# SOONER MAGAZINE

# **Campus Review**

**R** ECOGNIZING the University's serious financial plight, the Eighteenth Legislature just before its adjournment in late May granted funds for a \$407,500 research laboratory building, and approximately \$100,000 a year more for general operation than was granted by the previous legislature. The general financial picture for the biennium beginning July 1, 1941, is as follows:

(1) Appropriation of \$1,368,716 the first year and \$1,359,652 the second year for general operation, which compares with \$1,-261,870 appropriated for each year of the present biennium.

(2) Of the increased funds for general operation, about \$70,000 per year will be added to the salary budget and the remainder to maintenance.

(3) A total of \$407,600 is appropriated for the research laboratory facilities advocated by President-Elect Joseph A. Brandt and various members of the University staff.

(4) Appropriation for the Oklahoma Geological Survey was increased approximately \$20,000 each year, to totals of \$41,250 the first year and \$39,250 the second year, in recognition of the importance of locating and surveying the state's natural resources that are suitable for industrial development.

(5) WNAD, the University radio station, received \$10,000 for new antenna equipment that will provide statewide broadcasting range.

(6) A total of \$40,000 was appropriated to match NYA funds for building of lowcost student housing close to the University on a co-operative basis.

(7) A total of \$25,000 was granted to match federal funds for construction of an additional military science building on the campus.

(8) Appropriation for the Medical School is approximately the same as for the present biennium, with \$135,453 granted the first year and \$129,403 the second year. Appropriations for University Hospital and Crippled Children's Hospital also were little changed from the present biennium.

#### State Regents Named

Two University of Oklahoma alumni who are outstanding business and professional men, both of whom have served on the University Board of Regents, were appointed last month by Gov. Leon C. Phillips, 'I6law, to serve on the newly created nine-member board for co-ordination of Oklahoma's institutions of higher education.



Above are the two Sooner alumni appointed by Governor Phillips to serve on the newly created board of Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, the board empowered by constitutional amendment to co-ordinate the state's educational institutions. Left above is John Rogers, '14law, of Tulsa, and on the right is Frank Buttram, '10ba, '12ma, of Oklahoma City. Both have served as University Regents

The two O.U. alumni appointed are John Rogers, '14law, Tulsa attorney and oil man, who resigned from the Board of Regents to take the new appointment; and Frank Buttram, '10ba, '12ma, Oklahoma City oil man and civic leader. Mr. Rogers was appointed to an eight-year term and Mr. Buttram to a seven-year term.

The other seven appointees were named as follows: John Kane, Bartlesville oil man, for a nine-year term; Wharton Mathies, Clayton banker, six years; Ben F. Saye, Duncan, five years; Dial Currin, Shawnee banker, four years; W. E. Harvey, Oklahoma City rancher, three years; J. E. Perry, Minco, two years, and C. O. Doggett, Cherokee newspaper publisher, one year.

As these staggered terms expire, one new member of the board will be appointed each year, for a nine-year term.

Governor Phillips recommended Mr. Kane for chairmanship of the co-ordinating board.

In making the appointments to the board, which was authorized by a constitutional amendment adopted in March, the governor expressed belief that it was the most important group appointed since he took office.

The co-ordinating board has power to allocate funds to the various state institutions of higher education from a blanket appropriation made by the Legislature, and has power to prescribe courses of study at the various institutions in order to eliminate needless duplication and bring about better co-ordination.

Actual administrative powers are left to the various existing boards of control such as the University's Board of Regents.

Governor Phillips' choice of a successor to John Rogers on the University Board of Regents was still uncertain as this issue of *Sooner Magazine* went to press. Newspapers reported that John Craig, of Idabel, was a possible choice for the position.

#### **Banquet Honors Bizzell**

More than six hundred University faculty members, students and friends packed the Union Ballroom for a banquet late in April in tribute to Dr. W. B. Bizzell who will end his sixteen, depression-scarred years as president of the institution in August. The crowd heard the retiring executive praise the Board of Regents' choice of his successor and re-pledge his aid "in striving for those ideals that may be stated differently but are the same for both of us."

His staff of professors, deans, secretaries, janitors and keepers of the grounds expressed their appreciation for his long service with the gift of a fine desk for the library of his new home. Dr. E. E. Dale, '11ba, head of the department of history and veteran member of the faculty, made the presentation.

