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Faculty

DR. JEWEL WURTZBAUGH, professor of English, entered the MacDowell Colony at Peterborough, New Hampshire, on June 15 to spend two months in creative writing on a fellowship given her by the MacDowell Club of Oklahoma City.

While at the Colony, Miss Wurtzbaugh hopes to complete a biography of the late William Bennett Bizzell on which she is working. For the last several months she has been collecting out-of-state information for this work. Miss Wurtzbaugh is also writing a fictional biography of an English teacher laid in the years between the two wars.

Holder of B.A. and M.A. degrees from Columbia University in New York City and a doctorate from Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, Miss Wurtzbaugh has been on the O.U. faculty since 1926. She is the author of a number of articles and papers on creative writing, modern poetry and the teaching of English.

The MacDowell Colony, conducted by the widow of the late Edward MacDowell in his memory, consists of 24 studios scattered over 600 acres of wooded land and centered around a dining hall and a theater. Artists of all kinds go there to complete works of art in an atmosphere conducive to artistic creation. Other O.U. faculty members who have spent summers there include Joseph Taylor, sculptor, and Spencer Norton, composer and pianist.

▶ Dr. Luther H. Evans, librarian of the Library of Congress, has declared that the *United States Quarterly Book List*, edited by Dr. Joseph P. Blickensderfer, former professor of English and dean of the University College, is one of the most important and responsible undertakings of the Library of Congress. The first edition of the *Book List*, that of March, ran more than 10,000 copies and was distributed at the San Francisco conference.

The Book List, first suggested at the Inter-American Conference for the Maintenance of Peace held in Buenos Aires in 1936, is a compendium of scientific, learned and literary works considered to be of lasting importance. The March issue lists such books published between October 1 and December 31 of last year. Specialists in various fields recommend or reject books under consideration for inclusion in the list, and write reviews of those approved. Of the more than 1,800 volumes considered for inclusion in the first Book List, 132 were finally reviewed. Each review includes a brief description of the subject matter, the style,



Dr. Jewel Wurtzbaugh

mention of the author's other works, and a short biographical sketch of the author.

Originally planned largely for foreign use, the *Book List* is proving to be a great help to librarians, scholarly groups, government agencies and publishers in the United States. Quarterlies were scheduled for publication in June, September and December. Dr. Blickensderfer joined the Library of Congress staff last fall.

► Lt. Comdr. Royden J. Dangerfield, professor of government on leave of absence for Navy duty, was in Norman on a brief leave early in June. Commander Dangerfield is chief international law officer for the Judge Advocate General's office of the Navy in Washington, D.C.

▶ William H. Butterfield, '35ma, chairman of the department of business communications, has been asked to serve as general editor of a 1,000-page handbook on business communication planned for publication next year by Prentice-Hall Publishers in New York City. Prentice-Hall announced that Mr. Butterfield was chosen for this work because of his broad experience and extremely high reputation in the field. He will select a staff of business communication experts from other universities and private business to assist in putting out the book.

▶ Dr. Pierre Delattre, professor of Romance languages, is director of research and has charge of the laboratory in advanced French phonetics at Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont, this summer. This is the fifth summer Dr. Delattre has been on the faculty of the summer session at Middlebury.

► "A New Meterological Theory of Stress," an article by Dr. Thomas Pyles, professor of English, has been accepted for publication by the *Modern Language Notes* magazine.

▶ Dr. Victor H. Kulp, professor of law, is teaching oil and gas law on the faculty of the University of Texas at Austin this summer. This is the second summer Dr. Kulp has taught at Austin.

▶ Dr. Samuel W. Reaves, dean emeritus of the College of Arts and Sciences, was reported to be recovering satisfactorily from an operation he underwent June 5 at Ellison Infirmary.

▶ Dr. Johannes Malthaner, '31ma, associate professor of modern languages, is spending the summer in Seattle, Washington, where he is connected with a war industry and is studying advanced Russian at the University of Washington.

➤ A grant from the American Philosophical Society of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, has been received by Dr. Carl C. Rister, chairman of the department of history, to work on his book, *History of the Dust Bowl*. Dr. Rister plans to spend August in Washington, D.C., in preparation for the work.

➤ Rose Leske, '21ba, assistant professor of secre-

Rose Leske, '21ba, assistant professor of secretarial science, is a patient in St. Luke's Hospital in New York City, being treated for a fractured hip bone she received in a fall on wet pavement there last month.

▶ J. M. Hernandez, professor of Spanish, is teaching this summer at the Rocky Mountain School of Languages, Colorado Springs, Colorado, which he founded eight years ago. The school, which offers beginning and advanced work in several languages, serves mostly high school and college teachers who are working on their master's degrees.

► Capt. James Coe Van de Carr, first commandant of the University Navy unit, has received a letter of commendation from the Secretary of the Navy for his service on convoy duty in the Atlantic from March 4 to April 6, 1942, and August 4, 1943, to September 8, 1944. During those times, the letter stated, Captain Van de Carr "controlled the movements of large ocean convoys under his command with outstanding efficiency and skillfully effected the safe conduct of his convoys in waters made

extremely hazardous by the ever-present threat of enemy submarine and aerial attack, thereby ensuring the timely arrival of personnel and vital supplies to our allied forces overseas." Last November Captain Van de Carr was made port officer at Antwerp, Belgium.

