

# Campus Review

## The Regents

With two University of Oklahoma graduates added to the board to fill vacancies, members of the Board of Regents last month were considering the problem of finding a successor to President W. B. Bizzell, whose resignation becomes effective July 1, 1941.

State newspapers printed stories reporting unofficially that Joseph A. Brandt, '21, former head of the University of Oklahoma Press and now director of the Princeton University Press, was being seriously considered for the position.

Lloyd Noble, '21, Ardmore, president of the Board of Regents, stated that the board had not yet taken up consideration of any individual for the position but had studied methods of procedure.

The two new regents appointed by Governor Leon C. Phillips, '16law, are John Rogers, '14law, Tulsa attorney and oil man; and Harry Wimberly, '24 Altus newspaper publisher.

Mr. Rogers is a former member of the University Board of Regents, having served from 1924 to 1931. It was during this period that Dr. W. B. Bizzell was chosen as president of O. U. Mr. Rogers is a former president of the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce, is a member of the State Educational Co-ordinating Board, and has been active in the Christian Church, the American Legion, Y. M. C. A. and Community Fund, and other civic affairs.

As a student, he was a member of Beta Theta Pi social fraternity, Phi Delta Phi, Delta Sigma Rho, and was active in intercollegiate debate and Y. M. C. A.

A year as business manager of the *Oklahoma Daily* in 1923-24 started Mr. Wimberly on a newspaper career. He was publisher of the *Cordell Beacon* for three years, then became business manager of the *Altus Times-Democrat*. He became publisher of the Altus newspaper in a short time and is now owner.

Mr. Wimberly has been president of the Oklahoma Society for Crippled Children since 1935 and is former president of the Oklahoma Press Association. He is a member of Rotary Club, Elks, Masonic Lodge, and Presbyterian Church. As a student at O. U. he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega social fraternity and Sigma Delta Chi journalistic fraternity.

Members of the Board of Regents, with years in which terms expire, are:



The two new members of the University Board of Regents are both graduates of O. U. They are Harry Wimberly (left) and John Rogers

|                                  |           |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Lloyd Noble, '21, Ardmore        | -----1941 |
| J. C. Looney, 22law, Wewoka      | -----1942 |
| Harry Wimberly, '24, Altus       | -----1943 |
| Joe W. McBride, '28bus, Anadarko | -----1944 |
| Dr. Claude S. Chambers, Seminole | -----1945 |
| E. C. Hopper, Jr., Eufaula       | -----1946 |
| John Rogers, '14law, Tulsa       | -----1947 |

Several state newspapers have published comments about the difficulty of selecting a new president for the University.

The *Oklahoma City Times* published the following editorial:

### HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY RESTS ON REGENTS

Members of the Board of Regents face the most important task of their public careers as they approach the problem of choosing a president of the University of Oklahoma to succeed Dr. W. B. Bizzell.

The regents should act deliberately. There is no occasion for haste. They should act carefully. For there is no reason for superficial investigation. The new president should have the strength, the character, the personality, the enthusiasm, the leadership, the learning and the executive ability that are demanded of any man who heads this great educational institution of Oklahoma.

In this serious function the regents are acting, not for themselves, but for all the people of Oklahoma.

The *El Reno American*, edited by Merle Woods, '17ba, former member of the executive board of the Alumni Association, mentioned the names of several men unofficially reported to be suggested for the position and added the editorial comment that "None of these quite fill the bill as represented by the hopes of the University alumni."

"A profound educator who is at the same time a capable business administrator, is needed to carry on the splendid job that has been performed by the past presidents of the institution, and the board of regents should not experiment by selecting an untried person, but rather seek out and draft a man big enough and experienced enough to assure success," the editorial declared.

The *Norman Transcript*, edited by Fred E. Tarman, '10, commended the recent appointment of Harrington Wimberly and John Rogers to the Board of Regents, and expressed belief that, "The new board can be depended upon to select an outstanding educator as president, to take office when Dr. W. B. Bizzell becomes president-emeritus one year from now."

