

## The University

THE UNIVERSITY of Oklahoma, the Medical School, University Hospitals, and the Oklahoma Geological Survey received operating budget allocations totaling nearly two and a half million dollars at a meeting of the State Board of Regents for Higher Education held last month at the State Capitol.

The allocations of state funds for 1945-46, as compared to the amounts received for the present fiscal year, are as follows:

	1945-46	1944-45
University of Oklahoma (Norman)	\$1,577,366	\$1,131,530
University Medical School	196,468	189,700
University Hospitals	635,617	640,986
Oklahoma Geological Survey	47,489	36,950

The allocation for the Norman campus is the largest amount of state funds ever received for a year's operating budget. The largest previous appropriation for operating expenses on the Norman campus was in 1930-31, when the amount was \$1,489,000.

In addition to the operating budget allocation, the State Regents earmarked \$170,000 for the Norman campus for capital purposes for the first year of the biennium, the use to be designated by the University Board of Regents. This fund comes from a legislative appropriation which can be used for books and periodicals, special equipment, purchase of land, non-structural improvements, or construction of buildings. Most of the legislative appropriations for capital purposes will not become available until 1946-47, the second year of the new biennium beginning July 1. The \$170,000 allocation for capital items for the first year represents the University's pro rata share of the original request for books and equipment recommended to the Legislature by the State Regents Board.

The increased state funds for the operations budget of the University, added to an estimated income of \$243,750 from other sources, will make possible a maximum total budget of about \$1,800,000 for the Norman campus for the next fiscal year.

This compares with a total operating budget of approximately \$1,600,000 for the present fiscal year. In effect, a considerable portion of the increased state appropriation for the next year will be used to offset declining income from Army and Navy training programs which during the last two years have been a substantial source of revenue for the University.

The University budget picture for the next year is expected to include:

- (1) A considerable number of merit salary increases.
- (2) Addition of some new faculty members to relieve teaching load pressure in departments that have become short-staffed.
- (3) Return of some faculty members from leaves of absence.
- (4) Maintenance of a reserve to cover partially the University's contingent liability for salaries of men and women on leaves of absence in the Armed Forces who might return during the year.
- (5) Maintenance of the reserve to employ additional faculty members for departments that have unexpectedly great increases in enrolment this fall.
- (6) Increased attention to building repairs delayed or slowed up by war conditions.

For the first time, the State Legislature made the institutional appropriations non-fiscal, and any funds which the educational institutions can save



OKLAHOMA LITTERATEUR DIES  
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during the first year of the biennium can be carried over and used the second year of the biennium instead of lapsing at the end of the first year.

The larger operating budget for the University will make possible a substantial number of salary increases, but is not sufficient to put the University's salary scale on a par with other state universities with which the University competes for new faculty members, according to Roscoe Cate, financial assistant to the president of the University.

"Within the last week we have received three resignations from three faculty members who received salary offers that were too good to turn down," he said.

One of these men will receive a salary about four times what he received from the University and the others will have large increases.

### Kenneth Kaufman Dies

Kenneth C. Kaufman, '16ba, '19ma, chairman of the department of modern languages, died at his home in Norman on April 29. He would have been 58 years old on April 30. Mr. Kaufman had been ill for more than a year, and spent some time in an Oklahoma City hospital last winter.

Mr. Kaufman was born at Leon, Kansas, in 1887, and had lived in Oklahoma since 1898, when his family moved into the Cherokee Strip. Before coming to the University he graduated from Southwestern State College at Weatherford in 1908. After graduating from O.U., he was head of the foreign language department at Central High School in Oklahoma City until 1929, when he joined the

University faculty as assistant professor of modern languages. He became an associate professor in 1935, a full professor in 1937 and head of the department in 1942.

For years Mr. Kaufman was managing editor of *Books Abroad*, an international critical quarterly published at the University unique in the literary world. He was also literary editor of the *Daily Oklahoman* in Oklahoma City, supervising a Sunday page of book reviews, and wrote frequent columns of personal comment for the *Oklahoman* editorial page.

