

Sooners at Home and Abroad

UNIVERSITY alumni are the "unsung heroes" in the struggle to advance the interests of the institution, Lloyd Noble, '21, president of the Board of Regents, told a group of fifty Sooner alumni who met at the Adolphus Hotel at Dallas for a breakfast preceding the Sooner-Texas game.

"I think of the alumni as performing a function like the line of a football team," Mr. Noble said. "They are the ones who clear the way for the University's progress—they are the unsung heroes."

Alumni have a serious responsibility to their alma mater because the university is judged by its products, the regents president warned.

He urged that graduates come back to the University from time to time to give their constructive criticisms and help the institution solve its problems. He also stated that alumni should make every effort to employ O. U. graduates whenever possible, "because if our own alumni don't have confidence in the kind of graduates we are turning out, how can we expect other employers to do so?"

Dr. W. B. Bizzell, president of the University, spoke to the group. Carl D. McWade, '34eng, chairman of the O. U. Advisory Council in Dallas, welcomed the visitors. Alumni Secretary Ted Beaird presided. Norman W. Brillhart, '17ba, of Madill, president of the Alumni Association, and Mrs. Brillhart and their daughter, were present for the breakfast.

Entertainment was provided by the University Band, which marched into the ballroom where the breakfast was held and played several pep tunes.

Movie Script Writer

George Milburn, '31, who has been writing Scattergood Baines radio script for Columbia Broadcasting System at Chicago, has signed a contract as chief script writer for Scattergood Baines moving pictures to be produced by Twentieth-Century Fox Studios. He began work October 1.

Woodliff Promoted

New administrator of the Oklahoma unemployment compensation law is Kirk Woodliff, '36ba, '37law, of Norman. He has been employed by the unemployment compensation division since his graduation from the University School of Law. He was promoted to the \$5,000-a-year po-



Muriel Monsell Bremner . . . radio drama artist

sition as director from the post of chief claims deputy.

Mr. Woodliff went to high school in Wewoka, where his father, C. L. Woodliff, is now living.

Radio Actress

Growing success in radio drama is being scored by Mrs. James R. Bremner (Muriel Monsell, '32fa) who is making four broadcasts daily on national chains. Her two most important shows are "Road of Life," which is carried by both Columbia Broadcasting System and National Broadcasting Company, and "Guiding Light," an NBC presentation. In the former show Mrs. Bremner plays Helen Gowan; in the other she has the role of Frederika Lang.

Mrs. Bremner does all her work in Chicago where she and Mr. Bremner make their home. Until her husband joined a business firm there, they were both engaged in stage and screen work, principally in California.

Early this year Mr. and Mrs. Bremner turned a vacation trip to California into a working holiday. They spent their time working in Playhouse productions at the Pasadena Playhouse, where they had gone to school in 1935.

Death Takes Parmelee

Veteran educator and pioneer, Arthur H. Parmelee, '17ba, '23ma, died of a heart attack October 11. The red-haired principal of Capitol Hill Senior High School,

Oklahoma City, was 65 years old and was serving his last year at Capitol Hill, having resigned last summer, effective at the close of this school year.

Mr. Parmelee came to Oklahoma before statchood. He began teaching while waiting for the big lottery of free Indian lands. He was eighteen then. When the lottery netted him a blank, he continued to teach, first at Jennings, then at Ralston.

In 1909 Capitol Hill was a separate city. Mr. Parmelee was chosen to supervise its three schools. As the population grew and the section became a part of Oklahoma City, he became principal of Lee school. Capitol Hill Junior High School was built in 1921 and Mr. Parmelee was made principal. Four years later he took over direction of the new senior high school, where he remained until his death.

He organized and became dean of the junior college established in connection with the Capitol Hill School.

While his primary interest was youth and the schools, he was a leader in the civic affairs of Capitol Hill. He was the first president of the Capitol Hill Kiwanis Club, and was prominent in the Commerce Club there.

Besides his wife, Mr. Parmelee is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Margaret Johnson, Mrs. June McCollum, Mrs. Arta Stone, and Edna Parmelee, all of Oklahoma City; and two sons, Robert Lee and William.

Congressional Nominee

Republicans have nominated William T. Pheiffer, '19law, for the United States House of Representatives from New York's Sixteenth Congressional District. He went to New York eighteen months ago after practicing law in Amarillo, Texas, for sixteen years.

Mr. Pheiffer, 42 years old, was born in Purcell and attended school in Ardmore and Oklahoma City. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Pheiffer, live in Oklahoma City.

Library Placements

Sixteen '40 graduates of the School of Library Science have been employed recently in libraries over the Southwest.

