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In that four hour period, where did the discussion lead? Well, first, of course, there were observations in re: absent members of the crew. LT. COLONEL C. GUY ('31ba) and wife FRANCES ('34) BROWN came in for a recheck as to present whereabouts. The Colonel is still in command of a Headquarters Squadron in one of the large Army installations at a field near Washington, D.C. It was found that only yesterday the War Department had announced the younger brother of the Colonel, LT. WALTER BROWN ('39) had been officially declared "Killed in Action in the European Theatre" after being "Missing in Action" since March 17, 1944. HOMER ('35) and MILDRED HECK, the before Pearl Harbor high score bridge couple of the crew were "discussed"—reminiscing even turned to HOMER'S duties as "Dean of House Mothers" in those many years he was Assistant Manager of the Oklahoma Memorial Union—long before he started to sky rocket in his N.B.C. career which has placed him in the high radio pedestal he enjoys today in and out of his Chicago headquarters.

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# Faculty

The Regents announced the appointment of Dr. John Y. Battenfield, '37med, soon to be released from the Army Medical Corps, as head of the student health service. Dr. Battenfield, holding the rank of captain, took part in the invasion of Europe and was wounded during the Battle of the Bulge in Belgium. Before entering the Army, he was associated with the State Health Department.

Other appointments announced by the Board were as follows:

Clifford M. Baumbach, assistant professor of business management.

Alexander N. Saunders, assistant professor of English.

Noel E. Vaughan, assistant director of family life education.

O. W. Rush, assistant to the counselor of men.

Mrs. Thelma Margaret Dyke, clerical stenographer in the office of the counselor of women.

Phyllis Atzenhoffer, assistant to the counselor of women.

Margaret Fisher, assistant to the counselor of women.

Virginia Acher, residence counselor in the residential halls for women.

William R. Eldridge, studio engineer at radio station WNAD.

Jack A. Carver, announcer and editor at WNAD.

Bruen C. Robbins, production manager at WNAD.

Mrs. Elveta V. Hughes, clerical secretary in the Placement Office.

William T. Lester, floor man in the University Press.

Mrs. Marjory G. Bradley, roll clerk in the Registry Office.

Mrs. Linda Mae Walden, secretary in the Guidance Center.

A. W. Hanson, caretaker of R.O.T.C. property. The following resignations were accepted:

Paul Eldridge, '19ba, associate professor of English, who has accepted a position at the University of Nevada in Reno.

Kenneth Benson, floorman in the University Press.

Mrs. Rebecca Miller, assistant in the counselor of women's office.

Dixie Potter Chenault, traffic manager of WNAD.

Helen Kemp, clerical secretary in the office of admission.

Mrs. Mabel M. Lord, clerical stenographer in the department of animal biology.

Mrs. Marjorie Bauman, secretary with the Placement Service.

Mrs. Ray E. Goedecken, stenographer in the School of Home Economics.

Marvin Killman, linotype operator in the University Press.

Leaves of absence were granted to Dr. Stuart R. Tompkins, associate professor of history who is now teaching in the University of California in Los Angeles, and Vera Dixon, assistant professor of library science. An extension of leave was granted to Dr. Howard O. Eaton, professor of philosophy.

Three faculty members have returned to the University from leaves. They are Arthur T. Meyer, assistant professor of music; Wilfred J. Dixon, assistant professor of mathematics, and Balfour Whitney, assistant professor of mathematics.

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## New O.U. Law Head

President George L. Cross and the Board of Regents announced on September 20 the resignation of Dr. John Hervey, '23ba, '25llb, as Dean of the University Law School and at the same time announced the appointment of Dr. Maurice H. Merrill, '19ba, '22llb, as acting Dean.

## Dale Plans to Finish Books Within Year

Finishing his second summer's work in the Henry Huntington library and art gallery in San Marino, Cal., Dr. E. E. Dale, '11ba, Norman, University research professor of history, plans to complete two books he is writing within a year.

His study in the Huntington library concerns federal relations with the Indians of the Southwest since 1848, when California and the extreme southwestern states were secured by the United States following the Mexican war.

The second book concerns the cultural contributions of the Indians of Oklahoma to the state and nation. Dr. Dale did extensive research on the subject during the spring semester while on leave of absence to study under a Rockefeller grant.

Dr. Dale also spent a few days doing research in the Southwest Museum in Los Angeles, and he will probably spend another summer in the Huntington library and plans to have the two books completed by this time next year.

## Blickensderfer Writes on G.I. Bill

Dr. Joseph P. Blickensderfer, professor of English on leave of absence, has written an article for the current issue of the *Saturday Review of Literature*. The article is on general and liberal education and the G.I. Bill.

Dr. Blickensderfer is at the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., as Director of Books for the Adult Blind and edition of the U. S. Quarterly Book list.

## Ask About "Pop" Owen

The G.I.'s and Gobs as well as the Leathernecks from every theater of operation in the world send in one universal question, namely, How is "Uncle Bill" or "Pop" Owen?

Not too many people know that the friendly individual known as "Pop" in the Union game room is William Owen, former baseball coach for the University from 1922 to 1927.

In 1922, his first year as coach, the Sooner baseball team won five games and lost ten. They ranked sixth in the Missouri Valley League that year. It was Owen's only bad year, however, because in the next four years O.U. never ranked below second place, taking the Missouri Valley Conference pennant for three consecutive years.

When "Jap" Haskell came to replace Owen in 1927, he moved into the Union building, then still in construction.

"I helped move into the Union in the fall of 1928, and I've been in charge of the gameroom ever since."

Bill Owen has seen a lot of people come and go in the time he has been in the Union and plans to be here for many more years.

## Balyeat Gets O.E.A. Post

Dr. Frank A. Balyeat, '11ba, '18ma, chairman of the department of adult education in the Extension Division, has been appointed to serve on the "in-service" education committee of the school administrators department of the Oklahoma Education Association.

George D. Hann, superintendent of schools at Ardmore and president of the Alumni Association, who is president of the department of school administrators of the O.E.A., asked Dr. Balyeat to serve on the committee in connection with a special project.