

# Sooners at Home and Abroad

**F**IVE Sooner alumni are included in the alumni and honorary members elected to the University chapter of Phi Beta Kappa scholastic society at the annual election of new members this spring.

Alumni members elected by the chapter are Franklin W. Ewing, '31ba, New York City newspaperman; John A. Gillin, '31ba, '33ms, geophysicist at Dallas, Texas; Dr. Iva Stevens Merritt, '31ba, physician and homemaker in Norman, and Dr. Charles R. Rayburn, '23ba, '25med, assistant superintendent of Central State Hospital at Norman and member of the Medical School faculty.

Honorary members chosen are Paul A. Walker, '12law, federal communications commissioner at Washington, D. C.; Dr. Charles N. Gould, former director of the Oklahoma Geological Survey, and Dr. Carl Coke Rister, O. U. history professor and writer.

Formal initiation for the total of 44 persons elected to honorary, alumni or undergraduate membership was scheduled for May 7 with Dr. Hu Shih, Chinese ambassador to the United States, as principal speaker.

Frank Ewing, assistant city editor of the Associated Press, New York, began an outstanding newspaper career at the University. He was on the staff of the *Oklahoma Daily* and member of the journalistic fraternity, Sigma Delta Chi. For several years after leaving school he worked on newspapers in Amarillo, Texas, and Oklahoma City. In 1935 he joined the Associated Press in Denver, Colorado. Before going to New York in 1939, he had been promoted to a position in the Associated Press bureau at Washington, D. C.

Geophysicist John A. Gillin is senior partner, manager and director of the National Geophysical Company, Dallas, Texas. He first attained prominence in geophysics when he left the University in 1933 to go to work for the Champlin Refining Company of Enid. His duties there consisted of designing and building the company's first seismograph equipment. In 1935 he joined Western Geophysical Company as field supervisor and technical advisor. The following year he began his affiliation with National Geophysical Company, became executive vice president, which position he retained until the corporation reorganized into a partnership.

Mr. Gillin has been responsible for several improvements in seismograph equipment and technique. He has perfected special cable connectors and precision timing equipment. Of economic import-

ance was his discovery of a new method of application of refractions to location of underground structures.

At the University Mr. Gillin was elected to Sigma Pi Sigma, honorary physics fraternity, and Sigma Xi, scientific fraternity.

Born in Canada as Iva Stevens, Dr. Iva Stevens Merritt is now a practicing physician and homemaker in Norman. She graduated from high school in her birthplace, Gladstone, Manitoba, and received her medical training at the University of Manitoba. Her period of hospital internship was spent at College Hospital in Philadelphia. She belongs to both the Oklahoma and the American Medical Associations.

When Dr. Merritt came to Oklahoma, she enrolled at O. U. in arts and sciences and received her degree in 1931. She was a member of Phi Sigma, honorary biological fraternity.

Another physician among the new alumni Phi Beta Kappas, Dr. Charles R. Rayburn, is head of the department of mental diseases and professor of mental diseases in the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine, Oklahoma City, and is assistant superintendent of Central State Hospital, Norman.

A specialist in neuro-surgery, he has been called on to read papers in a number of medical conventions. In 1928 he won the national Fiske Fund prize with his study, "Epidemic Encephalitis," and two years later was awarded the graduate fellowship offered by Dr. Ernest Sachs of St. Louis Hospital.

Paul A. Walker, named for one of the three honorary memberships, which are based, like alumni selections, on distinction achieved in professional fields, has been a member of the Federal Communications Commission since 1934. Prior to that time he had been member and chairman of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, attorney for the commission, referee for the Oklahoma Supreme Court, and practicing lawyer in Shawnee.

Mr. Walker enrolled in the University School of Law after completing his undergraduate study at the University of Chicago. While he was at O. U., he aided in the organization of Phi Delta Phi, honorary legal fraternity, and Delta Sigma Rho, oratorical. He was also debate coach and instructor in public speaking for two years.

Pioneering in Oklahoma geology brought distinction to Dr. Charles N. Gould, geologist, author, former professor of geology at the University and former director of the Oklahoma Geological Survey. He has held consulting positions

with a number of oil companies in the Southwest since the turn of the century. From 1936 to 1940 he was regional geologist for the National Park Service with headquarters in Santa Fe, New Mexico. His writings include four books, articles for the Oklahoma Geological Survey, and contributions to leading geological societies and journals.

