*, national Magazine for authors. Mr. Campbell gave a lecture October 11 in the University series on "Epic Aspects of the old Southwest."

Clay models for Bedford stone figures to be placed at the entrance to the new chapel at Bacone College, Muskogee, have

been designed by Craig Shepherd, instructor in sculpture in the University.

President W. B. Bizzell and H. H. Herbert, director of the School of Journalism, received invitations from Secretary of State Cordell Hull to participate in the conference on inter-American relations in the field of education held in Washington, D.C., November 9 and 10. President Bizzell attended the conference. Mr. Herbert, secretary-treasurer of both the American Association of Teachers of Journalism and the American Association of Schools and Departments of Journalism, was unable to attend.

Economic systems of Norway, Sweden, Denmark and other countries were studied on a summer tour by Dr. C. F. Daily, assistant professor of economics.

An article by Dr. Ralph Bienfang, professor of pharmacognosy at the University, has been accepted for publication in *Chronica Botanica*, an international plant science journal published in Leyden, Holland.

John O'Neil, instructor in art, was elected president of the Association of Oklahoma Artists at the annual meeting held in November at Oklahoma City. Mr. O'Neil won the Art League medal for his oil painting, "Pink Prelude," in the annual exhibition held by the association in the Municipal Auditorium at Oklahoma City. Miss Edith Mahier and Leonard Good of the University art faculty also were represented in the exhibition, and Mr. Good was awarded second place for his painting "Holiday Mood."

In October, Dean Robert U. Patterson, of the School of Medicine, attended a meeting in Washington of the Medical Council of the Veterans' Administration.

Dr. A. O. Weese, professor of zoology, secretary of the graduate faculty, has been re-elected president of the Grassland Research Foundation.

Miss Genevieve Kern, instructor in music, and Walter Lynn, special instructor in voice, were presented in a joint recital at 8 o'clock Thursday night, November 16, in the University auditorium. Mr. Lynn's accompanist was George Anson, associate professor of music. Both soloists joined the faculty of the School of Music this year.