

and the publishing of advertisements warning Japanese-Americans not to return to the Pacific northwest.

Calling such action an "open and flagrant violation not only of the constitution of the United States but that of the Legion," the college World War II veterans urged an investigation of the Hood River post and recommended that the post be requested to cease such activities.

The resolution directed to Legion national headquarters stated that taking such measures in the name of the American Legion constituted a "blot and discredit" to the organization as a whole.

At least one of the servicemen whose name was erased by the Hood River post was reported recently to have received the Bronze Star for gallantry in the European war theater, it was pointed out.

## War Training Enrolment High

With the exception of Texas, Oklahoma had more people enrolled in Engineering, Science and Management War Training courses during the first half of the fiscal year than any other bordering states.

In a report issued in December, J. R. Chandler, institutional representative for the E.S.M.W.T. at the University, reported that Oklahoma enrolments from July 1 to December 1 totaled 1,890. Of this number, 1,238 were enrolled in the program carried on by the University of Oklahoma.

## Dads Help O. U. Legislation

Members of the University Dads Association legislative committee, five leading state citizens, were last month assisting the University in legislative matters during this session of the Oklahoma State Legislature.

Appointed by H. L. Muldrow, Norman, Dads Association president, the members of the committee are Frank Sewell, president of the Liberty National Bank, Oklahoma City; Judge B. B. Barefoot, of the Criminal Court of Appeals, Oklahoma City; Dr. W. E. Grisso, Seminole; John E. Turner, Holdenville, and Neil R. Johnson, Norman.

## Phillips Confers on Campus

Milt Phillips, co-ordinator of veterans affairs on Governor Kerr's staff, was on the campus recently to consult with O. U. people on the state-wide veterans program.

Among those he visited were Fayette Copeland, counselor of men, and Ted Beard, alumni secretary.

## Rainey Re-instatement Urged

Petitions addressed to Governor Coke Stevenson of Texas protesting the dismissal of Dr. Homer P. Rainey and urging his re-instatement as president of the University of Texas were circulated on the campus last month by the O. U. chapter of the American Association of University Professors.

The statement was prepared by the A.A.U.P. committee on academic freedom and tenure, composed of Dr. Cortez A. M. Ewing, professor of government, Dr. J. F. Bender, professor of school administration, Dr. Dora McFarland, associate professor of mathematics, Dr. N. A. Court, professor of mathematics, and H. H. Herbert, director of the School of Journalism.

## Ledeen Begins Duties

Plans to revitalize the work of the Y. M. C. A. on the campus in order to better serve returning veterans were under way soon after Theodore J. Ledeen, new secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at the University, took over his duties the first of the year. Mrs. Elizabeth Ledeen, his wife, has been serving as acting secretary since September.

Mr. Ledeen was formerly Y. M. secretary at the University of Texas in Austin and war emergency secretary for the Southwestern Regional Council of the Student Christian Asso-

## Campus Calendar

February 10—Basketball game with Kansas State at Norman.

February 13—Basketball game with Kansas at Lawrence.

February 14—Public Lecture: Dean Arthur B. Adams, College of Business Administration, *Relation of the Government to Private Business in the Postwar World*, 8 p. m., Business Administration Auditorium.

February 17—Basketball game with Iowa State at Ames.

February 22—Basketball game with Oklahoma Aggies at Stillwater.

February 23-24—University Playhouse production, *Guest in the House*, 8 p. m., Holmberg Hall.

February 24—Basketball game with Oklahoma City Air Technical Service Command at Oklahoma City.

February 26—Basketball game with Iowa State at Norman.

February 28—Basketball game with Long Island University in New York City.

ciations. In the latter position he traveled throughout the Southwest, helping colleges and universities set up Y. M. organizations and revise programs of established groups to serve better the military trainees on the campuses and the veterans returning to them.

Mr. Ledeen succeeds Clifford Murphy, now with the War Relocation Authority at Manzanar, California, as secretary of the University Y. M. C. A.

## Page Returns to Faculty

Edwin R. Page has returned to his position as professor of electrical engineering after serving in the armed forces for two and a half years on leave of absence.

Mr. Page was a major in Army Ordnance, and was stationed for 13 months in England.

## Aid for Better Reading

A reading clinic to help students learn to read quickly and with greater comprehension is being set up on the campus under the direction of Dr. Lester L. Harris, who arrived at the University last month.

