

the meantime. The meantime has just about got me down.

Things here are not really so bad, though.

If you go into a cafe for breakfast they will guarantee to serve you by dinner—if you'll help cook it.

There are lots of good stage shows which can be seen—if you are a member of the cast.

The subways are a great help, and usually all but about three or four million people are able to get in time to get to work.

Economic conditions are extremely good. Everybody is getting rich, as the OPA took the ceiling price off the Brooklyn bridge.

I've been wondering some, though, as to what I'm going to do with the thing.

I wouldn't have bought it, except the fellow said they wouldn't be making any more of them for some time yet.

## Grades Count!

There's no denying it—the more "A's" made in college the better! Okmulgee High School has been cited as the 1945 Phi Beta Kappa scholastic trophy winner which is awarded annually to the state high school for achievement of its graduates at the University of Oklahoma.

Since 1926 the trophy has been given to the high school whose graduates attain the highest grade average during their first semester at the University. Dr. F. A. Balyeat, '11ba, '18ma, Phi Beta Kappa president, stated. A school must have five or more students enrolled at O. U. in order to be considered in the contest.

Alpha of Oklahoma was the first Phi Beta Kappa chapter in the nation to offer a high school award of this kind. Pauls Valley, Hugo and Ponca City have won the trophy twice. Other winners have been Hartshorne, Apache, Blackwell, Mangum, Bristow, University High School at Norman, Newkirk, Bartlesville, Lawton, Cordell and Central High School at Tulsa.

## Oklahoma Leads Entire Country for Glass Ware

Here's another first for Oklahoma: the state leads the nation in the number of plants producing pressed ware, fruit jars and jelly glasses, it is revealed by W. E. Ham, '38geol, '39ms, staff member of the Oklahoma Geological Survey with headquarters at the University.

Oklahoma has attained leadership in several industries and is well on the way toward claiming other honors, it is pointed out by J. O. Beach, '23ba, '32ma, secretary of the Survey, in the current issue of *The Hopper*.

Too often, Beach points out, outstanding achievements of Oklahoma in industries have been overlooked by too many who have been preaching the "handicap" philosophy of why the state has not developed industrially.

With low cost fuel and power, many important industrial mineral raw materials, adequate transportation, favorable climate and many nearby markets, Oklahoma stands on the threshold for additional industries, he stated.

## Help for Foreign Students

Milk for 90 Russian students for a year or food and clothing for two Greek students for 19 months may be provided by contributions to the recent World Student Service fund drive which hit above the \$1,200 mark at the University of Oklahoma.

The WSSF was formed to help meet student needs in war devastated countries. It is an international organization which works impartially without reference to race, nationality, religion or politics.

With the \$1,000 goal which O. U. topped, 27 students could be kept for a month at a rehabilitation camp or a student center for Chinese youths could be operated for 19 months.

O. U.'s campaign leaders were backed by the 'Y,' student government, American Legion post and other campus organizations. Bob Marr, Oklahoma City, and Holicie Hoshall of Tulsa were co-chairmen of the drive.

# Riding the Sooner Range

By TED BEAIRD

The listing of events (for *Riding the Sooner Range*—January, 1946 magazine issue) will be made of records on the trail. No, not trail but TRAILS! This December, 1945 schedule shows, upon the spread, that more miles, more places, more events, more people, are to be covered, visited, listed and counceled with and worked for, than in any one month's period since 1941! Indeed, pre-war—pre-Pearl Harbor!

This is a nice session. These chaps are, as of old,—genial, interested and ever on the alert in the promotion of Sooner projects! This is a swell home, church, school and business County Capitol! How long now, over these twenty-eight years, has PURCELL been a pleasant spot in my life work. Pleasures (and some disappointments) have been listed in those years upon the records in this little city. BUT, this December '45 day, all is well! JOHN KENNEDY, '30pharm, still in the harness; CY ELLINGER, '26ba, the late ARMY intelligence "hot shot" now, back at banking, leasing "swapping" and about; Dad GUY NORTHCUTT still speaking of his O. U. sons (now over-seas) with the usual pride and satisfaction. ART HERRON, '32ed, '36ms, doing, as over a period of years in other Oklahoma cities, an outstanding job as Superintendent of Schools. And, already, after only four months as a citizen of the PURCELL Community, ART is "one of the fellows" and "taken in" as such.

From PURCELL—a drive is soon underway for a special business men's conference in Skirvin Tower, OKLAHOMA CITY. Here again it is a pleasure to work with professional men, ever interested in University development and the welfare of their state. Dads JOE HAMILTON, ALLEN STREET, TED WIEDMAN and many others, contribute to the deliberations of the hour.