Dr. Dale praised the president as a man who never lost faith in the future of O.U. or higher education.

"One who has won the hearts of the University staff," he added, "one who has steered the institution through the troublesome years of the past decade as Dr. Bizzell has done is no ordinary man.'

In his address of thanks to the crowd Dr. Bizzell declined to take credit for the advancement of the University. "A university is a co-operative enterprise," he said. "I have had no divided allegiance during my years here.'

Dr. Bizzell foretold a successful future for the University and expressed confidence that president-elect Joseph A. Brandt, '21 ba, will take over the executive post with "sincerity and high ideals." "A change in administration always creates problems and anxiety," he declared, "but I do not know of any case in our nation's colleges where less lost motion occurred in making the change.'

With a pledge "to give the best demonstration in my power to work in harmony with the new president," Dr. Bizzell told of his plans after leaving the president's chair.

"I shall live surrounded by books where I can study, write and teach, as I have always wanted to do. I am going to try to give a good demonstration of what a man can do in his field in the classroom." He will become head of the department of sociology after August 1.

#### Crider Appointed

Principal action taken by the University Board of Regents at its meeting in late April was the naming of Frank Crider, '30ba, as freshman football coach. This appointment rounds out an athletic coaching staff composed entirely of University alumni.

Mr. Crider will come to the University in September. He will also serve as assistant professor of physical education for men. Since his playing days on the Sooner gridiron which were marked with all-Big Six honors, he has coached football at Altus, Seminole, El Reno, Norman and Wewoka high schools.

The Board confirmed appointments of Bruce Wiley, '35eng, as special instructor in electrical engineering; Denzil Boyd, '37 eng, as special instructor in engineering drawing; Miss Tsianina Edwards, as secretary to Dr. M. L. Wardell, assistant to the president; Royden Freeland, engineer of radio station WNAD; Pat Walters, as instructor in welding, and Lucy Trosper, '26 ba, former assistant to the head of the circulation department of the University, as head of the department, succeeding Phila Dorsett, '36lib.sci, '39law, resigned.

Other resignations accepted by the board

#### JUNE CALENDAR

June 6, 7-Institute for Latin teachers. June 8-Baccalaureate sermon by Dr. George W. Truett, 11:00 a.m., Fieldhouse; Five-year class reunions, 2:30 p.m., Union; Reunion dinner, 6:30 p.m., Union Ballroom.

June 9-Annual Phi Beta Kappa breakfast for alumni, 8:00 a.m., Union Ballroom; Meeting of Stadium-Union Trustees, 9:00 a.m., Union; Commencement exercises, 10:00 a.m., Fieldhouse; Annual Senior-Alumni luncheon, 12:30 p.m., Union Ballroom; Meeting of Alumni Association Ex-ecutive Board, 2:30 p.m., Union. June 10-Registration for Summer Ses-

sion.

June 11-Classwork begins, 7:10 a.m.

June 12—President's reception at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Bizzell, 8:00 p.m.

June 15 to 22-Conferences for Recreation Leaders.

June 15 to 22-Institute of International Relations.

June 16 to 20-Elementary School Conference.

June 23 to 27-Conference on Profession-

al Writing. June 23 to 27—Annual Book Fair. June 25, 26, 27—Junior College Conference.

June 26-Oklahoma Federal Symphony

Orchestra concert. June 26, 27—Library Conference. June 30 to July 12—High School Band Clinic.

June 30 to July 12-Drum Majors' course. June 30 to July 25-Speech Activities Institute.

July 4-Independence Day, holiday.

were submitted by Margaret Redding, '36 ba, secretary to Dr. Wardell; Joe Elam, '38 eng, technical foreman on the wind tunnel; Vernon Pack, instructor in oxyacetylene welding, and L. C. Burris, instructor in electric welding.

Leaves of absence were granted to Harold K. Bone, '38eng, instructor in engineering drawing, for military service; Ansel P. Challenner, '25eng, '33ms, instructor in electrical engineering, also for military service: Arthur Hemmendinger, assistant professor of physics; and Dr. W. A. Fowler, director of the Student Health Service, for special work during the summer.

The Regents also approved tentative plans for the new armory, airport buildings, and radio tower in Norman, and a nurses' home and isolation building to be constructed in Oklahoma City in connection with the University School of Medicine. The plans were prepared by Joe Smay, director of the School of Architecture, and Walter Kraft, director of utilities.