"We can also depend upon the board to manage the school in a satisfactory manner and avoid political interference," the *Transcript* added. "Thus despite the financial handicap under which the school has operated for several years, the outlook for the University in general is considerably brighter than it has been for a number of years. We congratulate Governor Phillips for his excellent selections, and feel sure he will be commended by all loyal alumni and friends of the institution."

The *Wewoka Times-Democrat* published a "guest column" in which Joe C. Looney, '20ba, '22law, Wewoka attorney

who is a member of the Board of Regents, took over the editor's personal column for a day and outlined some of the angles being considered by the regents in seeking a successor to Dr. Bizzell.

Mr. Looney wrote as follows:

"Bob asked me for a 'Keeping in Step.' This may be a 'Keeping Out of Step.' The reader can decide which. In any event it is on the important subject: 'Wanted: A University President.'

"Why? Because Dr. W. B. Bizzell has resigned as president of the University of Oklahoma, effective July 1, 1941. At that time he will have completed sixteen years as president of O. U.

"Who selects the president? The Board of Regents of the University is charged with that duty under the law. This board is composed of seven members; and the writer is one of the seven. And this extra responsibility is resting heavily on his heart.

"The man to be selected will probably serve from ten to twenty years as president of the University. He will touch intimately the lives of tens of thousands of our young people. He will occupy a position of responsible leadership in our state. He will help mould the life and thinking of our citizenship. He will vitally affect the life of Oklahoma.

"Parents, students, educators, citizens in all walks of life are deeply concerned about the kind of a man to be chosen for this position. Many people have talked to the writer about the matter. Incidentally, he has received many valuable suggestions in answer to these and similar questions.

"What kind of a man should be selected as president of the University? What are the requirements of the position? What qualifications should he possess? What do we want in a president of our University for the next decade or two?

"Here is a general summary of the more important of these suggestions. They are listed without regard to the order of their relative importance. You can therefore re-arrange them to suit yourself.

"The new president should be a sound scholar to meet the test and the needs of a practical world, and to run a university to train students to live in a practical world.

"He should be a successful and experienced executive to solve the many and complex problems of a large university.

"He should be a good financier to get a dollar's worth of education for our boys, and girls for every dollar of the taxpayers' money expended.

"In these trying times of re-emphasizing the importance of democratic ideals, democratic processes, and democratic institutions he should be basically and fundamentally sound in his Americanism and should be aggressively American.

"He should be a good public speaker.



*General director of the highly successful Second Annual Boys' State conducted at the University in August was Charles B. Memminger, '14, '33law, shown above with daughter Caroline*

He is expected to speak to various groups and organizations and on many different occasions. In fact, he is the chief public relations man of the University. It is imperative that he be able to make a good impression for himself and for the University. To do this, he must be an effective speaker.

"He should be deeply interested in public education, and in the youth of our land. He should be sympathetic with the problems of youth.

"He should believe in Oklahoma, and be able, by background and personality, to fit the temper of our people.

"He should be from forty to fifty-five years of age, and should have the customary college degrees required for the position.

"His wife should be sympathetic with his work as a university president; and she should be able to fit into the University atmosphere.

"He must be able to get along with the Oklahoma legislature. The University is a tax supported institution. The legislature makes the appropriation for its support and maintenance every two years. From time to time, he presents the needs of the University to the legislature. To serve the best interests of the University and the state, he must be able to make

a good impression on the members of the legislature and secure their friendly cooperation.

"Last, but certainly not least, he should be a Christian gentleman, believe in and live the principles of Christianity. Even some men who do not belong to any church have made that suggestion to me.

"All this is a large order. The board of regents may not be able to fill it exactly. Perhaps you would add still further requirements. If so, that makes the order even more difficult to fill. So, for the present, we are just where we started: 'Wanted! A University President.'"

## Summer Commencement

Members of the summer graduating class, gathered in the outdoor auditorium in early August to receive degrees, heard a forthright denunciation of the Nazi program as a serious menace to America's political and economic ideals.

Dr. James William Fulbright, young and energetic president of the University of Arkansas, startled speech-hardened reporters with the strength of his adjectives.

