

terials are going out of the state for processing and fabrication and are then brought back for Oklahoma to use.

Oklahomans are beginning to be Oklahoma conscious. We are realizing that the time has come when we should not be content to remain a colony of the industrialized East but must develop our own economy. But we must compete with outsiders not by

any form of tariff but by the excellence of our products. In developing our products from our own raw materials we must use the most powerful device which modern industry has found—and this is *research*. Any investment of individuals, or of industries, or of the State itself in programs of research will be an investment in the future of Oklahoma and will bear a high return.

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In Public Service

In All Parts of Oklahoma, Sooner Graduates Are Serving Their Communities as Elected Officials

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UNIVERSITY graduates and former students are playing a large part in administration of county governments over the state. A survey of the roster of county officials reveals that in more than one half of the State's seventy-seven counties one or two or more of the principal elective offices are held by University alumni.

County attorneys, county judges and county superintendents of education are found to be O. U. alumni in a great many cases.

Following are elective county officials and district judges who, according to responses to Alumni Office queries sent to each county, are University graduates or former students:

Adair—George M. Hagan, '30, county superintendent, Stilwell.

Alfalfa—Floyd L. Croxton, '35law, county judge, Cherokee; Finis O. Stewart, '35law, county attorney, Cherokee.

Beaver—Keith Drum, '38ba, '40law, county attorney, Beaver; Lee Hulse, '33ed, county superintendent, Beaver.

Blaine—B. D. Gambel, '38, county superintendent, Watonga.

Bryan—Bill Steger, '36ba, '36law, county attorney, Durant.

Caddo—Haskell B. Pugh, '31law, county attorney, Anadarko; P. M. Friesen, '32, county superintendent, Anadarko.

Canadian—E. F. Thompson, '26ba, '28law, county judge, El Reno; W. L. Funk, '35law, county attorney, El Reno; Lucius Babcock, '31law, El Reno; district judge, District No. 13.

Carter—John E. McCain, '25law, county judge, Ardmore.

Choctaw—Norman Horton, '34, county attorney, Hugo; Ray Blakely, '39, county clerk, Hugo.

Cimarron—J. A. McMahan, '37ba, '39law, county attorney, Boise City.

Cleveland—Aubrey C. Moses, '26ba, '28law, county judge, Norman; Otis Blankenship, '33ba, '39law, county attorney, Norman; Virgil Young, '22, county clerk, Norman; R. W. Hamilton, '32ba, county superintendent, Norman.

Coal—Dale Brown, '36bus, county attorney, Coalgate; Arthur Pope, '25, county treasurer, Coalgate.

Comanche—W. W. Godlove, '30ba, '32law, county attorney, Lawton; Clarence Scott, '37, county superintendent, Lawton.

Creek—Birney Herrin, '21ba, county superintendent, Sapulpa.

Custer—Donald B. Darrah, '22, county judge, Arapaho; G. C. Loving, '31law, county attorney, Arapaho.

Garfield—Paul Edwards, '31, county judge, Enid; Hugh Conway, '23, county attorney, Enid.

Garvin—R. B. Garvin, '29law, county judge, Pauls Valley; M. J. Ewert, '38law, county attorney, Pauls Valley; George Phelps, '39bus, county treasurer, Pauls Valley; Earnest Wall, '38, county superintendent, Pauls Valley; Ben T. Williams, '31ba, '33law, Pauls Valley, district judge, District No. 19.

Grady—L. A. Wood, '28law, county judge, Chickasha; T. H. Williams, '26law, county attorney, Chickasha; Sam P. White, '32, county surveyor, Chickasha; Robert W. Osborn, '39, county superintendent, Chickasha.

Grant—J. C. Stevenson, '24, county judge, Medford; R. L. Cooper, '33, county attorney, Medford.

Greer—Percy Powers, '05, county judge, Mangum; H. K. Ross, '25, court clerk, Mangum; Roy Briggs, '16, county clerk, Mangum.

Haskell—Graham Holmes, '35, county judge, Stigler; J. B. Pennington, '40law, county attorney, Stigler.

Hughes—Bob Howell, '26ba, '28law, Holdenville, district judge, District No. 14.

