

The University

ALUMNI GROUPS in scattered state towns learned about the University's overall program and problems direct from O. U.'s President George L. Cross during November and December.

President Cross discussed the O. U. salary scale and building program, how the University can better serve the state and how the University can co-operate with each alumni group for Oklahoma's general welfare and development.

In November he addressed the Presbyterian Men's Club in Lawton, the Woman's Auxiliary of St. Paul's Cathedral and St. John's Church in Oklahoma City, the Rotary Club and Central High School in Tulsa, the County Superintendents and School Administrators annual meeting on the O. U. campus, the Rotary Club at Muskogee, the High School assembly and the Rotary Club at Seminole, an American Association of University Professors meeting at O. U., and an alumni meeting at Ardmore.

In December President Cross spoke at an alumni rally at Stillwater and a meeting of the Oklahoma Academy of Science being held there at the same time, the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce, a meeting of State Citizens at O. U., the Oklahoma City Junior Chamber of Commerce, and the Alumni Club at Bartlesville.

Speaking engagements on President Cross's agenda for this month include a meeting of the American Association of University Women at Ponca City, January 9, and the Men's Club at the Crown Heights Methodist Church in Oklahoma City, January 19.

On the occasion of President Cross's appearance in Bartlesville December 15, that day was officially designated as Sooner Day. President Cross addressed an open forum of the Chamber of Commerce at noon and that evening met with and spoke before the newly formed Alumni Club of Bartlesville.

Sooner Day was one of two days of O. U. activities in Bartlesville. At the invitation of Frank Phillips, the O. U. Board of Regents held its December meeting at his Woolaroc ranch on December 14, and several of the officials remained in the city for the festivities of the following day.

On his visit to Bartlesville, Dr. Cross was accompanied by Mrs. Cross, Ted

Beaird, alumni secretary, Sue Starr, assistant secretary, Roscoe Cate, financial assistant to the president, and Emil Kraettli, secretary of the University.

In Ardmore, President Cross spoke to the student body of the Senior High School, the Kiwanis Club at noon and the alumni group in the evening. Arrangements for his visit there were handled by George Hann, superintendent of schools.

Speaking before the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce, President Cross stressed the importance of carrying on basic research in the universities. He pointed out that the erection of laboratories and the provision of funds do not insure great advances in science and technology, and added that the real task is to find men of talent, to see that they have a chance while they are still young.

President Cross also spoke at the fifth annual meeting of the Oklahoma Mineral

Industries Conference held in Oklahoma City in December on the plans which have been approved by the O. U. regents for a new School of Geology and Mineral Industries Building at the University.

He told the representatives of Oklahoma's mineral industries that new courses will be offered in geology, mineralogy and related natural resources sciences under the proposed program which will provide opportunity for greater research and study of Oklahoma resources. Dr. Cross commended the work of the Oklahoma Geological Survey, directed by Robert H. Dott, which sponsored the conference.

Building Request Cut in Half

The State Board of Regents for Higher Education in December concluded its consideration of the University's budget needs and agreed to recommend to the Legislature an appropriation of approxi-



SEQUOYAH CLUB ACTIVE AGAIN

One of the organizations recently revived on the campus after almost three years of war dormancy is the Sequoyah Club for Indian students. Shown here (left to right) with President Cross are Betty Jo Kerr, Norman, interpreter; Bob Peterson, Norman; Ruey Haozous, Apache, keeper of the wampum and princess; Margaret Luttrell, Pawhuska, medicine man, and K. J. Factor, Wewoka, chief, who has since left for Marine Corps service, members of the reactivated club.

mately \$1,850,000 for buildings and other capital items for the Norman campus.

The Board had previously recommended appropriations totaling slightly over \$3,000,000 for each year of the biennium for the operating budgets of the University at Norman, the Geological Survey, the Medical School, and the University Hospitals.

The Higher Regents had tentatively considered a program of \$9,000,000 for buildings and other capital items for state educational institutions, but after conferring with Governor Kerr as to the prospective amounts available for appropriation agreed to recommend a total of only \$5,000,000 for capital items for all institutions.

