

Association Progress

Graduates and former students of the University of Oklahoma have formed a Sooner organization in Hawaii.

The charter granted the group in Honolulu will probably be the sixth authorized by the Executive Board of the University of Oklahoma Association.

Ernie Hoberecht, '41journ, Watonga, was chosen president of this newest activity of the expanding Oklahoma Association which is now represented by Sooners around the world. James H. Tabor, '39law, Checotah, was elected vice president; Mrs. Elizabeth Ball Carr, '24ba, '40ma, Oklahoma City, was named secretary-treasurer.

The University of Oklahoma Alumni Club of Hawaii has 22 charter members. Besides the officers, they are Lt. Comdr. Denzel Carr, '22, Ada; Lt. Willard E. Edwards, '29eng, Norman; Maj. James A. Embry, Jr., '27law, Chandler; Comdr. R. B. Ford, '28med, Tulsa; Louis "Paddy" Palmer, '40law, Grandfield; Mrs. Nena Gibbins Smith, '36bus, Waurika; Ensign B. Abbott Sparks, Jr., '41fa, '43ba, Pauls Valley; Bill Adams, '42, Tulsa; John "Doc" Boggs, '40-'41, Fairfield, Illinois; Roger W. Butner, '33law, Wewoka; Lt. (jg) Jack Carter, '31bus, Guthrie; Comdr. C. C. Fulton, '26med, Atoka; Lt. (jg) Raymond Gramlich, '41law, Oklahoma City; Irene Hills, Oklahoma City; Capt. Robert R. Read, '41eng, Lawton; Jackson D. Scott, '36law, Konawa and Wewoka; Maj. James W. Stacy, '35ed, Altus; Bill Van Dyke, '38, Norman; and Darrell Winings, '33law, Oklahoma City.

Other former students and graduates, who are not members of the University of Oklahoma Association, attending the initial meeting were J. F. Harris, '11ba, Norman; Mrs. Dorothy Hall, '30ba, Oklahoma City; Lt. John A. Cunningham, '36med, Miami, Oklahoma; Mary Robey Harris, '13ba, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Lucile H. Wilkinson, '25ba, '35lib.sci, Enid; Miss Nina Clover, '16, Tulsa; George R. Sutherland, '33-'37, Hominy; Capt. Millard S. Purdy, '38journ, Oklahoma City; Capt. William H. Wylie, '39geol, Oklahoma City; Joe C. Miller, '23-'27, Ponca City; and Capt. M. J. Jackson, '24ba, Perry.

Organization of this group in Hawaii came at a dinner meeting at Kewalo Inn, one of Honolulu's currently outstanding dining places. A special turkey dinner was served.

Ernie Hoberecht was the moving spirit behind the organization drive. He wrote personal letters to more than 70 Sooners whose names were supplied by the *Sooner Magazine*. Many of the Oklahomans who could not attend have pledged to affiliate themselves with the group as soon as possible. Meetings will be held regularly.

Hoberecht is correspondent in Hawaii for the *Daily Oklahoman*, being accredited to

Army Headquarters in the Central Pacific Area. He also is editor of the *Pearl Harbor Bulletin*.

Tabor, the vice president, has been in Hawaii since 1939. He is now internal legal advisor and assistant secretary of the Dole Pineapple Company.

Mrs. Carr, secretary and treasurer, has been in the islands nine years and has taught eight and a half years of that time. She is now an instructor in English in the University of Hawaii.

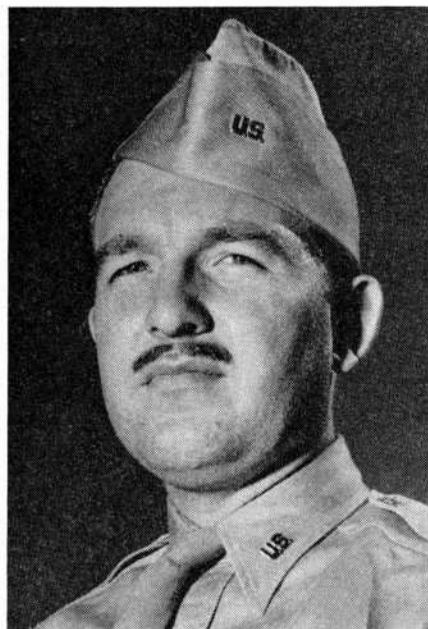
Getting an alumni group started in Hawaii involved overcoming numerous difficulties. For one thing, transportation is poor, and too, blackout and curfew regulations restrict activities at night.

