

Students from 16 Countries

YOUNG MEN of sixteen foreign countries have been attracted to the College of Engineering of the University of Oklahoma by its world-wide reputation. The total number of alumni and present students that have come from foreign nations exceeds fifty, and the proportion of foreigners enrolled in the college increases each year. Most of them have come to the University to get training in their chosen fields and then return to their native countries. Some, however, have remained in the United States in positions with American concerns.

By far the greatest number of both alumni and present students are South Americans and are petroleum engineers. Dr. J. A. Delgado, '33eng, Edmundo L. Luongo, '33eng, Gustavo Toledo, '35eng, petroleum engineers, and Antonio Chirinos, '39geol, came to the University from Venezuela as students and returned to take positions with the Venezuelan government in the Ministry of Hydrocarbons.

Raimundo A. Molina, '36eng, Carlos L. Rojas, '39eng, and Santiago E. Vera, '39eng, are native Venezuelans now petroleum engineers with a private oil company there. Another, Jose A. Monsalve, '33eng, is an independent contractor for general oil field construction at Zulia, Venezuela.

Venezuela is also the home of seven students now in school.

Three petroleum engineers from Colombia, South America, Luis E. Arango, '30eng, Rafael M. Arango, '35eng, and Camilo Gutierrez, '33eng, received their degrees at O.U. and have returned home to take jobs in the production divisions of private oil concerns. Felix A. Mendoza, '37eng, is a government petroleum engineer in the Ministry of National Economy at Botoga, Colombia. Rafael B. Delgado, '40eng, who graduated in January, is in Texas acquiring the necessary field experience before returning to Colombia for work with the government.

There are six students from Colombia now enrolled in the College of Engineering.

While there are half a dozen Canadian students in the College now, the only Canadian alumnus listed in the engineering office files is Gerald M. Hechter, '39eng, who received his degree in chemistry. He is superintendent of the refinery of Radio Oil Refineries, Limited, at Winnipeg.

An electrical engineer, Wilfred G. Coleman, '38eng, returned to his home in Newfoundland after graduating. This semester two student engineers came to the University from there, from his own home town, Corner Brook.

Because of the international strife in the Orient, contact has been lost with three Chinese engineers who did graduate work at O.U. They are Jerry Sinnan Hu, '38ex, C. D. Shieh, '38ex, and Swan Yen, '38ex.

The difficulty in the oil industry in Mexico has left University officials uncertain also about the positions of two O.U. graduates from that country. According to latest information, Jose R. Cabo, '32eng, was in Mexico City with the government's Department of Petroleum, and Jose A. Ibarra, '29eng, was employed by the Husstaca Petroleum Company at Tampico.

There are four Mexican students studying engineering at the University now.

A graduate from Holland, Nicholas A. Kaldenbach, '38eng, '39geol, has decided to become a citizen in this country and is working as a geologist in Houston, Texas.

Mario J. Cueto, '34eng, a Frenchman, received a degree in petroleum engineering and now hold a position with the government of Argentina at Buenos Aires. His home was in Paris.

Another continental, Robert I. Steifel, '39ex, studied engineering at the University last spring, and returned to his home in Poland. For obvious reasons, the dean's office has not heard from him.

The Near East has not lacked representation in the College. Four Persians earned degrees and are back in their native country. They are Foad Ashraf, '34ms, refinery engineer at Abadan; Sadig Turabi, '36eng, petroleum engineer in production, and Abbas Siapoosh, '38eng, who is doing geological engineering work. All are employed by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company. Hodgi Afshar, '37ex, holds the responsible government position of petroleum engineer in the Department of Industries, Bureau of Mines, at Teheran.

In addition to the countries already mentioned, both Porto Rico and Brazil have students in the College of Engineering at the present time.

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Television engineer

Free front-row seats at baseball games, prize fights and movies may soon be available at the twist of a knob in the larger cities of the nation, according to the prediction of Leroy Moffett, '29eng.

Mr. Moffett, laboratory engineer of the National Broadcasting Company in New York City, was one of four NBC engineers chosen by the company to develop television for more widespread public use, and to aid in reaching NBC's goal of 100,000 television receivers in the metropolitan area of New York City by next year.

Training for his destiny "behind the scenes" of big-time radio broadcasting began when Mr. Moffett annoyed his neighborhood in Oklahoma City during his high school days with his amateur radio signals. He worked as an operator at station WNAD, Norman, before graduating from the University. Afterward he was employed successfully by a telephone company, radio station WENR in Chicago, and NBC.

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