

Campus Review

The President

Joseph A. Brandt, '21ba, who left the O. U. Campus in 1938 to become director of the Princeton University Press, walked into the Administration Building on the morning of August 11, hung up his hat and coat, and began his duties as seventh president of the University of Oklahoma.

Planning to "carry the yoke on my own shoulders" during the first year, he plunged into a heavy series of conferences with the objective of becoming acquainted with the operation of every division of the University. Later, after facing all the problems himself for a year, he hopes to have two or more vice presidents to whom fields of responsibility can be delegated.

Out of his first press conference, and a number of later interviews, these interesting items developed:

► One of his first steps was to have a typewriter attached to the president's desk. Accustomed, both as a newspaper executive and a book publisher, to putting down his thoughts with a typewriter, he expects to continue this practice.

► The new president wants to get well acquainted with his faculty—to understand their problems and their viewpoints. He expects to talk to every one of them personally some time during the first year. The youngest faculty members, farthest down in the ranks, will be encouraged to feel that there is no difficulty about getting his ideas or suggestions directly to the president.

► Democracy in both practice and principle is a keynote of the new administration. President Brandt suggests that the practice of "doctoring" faculty members who hold Ph. D. or Ed. D. degrees be eliminated; that "Mr." is in much better taste.

► Holding that faculty members should regard their students as individual human beings and not just lecture audiences, President Brandt plans to encourage more personal contacts between students and professors. New faculty members, as they are employed, will be told that they are expected to invite students into their homes from time to time as part of their duty to the University.

► Because of the abnormally heavy teaching load the University has had in recent years, the new president will shed no tears if enrolment should decline substantially.



President Joseph A. Brandt and Mrs. Brandt at the entrance of the president's home.

With 7,000 students, the money has to be spread too thin. Present facilities and budgets are, he believes, sufficient to give thoroughly adequate college education to about half as many students as were enrolled last year.

► This year, for the first time, new students will hold the spotlight. For the annual fall convocation, President Brandt plans a matriculation ceremony in which freshmen will march in and take seats of honor. Freshmen will be presented certificates attesting to their matriculation in the University of Oklahoma. This recognition is expected to dignify their arrival on the campus, give them a new appreciation of what the University is, and perhaps generate a new kind of class spirit.

► Swamped by requests to speak before alumni groups and other gatherings over the state, President Brandt turned them aside with the explanation that, for the present, he believes it his duty to stay close to his office and work on the problems arising on the campus. He hopes to reach much of the public from time to time by regular appearances over the University radio station WNAD.

► Alumni leaders, in their first contacts

with fellow-alumnus Brandt as president of the University, were enthusiastic about his courage, his energetic attitude toward difficult problems, his vision of the future usefulness of the University, and his straightforward, down-to-earth way of studying a question and seeking the best answer.

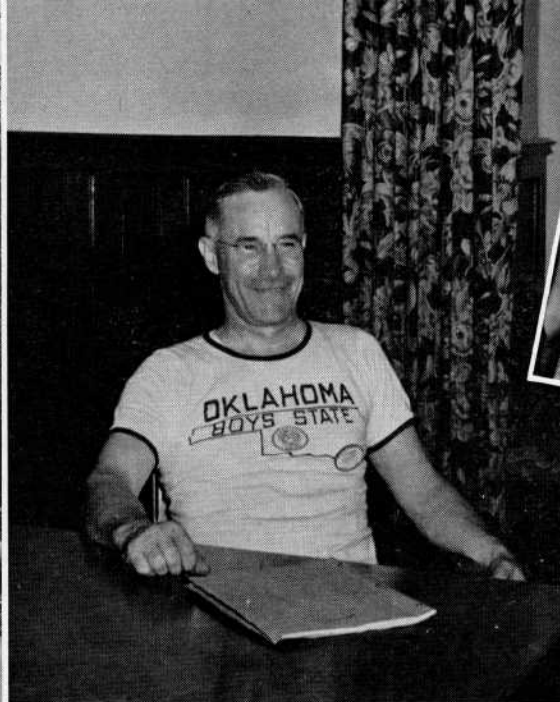
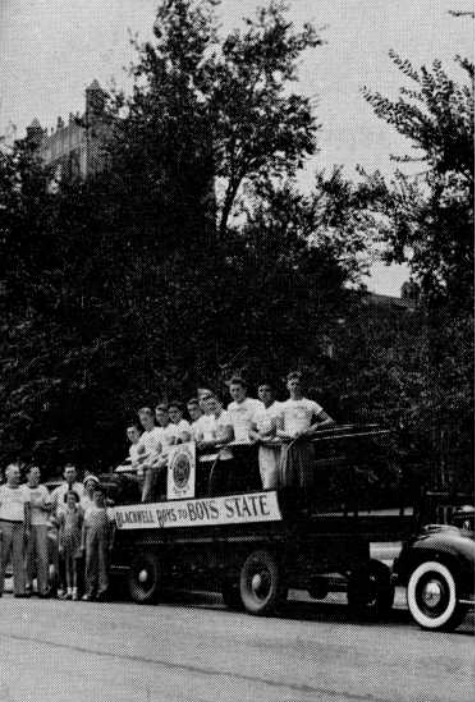
The Regents

