

Riding the Sooner Range

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THIS "Hall of Fame," (or should it be as in the vernacular of JOHN DUNN, the radio magician of the School of Drama of the University of Oklahoma—"the Sooner Almanac") is *some* show! Via the ether, this well timed and well balanced Sooner Alumni production breezes out through WNAD over the world each Wednesday afternoon from 5:00 to 5:30 o'clock. Yes, JOHN DUNN, with all of his enthusiasm and vision of radio production, does a swell job in building up dramatic moments leading to Alumni climaxes! This work over WNAD (The Voice of Soonerland) takes the weekly spotlight and replaces our old Alumni broadcast from 12:00 to 12:15 noon, daily. Indeed, it is a novel manner in which we do a lot of Riding of the Sooner Range into the homes of Alumni scattered throughout the Southwest. In recent weeks we have dramatized and "given the works" to the following outstanding Alumni: E. E. DALE, '11ba; ROY HADSELL, '04ba; LEON C. "RED" PHILLIPS, '16law, and many other outstanding personalities. If you are interested in a little fancy Riding, we suggest that you join the parade and check 640 kilocycles on your radio each Wednesday afternoon. You'll be interested—yes, you will listen again!

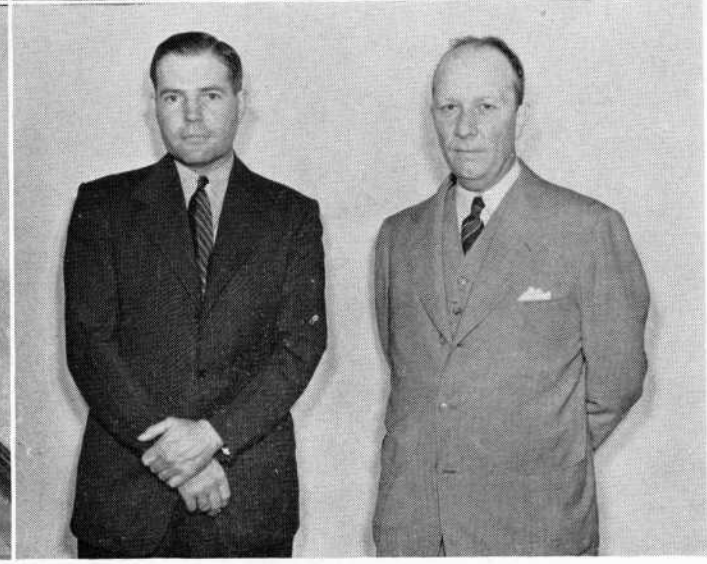
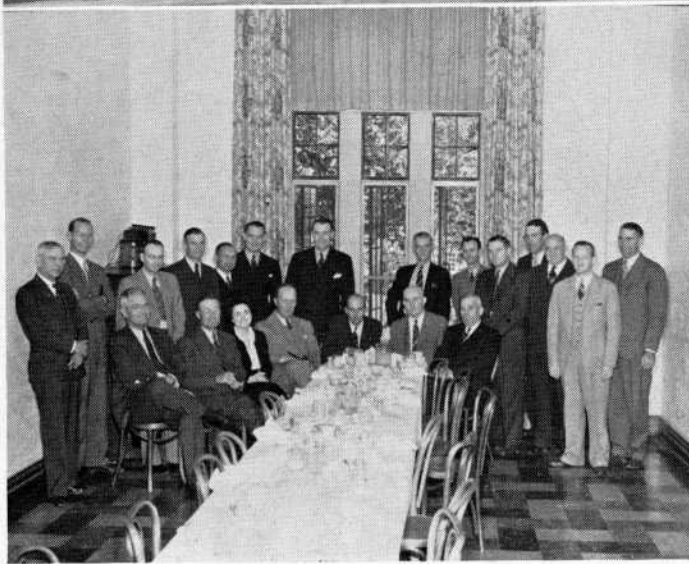
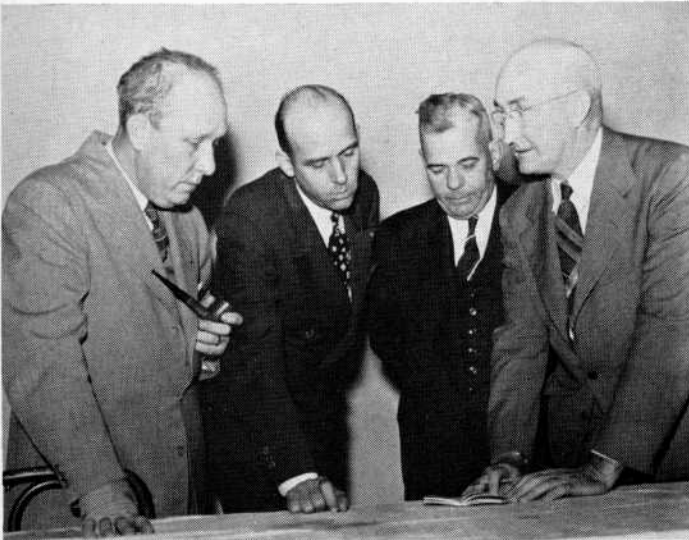
It's always an inspiration for the multitude of Sooners scattered throughout America who are interested in the liaison program of the organized Alumni to watch the enthusiasm displayed, and the execution of plays being perfected on the part of the officers in charge of the Oklahoma City O. U. Alumni Club, when they set the stage for the big annual event—the Homecoming dinner-dance on Friday evening before the Homecoming game in Norman the following day. KITTY SHANKLIN ROUNTREE, '23ba, the madam prexy of the Oklahoma City crew, plus her many efficient committee chairmen such as KERMIT HARDWICK, '29bus; VERNON COOK, '26law; LOUIS WOODRUFF, '33ba, '35law; LEWIS MORRIS, '15ba, '15ma, '17law, and far too many others to mention—they are all guiding the steam roller and pouring on the pressure to make this, the 1941 shindig, the outstanding party of parties as it has always been for you. A *flash* just now advises that they have secured our own MIKE MONRONEY, '24ba, (Congressman Mike to the multitude) who will fly in from the District, leaving the pressure of defense work and world problems in the Capitol City so he may do a little Range Riding himself in the Silver Glade Room of the Skirvin Tower Hotel in Oklahoma City, by acting as master of ceremonies on Friday evening, November 7. So, all and all, it will be a big night and an Oklahoma U. function that you will long remember!

