# \* \* With the Armed Forces \* \*

MAJ. GEN. RAYMOND O. BARTON, '07, Ada, commander of the Fourth Infantry Division in France, received high praise from Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., commander of the U. S. Third Army, for saving Luxembourg.

In a letter to General Barton, General Patton said, "Your fight in the Hurtgen forest was an epic of stark Infantry combat, but in my opinion your most recent fight—from December 16 to December 26 —when, with a tired division you halted the left shoulder of the German thrust into the American lines and saved the city of Luxembourg, is the most outstanding accomplishment of yourself and your division."

The Fourth Division was also commended for its fine work since D-Day by Maj. Gen. Manton S. Eddy, commander of the Twelfth Corps.

► A Christmas Day dispatch by the United Press from Allied front lines in Belgium quoted Maj. Andrew Dee Pickard, '37-'41, Norman, as saying his troops were having very hard going in the drive to recapture Bastogne. Major Pickard said the Germans were contesting every yard of the advance with a formidable array of Artillery.

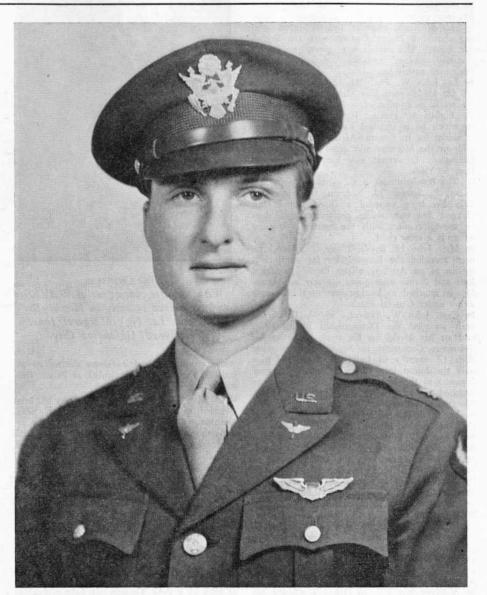
As the U. P. correspondent talked with Major Pickard, shells crashed several hundred feet away from them, they could hear Artillery fire in the nearby town of Tintange, and could see the still smouldering ruins of the village of Warnach, devastated by fire several days earlier.

# Decorations

Lt. Col. Leon R. Vance, '35, Enid, has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor posthumously for heroism during a flight on the day before D-Day as command pilot of a bomber on a mission over Wimeraux, France. During a heavy barrage of flak, the pilot was killed and several of the crew members, including Colonel Vance, were seriously injured.

Thrown onto the floor and unable to get up because his leg was nearly blown off, Colonel Vance piloted the badly damaged ship back to England from his position on the floor. Because some of the crew were unable to bail out, he was forced to land the ship on the ocean close to the English coast. A bomb stuck in the bomb-bay exploded when the plane hit the water and Colonel Vance was thrown clear. An hour later he was picked up by a rescue party, but none of the other crewmen were saved.

After being in an English hospital for a time, Colonel Vance started back to this country on a hospital plane which was lost on the way. Survivors include his wife,



SECOND ALUMNUS RECEIVES HIGHEST AWARD

Lt. Col. Leon R. Vance, '35, 29-year-old Air Corps officer from Enid who was lost at sea last July when a hospital plane carrying wounded men went down somewhere between Iceland and Newfoundland, has been awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor posthumously. This highest U. S. honor was awarded Colonel Vance for heroism displayed on a flight the day before D-Day when, though critically injured, he stuck to the controls of his doomed bomber because he thought a wounded crewman was aboard... He is the second O. U. alumnus to receive the Congressional Medal, the first being Lt. Col. John L. Smith, '36bus, famed Marine Corps pilot.

Mrs. Georgette Drury Vance, Garden City, New York, to whom the Congressional Medal of Honor will be given.

► Lt. Col. Jack F. Burnett, '39med, Ennis, Texas, has been awarded a Bronze Star for meritorious achievement as a flight surgeon in the China-Burma-India theater. He recently returned to the United States after serving for 26 months in that area. Upon his return he was sent to the Air Force Redistribution Station at Miami Beach, Florida, for re-assignment processing.

► Lt. Comdr. William Deal New, '34med, Guthrie, has received a citation from the President for his performance as a regimental surgeon for a Marine unit in the South Pacific. Commander New has served during three major battles, including Guadalcanal. A member of the regular Navy, he has been in service since 1935.

► Lt. David Riley, '40-'41, The Bronx, New York, has been awarded an Air Medal for his work as a Marine fighter pilot with the Bulldog squadron, which shot down 24 Japanese planes in two days over Rabaul in December, 1943. Lieutenant Riley also saw action at Bougainville, Guam and Rota Island in the Marianas. He recently returned from the Pacific and was stationed at the Marine Corps Air Depot at Miramar, California.

► Capt. Harold Thain, '42ba, Waukomis, has been awarded the Silver Star for his work with a Field Artillery battalion of the 82nd Airborne Division in France. When Captain Thain and his men parachuted into France, they landed behind German lines and knocked out several enemy guns before making an all-night march through enemy territory to join their own forces. Also in Europe with an Airborne unit is Captain Thain's brother, Maj. Carl Thain, '37-'41. Both were in North Africa before taking part in the European invasion.

► An Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters has been awarded to Tech. Sgt. George E. Skye, '40bus, Watonga, engineer and top turret gunner aboard a Flying Fortress with the Eighth Air Force. The medals were given him for his "courage, coolness and skill" during numerous raids over enemy territory.

raids over enemy territory. ► Lt. John W. Fox, '41-'42, El Reno, holds an Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters for his work as co-pilot of a Flying Fortress with the Eighth Air Force. The Bombardment unit to which he is attached has been cited by the President for its England-Africa shuttle bombing raid on the Messerschmitt plant at Regensburg, Germany. Lieutenant Fox has been on more than 30 raids.

► The Bombardment outfit to which Tech. Sgt. Robert L. Spires, '38, Norman, is attached in Italy has been awarded a Distinguished Unit Citation for outstanding performance of duty in armed conflict with the enemy. Sergeant Spires is a crew chief.

▶ Maj. John H. Byrd, '38eng, El Reno, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service as an Artillery officer in North Africa, Italy and France since going overseas last March. He is attached to headquarters of the Seventh Army under General Patch.

Anny under Schrutz Adam  $\triangleright$  Capt. John W. Shamel, '36-'40, Tulsa, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and an Air Medal for his work with the Air Transport Command in India. During more than 12 months in India he made 174 trips over the hump into China. Captain Shamel returned to the United States last fall and was attached to a Ferrying group at Great Falls, Montana.