How much more pleasant this Sunday P. M. would be if it could be a drive with the family and friends to the country for air. BUT it is up Highway 77 with PONCA CITY as the goal. In EDMOND (enroute to PONCA) it's a pause to ask of the present whereabouts and welfare of the distinguished officer of the U. S. Navy, ROY JONES, '37phd, of CSTC. Other "ole time cronies and friends" of EDMOND come in for discussion. A rehash of the days of JOHN G. MITCHELL, '19ma. The present prexie of the University of Nevada, JOHN O. MOSELEY, '16ma, comes in for play—then on up the 77 trail.

In GUTHRIE it's a check-up on "DUTCH" SMITH, '21, to tell this proud dad his charming daughter recently came by the Alumni Headquarters and made herself known as he had directed. Further GUTHRIE checks on the now DuBuque, Iowa Doctor, JOHN PICKARD, '26med, and a short re-hash over that incident in 1920 when, following his "Pitching-to-Victory" O. U. base-ball stalwarts, he "mis-interpreted" the cream gravy for soup at the evening meal at the ole Frat Barn. Like checks on GORDON BIERER, '21ba, and other sons of Oklahoma's first state Capital! Then on up the 77 trail.

In PERRY it's time out for a "coke" and to announce to some of the assemblage that "the ole salt" DAVE MATTHEWS, '42law, recently separated from the South Pacific U. S. Naval boys, was in a few hours to become a PERRY citizen and "barrister" along with AL SINGLETARY, '30, (no chance for "the Navy" to go wrong in that professional tie-up!) Dad and Mother WES LEATHEROCK (Wes of that fine PERRY Daily) justly proud that WES, Jr.—now a student of journalism on O. U. campus, had the Alumni Headquarters and Union reporter's "run". Sure, he's a chip off the ole block. He always gets his story! Then on up the 77 trail.

In PONCA CITY, it's Sooners from all over—and it was a most pleasant and profitable three hours. MAJOR BILL COX, '21ba, '24ma, compli-

mented the Range Rider by having as his special guest in the assembly, CHAS. W. HAXEL, '28, my once-kid brother-in-law. W. B. "TOMMY" THOMPSON, '26ba, ole friend of ALTUS, SNYDER and O. U. days, there in all his glory. SENATOR CHARLES DUFFY, '22law, GEORGE MILLER, '23law, BILL CLINE, '21law, of NEWKIRK; BOYD WHITLOCK, '31bus, KAW CITY; HARRY HOUSTON, BLACKWELL, plus dozens of others, made PONCA CITY the O. U. Capitol (at least temporarily) in that session. Then on out on an Eastern trail!

In CLEVELAND, it was a Sooner Rally, headed by GEORGE ANNETT and ELMER HEARD, '40. Elmer, not only the O. U. "Grad" but "Dad" of stalwart O. U. sons; namely, Charlie and—now coming in from the service, John. After hours of visitation and business in CLEVELAND, it's north on the trail!

PAWHUSKA, the Osage capital, is alive with Sooners. Headed by "Chief" JOHN PEARSON, '29law, and wife (MRS. JOHN WYNOLA WALKER PEARSON, '29) they flocked in from all wards (and County sections).

Among those with whom we worked while in this PAWHUSKA session were:

B. L. COGBURN, '28ms, LEE N. CLAYTON, '45, CHARLES MARRS, '41ms, DR. ROSCOE WALKER, '09bs, REX D. DAVIS, '43, IVAN F. DAVIS, '21pharm, GEORGE E. HARRIS, JR., '39bs, JOSEPH C. THORSTENBERG, '40chem. eng, EUGENE H. DUGGAN, '40chem. eng, IRENE LUYERNE HARRIS, '40bs, ERA GANDY, '24ba, MARTHA TOOT, '30ba, '39ma, JEANNE M. KING, '33ma, MR. LYNN CRIDER, '45bs, FRANKLIN BARKER, '44ba, JOHN KENNEDY, '17, and RAYMOND HIGGINS, '29ba. Then in closing the PAWHUSKA assembly, it is back on the trail to OKLAHOMA CITY in a non-stop 1937 Flivver Flight!

That eventful plus historical night four years ago—December 7, 1941! PEARL HARBOR! How events have passed in rapid order in that span in world time!

On this Friday night, December 7, 1945, back in the O. U. Alumni suite, Biltmore Hotel, OKLAHOMA CITY, a series of episodes, indeed, all thrown together equal an anti-climax, leading to V-E and V-J Days as they pass in review!

