Faculty

JOSEPH P. BLICKENSDERFER, dean of the University College and professor of English, was elected president of the Conference of University Administrators on General and Liberal Education at an organization meeting in Chicago this spring. Seventy-five universities were represented at the meeting. The Conference voted to meet in 1945, probably in Chicago, before the annual meeting of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Dean Blickensderfer, who holds a doctorate from Harvard University, has been on the University faculty since 1929.

► Robert H. Dott, director of the Oklahoma Geological Survey, has been elected vice president of the Association of American State Geologists. The announcement was made from the United States Geological Survey office in Washington, D. C.

► Charles C. Walcutt, associate professor of English, has been re-appointed a member of the executive committee of the college section of the National Council of Teachers of English. He has served for three years as a member of the national six-man executive committee. Its immediate major project is to develop a unified postwar curriculum for the study of language and literature.

► Lt. Comdr. C. J. Van Arsdall, executive officer of the University Naval unit, completed a tour of shore duty last month and was ordered to the West coast for duty aboard a destroyer. Lt. Comdr. Rae C. Nichols, formerly on duty at Hollywood, Florida, was assigned to the unit as new executive officer.

► Over 300 illustrations by Leonard Good, '27fa, art professor on leave of absence to serve as head photographer of the Civilian Training School at Tinker Field in Oklahoma City, were used in a recently published technical manual on airplane landing gear. Mr. Good was chosen one of five artists in the United States to paint a portrait for the main reception room at Patterson Field, Ohio. Forty-five of Mr. Good's photographs made at Tinker Field have been on display in the Art Building.

▶ Mrs. E. P. R. Duval, wife of E. P. R. Duval, professor of mathematics, died of pneumonia in an Oklahoma City hospital on April 10. Mrs. Duval had been a resident of Norman since 1908. She was active in Norman club circles and was a member of the Episcopal Church. Survivors include her husband and two daughters, Mrs. Edward T. Harrison (Elizabeth Duval, '34ba), Mount Vernon, Illinois, and Mrs. F. F. Freeman, Norman.

► Stuart R. Tompkins, associate professor of history, has been requested to write two chapters for a handbook on Slavic studies being prepared at Harvard University. His subjects are the principality of Kiev and medieval Russia.

▶ Public Relations for Churches, by Stewart Harral, '36ma, director of University press relations, has been accepted for publication by the Abingdon-Cokesbury Press in New York City. Mr. Harral wrote the book at the request of the International Council of Religious Education in Chicago. An ordained Methodist minister, he taught a class in public relations at the Methodist State Pastors School last summer in Oklahoma City.

▶ Mildred M. Andrews, '37fa, assistant professor of organ, made a concert tour in the East this spring as a guest of the Austin Organ Company. Among her engagements were concerts at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Connecticut College for Women at New London, and Rome, New York, where she dedicated a new organ in the First Presbyterian Church.

► Oscar B. Jacobson, director of the School of Art, has been chosen a member of the jury of selection and award for the twenty-fourth annual exhibit of the Southern States Art League, to be held in Dallas from May 7 to June 4.

► Sally Sue Hensley, '43phys.ed, Tulsa, has resigned as assistant director of Union activities to become assistant recreational director for the Y.W.C.A. in Oklahoma City. In her new position she teaches physical education and directs recreation.

► John H. Casey, professor of journalism, has been appointed a member of the committee on community development of the National Editorial Association. A forum on the subject of community development will be held during a meeting of the Association next month in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

► Gilbert Harold, professor of finance on leave of absence, has accepted a position in the Chicago office of the United States Savings and Loan League.

► Homer L. Dodge, dean of the Graduate College and director of the School of Engineering Physics on leave to serve as director of the Office of Scientific Personnel in Washington, D. C., was largely instrumental in the establishment of a national headquarters for the American Institute of Physics in New York City. Dr. Dodge has announced the purchase of a building there to be used as the national home office for American physicists.

▶ Maj. Robert C. Twyman, Galesburg, Illinois, husband of the former Margaret Gessner, former assistant to the counselor of women at the University, was killed March 12 near Long Beach, California, when he parachuted from his disabled plane.

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