Lt. Mack A. Jones, '41-'42, Norman, holds the Distinguished Flying Cross and an Air Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters for his work as a bombardier with the Eighth Air Force. Lieutenant Jones returned to the United States in December after flying 35 missions as a crew member of the *Green Parrott*, a B-17 which raided Bremen, Cologne, Merzeburg, and Ludwigshaven, among other cities on the continent.

among other cities on the continent. ► Sgt. John H. Culp, Jr., '33ba, Norman, has received a commendation from Lt. Gen. Carl A. Spaatz for his pre-invasion production efforts at an Air Service Command depot in England. The air depot at which Sergeant Culp is stationed as a technician recently received praise in the British press for its high output record.

► A Silver Star with an Oak Leaf Cluster has been awarded Capt. Kenneth Richards, '37fa, Durant, for gallantry in action as a Field Artillery officer with the Second Division in France. Captain Richards was wounded in action in Normandy on the third day after the invasion, and was returned to the United States for medical care at O'Reilly General Hospital in Springfield, Missouri.

► An Oak Leaf Cluster has been added to the Silver Star held by Capt. Thomas M. Brett, '40 bus, Ardmore, for his work with the Field Artillery in France. The accompanying citation stated that the courage displayed by Captain Brett in action reflected great credit upon himself and upon the armed forces of the United States.

Capt. Harold H. Harms, '41med, Norman, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service as surgeon with an Infantry regiment during the Normandy and Brittany campaigns. The citation accompanying the medal stated that his professional skill and courage were an inspiration to the men working under him.

► Lt. William C. Mabrey, '40-'42, Tulsa, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the third Oak Leaf Cluster to add to his Air Medal for his work as a navigator on a B-17 attached to the Eighth Air Force. He received the D. F. C. for outstanding performance of duty



Now OVERSEAS With the first contingent of WAVES which arrived recently in Hawaii for duty was Lt. (jg) Margaret Jones, '41phys.ed, Oklahoma City.

while serving as lead navigator during an attack on the synthetic oil works at Politz, Germany.

► A Silver Star for gallantry in action has been awarded to Capt. W. Hillyer Freeland, '38fa, Norman. Captain Freeland was injured in action while serving as Artillery liaison officer with an Infantry unit on New Guinea last summer. Though wounded by shell fragments, he crawled to a radio transmitter and continued giving commands until the height of the action passed. Later he walked down the mountain, spent the night, and was carried out on a litter the next day by natives, reaching the hospital that evening.

► The third Oak Leaf Cluster has been added to the Air Medal of Lt. Charles McClean, '43, Tonkawa, co-pilot of a Flying Fortress over Europe.

▶ Lt. Jack B. Cornett, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, has been awarded an Air Medal for his work as pilot of a P-47 Thunderbolt fighter plane in the European theater.

► Capt. J. Richard Turner, '33-'37, Holdenville, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service in action in Southern France. Captain Turner is commander of a Field Artillery Service battery with the 45th Division. He has been in service since the division was mobilized in September, 1940. Mrs. Turner, who is making her home in Holdenville, is the former Rozanne Truscott, '37phys.ed.

► Capt. Albert R. Brown, '38law, Prague, has received the Bronze Star for meritorious service with the Field Artillery at Salerno. Home on a 30-day leave this winter, Captain Brown took part in the fighting in Sicily and Italy before going into Southern France with the 45th Division. At the end of his leave he was to rejoin his outfit in France. Before entering the service Captain Brown was county attorney of Lincoln County, with offices in Chandler.

► Staff Sgt. Frank Naifeh, '34-'35, Drumright, was awarded an Air Medal upon the completion of 13 missions over Europe as aerial gunner on an A-20 Havoc. Sergeant Naifeh is a member of the pioneer A-20 group of the Ninth Air Force.

► The Legion of Merit has been received by Lt. Col. L. E. Patterson, Jr., '30geol, '32ms, for the excellence of his work during the three years he was attached to General McArthur's headquarters in Australia. Colonel Patterson escaped from Java just ahead of the Japanese invasion in the early days of the war. He was home on leave in Oklahoma City last fall.

► An Oak Leaf Cluster has been added to the Silver Star held by Capt. Lemuel (Bill) Thomas, Jr., '41ba, Ringling, for gallantry in action near St. Laurent-sur-Mer, Normandy, last June. He was awarded the original Silver Star after the Battle of Kasserine Pass in North Africa in 1943. Captain Thomas is a Field Artillery officer.

► Lt. D. A. Smith, Jr., '42, Tipton, has been awarded a Bronze Star for his work as an intelligence specialist with a B-24 group based in Italy. He is in charge of briefings.

▶ Maj. James D. Webster, '28bus, Oklahoma City, has been given the Order of the Purple Heart for injuries received while he was doing rescue work in Holland. Major Webster helped rescue some Dutch civilians who were trapped in a mine which had been hit by German Artillery fire. During the evacuation he was injured in another explosion. Major Webster was stationed in North Africa before going to England to take part in the French invasion.

▶ Maj. Novel S. Wood, '37-'41, Norman, has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross with one Oak Leaf Cluster and an Air Medal with four Clusters for his work with the Air Force in the Pacific. He has been in action over the Marshall Islands, where he led a fleet of Mitchell bombers in a raid at an altitude of 50 feet, and over Maleolap Atoll.

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▷ Lt. Charles A. Tuggle, '39, Lindsay, has been awarded an Air Medal for meritorious action as a bombardier with the Eighth Air Force and the Order of the Purple Heart for injuries received in action. He was formerly a bombardier-instructor at the Air Field at Midland, Texas.

► Lt. Thaine A. Syfert, '33-'35, Oklahoma City, has been awarded the Air Medal for his work as bombardier on a B-25 in an attack upon a railroad bridge at Avignon, France. The destruction of the railroad at that point contributed greatly to the defeat of enemy troops in that area.

► Lt. William M. Kilpatrick, '40-'42, Oklahoma City, has been given the Air Medal for his work as pilot of a Liberator bomber attached to the 15th Air Force in Italy. His unit played an important part in the bombing of Roumanian oil fields and in paving the way for the invasion of Southern France.

► Lt. Col. Joe A. Smalley, '37law, Norman, has been awarded the Silver Star for his work with the Field Artillery under General Patton in France. Colonel Smalley has been with the Third Army since the breakthrough at St. Lo on August 17.

► Lt. Mclvin C. O'Hern, '39-'41, Lovell, has received an Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters for his work as a bombardier aboard a Flying Fortress based in England.

➤ Tech. Sgt. Charles M. O'Dor, '38-'39, Alma, has been awarded an Air Medal for his work as a radio operator and gunner with a Liberator Bombardment group in the Southwest Pacific. While overseas he went on 64 missions. The presentation of the medal was made at the Army Air Force Convalescent Hospital at St. Petersburg, Florida, where Sergeant O'Dor was recuperating from operational fatigue.

cuperating from operational fatigue. ► Lt. Thelton Wright, '40-'43, Waurika, has received a commendation from Lt. Gen. A. A. Vandergrift, commandant of the U. S. Marine Corps, for risking his life to save a fellow Marine officer from drowning. The accident occurred last July during a practice night landing on the Potomac River, when a fishing boat rammed and sank a landing craft. Lieutenant Wright towed the drowning man to safety, helped other Marines to a boat, released a floating bundle of life jackets and helped distribute them among the personnel of the sinking boat. ► Maj. William R. (Bob) Clark, '36journ, Norman, commander of an Armored Field Artillery battalion with the Third Army in Europe, has been decorated with the Bronze Star medal. In a recent letter to the Alumni Office, Major Clark said, "Like so many other O. U. men, I am 'whammig' at the Nazis daily, and getting whammed back at in no uncertain manner."