The dinner was held at 5:30 p.m., and in true wartime Hawaiian style, everybody was on his way home by 8:30 p.m.

Many University friendships were renewed. Some of the members had been in Honolulu for a considerable length of time, but had not yet met.

"Some of those attending our dinner and organization meeting were not paid up members of the University of Oklahoma Association," Hoberecht reported to Roscoe Cate, acting executive secretary. "However, we promise to get them in good standing immediately, and hope to secure several life memberships for the Association out of our ranks.

"We plan to be very active. Besides taking on special projects to benefit the University, we are going to have a good time. Major Stacy heads up our entertainment



HEADS HAWAII CLUB

Ernie Hoberecht, '41journ, is president of the O.U. Alumni Club of Hawaii.

committee and will see to it that each session is a success along that line.

"We are anxious to meet all Sooners passing through Honolulu. My address is 277 Ohua—in the Waikiki district—my telephone number is 98174; mail addressed to the club will reach it through P. O. Box 117, Honolulu."

Oklahoma City Club

Charter for the University of Oklahoma Alumni Club of Oklahoma City was formally presented at a dinner meeting of one hundred alumni and guests January 26 in the Biltmore Hotel at Oklahoma City.

The presentation was made by T. R. Benedum, '28law, of Norman, president of the Alumni Association, to Kermit J. Hardwick, '29bus, president of the Oklahoma City Club. Organized many years ago as an unofficial club to sponsor a Homecoming dinner-dance each fall, the Oklahoma City group voted at a luncheon meeting in early January to petition for a charter and become an official charter club under the plan adopted by the Association's Executive Board last year.

Dr. George L. Cross, who became acting president of the University January 1, made his first public appearance before an alumni group at the dinner meeting in Oklahoma City. He described the University's war training program, discussed the problems of the University College plan, and predicted a great future for the University after the war. He warned that the University is badly in need of increased financial support for increased facilities and for a better faculty salary scale.

The dinner program included songs from the musical show *Oklahoma!* sung by Wilda Griffin, '27fa, '33fa, assistant professor of music at the University; and the showing of moving pictures of the Sooner-Missouri championship football game with commentary by Dale Arbuckle, '27law, '36ed, director of athletics. Stewart Harral, '36ma, director of press relations for the University, was toastmaster.

