

Homecoming Is November 4

THE PROGRAM

Friday, November 3

6:30 p. m. Annual Pre-Homecoming Dinner-Dance sponsored by Oklahoma City Alumni.

Saturday, November 4

9:00 a. m. Homecoming Parade, sponsored by Scabbard and Blade.

11:00 a. m. Meeting of Alumni Executive Board, Union Building.

2:30 p. m. Oklahoma-Iowa State football game, Memorial Stadium.

5:30 p. m. Annual reception, Norman alumni, honoring visiting alumni and friends, main floor of Union Building.

THERE may be some doubt as to when Thanksgiving will fall this year. But the University of Oklahoma Homecoming will be right where the vast majority of alumni seem to want it—right in the middle of the first week in November.

The date is November 4, and the Sooners' football foe that day will be Iowa State—the team that gave Oklahoma a terrific battle in the title-deciding game of the last Big Six championship race.

Homecoming will be served up in traditional style, with a pre-game dinner-dance in Oklahoma City, a parade in Norman the next morning, meeting of the Alumni Executive Board at 11 a. m., the football game at 2:30 p. m., followed by the annual reception for alumni and friends in the Union Building.

Possibility of a big, informal picnic-style lunch for Homecoming visitors, faculty members and students were being discussed in September, but plans were still tentative. A meeting of fraternity and sorority leaders to consider this plan was to be held later in the month.

DR. Wayman J. Thompson, '29med, Oklahoma City, is president of the Oklahoma City Alumni Club this year and will direct plans for the annual dinner-dance to be held on Friday night, November 3.

Tentative plans are to hold the dinner-dance again in the Skirvin Tower, which has the largest capacity available for an affair of this kind. The price has been tentatively set at \$1.50 per person.

The Oklahoma City dinner-dance last year attracted approximately seven hundred Sooners, and predictions of an attendance nearing one thousand are being made this year. The pre-Homecoming dinner rally, with its atmosphere of football and O. U. loyalty, has grown so steadily in popularity through the years that it is about to become a genuine tradition.

Mike Monroney, '24, of Oklahoma City,

fifth district congressman and popular speaker, was invited to be on the dinner program, but the outbreak of the European war made it appear likely that he would have to be in Washington for a special session of Congress.

Norman alumni who are old hands at this Homecoming business have already organized to welcome the November 4 visitors to the campus, register their names at headquarters in the Union, and serve them some refreshments at the reception after the game.

Registration, in the lobby of the Union, will be handled by a committee headed by Herbert H. Scott, '26, '26ma. Here, each alumnus registering will receive a badge on which he can write his name and class, thus greatly easing the tension between old friends who meet on the campus and have difficulty recalling names.

Mrs. Janet Langford, '18, heads the general committee in charge of the reception and tea in the Union following the football game. Dr. Allen M. Ruggles heads the committee arranging for faculty participation in Homecoming. And Dr. Leonard Logan, '14, is chairman for co-ordination of fraternity and sorority phases of Homecoming.

THE Homecoming parade will be in charge of Scabbard and Blade, honorary military fraternity of which Major M. M. Pharr is sponsor and B. D. McCampbell, Oklahoma City, is president.

Alumni returning to the campus will not find it greatly changed in recent years, so far as buildings are concerned. The landscaping has been greatly improved, however, through a WPA project completed during the last year. New sidewalks were added, new flower beds added, new trees planted, and the landscaping of the South Oval was completed with the construction of a beautiful sunken garden.

There are some new faces on the faculty. Some of the old familiar faces have passed on during the last year. But there are still many of the old-timers to greet their returning students of years gone by.

And so... remember the Homecoming is early in November this year, and make your plans to attend before October slips away from you. Make your reservation early for the gaiety of the pre-Homecoming dinner-dance, the collegiate glamor of the annual parade, the thrill of a big time football game—and the rare pleasure of meeting many old friends you might never run into elsewhere.

Above is Dr. Wayman J. Thompson, '29med, who heads arrangements for the pre-homecoming dinner-dance at Oklahoma City. The other picture shows some of the parade floats and house decorations that provided color for Homecoming celebrations of the past.