It's not often that the sidelines yell to your hired hand, "Spur 'em deep cowboy." We did have those heckling sounds emanate from the sidelines, however, by many of the onlookers who were in the milling crowd prior to the Sooner-Aggie football fracas on Owen Field, Saturday, September 27. No, the Riding of the Range was not rough—indeed, it was a pleasure because we took under our wing the officers and executive board members of the Former Students' Association of the Oklahoma A. and M. College in our Alumni bread-breaking ceremonies in the Oklahoma Memorial Union Building! That annual luncheon with the officers and executive board members of O. U. and A. and M., meeting in joint session at the host institution, has become a tradition of the two schools. Indeed, it is an annual occasion when the executive directors of the two institutions adopt and execute the policies of their Alumni organizations, to compare notes and weigh in the balance the good and the bad in working toward a mutual co-operative program for the state citizenship at large. In 1941, as in prior years stacked on years, this mutual benefit festive board confab did indeed prove the melting pot of any animosities that may have existed in

fact or fancy between the two supporting institutions! This year's pre-season dope on two fine groups of young football players having built the athletic fan enthusiasm to fever heat, there was really a stimulation in the matters under consideration in that joint Sooner-Aggie Alum Board session. It was a pleasure to have as our special guests the following representatives of the Former Students' Association of the Oklahoma A. and M. College in the annual luncheon: GERALD B. DUNLAP, president of Former Students' Association, Stillwater; A. O. MARTIN, secretary of Former Students' Association, Chickasha; DR. OLIVER WILLHAM, member and assistant dean of agriculture, Oklahoma A. and M. College, Stillwater; J. W. NESBITT, member, Tulsa; ROY E. HAYMAN, past president, Oklahoma City; K. C. BENNETT, member, Wetumka; ROY W. HUFFINE, member, Ardmore; HAROLD "BEN" MATKIN, member, Tonkawa; W. A. HUBLER, member, Tulsa.

The Sooner Alumni officers and board members representing their 75,000 clients, scattered worldwide, who were hosts to the Aggie officers and board members of their Alumni organization that Saturday, September 27, occasion were: O. F. MULDROW, '22, O. U. Alumni President, Ardmore; W. MAX CHAMBERS, '21ba, '29ms, Vice Prexy, Okmulgee; FINLEY McLAURY, '16law, Snyder; E. H. BLACK, '19ba, Bristow; HICKS EPTON, '32law, immediate past-past Prexy, We-woka; CHARLES H. FAWKS, Jr., '19ba, Snyder; GEORGE D. HANN, '36m.ed, Ardmore; HIRAM IMPSON, '15ba, McAlester; LONNIE T. VANDERVEER, '39m.ed, Clinton; NEIL R. JOHNSON, '15ba, '17law, Norman; PAUL W. REED, '16, Sulphur; JAMES R. TOLBERT, Jr., '24law, Oklahoma City and J. BRUCE WILEY, '35eng, '41m.eng, Norman. Indeed, the Sooner Alumni crew accepted "without a quiver" the invitation from the Aggie Board to meet with them on the occasion in September, 1942, on the A. and M. campus—and we will be there!