One of the leading figures of Southwestern regionalism, Mr. Kaufman was the author of *Level Land*, a book of western verse published in 1935. Two of the poems from this volume appeared in *Poetas Norteamericanos*, an anthology of North American poetry published in Rio de Janeiro. Other poems of his appeared in *Poetry: A Magazine of Verse*, the *Christian Science Monitor* and *Esquire*.

Mr. Kaufman's influence on Southwestern letters and literature was defined several years ago in an article on Oklahoma's cultural development by Novelist Paul I. Wellman which appeared in the *Kansas City Star*. Wrote Mr. Wellman, "Kenneth Kaufman is a sort of father confessor to the whole literary population of Oklahoma, and also to a degree of some of the states surrounding. He has a discriminating taste in writing, he is an authority on the West, and he has a sincere sense of his obligation to his territory. He has the patience which enables him to listen and advise all who consult him about authorship without going crazy . . . he considers the uncovering of a new writer of real promise far more exciting than finding a rare and precious gem. . . . He has found more than one young Oklahoman with a message or a story to convey, and helped him to the way of telling. It is pretty safe to say that there is not a writer in Oklahoma who does not feel a strong sense of obligation to Kenneth Kaufman."

Mr. Kaufman was a member of the American Association of University Professors, the Modern Language Association of Oklahoma, the Oklahoma Hall of Fame, Oklahoma Writer, Phi Beta Kappa and Acacia fraternity. Survivors include his wife, the former Lois Peyton, '38, whom he married in 1944, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kaufman, a sister, Eugenia Kaufman, '17ba, '22ma, assistant professor of modern languages, all of Norman, a daughter, Mrs. Ralph Hudson (Katherine Kaufman, '33ba), Oklahoma City, and a son, John Yates Kaufman, '44, Camp Fannin, Texas. Mr. Kaufman's first wife, Mrs. Pearl Yates Kaufman, died in November, 1942.

### More Than 500 to Graduate

Beginning with civilian commencement exercises May 28 in Norman, more than 500 persons were scheduled to receive degrees from the University of Oklahoma in three different graduation ceremonies.

Civilians who graduated May 28 total approximately 300. Speaker for these exercises, which were held in Holmberg Hall, was Eugene Holman, president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

Separate commencement exercises for graduates of the School of Medicine and School of Nursing are to be held in Oklahoma City June 15 for 72 medical students and 37 nurses.

The third commencement will be held in Norman June 23 when degrees will be granted to 100 students in the Naval R.O.T.C. and Navy V-12 Training Program at the close of the O.U. Navy June Week.

## The President

President George L. Cross met with several out-of-state alumni groups early last month and conferred with officials in Washington, D.C., on University matters while on a trip in the East.

While in Chicago for a meeting of the National Association of State University Presidents, Dr. Cross met with members of the O.U. Alumni Club of Chicago and spoke before the group. From there, he went to New York City to be present at a meeting of the Metropolitan Alumni Club of New York and to Washington, D.C., for a visit there with alumni and other Oklahomans.

After returning to the campus, President Cross spoke May 16 before the Purcell Rotary Club and delivered the commencement address for graduates of El Reno High School on May 17.

Later in May, he gave three more commencement speeches, on May 22 at Northeastern Oklahoma A. and M. College, Miami, on May 24 at East Central State College, Ada, and on May 25 at Norman High School.

He was scheduled to attend a meeting of the Midwest Research Institute on June 2 in Kansas City.

## Language Building

More than 100 people speaking more than 35 languages will gather on the campus of the University of Oklahoma June 11. The occasion will be the opening of the Summer Institute of Linguistics with Dr. Eugene Nida as co-director. The people will be missionaries and seminary students who are coming to O.U. for an 11-week course in linguistics. They will come from almost all the states and from many foreign localities including Latin America, Indo-China, the South Pacific and Africa.

They will learn how to turn sounds into written letters, how to weave these letters into an alphabet and finally how to produce a written grammar of an aboriginal language. This enables Bibles and other books to be printed in that language and the native to be taught to read and write. The necessity of such a course is better realized when it is known that there are more than 1,000 languages in the world that have never been written.

