

October 15 on "The Trend in Premedical Education." October 18 he went to Edmond for a meeting of the executive committee of the Oklahoma Academy of Science.

General Patterson attended the Diagnostic Clinic for Crippled Children of Jackson County at Altus October 16.

More patients were treated at the University and Crippled Children's Hospitals during 1940-41 than any previous year, a report by General Patterson shows. The report discloses that 6,775 persons were admitted to both hospitals; 61,838 persons were treated in the clinic; 1,259 babies were delivered; 4,802 operations were performed; and 137,059 days were charted for patients. Ninety-four percent of medical service is free.

University Hospital has been approved for graduate training in surgery by the American College of Surgeons.

Dr. Henry G. Bennett, Jr., graduate of John Hopkins University Medical School, Baltimore, Maryland, has been appointed assistant in gynecology on the visiting staff of the School of Medicine.



Travelog Sent Friends

After a visit to the San Blas Islands off the Panama coast last September, Mrs. Edward F. Durbeck, Jr. (Flora Belle Mitchell, '28ba) prepared an 8-page descriptive account of the trip and sent mimeographed copies to her friends.

Under the title *San Blas Odyssey*, Mrs. Durbeck tells in an interesting manner about the jungle scenery, the Indian inhabitants, their habits, customs and occupations. White visitors are not allowed to remain on the islands after dark, she reported, and only two white men now live there, a missionary and a retired Canal Zone employee.

Mrs. Durbeck noted in her short travelog the colorful (usually red and yellow) clothing worn, the use of coconuts as a medium of exchange, and the desirability of girls over boys because the husband goes to work for the girl's father after marriage. She found that the San Blas Indians were superstitious about having their pictures taken, wore lots of jewelry, including nose rings, and spoke a native language consisting of about 400 words.

The family moved to Diablo Heights, Panama Canal Zone, when Mr. Durbeck, '27eng, accepted a position as electrical engineer on a government project to build a third set of locks for the Panama Canal. They have three children, Frances Patricia, Edward F., III, and Sandra.

Introducing O.U.

A series of 30-minute programs called "Meet Your University" and designed to present a co-ordinated picture of all divisions of the University will be presented each week over O. U.'s radio station WNAD.

A committee of faculty members has been appointed by President Brandt to work with WNAD staff members in preparation of the program. Part of each program will be devoted to a discussion by the head and faculty members of each department, while the remainder will be a quiz session with students from the department asking questions of the faculty members.

Association Progress

NUMBER of living life members in the Alumni Association rose to a new high total of 576 last month as Executive Secretary Ted Beard announced the names of 11 new life members.

The new ones represent seven different graduating classes, and come from several states.

As a result of the addition of the names of T. O. Westhafer, '14ba, and Mrs. Addie Maloy Westhafer, '14ba, the Class of '14 rose from fifth to fourth place in the ranking of the various graduating classes in terms of percentage of life members. Mr. and Mrs. Westhafer live in Downer's Grove, Illinois, and Mr. Westhafer is associated with the Western Electric Company.

Another of the new life members is Don Emery, '20ba, '21law, vice president and general counsel of the Phillips Petroleum Company, Bartlesville.

From Baytown, Texas, came the life membership of Dr. Chancey H. Dolph, '22ba, '24bs.med, '26med, and from Houston, Texas, came the life membership of George D. Stevens, '21ba, geologist.

The new list includes a Sooner alumni couple, John V. McAlister, '35ba, and Mrs. McAlister (Dorothy Keefe, '35bus), of Oklahoma City. Mr. McAlister is executive secretary for the Oklahoma chapter of Associated General Contractors.

Other new life members:

E. Paul Harrison, '36eng, formerly with the Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company in Oklahoma City, now president of Velocity Steam, Inc., Chicago, Ill., a company he formed to handle a promising new invention he developed for more efficient use of steam in industry.

Travis I. Milsten, '22ba, attorney at Tulsa.

Granville Norris, '29ba, United States marshal at Muskogee.

Louis F. Booker, Jr., '34bus, accountant in Tulsa.

A life membership in the University of Oklahoma Alumni Association costs \$60, which may be paid at the rate of \$5 quarterly. The initial payment may be as little as \$5. The membership includes a life subscription to *Sooner Magazine*. In cases where both husband and wife attended O. U., a single \$60 payment makes both of them life members.

All money paid on life memberships goes into a permanent trust fund, only the interest being used for current expenses of the Alumni Association. Money paid on life memberships stays in the trust fund and works indefinitely for the interests of the University.

Life Membership Ranking

CLASS	RANK	NUMBER	PER CENT
1904	1	2	14.39
1912	2	17	13.82
1910	3	10	12.82
1914	4	21	12.65
1909	5	5	11.90
1908	6	6	11.32
1913	7	14	10.85
1911	8	8	9.64
1915	9	16	8.38
1916	10	18	8.26
1906	11	3	8.11
1907	12	3	7.14
1917	13	17	6.50
1920	14	25	6.46
1922	15	27	5.24
1905	16	1	5.21
1919	17	13	5.12
1918	18	9	3.95
1921	19	16	3.48
1924	20	24	3.43
1923	21	19	3.32
1926	22	20	2.83
1930	23	25	2.42
1928	24	18	2.12
1938	25	27	2.11
1937	26	25	2.05
1925	27	15	2.01
1934	28	21	1.97
1927	29	13	1.87
1929	30	18	1.75
1941	31	26	1.72
1933	32	14	1.27
1931	33	13	1.20
1932	34	13	1.15
1935	35	11	1.00
1939	36	12	0.85
1940	37	13	0.79
1936	38	9	0.75
Undergraduates		4	
Honorary		5	

TOTAL LIVING LIFE MEMBERS 576

New Council Member

S. T. Husky, '35eng, of Alva, has been appointed to represent the Class of '35 on the Advisory Council from Recent Classes which meets with the executive board of the Alumni Association to represent the younger alumni.

He was appointed to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Bruce Wiley, '35eng, Norman. Mr. Wiley became ineligible to serve on the board because of being appointed to the engineering faculty of the University.

Are You Listening?

Tribute to an outstanding University of Oklahoma alumnus is broadcast over the state each week when incidents in the life of the alumnus are dramatized during a 30-minute program over radio station WNAD, 640 on radio dials.

Sponsored by the Alumni Association, the program is broadcast from 5 to 5:30 p.m. every Wednesday. Script is prepared and presented by University drama students under the supervision of John Dunn, assistant professor of drama.