Said Dr. Fulbright, "between the whole German philosophy of lying, hate, fear and force, as a rule by which men must live, and the American conception of freedom of the individual and equal justice for all, there is an absolutely irreconcilable conflict."

"One source of strength in the Germans," he said, "is that they clearly recognize the incompatibility between political institutions of free men and their system of master and slaves. They are not troubled by any scruples as to motives or purposes. Their goal is simple—the total destruction of individual liberty with the Germans as the masters of all other men."

Asking his audience to consider whether our economic and political welfare is dependent upon the survival of the British empire and the British fleet, Dr. Fulbright proceeded to sketch what he believes would happen if Britain were defeated.

"I do not think that Hitler expects immediately to proceed to invade any country in the Western Hemisphere, because that is not necessary to accomplish his purposes. On the contrary, he will probably act as if he desires to co-operate and will pretend to arrange to purchase great quantities of raw materials. Then ... Mr. Hitler will politely, but with firmness, inform us that gold is no longer of use as a medium of exchange. ... With the first hesitation on our part, Mr. Hitler will either ask for a large loan of our gold with which to pay us, or he will denounce the plutocrats, as he has so often done, and bargain directly with Brazil, Chile, the Argentine, etc. The growth of trade relations, coupled with the already large German and Italian

populations, will make all of South America a pushover for the German Fifth Column. Within five years there undoubtedly will be little Fuehrers in every country below the equator. By using the enormous purchasing power of the whole of Europe, some four hundred million people, it will be a simple matter for Hitler to divide our western nations and then to absorb them into his economic system, just as he has done in Europe by force."

Dr. Fulbright's conclusion: that the continued existence of this country as a free, democratic nation, in which the individual counts for something, is directly dependent upon the survival of the British empire and the British fleet.

A total of 345 degrees were conferred at the summer commencement, as follows:

|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Arts and Sciences .....       | 58  |
| Business Administration ..... | 27  |
| Education .....               | 48  |
| Engineering .....             | 13  |
| Fine Arts .....               | 14  |
| Medicine .....                | 1   |
| Graduate .....                | 184 |

TOTAL 345

### Student Employment

This fall, as usual, University officials have had to spend a considerable amount of time trying to help students find part-time employment.

The situation has been confusing, for several reasons, and many alumni writing to friends on the campus for aid in finding work for a particularly worthy student have sometimes been disappointed by the lack of constructive response.

Only large source of employment on the campus is the National Youth Administration program, which last year provided jobs for more than six hundred students at O. U. This program is financed by the federal government, and must be handled as a separate program. Regulations for awarding NYA jobs are set by the government, and are designed to insure that the jobs go to students who (1) actually need financial assistance; (2) have proved by their scholastic records that they are worthy of a chance at higher education.

University officials who answer student job requests with a suggestion to file an application for an NYA job are not, therefore, just passing the buck. The NYA is usually the *only* suggestion to be offered.

The University has a limited amount of money to spend on student assistants, but most of these jobs require special training. In order to keep vital work going, it is essential that students with particular abilities and experience be found for most of these jobs.

Since department heads are responsible for the work of their departments, they are given the responsibility of selecting their student assistants. Naturally, they

## CAMPUS CALENDAR

- Sept. 4-8—Sorority Rush.
- Sept. 6-9—Fraternity Rush.
- Sept. 10—Freshman Week Meetings begin.
- Sept. 13-14—Registration of upperclassmen.
- Sept. 14—Registration of freshmen.
- Sept. 16—Classwork begins.
- Oct. 5—Sooner-Aggie football game.

keep looking ahead and usually have replacements in mind whenever a vacancy occurs.

The Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. and a few other agencies try to co-operate with new students seeking jobs other than on the NYA program or the state payroll.

The present setup is admittedly unsatisfactory for everyone concerned—job applicants, University officials, and alumni trying to help promising students to get placed.

Officials now are working on plans to establish a permanent, full-time student employment service that will centralize all the efforts now being made in this direction, and make it possible for a student seeking a job to deal with only one office instead of being shunted from one to another.