Oklahoma was chosen as the site of this year's institute because of its central location and because there are about 25 aboriginal languages within a small radius of O.U., Dr. Nida said. The institute was held here once before, in 1942.

The first nine weeks of the course will be spent in learning methods and rules for reducing spoken languages to writing. Those attending will make practical application of their knowledge the last two weeks. Each student will be assigned a member of one of Oklahoma's Indian tribes. For his final, he will be required to produce a written grammar of the language obtained through listening and working with the Indian.

A course for University students started June 4 as a part of the regular school curriculum. The students will study procedures and basic linguistics until the institute proper begins. No prerequisites are required for the course.

Dr. Nida received his bachelor's degree at the University of California at Los Angeles, his master's at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, and his doctor's degree at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He speaks six different languages and is acquainted with ten aboriginal languages.—ELIZABETH LEES.

## B-29 Drive Early Success

The O.U. bond drive to "buy" a Super Flying Fortress for presentation to the armed forces went over the top last month with a total of \$736,493 worth of bonds earmarked for the project by the time this issue went to press. The original goal for the "purchase" of a B-29 was \$600,000. The

## Campus Calendar

June 10-14: Oklahoma Institute of International Relations.

June 11-21: Teen Age Recreation Workshop.

June 19-21: School Administrators and Teachers Week.

June 11-23: Childhood Education Workshop.

July 9-21: Workshop for Emergency Teachers.

July 31: Summer School Commencement, 8:00 p.m.

August 1: Registration for second summer term.

August 25: Close of second summer term.

surplus will be used for the "purchase" by the University of a fighter escort for the B-29.

Credit for \$349,887 worth of bonds was added to the total on May 7 when a war bond rally was held in Holmberg Hall. Frances Herndon, co-ed from Tulsa, was elected "O.U. Bond Bombshell" in a campus competition for bond queen based on the purchase of war bonds.

Margaret Ann Hamilton, field representative of the Alumni Association and chairman of the B-29 committee, expressed thanks to all alumni, students, faculty and friends of the University who helped put the program over by accrediting bond purchases to the B-29 drive.

The project, which started March 12, was to continue for 90 days, but enough bonds to "purchase" the B-29 were received in 56 days. Some receipts are still coming in to the Alumni Office and these will be applied toward the fighter escort.

The success of this all-out University venture makes O.U. the first university in the country to present a piece of war equipment to the armed forces. The drive was carried on through the Schools at War program of the War Finance Division of the Treasury Department.

## Navy Commencement

Modified commencement exercises for the Naval R.O.T.C. and V-12 units on the campus will be held at noon June 23 in the Union Ballroom. At that time 80 members of the R.O.T.C. unit will receive commissions as ensigns in the Naval Reserve and 95 V-12 trainees will receive certificates of completion of the Navy course at the University.

Navy inspection and review, presentation of awards and the Color Girl ceremonies will take place on Owen Field on June 14. On the following Saturday, June 16, a Navy graduation ball will be held in the Fieldhouse. June Week activities at the University are patterned after the traditional festivities at the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

## Art School Loses Director

Oscar B. Jacobson, member of the O.U. faculty for 30 years, resigned as director of the School of Art effective June 1, but retained his position as research professor of art. In his letter of resignation Dr. Jacobson stated that he wants to devote full time to creative work and research.

Dr. Jacobson joined the University faculty in 1915 as an instructor in art. Last year he was made research professor of art. Under his direction the museum of art has acquired approximately 1,800 valuable paintings, pieces of sculpture and other objects of art.

Dr. Jacobson has been instrumental in the renaissance of Indian art which has centered in Oklahoma. Under his guidance and instruction such Indian artists as Acee Blue Eagle, Woodrow Crumbo, Allan Bushyhead, Steve Mopope and Jack Hokeah have gained prominence. Dr. Jacobson's paintings have frequently been on exhibit at the University and at art galleries throughout the country.

A native of Sweden, Dr. Jacobson obtained his degrees at Bethany College, Kansas, and Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut.