The University Board of Regents had approved as a minimum program for the University the following capital items:

Buildings	\$3,450,000
Special Equipment	269,615
Non-Structural Improvements	97,000
Land Purchase	150,000

University officials were holding conferences in late December to work out a new program of proposed capital expenditures within the limits of \$1,850,000 set by the Higher Regents for the 1945-47 biennium. The building program which the University Board of Regents had previously approved was as follows:

General Classroom Building	\$ 375,000
Engineering Unit	425,000
Geology and Mineral Resources Building	400,000
Graduate Education Building	225,000
Chemistry Addition	350,000
Power Plant Addition	175,000
Library Wing	300,000
Remodel Administration Building	25,000
Home Economics Building	275,000
Press Building	150,000
Music Building	300,000
Complete Physical Education for Men Building	450,000
Total	\$3,450,000

State Citizens Meeting

President George L. Cross presented the overall University program for the future to a group of approximately 60 alumni and other state citizens who met on the O. U. campus early in December.

Invitations to the meeting were sent to a list of 101 which included officers of the Dads Association, the Executive Board of the Alumni Association and past presidents of the Alumni Association residing in Oklahoma, plus a list of presidents of state organizations, such as the president of the State Bankers Association and the president of the Oklahoma Education Association.

Among other University plans for the future, President Cross discussed particularly the program to raise the faculty salary scale at the University and the building program calling for 11 new buildings.

Campus Calendar

January 19-20—Registration for second semester.

January 22—Second semester begins.

January 23—Basketball game with Phillips University at Enid.

January 25—University Public Lecture: Dr. Albert F. Blakeslee, Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts, on *Controlling Evolution and Life Processes in Plants*, 8:00 p. m., Business Administration Auditorium.

January 31—Piano recital, John Kirkpatrick, 8:00 p. m., Holmberg Hall.

February 2—Basketball game with Norman Navy Zoomers at Naval Air Station.

Dr. Cross said the University's building plans for the future are divided into three parts: the 11 buildings needed immediately, 13 buildings classified as post-war needs and six buildings classed as long range needs. Cost of the entire program is estimated at \$8,675,000 based on current construction costs.

All of these buildings, together with large increases in salary and maintenance funds will be needed to care for the rapid growth of the University after the war and put the University on something like an even basis with other universities of the middle west and southwest, Dr. Cross told the group.

The Regents for Higher Education have recommended to the Legislature a salary schedule that will permit increases to faculty members up to about 20 percent and permit employment of about 125 new faculty members, which would care for an increased enrolment up to about 6,000, Dr. Cross said. Enrolment is expected to reach 7,000 the first year after the war ends in Europe, he said, with further increases every year until a maximum of 12,000 to 15,000 will be reached.

Dr. Cross said the University must pay higher salaries to professors or it cannot hold its good men and compete with other universities in employing additional qualified teachers.

The University now is at the bottom of the list in faculty salaries in comparison with Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Texas, and other representative middle west schools, Dr. Cross said.

The University also is close to the bottom of the list in the amount of classroom and laboratory space available per student, he said. Here the ration before the war was about 30 square feet, as compared with 120 feet, the standard set by the Army and Navy for college units. Most of the larger universities of the middle west have 100 square feet per student.

Dr. Cross also discussed other phases of the University postwar program with the group, including the need for a speech clinic, student aptitude testing, refresher courses for returning veterans, greatly expanded basic research facilities, expansion of extension and radio facilities, and additional dormitory facilities.

Coe Heads Seniors

Jack Coe, a Navy V-12 trainee from Yuba City, California, was elected president of the senior class, the Class of '45, in recent elections held on the campus.

Other Class of '45 officers are William Sylvester, Carrollton, Missouri, vice president; Keith Fowler, Bartlesville, secretary, both V-12 trainees, and Marjorie Pittman, Oklahoma City, treasurer.

Officers of the junior class, the Class of '46, are John T. Harley, Jr., Tulsa, president; Jack Hinckley, Tulsa, vice president; Pat Murphy, Stillwater, secretary, and Jack Gross, Moore, Oklahoma, treasurer. All of these are Navy V-12 trainees.

Officers of the sophomore class, the Class of '47, are Patricia Bynum, Henryetta, president; Ann Calvert, Oklahoma City, vice president; Lavona Williams, Wakita, secretary, and Phoebe Ann Clark, Ponca City, treasurer.

