

Riding the Sooner Range

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FLASHES along the Range in the past thirty days and nights pave the way for the ever changing Sooner picture!

The informal round-the-room chat, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, on that late August evening (just a few days ago) cast a group of Sooners into the picture *definitely!* RICHARD H. CLOYD, '19, '28law, Norman, at the resort hotel as an official and presiding officer of Phi Delta Phi convention, was in this Sooner parley but soon breezed out to guide his fellow Phi Delta Phi-ans assembled in the convention city from some fifteen other states in the zone. JOHN O. MOSELEY, '16ma, and MARIE MOSELEY, up Chicago way to participate in the National S. A. E. school of instruction being held on the Northwestern University campus, dropped by to join in the visitin' and report to the rovin' Sooners on activities of the University of Tennessee campus where JOHN is Dean of Students. JOE HICKS, '23, the Chicago O. U. Ambassador, whizzes out from his loop office down town to pay his respects and be on his way to join wife LOIS MARSHALL HICKS, '22, and their two charming little daughters spending the Labor Day holidays at their lake lodge up Wisconsin way. HARRY and STELLA GAREE DEAN, '22, give us a long distance buzz urging that we come out for a visit at their suburban home where true style Oklahoma roastin' ears (on the cob) are promised at the end of the trail.

And now this Edgewater Beach wing is housing a regular Sooner party—in breezes a flock of O. U. undergraduates to swap yarns and to explain what a time it's going to be for all of us to attend the All-Star football game to be staged on Chicago's world famous Soldiers' Field. L. G. FRIEDRICH, Arts and Sciences senior, New Orleans; FRED HARBER, '40, and law student at the University, Seminole; and BOB COCANOWER, Engineering junior, Oklahoma City, form this undergraduate trio. DALE VLIET, '38law, Oklahoma City—in Chicago on business, learns of the Edgewater Beach session while in the Loop and taxis out to this North Shore spot to join in the chat. DR. JOHN PICKARD, '24, '26med, Dubuque, Iowa, hears the rumblin' of the Sooner hilarity from his down town hotel (the Stevens) and along with sister BETTY PICKARD SCOTT, '29, and brother-in-law HERBERT H. SCOTT, '26, '26ma, O. U. Extension Division Director, whirl in to bring the parley to a close and urge that we all be on our way to see "POP" IVY, '40, Skiatook, strut his stuff with the College All-Stars on Soldiers' Field. Indeed, we were "on our way" and *how* that "POP" IVY represented Sooner traditions in that spectacular All Star game! The records show "POP" played three-fourths of the game and ran up a true Sooner record!

The Atlantic Hotel (in the Loop), Chicago, and the last Sooner luncheon of the alumni fiscal year 1939-1940! Called by JOE HICKS, '23, in the absence of WES NUNN, '17, the chairman of the O. U. Advisory Council of Chicago, who was out of the city on business, and, indeed, called by Joe on the spur of the moment, the Chicago O. U.-ites responded as always. Two hours of interesting informal discussion and question askin' marked a most enjoyable period of time. Among the O. U. Chicago-ites present were: MRS. STELLA GAREE DEAN, '22; WILLIAM HADDAD, '23; LESLIE SALTER, '21, '22law; FRED WARD, '21; ADELBERT BROWN, '17law; C. T. WAGONER;

DURWARD ROSEBERY, '38eng; ESTHER McRUER, '22; and JOE HICKS, '23.

Other interesting highlights as we have been riding the Sooner Range this month—CLIFFORD PETERSON, '36ed, and wife EULA BOWLDWARE PETERSON, '35, of the Altus Junior College pay a compliment via special letter to the University for the gracious and profitable manner in which Altus students have been received over a series of years at O. U. and urge our attending Southwestern State College schoolmarm's session on November 8 at Weatherford (after a detour Altus and Jackson County way)... Alumni "Prexy" NORMAN BRILLHART, '17, Madill, along with wife MILDRED COLBY BRILLHART, '22fa, up for special work on the O. U. campus—and Norman outlining many of his ambitions to be accomplished during this Alumni year of his presidency of the Association.

HICKS EPTON, '32law, and THELMA EPTON, '32ed, Wewoka, plus CHARLES MEMMINGER, '14, '33law, and RUTH MEMMINGER, '20, '26, Atoka, leading the parade of dozens of others in commenting favorably on the O. U. Wedgewood Commemorative plates received this week after months and months of waiting the arrival of the shipment from war-torn England... AL NAIFEH, '37, '40law, spending a quiet hour reminiscing about his six years of ups and downs at O. U. (Indeed, from the standpoint of scholastic attainment, most of these six years have been "ups.") Then, gazing into the future and telling us of his plans to report at Ann Arbor, Michigan in a few days where he has a marvelous scholarship to work for a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree... J. F. "MAJ" MALONE, '37, coming back to us from Atlanta, where over a series of months he served most efficiently and effectively as the chairman of the Alumni Council for the O. U.-ites in the "Old Peach State." WINBURN T. THOMAS, '29, dropping in from his seven years abroad in Japan to announce to us that he is enjoying the states after all these seven years in the deep, deep West (or is it the Far East?) and is now on his way to Yale University for a year of graduate study.