A recognized writer in another field, Dr. Carl Coke Rister has been a member of the University history faculty since 1929, and now has the rank of professor. He is an authority on history of the Southwest. Some of his latest books are *The Greater Southwest*, 1934, *Southern Plainsmen*, 1938, *Border Captives*, 1940, and *Western America*, 1941. He is now working on the story of the notable Oklahoma boomer, David L. Payne.

## Geology Alumni Luncheon

Approximately fifty University alumni and faculty members attended an alumni luncheon held April 4 in Houston, Texas, during the meeting there of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists. A number of University geology students and friends of alumni were also present.

Alumni and others who attended include Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Bates, Lafayette, Louisiana; F. M. Setzer, '35geol, Houston, affiliated with Stanolind Oil and Gas Company; John Janovy, '35geol, New Orleans, with Louisiana Land and Exploration Company; Alfred R. Loeblich, '37geol, '38ms, New Orleans, on Tulane University faculty; Jay B. Wharton, '35ms, and Mrs. Wharton, Lafayette; Hillord Kinson, '34geol, J. C. Montgomery, '30geol, and Howard R. Born, '38geol, all of Houston and affiliated with Harrison Oil Company; C. R. Steinberger, '26ba, Houston; Ray E. Claiborne, '28geol, Jasper, Alabama, California Company; F. S. Westmoreland, '26ba, Houston; Morris E. Halsted, '28geol, Houston, Amerada Petroleum Corporation; H. L. Durgan, '37eng, Beaumont, Texas, Sun Oil Company; George I. McFerron, '20ba, Houston, Adams Oil and Gas Company; R. P. Bates, '24geol, Tulsa; T. E. Weirich, '22geol, Bartlesville, Phillips Petroleum Company; John P. Klep, '34ms, Fort Worth, Texas, Sperry Surveying Company; John Hord, Norman; Paul W. Foster, '39ms, Houston, Atlantic Refining Company; J. H. Pernell, '30eng, Dallas, Texas, National Geophysics Company; Charles R. Turner, '39eng, Hobbs, New Mexico, Halliburton Oil Well Cementing Company; W. J. Hilseweck, '38geol, Fort Worth, Gulf Oil Corporation; R. D. Clark, Dallas; Paul B. Hunter, '23ba, Houston; W. Dow Hamm, '22ba, Houston, Shell Petroleum Corpor-

ation; R. J. Cullen, '24ba, Tulsa, Sun Oil Company; Thoburn Tappart, Houston; Robert N. Kolm, '19, San Antonio, Texas, Atlantic Refining Company; Harry Bass, Dallas; Clayton Smith, Houston; Noel Evans, '21geol, Houston; R. E. McPhail, '33geol, Ardmore; Kennard Cook, Norman; Ross R. Durkee, Houston; Charles R. Eckes, '10ba, Tulsa; Dave Richards, '40eng, Madison, Wisconsin; Dr. Charles N. Gould, Norman; Wallace C. Thompson, '20geol, and Mrs. Thompson, '20ba, Houston; Walter M. Burrell, '21ba, Shreveport, Louisiana; Walter R. Berger, '20ba, Fort Worth; Robert R. Eckart, Jr., Dallas; Miss Alice Quesenbery, '36geol, Bartlesville; Mrs. Kathleen Kirk Gilmore, '36geol, Houston; J. L. Tatum, '19ba, Sinton, Texas; F. L. Aurin, '14ba, '15ma, Fort Worth; Robert C. Senning and Miss Dorothy Baumeister, Norman; Buford Miller, Houston; R. F. Schoolfield, San Antonio; and of the faculty of the School of Geology of the University of Oklahoma, Cecil G. Lalicker, '30geol, '32ms, E. A. Frederickson, J. W. Stovall, and Dr. C. E. Decker and Mrs. Decker.

### Dinner at Okmulgee

Dr. W. B. Bizzell, who retires from the presidency of the University August 1, plans to spend the remainder of his life in Oklahoma and "whether or not I retain any official connection with the University I shall always be working for it," he told a crowd of O. U. alumni at a dinner program at Okmulgee in late March.

A. N. Boatman, '14ba '16law, Okmulgee attorney and chairman of the O. U. advisory council at Okmulgee, had charge of the dinner which was given to honor Dr. Bizzell prior to a lecture he gave to the Okmulgee Women's Forum. Eighty alumni, including many from nearby towns, attended.