Dr. Harris will diagnose reading difficulties and advise remedial measures, and will supervise a state-wide program for improving the quality of reading in Oklahoma public schools.

Dr. Harris, who holds three degrees from the University of Chicago, came to the University from Allegheny College at Meadville, Pennsylvania. He was formerly director of the reading clinic at the University of Wisconsin in Madison and assistant in English and reading at the University of Chicago.

## Miss Abbott Resigns

Betty Abbott, '44bus, Durant, resigned as assistant director of Union activities on December 15. She took the position soon after graduating last June.

No announcement had been made regarding Miss Abbott's successor in mid-January. The assistant director of Union activities plans and directs Union dances, openhouses and parties, working with the Union Activities Board.

## Seniors Set Up Headquarters

Officers of the Senior Class of '45 set up headquarters in the Alumni Office last month after conferring with the class sponsor, T. M. Beard, executive secretary of the Alumni Association, about plans for a senior week and for purchasing graduation announcements.

President of the class is Jack J. Coe, Naval V-12 trainee from Yuba City, California.

# Student Life

STUDENT organizations, which have been defunct since the war started, are slowly coming to life again on the University of Oklahoma campus and others, new to the campus scene, are making an appearance.

Mainly responsible for the revival of student groups is the slight increase in enrolment, the growing number of veterans in the student body and the natural tendency and need for a certain number of working organizations in collegiate life.

One of the newcomers to the campus is the newly established American Legion post of World War II veterans, which is the first in the country set up on a college campus.

Headed by Bob Wilson, Muskogee, as commander, the post has been named for Ensign Thomas C. Reynolds, Jr., '37, Valliant, Oklahoma, who is believed to be the first University alumnus to lose his life in this war, according to Alumni Office records.

Reorganization of the Independent Men's Association was under way with a group of 12 students working to organize five of the seven I. M. A. districts. The organization has been inactive for the last two years because of the shortage of men on the campus.

Past members and men who hold letters in college athletics met for the first time since 1941 to reorganize and re-establish the University "O" Club. Bob Mayfield, Sooner football player from Norman, was elected president.

A large group of students, who have named themselves Constructive University Critics, was at work last month on plans for setting up student government machinery on the campus. A constitutional convention was to be held early in February for the purpose of drawing up a constitution for the student body.

The purpose of the C. U. C., it was pointed out, is not only to take a special interest in student government but "to sponsor immediate reform for prevalent campus situations."

Another newly established group called the Student Citizens for Democratic Action was pledged to the support of liberal causes. It was primarily interested last month in amassing support for the proposal to lower the voting age in Oklahoma, a measure which has the backing of Governor Kerr.

To help inform students on reasons for the lowering of the voting age, the S. C. D. A. in December sponsored the appearance on the campus of R. M. McClintock, press secretary to Governor Kerr, who said he was "probably the oldest man in captivity who favored the vote for 18-year-olds."

► Approximately 6,500 persons attended the 31st annual openhouse of the College of Engineering held in December. Climax of the affair was the presentation of the St. Pat award to the students in the School of Civil Engineering for having the exhibit judged most outstanding. Students in the School of Electrical Engineering were given honorable mention for the second best exhibit. The engineers sign, which has been in blackout since Pearl Harbor, was in operation during the openhouse.

► Pat Saunders, University junior from Tulsa, has been elected editor of the *Oklahoma Daily* to serve during the spring semester. She succeeds Mart Bourne, also a co-ed, from Shawnee. Phyllis Tengdin, Kansas City, Missouri, was re-elected editor of the *Covered Wagon*.

► O. U. students had the opportunity in January to gaze at close range at Venus, Saturn and the moon through three telescopes located in the University Observatory. Faculty members and Norman townspeople were also invited to have a look.

APPLICATIONS for Alumni Club charters were received in mid-January from Sooner groups in Mangum, Oklahoma, and the Panama Canal Zone.

The Mangum group will be chartered as Alumni Club No. 14 as of January 14, Ted Beaird, alumni secretary, announced, while the Canal Zone Sooners will be chartered as Club No. 15 as of January 15.

Officers of the Mangum Alumni Club are Elmer L. Fraker, '20ba, '38ma, president; Mrs. June Baker Durkee, '42fa, vice president, and Zearl E. Lowe, '14-'15, secretary-treasurer.