In preparation for the University's 50th school year, the Board of Regents held two meetings on the campus during the summer to approve budgets for the year and make faculty adjustments.

On July 1 and 2, the regents convened in a long two-day session to approve and distribute among various departments the \$1,306,000 budget allotted to the University proper and a \$502,000 budget appropriated for the University Medical School and allied hospitals.

Promotions in rank were given 31 faculty members, but few received salary increases. Several salary adjustments were made, Emil R. Kraettli, secretary of the University, said.

Teachers who were raised in rank on the University faculty are the following:



Boys' State and Girls' State enlivened August on the campus. Left, the big trailer that brought a delegation of boys from Blackwell. Center, C. B. Memminger, '14ba, '33law, Atoka attorney who directed Boys' State. Above, Mrs Edward M. Box, Oklahoma City (second from left) who supervised Girls' State, confers with some of the officials elected by the girls.

Leonard Good, '27fa, assistant professor to associate professor of art.

William H. Smith, assistant professor to associate professor of art.

Orie J. Eigsti, assistant professor to associate professor of botany.

Glenn C. Couch, '31bs, '37ms, instructor to assistant professor of botany.

Thomas Z. Wright, '29bus, '34law, assistant professor to associate professor of law.

James E. Belcher, '22ba, '24ma, assistant professor to associate professor of chemistry.

Kenneth E. Crook, '25chem, '26ms, assistant professor to associate professor of chemistry.

Mrs. Mary Ellen West, '33ba, '35ma, assistant to instructor in classical languages.

Charles Elson, assistant professor to associate professor of drama.

Robert A. Hardin, assistant professor to associate professor of industrial education.

Edgar E. Ambrosius, associate professor to professor of mechanical engineering.

Eugene F. Dawson, associate professor to professor of mechanical engineering.

Laurence H. Cherry, instructor to assistant professor of mechanical engineering.

William A. Tiffin, instructor to assistant professor of mechanical engineering.

Glenn M. Stearns, '36eng, assistant professor to associate professor of Petroleum engineering.

Edward Murray Clark, '33ma, '41ph.d, instructor to assistant professor of English.

Allen Belden, instructor to assistant professor of geography.

H. Vern Thornton, '22ba, '29ma, associate professor to professor of government.

Oliver E. Benson, '32ba, '33ma, assistant professor to associate professor of government.

L. A. Doran, assistant professor to associate professor of government.

Charles H. Brown, '33ba, '34ma, assistant to instructor in journalism.

Stewart Harral, '36ma, assistant professor to associate professor of journalism.

C. E. Springer, '25ba, '26ma, associate professor to professor of mathematics.

Spencer H. Norton, '28ba, associate professor to professor of music.

Arthur T. Meyer, instructor to assistant professor of music.

Leonard H. Haug, instructor to assistant professor of music education.

Ralph Bienfang, associate professor to professor of pharmacognosy.

Mrs. Leena J. McArthur, '32ba, assistant to instructor in bacteriology and pharmacology.

Ima James, associate professor to professor of physical education.

Harvey C. Roys, assistant professor to associate professor of physics.

Charles A. Whitmer, assistant professor to associate professor of physics.

The second summer meeting of the regents, held July 26, was called by William B. Bizzell in order to wind up several University matters before his retirement as president became effective August 1.

Truman Pouncey, reporter and photographer on the *Dallas Morning News*, was appointed to succeed Albert A. Sutton, journalism teacher who resigned to accept a faculty position at the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

Among the resignations accepted by the regents at this meeting were those of O. W. Reinmuth, head of the department of classical languages, who has accepted the position of senior professor in the classical languages department at the University of Texas, Austin, and Mrs. Annice Ashton Barnes, home economics instructor, who has been appointed head of the department of home economics at Oklahoma College for Women, Chickasha.