Speaking frankly and informally, President Bizzell declared that since he is giving up the responsibility of president, he does not intend to "take any more foolishness from politicians."

"Sometimes in the past I have remained silent for the good of the University, but now I can speak out," he declared.

"Without boasting, I tell you that I shall turn over to Joe Brandt a smoothly functioning, loyal university organization," he said. "No budget balancing amendment was necessary to balance the budget of the University of Oklahoma. Its accounts have always been in balance. There has never been a deficit."

Discussing the impending change in administration of the University August 1, Dr. Bizzell said that he and Dr. Joseph A. Brandt, '21ba, the president-elect, have much the same ideas along scholastic lines.

"Of course no two men use the same methods to get results, and there probably will be discussions of whether his methods are better than mine or mine were better than his. This is immaterial.



*United States Senator Joshua Bryan Lee, '17, last month accepted an invitation to give the University's Commencement address June 9. Former head of the O. U. public speaking department, Mr. Lee has served as congressman since 1935.*

What is important is that the University move ahead."

President Bizzell said that in becoming head of the sociology department and an active teacher when he retires from the presidency, he will be doing what he has always wanted to do—teaching and writing. He will teach a course in the ethical basis of society which he believes has never been offered elsewhere.

### Kirkland Goes to McAlester

D. D. Kirkland, '33m.ed, has been named superintendent of McAlester city schools. He is now head of the Coalgate public school system.

For twenty years Mr. Kirkland has been engaged in public school administration in Oklahoma. After serving nine months in the United States Army at the age of 19, he took charge of the schools of a small Missouri town in 1919. He came to Oklahoma two years later.

He has been especially commended for developing well-rounded educational plants in the towns where he has faced difficulty in securing adequate finances. He demonstrated ability in carrying forward administrative programs in Burbank, where he served as superintendent for six years, at Maud and at Holdenville. He went from Holdenville to Coalgate in 1939.

A leader in state educational organizations, Mr. Kirkland was last year president of the Oklahoma School Administrators Association. He is a member of the Oklahoma Education Association,

the National Education Association, and Phi Delta Kappa and Kappa Delta Pi, national education organizations.

He has been active in chamber of commerce work in the towns in which he lived, belongs to the Rotary Club, has been both post and county commander of the American Legion, and during the year 1939 was Americanism chairman of the Fourth District.

Mrs. Kirkland also attended the University. They have two children, Helen Marie, 19, and Harry Hugh, 5.

### Home Ec Reunion

Annual reunion of home economics alumnae has been scheduled Saturday, June 7. The morning will be devoted largely to an inspection tour of the School of Home Economics and visit to the Practice House. A program luncheon will be held at noon.

Reunion arrangements are being made by Mrs. Frank C. Morris (Clemmontyne Corbett, '29h.ec), president of the Home Economics Alumnae Association, assisted by the following committee: Rebecca Jane Scruggs, '39h.ec, Stilwell, vice president; Mrs. Ethel Meadows Preble, '29 h. ec, '39m.h.ec, Oklahoma City; and Mrs. Loyd Harris (Maurine Dill, '23h.ec), Mrs. Bruce Drake (Myrtle Tosh, '30h.ec), Mrs. Grace Parks Haun, '27h.ec, Mrs. Jack Orenbaum (Hazel Harris, '27h. ec), Mrs. Cora Navarro Hoover, '36h.ec, Mrs. Ray Smalley (Ovella Hackler, '30h.ec), and Helen Hackett, '28h.ec, '30ms, all of Norman.

### Ensign Berry Killed

Funeral services for Ensign Kirby Leo Berry, '39, were held late in March in Norman. The 25-year-old naval aviator and five other men were killed March 17 in a collision of two naval planes during maneuvers over the Pacific Ocean.

Ensign Berry was graduated from Norman High School. He attended the University at various times until he became a naval flying cadet in 1938. While he was on the campus he was a member of the University Quartet, Men's Glee Club, and served one season as a manager of the baseball team.

He was the son of Mrs. H. H. Berry of Norman. Other survivors include two brothers, Dr. Curtis Berry, Norman, and LeRoy Berry, Vinita, and two sisters, Mrs. Tom Whetzel, Champaign, Illinois, and Miss Lorennie Berry, Shawnee.