The twelve petitioners who signed the application for the Mangum Club were, in addition to the officers named above, Virginia Fesler, '40, Roberta Graham, '38ba, Herbert Hazzard, '36, Ima Foster, '41m.ed, Carroll Elliott, '27ba, Warren Broome, '19, J. Elmer Castle, '18, Ora Foster, '41m.ed, and Mrs. Ruth E. Mosby, '42m.ed.

Officers of the Panama Canal Zone Club are Lt. Herbert H. Scott, '26ba, '26ma, director of the O. U. Extension Division on leave for Navy service, president; Subert Turbyfill, '25fa, '26ba, '32ma, teacher and theater director, vice president; Lt. (jg) W. W. Scheerer, former athletic officer of the University Naval R.O.T.C. unit and Sooner baseball coach, chairman of arrangements, and Mrs. Herman Mertes (Martha Merrill, '39ba), secretary-treasurer.

Invitations were issued by newspaper and bulletin to all alumni in the Canal Zone to attend a dinner meeting January 10 sponsored by the new Alumni Club. (Photo of Scott and Scheerer appears in the "With the Armed Forces" section.)

## Miss Hamilton Joins Staff

Margaret Ann Hamilton, '38; former member of the WASPS ferry service, has been appointed field representative of the Alumni Association effective February 1, Ted Beaird, alumni secretary, announced.

# Association Progress

Miss Hamilton succeeds Mrs. Dick Virtue (Sue Starr, '43ba) who resigned as of January 1 to be married. (See "Calling the Roll" section for wedding story.)

Mrs. Virtue joined the Alumni Office staff in the summer of 1943 as field representative and at first traveled about the state calling on alumni. She later devoted full time to work in alumni headquarters, handling senior class activities and the development of life memberships.

During the interim from July 1, when Roscoe Cate resigned as acting alumni secretary, until October 1, when Ted Beaird resumed his duties as alumni secretary after serving in the Air Corps, Mrs. Virtue was in temporary charge of the office.

Miss Hamilton, no newcomer to the Alumni Office, worked full time as field representative for the Alumni Association during the summers while a student in the University. Her new duties will consist mainly of Charter Club organization and life membership development, Mr. Beaird said.

The first Oklahoma woman to be accepted for flying training under the government's program to train women for service as ferry pilots, Miss Hamilton was stationed at Detroit, Michigan, with the WASPS when that group was disbanded.

Before entering ferrying service, Miss Hamilton was employed as a private secretary by the Douglas Aircraft Company at Tulsa. She has also been associated with the Pure Oil Company in Tulsa and the Stanolind Oil Company, and holds a private pilot's license received under the

Civilian Pilots Training Program. Her brother, Leroy Hamilton, '43, was reported in flight training.

## New Board Members

D. E. (Bill) Hodges, '27law, and James R. Frazier, '24ba, '32m.ed, were last month elected to the Executive Board of the Alumni Association representing District I and District IV, respectively.

The two men were elected by a mail ballot of the Executive Board membership to fill the unexpired term of two members who resigned in January.

Mr. Hodges, Bartlesville attorney and president of the O. U. Alumni Club recently established at Bartlesville, succeeded Dr. Roscoe Walker, '09bs, Pawhuska physician who resigned because of work pressure and lack of time to handle his duties as he would have liked to. His term expires June 10, 1946.

Mr. Frazier, superintendent of schools at Wewoka and vice president of the O. U. Alumni Club of Wewoka, succeeds Joe Lee, '31ba, formerly with the stations of the Oklahoma Network, who has moved to Topeka, Kansas, to accept a new position. His term will expire as of June 10, 1947.

Because of the immediate need for having alumni representatives in Districts I and IV while the twentieth session of the Oklahoma Legislature is in progress, election by mail ballot was held in order to get the new members installed as soon as possible, Tom R. Benedum, Norman, president of the Alumni Association, announced.

## Hoberecht to Serve Again

Ernie Hoberecht, '41journ, Watonga, has been re-elected president of the University of Oklahoma Alumni Club of Hawaii. Mr. Hoberecht is the founder and first president of the Sooner organization which was formed in the Hawaiian Islands a year ago.

James H. Tabor, '39law, Checotah, was re-elected vice president, and Mrs. Elizabeth Ball Carr, '24ba, '40ma, Oklahoma City, was re-elected secretary. Darrell Winings, '33law, Oklahoma City, was elected treasurer, taking over the duties of that office that formerly were carried out by Mrs. Carr as secretary-treasurer.