Time will be required to perfect this plan, but it probably will be in operation by next fall.

### Geology Tract Denied

Plans for a permanent summer geology school on the banks of Lake Murray, under the sponsorship of the University, have been stopped by a ruling of the state

attorney general who held that the state planning and resources board does not have authority to lease the desired tract to the University. He also ruled that the University could not construct buildings for the school unless the Legislature voted appropriations for the specific purpose.

Lake Murray State Park has a wealth of geological formations besides its attractive natural settings for a summer school. Advocates of the project are discussing plans for asking specific authority from the Legislature to establish school facilities in the park.

### Classical Museum

This fall will see the formal opening of a new museum on the University campus—a museum of classical antiquities. Dr. O. W. Reinmuth, professor of classical languages, has assembled more than 125 Greek, Roman and Egyptian items.

Most valuable piece in the collection is an Italian war helmet dating back to 215 B. C. It was found in Cannae, on the field where Hannibal once inflicted a severe defeat upon the Romans. Oldest piece in the museum is a spear head, attached to a wooden handle by rivets, which dates back to 2000-1650 B. C. The collection includes ancient jewelry, mirrors, glassware, and papyrus documents.

### Bank Director

President W. B. Bizzell has been appointed public interest director for the Federal Home Loan Bank of Topeka, Kansas, which serves thrift and home-financing institutions in Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado and Oklahoma. He will make monthly trips to Topeka to attend board meetings.

### Books

A valuable first edition set of Shakespeare's works with an account of his life and writings, as compiled by Nicholas Rowe, London, in 1809, has been given to the University Library by E. L. DeGolyer, '11, consulting geologist and oil man at Dallas, Texas.

The books, which are elaborately bound, will be kept in the Treasure Room, Librarian J. L. Rader announced. Mr. DeGolyer has one of the outstanding private libraries in the Southwest.

### August Session

While most persons were thinking of vacation in the hot days of August, 172 industrious individuals enrolled in the second term of the University's Summer Session. Only graduate work was offered in the special four-weeks term, with courses limited to English, education, history and social work.



Nancy Royal... Co-ed Editor

## Refund

The University of Oklahoma contributed \$85,615 to Gov. Leon C. Phillips' economy program by leaving untouched that much of its \$1,261,870 appropriation for the last fiscal year.

## Travel Expense Ruling

Although critical of certain items of travel expenses submitted for his consideration, State Attorney General Mac Q. Williamson has held that responsibility for authorizing travel claims of University of Oklahoma faculty members or officials rests with the Board of Regents.

"The question of whether the trips are necessary to accomplish the objects for which the University was established is primarily for the Board of Regents to determine," the opinion held.

## Anti-OYL

Nancy Royal, editor of the *Oklahoma Daily* during the summer and editor-elect for the fall semester, took a look at the Oklahoma Youth Legislature shortly before its Tulsa convention and decided that she wouldn't have any.

Said Miss Royal in her personal editorial column: "I am sorry that the University of Oklahoma is represented in the youth legislature, which by its past actions and rabid presentation of its objectives has proved itself incapable of intelligent thought."

"And," she added, "I intend to maintain my anti-OYL policy."

Miss Royal, quite independent in her editorial policies as are most of the *Daily* editors, shows signs of more maturity than the average in her viewpoints. One of her chief objections to the OYL was that she found more "blatant exhibitionism" than burning idealism among the members.

## Halliburton Fellow

Edwin Fast, honor graduate of Friends University in 1939, has been selected as first recipient of the Halliburton industrial research fellowship at the University of Oklahoma. A study will be made of spectrum analysis of brines and similar solutions, for correlation with underground structures. Dr. J. Rud Nielson, professor of theoretical physics at the University, and R. C. McReynolds, research chemist for the Halliburton Oil Well Cementing Company of Duncan, are in charge of the research project.

## Mrs. Carey Dies

Hundreds of University students have learned to know Mrs. H. H. Carey, operator of the "Carey house" at 767 Asp Avenue in Norman. Death claimed her this summer, after an illness with heart

disease. She was 81 years old, had lived in Norman thirty-five years.

