# Riding the Sooner Range

#### By TED BEAIRD

(Editor's Note: The Range Rider is gallopin' along! As SOONER MAGAZINE goes to press, lines were forming to the right and left of the Alumni headquarters grabbing for special football tour tickets, rally tickets, luncheon tickets, OU-Army football tickets—and what have you! Ted Beaird, in the midst of all this pounding was sending out regular mail, air mail, special delivery mail, and yes, even by wire and LD the two important announcements listed below.)

"Here are two important announcements requiring your immediate attention:

Announcement Number 1: Most of those who plan the special train tour to the Army-OU game have already purchased their tickets at \$1.00 each for the big OU Alumni Rally to be staged on Friday, September 27, beginning promptly at 7:30 in the Hotel New Yorker in New York City. A limited number have not sent in their reservations as yet. This is the opportunity where all visiting Oklahomans as well as the Oklahomans who reside in the East Coast will meet for the big pow wow in New York City. Rush your check in today if you have not already purchased your tickets.

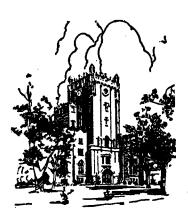
Announcement Number 2: The special tour sponsored by the Rainbow Travel Service of Oklahoma City will devote the morning of Wednesday October 2 to the sightseeing tour in the Nation's Capitol as has been announced in all of the travel folders. By special arrangements the tour will end at approximately 12:30 noon at the Hotel Burlington (PLEASE NOTE, HOTEL BURLINGTON) and there under the sponsorship of the University of Oklahoma Alumni Club of Washington and the Oklahoma State Society of Washington, D. C., an Oklahoma-Sooner luncheon will be held. You must have luncheon somewhere at 12:30 noon, October 2, and since it is extremely hard to find suitable eating facilities in Washington, the Oklahoma Society and the Alumni Club there have organized this special luncheon to accommodate the many visitors from their home state. The price is \$1.65 per plate. In order to accommodate. the Washington committees handling this matter, it is necessary that advance reservations be made and no reservations can be accepted after midnight September 27th.

"Here at the Alumni headquarters at the University we are assisting our Alumni Club and the Oklahoma State Society of Washington to organize this special luncheon. Please rush your check to Dr. Elgin Grosseclose, 4813 Woodway Lane, N. W., Washington, D. C., for the number of tickets that you desire for the SOONER Luncheon at the Hotel Burlington, 12:30 noon, Wednesday, October 2, in Washington, D. C.

#### Cordially yours,

Ted M. Beaird Executive Secretary-Manager University of Oklahoma Association."

And . . . another note by ye Ed: The Range Rider will cover that trail. He, Mrs. Beaird, Dr. and Mrs. Warren Mayfield will fly direct to New York in a few hours to set the stage for the Rally. The October Range article will give you a word picture of 1,000 plus Sooners in New York City staging that Rally—at the OU-Army game, West Point—in the Nation's Capitol, at the Sooner Luncheon, and other spots on the Range. In fact he will be doing a lot of galloping in the next few days as he burns up the traill—G.S.)



# Faculty

► Three professors from the University attended the botanical section of the American Association for Advancement of Science in St. Louis, Missouri, in March. They were Dr. Howard W. Larsh, chairman of the department of plant science; Dr. Lawrence M. Rohrbaugh, assistant professor, and George J. Goodman, professor.

▶ Dr. J. Rud Nielson, research professor of physics, has been elected president of the University chapter of Sigma Xi, national scientific research society. Dr. L. M. Rohrbaugh was elected vice-president, and Laurence S. Reid was elected secretary-treasurer.

▶ W. H. Carson, dean of the University College of Engineering, is Oklahoma's engineering representative on the Interstate Oil Compact Commission which was authorized by Congress to study oil and gas conservation in oil producing states.

► Grace Ray, associate professor of journalism, has recently had an article called "Workshop, Work, Play" published in the April issue of *Cap*per's Farmer magazine

► Stewart Harral, director of the School of Journalism and the Bureau of Press Relations at the University, presided at the opening session of the American College Publicity Association in Lexington, Kentucky, May 6 to 9.

► Dr. Gustav Mueller, chairman of the department of philosophy, has accepted an invitation of Dr. Joseph T. Roucek, editor of a forthcoming book, "The Twentieth Century America, a Survey of Civilization," to write the chapter on philosophy.

► Dr. Arthur B. Adams, dean of the University College of Business Administration; is the author of an article appearing in a recent issue of *The United States News*. Title of the requested contribution is "What Will the Profits of Industry Be Under the National Administration's New Wage Price Control?"

▶ Miss Virginia Reinecke, counselor of women at the University, is serving her second term as president of the Oklahoma State Deans Association.

► Walter W. Kraft, professor of engineering and superintendent of the University utilities department, has been president of the University Athletic Council for the past 10 years.

► Dr. Kenneth G. Orr, chairman of the department of anthropology, will conduct a research program dealing with the origin, distribution, relations and pecularities of Oklahoma Indian tribes. Dr. Orr, who received a demobilization award of the social science research council of Washington, will begin his six-months' study in June. He also recently contributed an article to American Antiquity magazine, describing the famous Spiro mounds of eastern Oklahoma.