### Army Calls Woodsman

Firmly convinced that every young man should spend a year alone in the woods, Sylvan A. Hart, '30ba, has returned to his home in Wichita, Kansas, after more than eight years in the Idaho wilderness. He was forced to leave his solitary way of life by the call of the selective service draft.

It is a part of the Hart family tradition

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to spend some time in a self-sufficient frontier existence. His father lived in a similar manner in the Creek Indian area in Oklahoma.

"Being alone and training yourself to know that money will not buy anything that you cannot make or provide yourself is a lesson needed by every man," Mr. Hart said.

He made all of his own clothing out of skins from animals he killed. For the past year he has been working on a flint lock gun. He made the entire gun, tempered the steel, even put the riflings in the barrel. He also carries a knife he made. It has a hack saw, cutting blade, can opener, door key, leather punch, rip saw, scissors, needle, and sharpener in it.

He went fifteen miles into the nearest town, Dixie, Idaho, by snow shoe about every six months.

Mr. Hart says that it cost him about fifty dollars a year to live, and he earned that by helping the forest rangers in the area fight fires.

He and his brother, Tom, of Wichita, are planning to "rough it" in Alaska sometime in the near future.

### Ten-Year Round-Robin

Probably a new high mark in class spirit has been recorded by the ten major students in accounting who graduated from the College of Business Administration in 1930. Though scattered all over the country, from Washington, D. C., to Los Angeles, California, they have kept a round-robin news letter going for ten years.

Last month the round-robin, containing a letter from each of the ten, reached Odies Primrose, of Norman, member of the group who is now operator of a funeral home in Norman.

Other members of the class are Carl O. Craig, head auditor for Arrowhead and Puritas Waters, Inc., Los Angeles, California (home address Glendale); Mrs. C. H. Butt (Elizabeth Cate), homemaker and part time accountant, Los Angeles, California; Charles Manney, who is with the Gas Service Company, Fort Scott, Kansas; Buenos Sikes, merchant at Al-leene, Arkansas; Joe Moody, cashier for the Equitable Life Assurance Society office at San Antonio, Texas; Bert Thurber, Jr., investigator and auditor for the Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation, Washington, D. C.; Alvin Rosecrans, district sales manager for Conoco, at Tonkawa, Oklahoma; Archie Giezentanner, experimental operator in the research division of the Continental Oil Company, Ponca City; and Clinton Gay, accountant for the Luper Transportation Company at Shawnee.

The letters read like personal visits, containing news, pictures, wisecracks, con-

gratulations on promotions, and condolences on misfortunes.

Occasionally the round-robin goes to W. K. Newton, head of the accounting department in the University, who adds a letter to his former students.

### Cotton in New Film

Oklahoma might have had another lawyer if Larry Cotton, '33, had not swapped his briefs in the University School of Law for sheet music and headed for the top rungs on the ladder of musical fame. It is just as well, too, according to reports on the new film "Pot O' Gold," starring James Stewart, Paulette Goddard, and Larry Cotton vocalizing with Horace Heidt's Musical Knights.

After Larry had finished his work on the movie and answered the customary questions about how he liked Hollywood for correspondents of Oklahoma newspapers, he headed back East with the band.

He is a busy lad. Besides the "Pot O' Gold" radio show, he has his "Treasure Chest" broadcast, and takes from three to five voice lessons per week. His eight hours a day on the set in Hollywood were in addition to that schedule. Now he is about to take up the study of piano.

Work is nothing new for him, though. At the University he sang at the Varsity Shop and the Copper Kettle, was vocalist with the Ramblers' Orchestra at their regular engagements, janitored in a clothing store, and studied voice.

All the while Law School was his big problem, but not a particularly interesting one. So when he went to California in the summer of 1933, he landed a job singing on a small Hollywood radio station; then signed with Carole Lofner, then Jimmy Grier, then Heidt.

That was the way Oklahoma lost another lawyer-to-be.

### Legislators Entertained

Most of the Sooner alumni who are members of the State Legislature were entertained at a dinner in the Skirvin Hotel in Oklahoma City last month. Entertainment consisted of showing of moving pictures of the Santa Clara-Oklahoma and the Texas-Oklahoma football games under direction of Jap Haskell, '22 geol, director of athletics, and Snorter Luster, '22ba, '22law, Sooner football coach.