In national alumni association work—more especially when seated around conference tables with workers representing colleges and universities throughout America—The American Alumni Council—we're often presented with the question, "What is this unique Alumni Advisory Council System that the Alumni Association of the Oklahoma University sponsors?" We are always particularly pleased to respond, "It is the life blood of our organization and is the tying link affording us the opportunity to accommodate graduates and former students of Oklahoma in the most remote spots of the world." In recent weeks many many new appointments have been made in the Advisory Council System of the O. U. Alumni organization. Not only in Oklahoma—in each of the additional 47 states, but to remote sections of foreign countries where loyal men and women (graduates of the University) have accepted the responsibility of being the representing officer of O. U. in their sections of the world. Indeed, it has been a pleasure for your officers who are solely responsible for the functioning of all these councils to deal one hour with some outstanding graduate in Berlin, Germany, and the next hour to be in touch with patriotic United States officers in the Philippines, while possibly a few minutes later we are jumping over into China, Japan, the Dutch East Indies or "flicking" to Cairo, Egypt, to advise on O. U. Alumni policies. All these contacts are established by cable, by air mail, special delivery letters—yes, even by telephone communication, in some instances, we have been in intimate touch with many of these O. U. Advisory Council Chairmen in all sections of the world carrying forward the work. There are many ways to Ride the Sooner Range, and this riding the trail via the ether, the world-wide system of communication, and by other methods, is



Good humor was plentiful as members of the governing boards of the O. U. and Oklahoma Aggie alumni associations met for luncheon in the Union on the day of the Sooner-Aggie game. Upper left picture shows, left to right, President O. F. Muldrow and Secretary Ted Beaird of the O. U. association, and President Gerald B. Dunlap and Secretary A. O. Martin of the Aggie association. Upper right shows three of the board members who attended both the University and A. and M.: George D. Hann, Lonnie Vanderveer and Harold Matkin. In the lower picture are President Muldrow of the O. U. board and Roy W. Huffine of the Aggie board who happen to work in the same office at Ardmore. And lower left, the entire luncheon group, Sooner board members on the left and Aggies on the right. The Sooners standing are Hiram Impson, Bruce Wiley, George D. Hann, Charles H. Fawks, E. H. Black, Lonnie Vanderveer, and Max Chambers, and seated, Bon Tolbert and Neil R. Johnson (Athletic Council representatives), Mrs. Jewell Risinger Ditmars, Muldrow and Beaird. In the Aggie group, Martin and Dunlap are seated at the table, and standing are: W. A. Hubler, Harold Matkin, Roy W. Huffine, K. C. Bennett, Roy E. Hayman, J. W. Nesbitt and Dr. Oliver Willham.

really a very interesting experience in gallopin' along. Within the past ten days and nights, by one form or another (or in some instances maybe both), we have been in touch with Sooners listed below who are our chairmen in the designated foreign city or foreign country immediately following their names. Try a little Range Riding of your own sometime and experience the pleasure it is to work with the graduates of the institution in which we are mutually interested and associated and you will readily realize why the 1,001 items of business that drift across the desk in the executive offices of an Alumni Association are the most fascinating and intriguing work one can be privileged to experience! So, to our foreign "far-away" O. U. grads—the chairmen of our councils in these world spots, we salute you and reintroduce you, via the written page in Riding the Sooner Range, to your friends and associates in other sections of the world:

- MRS. JENNIE ROBINETTE BASHIELIER, '33fa, Juneau, Alaska.
- MRS. MARGARET FALCONER BOSTROM, '21fa, Ketchikan, Alaska.

- NOEL C. ROSS, '34, Fairbanks, Alaska.
- MISS BYRDIE MAE McNEIL, '41ma, Wrangell, Alaska.
- ALEXANDER J. McCASKILL, '41eng, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.
- GERALD MORLEY HECHTER, '39eng, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.
- DR. GERALD L. MRAZ, '41med, Vancouver, B. C., Canada.
- SUBERT TURBYFILL, '26ba, '32ma, Balboa, Canal Zone.
- MRS. GERTRUDE HOWE MORSE, '19ba, Tibet, West China.
- TING YIH JU, '41eng, Chungking, China.
- MRS. BERTHA OURS DRAGER, '30ba, Saigon, French Indo China.
- A. ERVINE SWIFT, '35ba, Hankow, China.
- MRS. DOROTHY CANSLER GEIS, '32ba, Havana, Cuba.
- FLOYD M. AYERS, '29geol, Sumatra, Dutch East Indies.
- FRANCIS W. RINGER, '38eng, Aruba, Dutch West Indies.

