

Education by Radio

MANNED by a staff of three faculty members and nineteen students, Radio Station WNAD at the University of Oklahoma broadcasts fourteen hours per week—fourteen hours that involve about 140 students, faculty members and visitors. Many departments of the University are concerned with this activity, including the School of Electrical Engineering from whose students the technical staff is drawn.

Clyde L. Farrar, associate professor of electrical engineering, is in charge of the technical staff.

The pictures tell a part of the story of WNAD and its educational program.

1. "Hello, Oklahoma!" Henderson Leake opens WNAD's broadcast week with a "visit to the folks" every Tuesday morning at 10:30.

2. The clock tower houses the WNAD studios and when the clock says noon, as it does here every one is going to lunch. But when the clock says 10:30 A.M. or 2:00 P.M. Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday; 7:30 P.M. Tuesday; 8:15 P. M. Wednesday; or 7:15 P.M. Thursday, WNAD will be going on the air, at 1010 kilocycles.

3. Homer Heck, station director, in a characteristic pose.

4. The photographer asked announcer Edwin Angelo to demonstrate sound effects.

5. Aubra Tilley, operator, at the controls. When the University Symphony Orchestra is on the air, three operators must constantly feel WNAD's pulse.

6. Part of the staff in the office. Every minute of a dramatic script requires an hour's writing and thirty minutes office work.

7. Dr. Stephen Scatori telling the microphone in Spanish. The mike must understand Spanish, because Dr. Scatori's broadcasts of Spanish Lessons make him tops in fan mail.

8. The University of Oklahoma Roundtable invites comparison with any other similar broadcast. In order to keep discussions spontaneous these faculty members may take pipes into the studio, but not scripts.

9. Dr. Oliver Benson, political commentator, as he looks when he is forecasting political moves all over the world.

10. Mrs. H. H. Leake, director of the General Science Series, a regular Wednesday morning program.

11. Mr. and Mrs. Sooner, Martha and David. The Sooner family is a feature of the Family Life Radio Forum, directed by Dr. Alice Sowers, and broadcast over WNAD and the Oklahoma Network.

12. Guests. R. J. Duty and a group from McClain County schools filling the Thursday afternoon guest period which each week presents school representatives from a different county.

