

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.

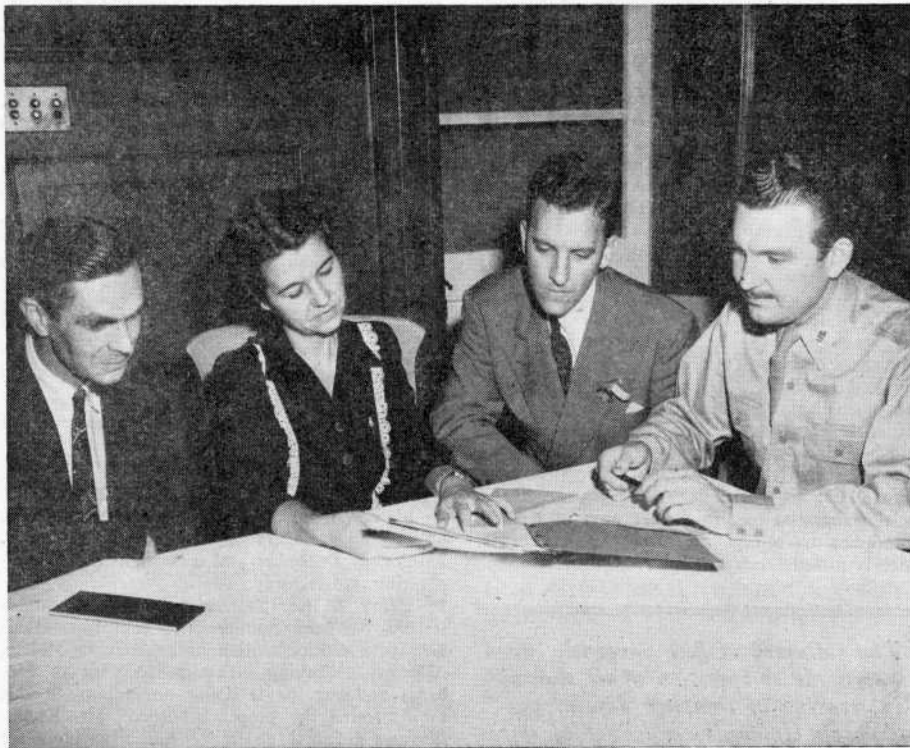
The club has contacted more than 100 graduates and former students of the University who are in the Pacific area. Many are not able to attend each meeting because of military duties.

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.

Faculty

son (Katherine Absher, '44ba), G. M. Roberts, '27ba, '28ma, and Mrs. Roberts (Norma Hill, '25), Ludwig Schmidt, '21eng, '23eng, and Mrs. Schmidt (Edna Conway, '22ba), Frank M. Small, '16ba, and Mrs. Small (Winnie White, '13-17), Clare C. Smith, '39bus, and Lois H. Straight, '35law.

W. R. Allen, '23, G. Calvin Brous, '29ba, and Mrs. Brous, Audrey Corbin, '38ma, F. W. Crawford, '34ph.d., Caroline Davis, '37, Mrs. Charles W. Drew (Sarah L. Whitman, '22-23), R. L. Drum, '37bus, Warren L. Felton, '21ba, and Mrs. Felton (Elizabeth Keller, '21ba), Winnie Dee Harp, '43ed, John M. Houchin, '34eng, J. E. Jarvis, '27-32, Paul H. Johnson, James P. Kirk, '35law, Mrs. D. R. McKeithan (Marianne Whitman, '25), L. L. McWilliams, '34eng, Mary Frances Murray, '43journ, F. B. Neptune, '31bs, Gerald L. Nutter, '21-23, Melvin W. Peters, '42bus, Martin Ryland, '33bus, Dortha N. Spears, '41bus, Z. E. Stucky, '30geol, Vernon Thornton, '31ms, and Mrs. Thornton, C. E. Turner, '32eng, and Mrs. Turner, Warren B. Weeks, '29geol, and Mrs. Weeks, T. E. Weirich, '22geol, and Mrs. Weirich (Lela Smith, '22fa), Murray J. Wells, '30geol, Ted M. Wilson, '30bus.