#### To De-emphasize Social Life

Panhellenic, the inter-sorority organization on the O.U. campus, took several steps last month toward de-emphasis of campus social life.

Daisy Lockewitz, Tulsa, president of Panhellenic, announced that the organization had agreed: 1) To defer publishing the names of new pledges in the fall; 2) That each sorority will not give out information to newspapers concerning rush parties;

3) That each sorority will not give out date lists for dances and other parties.

A committee was appointed to contact newspaper staff members and suggest that less publicity be given to social life on the campus.

"Newspapers print so many stories about sorority and fraternity dances that people out over the state get the impression that students at the University do nothing but go to dances," Miss Lockewitz observed. She pointed out that most of the published date lists include the names of the same small group of approximately 150 girls who attend practically every social function.

Panhellenic also adopted several regulations providing for definite curtailment of social activity of sororities. Hereafter, rushees will not be allowed in the sorority houses during the school year except for short informal parties, and no meals may be served to rushees and they will not be allowed in houses overnight. Two large rush parties will be allowed each sorority in the summer, as in the past.

One dance will be permitted each sorority, replacing the usual two dances and two two dansants previously allowed.

#### More Students To Register

Announcement in Washington of another national registration day in the selective service program means that about eight hundred more students will become subject to the draft, according to estimates of Úniversity officials. New registrants will be those youths who have reached the age of twenty-one since the original registration October 16, 1940.

Figures compiled by George Wadsack, registrar, show that at the time of the first registration date there were 921 students enrolled in the University who were twenty years old.

"Most of that number, probably eight hundred of them," Mr. Wadsack said, "will be old enough to sign up on the new registration day.

No University committee will be set up to handle the second "M Day" as was done last October, when 1,600 University students registered.

July 1 was expected to be the date for new registrations.

University officials have not made any estimate of the number of O.U. students that they expect to be inducted into the service after the blanket deferment for the school year expires at the end of June.

#### Gains for China Cited

China is stronger today than at any time since the war with Japan began, Dr. Hu Shih, ambassador from China to the United States, said in the principal address at Phi Beta Kappa initiation ceremonies last month.

Forty-four men and women became members of the honorary scholastic organization.

As China gains strength, Japan is weakening, Dr. Hu Shih stated. Cost of the war to Japan has been 17,455,000,000 yen and almost a million lives. That estimate, Dr. Hu Shih declared, is conservative.

"The spirit of my people is remarkable," he said. "The war has moved our schools, our industries, many of our people westward. It has been hard, but they have brought with them wisdom into the hinterland, new fashions, new ways of doing things." From this hinterland he sees a new China emerging, stronger and more democratic than the old.

#### Employment Outlook Bright

Employment outlook for graduating seniors is better now than it has been for several years because of the national defense program and the draft, according to a campus survey made last month by the Oklahoma Daily.

Approximately fifty percent of the seniors in professional fields had been promised positions by mid-May, and it was expected that over seventy-five percent would be placed before commencement day or during the summer.

Of the nineteen heads of schools and departments included in the survey, seventeen reported job prospects were better and twelve stated that starting salaries would be slightly higher this summer.

Best report came from the College of Engineering where more than seventy-five percent of the prospective graduates had already been placed.

#### **Television Coming Soon**

Federal Communications Commissioner Paul A. Walker, '12law, on the campus last month to be initiated into Phi Beta Kappa, honorary scholastic fraternity, had a word to say about the future of television. All that is holding it back now, he said, is the intensity of national defense preparations.

F.C.C. has ruled that commercial television broadcasting could begin July 1. He estimated there are between 4,000 and 5,000 television receivers in the United States.

Explaining that modern television is practical, he told of sitting in New York and watching a television broadcast from an army camp 62 miles away. "You could catch every detail of the maneuvers," he commented.

#### Mothers Convene

Mrs. E. P. Allen, of Oklahoma City, is president of the University Mothers Association for the next year. Also elected at the annual meeting at the University last month was Mrs. R. C. Berry, Norman, secretarytreasurer.

Vice presidents from the various districts of the state are Mrs. James F. Stevenson, Tulsa; Mrs. Ben Colchensky, Okmulgee; Mrs. John Colvert, Ardmore; Mrs. R. E. Henson, Shawnee; Mrs. J. C. Phelps, El Reno; Mrs. V. W. Baker, Cordell, and Mrs. John B. Doolin, Alva.