► A son, Orville Stuart, was born April 1 to Robert H. Rucker, landscape architect, and Mrs. Rucker.

Noel Vaughn, assistant director of Family Life Institute at the University, is on a tour of Oklahoma illustrating on-the-job training for veterans. Mr. Vaughn will illustrate University courses consisting of advanced shorthand, bookkeeping, business management, operation of small retail business and operation of gasoline engines.

Boyd Gunning, director of the University Extension Division, has been named chairman of the audio-visual aids committee of the National University Extension Association.

Dr. E. A. Frederickson, University geology professor, served as director of ground training at an Army Air Force training station during the war.

# Francis Appointed Choral Head

Chester L. Francis, former director of vocal music at Classen High School, Oklahoma City, recently, was appointed associate professor in charge of choral music for the University. During his nine years as a teacher at Classen, Mr. Francis led the Comet chorus to national fame. His work with approximately 4,000 students whom he has instructed while at Classen was climaxed by the brilliant showing made by the Oklahoma City group, under his direction, at the National Cottonland Music Festival in Memphis last spring.

# **Business Writers Elect Cosgrove**

A. L. Cosgrove, associate professor of business communication at the University of Oklahoma, has been elected vice-president for the Southern states and a member of the executive board of the American Business Writing Association.

Mr. Cosgrove holds both B.S. and M.A. degrees from New York University. In the armed forces for more than two years, he taught for one semester at Shrivenham University, returning to the University last spring.

the University last spring. Mr. Cosgrove recently helped revise a book, "First Principles of Business," of which he is coauthor. He has been on the O. U. faculty since 1938.

#### Texan Joins O. U. Staff

Weldon Stone, Texas playwright, joined the faculty of the University School of Drama this fall. He is instructing courses in playwriting. Stone, who specializes in folk drama, has written seven one-act plays and has prepared one threeact play for Broadway. For 11 years Stone has been associated with the English department at Texas A. and M.

# Japanese Teacher Appointed

McClelland R. Fellows, new member of the University modern language faculty, is the son of a missionary to China, and spent several years in China and Japan. A veteran, he will teach Japanese and two English classes.

#### **Trager to Teach Linguistics**

A study of Oklahoma's Indian languages will be made this fall by Dr. George L. Trager, newlyappointed professor of linguistics at the University. Trager will teach courses in field methods and in languages. Formerly the chief of the linguistic and historical section on the U. S. board on historical names, Doctor Trager is the author of a treatise on linguistic analysis.

#### Haley Appointed Liaison Officer

Lt. Comdr. George P. Haley, Navy V-12 staff member at the University for three years, has been appointed veterans' liaison officer. Haley, a vocational guidance and personnel director in civilian life, will replace Dr. Guy Y. Williams, professor of chemistry, who will resume teaching this fall.

▶ "I Can't Quite Hear You, Doctor," an article which appeared in the March issue of *Harper's* magazine, was written by Joseph A. Brandt, former president of the University.

Truman Pouncey, assistant professor of journalism at the University, who recently returned to the faculty after Army service in Europe, has been awarded a Certificate of Commendation for meritorious service in military government assignments.

Sigma Delta Chi, national professional journalistic fraternity for men at the University of Oklahoma, is being re-activated this summer after having been inactive since 1943.

# Bollinger Eulogizes Dr. Weidman

Achievements of the late Dr. Samuel Weidman, a member of the faculty in the School of Geology for 23 years, are eulogized by Clyde J. Bollinger, associate professor of geography, in a recent issue of the Annals of the Association of American Geographers.

The sketch, titled, "Memorial to Samuel Weidman, 1870-1945," tells of his travels, field work, his research and achievements as a student and teacher.

Dr. Weidman joined the University faculty in 1920, advancing to professor of geology in 1925 and to professor emeritus in 1943. He died after a long illness on September 22, 1945.

#### Dean Joyal Urges Re-organization

Re-organization of local school administration in Oklahoma is named as the most urgent problem of state educators by Dr. Arnold E. Joyal, dean of the college of education at the University of Oklahoma. Joyal points out that Oklahoma is minced into 4,400 separate educational districts, and of that number, only 600 maintain schools.

#### Holstine Named School Head

Dr. Garold D. Holstine, recently named director of the University laboratory schools, is a specialist in teacher education and audio-visual education. He came to the University in April after serving as a lieutenant in the Navy. Holstine was formerly director of teacher education at North Dakota State Teacher's College, Minot.

#### Crawford Offers Scholarship

A former student of the University School of Music will make vocal training possible for some deserving state music student this fall. In gratitude to Barre Hill, professor of voice, Winfield Crawford, student at the University in 1941-42, has offered to help finance a student's training under Professor Hill. The student was selected during the fall registration.

#### 7 Alumni Appointed To O. U. Board

Alumni members of the Executive Board of the University of Oklahoma Association recently appointed for 1946-47 are: Emerson Price, '30, Vinita; James C. Hamill, '36law, Madill; Joe W. Curtis, '22law, Pauls Valley; and Grady D. Harris, '18, Alex.

Members at Large are: Hal Muldrow, '28bus, Norman; Herbert Branan, '38law, Oklahoma City; and Max Cook, '41law, Clinton.