Those already at work include Azalea Perry, Norman, at the Pawhuska High School library; Virginia Dale, Tulsa, at Tulsa Public Library; Mary Ester Frenzel, Sentinel, at Cordell Public Library; Adaline Gilluly, Shawnee, at Carnegie Library in Oklahoma City; Sara Beth Hall, Norman, at Mangum Public Library; Willa Grace Hardy, Poteau, at Cushing High School Library; Margaret Lore, Long Beach, California, at St. Louis, Missouri, Public Library; Frances Shafer, Denison, Texas, at Denison High School Library; Virginia Suddath, Tulsa, at Tulsa Public Library; Hallie Morgan, Alva, at Enid High School Library; Jane Stewart, Duncan, at Pryor Public Library; Dorothy Schiwetz, Yorktown, Texas, at Seguin,

Texas, High School library; Frank Hiner, Norman, librarian at the United States Reformatory, El Reno; Catherine Patterson, McLean, Texas, librarian with Works Progress Administration; Mrs. Edna S. Meacham, Clinton, University library; and Constance Lee, Oklahoma City, University library.

New Federal Judge

Thirty-six-year-old Royce H. Savage, '25ba, '27law, has received final appointment to the federal judgeship of the Northern Oklahoma district. His name was prominently mentioned for the position for several months before he was officially selected. He took his oath of office before Circuit Judge A. P. Murrah, '28law, October 3.

Judge Savage has practiced law for eleven years. Upon receiving his law degree at O. U., he was made assistant state insurance commissioner. He resigned two years later to join Eugene O. Monnet, '16ba, '20law, at Tulsa in general law practice.

In 1936 Mr. Savage managed the Tulsa County campaign of Josh Lee, '17ba, for the United States Senate. The two men had already formed a friendship at the University where Senator Lee was the professor of speech and Royce Savage was a member of the varsity debating team for four years.

Mr. Savage left Tulsa in November, 1939, to become associated with the Oklahoma City law firm of Cantrell, Savage and McCloud, one of whose clients is the



Royce Savage, of Tulsa, University law graduate newly appointed federal judge, is shown in the center of the above group of federal judges. Left to right, Judge A. P. Murrah, O. U. alumnus recently elevated to the United States Circuit Court; Judge Eugene Rice, Muskogee; Judge Savage; Judge Bower Broadus, Muskogee, and Judge Edgar S. Vaught, Oklahoma City

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. His time there can be counted only in months, for he was appointed to the judgeship in September, 1940.

A native Oklahoman, born at Blanco, Indian Territory, Judge Savage has remained in Oklahoma to pursue his legal career. He attended school at Blanco and McAlester and entered the University when he was seventeen years old.

Although he had to work to pay most of his expenses, he gained recognition in campus activities. Besides debating and making Delta Sigma Rho, national honorary speech fraternity, he served as president of the Interfraternity Council. He belonged to Phi Delta Theta social fra-

ternity. In law school he was elected to Phi Delta Phi, national honorary legal fraternity, and became a member of the Order of the Coif.

Indian Motif for Clothing

Credit for creating a new American fashion in women's dress has been given Mrs. J. M. Brandon (Frances Mahier, '30h.ec, '34m.ed), of Natchez, Mississippi, and her sister, Edith Mahier, professor of art in the University. They were present at the style show of the Neiman-Marcus store in Dallas last month when their creations were first offered to the public.

Several months ago Miss Mahier and Mrs. Brandon took to Stanley Marcus of Neiman-Marcus, an arm-load of sketches made after extensive research in Indian fashions and costumes. The drawings presented ideas suggested by the arts and crafts of the Southwestern Indian. Mr. Marcus rushed the drawings to the firm's New York designers. They brought forth the new series of ready-to-wear and accessories which are based, in the words of the store's publicity office "upon a source of truly American inspiration."

"These fashions," the store officials commented, "filled a great need in the current vacuum of designing inspiration."

The Neiman-Marcus store is nationally known as a pace-maker in women's fashions.

On Institute Faculty

Dr. Bruce D. Greenshields, '20eng, '27prof.eng, has been appointed adjunct professor of civil engineering at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn. He was formerly professor of engineering science at Denison University, Granville, Ohio, but for the past three years he has been associate professor of civil engineering at the College of the City of New York.

He received the degrees of Master of Sciences and Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Michigan.

Numerous articles by Dr. Greenshields, recognized authority on highway traffic and safety problems, have appeared in



This window display in the Neiman-Marcus store at Dallas, Texas, featured new women's clothing styles originated by two O. U. women—Edith Mahier of the art faculty and her sister, Mrs. Frances Mahier Brandon. Their ideas, based on Southwestern Indian culture, have been praised as something refreshingly original

engineering, educational and scientific publications. He is originator of the photographic method of analyzing and recording traffic behavior on important highways. This method, which utilizes pictures made with a motion picture camera to obtain data on speed and traffic density, is valuable in determining the capacity of roads of different surfaces.

In addition to his teaching duties Dr. Greenshields served as city engineer of Granville, Ohio, when he was connected with Denison University. He is a member of the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education, the Highway Research Board, the Institute of Traffic Engineers, the American Society of Civil Engineers and the honorary scientific fraternities Sigma Tau, Sigma Xi, and Iota Alpha.

