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LUCILE DORA, professor of French, has been suggested for membership in the *Institut Francais de Washington* by Gilbert Chinard, lecturer in French art and literature at Princeton University. The *Institut* is a select organization composed of people who have contributed to the development and appreciation of French culture in this country. General Pershing is a member. Miss Dora, who holds the degree of docteur de l'Universite de Montpellier, joined the University faculty in 1908.

► H. Vern Thornton, '22ba, '29ma, professor of government, was nominated for mayor of Norman on the Democratic ticket in primary elections held March 16. General election was to be held on April 6.

► W. B. Bizzell, president emeritus, was honored on a recent Sunday when the Interfraternity Council presented an American flag to the McFarlin Memorial Methodist Church in Norman for him. John G. Hervey, dean of the School of Law and fraternity co-ordinator, made the formal presentation. Fraternity men attended the service in groups.

► President Brandt was one of the sponsors of a conference on "The Place of Religion in Higher Education" held early this month at Colorado Springs, Colorado. The conference, directed by the Edward W. Hazen Foundation, consisted of a series of informal discussions.

► Edwin E. Schwien, former member of the University R.O.T.C. staff, has been promoted to the rank of brigadier general. General Schwien, now on duty at Camp Campbell, Kentucky, holds the Distinguished Service Cross, the Croix de Guerre and the Purple Heart.

► Ray A. Heady, assistant professor of journalism, has resigned, effective May 1, to take a position on the editorial staff of the *Kansas City Star* in Kansas City, Missouri. Mr. Heady came to the University in the fall of 1941 from the University of Kansas.

► Carl C. Rister, professor of history, is the author of a chapter on the great plains in *Economic History of the United States*, a new volume edited by Harold Williamson of Yale University and published by the Prentice-Hall Company of New York.

► William F. Whyte, assistant professor of sociology, has been appointed acting head of the department of anthropology, succeeding Forrest E. Clements, who resigned February 1. Mr. Clements expected to enter the armed services soon. Mr. Whyte joined the University faculty last fall, after serving as instructor in sociology at the University of Chicago and the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

► Miss Catherine Holman, '24ba, '25ma, assistant professor of English, has been

named faculty co-ordinator for the WAACS, to assist coeds who plan to enter the women's army.

► Kester Svendsen, assistant professor of English, and Mrs. Svendsen have chosen the name Jennifer Lucinda Webb Svendsen for their baby daughter born February 18 at Norman.

► Charles E. Decker, professor of paleontology, will give two addresses, "Teaching of Paleontology," and "Dependent Graptolites in Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas," at the annual meeting of the Society of Economic Paleontologists and Mineralogists to be held in Fort Worth, Texas, this month. J. Willis Stovall, professor of paleontology, was recently named a member of the American Geological Society.

► Lyman Wilson, University law professor from 1914 to 1920, is president-elect of the Association of American Law Schools. Mr. Wilson, who has been on the faculty of Cornell University Law School since 1921, will serve on the executive committee of the Association during 1943 and take office in 1944.

► Mrs. Annice Ashton Barnes, now of Chickasha, formerly on the Home Economics Department faculty, was married to Clay Boyd, coxswain in the U.S. Coast Guard, in February at Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

► Nathan A. Court, professor of mathematics, has been appointed to the board of editors of the *National Mathematics Magazine*.

► Professor Alice Sowers, director of family life education, has been appointed national chairman of the radio script service of the Parent-Teacher Association. The P.-T.A. furnishes radio scripts dealing with its activities free of charge to interested stations.

► Clifford A. Merritt, professor of geology, has been appointed a fellow of the American Mineral Society.

► Ina Griffith, '30pharm, '31ms, instructor in pharmacy, has been elected national secretary of Rho Chi pharmaceutical society.

► A recent edition of the *Charlotte News* of Charlotte, North Carolina, carried an article by Jerome Dowd, professor of sociology, describing early days at the Charlotte Female Institute as one of a series of stories on "Old Days in Charlotte."

► Robert H. Dott, director of the Oklahoma Geological Survey, has been re-elected secretary-editor of the Association of American State Geologists.

► Barre Hill, professor of music, has been commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army Air Force. He was to receive officer training at Miami Beach, Florida, before reporting to Randolph Field, Texas.