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CAPT. J. F. DONELSON, commandant of the University Navy R.O.T.C. and V-12 units, celebrated his 39th anniversary in the service last month. The first native Oklahoman to attend the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, Captain Donelson entered the Navy in 1905 and went on active duty in 1910. He saw action in World War I, spent a number of years in the Asiatic area, and served a tour of duty in the Navy Department in Washington before going on the inactive list in 1936. At the time of his retirement he was executive officer of the *U. S. S. Chicago*. In 1940 he was recalled to active duty at 11th Naval District headquarters in San Diego, California, and was transferred to Norman in February, 1942.

► Lt. Herschel Elarth, associate professor of architecture on leave of absence, is taking part in the invasion of France, according to recent letters received by friends in Norman.

► Leonard Good, '27fa, who has been on leave of absence for the last year, has returned to his position as professor of art at the University. He has been head photographer with the civilian training school at Tinker Field, Oklahoma City. In addition to his duties as art professor, Mr. Good has been placed in charge of the photographic services of the University.

► Dr. Max Moorhead, '27ba, '38ma, will join the University faculty when the war is over as professor of Hispanic-American history. Dr. Moorhead, now associated with the Kaiser Shipbuilding Corporation in Richmond, California, received his doctorate at the University of California, where he held a teaching fellowship. He has contributed articles to the *Britannica Book of the Year* on South American subjects.

► Two plants new to science were found in eastern Oklahoma by Dr. Milton Hopkins, head of the department of plant sciences, on a recent field trip in Latimer County. One of the plants is a brilliant purple ray flower with a bright yellow disk, belonging to the aster, goldenrod and dahlia family. The other is a new species of sedge.

► Pvt. Leslie H. Rice, assistant professor of journalism on leave, has been assigned to public relations work at Sheppard Field, Texas.

► Dr. Charles H. Bumstead, former associate professor of psychology at the University, is on the staff of the psychology department at the University of Chicago.

► William H. Butterfield, '35ma, chairman of the department of business communications, has been requested by Pren-

tice-Hall, Incorporated, New York publishing house, to write the first volume of a series of business handbooks to be published by them. The book will cover all phases of business correspondence.

► Lawrence M. Rohrbaugh, assistant professor of plant sciences, will devote the next year to experiments and analysis of high protein-value corn, a project sponsored by the Oklahoma Research Institute in co-operation with the Funk Brothers Seed Company, Bloomington, Illinois. Most of the work will be carried on at the University, but Mr. Rohrbaugh will visit breeding nurseries in Illinois and Iowa to check on soil conditions and breeding experiments.

► Lt. Comdr. Margaret Stephenson, former counselor of women at the University, has been made assistant to Comdr. J. R. Hinant, commanding officer of the Coast Guard Military Morale Office in Washington, D. C. This is the first time that a member of the Spars has participated in this phase of Coast Guard administration.

► Dr. George L. Cross, acting president of the University, represented the Oklahoma Research Institute at the summer quarterly meeting of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission in Denver.

► Betty Coe Armstrong, '39ba, instructor in drama, constructed a miniature battleship which was used as a part of the scenery in a show, "Here Comes the Navy," put on in Oklahoma City to publicize the Fifth War Loan drive.

► Dr. R. Dean Schick, former assistant professor of animal biology, is now on the faculty of the Still College of Osteopathy, in Des Moines, Iowa.

► Dr. Stuart R. Tompkins, associate professor of history, has returned from a month-long trip to Canada and Washington, D. C., where he did research for a history of Alaska he is writing under a grant from the Rockefeller Foundation. In Ottawa and Toronto, Dr. Tompkins gathered information concerning the effects of the gold discovery in the Yukon, and in Washington he did research in the Library of Congress and other government departments.

► Alex McCoy, formerly on the faculty of the University School of Geology, died in Tulsa on June 30. For the last several years Mr. McCoy had been associated with the Deep Rock Oil Company there.

► Stewart Harral, '36ma, director of University press relations, was one of the speakers at a short course for public relations directors of colleges and universities held at Scarritt College, Nashville, Tennessee.