Millions of men discharged, or at this hour in the process of being separated from "the Armed Forces Service" of these United States, causes us to realize World War II is nearing an end (for some). With additional millions still on foreign soils and far from that "separation" hour, it causes us to realize World War II is still the upper-most thought in the minds of those men and indeed, the end for them is nowhere in view. Thus, confusion, unrest and strained feelings are rampant. Thus, the Riding of the Sooner Range, though pleasant always, grows rough in spots!

And where, in recent hours, has this travelin' the Range led and who was observed in the passing? Plenty! Today, in St. Anthony Hospital, Oklahoma City (on an early morning mission of surgery—after consultation with DR. JOHN LAMB, '32med) a hurry-up "hall session" was held with DR. WAYMAN THOMPSON, '29med, scurryin' out on his medical mission. Dr. KELLY WEST, '15med, and other medics, recently in from BOUGAINVILLE and additional salt-water points down South Pacific way, exchanged greetings and offered suggestions on Association progress.

A hurried swing from "surgery" in OKLAHOMA'S ST. ANTHONY down to the Biltmore Conference rooms brought about the final touches to the School of Medicine of the University of Oklahoma Alumni Association's relation and coordination with the general Association. Dr. TOM LOWRY, '16med, Dean of the School of Medicine along with the Medical Alumni's "Prexie" Dr.

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WILMUTH-HOWARD: Mary Elizabeth Wil-  
muth, '45bus, Norman, and Pfc. Thomas D. How-  
ard, '40-'43, Norman, were married October 27 in  
Norman. The couple have established a home in  
Oklahoma City where Mr. Howard is a student in  
the Medical School.

John H. Lattimore, senior from Lawton in the  
School of Architecture, has won the highest num-  
ber of awards in the Beaux Arts Institute of Design,  
New York sketch competitions. Mr. Lattimore won  
two first and four second place awards. This is the  
third time in five years that a University student  
has won the honor. William H. Wilson, '37-'41,  
won in 1940-41 and Dale C. Byrd, '44bs, in 1942-  
43.

## Riding the Range

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LEE EMENHISER, '31med, and their Secretary-  
Treasurer, Dr. JOHN LAMB counseled far into the  
day with ROSCOE CATE, '26ba, on Endowment  
Corporation details and your Range Rider on ex-  
tension of Alumni benefits. A day well spent! Yes,  
a day well spent because it was little realized in  
that series of hours in pleasant association and  
work that it was to be the last contributions on the  
part of Doctor TOM. Less than sixty hours later,  
as your Range Rider was entering the O. U.  
Alumni Meeting of the COMANCHE COUNTY  
(LAWTON) group, a priority L.D. call from  
Oklahoma City stated simply, "The Dean has just  
passed away. True to tradition, up to the hour of  
his sudden passing, he continued working in the  
interest of humanity." Thus, another fine son of  
O. U., an eminent physician and gentleman,  
dropped from the ranks.

And—this is another of those December Sun-  
day afternoons. "Flivverin'" this time over routes  
to the South—WALTERS, the destination for late  
night arrival. Via, CHICKASHA, DUNCAN AND  
COMANCHE.

In CHICKASHA it's a pause to "session" briefly.  
A hasty check-up on pending alumni business. Lt.  
RALPH BRAND, '33ba, '38ma, the county prexie,  
has a series of standing committees perfecting de-  
tails. Old cronies of Past President (Alumni)  
ELMER FRAKER, '20ba, '38ma, long since out of  
the Community, asks about his welfare. PREXIE  
DAN PROCTOR, '36ms, '43edd, of OCW in the  
CHICKASHA Community is spoken "of and  
about" quite highly. Expressions of sorrow are  
voiced over the loss recently of BRUCE MEYERS,  
'22as, '34ms, young son. Thus, another O. U. com-  
munity passes in review—and it's on down the  
highway to the East and South.