Officers of the freshman class, the Class of '48, are Grant Keener, Rio de Janeiro, president; Jeanne Gaddis, London, Wisconsin, vice president; Jackye Lou Hunter, Oklahoma City, secretary, and Fred Salmans, Oklahoma City, treasurer.

Professor Ramey Dies

Andrew Robert Ramey, 69, professor of English at the University from 1914 until he was appointed professor emeritus last year, died December 17 at his home in Norman. He had been in ill health for more than a year.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Marietta Whitelock Ramey, whom he married in 1906, and one son, Robert W. Ramey, '31ba, '32ms, radioman first class in the Navy now stationed in Hawaii.

A teacher of English for 45 years, Professor Ramey specialized in English philology. He was honored upon the completion of his twenty-fifth year of teaching at the University at a banquet in May, 1939, at which time his portrait was presented to him. It now hangs in the University Library.

In 1940, Professor Ramey was promoted to full professor of English and for the last year has been serving as professor emeritus. He is the author of a college rhetoric, *Art and Principles of Writing*, and at the time of his death was preparing an anthology of pre-Elizabethan drama and textbooks of Old English and Middle English.

Before coming to the University, Mr. Ramey was head of the English department of Defiance College in Ohio, and taught in a high school at Joliet, Illinois, while doing graduate work at the University of Chicago.

He received his A. B. degree from Milligan College in Tennessee in 1897 and his master's degree from the University of Virginia where he studied in 1902 and 1903.

Mr. Ramey's interest in writing included editing of *Readings in English*

Prose and New Hesperides, anthologies which he edited in collaboration with Mrs. Winifred Johnston Perry, '24ba.

Regent Pays Tribute

In an address delivered at the Statehood Day dinner of the Oklahoma Memorial Association in Oklahoma City, John Rogers, Tulsa attorney and member of the State Regents for Higher Education, paid tribute to the University's contribution to the cultural life of the state.

Mr. Rogers made particular mention of the Oklahoma Research Institute, which handles research projects in the interest of industrial development in Oklahoma, the University Press and one of its publications, the international quarterly *Books Abroad*, and the state's educational station WNAD on the O. U. campus.

"While our cultural accomplishments have been little short of phenomenal, much more could have been accomplished if a larger number of our citizens, gifted with material possessions or with talents for service, had, through the years, been more loyal and more devoted to the development of the cultural life of our state," Mr. Rogers said.

"In making reference to the many millions of dollars of wealth produced by the oil industry in this state, I must apologize for the lack of vision on the part of the owners of that wealth when I think of the infinitesimal part thereof which has been devoted to the educational, cultural and spiritual welfare of Oklahoma and her institutions," he added.

Selected to preside as queen at the Statehood Day dinner was Jane Marshall, arts and sciences junior in the University from Durant. Among the four men inducted into the State Hall of Fame on this occasion were Kenneth Kaufman, O. U. language professor, and Paul B. Sears, former botany professor at O. U. now on the faculty of Oberlin College in Ohio.

Bond Sales Over the Top

More than half a million dollars in war stamps and bonds was sold on the O. U. campus during the Sixth War Loan Drive. The total was \$563,124.75.

Among those who helped make the total a big one are regular purchasers of bonds and stamps at O. U., members of the Naval R.O.T.C. and Navy V-12 units, who each month contribute a cash total of \$5,756.25 from their pay. During the recent drive, officers and men of the V-12 staff purchased extra war bonds totaling \$3,600 maturity value.

The largest organized campaign to boost bond sales during the drive was conducted by members of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority who operated a bond-selling booth in the Union Lobby and climaxed their campaign with a Theta Bond Ballyhoo on December 9 in the Fieldhouse.

Carried out in carnival style, the ballyhoo included an auction, concessions,

floor shows and the crowning of two University students as Bond King and Queen. Medium of exchange for all purchases was stamps and bonds.

In attendance at the ballyhoo were numerous state and campus officials, as well as O. U. students, faculty members and Norman townspeople.

Lt. Gov. James E. Berry officiated as auctioneer and sold unobtainable items, such as chewing gum and cigarets, for fabulous war bond purchases. President George L. Cross opened the affair and members of the Board of Regents were special guests.

Later in December, news was received that a certificate would be awarded to the Theta house by the Department of the Treasury for service in the drive and that individual certificates would be sent to the ten members of the sorority chiefly responsible for the large bond sale on the campus.