Learning Government

In order to learn how state governmental procedure actually works, 317 boys and 200 girls from every part of Oklahoma convened on the University of Oklahoma campus during August for the Boys' State and Girls' State.

The week-long meeting of Boys' State, held from August 7 through 14, was directed by C. B. Memminger, '14ba, '33 law, Atoka. Girls' State, which took place the following week, was supervised by Mrs. Edward M. Box, Oklahoma City. Members of the University's government faculty helped conduct the programs.

Elected governors at the respective meetings were Webb Howard, Miami,

and Sue Thompson, Ada. Sponsors are the State American Legion and the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion.

Mineral Display

An exhibit of articles produced from Oklahoma resources has been prepared by the Oklahoma Geological Survey to show state folk what can be done with the materials at hand.

Robert H. Dott, survey director, plans to add to and enlarge the exhibit from time to time. After it is displayed at the Oklahoma State Fair this fall, the exhibit will be shown in larger state towns and cities.

A portion of the exhibit is devoted to rock wool, a building material made from native lime. Oklahoma-produced rock wool is a direct result of research work done by the survey several years ago.

Freight Rate Fight

President Joseph A. Brandt and Findley Weaver, University business professor, are co-operating with representatives from Oklahoma A. and M. College, Oklahoma shippers' groups and state chambers of commerce in a fight for lower freight rates for Oklahoma.

Spearhead in the battle against alleged discriminatory rates is the Oklahoma Corporation Commission. First hearing with members of the Interstate Commerce Commission was held in St. Louis, Missouri, and a second will take place this fall.

Big Band Concert

Highlight of summer session music programs held at the University this year was the ninth annual massed band concert held in the outdoor auditorium on the campus, with members of high school bands from all over the state taking part.

Guest conductors for the evening rep-

resented several state high schools and included James Walker, '36fa, Norman High School, and E. B. Moore, '37fa, '38 m.ed, Edmond High School.

August Term

Approximately 175 students were enrolled in the August term at the University, which is devoted mainly to graduate study and seminars. Classes began August 6 and convocation was held August 29.

Mineral Magazine

A small monthly magazine, containing condensations of reports on mineral industries and newsy items of general interest, has been started by the Oklahoma Geological Survey at the University.

Called *The Hopper*, the publication was conceived by J. O. Beach, survey secretary. The magazine is sent free of charge to all persons who wish to be on the mailing list. Paging is continuous for each volume, and at the end of the year, an index for the entire volume will be issued.

Summer Session

The 32nd annual summer convocation service at the University was held August 5 for awarding of degrees to 326 students. Degrees were conferred by Dr. William B. Bizzell, president emeritus, in the absence of President Brandt.

Principal speaker was James Zimmerman, president of the University of New Mexico, who talked on the subject, "Our International Ideals in 1941." Dr. Clusor Q. Smith, president of Oklahoma City University, spoke at baccalaureate exercises held August 3.

Historical Photos

A series of documentary natural color photographs of some 250 historical spots in Oklahoma has been made by the WPA Statewide Museum Project at the University under the direction of Thurman White, '41ms, for use in state schools.

The pictures will be turned over to the University Extension Division and will be available to state schools for use in history classes or in illustrated lectures. Most of the photographs were taken by Director White and Photographer Harold Tacker on trips to visit the 48 school museums included in the WPA project.

Subjects of the pictures are early-day buildings still standing, places where prominent Oklahomans are buried, and sites of major occurrences in Oklahoma history.

Recreation Plans

To furnish inexpensive entertainment for all types of students and to keep students on the campus and away from honky-tonks are the aims of a recreation program planned for the school year 1941-42 by Virginia Reinecke, director of Union activities.



Travelers passing through Norman on Highway 77 or on the Santa Fe railroad will no longer be in any doubt about the identity of the University of Oklahoma. During the summer the Norman Chamber of Commerce sponsored the painting of the above sign, 400 feet long and 20 feet high, on the east side of Memorial Stadium.

In addition to continuing a regular series of dances, music hours and exhibits, Miss Reinecke hopes to add a series of old-time movies, community sings, square dances, hobby meetings and matinee dancing which will make for more varied entertainment.

For co-eds who wish to co-operate with the national defense program, the recreation director is planning courses in First Aid training and map-reading, and a Knit-Wits group.