Jackson—Carrol Womack, '28law, county judge, Altus; Weldon Ferris, '29ba, '31law, county attorney, Altus; J. M. Maddox, '26, county superintendent, Altus.

Johnston—C. E. Draper, '35, county attorney, Tishomingo.

Kay—Roy R. Carver, '23law, county judge, Newkirk; Roy E. Grantham, '34ba, '34law, '40 ed. m., county attorney, Newkirk.

Kingfisher—Roy H. Mead, '34, county judge, Kingfisher.

Kiowa—Clifford E. Huff, '25ba, '27law, county judge, Hobart; Gerald Watts, '38law, county attorney, Hobart.

LeFlore—Foster Windham, '30law, county attorney, Poteau.

Lincoln—Frank McVey, '36ba, '36law, county attorney, Chandler.

Logan—H. J. Adams, '33law, county attorney, Guthrie; Blanche Farley, '40ed.m, county superintendent, Guthrie.

Love—John Tippit, '38ba, '40law, county attorney, Marietta; W. B. Looney, '29, county treasurer, Marietta; J. I. Goins, '28law, Marietta, district judge, district No. 19.

McClain—E. Smith Hester, '33law, county attorney, Purcell.

McCurtain—Walter Scott, '31law, county judge, Idabel (resigned to become secretary of State Bar); Ed Shipp, '38law, county attorney, Idabel.

Major—Harold Gasaway, '36law, county attorney, Fairview.

Marshall—Jack Livingston, '37ba, '39law, county attorney, Madill.

Murray—Harold Springer, '37ba, '39law, county judge, Sulphur.

Noble—Henry Dolezal, '33law, county judge, Perry.

Okfuskee—Jess Miracle, '25, county judge, Okmah.

Oklahoma—Lewis R. Morris, '15ba, '15ma, '17law, county attorney, Oklahoma City; Frank P. Douglass, '16law, Oklahoma City, district judge, District No. 13; Clarence Mills, '23law, district judge, District No. 13.

Okmulgee—H. A. Carter, '22, superior judge, Okmulgee; James A. Nevins, '39, county superintendent, Okmulgee.

Ottawa—Howard M. Scott, '27ba, county superintendent, Miami.

Pawnee—H. D. Ballaine, '31law, county attorney, Pawnee; W. F. Benson, '28, county superintendent, Pawnee.

Pittsburg—William Jones, '25law, county judge, McAlester; Paul Gotcher, '32, county attorney, McAlester.

Pontotoc—Si Freeman, '37law, county attorney, Ada.

Pottawatomie—Tom Stevens, '28law, county judge, Shawnee; J. Knox Byrum, '27law, Shawnee, district judge, District No. 10.

Roger Mills—Orval Grim, '28, county attorney, Cheyenne.

Seminole—Bob Aubrey, '28law, county judge, Wewoka; Tommy Biggers, '34law, county at-

torney, Wewoka; Calvin Smith, 40m.ed, county superintendent, Wewoka.

Sequoyah—W. S. Agent, '33, county attorney, Sallisaw.

Stephens—G. H. Bond, '21, county judge, Duncan.

Tillman—E. Mac Townsend, '32law, county judge, Frederick; Louis A. Palmer, '40law, county attorney, Frederick; Edgar Allgood, '27ba, county superintendent, Frederick; C. E. Haas, '13pharm, court clerk, Frederick; John B. Wilson, '35ba, '37law, Frederick, district judge, District No. 22.

Tulsa—Bert Johnson, '24ba, '29law, W. N. Randolph, '10ba, '12law, common pleas judges, Tulsa; Dixie Gilmer, '24law, county attorney, Tulsa; A. Garland Marrs, '08, sheriff, Tulsa; Oliver Hodge, '33m.ed, county superintendent, Tulsa; Leslie Webb, '18ba, '20law, Tulsa, district judge, District No. 5-a; Harry L. S. Halley, '17law, Tulsa, district judge, District 5-a.

Wagoner—Jean R. Reed, '31, county judge, Wagoner.

Washington—R. H. Neptune, '37law, county attorney, Bartlesville.