These include Jean White, Muskogee; Bonne Knight, Norman; Bonnie Fitzwater, Watonga; Elizabeth Merrick and Lillian Fitzgerald, both of Ardmore; Frances Herndon, Tulsa; Betty Hardeman, McAlester; Bette McCallister, Bartlesville; Mary Elizabeth Cooper and Nancy Miller, both of Oklahoma City.

Members of the University Playhouse also contributed to the bond drive by charging admission of a minimum of one dollar in stamps and bonds at the second showing of *Arsenic and Old Lace*.

As further recognition of O. U.'s large war stamp purchases, the University last

month received a new Minute Man flag bearing two blue stars, indicating purchase of stamps by 90 percent or more of the student body for two consecutive semesters.

In a brief ceremony, Dr. M. L. Wardell, chairman at the University for the War Finance Committee for Oklahoma, presented the flag to President Cross who in turn presented it to Betty Hardeman, McAlester, president of the Undergraduate War Council.

O. U. Boosts War Fund

University faculty members and employees contributed more than \$2,500 to the National War Fund in the recent drive, Dr. M. L. Wardell, director of the campaign on the campus, announced.

This amount is \$1,100 more than was contributed last year by the same group, Dr. Wardell said.

Legion Post Formed

Bob Wilson, junior student from Muskogee and veteran of two years of service with the Signal Corps in the states and Alaska, was elected commander of the newly formed post of the American Legion for World War II veterans on the campus.

The establishment of the post and election of officers followed the unanimous decision reached in November by a group of returned veterans to organize an American Legion post. The group decided this would be the best machinery to set



CO-EDS SUCCESSFUL BOND SALESMEN

Bonds sold at this booth in the basement of the Union during the Sixth War Loan Drive helped boost total bond sales to well over the half million mark. Co-ed bond salesmen in the booth include (left to right) Jean White, Muskogee, Elizabeth Cooper, Oklahoma City, Frances Herndon, Tulsa, and Betty Hardeman, McAlester.

up to handle veterans' problems and whatever program should be proposed for returning servicemen.

Other officers elected were Jesse W. Manney, Shawnee, vice commander; Floyd F. Hathcoat, Nowata, adjutant; Hal E. Goode, Fairview, finance officer; Orville D. McDonald, Oklahoma City, historian, and Theo. Bishop, Comanche, sergeant-at-arms.

The group voted that the new post be named after the first student from the University killed in World War II.

Three immediate problems face the group and are the primary reasons for the establishment of the Legion post. They include the needs for establishment of an orientation and counseling service by the group in order to aid the veteran in readjusting to civil life, investigation and action on the housing shortage, and establishment of a fund to meet financial emergencies faced by discharged servicemen.

Dale Receives Grant

Contributions of Oklahoma Indians to the cultural development of the state and nation will be studied next year by Dr. E. E. Dale, research professor of history at the University of Oklahoma, who has received a grant of \$2,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation.

Professor Dale, who has been granted a sabbatical leave by the Board of Regents from February 1 to July 1, will visit the seven Indian agencies, public schools and colleges, more than 20 Indian schools, Indian communities and will visit in homes of full blood Indians in search of material for his book.

Of the total persons in Oklahoma approximately five percent are of Indian blood, Dr. Dale pointed out, but this group has made contributions to the cultural advancement of Oklahoma out of all proportion to its numbers. Most of the state Indians, he stated, are mixed bloods and their rapid absorption into the white population constitutes the most successful example of racial assimilation in America.

Tribal Music Recorded

Indian tribal music is being recorded for posterity through the efforts of WNAD, the state's educational radio station, Don Whistler, principal chief of the Sac and Foxes, has announced. Recordings are being made by Mr. Whistler for the first time in the history of music on the program, "Indians for Indians," broadcast at 1 p. m. each Tuesday.

And by Indian music, Mr. Whistler, whose tribal name is Kesh-ke-kosh, emphasizes that he doesn't mean "Pale Moon" or "Land of the Sky Blue Water," but old Indian songs, sung by Indians in Indian, which music is made possible through the co-operation of the tepee Indians.

Good Will Spreaders

During the weeks before Christmas,



PRETTY SANTA

Betty Hardeman, McAlester, exhibits some of the Yule stockings which O. U. co-eds filled with gifts for wounded servicemen.