#### Coach Is Army-Navy Vet

Swimming coach Joe H. Glander at the University was a member of the special services division of the Army following his honorable discharge from the Navy. While with special services, he was stationed in Rome, Italy, where he helped operate the Central Sports School.

#### Moore-Joins Geology Staff

Dr. Carl A. Moore, Oklahoma City, joined the summer staff of the Oklahoma Geological survey at the University of Oklahoma. A former employe of the Standard Oil Development company, and the Carter Oil company, Moore is teaching full time on the faculty of the school of geology in the fall semester.

A modern language recording rental service is available to state students through the correspondence study department of the extension division of the University of Oklahoma. Records are available in all modern languages.

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KENNETH HARRIS

#### Kenneth Harris Appointed Assistant to President Cross

President George L. Cross recently announced the appointment of Kenneth Harris, '39ba, as Special Assistant to the President, effective August 1.

Harris, who will continue his studies in the University Law School this fall, will serve in a half-time capacity, and will assist Dr. Cross in his press, radio and other public relations activities for the University.

Prior to his acceptance of the position at O. U. Harris was director of publicity for radio station KOMA, Oklahoma City, editor of the JAYCEE BUILDER, and director of publicity for the Oklahoma State Junior Chamber of Commerce.

He has served as a member of the advisory board of the University of Oklahoma Association for seven years, representing the Class of 1939. While in the University, Harris was president of the Men's Council, secretary of the Inter-fraternity Council, president of Delta Tau Delta, editorial consultant of the Sooner Yearbook, national vicepresident of the National Undergraduate Interfraternity Council, member of the Student Union Board of Governors, Journalism Press Board, Covered Wagon Staff, YMCA board of directors, Junior Honor Class, and president of Kappa Nu Theta, Pi Sigma Alpha, Checkmate and Congress Club.

He is a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, serving on the board of directors of both the Tulsa and Oklahoma City Jaycee groups, the First Christian Church, Masons, and the Southwest Association of Industrial Editors.

# Lalicker Joins Colorado Faculty

Another of the University of Oklahoma's young professors has resigned and will join the faculty of the Colorado School of Mines in September.

He is Dr. Cecil G. Lalicker, 38-year-old geology professor who is one of the nation's leading paleontologists. Lalicker received two degrees from the University and took his PhD at Harvard. He was head paleontologist for the Phillips Petroleum Company in Texas before joining the O. U. faculty in 1938. Lalicker has served as consultant for several oil companies in recent years.

Recently William H. Butterfield, author of numerous books on business communications, left the faculty to become educational director of the National Retail Credit association, St. Louis, Missouri.

Jack Douglas, director of highschool speech activities at the University of Oklahoma, has been named on the committee for debate materials and interstate co-operation of the National University Extension association.



DR. OSCAR WHITE

#### White Named O.U. Regent

Dr. Oscar White, '21bs, was appointed a member of the University Board of Regents recently by Governor Robert S. Kerr.

Doctor White, an Oklahoma City physician and surgeon, will succeed E. C. Hopper, Jr., Eufaula, for a seven year term.

Practicing medicine since 1923, Doctor White has served as Governor Kerr's personal doctor and surgeon.

Born in Lexington, he was graduated from Shawnee High School. He attended the University from 1915 until World War I, in which he served as a pilot in the Air Corps.

He returned to the University in 1919 and received his B. S. in medicine in 1921. He received his doctor's degree in surgery in 1923 at Northwestern University.

Doctor White is a member of the Oklahoma State and County Medical Societies and the Fellow American College of Surgeons. He has served as associate professor of surgery at the University School of Medicine.

# Muldrow Appointed C.O. of 45th

Brigadier General Hal L. Muldrow, Jr., '28bs, Norman, was recently appointed as the commanding officer of the 45th Division in the Reactivation of the Thunderbird Division as a 100 percent Oklahoma National Guard unit. He served with the 45th Division during the entire war and earned the Silver Star, the Bronze Star, and six bronze arrowheads. Brigadier General Muldrow is a Norman insurance and business man, a former University athletic star and coach in the Norman public schools.

# O. U. Grad Is Winner

A Puerto Rican who received his degree at the University last May is winner of a scholarship for graduate study in architecture at the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago. Juan A. Amador, Hatillo, Puerto Rico, was chosen for the scholarship for outstanding undergraduate work. Two earlier O. U. architecture graduates, John C. Knight, Norman, and G. Milton Small, Oklahoma City, also will attend the Chicago school this fall.

#### Miss Lorenzen Receives Ph.D.

Miss Evelyn Lorenzen, '42bs in home economics, El Reno, recently received her Ph.D. degree in child nutrition at Cornell University. She earns the distinction of being the youngest person ever to be awarded the doctor of philosophy degree from the School of Home Economics in the history of Cornell.

#### To: O. U. Sooner Alumni, Oklahoma Citizens Everywhere

Join the parade, let's make this big pow wow!!

We quote below news releases appearing in papers over the Southwest as of Thursday morning, August 15, 1946 that is self explanatory. READ 'EM LINE FOR LINE—MAKE YOUR PLANS—THEN ACT NOW! LET'S ALL GO TO THIS BIG POW WOW!!