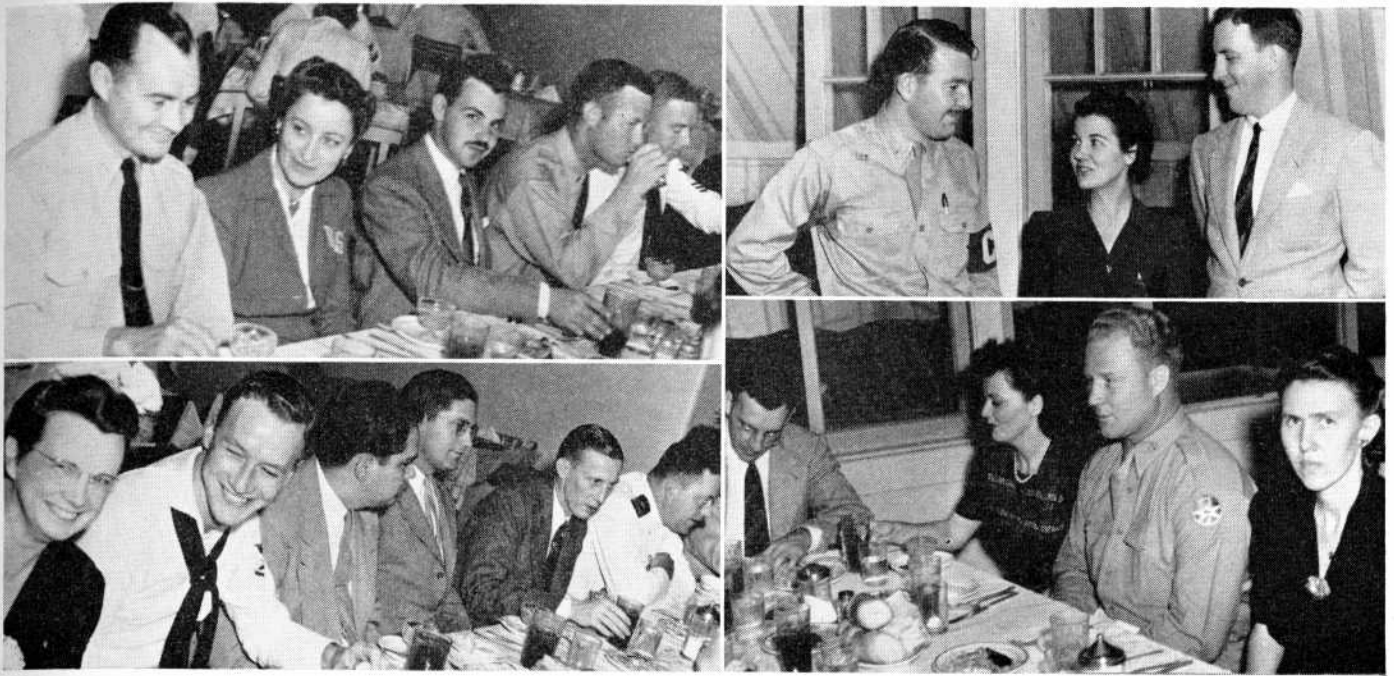
Dr. Cross's address at the dinner resulted in the following editorial published in the *Oklahoma City Times* two days later:

Doctor Cross, acting president of the state university, speaking before the state alumni association, mentioned the same needs of the institution that have been emphasized over and over again for many years.

Those needs are more buildings, more equipment, more facilities and higher pay for instructors, all of which means more money.

It is well to keep hammering at this subject. Something may be done about it eventually. Improvements and additions to the university's physical plant have not kept pace with the growth in student enrolment or the school's growing service program. The university is crying for wings of expansion. It continues to exist on clipped rations. In the professorships, the scale of pay at O. U. is as much as \$500 a year lower in each rank than in many other institutions in the midwest and southwest area.

The state administration and the legislature always have seemed to manage to provide, somehow, for other forms of state service that require money and a continued flow of backing, while higher educational institutions are left on the shelf and forced to remain in the begging line. A two percent sales tax is earmarked for a definite service, an extra high



SOONERS IN HAWAII ESTABLISH CHARTER CLUB NO. 6

Upper left—Among alumni who enjoyed the session at Kewalo Inn were (left to right) Lt. Willard E. Edwards, Mrs. Dorothy S. Edwards, John "Doc" Boggs, Ensign B. Abbott Sparks, Jr., Yeoman Bill Van Dyke.

Upper right—Officers of the University of Oklahoma Alumni Club of Hawaii are (left to right) Ernie Hoberecht, president; Mrs. Elizabeth Ball Carr, secretary-treasurer, and James H. Tabor, vice president.

Lower left—Another section of the table included (left to right) Nina Clover, William G. Adams, Jackson D. Scott, Roger W. Butner, George R. Sutherland, Lt. (jg) Jack Carter.

Lower right—Seated at one end of the table were (left to right) James H. Tabor, Mrs. James W. Stacy, Maj. James W. Stacy and Mrs. Nena Gibbins Smith.

tax is collected on cigars and cigarets for certain purposes, our state has one of the highest income tax rates in the land, most states have a lower gasoline tax than we do.

If the leading educators will continue to remind the people and the authorities that Oklahoma ranks low in the matter of providing for higher education, some day there may be a rearranging of the general spending and enough funds earmarked specifically for the purpose of making our university rank with the best of them, even at the pay window.

Visitors

Sooners representing different branches of the Navy predominated among recent visitors in the Alumni Office.