## Red Cross Needs Personnel

The Red Cross issued a call last month for

additional feminine personnel to serve as hospital workers, hospital recreation workers and staff assistants in clubs.

Hospital workers are needed to assist with the social work program in hospitals in this country under the supervision of a trained social worker. The shortage of social workers has made the function of the Red Cross hospital worker very important. Experience or training in social work, personnel work or any related field is helpful in this work. A college degree is desirable, although exceptions are made. A liking for and ability to work with people and an ability to learn quickly are essential.

Hospital recreation workers plan, organize and conduct recreation activities in hospitals both in the United States and foreign countries. Either training or experience or both in recreation, physical education, music, drama or arts and crafts are required.

Also needed are staff assistants in Red Cross clubs, clubmobiles and recreation centers overseas who are responsible for providing an atmosphere of hospitality, assisting with an information service and recreation program and handling the canteen service. A college education is desirable, with background in recreation, music, dramatics, arts and crafts, or allied fields. Extensive or outstanding experience in these fields may be accepted in place of college training.

The absolute age limit for all these positions is from 23 to 45.

Applications or inquiries should be sent to Personnel Service, Midwestern Area, American Red Cross, 1709 Washington Avenue, St. Louis 3, Missouri.

## The Regents

At the May meeting of the Board of Regents President George L. Cross reported on action of the 20th Oklahoma State Legislature which affected the University and announced that all allocations will be made by the State Board of Regents for Higher Education.

The following appointments were made by the Regents:

Winthrop W. Dolan, instructor in mathematics, effective September 1.

John W. Keys, assistant professor of speech, effective September 1.

William B. Lemon, assistant professor of psychology and director of testing and guidance service, effective August 1.

John Chaney, special instructor in accounting, director of statistical service laboratory, effective May 1.

Leslie Rice, assistant professor of journalism, assistant to the counselor of men for June, July and August.

Robert Quillian, assistant in drama, March 1 to June 1.

Clay F. Weber, linotype operator, University Press.

Mrs. Ray E. Smith, secretary, department of plant sciences.

Mrs. Betty Frances Jones, stenographer in the correspondence study department.

Helen Kemp, secretary in the Office of the Dean of Admissions and committee on University publications.

Mrs. Barbara M. Frame, secretary in the Alumni Records Office.

Mrs. Margaret Lord, secretary in the department of chemistry.

J. L. Martin, accountant in the department of University utilities.

Mrs. Sara S. Oesch, secretary in the University Press.

Mary Berrian, PBX operator.

Leaves of absence were granted to the following: Mrs. Elmo Heerwald (Betty Blanton, '43ed), assistant director of visual education and short courses, from April 12 to June 1.

Mrs. John H. Hooks, secretary in the department of chemistry, April 21 to June 1.

R. L. Brown, accountant in the department of University utilities, for military service.

The following resignations were accepted:

Robert E. Fullerton, assistant professor of mathematics.

George F. Russell, assistant professor of chemical engineering.

Mrs. Addie Lee Barker, secretary in the office of the dean of the College of Business Administration.

Mrs. Julia Walder, secretary in the department of plant sciences.

Margaret Wright, stenographer in the utilities department.

Mrs. Florence T. Minner, secretary of the University Press.

Mrs. Sara S. Oesch, secretary of the School of Journalism.

Barbara Williams, PBX operator.

Mrs. Gracie Gore, record librarian in the University Infirmary.

Ann Cotton, X-ray technician at the University Infirmary.

## Eighth Annual Institute

The eighth annual Oklahoma Institute of International Relations, to be held at the University from June 10 to 14, has as its theme "World Crisis, Democracy, Enduring Peace." As in past years, Dr. Cortez A. M. Ewing, professor of government, is director of the institute.

Four prominent authorities on international affairs are to be the principal speakers. They are Dr. Harold Quigley, professor of political science at the University of Minnesota, who will discuss the Far Eastern situation; Dr. Jerome Davis, educator and sociologist, who will speak on "The Future Role of Russia"; Dr. Hans Simon, a German refugee on the faculty of the New School of Social Sciences in New York, who will talk on "The New Europe," and Dr. Clarence Ayres, professor of economics at the University of Texas, who will discuss economic organization in the postwar world.