Washita—Ray T. Plumlee, '33law, county attorney, Cordell.

Woods—Bill Gruber, '37law, county attorney, Alva.

Woodward—Willis Smith, '36law, county attorney, Woodward; J. F. Quisenberry, '30m.ed, county superintendent, Woodward.

Riding the Sooner Range

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district, the distinguished judge, ROBERT D. HOWELL, '25ba, '28law, the Fourteenth Judicial District Judge, with home in Holdenville. Another *legal product* that has earned his district judgeship in regular manner as assistant county attorney for three years and county judge for six years, he learned in practical way to administer justice on the district bench. A very active Kappa Alpha while on the campus of the University, Judge Howell likewise presided as president of the Interfraternity Council, was active in the old Soonerland Follies, and made close harmony with the O.U. quartet and glee club.... The distinguished professional man, namely, DR. WILLIAM P. LONGMIRE, JR., '34ba (and then off to Johns Hopkins School of Medicine for his M.D. in '38), of Sapulpa, is another nominee in District 4. Activities? Indeed, entirely too many—*too many* to list in any Range Riding write-up, as we could spend *paragraphs* on the accomplishments of this young professional medic. Really, no young man in recent years has accomplished so many outstanding honors and participated as a leader in so many student groups as did "Billy" Longmire while a student at the University of Oklahoma. Naturally, he topped it off by being the president of his social fraternity, Beta Theta Pi, achieved scholastic recognition in Phi Beta Kappa, and due to his outstanding research work the honor of Sigma Xi was cast his way.

District 7 (the region of the short grass) has three outstanding nominees. MRS. REBA CROW BURTIS, '26ba, Clinton, the charming wife of *old wheel horse* BUFF BURTIS, '27ba, a friend of long years standing, the charming mother of Betty Lou, 10 years, Martha Jane, 8 years, and Buff, Jr., 4 years. In the University, she was active as a member of the Women's Council, the W.A.A., Ducks Club, and the honor of Delta Psi Kappa came her way. She is known far and wide by her "sistern" in her sorority, Alpha Xi Delta.... For the first time in the history of the Association, a "first year man," due to his popularity in his district, and at the insistence of his many friends and admirers, has been nominated to the Executive Board, namely, LOUIS A. "PADDY" PALMER, '40law, the newly elected county at-

torney of Tillman County, Frederick, Oklahoma. Indeed, he did support himself entirely by "barbering on the corner" while a student at the University of Oklahoma. And if he *shaves* the decisions in the same manner that he *peeled* the profs and graduate students on this campus—while in his chair—well, he will get his share of the verdicts as prosecuting attorney. Watch this chap "Paddy" step along.... And last but not least, the third nominee for the short grass region, SUPERINTENDENT LONNIE T. VANDERVEER, '39ed.m, Cordell, and as we have often said before, we repeat again, "the ambassador for O.U. in the deep Southwest." A chap highly admired among his friends and associates, he has made an outstanding contribution as past president of the O.E.A. in 1939-40 in trying to solve the educational problems of the common schools of this state.

So there they are, the *IT* gang (five in number) that nominated the *IT'S*, meaning the fifteen nominees, as presented in this galloping over a series of outstanding men and women.

Yes, the rockin' chair is to catch five (and indeed five good ones)—we mean the men who go off the alumni Executive Board after their three years of service, but we will be paying a tribute to them for the fine service they have rendered in person at the annual Board meeting in June when they sing their swan song. Space here will not permit reiterating the outstanding accomplishments of the five retiring Board members, but we do in this closing hour of their administration—after the three long years of night and day work in the interest of the Association and the University proper—doff our hats—and say, "*OLIVE OIL* to the rockin' chair gang of '41," namely FRANK CLECKLER, '21ba, Muskogee; NORMAN BRILLHART, '17ba, Madill; MAX CHAMBERS, '21ba, Okmulgee; HICKS EPTON, '32law, Wewoka; and FINLEY McLAURY, '16law, Snyder. Good going—and smooth sailin'—to the five of you, and may you (as "has beens") fall to the rear of the parade, but continue in the future as you have in the past, to beat the tom-toms with us as together we do more Riding of the Sooner Range.

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