Included were Ensign Garrison E. Munger, '43bus, and Mrs. Munger (Jane Suggett, '43ba), Newport, Rhode Island; Ensign Brad Scheer, '41law, San Francisco; Ensign Wendell Tomberlin, '38fa, Washington, D. C.; John Miller, '41journ, Naval aviation cadet at Livermore, California.

Neal V. Golden, '43ms, Navy instructor at Farragut, Idaho; Wann Langston, Jr., '43geol, pharmacist's mate at the Naval Hospital in San Diego; Lt. Comdr. Margaret Stephenson, former counselor of women at the University now stationed at Coast Guard headquarters in Washington, D. C., in charge of SPAR recruiting.

Lt. William E. Beaty, '37bus, also of the Navy, and Mrs. Beaty, Tulsa; Ensign Joy Hester, '36bs, '38ma, stationed with the WAVES in the Office of Port Director in New York City; Mrs. Ima Jean Wilkerson, '43, Norman, whose husband, Robert H.

Wilkerson, '42, is a carpenter's mate with the Seabees.

Others who signed the register were Jerry Larecy, '41lib.sci, formerly of Hobart; Capt. James E. Goldsmith, '41, San Antonio, Texas; Jane Fulton, '43fa, terminal hostess with Braniff Airways in Wichita, Kansas; Mrs. Marilyn Davis Ingler, '43journ, reporter in Shawnee; Mrs. Anna Lee Abbott Pullen, '42ed, Muskogee; Mrs. Evelyn Couch Barkholz, '29ba, '38m.ed, Norman.

Jeannette Scudder, dean of women at the University of Arkansas; Maj. Victor E. Warford, '40bs, Chickasha; Lt. Bob Naifeh, '42, Goldsboro, North Carolina; Mrs. James C. Hamill, Pauls Valley, whose husband, Captain Hamill, '36law, is overseas; Lt. Robert N. Starr, '43ba, Pittsburg, Kansas, and Mrs. Starr.

Capt. Charles T. Mitchell, '42, Camp Cooke, California; Durward McDaniel, '44, attorney with the C.I.O. in Oklahoma City; Lt. Orville C. Rogers, '40eng, and Mrs. Rogers (Esther Beth Shannon, '41ba), LaJunta, Colorado; Zaidee Bland, '43he, Norman teacher, and Mrs. Marilyn Smith Newman, '42, Kansas City, Missouri.

Lt. Clarence Martin, '42, pilot at Laughlin Field, Del Rio, Texas; Sgt. Roy M. McClintock, '41, instrument instructor in the Air Force at Amarillo, Texas.

Dr. Robert A. Knight, '38med, of the Campbell Clinic at Memphis, Tennessee; Mrs. George McDermitt (Eldora Baker, '38), Norman; Nina E. Yowell, '36fa,

paint inspector with Douglas Aircraft Company, Oklahoma City; Lt. Edwin Calvert, '42eng, with the Air Force at Dyersburg, Tenn.

Others who signed the register were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Hylbert, missionaries from Shanghai, China, who recently returned to the United States on the *Gripsholm* after internment in Japanese prison camps; Dennis Heaton, assistant steward in the British Merchant Marine whose home is in London, and R. M. McClintock, Oklahoma newspaperman now press secretary to Governor Kerr. The Hylberts are the parents of Mrs. Cliff Murphy whose husband is general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at the University.

Life Members Total 746

New life members include many graduates of recent classes and students still in the University. The present life membership total of 746 shows an increase of 123 memberships since February of last year.

The new life members include the following:

Robert D. Norvell, '43eng, McLoud; Joseph S. Lewis, '21law, Ponca City; Maj. Alvan Muldrow, '33law, APO New York City, and Mrs. Muldrow (Vera Kennedy, '33bus), Pauls Valley; Sally Sue Hensley, '43phys.ed, assistant to the director of Union activities at the University; Lt. Robert L. Lunsford, '43ba, of the Field Artillery.

Mrs. Beth Reichstadt, '43ma, Norman; Mary E. Swinney, '44, student from Ringling; Capt. Richard G. Dulaney, '42phys, Camp Polk, Louisiana; Lylith Medbery, '44ba, Clinton; Cecil Brite, '31law, gen-



ST. LOUIS ALUMNI RECEIVE FIRST CHARTER

Roscoe Cate, '26ba, (left) acting alumni secretary, presents charter No. 1 to E. J. Merritt, '33law, president of the O.U. Alumni Club of St. Louis. Also shown are Mrs. Ruth Standerfer Glaze, '26-'28, vice president, and Helen Ruth Holbrook, secretary-treasurer.