Arrangements for the dinner were made by Richard T. Pendleton, '26law, of Norman, Cleveland County representative in the Legislature, and the Norman Chamber of Commerce.

Those present included:

Senators Jim Nance; Boyd Cowden, '28; Bob Sibley, '23; Vance Posey; Jim Rinehart, '23law; Paul Carlile, '39law; and Bill Ginder, '31law.

Representatives Holly Anderson, '24law; W. B. McDonald, '27; Streeter Speakman, '12law; Herbert Hope, '38bus; Moss Wimbish, University student; J. D. McCarty, '40; Bill Cline, '21ba, '21law; Bill Par-

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rish, '40m.ed; J. Robin Field, '34law; Chester Norman, '38ba, '40law; Merle Lansden, '39law; J. T. Daniel, '25bs; Jack Bradley, '25law; Bill Langley, '21; Harold Freeman, '25; Dutch Hill, student; Bob Barr, '31; Merle Allen, '22; Will Rogers, Creekmore Wallace, Bill Latting, R. M. Mountcastle, Virgil Medlock, Charlie Ozman.

Governor's Office—Governor Leon C. Phillips, '16law; Carl Raymond, Jack Walsh.

Ponca City—C. C. Brown, former tax commissioner.

Norman—John E. Luttrell, Phil C. Kidd, R. T. Spaulding, secretary Chamber of Commerce; King Price, '25; and R. O. Smith, '30law.

Oklahoma City—Bus Haskins, '29ba; Bill Lampkin, chief enrolling and engraving clerk of the House of Representatives; and Bill Harkey, assistant insurance commissioner.

### Young Lawyers Win Fight

Success has crowned the long struggle of a group of young Oklahoma lawyers, graduates of the University, for legislation curbing "loan-sharks." For more than two years members of the Junior Bar Conference worked on the problem. They did not quit until final passage of the small loan bill by the Oklahoma Legislature last month.

James D. Fellers, '36ba, '36law, was president of the Junior Bar about two years ago when the situation first came to the attention of Oklahoma City attorneys through requests for advice from victimized "charity" clients. With Ben Franklin, '35ba, '37law, another Oklahoma City attorney, and with the encouragement of other Junior Bar members, Mr. Fellers set up the first "loan shark clinic" in the state.

Also interested in the problem, the senior bar association named Charles E. France, '23law, as chairman of an advisory committee to work with the young lawyers.

Combined efforts of the men resulted in the drawing and submitting of a bill to the 1939 session of the Legislature, but opposition in the House defeated it.

A second clinic was started last fall. With Mr. Fellers on the national council of the Junior Bar, John Allan Johnson, '38law, another Oklahoma City attorney, became state director of a personal finance survey and made further study of the problem. Revelations of the two clinics and the support of Governor Phillips gave strength to the movement and a bill similar to the 1939 proposal was pushed to final enactment.

The *Daily Oklahoman* published the following editorial commending the men who sponsored the bill for their unselfish service:

When the members of the junior bar committee investigating loan sharks declared war on the usurers, they exposed themselves to a lot of sniping.

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For example, they were accused of being in league with outside loan companies who might profit from the enactment of such a law. They were bullyragged and sneered at. But they courageously stood their ground over a period of more than two years, knowing that the only reward they would have would be the consciousness of having been on the side of poor, helpless wage-earner victims of the loan sharks.

Governor Phillips is to be commended for his leadership in inducing the legislature to pass the bill. And when passing the credit around, the committee headed by John A. Johnson of the Junior Bar association should be given special praise. Mr. Johnson himself was particularly on the firing line. So far as material benefit was concerned, these young men had all to lose and nothing to gain except the knowledge of a meritorious public service well done. It is a hopeful augury for our democracy when such unselfish crusades are undertaken and completed.

### Ad Club Dinner

O. U. alumni now in the advertising profession were special guests at the "First Annual Banquet" of the University of Oklahoma Ad Club held in late March in the Union Ballroom.

Ray Kimball, '30ba, publisher of the *Magnolia* (Arkansas) *Banner-News*, and Vernon T. Sanford, '32ba, manager of the Oklahoma Press Association, Oklahoma City, were presented certificates of award as outstanding graduates of the School of Journalism.

Harrington Wimberly, '24ba, publisher of the *Altus Times-Democrat* and member of the University Board of Regents, and James C. Nance, Purcell, publisher and member of the State Senate, were recognized by awards as outstanding employers of O. U. journalism graduates. These four men were principal speakers of the evening.