- ▶ Dr. W. A. Willibrand, associate professor of modern languages, is conducting a study of historical and cultural contributions of foreign language settlements in Oklahoma to the life of the state during the summer months. He planned to visit towns in Oklahoma where first and second generation Americans live. The results of his research project will be published either in the form of articles or a book after his return to O.U. in the fall.
- ▶ A German reader prepared by Dr. Roy T. House, professor of modern languages, and Dr. Johannes Malthaner, associate professor of modern languages, has been accepted for publication by Ginn and Company Publishers in Boston, Massachusetts. Designed for second year students, the reader contains short stories in German and grammar exercises.
- ► Charles P. Green, '26ba, chairman of the department of speech, and Mrs. Green have chosen the name Richard for their baby son born June 7 in Oklahoma City.
- ▶ Dr. Elmer L. Lucas, '34ph.d, associate professor of geology and director of the School of Geological Engineering, is doing geological field mapping work for an oil company in Wyoming this summer.
- ▶ Dr. Fritz Frauchiger, associate professor of modern languages, is the author of "The Speech Community: Some Practical Aspects of Its Limitation," an article appearing in a recent issue of the quarterly *Studies in Linguistics*.
- ► It has been announced that Dr. H. C. Peterson, associate professor of history who has been on leave of absence for military duty for the last three years, will return to the faculty this fall. Dr. Peterson, holding the rank of captain, has been stationed at the American Embassy in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, as military attache.
- ▶ Dr. E. E. Dale, '11ba, research professor of history, has received an appointment as a fellow of the Huntington Library and Art Gallery in San Marino, California, from July until September. Dr. Dale, the first University professor to be appointed a Huntington fellow, was also in residence there last summer.
- ► "Current Problems in the Law of Implied Covenants in Oil and Gas Leases," an article by Maurice Merrill, '22law, professor of law, appeared in the February issue of the Texas Law Review. A pocket supplement to Professor Merrill's book, Covenants Implied in Oil and Gas Leases, has recently been published by the Thomas Law Book Company of St. Louis, Missouri. The supplement covers the developments in the law on this subject since the second edition of the book, which appeared in 1940.

Publishing House Honors O.U.

The University will be included in the first series of the American Colleges and Universities group of volumes to be published by E. P. Dutton and Company in New York City. The announcement was made in a recent issue of *Publisher's Weekly*, leading newspaper and publishing house trade paper.

Each volume of the series will be devoted to one of the leading colleges or universities in the United States, and will endeavor to combine the usual academic history with lighter feature material.

Other schools in the first group selected by Dutton are Columbia University, New York City; Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey; the University of Chicago; Stanford University, Palo Alto, California; Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut; the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia; Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts; the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis; the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; the University of Virginia at Charlottesville, and Vassar at Poughkeepsie, New York.

Hall of Fame Elects

Four new members have been elected to the Oklahoma Hall of Fame recently, the board of directors of the Oklahoma Memorial Association has announced.

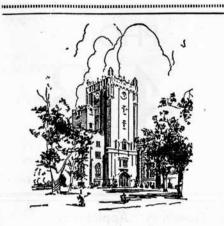
They are Dr. Roy Gittinger, '02ba, dean of admissions at the University; Paul Walker, '12law, member of the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D.C.; Dr. Joseph P. Blickensderfer, former professor of English now member of the staff of the Library of Congress in Washington, and Maj. Gen. Raymond McLain, former Oklahoma City banker now commander of the 19th Army Corps.

Dr. George L. Cross has recently been elected first vice-president of the Memorial Association. Other new officers include Dr. Anna Lewis, '30ph.d, from Oklahoma College for Women at Chickasha, second vice-president; Mrs. Emma Estill Harbor, '23ma, '33ph.d, Edmond, parliamentarian, and Mrs. J. R. Hinshaw, '20ba, '21ma, McAlester, publicity secretary.

Union Church Services

As in years past, union church services are being held in the Outdoor Class of '21 Auditorium at the University each Sunday evening this summer. Co-operating in the series are the First Christian Church, the First Presbyterian Church, McFarlin Methodist Church, St. John's Episcopal Church and the Religious Workers' Council.

The list of speakers for the summer is as follows: June 17, Dr. Edmund F. Miller, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Tulsa; June 24, Rev. W. H. Alexander, pastor of the First Christian Church of Oklahoma City; July 1, Rev. Don Schooler, pastor of the Epworth Methodist Church of Oklahoma City; July 8, the Right Rev. Thomas Cassidy, bishop of Oklahoma for the Episcopal Church; July 15, Rev. Jack McMichael, executive secretary of the Methodist Federation for Social Service in New York City, and July 22, Rev. Harold Humbert from Phillips University in Enid.



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