▶ Lt. Col. James C. Todd, '311aw, Tulsa, has been awarded a Bronze Star medal for bravery beyond the line of duty in Normandy on D-Day. Commander of a Glider Field Artillery battalion attached to an Airborne division, he also holds a Presidential Citation. His hattalion has received a unit citation for its fine record in the Normandy fighting. Colonel Todd was with the 45th Division before going overseas in 1943. Mrs. Todd is the former Louise Bagby, '34ba, Tulsa.

# **Deaths in Service**

Cpl. John Robert Riesen, '41, Ardmore, died on December 21 in the hospital at Key Field, Mississippi, of injuries received in the crash of a B-26 bomber near there the day before. All the other crew members were killed instantly. Corporal Riesen was a radio operator and gunner stationed at Barksdale Field, Louisiana. At the University he was a freshman in the College of Business Administration. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernst P. Riesen, and a brother, all of Ardmore.

 Maj. Lloyd Warren, '40, Elk City, was killed in a plane crash in the European theater on November 25. He was a Ninth Air Force pilot stationed in Belgium. Major Warren entered the Air Force in October, 1940, receiving his commission the following May at Brooks Field, Texas. He became commanding officer of his squadron and went overseas in December, 1943. In June, 1944, he was transferred from England to a base on the continent. He held the Air Medal for his missions over Germany. Survivors include his wife, who lives in San Antonio, Texas, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Warren, and a sister, Mrs. Clifford Kinney, all of Elk City.
Maj. Harry H. Alley, '37law, former Okla-

homa City lawyer, died on November 26 from injuries received in a plane crash in Belgium. Major Alley, holder of an Air Medal, was attached to ground force headquarters of the Eighth Air Force. He entered service as a first lieutenant in the Field Artillery in 1940, later training as an aerial observer and transferring to an Observation squadron. He went on duty with the Eighth Air Force in 1942, and was promoted to major last April. At the University Major Alley was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Delta Phi honorary legal fraternity, Phi Eta Sigma scholastic fraternity for freshmen men, Kappa Gamma Ephilon honorary modern languages fraternity and the President's Honor Class. Survivors include his brother, Lt. John N. Alley, '33ba, '34ma, overseas, and his mother, Mrs. John Alley, Norman. His father, Professor John Alley of the University government department, died last May.

► Lt. Elgin Earl Fisher, '39-'40, Oklahoma City, was killed in action in China on December 13. He was attached to an Air Force Weather Reconnaissance squadron there. Lieutenant Fisher was a freshman in the College of Business Administration at the University. Survivors in-clude his wife, Mrs. Beth Fisher, Wichita, Kansas. ▶ Lt. Claud W. Dagenhart, '39-'41, Oklahoma City, listed as missing in action since August 3, was reported killed on that date by the War Department. Lieutenant Dagenhart was a navigator on a Flying Fortress shot down over Germany. He was on his third combat mission at the time of his death. Lieutenant Dagenhart was a student in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dagenhart, Oklahoma City. ▶ Lt. Joe W. Phillips, '35-'37, Jet, Oklahoma, was killed in the crash of a Liberator bomber in France on December 11. Co-pilot of the plane, Lieutenant Phillips went on duty with

the Eighth Air Force last August. Before entering the Air Force he was on the staff of the *Topeka State Journal* in Topeka, Kansas. At the University Lieutenant Phillips was a member of the football team. Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Nadine Williams, Jet, and his wife, who lives at Alva.

John E. Porter, '25-'26, Purcell, storekeeper second class in the Navy, was killed in action in the Marianas Islands in the Pacific on November 19. Mr. Porter went overseas in February, 1944, and was stationed in the Marianas early in November. He joined the Navy in August, 1942. Before entering the service he was associated with a construction company and was engaged in the lease and royalty brokerage business. He was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Eda Porter, Purcell.

▶ Lt. William G. Shultz, Jr., '38-'39, Holdenville was killed in action on May 1, the War Department has announced. He was formerly listed as missing in action on that date. Pilot of a P-38 fighter plane, Lieutenant Shultz was returning to England from Belgium at the time of his death. He is credited with downing one German plane. He went overseas in January, 1944. Survivors include his mother, Mrs. Minnie Shultz, Holdenville, and his father, Lt. Col. William G. Shultz, '17bs, stationed at Drew Field, Florida.

► Ensign John M. Lawrence, Jr., '41-'44, Oklahoma City, who was killed in action in the Pacific on an undisclosed date, was the first graduate of the University Naval R.O.T.C. unit to lose his life in the war. He received his commission at O. U. on February 28, 1944. Before going to the Pacific theater, Ensign Lawrence served for four months in the Atlantic. He was a member of Phi Eta Sigma scholastic fraternity. Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Lawrence, Oklahoma City, and two sisters.

# Missing in Action

Lt. (jg) John H. (Jack) Fezler, '43ba, Oklahoma City, has been missing in action in the Southwest Pacific since October 3. Lieutenant



#### THEY NEIGHBOR

Occupying offices next door to each other in the Panama Canal Zone are (left) Lt. (jg) W. W. Scheerer, formerly Navy athletic director at O. U., and Lt. Herbert Scott, '26ba, '26ma, on leave as director of the O. U. Extension Division. Fezler was attached to a mine investigation unit, and his work included deep sea diving. He received his commission at South Bend, Indiana, in February, 1943, and served for several months in Europe before returning to the United States and being assigned to duty in the Pacific.

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▶ Lt. Dale S. Hannah, '40-'42, Artesia, New Mexico, member of the Fifth Air Force, has been missing in action in the South Pacific since August 30.

► Lt. Warren L. Keely, '41, Norman and Arcadia, Oklahoma, has been missing in action in the Pacific since October 30. He was a pilot of a Navy fighter based on a carrier, and recently had been going on missions in the Philippine area. Lieutenant Keely went on foreign duty last May. Mrs. Keely (Racheal Hefley, '41ba, '42lib.sci) and their small son Lee live in Norman.

▶ Lt. Gary B. Johnson, '38-'39, Wichita Falls, Texas, pilot of a B-24, has been missing in action over Hungary since August 22.

► Lt. Floyd N. Martin, '41-'42, Tulsa, has been missing in action with the Air Force in the Mediterranean area.since October 29. He was attached to a Bombardment squadron.

#### Injured in Service

Pvt. William N. Kinney, '43, Tulsa, was in an Army hospital somewhere in the European theater recuperating from wounds received last November 20 while fighting with the Infantry in Germany.