The election of officers for 1945 was held at the Pleasanton Hotel in Honolulu at a dinner meeting on December 7. Thirty-seven persons attended.

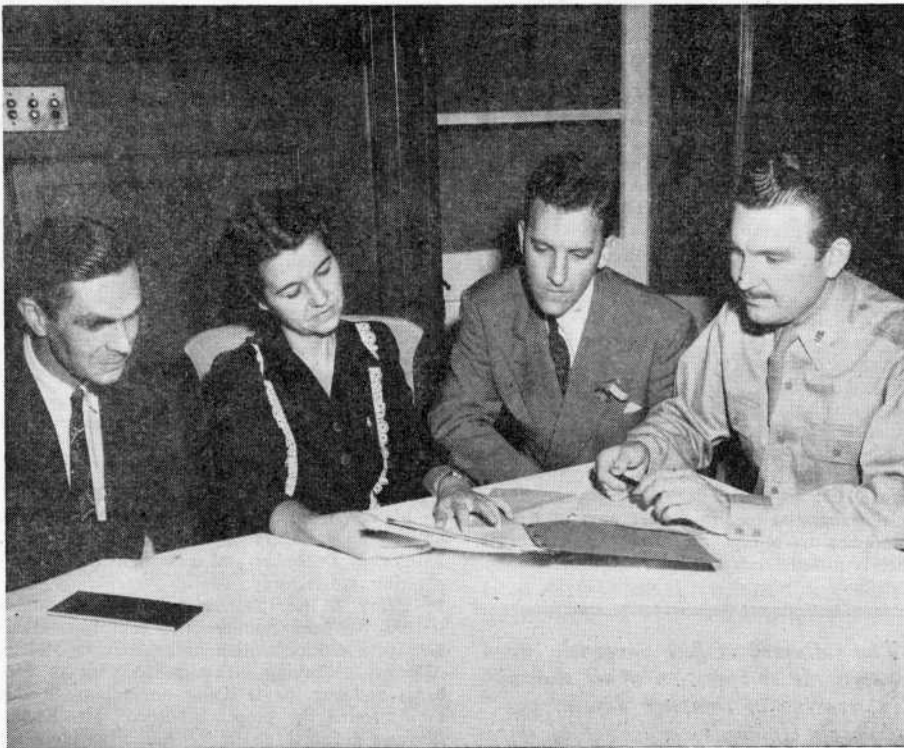
The club has contacted more than 100 graduates and former students of the University who are in the Pacific area. Many are not able to attend each meeting because of military duties.

## Bartlesville Sooners Turn Out

A notable turn-out of 132 persons in Bartlesville and vicinity attended the dinner meeting in mid-December at which the O. U. Alumni Club of Bartlesville was chartered as Club No. 12.

On the program were President George L. Cross and Ted Beaird, who presented the charter, from the University, and several state officials. Of the 132 present, the following registered:

President and Mrs. George L. Cross, Walter L. Barnes, '22ba, '25law, Ted M. Beaird, '21ba, William H. Creel, '24eng, and Mrs. Creel (Wilma Gorton, '24-'27), Mrs. John Jay Donaldson (Lorene Burt, '38fa), Don Emery, '20ba, '21law, Rayburn L. Foster, '16law, Mrs. William Jay Fugitt (Mary Jane Harris, '43ba), Merle W. Glasgow, '32m.ed, '37d.ed, and Mrs. Glasgow, D. E. (Bill) Hodges, '25ba, '27law, and Mrs. Hodges (Puilla Hill, '25ba), Mrs. W. C. John-



OFFICERS OF HAWAII ALUMNI CLUB

Officers of the University of Oklahoma Club of Hawaii for 1945 are (left to right) Darrell Winings, '35, Provost Marshal's Office, treasurer; Mrs. Elizabeth Ball Carr, '24ba, '40ma, instructor in English at the University of Hawaii, secretary; James H. Tabor, '39law, internal legal adviser and assistant secretary of the Dole Pineapple Company, vice president, and Ernie Hoberecht, '41journ, correspondent for the Daily Oklahoman and editor of the Pearl Harbor Bulletin, president. Mr. Winings is the first to hold the position of treasurer, that job previously having been combined with the secretary's work. All others are serving in the same capacity for a second term.