
Student Life

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.

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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