#### "OU ALUMNI PLAN BIG POW WOW FOR COMING SOONER-ARMY TILT"

"More than 1,000 Sooner alumni are expected to be on hand for a rally of university graduates and friends of the University at the Hotel New Yorker, New York City, Friday, September 27.

"Held in connection with the OU-Army game at West Point, September 28, the rally will begin at 7:30 p. m. Friday 27th when more than 500 University of Oklahoma alumni residing in and near New York City will welcome visiting alumni, Ted Beaird, Executive Secretary-Manager of the OU Alumni Association Norman, announced today.

"Visiting alumni will arrive in New York City Friday on two special trains chartered for the OU-Army game under sponsorship of the Rainbow Travel Agency, First National Building, Oklahoma City; and Scott Deluxe Travel Sérvices, Huckins Hotel, Oklahoma City. On Saturday the entire delegation of both East Coast and visiting alumni will proceed by boat to West Point to attend the Sooner-Army football match. After the game the party will return by special trains to New York, where for two or three days additional entertainments will be sponsored by the travel agencies.

"Three special tours have been arranged for university students, Oklahoma Citizens and Sooner alumni by the two travel agencies. Five-day, eight-day and ten-day tours are offered which include the OU-Army game, a three-hour boat cruise, the musical show, "Oklahoma," a trip to Billy Rose's Diamond Horseshoe and sightseeing at Radio City. Prices covering these special tours may be secured directly from the agencies in Oklahoma City.

"Mr. Beaird said that 100 percent attendance at the rally is expected of the more than 500 alumni from Oklahoma who will arrive in New York on the football special trains to attend the Sooner-Army game. Attending from the University will be: President Cross; Coach Jim Tatum; L. E. "Jap" Haskell, director of athletics, and members of the Board of Regents and the executive board of the OU Alumni Association.

"New York representatives of the OU. Alumni Club completing plans for the get-together are, Frank Stewart, Bob Calvert and Bob Parker. Colonel "Biff" Jones, former OU football coach and now athletics business manager at West Point, "is co-operating in every way to make this an all-Oklahoma rally" Mr. Beaird said.

"A fee of \$1 per person will be charged for the alumni rally, the New York OU Alumni club has announced. Funds from this fee will be used to pay expenses of the dance orchestra, ballroom rental, and incidentals required for the Friday night rally at the Hotel New Yorker."

In order that you may not be left out on this Sooner Rally (and Oklahoma citizens are welcome to join with the Alumni of the University of Oklahoma to really make this a big SOONER night in little ole New York), please rush your check to the University of Oklahoma Association Business Office, "Attention Ted Beaird, Oklahoma Memorial Union Building, Norman, Oklahoma," for the amount of \$1.00 each for this big New York activity. We must place a deadline on your reservations of \$1 each in order to help the Alumni Club of New York and the Oklahoma Citizens who now reside in New York make arrangements for the big night.

Cordially yours, Ted M. Beaird, Executive Secretary-Mgr., University of Oklahoma Association

P. S.-Make your checks payable to:

O. U. Alumni Club Rally (New York) and mail to Ted Beaird, Oklahoma Memorial Union Building, Oklahoma University, Norman, Oklahoma. Tickets will be mailed immediately upon receipt of your reservation check.

# St. Louis O. U.ers Have Family Day Celebration

Rest, relaxation and recreation were keynotes of the Family Day gathering held by the St. Louis O. U. chapter on July 21 at the Carondelet YW-YMCA in St. Louis. Members and their families brought along box lunches. Outdoor activities included baseball, shuffleboard, badminton and volleyball. Activities held inside consisted of swimming, bowling, dancing, ping pong, cards and listening to recordings.

Mrs. Dorothy Thornton Rainwater, '40ba, Mrs. Irene Davis Snider, '23, and Mrs. Frederika Fitch Woltering, '21ba, were in charge of arrangements. Plans for the next meeting include a picnic and swimming party to be held September 15 at the chapter's clubhouse on the Meramec River.

#### Sam Cobean Turns New Yorker

From Pennsylvania to Oklahoma, then California and New York—that is a running resume of Sam Cobean, '37, who is now serving as a cartoonist on the New Yorker Magazine staff. He also has been in the Army, having been discharged in January. His military service was marked mainly by doing animation work for signal corps training films. But it was during this period, too, that his drawings first began to catch on in the important slicks.

À native of Pennsylvania, he moved to Tulsa after his parents died and graduated from high school there. Then came O. U. where he started in the Law School. But a year in that field convinced him it wasn't his dish and he switched to journalism. That was better going, and before graduation he served two terms as editor of The Covered Wagon, campus humor magazine.

Out of college, Cobean married Anne McCool, daughter of R. M. McCool, former Norman city manager. They went to Hollywood where Cobean did a seven-year stint with Walt Disney's studios. Then the army got him.

Life in the Army gave him time for outside cartooning and he worked hard at it. Colliers, The Saturday Evening Post, and The New Yorker took a few, which caught on. Soon his quietly sardonic pictures, drawn with an economy of line, came to be familiar to millions of readers. Once out of the Army, New York and the big time were waiting. Mr. Cobean plays the field, but most of his suff is reserved for the sophisticated New Yorker.

#### Sooners Form Law Firm

Travis I. Milsten, '22ba, David R. Milsten, '28 law, Jacob L. Morehead, '37law and James D. Johnston announce the formation of a partnership for the general practice of the law under the firm name "Milsten, Milsten, Johnston and Morehead" located at Tulsa, Oklahoma.

