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The University

The Regents

Public hearing by the Board of Regents on the recommended dismissal of two University English professors was set for September 14 at a special regents' meeting held late in July.

Three regents appointed by the board to conduct the hearing involving the professors, Charles C. Walcutt and Martin S. Shockley, are Don Emery, '20ba, '21law, Bartlesville; W. R. Wallace, '09-'10, Oklahoma City, and E. C. Hopper, Eufaula. Recommendation for dismissal is based on charges of non-co-operation and insubordination. The regents following their conference on the case issued a statement as follows:

The Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma met this day to consider the issue involved in connection with the application made to the faculty committee on tenure and grievances by E. D. Meacham, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and J. H. Marshburn, chairman, department of English, recommending that the connection of Mr. Shockley and Mr. Walcutt with the University be severed.

In view of the circumstances developed in this particular case, and acting upon the recommendation of the president of the University and the chairman of the faculty committee on tenure and grievances, the Board of Regents will hear, at its regular meeting in September, the case made under the application and bill of particulars and the response thereto. The hearing will be public; all parties will be accorded the right of counsel and a full and complete transcript of the proceedings will be taken.

In addition to consideration of the case of the English professors, the regents approved routine staff changes at the late July meeting.

Leave of absence was granted to Mrs. Naomi Howard Wall, '33he, secretary to the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Howard Larsh, botany professor who will do botanical research for the government. Mrs. Wall will join her husband, Lt. T. T. Wall, who is in service.

Appointments approved were Mrs. Joyce Howard Bowerman, '43letters, secretary of the College of Arts and Sciences; Elizabeth Comfort, '43fa, temporary secretary of the Y.W.C.A., Mrs. Hester Hughes Sickles, '35ed, secretary for H. E. Wrinkle, 22ba, '31m.ed, state service director, and Elaine Larecy, '42journ, war records keeper in the Graduate Records and Placement Bureau in connection with the Alumni Association.

Resignation of Brunette Shanklin, '30ba,

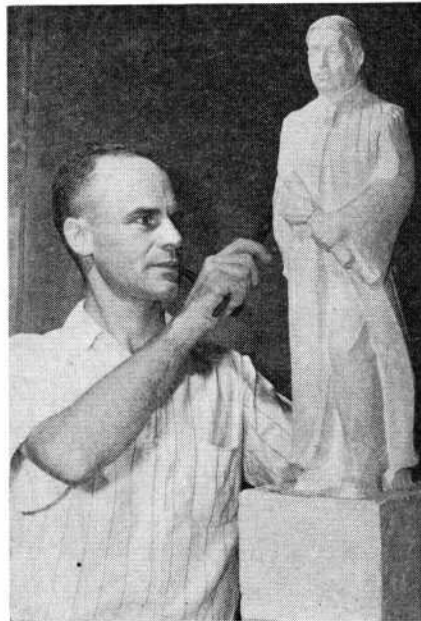
secretary to the Counselor of Men, was accepted. Miss Shanklin has been connected with the University for 13 years.

Approval was given by the regents for the University to purchase Hughen Hall, large hall at 564 South University Boulevard, for use in housing Navy trainees sent to the campus under the Navy Training program.

Permission was granted to reallocate \$25,000 of University housing funds to cover more than half of the \$45,000 cost of the hall. The remainder will be handled on a lease basis, with future lease payments to apply on the purchase price.

Discussion of the first year's operation of the University college, begun at the request of President Brandt, was continued by the regents at their regular meeting in August.

The University College was established in 1942 to co-ordinate the programs of the freshman and sophomore years of the University and to provide a uniform advisory system for undergraduates during these years.



HOW MEMORIAL WILL LOOK

Joe Taylor, University art professor, and the replica of the statue of President Emeritus Bizzell to be erected on Vernon Parrington Oval as memorial from the Class of '43.

The two-year curriculum was designed to give students a general education, with technical training reserved for the last two years of college work. Under the University College Plan, the period required for completion of work leading to a degree remains the same.

The regents also discussed the University of Oklahoma Foundation, an organization to accept gifts and endowments made to the University, but postponed action on the foundation until the next meeting.

Dr. W. A. Fowler, director of the Student Health Service, was granted a leave of absence to work with the University of Arkansas Student Health Service and enter private practice. Dr. F. T. Gastineau, associate professor of hygiene and health, was appointed acting director.

Dr. Alan John Stanley was appointed assistant professor of physiology at the School of Medicine in Oklahoma City, effective September 1.