Fourth Annual Institute

Perhaps the outstanding feature of the 1941 summer session at the University was the Fourth Annual Oklahoma Institute of International Relations. These annual institutes were started in 1938, but the 1941 session was the most successful of the four that have been held. Particularly gratifying was the co-operation of various state groups in making the institute a success.

The theme of the institute was the "Defense of the Americas." This theme was developed in six popular evening lectures, from June 15 to June 20. Beginning on June 16 and running to June 21 a roundtable was held on each morning. At the roundtable opportunity was afforded those in attendance to discuss in the most intimate manner with the speaker of the preceding evening the topic under discussion. Supplementing the topic of the popular lecture was the more technical seminar held each afternoon. The 1941

session had larger evening meetings than those of earlier years, the roundtables had their usual attendance, but participation of the group showed marked improvement over the earlier years. The seminars were the surprise of the institute. Here the attendance was much larger than in any previous year, interest and participation was much better.

In all, fifteen different persons appeared on the institute program. They were Rabbi Morris S. Lazaron, Sir Norman Angell, John F. Normano, Brooks Emery, A. R. M. Lower, Harold Sprout, Margaret Sprout, Howard O. Eaton, Stuart R. Tompkins, Ronald B. Shuman, Cortez A. M. Ewing, Charles M. Perry, A. B. Adams, Antonio de la Torre, and Royden Dangerfield. Eight of the fifteen were brought to the campus to appear on the program, the remaining seven are members of the University of Oklahoma faculty.

Financing the 1941 institute became a co-operative project. In addition to the funds provided by the University, the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace granted an award of \$500 and the Rotary clubs of District 124, Rotary International (73 clubs), made substantial contributions toward the financing of the institute. A number of contributions by private persons aided materially and made the institute a statewide project.

The League of Women Voters made the institute a part of its summer project. The league and the Rotary clubs sent delegates to attend many of the sessions. Various local leagues made the subject matter of the institute a part of their official study program and a special bibliography was prepared for them.

The Oklahoma Institute of International Relations is not intended to be a conference of experts. The purpose is to bring to the University campus experts for the purpose of aiding summer school students and the citizens of Oklahoma to educate themselves in the field of international politics. It is an adult education project in which all participate. The experts are here to guide the discussion rather than to confer with one another. This project has demonstrated the pos-

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CAMPUS CALENDAR

- September 3-7—Sorority rush period.
- September 5-8—Fraternity rush period.
- September 9—Beginning of Freshman week.
- September 9, 10—Placement tests for freshmen and new students.
- September 11—Consultation of freshmen with advisers.
- September 12, 13—Registration of upperclassmen.
- September 13—Registration of freshmen.
- September 15—Classwork begins.
- September 23—Matriculation ceremony and president's address, 9 a.m., Fieldhouse.
- September 27—Sooner - Aggie football game, Memorial Stadium.
- October 4—Freshman - Varsity football game, Memorial Stadium, Norman.

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sibilities in adult education and in the fourth annual institute the practical methodology has been developed.

Broadcasting of institute sessions over WNAD greatly expanded the audiences this year.

The institute program has been strong from the start because the project is an all-University one. The committee in charge represents the University in practically all of its branches and is not limited to membership to one or two departments. The committee this year was composed of Cortez A. M. Ewing, chairman; R. Boyd Gunning, secretary; R. J. Dangerfield, H. C. Peterson, Savoie Lottinville, S. W. Swenson, Lt. Col. Paul V. Kane, S. R. Tompkins, Howard O. Eaton, Oliver Benson, Ronald B. Shuman, Leonard Logan, and H. H. Herbert.

Airport Funds Secured

Culminating three years of hopes and plans for a complete, modern airport at the University of Oklahoma, development of the Max Westheimer Flying Field northwest of Norman is now assured with word from Washington, D. C., that federal funds will be available for the \$232,468 project.

Since November, 1940, University officials have kept in close communication with the Works Progress Administration and the Civil Aeronautics Authority at the national capital, endeavoring to secure \$104,000 of the funds allocated by the government to WPA for national defense purposes.

After the City of Norman approved a \$20,000 bond issue in July, 1941, to help the University provide the sponsor's share needed to match a federal grant, the flying field seemed to be well on its way toward development. Then in August, word was received from Washington that the government could not provide the money.