The program included a variety of musical and dancing numbers.

Alumni present among the nearly two hundred persons attending the dinner were: Lois June Adams, '39journal, now in the advertising department of Halliburton's store at Oklahoma City; Harold Belknap, '25ba, business manager *Norman Transcript*; Ida Sloan, '35ba, reporter, *Norman Transcript*; Elta Hibler, '40journal, First National Bank, Tulsa; Harry Bullen, '36, First National Bank, Tulsa; Don McVay, '38journal, Eugene Carter, '34, and Steve Elam, '39, all of the *Shawnee News and Star*; Wallace Dunn, '40journal, and George Tarter, '34, both of radio station KOCY, Oklahoma City; Jane Ehrlich, '39, Nissen's Shoe Company, Oklahoma City; R. Douglas Foote, '24, direct mail advertising, Oklahoma City; Tom Gordon, '31ba, Beal's Creative Printers, Oklahoma City; Ned Shepler, '18, publisher *Lawton Constitution*; Melba Hudson, '40journal, and Norman Pierson, '36journal, Oklahoma Publishing Company, Oklahoma City; Joe W. McBride, '28bus, Mrs. McBride (Clella LeMarr, '27ba), Ed Livermore, '40journal, and Virginia Hoops, '39journal, all of the *Anadarko Daily News*; Hiram Impson, '15ba, McAlester publisher and postmaster; Harrington Wimberly, '24ba, Bob Lee Kidd, '36journal, Paul Flippin,

'39journal, and Ruth Smith Ferris, '30ba, all of the *Altus Times-Democrat*; W. Raymond Kimball, '30ba, publisher *Magnolia* (Arkansas) *Banner-News*; Calvin Mannen, '38journal, *DeQueen* (Arkansas) *Citizen*; Eleanor Lain, '40letters, Brown's, Oklahoma City; Rawleigh Ralls, '32ba, publisher *Cleveland County Times*; Lowe Runkle, '30ba, Ray K. Glenn Advertising Agency, Oklahoma City; Vernon T. Sanford, '32ba, manager Oklahoma Press Association, Oklahoma City; Roxanne Plummer Thams, '39journal, Kerr's, Oklahoma City; Idabel Hendon, '40journal, Harbourn-Longmire, Oklahoma City.

### Back From Arabia

Petroleum geologist Phil Hurry, '35 geol, is back home in Oklahoma City after spending three years working in Arabia and Bahrein Island in the Persian Gulf, in oil fields vital to Britain's defense. He reports little in the way of adventure.

He missed the only real excitement that occurred on the island. He was on leave in Beirut, Syria, one night last October when Italian planes bombed the place. There was only the single raid, however, and little damage was done.

Mr. Hurry was in the employ of the California-Arabia Standard Oil Company. He and his colleagues lived in a camp which sported air-conditioned cabins to give relief from the desert temperatures of almost 130 degrees.

His comments on the international turmoil were brief. "If Turkey holds out against the Germans," he said, "everything ought to be safe in the oil country."

"When you live with the British, you learn this: It is a very serious thing to them and to all of us, but you don't go around asking questions and prying into situations. You just go ahead and do your work and keep your mouth shut."

### Death Takes Attorney

Tax law specialist Robert H. Ledbetter, '20law, of Oklahoma City, died quietly at his home April 3. To his friends he was known for his well-kept yard, his craftsmanship with carving tools and his companionship with boys. These things he seemed to prize more than the legal distinction he had earned.

In his room were the carvings of bone, cowhorn and wood with which he had delighted young friends who frequently gathered to hear his stories of bird and flower life.

Born in Ardmore in 1893, Mr. Ledbetter went to Oklahoma City in 1909. He attended school there. He saw service overseas in World War I, and was one of the soldiers chosen to study in France after the war.

After graduating from the University School of Law, he practiced law in Ardmore. He returned to the state capital and became legal adviser to Melvin Cornish, Oklahoma tax commissioner during

the administration of William H. Murray. Later he established offices with his brother in Oklahoma City and specialized in tax cases.

At the University he was one of the founders of Ruf Neks, pep organization, and was a member of Phi Delta Phi, honorary legal fraternity, and Sigma Chi social fraternity.