 Lt. Harry G. Fender, '37-'41, Stroud, wounded in action in Germany last fall, was receiving medical treatment in a hospital in England. A Field Artillery officer, Lieutenant Fender was injured in the head and legs.
Lt. Glenn P. Bradley, '39-'43, Norman, was

► Lt. Glenn P. Bradley, '39-'43, Norman, was wounded slightly on December 9 in Germany, where he was in action with the Field Artillery.

#### Prisoners of War

Maj. Herbert A. Von Tungeln, '34ba, Oklahoma City, missing in action over Germany since last August 24, has been reported a prisoner of war in Germany. Mrs. Von Tungeln (Charline Penner, '34ba), Mill Creek, received a card from him late in December, which was written October 9 and stated that he was all right. Major Von Tungeln was pilot of a Flying Fortress.

► Lt. Col. Victor E. Warford, '40bs, Chickasha, earlier reported missing as of October 11, is a prisoner of war in Germany. Colonel Warford, pilot of a plane providing protection for gliders and Troop Transport planes during the invasion of Southern France, holds the Distinguished Flying Cross and an Air Medal.

# Out of Prison Camps

Capt. Eugene P. Dale, '36-'38, Enid, for two and a half years a prisoner of the Japanese in the Philippine Islands, came home this winter. He was one of the American prisoners who escaped his captors when the ship on which he was being transferred to Japan was sunk by an American submarine. After two trips to Washington for conferences, Captain Dale was given a three-month leave beginning December 15.

Captain Dale received his commission in the Air Force at Kelly Field, Texas, in July, 1941, and was shipped to the Philippines in November of that year. On December 7, when the Japanese struck, he had not been assigned to a regular Air Force unit, so he was hurriedly put to work in the Signal Corps, and was later transferred to the Infantry on Bataan. Still later he was shifted to the Marine Corps.

Captain Dale spent a month on Corregidor before it fell to the Japanese, when he was marched to a prison camp along with the others.

He was asleep when the torpedo hit the transport vessel he was on, but managed to swim to shore, where friendly Filipinos took care of him until American forces arrived. He was wounded in the back when the ship was hit, and has been given a Purple Heart medal. Since his return to the United States he has been promoted to captain.

► Released from the Bulgarian prison camp in which he had been held since forced to bail out over Bulgaria on January 10, 1944, Staff Sgt. Jack V. Pipkin, '41-'42, Oklahoma City, has returned to this country. Holder of the Silver Star, an Air Medal with an Oak Leaf Cluster and the Order of the Purple Heart, Sergeant Pipkin reported that living conditions in the Bulgaran camp were bad and that medical care was almost non-existent. Sergeant Pipkin had serious leg and hand injuries.

Details of how the released airmen reached Allied forces in Italy were not disclosed. Upon his return to this country Sergeant Pipkin was sent to the Air Forces Redistribution Station at Santa Monica, California, for a check-up and either re-assignment or medical discharge from the service.

# **Back From Battlefronts**

Lt. James A. Huser, '40fa, Oklahoma City, returned to the United States recently after flying 74 patrols and missions with a Naval composite squadron based on a carrier in the Pacific. He was one of three lieutenants in the squadron who rotated as flight leader. One day that Lieutenant Huser was leader the squadron wiped out 50 Japanese trucks loaded with foot soldiers on Leyte. On the morning of October 25 he took part in a torpedo attack on an enemy task force off Leyte Island. At the end of his leave, Lieutenant Huser was to be assigned to a Navy base in this country.

▶ Maj. Albert H. Follmar, '38bus, Oklahoma City, has been returned to the United States for treatment at the Navy Hospital, Mare Island, California, after being wounded in action with the Marine Corps on Saipan. At the time he was injured, Major Follmar was commanding officer of the Second battalion, Fourth Division of the 24th Marines. Before going overseas in January, 1944, he was post adjutant of the Marine base at Parris Island, South Carolina.

Capt. Samuel T. Moore, '38med, Oklahoma City, returned to the United States in December after serving overseas with the Medical Corps since October, 1942, when he went to North Africa. He went through the Tunisian campaign and was flight surgeon for a Fighter squadron during the Sicilian and early Italian campaigns. In February, 1944, Captain Moore was transferred to India, and went on into China the following May as a flight surgeon. Last September he was a patient in a Calcutta hospital, and in the same ward, also as patients, were two other graduates of the O. U. Medical School, Capt. Paul S. Anderson, '35med, Claremore, and Maj. John B. Miles, '27med, Anadarko. Captain Anderson has since recovered and returned to his B-29 outfit, and Major Miles has been returned to the United States for hospitalization. Captain Moore had a 21-day leave before reporting for re-assignment. Upon his return home he saw his daughter Carol Ann, age two, for the first time.

► Lt. Col. Roy L. Hickox, '35ba, former managing editor of the *Guthrie Leader*, spent a leave at home after serving for 31 months in the Mediterranean area as a military intelligence officer with Army public relations. At the end of his leave, Colonel Hickox was to report to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, to attend Command and General Staff School.

▶ Maj. Richard L. Downing, '14-'15, '24-'26, Norman, returned to this country in December after serving for nearly two years with the Signal Corps in the Mediterranean theater of war. He was the first American soldier to enter Bizerte. Upon his return to the United States, Major Downing reported to Camp Chaffee, Arkansas, for re-assignment.

Lt. (jg) Fred Crawford, Jr., '42bus, Okla-

# **Casualty Data Requested**

The Alumni Office requests the co-operation of all University of Oklahoma alumni in securing information about Sooner casualties of this war, including deaths in service, missing in action, prisners of war and injured in service.

On the back page of the last issue of the Alumni News Bulletin is a form containing space for data about Sooner casualties. If you have any information about alumni who are war casualties, a copy of this Bulletin will be sent you upon request to War Records Secretary, Alumni Office, University of Oklahoma, Norman.

homa City and Mobile, Alabama, returned to the United States in December after serving in the South Pacific for 18 months. He was temporarily stationed in Providence, Rhode Island. Mrs. Crawford is the former Olive Bretz, '40-'42, Oklahoma City.

► Capt. Frank Haxel, '32, Purcell, returned to the United States this winter after being stationed for 31 months in India with the Air Force. He was sent to the Air Force Redistribution Station at Santa Monica, California, for re-assignment.

► Lt. (jg) Norman A. Gordon, '42bus, Oklahoma City, reported for duty in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, recently after concluding a leave at home. Lieutenant Gordon was returned to the United States late last summer after being injured in the invasion of France.

▶ Lt. Ted C. Findeiss, '42eng, Wichita, Kansas, returned to the United States last fall after flying 35 missions with the Eighth Air Force. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross and an Air Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters.

► Sgt. Neville M. Brehm, '38, Oklahoma City, returned to the United States after serving for two and a half years in India. At the end of his leave he reported to the Air Force Redistribution Station in San Monica, California, for reassignment.