Resignations were accepted from Patti Patton, '18ba, '31ma, '42lib.sci, acquisition head of the University Library; Henry R. Kroeger, assistant professor of mechanical engineering, and Helen F. Lauterer, assistant professor of drama. Mary Belle Smith was appointed to succeed Miss Patton and Betty Coe Armstrong, '39fa, was appointed special instructor in drama in connection with the National Theater Conference.

New Session Under Way

Judging from information requests and high school transcripts received, approximately 600 freshmen were expected to enrol in the University's eight-weeks autumn session beginning September 6. Civilian enrolment in this term was expected to be in the neighborhood of 1,500.

The eight-weeks term, ending the first part of November, will be followed by a regular sixteen-weeks winter semester. Enrolment for the semester will be held November 4, 5 and 6.

Summer Commencement

Approximately 250 persons who completed University work for degrees since the last commencement exercises late in May were graduated August 27 in a ceremony held in the Outdoor Auditorium.

Some of the new graduates were stu-

dents in the regular summer session while others were enrolled in the full-length war semester instituted this summer to speed up educational training.

Commencement speaker was Paul B. Sears, former University botany professor and author of the well-known book *Deserts on the March*, which won a \$2,500 award as the most outstanding non-fiction work in 1935. Mr. Sears is now head of the botany department at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.

Enrolment More Than 5,000

University enrolment during the period from September, 1942, to August, 1943, totaled 5,842 students.

This figure, announced by the Registry Office, included the regular fall and spring semesters and the two summer terms. Original enrolment in the spring semester dropped from 4,597 to 3,715 as men left for military service.

Foreign countries represented by students on the campus during the past year were Venezuela, Canada, Brazil, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, England, France, Mexico, Peru and Turkey.

Industrial Newspaper

The Oklahoma Business Bulletin, monthly publication of the College of Business Administration, has been named the official organ for publishing news of Oklahoma industries.

Small surveys formerly published separately by the College of Business Administration will be consolidated in the publication.

The *Bulletin* will contain data and statistics prepared by state officials and industrial groups, as designated by E. W.

Smartt, chairman of the Planning and Resources Board. It will go to state newspapers, radio stations, schools, chambers of commerce and business houses. The *Bulletin* is edited by C. F. Daily, '31bs, '33m.ed, '35d.ed, associate professor of economics.

Geology Museum Planned

Plans for the establishment of an extensive Geological Museum at the University have been completed, and actual work was to begin in the late summer.

The plans, authorized by the last State Legislature, call for remodeling of the north side of the west part of Owen Stadium into a museum large enough to display the specimen collection of the School of Geology.

The collection, gathered and restored during the last five years, includes ancient camels, horses, dinosaurs, elephants and reptiles. Supervisor is J. W. Stovall, professor of paleontology.

Institute Program Aided

Accessories worth \$5,000 have been secured for the infrared spectrograph which is under construction at the University. The spectrograph, which is being built under contract with the Naval Research Laboratory, Washington, D. C., can be used in many phases of industrial research. The project is one of several carried on by the University's Research Institute.

To Seek More Oil

A search for oil reserves in Oklahoma is planned by the Oklahoma Geological Survey in co-operation with the U. S. Geological Survey, R. H. Dott, director of the state survey, announced.

Officials of the federal survey were in Norman late in July to confer with Mr. Dott and his staff members on the proposed co-operative geological study of the state's oil-producing sections.

Tentative plans call for investigation of the Arbuckle and Wichita Mountain areas and the sub-surface of the north-central oil fields. Work will be under the direction of Hugh D. Miser, chief of the fuel section of the U. S. Geological Survey, which is conducting similar projects in other oil-producing sections of the country.

Speech Clinic Closed

The University Speech Clinic, which has offered assistance to persons with speech defects since establishment in 1937, became a war casualty recently when it was closed for the duration. Carl Ritzman, speech professor and director of the clinic, is awaiting induction into the Army and said no new cases could be accepted by the clinic.

Writers' Sales Mount

Students in the professional writing class taught by Walter S. Campbell, professor of English, sold 94 stories and articles to national publications during the last three semesters. Total amount received for these sales was approximately \$10,000.

Mr. Campbell's class received high praise when Leo Margulies, editor-in-chief of Standard Publications, who spoke recently in Norman, said that it was the best writing school of its kind in the United States.



LARGE ARMY-NAVY HOUSING PROJECT NOW UNDER WAY

Construction on the 900-unit housing project south of the campus, the largest single building program in the history of the University, got under way last month. The above drawing of the dormitory project shows eight masonry buildings to be built, including seven two-story dormitories and an administration building. After the war the dormitories will probably be used to house freshmen. Work on the project is to be completed in ninety days.