Members of the O.U. faculty who will join the visitors in a series of round-table discussions are Howard Van Zandt, special instructor in Japanese; Dr. Nathan A. Court, professor of mathematics; Dr. William E. Livezey, assistant professor of history, and Dr. A. B. Adams, dean of the College of Business Administration. Dr. Waldo Stephens, Oklahoma City, lecturer on world affairs, will conduct a seminar on "Proposals for European Regional Federation."

Admission to all sessions of the institute is free.

## Milton Hopkins Resigns

Dr. Milton Hopkins, chairman of the department of plant sciences and professor of botany, has resigned from the University faculty in order to devote his time to business interests near New York City. He stated that personal family responsibilities make the change imperative.

Dr. Hopkins joined the faculty as assistant professor of botany in 1936, and was named chairman of the department in 1942. He has made innumerable botanical field trips to all parts of the state and is an authority on Oklahoma flora. He has been instrumental in the growth of the University herbarium, obtaining the Robert Bebb plant collection, about 30,000 pressed specimens. Under his direction the University herbarium has increased to more than 100,000 specimens.

Dr. Hopkins has been active in state garden club organizations, and is the author of a pamphlet, *Outlines of Programs for Garden Club Units of Oklahoma*. He has given frequent talks on Oklahoma plants and garden club work over radio station WNAD and for two years wrote a column, "Ramblings With an Oklahoma Gardener," for state newspapers.

During his tenure at O.U., Dr. Hopkins has served as president of the Faculty Club, adviser to Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, plant taxonomist for the Oklahoma Biological Survey and chairman of several faculty committees.

Dr. Hopkins received his B.A. degree at Amherst College in Massachusetts in 1930, his M.A. at Harvard in 1933 and his Ph.D. at Harvard in 1936.

## New Navy Commandant

Capt. E. W. Armentrout, Jr., succeeded Capt.

John F. Donelson as commandant of the University Navy R.O.T.C. and V-12 units on May 15 at ceremonies held in Holmberg Hall which officially marked the change of command.

The first native Oklahoman to be appointed to the U. S. Naval Academy, Captain Donelson graduated with the class of 1910. Before the first World War he served aboard the *U.S.S. Virginia* and on four cruisers in Asiatic waters. During the war he was gunnery officer aboard the *U.S.S. South Dakota*.

Captain Donelson served another tour of duty in the Orient after the war as commander of a gunboat and executive officer of a cruiser. After being stationed aboard the battleship *Idaho* and commanding a destroyer he was assigned to the Navy Department in Washington for three years. In 1935 he was made executive officer of the heavy cruiser *Chicago*, but was retired in 1936 with the rank of commander because of physical disability.

In 1940 Captain Donelson was recalled to duty and assigned to 11th Naval District Headquarters in San Diego, California, before coming to the University in February, 1942, as professor of Naval science and tactics and commander of the units. He expects to return to retirement.

Captain Armentrout reported to the campus units from five years of sea duty in the Southeast Pacific and more recently the Southwest Pacific, where he was executive officer of the *U.S.S. Astoria*, a light cruiser. A native of Virginia, he is married and has an eight-year-old son.

## A.A.U.P. Hears Rogers

The functions and aims of the State Board of Regents for Higher Education were discussed by John Rogers, Tulsa, secretary of the board, at a meeting of the O.U. chapter of the American Association of University Professors last month.

In explaining the board's policy guiding its control of finances for all state institutions of higher education Mr. Rogers said, "We have tried to maintain a reasonably intelligent minimum base during the war period, because we did not want to see any school or department of any school hurt too much."

The board's recommendation that legislative appropriations for the coming biennium be increased almost 100 percent over the last biennium was based on the assumption that enrollment will return to a pre-war level within the next two years, Mr. Rogers said. Almost \$1,000,000 of the



JACOBSON RESIGNS

Oscar B. Jacobson, whose association with Indian art students has led in recent years to the flowering of Indian art in Oklahoma, has resigned as director of the O.U. School of Art.

total sum of \$9,000,000 is conditional and is to be allocated only if the student bodies do increase, he added.