Brothers Civic Rivals

When it comes to honors in civic work at Sayre, the Cornels brothers, both graduates of O. U., are running a close race. Fred Cornels, '30law, is president of the Rotary Club, while Carlton Cornels, '35 journ, is president of the Kiwanis Club.

Fred returned to Sayre after receiving his law degree in 1930, and began practice there. At the University he was a member of the Marshall Bar in the law school, of Phi Alpha Delta, law fraternity, and Congress Club.

Brother Carlton is editor-publisher of the *Sayre Sun*. His newspaper was awarded second place in column writing, second in editorial writing and fourth in press work at the Oklahoma State Fair of 1940. It was sixth in the sweepstakes listing.

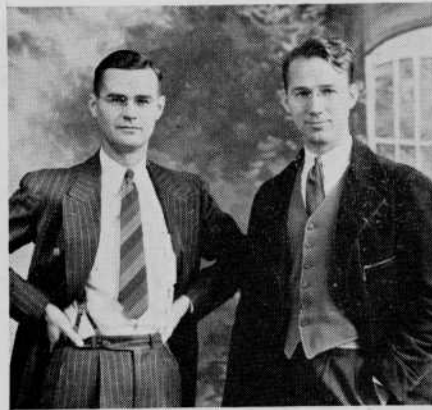
A newspaperman when he was on the campus, Carlton was advertising manager of the *Oklahoma Daily*, and wrote a regular column. He belonged to Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic fraternity.

Engineer Honored

R. D. Evans, '14eng, '26prof.eng, has been awarded the Westinghouse Order of Merit by the board of directors of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, East Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, with which he has been associated for twenty-five years. He is now consulting transmission engineer.

In making the award the company recognized his distinguished service and his "originality in the solution of complex transmission problems and his ability to translate them into new equipment necessary for their practical application; his contribution in the field of general circuit analysis; and his work in the co-ordination of power and communication circuits."

Mr. Evans has patented more than sixty improvements in apparatus and systems used by the electrical industry, and has participated in the publication of more than forty technical papers and books. He has recently finished a term as chair-



The Cornels brothers, Fred (left) and Carlton, who head Sayre's civic clubs

man of the technical committee on power transmission and distribution of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

At the University Mr. Evans was active in engineers' organizations. He was chairman of the A. I. E. E. on the campus.

Following his graduation, he took the graduate student course of Westinghouse and a year later entered the general engineering department of the company. During the quarter-century that he has been with Westinghouse, he has devoted his time principally to special problems involved in transmission of electric power.

Kiwanians Hear O. U. Man

Principal speaker at the Texas-Oklahoma district Kiwanis convention last month was Carl Taylor, '28ba, '29ma, executive secretary of the Wisconsin Building and Loan League. His home is in Milwaukee.

Approximately eight hundred Kiwanians, gathered in the Municipal Auditorium at Oklahoma City, heard him denounce the New Deal as "the most dangerous attack that has ever been made on



R. D. Evans . . . honored by Westinghouse

this nation." Identifying himself as "a life-long Democrat," Mr. Taylor made his entire address a verbal barrage at New Deal policies. He charged that American free enterprise is "nearer destruction than it has been since the country was founded."

Before joining the Building and Loan League in 1933, Mr. Taylor was an assistant professor at the University of Wisconsin.

Sam Neff Appointed

Governor Leon C. Phillips last month appointed Sam Neff, '30, to the seat on the Oklahoma Supreme Court made vacant by the resignation of Harris L. Danner. Mr. Neff was named for the remainder of the term which expires in January.

Admitted to the bar in 1930, he practiced law in Oklahoma City until 1935 when he was appointed legal assistant to the Supreme Court.

After appointing him, Governor Phillips said, "He's a good lawyer. He has heard arguments in all pending cases and is in a better position to carry on work of the court than any one I could name."

District Judge Ben Arnold, '20ba, '25 law, Oklahoma City, Democratic nominee for the justice position Mr. Danner held, questioned the validity of the appointment. He argued that when a vacancy occurs less than thirty days previous to an election date at which it may be filled, the law provides that no appointment should be made. He pointed to another section of the statutes as possibly entitling the victor in the election to assume the post immediately afterward.

Newspaper Tribute

A. C. (Clem) Wright, '20ba, '21ma, has been chosen a "Tylerite of the Week" by the *Courier-Times-Telegraph*, Tyler, Texas, in its series on outstanding citizens of the community. He is district geologist for the Shell Oil Company and is in charge of Shell operations in forty-four East Texas counties.

His "outstanding record as geologist and executive" drew praise from the newspaper. It acknowledged the service he has rendered Texas and Tyler community in connection with the development of several oil fields, including the vast East Texas field, the world's largest.

Mr. Wright has been affiliated with Shell since the day he received his University diploma in June, 1921, and has served the firm in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas and Mississippi. He is a native Oklahoman, born in Duncan.

Outside of his company duties, Mr. Wright has served as president of the East Texas Geological Society and is a member of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists. Now chairman of the Tyler, Texas, Advisory Council of the University of Oklahoma Association, he first became active in alumni work when he organized the East Texas O. U. Club.