## Americanism Taught

More than 250 boys and 129 girls operated model communities on the University campus during the first two weeks of August. The conclaves were the second annual Oklahoma Boys' State and the first annual Girls' State. They were sponsored by the American Legion and American Legion auxiliary in co-operation with the University.

During their respective weeks on the campus, the state high school students



Dr. C. C. Bush . . . Acting Dean

operated model city, county and state governments. They elected officials, made laws, and operated courts.

American Legion officials sponsor the sessions to instruct the delegates in Americanism.

The Union building was turned over to the citizens of the model states for use as their state capitol building.

Besides carrying out the duties of their make-believe state, the boys and girls studied the government of Oklahoma under the supervision of the University government faculty.

C. B. Memminger, '14, '33law, Atoka, former president of the Alumni Association, was director of Boys' State. Mrs. George Demke, El Reno, was director of Girls' State.

## Faculty

Faculty appointments and resignations involving more than a score of persons, many of them alumni of the University, were announced during the summer, subject to action of the Board of Regents at the September meeting of the board.

C. C. Bush, Jr., '23ba, '32ma, was ap-

pointed acting dean of men to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Dr. J. F. Findlay, who is now president of Drury College. Mr. Bush has been assistant professor of social sciences and director of the Remedial Program in the University since 1938. Mr. Bush has worked with Dean Findlay and is thoroughly familiar with the routine of the office and the program of the Independent Men's Association, which is sponsored by the dean's office.

Laurance S. Reid, who received a chemical engineering degree at Iowa State College in 1931, and received his M. S. in Petroleum Engineering from the University of Oklahoma in 1937, has been appointed associate professor of chemical engineering. This appointment fills a vacancy caused by the leave of absence granted John W. Donnell, professor of chemical engineering. Mr. Reid has been employed as petroleum engineer with Black, Sivalls and Bryson, Inc., Oklahoma City, for the last two years. He previously had worked as research chemist for the Phillips Petroleum Company, at Bartlesville; as refinery engineer for the Lion Oil Refining Company, El Dorado, Arkansas; production engineer for J. G. Thomas, Inc., at Kansas City, Missouri; and as sales engineer for Montrief and Montrief, Inc., Ft. Worth, Texas.

Dr. James K. Svendsen, who has a B. A. degree from the College of Charleston, Charleston, South Carolina, in 1934, and A. M. degree (with distinction) from the University of North Carolina, in 1935, and a Ph. D. in 1940, has been appointed assistant professor of English. He fills a vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. B. A. Botkin. Doctor Svendsen was instructor at the University of North Carolina for the last four years.

Dr. William Doyne Collings, who has been teaching and doing research work at Princeton University for the last two years, has been appointed assistant professor of psychology. His experience includes two years as assistant in zoology at DePauw University. His degrees are, an A. B. from DePauw University, 1935; A. M., Princeton, 1937; Ph. D., 1938.

A vacancy caused by the resignation of George Anson has been filled by the appointment of William Lytle Powell, Jr., as assistant professor of piano. Mr. Powell was assistant professor of piano at Texas State College for Women during 1937-38, and was professor of piano at the Hockaday Institute of Music, Dallas, Texas, during 1939-40. He has a B. M. degree from Baylor University, 1932. He studied with Tobias Matthay, London, England, during the period between 1933-36 and in 1938-39.

Capt. Robert S. Haggart, United States Navy, has been appointed professor of naval science and tactics to head the new Naval R. O. T. C. unit at the University.

(PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 27)

## Campus Review

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8)

Associated with him will be Lieutenant Commander John L. Brown, appointed associate professor of naval science and tactics; and Lieut. Alexander M. Kowalzyk, Jr., appointed assistant professor of naval science and tactics.

Six new appointments have been made to the military science faculty to replace regular army officers transferred to other duties. Appointed assistant professors of military science and tactics are: Major Dwight E. Aultman, II, of Oklahoma City; First Lieut. Bill J. Tutin, '35bus; First Lieut. Stuart Frederick Brady, '36eng; Second Lieut. Tom Perry Ewing, '38bus; Second Lieut. Dale Davis Desper, '39; Second Lieut. Jack G. Morgan, '39bus; and Capt. Clarence J. Kanaga, retired army officer.