University co-eds filled 933 Yule stockings with gifts for sick and wounded servicemen in the Naval Hospital near Norman.

Under the direction of Betty Hardeman, McAlester, chairman of the Undergraduate War Council, all University co-eds took part in the project to help the Red Cross fill a quota of 14,000 stockings.

Local Version

That hysterical combination of general insanity, mass murder and sweet old ladies, *Arsenic and Old Lace*, was presented in December as the first University Playhouse production of the year. Director was Rupel J. Jones, director of the School of Drama.

Members of the cast included Madgel Hart, Yukon, Abby Brewster; Leroy Hicks, Ryan, The Rev. Dr. Harper; Windsor Atcheson, Tulsa, Teddy Brewster; Robert Walter, of the Naval R.O.T.C. unit, Officer Brophy; Gus Andros, Oklahoma City, Officer Klein; Carrifae Russell, Altus, Martha Brewster; Elisabeth Ann Gunn, Little Rock, Arkansas, Elaine Harper; Maurice Ogden, Seminole, Mortimer Brewster; Ray Ledbetter, Ponca City, Mr. Gibbs; Frederic Salmans, Oklahoma City, Jonathan Brewster; Eddie Bill Tucker, Jet, Dr. Einstein; Ensign George Philip of the Naval Air Station, Officer O'Hara; Wallace Chadwell, Oklahoma City, Lieutenant Rooney; Walter Quillian, Dallas, Texas, Mr. Witherspoon.

Production of the set was handled by Merwyn Elwell, who recently joined the drama faculty. His assistant, Jere Woodell, served as technical director.

The play was presented on two nights. Admission for the second showing was by war bond or a dollar's worth of war stamps.

Medical School

By BEVERLY HOWARD

To MEET the demand of Oklahoma doctors for postwar training when they return from the armed forces to civil life, the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine plans to offer a comprehensive program of refresher and other courses.

In 1943, the postwar planning committee of the Oklahoma State Medical Association sent out a questionnaire to every Oklahoma doctor serving with the armed forces for the purpose of determining the approximate number of doctors who would want some postwar medical training, in what branches of medicine, and for how long a period.

The members of this committee are Dr. Tom Lowry, dean of the School of Medicine, Dr. Wann Langston and Dr. G. Stanbro.

Results of these questionnaires indicate that approximately 80 percent of the state's doctors will want some postwar training. The chief requests were for short refresher courses of from two to six months, brief courses in specialties and residencies and hospital externe services for longer periods of time.

With Dr. Leo J. Starry as chairman, the committee on postwar medical education of the School of Medicine has formulated a program to take care of these needs. It is the tentative plan of the School of Medicine to offer a four-month general refresher course in medicine, with brief courses in specialties.

Estimating there will be a demand for twice as many postwar hospital residencies as were available before the war, the committee is making a survey of the hospitals in the state in the hope of increasing the number of residencies in hospitals now qualified and also in hope of qualifying other hospitals for available residencies.

► Eight professors emeriti of the School of Medicine were honored by the medical faculty with certificates in recognition of and with appreciation for their loyalty and service to the University and state throughout their long years of service as teachers of medicine. Those honored were Dr. John Mosby Alford, Dr. David Wilson Griffin, Dr. Robert Mayburn Howard, Dr. Everett Samuel Lain, Dr. Leander Armistead Riley, Dr. William Merritt Taylor, Dr. Arthur Weaver White and Dr. George Althouse LaMotte. These eight men have served with the School of Medicine for a total of 262 years, four of them having joined the faculty when the school was organized in 1910.

The following deceased faculty members were also honored and given recognition: Dr. Floyd Jackson Bolend, Dr. Edmund Sheppard Ferguson, Dr. John Archer Hatchett, Dr. John Frederick Kuhn, Sr., and Dr. Millington Smith.

► Enrolment in the School of Medicine for the first semester of the 1944-45 school year totaled 289 students, including 168 students in the Army Specialized Training Program, 73 students under the Navy V-12 Program and 48 civilians. Of the 48 civilians, 13 are women. Enrolled in the School of Nursing were 162 students plus 40 affiliates.

► Dr. Howard G. Glass, former research assistant in the department of pharmacology at the University of Chicago, has joined the School of Medicine faculty as instructor in pharmacology. He holds degrees from the University of Illinois,

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