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eral manager of student publications at O.U.; Jack Clark Brown, '41ba, senior law student from Commerce, Oklahoma.

Betty Gene Tway, '43ba, Oklahoma City; Ben Huey, '31law, Norman attorney, and Mrs. Huey (Irene Oakley, '34ed); VaRue Lindsay, '40lib.sci, assistant in the University Library; Cleo M. Meredith, '43ba, Hartford, Connecticut; Sgt. Charles Penoi, '39ed, APO New York City, and Mrs. Penoi (Mary Harriett Covert, '35fa), Norman; J. Phil Burns, '27ba, Fairview.

Anne Feild, '44bus, Oklahoma City; Dr. J. L. Haddock, '32med, Norman physician; Herbert Keener, '44eng, Norman; Lt. Col. William D. Anderson, '31med, Foster Field, Texas; Ensign John L. Trentman, '44eng, Wichita, Kansas; Maurice W. Hankinson, '37law, of the Navy, and Mrs. Hankinson (Jane Lomax, '37), Norman; Marian Bean, '44bus, Maud; Lt. Russell Black, '42speech, APO San Francisco.

Ernest Elliott, Jr., '39ba, and Ensign George B. Higgins, '43bus, both with the Navy at San Francisco; Dorothea E. Kerr, '44bus, Norman; Lt. Paul E. Rutledge, '40law, Fort Jackson, South Carolina; Sylvia Orwig, '44, student from Wewoka; Betty Jane Roberts, '44ba, Oklahoma City; Douglas J. Bourne, '44eng, of the Navy.

A. P. Slaner, '39bus, New York City; Nina E. Yowell, '36fa, Norman; Lt. Col. Jack F. Burnett, '39med, APO New York City; Capt. Arley L. Outland, '40, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Capt. Barth P. Walker, '40law, Oklahoma City, and Mrs. Walker (Lucile Brotherton, '41law); Marilyn Millard Harper, '44, student from Wynnewood; Maj. Robert F. Brooks, '33geol, APO New York City; Wann Langston, Jr., '43geol, of the Navy; Lt. Willard E. Edwards, '29eng, with the Navy at Pearl Harbor.

Betty Rae Brown, '44, student from Hartshorne; Maj. Harry W. Hughes, '29ba, APO New York City; Pvt. Martin Jacobson, '44bs, and Pvt. Richard Jacobson, '44bs, both stationed at Camp Berkeley, Texas; Marvin Petty, '44, student from Kremlin, Oklahoma; Leslie H. Reynolds, '35eng, Hope, Arkansas; A. V. Jones, '23geol, Albany, Texas; Harry N. Strickland, '44, Navy V-12 trainee from De Leon, Texas; and Jack Dempsey, '44, senior business student from Chickasha.

St. Louis Meeting

Alumni Club Charter No. 1—first one granted under the charter club plan adopted by the executive board of the Alumni Association last year—was formally presented at a dinner meeting of the University of Oklahoma Alumni Club of St. Louis, Missouri, February 2.

The charter was presented by Roscoe Cate, '26ba, acting executive secretary of the association, to E. J. Merritt, '33law, president of the St. Louis club. The St. Louis club qualified for designation as charter club No. 1 last fall, but the formal presentation ceremony was delayed until last month.

Principal address of the meeting was given by Secretary Cate, who reported on recent developments at the University, and told about the current activities of the Alumni Association. He paid tribute to the St. Louis alumni club as being probably the most consistently active of any O.U. alumni group outside Oklahoma.

Officers of the St. Louis club, in addition to Mr. Merritt, are Mrs. Ruth Standerfer Glaze, '26-'28, vice president, and Helen Ruth Holbrook, secretary-treasurer.

Washington Alumni

Sooners in the nation's capital got together in January to celebrate O.U.-A. and M. day, an event sponsored by the Oklahoma State Society in Washington, D. C.