The annual Mothers Association awards for the outstanding religious and scholastic leaders on the campus went to Catherine Baker, Cordell, and Merle Dorsett, Mont-



A new development in the University's short course program—broadcasting of some of the main features—is illustrated above. At the microphone is Jack Price, director of the News Photography Short Course. Standing in front of the screen is Boyd Gunning, general director of University Short Courses

rose, Colorado. The awards consist of funds to help defray expenses of attending Y.M. C.A. and Y.W.C.A. conferences this summer at Hollister, Missouri.

Approximately five hundred visiting mothers were entertained at concerts, a tea, special church services, and various other events sponsored by campus groups.

#### Short Courses, Conferences

The University was host last month to representatives from 53 universities and colleges, members of the National University Extension Association. University extension and national defense was discussed in the three-day conference.

J. O. Keller, assistant to the president in charge of extension at the Pennsylvania State College, and president of the association, sounded the keynote of the conference by describing what was now being done through extension in the training of labor for defense industries, and what could be expected in the near future.

The program was studded with important speakers. Dr. Floyd W. Reeves, member of President Roosevelt's defense commission and director of labor supply and training, in speaking of university extension's place in the training program, said, "By the end of June, 1,000,000 workers will be trained in the defense program. Several million more will be neded." "Industry has been lagging behind," Dr. Reeves declared. "Many companies are not awakened to the needs that are coming because for the last ten years industry could go outside its gates and hire hundreds of trained workers when they were needed."

He said that there are 7,500,000 unemployed in the United States, 5,000,000 of whom can be put to work. The bottlenecks ahead will not be in labor but in management, he declared. Here again is a responsibility to be faced by university extension divisions.

United States Senator Elbert Thomas of Utah, chairman of the Senate committee on education and labor, called upon universities to begin now to "study the problems of post-war reconstruction." "Only in this way," he said, can we "win peace, as well as the war."

Herbert H. Scott, director of the Extension Division at the University of Oklahoma, was elected a member of the executive committee of the association, and R. Boyd Gunning, assistant director at O.U., was named chairman of visual education for the group. The new president is R. M. Gruman, director of extension at the University of North Carolina. Next year the convention will be held at Pennsylvania State College.

The Fifth Annual News Photography Short Course and Clinic was held on the campus April 17, 18, and 19, and attracted a record number of news photographers from throughout Oklahoma and neighboring states. This course was again under the direction of Jack Price, well-known New York photographer.

The important role photography is playing in the present war seemed to make the sessions even more serious than they have been in past years.

Local experts who served as consultants in the program included Gene Peach, Gene Thomas, and Alphia Hart, of the Oklahoman and Times; William Wyatt, of the Tulsa Tribune; and C. E. Fehrenbach, of the Continental Oil Company.

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phases of instruction were Calvin Wheat, of Agfa Ansco; J. Winton Lemen of the Eastman Kodak Company, H. P. Rockwell, Jr., of Western Electric; and Joe Sprague of Folmer-Graflex Corporation.

The headline ace photographers who gave demonstrations were: Dick Sarno, of the *New York Daily Mirror*, who demonstrated the speedray, a flash mechanism that will stop a high speed electric fan; and George Luxton of the *Minneapolis Star Journal*, who demonstrated the "black-out" camera, an invention of his own which may be tremendously important to the photographic field in a very short time.

There were other outstanding speakers on the program who helped to make this one of the finest courses of the year in the University Short Course program.

Another interesting course last month was the Oklahoma Gardeners' Short Course sponsored by the Botany Department and the Extension Division with the assistance and cooperation of the Oklahoma Association of Garden Clubs. Attendance at this course surpassed all expectations, as more than 350 garden club members from throughout the state assembled to hear a program devoted to garden maintenance and floral arrangement.

The success of this course was due in no small degree to the excellent work done by members of garden clubs of Norman, who helped with the arrangements and furnished large quantities of beautiful garden flowers for the demonstrations.

The two out-of-state speakers on the program were Anne B. Wertsner, field secretary of the Philadelphia Horticulture Society; and Alfred Carl Hottes, technical garden advisor and lecturer for *Better Homes and Gardens* magazine. Mrs. C. L. Chase of Oklahoma City, state president of the Oklahoma Association of Garden Clubs, and Mrs. Stephen Scatori, of Norman, served with members of the University staff on the program committee.