Surviving him are Mrs. Ledbetter, two sons, Robert, student at Oklahoma A. and M., and Myron, student in Stillwater High School. The family was spending the winter in Stillwater where Mrs. Ledbetter teaches home economics at A. and M. college. Other survivors include his mother, Mrs. W. A. Ledbetter, Oklahoma City, two brothers, Eugene P. Ledbetter, '14law, Oklahoma City, and Brig. Gen. Louis A. Ledbetter, '12law, Camp Barkley, Texas; and three sisters, Mrs. Helen Thompson, Mrs. Wynn L. Pulley and Mrs. Grace Cutler, all of Oklahoma City.

### College Regent

Mrs. Norman W. Brillhart (Mildred Colby, '22fa), of Madill, has been appointed a member of the board of regents of Oklahoma College for Women, Chickasha, by Gov. Leon C. Phillips, '16law.

Mrs. Brillhart is a homemaker for her husband, who is an oil producer and president of the University of Oklahoma Alumni Association, and their 13-year-old daughter, Ellen Rowe Brillhart. She also is vice president of the First National Bank of Madill.

Active in the affairs of the Business and Professional Women's Club, she is a past president of her local chapter, and has served as chairman of the organization's state committee on program coordination. She also is a member of the Eastern Star, Parent-Teacher Association, and Baptist Church.

As a student at O. U., Mrs. Brillhart was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, and Phi Mu Gamma honorary dramatic society.

### Bar Officials

Sooners recently named to posts in the Junior Bar Conference of the American Bar Association include Ben Franklin, '35ba, '37law, Oklahoma City, appointed to the membership committee; and James D. Fellers, '36ba, '36law, Oklahoma City, appointed executive council adviser to the committee in co-operation with junior bar groups.

### Head of Safety Work

Harold L. Mueller, '19, Oklahoma City newspaperman, was re-elected president of the Oklahoma State Safety Council at the annual meeting held last month at Tulsa. Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37law, assistant director of the Oklahoma Extension Division and director of University Short Courses, was elected vice president of the organization division, and J. Andrew Holley, '31, of the Oklahoma A. and

M. College faculty, was elected vice president of the home and school division.

In recognition of unusual traffic safety honors won by Oklahoma in recent years, Mr. Mueller recently was appointed to head a new educational subcommittee of the National Safety Council. This group, consisting of about twenty members, will integrate educational technique, newspapers, radio and the movies, to tie in with various civic educational groups.

Oklahoma won the southern division traffic safety honors this year for the fourth consecutive year. It is the first time in the history of the National Safety Council that any state has won a division award four times in succession.

Much of the credit for this record goes to Mr. Mueller, because of his safety promotion work as president of the Oklahoma Safety Council, and also as an editorial executive of the Oklahoma Publishing Company.

### Geologist Dies in Fall

Roger W. Sawyer, '15ba, widely known geologist was killed March 16 when he fell from the roof of a downtown garage in Roswell, New Mexico.

Mr. Sawyer, who was 45 years old, had been employed by oil companies in Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana and New Mexico. For the last four years he was employed by the Pure Oil Company, and had been stationed in New Mexico for a year.

Mr. Sawyer was elected to the University of Oklahoma chapter of Phi Beta Kappa in 1933 in recognition of his outstanding contribution to his profession.

During the World War I he served in the United States Army with rank of captain.

Survivors include his father, Dr. G. W. Sawyer, Chickasha; a brother, W. C. Sawyer, Lindsay; and three sisters, Dr. Edith Hammond, professor of chemistry and physics at the Oklahoma College for Women, Chickasha; Dr. Mary Sheppard, Oklahoma City, and Mrs. W. L. Vaughan, Canyon, Texas.

Funeral services and burial took place at Chickasha.

### Recreation Executive

Lt. Norval M. Locke, '40ed, captain of the Sooner football team in 1939, is now on duty at Fort Sill with the unusual responsibility of directing an athletic and recreation program for nearly 8,000 men.

His official title is athletic and recreation officer for the Field Artillery Replacement Center, Fort Sill. One of the four regimental athletic officers who assists him is Lt. John F. Shirk, '40, who played end on the football team that Locke captained.

Before being called to active army duty as a reserve officer, Locke had been appointed assistant football coach at Bartlesville High School. As a student in the University he played football in 1936, '38 and '39, was an I. M. A. key man, and completed advanced work in the R. O. T. C.



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