▶ Lt. George Wayne Jordan, '42eng, Norman, Ordnance officer who received a wrist wound in combat in France on September 5, has been returned to the United States for hospitalization. Formerly in an English hospital, he was to have surgical work done on his wrist, which had nerves and tendons shattered and an artery cut.

► Lt. Henry W. Reaves, '41bus, Norman, holder of the Bronze Star for meritorious service during the action on Saipan, was home on leave last fall. He rejoined his outfit in the South Pacific late in December.

► Lt. J. W. Robinett, '39eng, Hartville, Missouri, spent a 30-day leave in the United States after taking part in the invasion of Southern France as executive officer of an LST.

as executive officer of an LST. ► Maj. Ralph Berry, '37bus, Norman, returned to the United States from India in December, and was expected to be home on leave after a checkup at Ashburn General Hospital, McKinney, Texas. A member of the Military Police in India, Major Berry has been in poor health since last summer.

► After completing 90 missions as a fighter pilot in the Mediterranean theater, Lt. Darrel F. Casida, '38-'41, Hobart, returned to the United States in December. Upon his arrival he saw for the first time his baby daughter Lynda Karen, born in September. Lieutenant Casida went overseas last April.

► Carl W. Robison, '36, Oklahoma City, storekeeper second class in the Navy, returned to the United States after serving 17 months with the Seabees in the Aleutians, and was assigned to Camp Parks, California. Mr. and Mrs. Robison have a baby son Phillip, who was born two months after Mr. Robison left for foreign duty. ► Lt. Albert McQuown, '41med, Stillwater, member of the Navy Medical Corps, was home on a 15-day leave this winter after serving overseas for 19 months as surgeon for a group of LST ships. Lieutenant McQuown has seen action in Sicily, Salerno, Anzio, Burma and France. After serving in the Mediterranean area, Lieutenant McQuown was transferred to the Asiatic theater, where he stayed until he was recalled to participate in the Normandy invasion.

# **On General Staff Mission**

Capt. Ted M. Beveridge, '37-'40, Oklahoma City, spent two months in Italy last fall as a General Staff observer attached to an Infantry division of the Fifth Army.

Now on duty with the operations division of the War Department in Washington, D. C., Captain Beveridge was formerly on the staff of the University R.O.T.C. and A.S.T.P. units. Before returning to the University, he served a tour of duty in the Aleutians.

# Still Thrill Fans

George Boudreau, '40-'42, Purcell, former O. U. football star, was fullback with the Kaneohe Island Naval Air Station Klippers, who won the football championship of the Hawaiian Islands this year. The championship was decided in the last game of the season, against the Ford Island Naval Air Station team, in which Mr. Boudreau made nine points.

During the season he made 23 points by kicking field goals and conversions. Hawaiian sports fans and writers dubbed him the player with "the educated toe." He was presented a watch and a trophy in recognition of his fine work with the Klippers.

Ralph F. Schilling, '39-'40, Seminole and Oklahoma City, is a member of a Navy football team which is touring South Pacific Islands after playing in a bowl game in Honolulu on New Year's Day. The team left the United States early in December and is not expected to return until spring. Mr. Schilling has signed a contract to play professional football with the Washington Redskins after the war.
Lt. Jack Jacobs, '38-'42, famed former O. U.

► Lt. Jack Jacobs, '38-'42, famed former O. U. football star, has been named a member of the 1944 all-star Pacific coast service football team by the United Press. Lieutenant Jacobs is a member of the Fourth Air Force team at March Field, California.

# **New Officers**

Recently commissioned second lieutenants in the Air Force were Joe W. Boyd, '40-'43, Tulsa, at the Two-Engine Pilot School, Army Air Field, Pecos, Texas, and Frank W. Bowdle, '42-'43, Wichita Falls, Texas, the Navigation School, Selman Field, Louisiana. Robert D. Means, '42-'43, Borger, Texas, was

Robert D. Means, '42.'43, Borger, Texas, was made a flight officer at the Air Force Bombardier School at Big Spring, Texas. Harvey Richert, '40bus, Weatherford, and

Harvey Richert, '40bus, Weatherford, and Ralph L. Recce, '39bus, Gate, Oklahoma, have been commissioned second lieutenants in the Infantry at the the Infantry Officer Candidate School, Fort Benning, Georgia.

School, Fort Benning, Georgia. Earl E. Patterson, '44eng, Oklahoma City, was commissioned an ensign in the Naval Reserve at the Naval Training School, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, and assigned to the Naval unit at North Carolina State College at Raleigh for further training. James K. Jones, '44, Tulsa, and Max E. Ham-

James K. Jones, '44, Tulsa, and Max E. Hamilton, Jr., '44, Oklahoma City, have been commissioned ensigns in the Naval Reserve at the Midshipmen's School, Columbia University, New York City, and assigned to bases in Florida for further training.

Clare E. Morford, '43, Lawton, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps at Quantico, Virginia.

#### Promotions

A number of alumni have been promoted to

the rank of lieutenant colonel in the Army. They are as follows: Louis A. Vanderpool, '33, Norman, on duty with the Quartermaster Corps in the South Pacific; Joseph H. Whitsett, '40m.ed, former principal of Antlers High School, now commander of a Truck battalion in New Caledonia; H. A. Vinson, '35med, Oklahoma City, on the staff of a Field Hospital in the Philippines; John A. Martin, '31bus, Binger, finance officer with an Infantry division in the South Pacific.

J. D. Cruce, '34-'39, Oklahoma City, on duty with the Ordnance division in Washington, D. C.; Gentry Lee, '24law, Tulsa, assistant judge advocate at headquarters of the Air Force Eastern Technical Training Command in St. Louis, Missouri; L. Kirk Woodliff, '37law, Wewoka, with the Field Artillery in France; T. A. Ragan, '32med, Oklahoma City, commander of a Station Hospital in England, and A. R. (Bert) Larason, '30ba, commanding officer of a Field Artillery battalion in the South Pacific. Colonel Larason's battalion is attached to the Sixth Division, which landed in Manila in 1889, and now carries with it the flag which was flown over Manila at that time.

Promoted to major recently were the following: Percy P. Cooley, '23med, Oklahoma City, Barnes General Hospital, Vancouver, Washington; Jack L. Marks, '40, Holdenville, with a Bombarment squadron in the European theater; Rawleigh H. Ralls, '32ba, Norman, Army Air Base, Salina, Kansas; O. W. Barnett, '34eng, Shreveport, Louisiana, with the Air Force in Dayton, Ohio; Raymond E. Gandy, '39-'40, Norman, commanding officer of a Bombardment squadron at Godman Field, Kentucky; Oliver W. Hammonds, '32ba, Oklahoma City, who recently returned to duty with Air Force headquarters in Washington, D. C., after being in the Far East for three months; Arlo Scoggin, '39eng, '40m.eng, Oklahoma City, Raritan Arsenal, Metuchen, New Jersey, and Lewis W. McBride, '34eng, chief of the engineering and contracts section of the Corps of Engineers in the Panama Canal Department. Major Mc-Bride's wife and two daughters are with him in the Canal Zone.