Comments received on the program indicated that another course should be held for garden club members next fall.

The University summer session this year will be enriched by 19 short courses and conferences in many fields of interest. This will give the regular summer session students an opportunity to hear many outstanding speakers of national reputation.

#### 'Red' Committee Reports

Discharge of Maurice Halperin, professor of modern languages at the University, was included in the recommendations of the State Senate's "little Dies" committee when the committee made its report to the Senate last month.

The report was adopted by unanimous vote of the Senate when submitted by Joe B. Thompson, '27law, of Ardmore, committee chairman.

The committee reported that it found no evidence of any organization of students in any state institution actively engaged in any subversive movement.

"Definite proof has been found where there has been connected with the state university in the past active members of the Communist party and un-American liberal minded crackpots," the committee reported. The "definite proof" was not cited.

The report recommended that the Oklahoma School of Religion (which is entirely independent from the University) be "dissociated" from the University; branded the Oklahoma Federation for Constitutional Rights (which was supported by a group of faculty members) a subversive group, and termed Rev. John B. Thompson, Presbyterian minister in Norman and a professor in the School of Religion "a bad influence on University students."

The recommendation that Mr. Halperin be discharged came as a surprise to the University campus. The appearance of Mr. Halperin and other members of the O.U. faculty before the Senate investigating committee had failed to bring out any startling evidence.

Following publication of the Senate committee's report, the *Oklahoma City Times* printed the following editorial comment:

Until the senate's "little Dies" committee comes forward with well-supported cold facts, names, dates and places, showing without question that certain members of the state university faculty are linked with Hitlerism and communism, the board of regents will be on popular ground in withholding action.

ing action. We believe the public is growing weary of hearing and reading half-baked charges against a few men on the university staff. For nearly two years one legislator or another has been roaring out this and that insinuation against one to a halfdozen instructors, but not once has a case been brought out into the open to show guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

Either these men, one or more of them, are reddish in their work and their teachings, or they are not, and it ought to be easier than lifting a leg to the top of a legislative desk to find out.

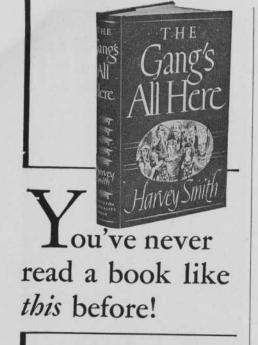
The investigators should come clean, cite definite proof of the things they hint and usher the guilty ones out of the school, if they have the evidence they should have to back up the noise they have made. As it stands now the recurrent outbursts against the faculty only serve to discolor the university as a whole.

The executive committee of the Oklahoma Federation for Constitutional Rights issued a statement declaring that "The selection of one professor [Halperin], who has played a less prominent part in the activities of the Federation than several other professors, smacks of religious and racial intolerance and is alarmingly close to the program of the Ku Klux Klan, which publicly supported the work of this committee."

Mr. Thompson, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Norman, and chairman of the American Peace Mobilization last summer, declared there was a total discrepancy between the testimony the committee received and the conclusions it reached. He denied the charge that the American Peace Mobilization was "an un-American and subversive organization," and declared that it consists of ordinary, patriotic Americans

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And let's not forget the women, those lush and amiable ladies (some were neither) who helped or dragged the men along. You'll enjoy their antics or puzzle over their ethics as much as their men did.

This is a total book about college grads ... nothing is left unsaid, nothing could be more outspoken. It's a unique story ... jampacked with laughs and thrills and tragic moments. There's nothing sober or conventional about it.

conventional about it. You'll recognize every one of these men - you've met them, worked with them, envied them, admired them, hated them, learned to avoid them, or have always wanted to know them better. Here they are-all sixty of them in all their grime and glory...a college class, twenty-five years after graduation, as pinned to the board by an uninhibited class secretary in revolt. It's a "just listen to this" kind of book. Everybody who reads it wants to quote it! Don't let your friends spoil it for you... get a copy of your own, now. 343 PAGES \$2.50



living in more than forty states who believe 100 percent in defense of the United States but honestly believe that the U.S. should stay out of this war and should extend and strengthen its own democracy.