Mr. Rogers pointed out that during the last biennium, even with its small enrolment, O.U. spent more money for operational purposes than at any time in its history. The state regents expect to improve the salary scale of faculty members next year, Mr. Rogers said, adding that he wants to see O.U. improved to the extent that it can be accepted for membership in the American Association of Universities.

Dr. Claude A. Campbell, associate professor of finance, was elected president of the University A.A.U.P. group at the meeting. Other officers elected were Dr. John H. Leek, chairman of the government department, vice president; Dr. Fritz Frauchiger, associate professor of modern languages, secretary-treasurer, and Henry L. Kamphoefner, professor of architecture, member of the executive committee.

## Support for Medical Program

The passing of the Twentieth Oklahoma State Legislature marked the passing of certain measures which will indelibly affect the School of Medicine of the University of Oklahoma.

Of significant importance to alumni and the state as a whole, was the passing of Appropriations Bill 101, which appropriated \$1,432,503.10—"For construction of buildings, improvements and purchase of equipment for and at the School of Medicine of the University of Oklahoma and Hospitals, all being divisions and part of the University of Oklahoma and being also several of the institutions comprising the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education."

In his report to the Appropriations Committee, Dean Tom Lowry recommended that the needs of the School of Medicine be portioned in the following manner: \$375,000 for the School of Nursing, \$175,000 for the Isolation Wing, \$75,000 for the Outpatient Department, \$400,000 for additional hospital beds, \$225,000 for an annex to the Medical School and \$100,000 for remodeling, heating, power plant, laundry and shops. Whether or not the above recommendations will be followed to the letter depends entirely upon the priority of the needs or whether or not new and urgent needs take priority over any of the above list, for in essence there is no stipulation of prorations in the bill, which was passed in the amount of \$1,432,503.10.

Other bills in this program and bills which cannot be professionally minimized are quoted in substance below:

HOUSE BILL 463: A bill legally naming The School of Medicine of the University of Oklahoma, which shall be administered under "rules and regulations made by the Dean and approved by the Board of Regents provided that said School of Medicine or said Board shall not prohibit the use of the hospital to any physician and surgeon to practice in this state by the Board of Medical Examiners, thereof, and who is not connected with the School of Medicine."

HOUSE BILL 77: Provides for a Board of Health of nine members, to be appointed by the Governor for staggered terms of nine years, one from each congressional district, and one at large. A majority of the board to be Doctors of Medicine, the others to be appointed by the Governor but qualifications not specified. The Board to appoint Doctor of Medicine as State Health Commissioner. This Board will be responsible for the administration of all health laws, as it is authorized to receive and dispense federal and other grants for health purposes. It will also administer the health program as provided by this Legislature.

HOUSE BILL 468: Provides for the licensing of hospitals.

HOUSE BILL 476: Provides for a survey of all hospital and health facilities of the States as a basis for a plan to aid local communities in providing hospitals and health centers where needed.

HOUSE BILL 477: Provides for the State Health Commissioner to match funds to the amount

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# Student Life

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CO-ED winners this spring of the three Letzeiser awards presented annually to graduating seniors are Jean Porter, Oklahoma City, Nancy Gray, Ardmore, and Bonnie Knight, Norman. The three, who were selected on the basis of leadership, scholarship and character, were chosen by student vote from a slate prepared by a committee of three faculty women. Three co-eds who recently received honors for exceptional work in the study of Spanish were introduced at the fifth annual Pan-American fiesta held in the Union Ballroom. The Patricio Gimeno Medal was presented to Nigel Stoutz, Muskogee, and Spanish medals were awarded to Rosemary Capshaw, Norman, and Mary Graham, Scipio, Oklahoma.