Julius S. Miller, teaching fellow in physics at the University of Idaho for the last two years, has been appointed instructor in physics for half-time service. He has previously served as instructor in physics and mathematics at Cheshire Academy, Cheshire, Connecticut. His degrees are: an S. B., Boston University, 1932; A. M., 1933; M. S., University of Idaho, 1940.

Woodrow Paul Wentzy, graduate of South Dakota State College in 1938, has been appointed assistant in journalism. Since September, 1938, he has been printing and presswork instructor and pressman in the department of printing and rural journalism at South Dakota State College, and was sports correspondent for several large newspapers.

John F. Malone, graduate of the University of Oklahoma in 1937, has been appointed supervisor of lecture and entertainment activities in the Extension Division. Since his graduation he has been employed successively as assistant in the registry office at the University; superintendent of State-Wide Museum Service, Extension Division; and assistant national executive secretary of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, Atlanta, Georgia.

In connection with the reorganization of the Extension Division staff, R. Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37law, assistant director of the division, has been made director of University short courses.

Several resignations were received during the summer. George Anson resigned as associate professor of music, effective September 1.

Mrs. Mattie Cal Maxted, '22ba, '34ma, has resigned as instructor in social case work, Extension Class Work, in order to take a position as head of the Department of Social Work at the University of Arkansas.

Marie Banks, '33m.ed, has resigned as instructor in home economics to take a position with the State Department of Education in New York.

Miss Constance Payne, director of the residential halls and instructor in home economics, has resigned to become teacher of home economics at North Dakota State College, Fargo.

► Patricio Gimeno, member of the University faculty since 1911, died in August at his home in Oklahoma City, where he moved four years ago. He was 78 years old.

Born in Peru, of Spanish descent, he was educated in Spain and the family later settled in New York. He came to the University of Oklahoma as instructor in art in 1911, and two years later was appointed assistant professor of art and instructor in Italian. He was appointed professor of Spanish and Italian in 1917.

Mr. Gimeno was widely known for his portraits and landscapes. He painted every president of the University. Among his special interests were the Pan-American and Spanish clubs in the University. He wrote many articles for publication.

Survivors include his wife, one son, Harold Gimeno, '17b.m, '21b.a, and a daughter, Mrs. Leo Considine (Margarita Gimeno, '20f.a, '22b.a), all of Oklahoma City.

► Joseph R. Taylor, assistant professor of art, went to Peterborough, New Hampshire in late July to spend six weeks at the McDowell Colony. Mr. Taylor, a sculptor of wide reputation, was chosen by the Oklahoma City MacDowell Club for the visit to the art colony.

► Herbert B. Dwight, professor of engineering at the University from 1908 to 1916, died in July at Denver, Colorado at the age of 61. After leaving O. U. he was on the faculty of the University of Colorado and later became associated with a utility company in Denver.

► Stewart Harral, director of press relations and assistant professor of journalism, went to Palo Alto, California, in August to appear on the program of a two-weeks institute of public relations.

► Catherine Holman, instructor in English, is on leave of absence this year to attend Columbia University in New York City, where she will work toward a master's degree.

► B. S. "Cheebie" Graham, former Y. M. C. A. secretary at the University and manager of the Stadium-Union Campaign, was recently appointed manager for Hicks Flying Field at Ft. Worth, which is being rebuilt to train cadets in the national defense program.

► Lieut. Col. Edwin Richard Page, professor of electrical engineering, was ordered to report in July to the Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland for active army duty. He has been a member of the Officers Reserve Corps for many years.

► Rev. John B. Thompson, instructor in Old Testament in the Oklahoma School of Religion, has been elected chairman of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare.

IMAGE IS NOT AVAILABLE  
ONLINE DUE TO COPYRIGHT  
RESTRICTIONS.

A paper copy of this  
issue is available at  
call number LH 1 .06S6 in  
Bizzell Memorial Library.