

Union Governors Convene

The Board of Governors of the Oklahoma Memorial Union, held their annual Homecoming meeting on Sunday afternoon, November 11, 1945, in the Oklahoma Memorial Union. Those present were reported as follows: Neil Johnson, president; Guy Y. Williams, R. W. Hutto, Tom Carey, E. R. Newby, A. N. "Jack" Boatman, Graham B. Johnson, W. C. "Cap" Kite, E. D. Meacham, Raymond Tolbert, Dr. Warren Mayfield, Ben Owens, Dr. George L. Cross, T. R. Benedum, attorney, Board of Governors; Roscoe Cate, assistant president, O. U.; Dean John Cheadle, School of Law, O. U.; Dean Glenn Couch, O. U.; Clyde Powell, assistant manager of the Union; T. M. Beaird, manager of the Union.

In the opening of the meeting a special student committee was heard by the Board on the future use of the "Y" Lounge in the Union building. The student body delegation proposed to the Board of Governors that they rescind the action taken on their part in 1944 wherein the "Y" Lounge was to be converted into a "general meeting room with fixed seats for assembly"; and that the "Y" Lounge, since the increase of the student body since the close of World War II, be continued in use under the auspices of the Y.M.C.A. and the Y.W.C.A. After hearing the students, the Board of Governors voted to rescind this former action and the "Y" Lounge in the Union will be continued on its present basis.

The student body delegation, representing various student organization, that appeared before the Board of Governors consisted of: Miss Emogene Appleby, secretary, Y.W.C.A. Cabinet, Norman; Miss Kathryn Batten, vice-president, Y.W.C.A. Cabinet, Enid; Bill Brandenburg, president, Student Senate, Gage; Miss Pat Burgess, president, Pan-Hellenic, Joplin, Missouri; Roland Champion, NROTC, Union Activities Board, Y.M.C.A. Cabinet, Pekin, Illinois; Fred Collins, Inter-Fraternity Council, Oklahoma City; Miss Isabel Crim, Women's League, Coalgate; Miss Ann Hardy, president, Mortar Board, commander, Cadettes, Henryetta; Harold Hazen, vice-president, Y.M.C.A. Cabinet, Tulsa; Miss Holice Hoshall, president, Associated Women Students, Tulsa; Harry A. Locks, V-12, president, Y.M.C.A. Cabinet, Jackson, Michigan; Bob Marr, commander, Thos. C. Reynolds Post, American Legion, Oklahoma City; Miss Joan Park, chairman, Y.W.C.A. House Council, Oklahoma City; Eugene Savage, chairman, Interreligious Council, Harts-horne; Miss Mary Evelyn Smith, editor, *Oklahoma Daily*, Lawton; Miss Patsy Murphey, president, Union Activities Board, Oklahoma City and Miss Pat Bynum, president, Y.W.C.A. Cabinet, Henryetta.

Another important action taken by the Board of Governors was to listen to a special report of its committee composed of Johnson, Hutto and Kite, who on two previous occasions had met with the Board of Regents to discuss co-operative plans in the proposed extensions in building to the present Union Building. After a lengthy discussion, it was the concurrence of opinion of the Board of Governors that they should meet as a full Board with the full Board of Regents to reach final agreements as to the building. Dr. George L. Cross was asked to contact the Regents, calling for a joint meeting of the two Boards at the earliest practical date.

Indian Teepee Needed

Do you have an old Indian teepee that you would like to give away? The all-night tom tom pounding ceremony which is conducted by the Indian club at the University of Oklahoma at Homecoming could not be held this year because of the lack of a teepee.

The club's old teepee which has been used during Frontier week, homecoming and other campus events is no longer usable, Boyce Timmons, club sponsor, explained. He hopes that someone in the state will donate one to the club.

The Indian club which seeks to perpetuate customs and cultures of the various tribes is one of the oldest organizations on the campus.

Alumni in the News



DR. WALTER W. ISLE

Sooner Educator in State of Washington

The new president of the Eastern Washington College of Education, Cheney, Washington, is none other than Dr. Walter W. Isle, who received his BA degree in 1915 from the University of Oklahoma, his M.A. from the Teachers' College, Columbia, and his Doctor of Education from Stanford University.

Dr. Isle assumed his duties of president of the Eastern Washington College of Education on August 1, 1945. Prior to his appointment as president of this college, he served three years as regional director of education service for the office of Price Administration with headquarters in San Francisco.

Before going to the west coast, Dr. Isle held a number of important educational posts in the state of Oklahoma, including superintendent of city schools at Duncan and Ponca City and later, president of the Southwest State Teachers' College at Weatherford.

A feature writer of the *Spokesman Review*, Spokane, Washington, in a feature appearing in their Sunday edition entitled, "Make Education Appealing," in discussing Dr. Isle and his work recently made the following observations.

"When I went to Cheney to talk with the new president it was one of these glorious fall days when Dame Nature seems to be making up for all past sins by giving us perfection of sunlit skies. It left me tip top and the new president, having lived in California the last six years, said: 'I hate to think what the California Chamber of Commerce could do with a day like this.' And he was much impressed with the weather of his new college, as he should have been. He doesn't know yet about our winters. . .

"As we talked this way and that way about how to turn the war-battered world into a peace-blessed world, Dr. Isle had many things to say.

"We educators must make schools of the nation so attractive that all boys and girls will clamor to come to school.' That was one idea; here are others:

"The army and navy took the youth of the nation and indoctrinated it with ways to kill. We must now do as good a job in indoctrinating it with the ways of peace.

"The powers built up through science and skills

must be controlled by a corresponding development of responsibility in human relationships or we will destroy civilization.'

"In talking of democracy, Dr. Isle stated: 'One of the first things we must undertake in this new era is to teach what democracy is so every child can understand and analyze it. The reason so many foreign isms creep into America is we haven't developed an understanding of the advantage of democracy among our people. I believe more people in the United States today can give a better definition of communism than of democracy and this must be changed.'

"Dr. Isle, a foe of regimentation and a believer in individualism, thinks that teachers must develop a child's individualism to the utmost.

"Initiative, developed through the American insistence upon teaching individualism, is responsible for the fine war achievement of the United States, both on the war front and in industry, he believes.

"Schools must share the nation's responsibility of providing better physical fitness programs, he is convinced, so America can never be faced again with such a deplorable record of physical deficiencies as was discovered in the draft.

"That's a smattering of his ideas."

Harper's Bazaar Editor

Kathryn Smith Gilles, '35-'37, daughter of Mrs. Edna Smith, Norman and formerly of Tulsa, recently accepted the position of merchandising editor on *Harper's Bazaar* in New York City.

In the past few years she has been employed by Cutner and Cutner, an advertising firm; fashion editor for the *Chicago Fashions*, and Abbott-Kimball and Co., Inc., advertising firm.

Miss Gilles attended Oklahoma College for Women, Chickasha, and the University of Colorado, Boulder, before entering the University.



KAYE GILLES

Inspired Research

Science cannot be regimented or planned. That is the belief of Dr. George L. Cross, president of the University of Oklahoma, who seeks to disprove the idea that there should be a planned program of research.

Research depends upon inspiration and therefore scientists must be free to follow their own inclinations, says Cross. There can be planned technological research if one knows what he wants, but before that point there must be long basic research to bring about a want, he pointed out.