# Alumni in the News

NEW MEMBERS of the official family appointed by Gov. Robert S. Kerr, '16, include several alumni.

J. M. Gentry, '15ba', Enid, former commissioner of public safety, was appointed to succeed Walter B. Johnson in that position. Weldon Ferris, '31law, Altus attorney, was appointed one of five members of the State Industrial Commission.

Two alumni are members of the Oklahoma Court of Tax Review, which has been retained by Governor Kerr exactly as it was appointed by former Governor Leon C. Phillips, '16law. Tax Review judges include Clarence Mills, '23law, Oklahoma County district judge, and J. I. Goins, '28law, district judge from Marietta. The Court of Tax Review hears all cases of tax protests from the 77 Oklahoma counties, its three members serving without pay.

Six alumni were named members of the new seven-member State Board of Education formed by Governor Kerr to replace the former nine-member board that served under the Phillips administration. President of the board by virtue of his office is A. L. Crable, '27ma, state su-

perintendent.

Members include Dan Procter, '36m.ed, Ada, vice chairman; R. L. McLean, '38 m.ed, Anadarko; Hugh Carroll, '05, Fairview; Elbert L. Costner, '29ba, '34ma, Poteau; and C. P. Howell, '20ba, '29m.ed, Ponca City. The other member is R. H. Burton, Idabel.

#### O.P.A. Attorneys

Added to the legal staff of the Office of Price Administration in Oklahoma City last month were three alumni—O. B. Martin, '26law, Blackwell; Jack M. Highley, '33law, and Evert P. Rhea, '34law, Oklahoma City.

Mr. Martin, who has practiced law in Blackwell since his graduation, is associate rationing attorney. The other two attorneys are assigned to the O.P.A. en-

forcement division.

Since graduation from the University, Mr. Highley has served on the legal staff of Phillips Petroleum Company and was an area director for the National Youth Administration. Mr. Rhea was formerly a legal specialist in oil and gas affairs.

## Okemah Alumni Promoted

Three alumni were involved in a shift in Okfuskee County official positions late in March. Jess Miracle, '21-'25, county judge of Okfuskee County for the last four years, was named district judge to fill a vacancy created by an act of the State Legislature passed in February. Succeeding the county attorney, who succeeded Mr. Miracle as

county judge, was Dane Seran, '35bus, assistant county attorney since 1939. Dwight Tolle, '39law, was named new assistant county attorney. Mr. Tolle had served as chairman of the Okfuskee County War Price and Rationing Board since January, 1942. All Okfuskee County officials have offices in Okemah, the county seat.

## Clemency Board Members

Three members of the Pardon and Parole Board, appointed by Governor Kerr, are Elmer Fraker, '20ba, '38ma, Mangum, Alumni Association president; Bill G. Stigler, '16, Stigler, and Jim Hatcher, '13ba, Chickasha.

### Civilian Defense Leaders

Two members of the advisory board in charge of Oklahoma civilian defense committee activities, created by the last legislature, are J. William Cordell, '13-'19, and Randell Cobb, '19law. The state war council plans to set up machinery by which every Oklahoma home may take part in the war effort.

## With General Electric

The General Electric Company last month reported that of the 9,222 college graduates in its employ, thirty-one are Sooner alumni.



Sings for Missimo

Mobley Lushanya, '25, opera singer from Ardmore, was guest singer at a reception for Madame Chiang Kai-Shek held in Boston during the Chinese first lady's tour. Standing at Lushanya's left are Bishop Cushing and Mayor Maurice Tobin of Boston. IMAGE IS NOT AVAILABLE ONLINE DUE TO COPYRIGHT RESTRICTIONS.

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