James L. Callahan, '32eng, E. R. Christopher, '20pharm, and Mrs. Christopher, Mrs. F. W. Crawford (Mildred Crall, '31ba), W. K. Cunningham, '25bs, and Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. R. L. Drum, Russell W. Davis, Dr. Charles W. Drew, Jess W. Elliott, '33bus, and Mrs. Elliott (June Chase, '33ba), O. E. Everett and Mrs. Everett, (Leona Jones, '22-26), Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Greaves, M. C. Hackler, '32eng, Robert W. Henry, '21eng, and Mrs. Henry (Mabel G. Herrington, '22), H. K. Hudson, '22ba, '26law, and Mrs. Hudson, Mrs. J. E. Jarvis (Bonita Burt, '30-33), Mrs. Dan J. Jennings, Jr. (Julia Jane Small, '38), Mrs. Paul H. Johnson (Babs Norma Lawton, '39fa), J. Paul Jones, '31chem, '33ms, and Mrs. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Kane, Walter B. LaFon, '33eng, and Mrs. LaFon (Laura Hardmon, '34), C. B. McDonald, Jr., '39ba, '41law, and Mrs. McDonald (Phyllis Fisher, '40ba), Mrs. L. L. McWilliams, Mrs. F. B. Neptune, Mary Dey Nutter.

Kathryn Shenk Peters, '42bus, J. D. Plunkett, '18law, and Mrs. Plunkett (Edna Martin, '16-18), Louis N. Plunkett and Mrs. Plunkett, '22-23, Dorothy Gayle Robb, '36fa, George Sneed, '37law, and Mrs. Sneed (Elizabeth Armstrong, '37ms), Mrs. Z. E. Stucky, Warren Thomas and Mrs. Thomas (Amy Lee Hill, '43bs), Edwin I. Thompson, '29geol, Rosella Trautman, '38ba, Mrs. Samuel A. Walker, Jr., (Betty Bee Fesler, '39ba), Mrs. Ruth Dee Hawn Wells, '33-35, Mrs. Ray Whitson, Mrs. Robert Womack, Jr. (Virginia Absher, '42ba), William J. Zeman, '32law.

Visit Friends on Campus

In honor of two alumni recently back from overseas service, Maj. Dick Downing, '14-15, '24-25, Norman, and Capt. Paul Reed, '16, Sulphur, Secretary Ted Beard held an informal luncheon January 17 in 120 Union Building.

Major Downing, who has participated in the thick of fighting in North Africa, Sicily and Italy, returned from Italy and was assigned to Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. He is a former Norman banker.

Captain Reed, Sulphur, served in the Navy during the first war and was alumni representative on the University Athletic Council for a number of years. He entered World War II in the Navy branch of service and was on duty in the Pacific theater when he received his commission in the Army.

Renewing old acquaintances at the luncheon were the two visitors, Mr. Beard, Tom R. Benedict, president of the Alumni Association, L. P. Peak, superintendent of schools at Sulphur, Ed Meacham, Roscoe Cate, John Jacobs, Bill Cross, Bruce Drake, Dale Arbuckle, Snorter Luster and Walter Kraft, all of the University staff, and R. W. Hutto, Neil Johnson and King Price, all of Norman.

JOHN B. THOMPSON, associate professor of philosophy of religion in the Oklahoma School of Religion and pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Norman, has received an invitation to preach at Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick's Riverside Church in New York City on June 17. Mr. Thompson attended the College of Preachers at Washington, D. C., early this month, delivering an address before the graduate study section. Later this month he will attend an executive committee meeting of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Mr. Thompson is chairman of the religious committee of the Southern Conference.

► Dr. J. Rud Nielsen, research professor of physics, was elected president of the Oklahoma Academy of Science at the 33rd annual meeting held recently in Stillwater. Other faculty members elected officers of the academy were Dr. J. Teague Self, '36ph.d., associate professor of zoology, secretary-treasurer, and Dr. Dixie Young, '21ba, '22ma, associate professor of zoology, vice president of the biological sciences division. Twenty members of the University faculty appeared on the program at the academy conference. Early in December Dr. Nielsen gave a lecture before a meeting of the American Physical Society in Chicago, in which he reported on the work done at the Oklahoma Research Institute. The address was entitled "The Absorption Laws for Gases in the Infrared." After the meeting Dr. Nielsen visited the Armour Research Institute and the Illinois Institute of Technology, and conferred with scientists at the General Motors and Ethyl Corporation research laboratories in Detroit, Michigan.