In WALTERS it's a distinct pleasure to visit  
with that "journalist Jim" (JIM COCANOUR)  
'40, who is now, and has been in recent years, doing  
a "bang-up" job on the local paper. Yes, Jim joined  
in that early morning work at checking on mailing  
lists and locating temporarily "lost" Sooner alums.  
Work over, reminiscing was in store for Jim and  
"yours truly." We ventured guesses on the O. U.  
football coach. We rehashed the *very active* tour  
of duty with the U. S. Army of "Brother" BOB,  
'42, who, just a few days before, had returned  
from the ETO. JOE MCBRIDE, '28bus, was "re-  
membered" as an old-time native of WALTERS.  
The brothers of the old Boardin' Table at our  
mutual Frat Barn on the O. U. campus were re-  
classified down through a series of years. It was  
agreed that soon the Ole Boardin' gang should  
assemble at an easily accessible point and "forget  
the worries, the wear and tear, and hustle and  
bustle" for a week-end. Then Jim "jotted" down  
an array of names to list on the call to the colors.  
Among those on that scratch pad were—CAPTAIN  
J. F. MALONE, '37ba, now en route to the states  
from MANILA; CAPTAIN BOB COCANOUR,  
'42, recently returned from ROME, ITALY. LT.  
COMMANDER HERB SCOTT, '26as, '26ma, re-  
cently reporting back to O. U. civilian duties on  
the O. U. campus from the PANAMA CANAL  
ZONE. CAPTAIN BOYD GUNNING, '37as,  
'37law, who, after those four, long years in the  
South Pacific, is again "extending" O. U. service  
and education. Lt. (Marine) THURMAN WHITE  
'41ms, en route from the Pacific to wife and  
daughter in LONE WOLF. Lt. (Navy) FRED

HARBER, '40ba, back from many advanced Pacific  
landings and searching for a "home" for wife and  
babies in Norman, "so I may go on through with  
that law". W. B. "Tommy" THOMPSON, '26ba,  
the big soft drink bottling magnet of PONCA  
CITY. MAJOR DALE VLIET, '38law, en route  
home from his MANILA duties as Provost Marshal  
General. Major WALTER "HEALTHY" SNELL,  
'24bus, now back "CPA-ing" in OKLAHOMA  
CITY after a long tour of Army duty. Captain C.  
O. HUNT, '38ed, '40law, the new "Insurance  
Czar" at the capitol building in OKLAHOMA  
CITY. All these plus dozens of others went down  
on Jim's mailing list AND there *will* be a day  
when that "gang" is called together!

From WALTERS it's down the trail again to  
WAURIKA, LAWTON, DUNCAN, RINGLING,  
SULPHUR, ARDMORE, PAULS VALLEY AND  
WILSON. In each center it's an O. U. assembly.  
Would that space might allow the pointing out  
and naming of dozens of your former associates  
and friends! BUT it's back to the O. U. office from  
this "tour of the south."

The parade at the office is on! In steps FRANCES  
HUNT, '29ba, from her WASHINGTON D. C.  
Headquarters to say "hello" and visit briefly. Cap-  
tain "BILL" THOMAS, '41ba, in to announce,  
"have just bought a home. Will be in O. U. next  
semester." Then COLONEL LEE B. THOMPSON  
'25ba, '27law, and brother-in-law Lt. Col. SANG-  
STER BIZZELL drop by to rehash old times and  
check on events of the past four years while they  
have been on Army missions in the Pacific!

Thus, they come—thus they go, ever on the  
march, these rovin', movin', alert O. U. Sooners—  
as together (in this Christmas period of PEACE)  
we continue Riding the Sooner Range.

## O. U. Foundation

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to honor the memory of William Bennett Bizzell,  
president of the University for 16 years, who died  
in May, 1944. Dr. Bizzell secured from the state  
legislature the appropriation to build the present  
Library building, which was erected in 1929.

Plans have been drawn for extending the pres-  
ent building toward the back of the University  
Administration building so that the two structures,  
although not joined, would form a distinguished  
architectural unit.

"All state funds appropriated to the University  
for capital purposes in the immediate postwar years  
will have to be used to build unadorned classroom,  
laboratory, and service buildings, at the lowest  
possible cost, in order to meet urgent space re-  
quirements of the fast growing enrolment," Presi-  
dent Cross said. "Benefactions therefore provide  
the only feasible means of financing the construc-  
tion of a great library center in the collegiate  
Gothic style of architecture already adopted in the  
design of the Administration building and the  
Library."

The building is to contain large reading rooms,  
seminar rooms, graduate study cubicles, special  
collection rooms, additional book stacks, and a  
Bizzell Memorial Room. The plan calls for air-  
conditioning the reading rooms, since Oklahoma  
school teachers and administrators do most of  
their graduate research work in the Library in hot  
summer months.

While a gift of \$2,000,000 would permit com-  
pletion of the entire project in the name of a  
single donor, President Cross pointed out that the  
plan is divided into segments appropriate for  
smaller contributions. Gifts of \$10 to \$100 will  
pay for units of book stacks, \$1,000 will pay con-  
struction cost of a graduate study cubicle bear-  
ing the name of the donor, and \$50,000 to \$100,-  
000 will pay for large reading and study rooms  
suitable for identification as memorials to donors  
or their families.

# Hal Muldrow, Jr.

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