

*OBSERVING READERS*, if they have perused most of the magazine before turning to this jumping off place, might have noticed some changes. For one thing, there is more space devoted to campus news than has been customary in the past. And more space is devoted to personal items and short feature articles about alumni. Harold Keith has been invited to use additional space for his material on Sooner sports, and we hope that is what you found. This copy is being written before Keith could get around to his. He has been understandably busy trying to explain, in his sports dispatches, the highly varied ups and downs of the O. U. football team. The changes in the magazine are made in accordance with our conviction that campus news, alumni personal news and sports stuff are the three main items that interest our readers. Are we right? If not, you have an excellent excuse to write a letter to the editor.

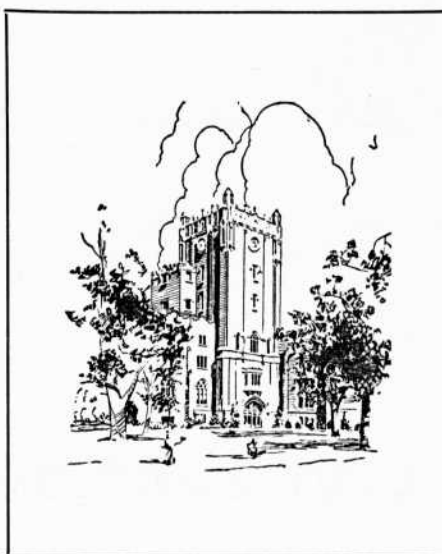
*WE FINALLY* managed to borrow a copy of that highly exclusive book from the Princeton University Press entitled *J A B*. According to the title page, it is "A Miscellaneous Collection of Oddments and Figments about *J A B*, including It's a Matter of Taste, or, The Making of an Author; Lovable Legree, Didactic, & Searsorrel, together with An Album of collotypes, & Sketches showing Joe at home and at play." The volume, is of course, a personal tribute to Joe Brandt upon the occasion of his leaving the Princeton Press to become president of O. U. It is hard to imagine whether Joe Brandt had more pleasure receiving the tribute than his Princeton associates derived in conceiving and producing the book. There's plenty of gleeful humor in it, some really clever art work, and a few serious thoughts in appreciation of Joe Brandt's remarkable abilities as a publisher. P. J. Conkright, '38ma, now art editor of the Princeton Press, designed the book. There were only 101 copies of the limited edition. If you know Joe Brandt personally, it will be worth your while to try to borrow a copy. We hasten to add that we have already returned the copy we borrowed, and President Brandt has only one copy for himself.

*WHEN WE* published a Business Administration alumni directory last August, the list included only persons who received degrees from that college. And so we failed to include the name of a former business student who lacked a year of getting his degree but who now holds a top flight position as an advertising executive. Benton Ferguson, '31ba, deserves the credit for not only telling us about the omission, but sup-

plying an article himself to correct it. It's the article on Lowry Crites that you will find in the Sooners at Home and Abroad department this month.

*DEFENSE EFFORTS* at Washington are requiring some trained leadership. A letter from the Office of Production Management announces that the Division of Civilian Supply of the Office of Production Management urgently needs men between the ages of 30 and 55 who can serve this division as industry specialists. The need is for graduate engineers and economists who have had substantial experience in the production and sales of commodities, machinery, and so on, and who have had public contact and can carry on liaison work in connection with national defense problems as they affect civilian supply. Salaries will be paid according to Civil Service Commission grading. If you think you are qualified, write to Norris B. Gaddess, acting executive officer, Division of Civilian Supply, Office of Production Management, Washington, D. C.

*MECHANICAL ENGINEERING* graduates of '41 seem to be about the best organized of any group within this class. They already are keeping the mail service busy corresponding with each other and making arrangements to get out a mimeographed class news letter containing a letter from each one of them. Jim Alan Wilson, 1817 North Young's Boulevard, Oklahoma City, is the class secretary who is handling the correspondence. And he gets our thanks for the numerous news items about '41 M.E. grads that you will find in Roll Call this month.



*TRYING TO* keep the far-flung advisory councils of the Alumni Association on a stable basis is giving Secretary Ted Beaird a lot of grief. The other day he wrote a letter to J. D. Macgregor, '41ms, appointing him on the council at Calgary, Canada. The letter arrived in Calgary the day before Macgregor departed for El Centro, Colombia, South America. These Sooners do get around. Macgregor, incidentally, reported that among the first people he met in the equatorial jungle oil field near El Centro were several O. U. graduates in petroleum engineering. The group managed to get—just barely—a radio broadcast of the Sooner-Santa Clara football game.

*ENGINEERS CAN BE* a little choosy these days, what with jobs available most anywhere. Jonas Byrd Milner, Jr., '41eng, writes that he has resigned from a position with the General Electric Company in Schenectady, New York, to become electrical engineer with the Dow Chemical Company in Houston, Texas. Reason for the change, he explained, is that "there are much prettier girls in Texas and Oklahoma than in New York."

*FROM THE* Canal Zone comes a communication from Lt. George T. Metcalf, '39bus, who says that *Sooner Magazine* is a welcome bit of mail in that far-off vicinity. He comments that he was quite surprised to be able to pick up the Texas-O. U. football game on his radio. "Boy, did that band sound good and the music familiar." At this point we can see Lieutenant Metcalf pondering deeply, and then deciding that he might as well face the facts. So he adds with admirable restraint, "Score not so hot."

*ONE REASON* for Oklahoma sentiment favoring a home-and-home basis for the Sooner-Texas football contract is a desire to eliminate the hectic weekend in Dallas which has become a pseudo campus tradition since the game has been played yearly in the Texas metropolis. Proponents of the home-and-home basis argue that this plan would eliminate the student migration with all its unwholesome influences. But you never can tell about student reactions. When the discussion was revived last month, the *Oklahoma Daily's* editorial slant on the proposal for a home-and-home basis was: "It will naturally cause a great deal of inconvenience, at first, to students at both schools. It would mean the trip would be a 500-mile jaunt each year instead of the 250 miles that separate both schools from Dallas."