ELIZABETH MANSFIELD KEE, '20, "Prexie" Bizzell's secretary, off for a vacation to the East and to secure a monogrammed ash tray or glass for the "collection"—and she did!... MARGARET REDDING, '36, O. U.'s madame-efficiency-deluxe—down Havana way writing alumni at large: "Like this place. Nice to have known you. Have decided to stay!" But—she didn't—Margaret is here, back at the daily toil at this hour!... ED HOWARD, '31, the Tyler, Texas "alumni prexie" yelling (too late): "Send me a block of 100 tickets, O. U.-Texas, Dallas football game! Want tickets 50-yard line, 20 rows up! Draft on me for \$250!" Sorry—but BILL CROSS, '09, and other athletic ticket-makers had to advise Ed, "Only 25-yard line tickets left at this September 4 date."

Life Member KENNETH HARRIS, '39, Ardmore, back at O. U. for graduate study and to direct (efficiently, we know, as he is always efficient) the N.Y.A. Entertainment Bureau... And—well, yes—ANDY CROSBY, '39, Lawton, lived through and is today breathing normally, following a severe case of "job-itis" contracted from his official duties as N.Y.A. Student Employment Secretary of O. U... THOMAS RICHARD BENEDUM, '38law, Norman, along with State Bar Prexie JOHN LUTTRELL, Norman, dashing in and out—and off to Phila-

delphia to meet with other "barristers" of the U. S. in American Bar Association work.

BILL DODSON, '29, '34law, (The Supreme Court "Bill") of Oklahoma City bringing "little sister" by for an introduction and to announce this Dodson family has some kind of "vested interest" in O. U. with this the sixth Dodson in his family starting toward a series of O. U. degrees... A letter from W. J. BACON, '24, the Sayre, Oklahoma "news-man" stating in part, "Perhaps you have forgotten me, but I used to room with you when we were freshmen at the University." Whew!—that was 24 years ago today when we settled down together in this Norman village!

A special letter from E. E. BRADLEY, '39 ed.m, of the Panhandle A. & M. College, Goodwell, stating, "Your letters on special dates have been referred to me here in California where I'm working this summer"—how these Sooner chaps room!... A wire from CHARLES GREEN, '25, O. U. speech department head, from Ann Arbor, Michigan, "Cannot reply to your special letter. Working double shift, University of Michigan. See you in September." Yeah, even the "Profs" are worked by "Profs" on occasions!

CHARLIE MILES, '22, for twenty years head of the University Book Exchange, O. U., drops in to invite us to inspect his new business in Aggieville—Power to you Charlie, in your private business venture and rest assured we shall purchase football tickets next to you for the O. U.-Aggie game and we will endeavor to uphold our end of the sand bag!

THAD BAKER, '18, the venerable Veterans Administrative attorney, pays us a visit, accompanied by THAD, JR., O. U. Engineer, plus Senator "PENNY," charming Oklahoma City Miss entering O. U. Arts and Sciences work this September, and "MIKE AND IKE," Holdenville twins, officially handled BOB AND TED, entering that long trail of O. U. Medicine—and what a trail and what a series of years it takes! DEWEY "SNORTER" LUSTER, '22, '22law, comes by to say so long as he is off to New York and new coaching fields.

C. GUY BROWN, '23, and HAL MULDROW, JR., '28bus, in the office for last minute checks on O. U. before being off for a year's Army service... Senator JIM NANCE, Purcell—chest out, chin up—bouncin' in to announce, "Boy, I'm Grandad *again* this A. M.!" JIMMIE, '34, Hobart, has a new daughter with black hair, dimples, etc... C. A. COOLEY, '17, of Los Angeles, rushing us a letter to state: "I want to pay, say, five dollars each month to some aspiring young man who is taking either electrical engineering, chemistry, or physics. This sum is to be paid him for hours spent in laboratory work, not for cutting grass or capers. My idea is to pick him on industry, mental equipment, physical fitness, and with no relation to politics or religion. However, it would certainly be fitting to think of his attitude toward society in general, but not especially a social lion for he might then turn out to be a tiger in later years. What do you think about this? Let me know and we will move forward immediately." Indeed, we did let him know and asked him to contact Life Members BILL SCHRIEVER, of the O. U. Physics Department and LLOYD SWEARINGEN, '20, '21ms, or LOYD HARRIS, '20pharm, '22pharm, '24ms, of the O. U. Chemistry Department. We will watch this "experiment" with pleasure.

EGBERT "EG" CLEMENT, '28, Norman, has received modestly the many tributes paid him in the past fortnight for being responsible for the \$10,500 gift for the O. U. Memorial Flying Field, but we of the alumni office point with pride to this work on his part as an alumni highlight on the Range of real Sooner contributions this month... .

Thus it comes and thus it goes—month after months these Sooners keep movin'—continue to fill in and fit in—make their contributions unselfishly and untiringly and for the "hired hand" they make it a pleasure, as together we continue Riding the Sooner Range.