- DR. J. J. B. SEBASTIAN, '36med, Yorkshire, England.
- MRS. ALGENE CHILES METZLER, '26ba, Paris, France.
- JACOB J. HERTZ, '00ba, Berlin, Germany.
- JAMES H. TABOR, '39law, Honolulu, Hawaii.
- DR. S. N. CHATTERJEE, '19med, Calcutta, India.
- MISS LOLA MABEL GREEN, '36m.ed, Sironcha, C. P., India.
- RICHARD HENRY BRAUER, '32m.ed, Travancore, S. India.
- MISS LAURA J. MAUK, '10ba, Tokyo, Japan.
- DR. HAROLD T. BAUGH, '30med, Andong, Korea.
- MISS BETTY KIRK, '29ba, Mexico City, Mexico.
- MANUEL G. CICERO, '27geol, Tampico, Mexico.
- JOSE J. SUAREZ, '41eng, Veracruz, Mexico.
- SENOR VICENTE R. FUENTES, '32eng, Monterrey, N. L., Mexico.
- FOAD ALI M. ASHRAF, '34eng, Iran, Persia.

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will direct all her energies in '42 towards wiping out the sting of this year's defeat.

The game eloquently illustrated the time and patience and infinite labor that goes into the establishment of a successful football dynasty. Bible is easily one of the nation's ten top-flight coaches. He has a wonderful set-up at Austin for attraction of crack high school players and he can use junior college players the first year they lug their grips to the Texas campus. Yet it has taken him five long years to develop the formidable Texas machine of 1941.

During his five-year stay at Austin, Bible's Texans have won 19 games while losing 20, an average of .487. That means that Bible still hasn't won half his games. In 1938 and 1939 his Texas teams lost ten games in a row and once were drubbed 42 to 6 by Arkansas, yet their morale wasn't broken and they eventually mastered the Bible system that produced the great Texas team that defeated Oklahoma so convincingly at Dallas.

Bible's complete record as the Texas coach follows:

YEAR	W	L	T	PTS.	OPP. PTS.
1937	2	6	1	60	103
1938	1	8	0	54	162
1939	5	4	0	106	125
1940	8	2	0	146	77
1941	3	0	0	108	6
totals	19	20	1	474	473

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JOSEPH T. KENDRICK, JR., '40, Managua, D. M., Nicaragua.

L. CLIF JOSEPH, '27ba, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

JAMES ROY MAXEY, '32ms, Ploesti (Telejan) Roumania.

MRS. ALICE MARCH YEATON, '32fa, Moscow, Russia.

A. H. RICHARDS, '24geol, Mendoza, Argentina.

JAMES GEORGE STEPHENS, '34eng, Peru.

HARVEY E. LOOMIS, '16ba, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

CHARLES A. LONG, '05bs, Brazil.

JAMES A. JONES, '30 ma, Colombia.

DR. VIRGIL F. DOUGHERTY, '20ba, '24med, Nasir, Sudan.

WOODROW HUDDLESTON, '39eng, Barcelona, Venezuela.

WILLIAM E. BEATY, JR., '37bus, Caripito, Venezuela.

EARL T. WARREN, '36ba, '38law, Caracas, Venezuela.

HAROLD L. PATTERSON, '23eng, Maracaibo, Venezuela.

CAPT. CLIFF C. HINES, '34, Fort Stotsenburg, Philippine Islands.

DANIEL S. BOMSON, '35bs, Glasgow, Scotland.

And now since we have taken you on a world tour and you have still not moved from your comfortably inclined reading chair, may we remind you that Houston is calling and the big annual Longhorn get-togethers are about ready to be staged. So Jack Baer, '40, the boy orator of the Athletic Department who is really a Walter Winchell in explaining football plays as they appear in motion on the screen, will, in a few minutes, join your hired hand. And if the air lines from Oklahoma City via Fort Worth, Dallas and on to Houston and return remain *open*, together we will do our best to take care of the annual Houston rally—open and close the annual breakfast at Dallas—and, indeed, skin the Texas Longhorns (if we have our way) as together we do a little prospecting while Riding the Sooner Range.