► Savoie Lottinville, '29ba, director of the University Press, was elected a director of the Regional Humanities Conference held recently in Denver, Colorado. The theme of the conference was "The Humanities at Work." Thirty-six colleges and universities were represented.

► Capt. James O. Tuttle, assistant professor of physical education for men who is on leave of absence to serve in the Marine Corps, has been named recreation officer of El Toro Marine Corps Air Station, Santa Ana, California. He is line coach of the El Toro Flying Marines.

► The second edition of the Navy Hospital Corps song, the words of which were written by Dr. Ralph Bienfang, professor of pharmacy, has been published by the Independent Music Publishers of New York City.

► Cecil H. Brite, '31law, business manager of the Journalism Press, Incorporated, attended the National Interfraternity Conference held last fall in Chicago as a representative of the University committee on fraternity affairs. Representatives from all schools which have chapters of national social fraternities met to discuss ways of helping fraternities to re-organize after the war. Mr. Brite is national secretary of Acacia fraternity.

► Neal T. Dilday has resigned his position as draftsman with the Oklahoma Geological Survey to join the staff of the Superior Oil Company in Oklahoma City.

► Dr. Carl C. Rister, chairman of the department of history, recently spent several weeks in Washington, D. C., getting material for his forthcoming book on the experiences of Robert E. Lee in a campaign against Indians on the Texas frontier from 1857 to 1861. Dr. Rister had access to the Lee family papers in the Congressional Library.

► Dr. Maurice Merrill, '22law, professor of law, has been appointed chairman of a committee of the Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws to draft a proposed uniform divorce jurisdiction act. Dr. Merrill, appointed last spring by Governor Kerr as one of the three Oklahoma members of the organization, attended a meeting of the Commissioners in Chicago last fall. Last summer he conducted several hearings as a public panel member under the Eighth Regional War Labor Board.

► Capt. James Coe Van de Carr, former commandant of the University Naval training unit, is the Navy port officer at Antwerp, Belgium. He and two other Navy men went into Antwerp last fall soon after it was taken from the Germans and started repair and reconstruction of harbor facilities. Before being assigned to the Belgian port Captain Van de Carr was on convoy duty.

► Ben R. Tankersley, formerly a chief on duty with the Naval unit at the University, has been commissioned an ensign in the Naval Reserve and transferred to another post. Chief Mose L. Sims succeeded him as director of athletic activities for the Navy unit.

► Kenneth C. Kaufman, '16ba, '19ma, chairman of the department of modern languages, underwent a major operation at an Oklahoma City hospital on January 3 and was said to be recovering satisfactorily at last report. Mr. Kaufman entered the hospital on December 14.

► Boyce Timmons, '37law, assistant registrar, was named the outstanding member of the Norman Junior Chamber of Commerce for the year 1944 by the members of the Chamber. During 1944 Mr. Timmons served as co-chairman of the governmental affairs committee and chairman of the entertainment committee, and was active in the Jaycee broadcasts over WNAD and war bond drives.

► Merl Creech, '29eng, associate professor of mechanics, has been named an academic member of the American Gear Manufacturers Association.

► Ida Z. Kirk, assistant professor of drama, underwent an operation at a Wichita, Kansas, hospital in December and was reported to be recovering satisfactorily.

► Henry L. Kamphoefner, professor of architecture, has been commissioned consulting architect on a music pavilion to be built in Mobile, Alabama. Working in association with an Alabama architect, he is doing preliminary designs to determine the proper acoustics. Mr. Kamphoefner designed a similar music pavilion for Sioux City, Iowa, which was termed by the Royal Institute of British Architecture "one of America's distinguished buildings."

► An article by Grace E. Ray, '20ba, '23ma, associate professor of journalism, entitled "Red Roundup in the Rockies," has been accepted for publication in the *Highway Traveler*. The article concerns the Focus ranch, near Steamboat Springs, Colorado, where Miss Ray spent last summer as a publicity writer.

The Alumni Office urgently requests the co-operation of all alumni in securing as complete data as possible on University casualties of this war. If you have any information about a Sooner who has died in service, is missing in action or a prisoner of the enemy, please send all the facts you have IMMEDIATELY to War Records Secretary, Alumni Office, University of Oklahoma.