In regard to the committee's recommendation that the Oklahoma School of Religion, headed by Rev. E. N. Comfort, be "disassociated" from the University, President W. B. Bizzell pointed out that the School of Religion is completely separate from the University already.

"I have always thought that the plan of the School of Religion, in offering a place where any denomination might assign someone to teach, was a rather satisfactory way of conducting courses in religious education separate and apart from state-supported institutions, and at the same time making available courses in religion for students enrolled in colleges and universities maintained by the state," Dr. Bizzell said.

"I have studied the policies relating to this matter in the state-supported colleges and universities throughout the country and I think the plan that has been set up by the board of directors of the Oklahoma School of Religion is one of the most satisfactory in the country."

#### Covering the Campus

▶ May is the scholarship season. Sooner seniors captured numerous prize scholarships for advanced study at various major universities over the nation. Robert Trippet, '39ba, Bartlesville, law senior, was awarded one of five \$1,500 scholarships granted in the United States for postgraduate law work in Columbia University during 1941-42. . . Tennyson Suagee, student in the University of Oklahoma on a scholarship during the last year, received a \$1,200 fellowship to the University of Chicago for study in public administration . . . Wilfred Jackson, Norman, fine arts graduate at the end of the first semester, was awarded one of the four Frank Alva Parsons memorial scholarships offered by the New York School of Fine and Applied Arts. He is the fourth O.U. student to receive a Parsons scholarship in the last four years ... Mildred M. Turner, Oklahoma City, fine arts senior, is one of thirty students picked from the nation's radio and drama schools to receive a summer scholarship at the Radio-Drama Workshop, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The scholarships are awarded by the National Little Theater Association and the Radio-Drama Guild. . . Frank W. Binckley, architecture senior, was awarded a graduate assistantship valued at \$1,400 annually for the next two years at Columbia University.

▶ Sophomore R.O.T.C. students who were doing satisfactory work as the spring semester ended did not have to worry about the draft taking them this summer. R.O. T.C. officials planned to enrol them as junior R.O.T.C. students on the final day of school, which is expected to keep them in school while they receive further military training.

Randell S. Cobb, '19law, assistant attorney general, was scheduled to deliver the principal address at annual R.O.T.C. convocation services in late May. Second lieutenant commissioners were to be awarded 119 seniors in the University cadet corps. Louis K. Sharpe was designated the outstanding R.O.T.C. graduate of the year.

▶ Some kind of record for early publication was set by the 1941 Sooner Yearbook, edited by efficient Jim Davis, of McAlester. Off the press more than two weeks ahead of schedule, it was said to be the first yearbook of its size to be completed for delivery anywhere in the nation. The book, bound in maroon and gold, has more than 400 pages. The beauty queens, always a major item of interest in yearbooks, were chosen by movie star James Stewart.

▶ Declaring that "All of us are ready to defend democracy but many of us do not understand it," Edgar Driver of Oklahoma City won the Gordon Fuller Memorial oratorical contest last month with a forceful address on "Whither America." David Wood, Muskogee, placed second and Robert Loeffler, Bristow, was third in the annual \$25 prize competition. The contest is sponsored by Mrs. Nelle Fuller as a memorial to her son who was a graduate of the University.

▶ Despite the severe handicap of rain and mud, the Sooner Carnival turned out to be a fun festival for some two thousand persons. The *Daily* described its chief components as thousands of cubic feet of mud, saw dust, hay, rotten eggs, bare legs, grass skirts, laughing students and a stiff, cold north wind. The sawdust and hay helped change the mud to a walkable surface. The Argentine Nights concession sponsored by Kappa Kappa Gamma was declared the most original booth by the judging committee. The Delta Delta Delta "Saw-Horse Saloon," which took in \$85, won a trophy for greatest popularity.

President W. B. Bizzell and Savoie Lottinville, 29ba, president of the University chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, went to Ponca City last month and presented Ponca City High School the annual Phi Beta Kappa scholastic plaque. The award goes to the high school whose freshmen in the University make the highest grade average.

▶ Youngest senior in the Class of 1941 is Paul N. Haskett, Norman, 18-year-old senior in chemical engineering. He has a high grade average and belongs to several honorary societies. After graduation he has a job awaiting him as an apprentice in the Phillips Petroleum Company laboratories. Although he will complete four years of R.O.T.C. training at the University, Haskett will have to wait three more years for his commission as second lieutenant, because of his age. ▶ The War Department has certified to WPA that a good airport at the University would be of national defense value, and University officials last month were awaiting word concerning allocation of federal funds for improvement of Westheimer Flying Field.