Jimmy Walker, Oklahoma City, has been elected commander of the Thomas C. Reynolds post of the American Legion on the University campus, succeeding Bob Wilson, Muskogee, who has commanded the post since its organization last fall. Other new officers are Neil Bradshaw, Enid, executive vice commander; Johnny Morrow, Rushville, Illinois, second vice commander; Bob Marr, Seminole, adjutant; Leo Thompson, Durant, finance officer; Jim Garner, Seminole, sergeant-at-arms, and Glen Naifeh, Oklahoma City, historian. Mr. Walker, an engineering student, formerly served in the Artillery in the U. S. and the Southwest Pacific. . . . Clifford K. Logan, Hominy, who was 18 on D-Day, June 6, 1944, is believed to be the youngest veteran of this war enrolled in the University. A premedical student, he is a member of the Thomas C. Reynolds post. . . . E. DeVere Lindstrom, a returned veteran formerly in the Coast Guard now studying accounting in the University, found one way to whip the housing shortage. He went to Oklahoma City, bought an 11-room house, tore it down and hauled it over to Southeast 43rd Street where he had bought two lots just a block from the interurban line. Mr. Lindstrom moved in with his wife and young daughter Johanna and at last report was commuting back and forth on the interurban.

Maurice Ogden, Seminole, announcer for radio station WNAD and professional writing student in the University, has sold a story, "The Wonderful Man From Oklahoma," to the *Southwest Review*, published in Dallas. Poetry written by Mr. Ogden has appeared in *The American Poet*, *American Poetry Magazine*, *Red Earth*, *Script* and *Adventure Magazine*. . . . Another professional writing student, James Propp, Muskogee, has sold his first story, "Death Watch for a Ride," to *Popular Western Magazine*. . . . A University literary magazine called *The Blue Stocking* and published by Chi Delta Phi, honorary literary organization, was released in May. The 64-page edition, containing short stories, poetry, literary criticism, book reviews and essays, was prepared under the direction of

Helen Cullins, Ada, president of the society. Art students studying with Edith Mahier, art professor, contributed pen drawings to the magazine.

Mabel Morgan, senior co-ed from Healdton, received the award presented to an outstanding woman student in the University by Theta Sigma Phi fraternity for women journalists at the organization's Matrix Table dinner held this spring on the campus. Also honored at the affair, which was attended by co-eds and women from over the state, were Alice Marriott, author of the highly praised *The Ten Grandmothers*, who received the award presented to a state woman for outstanding work, and Dr. Dixie Young, associate professor of zoology, who was presented the award for notable service as a faculty member. Edith Gaylord, member of the Associated Press staff in Washington, D.C., gave the principal address at the Matrix Table. . . . Helen Blackert, Fort Worth, senior art student, has been awarded a one-year scholarship to the Parson's School of Art in New York, the highest honor awarded for distinguished work in art. . . . Three senior men announced as winners this spring of the Letzeiser awards for outstanding men students are Jack Coe, Navy V-12 trainee from Yuba City, California, and president of the class of '45, Terry Triffert, veteran of World War II from Enid, who has done major work in mathematics and philosophy, and Charles Kolar, midshipman in the Naval R.O.T.C. from Oklahoma City, who is graduating from the College of Engineering with a 2.8 grade average. . . . Jean Wheeler, arts and sciences senior from Fort Smith, Arkansas, has been selected as beauty queen of the 1945 *Sooner Yearbook* which was scheduled for distribution in late May. The selection was made by movie star and comedian Bob Hope in Hollywood.

Bill Brandenburg, law student from Oklahoma City, was elected president of the Student Senate of the University of Oklahoma student body last month shortly after O.U. students ratified the student government constitution by a vote of 702-21.

The ratification of the constitution and election of representatives to the senate is the culmination of more than six months of work by O.U. students to set up student government on the campus.

The constitution provides for a Student Senate of 40 members and until the Senate makes an apportionment the following representation from schools and colleges will be used: Graduate College, two; University College, nine; College of Arts and Sciences, nine; College of Engineering, seven; College of Fine Arts, three; School of Law, one, and School of Pharmacy, one.

Mart Bourne, senior journalism student from Woodward, was chairman of the Constitutional Convention which drew up the constitution.

the supervision of the University of Oklahoma.

—BEVERLY HOWARD

## Alumnus Offers Prizes

Joe W. Hicks, '23ba, Chicago public relations counselor, has offered prizes to five upperclassmen in the University in the form of memberships in the Alumni Association for the best essays or theses on some phase of public relations.