O. U. men recently advanced to captain are as follows: Charles P. Gotwals, Jr., '40law, Tulsa, with the Judge Advocate General's Department in France; Paul M. Darden, '42med, Oklahoma City, overseas with a Medical detachment; R. P. Bland, '37-'39, Tulsa, operations and training officer at Key Field, Mississippi; Amos G. Battenfield, '41journ, Chickasha, veteran combat pilot on duty at the Army Air Field at Liberal, Kansas; Robert A. Green, '36pharm, Clinton, Camp Barkeley, Texas; Glenn A. Taylor, Jr., '30-'33, formerly with the Western Auto Supply Company in Kansas City, Missouri, now a member of the engineering-manufacturing division of the Office of Chief of Ordnance in Detroit, Michigan.

Calvin J. Hobson, '39-'41, Oklahoma City, Army Air Field, Marana, Arizona; Jack O. Stone, '31ba, former Oklahoma City sports writer, Majors Field, Texas; George E. Fisher, '30law, Oklahoma City, on duty at headquarters of the Eighth Service Command in Birmingham, Alabama; Lloyd E. Dean, '41eng, Oklahoma City, on duty in the Mediterranean theater; Thomas Z. Wright, '34law, Beaver, Ellington Field, Texas; Marion J. Blake, '35law, Tulsa, Air Force representative with the Bendix Aviation Corporation in South Bend, Indiana; Emerson Jordan, '39-'42, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania, Hunter Field, Georgia; W. L. Corwin, Jr., '40eng, Oklahoma City, Hammer Field, California, and Ross H. Porter, '28-'30, Lawton, in the Quartermaster Office at Camp Maxey, Texas.

William J. Mellor, '37-'39, Norman, on duty with the historical division of Air Force Intelligence in New York City, has been promoted to first lieutenant.

A. Truman Pouncey, '42, assistant professor of journalism on leave of absence for military service, has been promoted to staff sergeant in Holland, where he is with a Civil Affairs detachment. Promoted to sergeant were Allen T. Fariss, '40-'41, Leedey, on duty with the historical section of the 13th Air Force headquarters in the Southwest Pacific; Donald E. Barnes, '40ba, Ponca City, on duty with the information and educational service at Will Rogers Field, and Herman F. Rusch, Jr., '40bus, Oklahoma City, statistical clerk with the Air Force in Washington, D. C.

Charles E. Vandergriff, '37, Hugo, stationed at a Superfortress base in India, and John C. Crapo, '41-'43, Alderson, Oklahoma, overseas with an Ordnance battalion, have been advanced to corporal.

Haskell Walker, '31bus, Norman, personnel officer at the Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Florida, has been promoted to lieutenant commander. Alumni in the Navy recently promoted to lieutenant junior grade include the following: Clyde L. Murray, Jr., '42, Enid, Naval Air Station, Dallas, Texas; Howard B. Upton, '43ba, Tahlequah, on sea duty; Edward R. Warr, '42 ba, Oklahoma City, on sea duty; G. Milton Small, '39eng, '39arch, Norman, with a Naval Construction battalion in the Pacific; John W. Kniseley, '35ba, Norman, on sea duty; Dee A. Replogle, '42, Oklahoma City, stationed in Miami, Florida, and Jake Barron, '39ma, Davis, an instructor in Naval science at the Merchant Marine Cadet Basic School at San Mateo, California. Mrs. Barron (Leona Stamps, '39ma) joined Lieutenant Barron in California last fall.

Rodney M. Partin, '34pharm, on duty at sea, has been promoted to chief pharmacist's mate.

# With the Fleet

Ensign James B. Robinson, '36-'40, Waurika, is on duty aboard Admiral Halsey's ship in the South Pacific. Recently he had a two-hour visit with a cousin, Ensign Glenn Gaines, '44bus, also of Waurika, somewhere in the South Pacific.

Lt. (jg) W. W. Scheerer, former athletic officer at the University Naval R.O.T.C. unit and coach of the Sooner baseball and junior varsity football teams, is welfare and recreation officer at a Navy base in Panama. His office is next door to that of Lt. Herbert Scott, '26ba, '26ma, director of the University Extension Division on leave of absence, who is personnel officer at the base.

Lt. (jg) Margaret Jones, '41phys.ed, Oklahoma City, member of the WAVES, has been assigned to duty in the welfare and recreation department of a Naval Air Station in the Territory of Hawaii. She formerly was a member of the physical education staff at the WAVES Midshipmen's School, Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts.



MORALE BUILDER Margaret Prock, '42he, Oklahoma City, has arrived at a post in the Pacific to serve the armed forces as an American Red Cross staff assistant. Other Sooners on duty at foreign Naval bases or on board ship are as follows: Lt. Comdr. James Ralph Bollinger, '33eng, former engineer with the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation in Colorado and California, with the Bureau of Yards and Docks in the Pacific; Ensign E. H. Hudson, '43eng, Norman; Lt. H. A. Holloman, '35-'38, Frederick; Duane A. Woodcock, '42, Shawnee, fire controlman third class; Charles E. Stephenson, '39-'42, Drumright, aviation machinist's mate second class.

Ensign R. R. Baird, '43, Sanger, California, with an Underwater Demolition Team in the Pacific; Elmer L. Kirkpatrick, '29ma, Wetumka, storekeeper second class; Ensign J. E. Graham, Silsbee, Texas; William N. Tolleson, Jr., '35, Tulsa, storekeeper first class; Lt. (jg) Fred G. Popkess, '43med, Dewey, Navy physician attached to a Marine battalion in the Pacific; Jack L. Adams, '35-'39, Hollis, seaman second class; Lt. (jg) Dave Johnson, '38ma, Stillwater; Lt. (jg) John M. King, Jr., '35ma, former superintendent of schools at Nowata.

Ensign John E. Caldwell, '44law, Oklahoma City; Ensign William B. Kennedy, '43, Wewoka; Lt. (jg) W. Edgar Jones, '39ba, Seminole; Edgar B. Cafky, '30-'31, Forgan, storekeeper third class; Lt. Clarence E. Birney, '33law, Bucklin, Kansas; William B. Belford, '43, Corning, Arkansas, seaman first class; Henry L. Ford, '41-'42, Okemah, fireman first class; L. N. Bertholf, '30, Cherokee, Kansas, pharmacist's mate first class; Edward H. Grinnell, '40-'42, Hobart, pharmacist's mate second class; Rex E. Kenyon, '41-'43, Cleveland, Oklahoma, hospital apprentice first class.