Those who had worked with the project—M. L. Wardell, co-ordinator of University-sponsored WPA projects; Walter Kraft, head of the O. U. department of utilities; and Ted Beaird, executive secretary of the Alumni Association—contacted Josh Lee, United States Senator, and Mike Monroney, representative from the Fifth District, and told them of the almost hopeless situation.

In late August Senator Lee kept telephone wires busy between Norman and Washington, and finally obtained confirmation that \$104,000 would be made available.

Twenty-four pages of blueprints already have been drawn up by Mr. Kraft and site for the flying field has been available since August, 1940, when Walter Neustadt, Ardmore oil man, bought the land

as a memorial to his father-in-law and former partner, Max Westheimer.

Actual work to develop the field is expected to begin the last part of September and will take approximately five months. Declared by the U. S. War Department to be of military necessity, the field will meet the Class 3 airport requirements of the Civil Aeronautics Authority.

The flying field will be a training ground for students enrolled in the Civilian Pilot Training program and will provide a base where pilots can be stationed by the federal government for national defense purposes.

In addition, R. V. James, director of the University's CPT program, believes that O. U. will be approved for a course in cross-country flying, an advanced course which follows primary and secondary training. The importance of the flying field to the University is indicated by Mr. Wardell in the statement "There is no university which has an airport that will be equal to this one when it is developed according to the present plan."

Faculty

A newsreel short of Ralph Bienfang, University pharmacy professor, who has a collection of approximately 400 scents, has been made by Universal Newsreel, New York City. The film will depict the method by which Professor Bienfang preserves odors on pieces of paper through a special process which he has developed. It will be released at an early date.

► Miss Virginia Elizabeth Goodman, Gladstone, Michigan, and William D. Collings, assistant professor of physics at the University, were married June 14 at the bride's home. Mrs. Collings is a graduate of a Michigan teachers' college and has taught English and music for several years. Mr. Collings is a graduate of DePauw University and Princeton University. The couple live at 427 College Avenue in Norman.

► Oren F. Evans, University geology professor, continued his study of ripple marks this summer at Lake Michigan on a grant from the American Philosophical Society. Mr. Evans' work is expected to aid the oil industries as ripple marks help determine old shorelines and the character and origin of sedimentary rocks under which nearly all oil reservoirs are found.

► Dorothy Kirk, '23fa, University art instructor, has been given a leave of absence to study this year in Mexico City where her sister, Betty, '29ba, is correspondent for the *Christian Science Monitor* and other newspapers.

► In order to observe cacti and other desert plants, George L. Cross, head of the University botany department, went to Arizona early in the summer with several

friends. Besides taking color pictures of the scenery, he visited Carlsbad Cavern, Grand Canyon of Colorado and the Petrified Forest.

► Miss Larene Wilcox, a senior in the University, and Edward Thayer Curry, assistant professor of speech, were married June 19 in Norman. Mrs. Curry, a member of Chi Omega sorority, has lived in Maracaibo, Venezuela, several years. A graduate of Iowa State College, Mr. Curry is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Chi fraternity, and Sigma Xi, national scientific research fraternity. The couple live at 512½ South University Boulevard in Norman.

► Maj. James V. Carroll, formerly stationed with the Reserve Officers' Training Corps at the University, has been ordered to active duty in Hawaii. He was in the 349 Field Artillery at Fort Sill.

► R. L. Huntington, '17ba, director of the School of Chemical Engineering at the University, was present at the recent laying of the cornerstone of the new Petroleum Engineering building at the University of Texas.

► Frances Hunt, '29journ, who resigned last June as instructor in journalism at the University, is a writer in the informational division of the Farm Security Administration in Washington, D. C.

► Findley Weaver, director of the University's Bureau of Business Research, was one of the state economists selected to aid members of the railroad rate department of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission in a fight against discriminatory freight rates in this section of the country.

► F. Lyman Tibbits, '16ba, '19ma, special instructor in extension education at the University, taught during the summer at Texas A. and M. College.

► Stewart Harral, '36ma, director of University press relations, spoke in August at the annual meeting of the American College Publicity Association held in Berkeley, California.

► R. V. James, '18eng, head of the department of mechanics, was one of the speakers this summer at a meeting of the Society for the Promotion of Engineering Education held in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

► Dr. W. A. Fowler, director of the University Student Health Service, studied during the summer at the University of Minnesota and the University of Wisconsin.

► Rose Leske, '21ba, will serve this year as president of the Faculty Women's Organization at the University. Hedwig Schaefer, '18ba, is first vice president.