# Templeton, Thibault to Appear

Alec Templeton, blind pianist and composer, and Conrad Thibault, distinguished baritone, will be among the artists appearing in the University of Oklahoma celebrity series this season. Other programs scheduled are the Gordon string quartet; "The Footlight Favorites," an operatic quartet; "Hollywood Skating Revels," and a concert by the Oklahoma State Symphony orchestra.

# An Oklahoman in Washington

#### By ED EDMONSON, '40ba Law Student-Georgetown University

Three of the biggest newspaper jobs in Washington are being filled today by former Oklahoma newspapermen. Paul Miller, '30, editor in chief of

the Associated Press Washington bureau and AP assistant manager, Lyle Wilson, '18, United Press bureau chief, and G. B. Parker, '08ba, editor in chief for Scripps-Howard in Washington, all trained for today's key positions on Sooner papers.

Along with dozens of other former Oklahomans in important press service and newspaper jobs, the Miller-Wilson-Parker trio gives to Soonerland a prestige in Washington news circles not surpassed by any other state.

Mr. Miller, kingpin of AP, still receives a lot of mail from family in Quapaw, and owes first allegiance to Oklahoma A. and M.'s DAILY O'COLLEGIAN of Stillwater. The O'COLLE-GIAN also claims as a former student editor Walker Stone of Okemah, Washington editor for the Scripps-Howard Newspaper Alliance, and a longtime friend of Mr. Miller, despite frequent hot battles for news beats in the nation's capital.

Mr. Wilson of UP had no need for a calendar to remember he spent most of the year 1920 on the DAILY OKLAHOMAN of Oklahoma City. He was surprised, however, to learn that Scripps-Howard's Parker was a former editor of the OKLA-HOMA NEWS, onetime competitor of the OKLA-HOMAN in the state capital.

Mr. Parker is one of three former NEWS editors in the Washington Scripps-Howard office. Marshall McNeill and Ted Evans, '12, also held down the big NEWS desk during its hey-day. Mr. Evans is an Oklahoman from far back, having attended the old Henry Kendall college in Muskogee, before it grew into today's Tulsa University.

Two other top Scripps-Howard men are Parker LaMoore, who was secretary to former Governor E. M. Trapp, and Jim Lucas of "Combat Correspondent" fame. Mr. LaMoore served as aide to colorful Pat Hurley during the latter's service as American ambassador in Chungking, China, and has just left for Europe to cover the Greek elections.

Mr. Lucas, who calls Checotah his home town and held his first newspaper job on the Muskogee DAILY PHOENIX, was all set to represent Scripps Howard newspapers in the atomic bomb tests which were held near Pacific islands he helped capture as a Marine.

Former Oklahomans are so numerous in AP's Washington office that it's sometimes a source of embarrassment to Editor Miller. Ex-members of the AP's state bureau office and former state capital newspapermen share numerical honors. Oklahoma City experience was a stepping stone for Bennett Wolfe, supervisor of special services, John B. Owens, who handles veterans' news, Jack Stinnett, leading AP columnist, Charles Haslett, who concentrates today on Oklahoma area news, and Jack Bell, '25ba, chief of the Senate staff.

Mr. Wolfe was with the Miami NEWS-REC-ORD before joining AP in Oklahoma City. John Owen was city editor of Okmulgee's DAILY TIMES.

Another Senate staff member is Francis Kelly, who remembers Oklahoma City best for the telephone calls he used to receive while working in AP's state bureau. Someone was always confusing him with Oklahoma's Bishop Francis Kelly and calling to know about plans for some church function.

Well known to sports fans in Oklahoma are Bus Ham and Art Edson, who helped spread the fame of Sooner athletes to the four corners of the earth. Mr. Ham is now Washington sports editor for AP and Mr. Edson is doing general feature writing.

Al Wall of Tulsa is another former Oklahoma correspondent for AP who has gone up in the organization, and now holds down the world service desk with a staff of ten assistants. Gene Dodson, Oklahoma City, is on the night special service desk.

Veterans of Muskogee's PHOENIX and TIMES-DEMOCRAT are Sigrid Arne and Harrison Humphries, whose bylines are familiar sights in AP newspapers. Miss Arne is a crack feature writer while Mr. Humphries is a member of the special services staff assigned to California and Hawaii matters.

Mr. Humphries declares the hardest blow the Washington press has suffered in months was the departure of Harold Ickes from the Interior Department, where the "Old Curmudgeon" was always good for at least one front-page blast a week

At least a score of other former Sooners hold jobs on Washington dailies and in public relations offices, and help account for the general belief here that there must be something in the air, down Oklahoma way, to account for so many newspapermen.