Mr. Hicks is offering the prizes to encourage interest in public relations among seniors at the University. The first prize will be a \$60 life membership in the association.

## French Writer Safe

The first word in three years from a French contributor to *Books Abroad*, international quarterly published by the University of Oklahoma Press,

has been received by Dr. Roy T. House, editor of the magazine.

Dr. House received a postcard from Lucien Wolff of Rennes, France, expressing a desire to continue his work with *Books Abroad*, a unique publication containing articles by prominent foreign writers and reviews of books in many languages.

Wolff, who visited the University as lecturer in 1938, joined the staff of the University of Rennes in 1939. In the spring of 1940, Rennes was bombarded by the Germans and Dr. House held great concern for Wolff's safety.

## Faculty

Truman Pouncey, '42, former assistant professor of journalism at O.U., now with the European Civil Affairs Division in France, has been commissioned a second lieutenant direct from the ranks. He formerly was a staff sergeant and a member of the Military Government detachment in Limoges, France, supervising displaced persons and refugee camps for seven French departments. After receiving his commission, he was assigned to a Military Government School for advanced training.

► Lt. Joseph Pray, former government professor at the University, was stationed in England as an intelligence officer with a Naval Air squadron assigned to U-boat patrol. Before going to England, Lieutenant Pray served 11 months in Iceland and 8 months in Colombia, South America.

► Other O.U. faculty members in the European theater were Tech. Sgt. Roger D. Corsaw, assistant professor of art now with the Army Engineers; Lloyd W. Daly, associate professor of classical languages, and Henry S. Robinson, instructor in classical languages. Sergeant Corsaw was stationed along the Rhine for a time, marched with Allied forces past Coblenz and at last report was quartered in the home of one of the leading industrialists of Germany.

► E. N. Comfort, dean of the Oklahoma School of Religion, was quoted in a recent issue of *Time* magazine along with several other clergymen and laymen. The quotes were taken from an article in the *South Today* magazine, edited by Lillian Smith and Paula Snelling, in which the clergymen and laymen replied to the question "What is wrong with the Christian church today?" The portion of Dean Comfort's answer used in *Time* was, "Many religious leaders are waiting for Jesus to come and put an end to the whole damned mess. When that happens they expect to be on the job to sing the doxology."

► Fayette Copeland, counselor of men, spent several weeks in May at Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, doing work on examinations necessary to complete the requirements for his doctor's degree. Before going to Baton Rouge, Mr. Copeland visited the Veterans Administration headquarters at Muskogee to discuss plans for veterans who are returning to the University. He also visited Camp Chaffee, Arkansas, and spoke to a group there. As counselor of men, Mr. Copeland counsels with all ex-servicemen who enter the University.

► William H. Butterfield, professor of business administration and author of numerous books on the writing of better business letters, has been elected president of the Rotary Club of Norman for the year 1945-46.

► Carl Coke Rister, chairman of the department of history, has been awarded a research grant by the American Philosophical Society to do a study of the history of the dust bowl. Copies of Dr. Rister's study will be presented to the Library of Congress and to regional libraries.

► Leslie Hewes, associate professor of geography, has been elected a member of the Association of American Geographers, one of the highest honors which can come to a person in this field.

of \$3,000 with counties setting up health centers in accordance with standards of the State Health Department and the U.S. Public Health Service. This should mean much in the program of preventive medicine.

HOUSE BILL 478: Authorizes the State Health Department to develop a system of hospitals in the state as the need for same is indicated by the survey under House Bill 476. This would be developed by health centers in the counties of the state, with rural hospitals for one or more counties in strategic locations with district hospitals for tuberculosis and chronic patients and with rest homes and convalescent facilities where needed. The whole system would center in the School of Medicine of the University of Oklahoma.

HOUSE BILL 101: Appropriates \$1,680,000 for buildings at the School of Medicine of the University of Oklahoma and affiliated hospitals. The Confederate Home at Ardmore has been made into the Southern Oklahoma Hospital to be under