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## Faculty

ROYDEN DANGERFIELD, professor of government on leave of absence, has been commissioned a lieutenant commander in the Navy. Dr. Dangerfield left the University in September, 1942, to take a civilian position with the Board of Economic Warfare in Washington, D. C. He is now there in the Judge Advocate General Department of the Navy.

- ▶ Dr. Maurice H. Merrill, '22law, professor of law, has been appointed by Governor Kerr, '16, as Oklahoma's representative to the national Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.
- ▶ Dr. Carl C. Rister, professor of history, is the author of *Baptist Missions Among the American Indians*, published recently by the home mission board of the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlanta, Georgia.
- ► Frank R. Campbell, former instructor in mechanical engineering, is a captain in the Army Air Forces stationed in England.
- Fayette Copeland, '19ba, counselor of men, who was a journalism teacher before taking his present position in 1941, has resumed a part of his old duties. It is semester, teaching Journalism 158-A, a reporting course for juniors.
- ➤ "Fossils of Cambrian Graptchites," an article by Dr. Charles E. Decker, research professor of paleontology, will comprise the first section of a book on the paleontology of Texas soon to be released by the University of Texas Press. The article is based on material collected by Dr. Decker around Mason, Texas.
- ► Raymond R. White, '41m.ed, assistant professor of secretarial science, and Mrs. White are the parents of a baby son Richard Hayden, born recently in Oklahoma City.
- ▶ Dr. Arthur I. Ortenburger, professor of zoology, has been elected to the advisory editorial board of Biological Abstracts as a representative of the American Society of Zoologists.
- Three piano compositions by Charles F. Giard, professor of music, are being published by J. Fischer and Brothers music publishers in New York. They are *Humming Bird*, *Puck*, and *Sketch*, formerly named *Equisse*.
- ▶ Dr. Stratton D. Brooks, president of the University from 1912 to 1923, visited friends on the campus recently. While in Norman he was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben G. Owen.
- ▶ Dr. Stephen Scatori, professor of Romance languages, represented the University at a conference of American and Mexican educators held at the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque recently. The theme of the conference was "Mexico's Role in International Intellectual Co-operation."

- ▶ Helen Ruth Holbrook, former general secretary of the University Young Women's Christian Association, is now associated with a branch of the Y.W.C.A. in St. Louis, Missouri, which has 1,200 members. The group includes 600 girls under 16 years of age, 400 business girls and 200 who are homemakers. Miss Holbrook reported that the program includes many of the same activities she carried on at O.U., interest groups, discussions, parties, service projects and inter-racial, international and interfaith programs. "We are constantly working on the problem of removing barriers and developing attitudes of understanding and appreciation between groups of differing points of view," she wrote.
- ➤ "Six Ways to Practice Pharmacy," by Dr. Ralph Bienfang, professor of pharmacognosy, appeared in the February issue of the *American Druggists' Magazine*.
- ▶ Dr. J. Ray Cable, former assistant professor of economics at the University, has been named president of Missouri Valley College at Marshall, Missouri. Dr. Cable has been professor of finance and banking at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, since leaving the University in 1923.
- ► A peaceful university town in the southwestern part of the United States is a far cry from Czechoslovakia and the Nazi inquisition, but it suits Dr. A. S. Reiner, new geography professor at the University of Oklahoma, just fine.

Dr. Reiner is a native of Ta-bor, Bohemia, Czechoslovakia, and received his doctorate, cum laude, from Charles University in Prague before he was 22 years old. He holds several other degrees from universities in European countries, speaks nine languages and was engaged in diplomatic service in England before the Nazi invasion of his homeland. After being recalled when war was threatening, Dr. Reiner fulfilled the required two years of military service and later entered the export department of the great Skoda Steel Works.

When the Nazis invaded Czechoslovakia in 1937, Dr. Reiner's books and personal property were confiscated, he was "questioned" by the Germans, and later taken to a hospital.

Late in 1939 he secured entrance into the United States through his International Exchange fellowship which he had won in 1938. He undertook graduate study at the University of Chicago, financing his work by a laboring job which he held. Later he was on the faculties of Mills College, Oakland, California; University of California, Berkeley; and Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, before coming to the University.

As a result of his "interview" with the Nazis, Dr. Reiner is unable to serve in the armed forces, although he has repeatedly volunteered.