Around the town: Former Congressman Wesley Disney has developed a terrific Washington law practice, since leaving the House-but still keeps a watchful eye on Oklahoma political developments. The attractive daughters of Representative Jed Johnson, '15, are mentioned often on Washington's society pages. . . Dr. and Mrs. Howard Eaton, well-known to Oklahoma University alumni, took their six-year-old adopted son, of French nationality, with them to Turkey; Dr. Eaton is assistant to the American ambassador in Ankara -a pretty ticklish spot just now. . . . The war's not over for Lt. Commander Joe Robinson, '35bus, who once ran the O. U. Book Store, Captain Ed Page, '38eng, '40m.eng, son of the former Norman engineering professor, and Lieutenant Junius Fishburn, '42journ, also of Norman; Lieutenant Fishburn, who was doing personnel work for the Army, was in Washington often. . . . Bristow's former mayor, Paul Cameron, is kept very busy these days as attorney for the Federal Trade Commission.

Members of Congress came to expect all sorts of

unusual requests from people back home. Here's a gem in one Oklahoma congressman's collection, written by an Indian constituent:

"Dear Sir: I have been vote for you all the time and try to help you among my tribe to get influence among Kiowa people, and I never write to you to asked you to help and asked you for anything until now so I am your friend and will asked you for a certain thing. Can you look up and see and found out who feed the bird at the Zoo in Washington? The one feed the bird and send me his address. The reason I am asking, I want to get some feathers when they shed. He bound to pick it up. So find out and send me his address.

The congressman sent the original letter on over to the Washington Zoo and was advised that plenty of feathers would be sent to Oklahoma. That's service for you.

Only one of the 48 states can today honor a living member of its original delegation to the United States Senate. In Robert Latham Owen and Thomas Prvor Gore, who came to Washington in December of 1907 as Oklahoma's first senators, the Sooner state may claim this unusual double distinction. Even more remarkably, these two Oklahomans are the only surviving members of the upper house of congress.

Senators Gore and Owen arrived in Washington while it was still a horse and buggy town with only a fraction of its present population. Their first official act after being sworn in was to draw slips from a hat to determine the length of term each was to serve. Senator Gore drew a two-year term while the Owen slip called for six years. Oklahoma voters subsequently returned Senator Owen for two more six year terms, and Senator Gore for three additional full terms.

Today, both of Oklahoma's former senators remain surprisingly vigorous and active, as are their wives who have stood beside them through years of political strife and battle. Blindness, no stranger to Senator Gore, has also come to Senator Owen. Loss of eyesight, however, has only served to sharpen the interest in daily affairs, the keen appreciation of history, and the sense of humor which both men share.

Former Senator Owen is now in his 91st year, and declares he is planning to live "to a hundred and twenty-five, at least." All credit for this longevity, the Senator declares, must go to Mrs. Owen, who still manages both him and their (Continued on page 21)

When four Sooners met some weeks ago in Wichita, Kansas, the "tall tales" flowed freely. Participants include, left to right, Carl H. Kunsemuller, '20ba, Wichita O. U. Club prexy; Paul A. Walker, '12law, Washington, D. C.; Dean Glen C. Couch, '37ms, and Walter B. Emery, '34law, Washington, D. C.

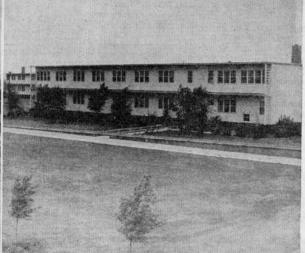




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Upper right, one of 15 former Navy barracks being converted into student dormitories and apartments at the North Campus. Four barracks, converted by the University Housing Authority, are ready for occupation; the remaining 11, in addition to 20 similar barracks at the South Campus, will be ready to be occupied by January 1947. When completed, these 35 barracks will comprise 655 units which include 60 two and three-room apartments, 121 dormitory apartments, 180 dormitory rooms and 294 one and two-bedroom apartments.

Opper left, an overall view from south end of campus, showing 500 pre-fabricated houses which are ready for use this fall. Three hundred are one-bedroom apartments and the remainder are two-bedroom units.

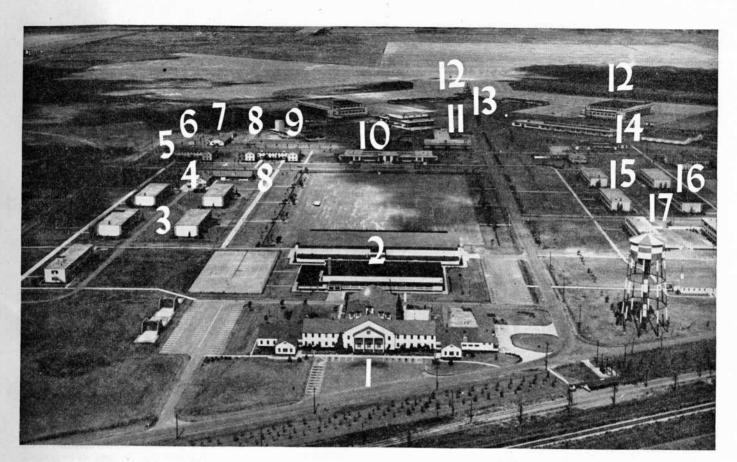
Left, a closer view of the pre-fabs at the south end of the campus.

Lower left, first post-war housing project on the campus, these units are part of 33 trailers comprising Sooner Courts.

Lower right, former Marine Air Corps Pilot Blaine Imel, now a sophomore architecture major, works a math problem while his wife, Charlotte, entertains their daughter, Barbara, in their trailer home at the Sooner Courts.