The affair was an open house held in the new Oklahoma Clubhouse out by the Calvert Street bridge over Rock Creek Parkway. Mrs. Henry D. Rinsland (Martha O'Daniel, '23ed, '26m.ed, '36d.ed), former O.U. education professor, was in charge of arrangements.

Alumni present included Robert E. Davis, '42 eng, Norman, and Weldon Webb, '43 eng, Hugo, who are with the Naval Research Laboratory; Malvina Stephenson, '36ma, free-lance writer and correspondent with several news services; W. E. Salter, '24ed, and Mrs. Salter (Murrel Bixler, '27he); Lt. R. L. Disney, '37journ; Mrs. R. J. Dangerfield (Helen Morrison, '29he), and Mrs. Lynden Mannen (Patricia Lyon, '34ed). Lieutenant Mannen, '27ba, '38ma, former government professor at O.U., is stationed at a southern camp.

Among former O.U. faculty members present were Lt. Comdr. Royden J. Danger-

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teaching in Alabama College for Women at Montevallo.

Beverly Brewer, '43, Tulsa, is secretary to an official of the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce.

DAVIS-INGLER: Miss Marilyn Davis, '43 journ, Holdenville, and Pfc. William Ingler, '40-'43, Clinton, were married January 1 at Holdenville. Mrs. Ingler, a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority, was society correspondent for the *Daily Oklahoman* and *Oklahoma City Times* and a staff member of the *Covered Wagon* while at O. U. She has been employed by the *Shawnee News-Star*. Private Ingler, who was the University correspondent for the *Daily Oklahoman* and *Oklahoma City Times*, is stationed at O. U. with the ASTU.

WARDELL-DULIN: Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Margaret Ann Wardell, O. U. senior, to Lt. John J. Dulin, '43 eng, El Reno. Miss Wardell, daughter of M. L. Wardell, '19ba, University professor of history and acting director of the Extension Division, and Mrs. Wardell, is a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority. Lieutenant Dulin, a member of Theta Kappa Phi fraternity, was taking an electronics course at Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts. He expects to be sent to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology soon for further training.

FAST-HOUSE: Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Freida Fast, '43m.ed, Weatherford, to Lt. Melbourne House, Grant City, Missouri. Miss Fast is a former graduate assistant in counseling at the University. Lieutenant House, who attended Northwest Missouri State Teachers College, Maryville, was stationed at the Ardmore Army Air Base.

Lois Forde, '43ed, Cherokee, is teaching in Tonkawa.

FAIRBANK-FURGASON: Miss Theda Eileen Fairbank, Laverne, and Pfc. Pleasant V. Furgason, '40-'43, Buffalo, Oklahoma, were married December 3 in Norman. Mrs. Furgason was employed by the Laverne First National Bank. Private Furgason is in the ASTP at the University.

POLK-GELLER: Miss Mildred Polk, Valeda, Kansas, and Ensign Raymond Geller, '40-'43, Coffeyville, Kansas, were married December 23 at Norman. Ensign Geller, a member of Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity, was ordered to report to Washington, D. C., after receiving his commission in December with the first class of Naval R.O.T.C. graduates at the University.

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field, former government professor; Joseph H. Rhoads and Mrs. Rhoads (May Frank, '22ba); Maj. Henry D. Rinsland, '20ba, '24ma, Mrs. Rinsland and their daughter Almeda; Josh Lee, '17ba, and Mrs. Lee (Louise Gerlach, '23); Paul A. Walker, '12law, and Mrs. Walker (Myra Williams, '12); Elgin Groseclose, '20ba, who recently returned from Iran, and Mrs. Groseclose; and Frances Hunt, '29ba, formerly of the O.U. journalism faculty.

The Oklahoma State Society operates a service bureau for new Oklahomans in Washington who want to know how to get in touch with other Oklahomans, advice on where to live and other information. Secretary of the service bureau is Mrs. J. H. Rhoads (May Frank, '22ba), whose address in Washington is 2100 19th Street Northwest, phone North 6359.

The Oklahoma Clubhouse is located at 2301 Calvert Street Northwest and is open every Sunday for Oklahomans.

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