Ensign Fred L. Frederickson, '42eng, Stuttgart, Arkansas; Lt. C. Alton Sullivan, '37bs, Elmore City; John D. Hadsell, '38ba, Norman, storekeeper second class; Lt. (jg) Wesley W. Beck, '39bus, Hobart; David J. Osmond, '36-'39, Gotebo, aviation machinist's mate second class; Ensign James G. Shouse, '43eng, Muskogee, bomb disposal officer with a Mobile Explosives Investigation unit in the Pacific; Lt. Herbert F. Boester, '41eng, Cement; Henry J. Matthews, '43, Gore, fireman first class; George Kerbo, '40-'41, Duncan, gunner's mate first class, and Francis M. Ivy, '38-'42, Waurika, pharmacist's mate first class.

Thurston J. Lewis, '37-'41, Heavener, who received a medical discharge from the Navy late in 1943, is on active duty as an able-bodied seaman in the Merchant Marine.

Other alumni on duty aboard ship or at Naval bases overseas include the following: Ensign Thomas C. Moore, '42eng, Norman; Ensign Rex Scott, '44chem, Shawnee; Ensign Jesse G. Wheat, '43-'44, Picayune, Mississippi; Lt. Boyd V. Lucas, '42med, Tulsa; Ensign Joseph F. Prokop, '42-'43, Shawnee; Lt. Franklin H. Sisler, Jr., '40med, Bristow; Frank P. Fonvielle, Jr., '41-'43, Oklahoma City, aviation metalsmith second class.

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# Around the World

Capt. Vernon (Red) Bone, '40, Burneyville, Oklahoma, is with a Fighter group in the Philippine Islands. In a recent letter to the Alumni Office, Captain Bone wrote, "The group I belong to has more Nips to its credit than any other in the world. To date it has some 616 to its credit, and the scorekeeper has to keep his crayon and eraser on the alert 24 hours a day. Yesterday the boys went wild and 21 Nips will push rudder pedals no more.... Guess I'd better quit and start to work on this tent before I'm drowned out. They say the dry season starts in January but the dry season here is something like Oklahoma's wettest."

Capt. W. Feagin Hood, '29ba, Oklahoma City, is commander of a Field Artillery battery in combat in Belgium. In a recent letter to the Alumni Office, he wrote, "About all that we have had since we have been here is a lot of mud, snow, rain and bad weather. You should see my 'Gopher Hole.' All the comforts of home even running water. In fact the water runs in the thing all the time."

Stories out of Oklahoma's athletic past were doubtless passed around when four former Sooner sports greats got together recently in Honolulu. The group included Maj. O. T. McCall, '40bus, Maj. Novel Wood, '37-'41, and Lt. Bill Jennings, '39-'41, all of Norman, and Ensign Karey Fuqua, '36bus, Lawton. All are former members of either the Norman High School or the O. U. football team.

Staff Sgt. Ethelyn Smith, '20pharm, Lexington, was in a WAC detachment on duty in the Philippine Islands. She was formerly stationed in Australia and New Guinea. Before entering the service, Sergeant Smith was head of the Cleveland County Federation of Farm Women's Clubs.

Maj. Max W. Morrison, '35, Oklahoma City, is back in action after recovering from wounds received in France last September. Major Morrison is attached to an Infantry unit.

Other Sooners whom the Alumni Office has recently learned are on foreign duty are as follows: Capt. Basel B. VanSchuyver, '39ed, Chickasha, Field Artillery; Capt. John E. Highland, '39med, Vinita, Medical Corps; Cpl. Richard E. Stover, '42-'43, Enid, a Harbor Craft company; Capt. D. C. McGugin, '34-'40, Enid, Air Force; Cpl. Charles O. Thompson, Jr., '44, Oklahoma City, Air Force; Cpl. Rupert E. Wilson, Jr., '41 law, Norman, Infantry; Lt. Col. Byron E. Williams, '34ba, Fairfax, Field Artillery.

Capt. Charles D. Watson, '40law, Alma, Field Artillery; Maj. Dugan Woodring, '36-'38, Noble, Air Force; Pvt. Raymond G. Moss, '42bus, Duncan, Air Force; Lt. Lewis H. Bond, Jr., '40-'43. Vernon, Texas, Ordnance; Lt. James G. Davidson, '43ba, Tulsa, Field Artillery; Lt. Marvin O. Breeding, '43bus, Oklahoma City, Field Artillery; Cpl. William R. Campbell, Jr., '39-'42, Pawhuska, Air Force; Tech. Sgt. W. Merl Freeland, '32ba, Norman, Tank battalion; Capt. Charles T. Mitchell, '42, Norman, Field Artillery; Lt. Col. Stephen D. Holloway, '30law, Oklahoma City, Judge Advocate General's Department; Lt. Martha H. Gist, '42nurse, Prague, Army Nurse Corps.

Staff Sgt. James F. Berry, '41journ, Tulsa, Infantry; Sgt. Keith W. Wright, '40-'43, Ardmore, Air Force; Lt. Thomas E. (Eddy) Davis, '40-'43, Muskogee, Field Artillery; Cpl. Don W. Rector, '42-'43, Fort Supply, Tank Destroyers; Cpl. Marshall Dayton, Jr., '43eng, Rock Springs, Wyoming, Field Artillery; Capt. Norman E. Schultz, '38eng, Tulsa, Ordnance; Staff Sgt. John M. Montgomery, '36law, Infantry; Maj. Lewis V. Smith, '24-'29, Spiro, Infantry; Lt. Robert A. Tatlock, '39-'43, Wichita, Kansas, Field Artillery.

Lt. Gerald S. Young, Jr., '38-'43, Duncan, Field Artillery; Capt. Ernest B. Blake, '24-'26, Oklahoma City, Signal Corps; Lt. Johnson S. Miller, '43, Duncan; Sgt. Tuskahoma B. (Mutt) Miller, '38phys.ed, Wewoka, Field Artillery; Cpl. Charlene Cathey, '32-'34, Norman, WAC; Capt. H. E. Walker, '37-'39, Tulsa, Air Force; Lt. Robert G. Walton, '34-'36, Muldrow, Oklahoma, Air Force; Lt. Col. Floyd O. Bond, '26 eng, Ordnance; Sgt. Bion J. Acton, '41-'43, Guthrie, Infantry; Sgt Roy M. McClintock, Jr., '40-'41, Oklahoma City.

Lt. Jack H. DeLozier, '41bus, Sapulpa, Air Force: Lt. Ray Hassler, '43ba, Norman, on Saipan as communications officer with an Air Force outfit which has been sending bombers over Tokyo; Lt. Bruce L. Katz, '40-'42, Oklahoma City, Air Transport Command; Sgt. William J. Fugitt, '43, Bartlesville, Medical battalion; Capt. Dan Jennings, Jr., '38-'40, Bartlesville, Infantry; Cpl. Robert S. Berthold, '43, Oklahoma City; Staff Sgt. James P. Evatt, '36pharm, Wayne, Medical Corps; Lt. A. M. Brixey, Jr., '43med, Norman, Medical Corps.