Entertainment features on the campus during the last month varied from an excellent presentation of an unusual choral program, to an elaborate student prom with swing music by Al Donahue. Brahm's Requiem was presented by the University Choir and the University Symphony Orchestra as a tribute to the memory of the late R. H. Richards, director of O.U. choral organizations for 14 years. The presentation was directed by Lara Hoggard. Entertainment of a vastly different sort was the Sooner Revue, entitled "Socrates, or Love Is Blonde," a musical comedy with script by Kris Kritikos and music by Jack Fitzer. The script put modern ideas into the mouths of Greek philosophers, as illustrated by the tendency of the stage Socrates to follow blondes and indulge in "seductive reasoning." Also humorous was the Playhouse presentation of Room Service, which put audiences in a hilarious mood. The play was directed by James Biondo, a student. Latin-American costumes, music and decorations provided a colorful atmosphere for the annual Pan-American Fiesta sponsored by Las Dos Americas Club in honor of University students from south of the border.

▶ Dr. Paul Popenoe, family life relations expert who addressed various campus groups last month, declared that the four major problems of youth today are: 1) Young people are more in the minority; 2) The gap betwen generations is wider; 3) The whole weight of making success of marriage rests on young people; 4) The competition of the sexes has reached a peak. The present educational system which takes a young person away from family life at an early age has interfered with education for marriage, he warned.

#### Faculty

Dr. H. C. Peterson, associate professor of history, will spend most of this summer in New York City on a research fellowship granted by the American Social Science Research Council for the purpose of studying public opinion during the World War No. 1.

The War Department has ordered Lt. Col. Paul V. Kane, commandant of the University R.O.T.C., relieved from assignment to duty at the University of Oklahoma about June 15. He is to be assigned to the 57th Field Artillery Battalion at Fort Ord, California.

▶ Dr. Gilbert Harold, acting head of the department of finance, has been elected president of the Faculty Club for the next year. Other officers are Dr. A. B. Sears, vice

president; Dr. J. Teague Self, treasurer; Dr. Milton Hopkins, secretary; and Benjamin J. Heinrich, house chairman.

A large collection of sculpture pieces by Joseph Taylor, associate professor of art, was displayed in the Art Building last month and attracted unusual interest. The pieces, ranging from small wood carvings to large marble pieces, were mostly animal studies.

▶ Herman Larson, assistant professor of voice, will study at the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago this summer on a teaching fellowship.

▶ Dr. Charles M. Perry, head of the philosophy department, has been named a member of the executive committee of the Western Division of the American Philosophical Society.

▶ New president of the University chapter of the American Association of University Professors is Dr. G. A. Van Lear, Jr., professor of physics. Other officers elected are Ima James, vice president; Dr. Claude A. Campbell, secretary and treasurer; and Henry L. Kamphoefner, member of the executive committee.

▶ William H. Butterfield, head of the department of business communications, has been appointed to teach on the faculty of the University of Texas during the summer.

▶ Pegasus on Foot, a three-act satirical comedy by Robert Whitehand, '33ba, assistant professor of drama, was presented last month at the University of Wichita, Kansas. Another Whitehand play, *Return to Exile*, was presented at the University of Tulsa in December.

Dr. Willard Z. Park, head of the department of sociology and anthropology, read a paper at the recent annual meeting of the central states' branch of the American Anthropological Association at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

▶ Julien C. Monnet, dean of the School of Law, went to Washington, D.C., last month to attend the American Law Institute meeting.

▶ Dr. Arthur Hemmendinger, assistant professor of physics, has been called to Washington, D.C., to work with the naval ordnance laboratory on problems concerning the protection of ships from magnetic mines. He is to be granted a year's leave of absence from the University faculty.

Ansel Challener, '25eng, '33ms, instructor in electrical engineering, who is a captain in the Reserve Corps, has been ordered to active duty at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

▶ Denzil K. Boyd, '37eng, draftsman for the University wind tunnel project, has been appointed assistant in enginering drawing, succeeding Harold K. Bone, '38 eng, who was called to military service.

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