Here is a diagrammed aerial map of the reconverted Navy base: (1) Extension Division office—formerly enlisted men's recreation hall. (2) Swimming pool—to be operated by the city of Norman. (3) Barracks being converted to 96 apartments by University—formerly cadets' quarters. (4) Engineering drawing classrooms—formerly cadet messhall. (5) Schools of Architecture and Architectural Engineering—formerly Navy classroom buildings. (6) Branch University library—formerly "link trainer" rooms for student pilots. (7) Biological Survey Building—formerly small storage building. (8) Freshman classroom—former aviation cadet classrooms. (9) Oil well samples library, School of Geology—formerly aircraft paint shop. (10) Laboratory School, College of Education—formerly base Administration Building. (11) Transportation Building for utilities department—formerly base Transportation Building. (12) Hangars and operations building for future use in operation of airfields by the University. (13) Aeronautical Engineering Buildings—former Squadron Buildings for cadets. (14) University Utilities Department warehouses—formerly Navy warehouses. (15) Industrial Engineering shop—formerly Navy laundry. (16) Geology laboratories —formerly enlisted men's messhall. (17) Barracks to be converted to apartments for married student-veterans by Federal Public Housing authority. Additional barracks to be converted into apartments on both the right and left of the photographs are omitted.

#### Present O.U. Housing Facilities Can Accommodate 12,000

By BILL INGLER, '47

After a three-month back-to-the-wall struggle for housing, University officials at last are able to declare that 12,000 students can come to school this autumn with an assurance of a place to live.

The biggest obstacle was expediting the turnover and conversion of about \$30,000,000 worth of U. S. Navy property in record time, and to say that a good job was done is no more than fair.

The final verdict is that there is enough housing for almost any number of single students, and there is NOT YET enough housing for the married veterans.

The box score, as of September 15, stands as follows:

1. Approximately 420 girls can be housed in WAVE barracks and in the bachelor officers' quarters of the Naval Air Station. This eliminates the problem which arose in August—that of housing the more than 400 coeds who had lived here in University-leased fraternity houses during the war. The barracks are not comfortable, and are two miles from the main campus, but the cost to the student is low and the buildings are in good condition.

2. The 500 prefabricated houses under construction south of the main campus were not finished according to the schedule, which called for completion by September 1. All have been assigned to married veterans, but prospective tenants have been requested to come to Norman without their families and await opening of the houses. The houses will be occupied a small number at a time, as they are finished. The largest houses, which have two bedrooms, living room, kitchen, and bath, will rent for \$45 a month, with utilities paid. Delay in completion was ascribed to shortages of metal fixtures and wire.

3. The overflow of male veterans, many of whom could not be housed in Norman, are being assigned to former Navy enlisted men's barracks at the Naval Air Technical Training Center, south of the campus. Three hundred men already are in the buildings, and two cafeterias are in operation on the big base. Living conditions there are strictly GI, double-deck bunks and all, but study rooms, recreation halls, and a soda fountain are under conversion. Adequate bus transportation is available. Possibilities there are practically unlimited, with 14 barracks being reserved and only four in use as of the opening of school. Chief drawback is that men waited for years to get out of the barracks and come back to college. They came back to college—and the barracks.

4. The federal public housing authority began work September 9 on conversion of 40 barracks on both bases, with 527 efficiency apartments for married veterans as the goal. The completion date is nothing but guesswork at this stage, but guessers place it at February 1, 1947. Many of the married veterans here will not have places in which to keep house until this project is completed, but University housing officials think this 527 more will do the trick.

At the end of the enrolment period Saturday, September 14, the autumn enrolment was estimated at more than 10,000, and that many can be housed. Many will not get the housing they want, but they will have a place to live, and the University-operated projects provide quarters which are inexpensive in comparison to privatelyowned rental property.

In summary, the University will house about 2,000 single students, men and women, in Navy buildings and in dormitories on and near the campus, and nearly all of this housing is completed and ready for occupancy. University projects also will house 180 married couples on the South Campus, 100 couples on the South Campus and 30 at the "Sooner Courts," a group of converted trailers. This means that when the prefab village is occupied, and when the FPHA job is completed, about 1,300 couples will live in University housing. As yet, only about 300 of these units are in operation.

The situation will remain overcrowded during the first semester. As one housing official tersely pictured it, "If you're married, you'll find housing still scarce here. If you're single, you're welcome to the barracks."

Editor's Note: Bill Ingler, arts and sciences senior, has covered the University's housing situation since April for the Daily Oklahoman and Oklahoma City Times. He was enrolled at the University from 1940 to '43, and served three years in the Field Artillery.

Co-Vets will be the name of an organization of former service women attending the University of Oklahoma. There are 59 women veterans now enrolled in the university.

Leslie K. Rice, assistant professor of journalism at the University, was recently elected second vice president of the Norman Lions Club.



**Joseph E. Coulter,** '40ba, (seated, left) manager of Max Westheimer Field on the North Campus, discusses field operations with staff members Margarett Cassidy (seated) and (standing, left to right) J. C. Willis, E. C. Brown, G. L. Tierce and C. R. Mighton. Mr. Coulter was appointed manager on August 15. He succeeded Dr. S. E. Torsten Lund, formerly acting manager of the O.U. air field.