Roinau, Better, 1997. Lt. Neal B. Hallmark, '36-'38, Slaton, Texas, Air Force; Pfc. William O. Soderstrum, '40-'43, Silver Springs, Maryland; Lt. Roy A. Baze, '43 eng, Snyder, Texas, Corps of Engineers; Sam R. Dritch, '39-'41, Enid, technician fourth grade in the Ordnance; Lt. Thurman White, '41ms, University Extension- Division staff member on leave of absence, Marine Gorps; Cpl. Nelson F. Moon, '40-'42, Tulsa, Field Artillery; Capt. Robert T. Hughes, '28ba, Norman, chaplain with an Anti-aircraft group; Lt. John C. Walker, III, '42, Bartlesville, Air Force.

'42, Bartlesville, Air Force. Maj. Paul E. Gardiner, '41bus, Cherokee, Air Force; Lt. L. K. Walker, '42, Oklahoma City, Air Force; 'Lt. James E. White, '41-'43, Checotah, Air Force; Pvt. Edward Ries, '43ms, Freeman, South Dakota, Infantry; Sgt. Frank D. Smith, '26-'27, Pampa, Texas, Engineers; Lt. Isham P. Nelson, '43bus, Sand Springs, Field Artillery, and Lt. William E. Martens, Jr., '40-'43, Oklahoma City, Marine Air Corps.

Lt. James A. Biondo, '41fa, Long Island City, New York, Special Services; Lt. Amos D. Whitten, Jr., '43geol, Tulsa, Field Artillery; Lt. Robert R. Phillips, '41, Weleetka, Marine Corps; Lt. Eldon L. Meigs, '42ba, Woodward, Air Force; Lt. Charles F. Letsche, '40-'42, Teaneck, New Jersey, Engineers; Lt. Granville H. Walling, '38-'39, Altamont, Illinois, Air Force; Maj. Luther M. Miller, '19ba, Newkirk, Air Force; Staff Sgt. Benton B. Tucker, '34ba, Wewoka, Infantry; Lt. Carl W. Smith, Jr., '31-'33, '35-'38, Denison, Texas, Field Artillery.

Mai, Jack L. Rorschach, '31law, Tulsa, Field Artillery; Maj. Orville Schwoerke, '21, Oklahoma City, Field Artillery; Lt. John C. Wright, '36pharm, Chandler, Field Artillery; Sgt. Louis F. Parmley, '30, Yale, Ordnance; Staff Sgt. David W. Gish, Jr., '37fa, Frederick; Capt. Alvin W. Phillips, '38-'39, Sayre; Maj. Kenneth W. Rees, '40eng, Edmond, Ordnance; Lt. Frank H. Miller, '35, Norman, Field Artillery; Capt. James R. McBrayer, Jr., '38bus, Oklahoma City, Air Force; Sgt. Earl B. Mitchell, Jr., '41-'43, Enid, Anti-aircraft.

Capt. Gordon G. Murphy, '32-'36, Norman, Field Artillery; Lt. Joe D. Maguire, '42-'43, Oklahoma City, Air Transport Command; Cpl. Walden J. Evans, '40geol, Hugo, Air Force; Capt. Paul S. Anderson, '35med, Claremore, Medical Corps; Pfc. James E. Gambel, '41, Calumet, Infantry; Sgt. Robert G. Brown, '39-'42, Calumet, Medical battalion; Lt. Hollis B. Chenery, '42eng, Pelham, New York, Air Force; Maj. Mahlon D. Hickman, '31-'35, Field Artillery; Lt. Thomas J. Troy, '37bus, Muskogee, Signal Corps, and Cpl. George Barzellone, '41-'42, Krebs, Air Force.

# Veterans Total Over 100

More than 100 veterans of this war were on the campus by the end of January when the second semester opened, Fayette Copeland, counselor of men, said late this month.

Administrative machinery to handle the education of veterans under the G.I. Bill and the Rehabilitation Law (Public Laws 346 and 16) has been in operation at the University since the first semester began in September. Ex-servicemen can enter at any time without waiting for a new semester to begin.

Ex-servicemen who wish to enrol in the University should go directly to Mr. Copeland's office in Room '200 of the Oklahoma Memorial Union. Ex-servicewomen should go the office of Virginia Reinecke, counselor of women. Matters of admission, enrolment, housing, vocational guidance, health service, corrective physical training and so forth will be discussed with these counselors and the veteran referred to the proper office.

# Calling the Roll

#### By ELIZABETH LEES

#### ~1913~

Angie Debo, '13ba, '33ph.d, author of the recently published *Prairie City* and an authority on Indian history, has been licensed as local pastor of the Methodist Church in Marshall, Oklahoma. Dr. Debo will serve for the duration or until a minister is available for that pastorate. She filed her credentials with the court clerk at Guthrie and was ready in December to perform her first marriage ceremony, if and when the occasion arises.

#### ~1916~

Lloyd Noble, '16, Ardmore oil man and member of the University Board of Regents, has been appointed temporary president of an organization formed to establish a Y. M. C. A. at Ardmore. The organization is composed of some 50 citizens pledged to make liberal subscriptions to the fund which must be raised for financing the project. Plans are being made to build a modern Y. M. C. A. building which will house a gymnasium, swimming pools, club rooms, dining rooms, game rooms and other recreational facilities.

# ~1917~

BABCOCK-THOMPSON: Mrs. Sadie Maude Babcock, '16-'17, Muskogee and Tulsa, and Benjamin F. Thompson, Oklahoma City, were married in Tulsa late in November. Mrs. Thompson returned to Tulsa a year ago after serving as co-ordinator of employee counseling for the Navy Department in Washington, D. C. Before going to Washington she was assistant social service director of the F. E. R. A. for the state of Oklahoma. She is a member of Chi Omega sorority. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson are living in Oklahoma City.

#### ~1918~

Edmondson Dale Luman, '17-'18, Tulsa, died at his home there by suicide on December 8. He was 47 years old. After leaving the University Mr. Luman joined the staff of the Roxana Petroleum Corporation as a geologist, later transferring to the Atlantic Refining Company. He spent 1923 and 1924 in Mexico and South America as a representative of the Atlantic company. In 1930 he was appointed division geologist in Oklahoma, and in 1936 chief geologist for the company. Because of poor health Mr. Luman resigned his position with Atlantic in 1942 and became a free-lance geologist. Survivors include Mrs. Luman and their son, James, both of Tulsa.

# ~1922~

Claude Monnet, '22law, Oklahoma City attorney, has been named special judge of the Criminal Court of Appeals in the case testing validity of the bill of the last Legislature which separated the sale of beer from dancing. Mr. Monnet is the son of J. C. Monnet, dean emeritus of the University School of Law. He will sit in place of Judge Doyle, who was disqualified.

#### ~1924~

William W. Potter, '24, prominent Ardmore attorney, died at a Temple, Texas, hospital on November 17 after an illness of three weeks. He was 43 years old. Mr. Potter had been county attorney of Carter County and city attorney of Ardmore and was United States commissioner at the time of his death. He was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity, the Ro-