► Donald K. Coles, former physics instructor at the University, has accepted a position in the research laboratories of the Westinghouse Electric Company in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

► Judges for the annual yearbook con-

test of state high schools included Grace Ray, '20ba, '23ma, and Charles H. Brown, '33ba, '34ma, University journalism teachers.

► Cheebie Graham, '24, former Y. M. C. A. secretary and manager of the Stadium-Union campaign has moved to Bonham, Texas, to establish a primary air school there.

► Gilbert Harold, acting head of the department of finance, taught a special course on investments during August at Northwestern University in Chicago, Illinois.

► William H. Carson, dean of the University's College of Engineering, worked during the summer as district OPM manager in Oklahoma City for the national defense contract service. Dean Carson helped supervise the co-ordination of state industries vital in the production of defense equipment for the army and navy.

► Leonard M. Logan, '14ba, University sociology professor, has been given a year's leave of absence from the faculty to accept the appointment as assistant regional director for the Federal Security Agency, with headquarters in Kansas City, Missouri. Mr. Logan will travel in four states, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri and Kansas, to co-ordinate fields of activity which affect national defense, including health, recreation and nutrition.

► Joseph Marshburn, University English professor, has been elected governor for this year of the Oklahoma Lions Clubs, known as District 3-A of Lions.

► George A. Van Lear, Jr., University professor of physics, was consultant during the summer for Signal Service Corporation in Elizabeth, New Jersey.

► Henry L. Kamphoefner, associate professor of architecture at the University, worked during the summer for the Bureau of Yards and Docks of the U. S. Navy Department in Washington, D. C.

► Capt. C. J. Kanaga, teacher of military science at the University, has been promoted to the rank of major.

► Arthur Hemmendinger, University physics professor, has been called into active duty in the Naval Ordnance laboratory at Washington, D. C., where he will study means of protecting ships from sea mines.

► L. B. Hoisington, head of the department of psychology, and Mrs. Hoisington have received word of the birth of a grandson, Winford Louis Hoisington, in Hawthorne, California. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hoisington.

► Brig. Gen. Harry J. Malony, former commandant of the R. O. T. C., unit at the University, has been assigned to duty with the general staff corps, with headquarters at the Army War College in Washington, D. C.

► A. O. Weese, professor of zoology in the University, taught during the summer at the Rocky Mountain Biological laboratory at Crested Butte, Colorado.

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who knew of *Books Abroad* in happier days before it began to touch upon "the bitter bread of exile," for *Books Abroad* is an unofficial ambassador in Europe, creating intellectual good will and understanding wherever it is read.

Local residents returning from travels on the continent have said that whenever, in their journeys, they encountered a foreigner who had heard of the University of Oklahoma, they generally found that the long-distance acquaintance was based upon one of three things: the mathematical ingenuity of Russian-born N. A. Court, the supremacy of the Oklahoma School of Petroleum Engineering, or the literary prestige of *Books Abroad*.

Once President-Emeritus Bizzell, vacationing in Leipzig, strolled into a central reference center operated by the German publishers union. Expecting to see displays of nothing more than Germany's highly nationalistic literary works, Mr. Bizzell agreeably found himself standing eye-to-eye with an elaborate display of *Books Abroad*, his own University's publication in which he had taken an active interest since its inception.

And another time Bishop Francis C. Kelley of Oklahoma City found that delegates to a Catholic conclave in Rome spoke both often and highly of Oklahoma's review quarterly—much more often, as a matter of fact, than was customary in Oklahoma, the bishop reported.

Books Abroad is by no means unappreciated in its homeland, however. Commercial publishers and critics have high regard for the Sooner publication, and all college and public libraries of any pretension include it in their periodical list. A recent cash gift from the Oberlander Foundation of Philadelphia provided for subscriptions to the quarterly for libraries financially unable to secure it regularly.

Although *Books Abroad* was distributed free for some time after its original Vol. 1, No. 1 was released back in 1927, it was found that if it were to operate on anything approaching an efficient commercial basis, a subscription charge would be necessary. At first one dollar was levied and later, after readers had schooled themselves to absorb the shock of an increased price, a charge of two dollars per year was announced, a charge still maintained despite circulation hazards brought on by continued war in Europe and the Far East.

With its Winter, 1941, issue, *Books Abroad* came out in new format to celebrate its fifteenth birthday, flaunting a brighter, glossier cover and a streamlined mood of progress throughout. The editors made what they termed a "low bow to the past," and selected a new and more modern typeface for body material.

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