# Former N.A.T.T.C. To Be Used As Freshman Veterans College

The Navy department turned over to the University on July 17 the Norman Naval Air Technical Training Center on a temporary revocable permit for use as a Veterans College.

The transfer became effective on September 1 when about 90 per cent of 200 buildings were released to the University and on September 20 when the remainder of the buildings were made available.

President George L. Cross said, following the signing of papers at the Naval Center, that the University would attempt to open the proposed Veterans College as late in the fall as possible and still schedule two full semesters of work for the school year.

Dr. Royden J. Dangerfield, administrative assistant to President Cross, said the establishment of the Veterans College now hinged upon obtaining a faculty of 400 and housing for them and upon securing an agreement from the Veterans' Administration to underwrite the college.

Norman civic groups and townspeople have been busy the past week making a survey of possible tracts for the construction of new homes for the faculty members and laying plans for obtaining priorities for materials.

President Cross said the University would go to the Veterans Administration with three problems for help to organize the college, to obtain a faculty and to help with priorities.

Under terms of the permit, the Navy retains for an indefinite period the hangars and warehouse areas as well as the Administration Building for purposes of storing Navy equipment. The remainder of N.A.T.T.C. is to be transferred intact to the University for use as a college, President Cross said.

The new development will not affect plans of the University and the Federal Public Housing Authority to use some of the barracks at the center for conversion into apartment units for use of married war veterans attending classes on the main campus.

President Cross said that 15 classroom buildings and 47 barracks would be required for instruction and housing of the expected 10,000 unmarried veteran students.

A more definitive revocable permit will be signed as soon as an inventory of property can be made, President Cross said.

The Veterans College will provide many veterans with an opportunity which would be denied them because estimates show that the nation's institutions of higher learning will not be able to handle all who want to go to college, Cross said.

Besides a faculty, the University will need a large staff to maintain the new college and to feed and house 10,000 students. The University enrolment may reach 10,000 to 20,000 next fall and winter with the addition of the Veterans College.

# Garner C. Cullums Appointed University Housing Director

Appointment of a new University housing director is aimed at gearing the mushrooming housing program for a record enrolment this fall.

Garner C. Collums, former business manager of the Oklahoma College for Women from 1919 to 1942, will head the housing office. In the air forces during the war, Collums was billeting officer of the Army-leased Stevens Hotel in Chicago.

The University will have 500 prefabricated houses, 555 units provided by the Federal Public Housing Authority, a new apartment dormitory, the recently purchased Masonic dormitory, seven dormitories at Woodrow Wilson Center, 96 units from converted barracks, the Graduate House and

Barre Hill, University voice professor, was an air force instructor in meteorology and navigation and later special services officer for all entertainment in Paris and the Seine section of France during the war.

# Coulter Named Head Of O. U. Airport

Joseph E. Coulter, '40ba, Wanette, assumed duties as permanent manager of the University's Max Westheimer Air Field on August 15. He succeeded Dr. S. E. Torsten Lund, who has resumed his duties as professor of secondary education at the University this fall. Dr. Lund was formerly acting manager of the airport, and prior to that he served as a research staff member of the Institute of Aviation Psychology, an organization operated by the Civil Aeronautics Association and a national research council at the University of Tennessee.

Mr. Coulter's task is to put the newly-acquired airport into operation. Although commercial airplanes are not available at present, Mr. Coulter has met with commercial operators on that matter and hopes to organize such operation as soon as possible.

Active in civilian aviation before entering the Army Air Corps in March, 1944, Mr. Coulter received a direct commission into the Air Forces and served 18 months as an instructor in the instrument and single engine fighter phases at Randolph, Foster and Bryan Army Air Fields, all located in Texas.

After his discharge from the service, Mr. Coulter was owner and operator of the Cisco Aviation Services, Cisco, Texas. In this capacity he taught flight instruction as well as handled repairs, rentals and storage of planes.

In 1942, Mr. Coulter married the former Vivian Jensen, who graduated from the University in that year with a BA degree.

# North Campus Increases O.U. Capacity by 4,000

Student capacity at the University will be increased by 4,000 with the transfer of several administrative offices and classes to the North Campus, formerly the Norman Naval Air Station.

President George L. Cross announced that utilization of many of the 98 buildings on the 1,650acre tract, which recently was turned to the state on a revocable permit, will enable the University to accommodate an expected 10,000 to 12,000 students next fall. (Excluding expected enrolment at the Veterans College.)

Units to be transferred to the North Campus include the schools of architecture and architectural engineering, general courses for at least 800 freshman students, engineering drawing, the laboratory high and elementary school, aeronautical engineering classes, and several geology laboratories. The Extension Division with its many departments will be housed in the big recreation hall, and the University laboratory schools will use the modernistic administration building.

Cross said that schedules will be arranged to allow a minimum of travel between the two campuses, which are two miles apart. A shuttle bus will be operated by the University on a regular schedule.

A cafeteria in the officers' club will be operated by the University for students attending classes or living on the North Campus. The University is now converting four cadet barracks into 96 small apartments, and the Federal Housing Authority will convert the remaining 16 barracks into one and two-bedroom apartments.

Hangars and operations buildings will be reserved for airport purposes. The University now has the Max Westheimer Air Field, which was taken over by the navy in 1942 and enlarged, in operation.