

## Alumni Elects Maj. Cox As Prexy

Twice a graduate of the Arts & Science School of the University, '21ba, and '24ma, Maj. William V. Cox has been doubly loyal to the University and the Alumni Association down through the years.

A helping hand in more ways than one, Bill was elected to the board of directors of the Alumni Association for a three year term in 1944, served as vice-president in 1945-46 under George D. Hann, '36m.ed, and was unanimously elected president at the annual meeting last June.



MAJOR WILLIAM V. COX

On accepting the responsibility as president, Major Cox said: "I've always taken my Army training seriously. I have to, it's my bread and butter. And like all good Army men, I'm going to pass the buck down the line to you members of the board and the Alumni you represent. I believe we are going to have one of the finest years in the history of the association. But you're going to have to do the work. I'm going to do the presiding."

But despite such a modest declaration, Bill stepped right up to the wheel, took a good firm hold and has been solid in the saddle ever since. Riding the Sooner Range with "hired-hand" Ted Beaird, he predicts that the Alumni Association and the University are headed for their greatest period of growth.

Not always a Major, William Verdiman Cox was born "just plain Bill" at Pond Creek, Oklahoma, October 7, 1899. Periodic seiges in the "little red school-house," enlivened by sensational participation in football, baseball, debating and oratory, brought him to graduation from Carmen High school in 1917.

Although a year of helping his Uncle Sam return some unruly Indians to their own back yard delayed his formal education just a little, Bill Cox strode across the platform and received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Oklahoma Arts & Science School in 1921. He was back in 1924 to pick up a master's degree in the same field.

While at the University, although he maintained an enviable scholastic record, he also found time for a few extra-curricular activities, such as: three letters in basketball, four letters in baseball (captain one year), membership in Sigma Nu, Mystic Keyes, ROTC, Jazz Hounds, and in two honorary organizations the names of which he has long since forgotten.

After receiving his first degree, he served as principal and coach at Helena in 1921-22, and at Carmen in 1922-23. Returning to O. U. to complete his master's degree in 1923-24, he rounded out the football staff as freshman coach. The following year he became head coach and instructor at Henryetta.

In 1926, Major Cox began his successful career with military schools as director of athletics and instructor at the Wentworth Military Academy, Lexington, Missouri. He stayed there until 1936, when he accepted a similar position at the Missouri Military Academy in Mexico, Missouri.

In 1940, he established the Ponca Military Academy, for boys from the first grade through junior high school, in Ponca City, Oklahoma. The academy's educational aim, as outlined by Major Cox, who is commandant and superintendent, is to prepare boys for successful work in colleges, universities, technical schools and government academies, or for immediate entrance into the business world.

## Correspondence . . .

### Hume Suggests Jubilee Club

Dear Ted:

Last October when I saw you something was started and developed for Jack Harts, '95, and it has occurred to me that a Sooner Jubilee club suggested for O. U. would be a novelty, and when I was at Oklahoma City last weekend, I saw Harry Ford for the first time in 17 years. He is at 3108 N. Shartel with a daughter Bettye who has a phone, and it might be that Keith would like to contact him.

Our 1896 football team kept the continuity up since the first year, and played Norman High twice and beat both times, so was first all victorious team in annals of school. I played quarter and called signals through sixty minutes, and decided that 125 pounds was too light, and quit then. In picture of that team, which I gave when the Ax Stadium drive was on, I appear as timekeeper, and Roberts as umpire, and my brother Ray was captain. The glee club was first to spring the present yell on school, and you can get this in 1916 Sooner or from Mrs. Grace King Maguire.

Sincerely yours,

C. Ross Hume, 1900ma

### Barbara Christian 'Flies Higher'

Dear Sir:

On August 1st I assumed the new duties of chief stewardess for American Airlines at Dallas, Texas, and I thought perhaps I would take this opportunity to let you know that anytime any of our O. U. friends are in that vicinity, I would be most pleased to have them look me up. We have had many young ladies from O. U. join our stewardess group, and it has always been a pleasure to work with them. I am hoping that in this new capacity, I shall be able to help many more Sooners find their silver wings and flying careers, for I steadfastly remain a staunch O. U. booster.

Thank you also for the fine work you continue to do on the Sooner Magazine. I always look forward to its arrival in the mail, and my copy affords me some wonderful moments of reminiscing.

Sincerely,

Barbara Ann Christian, '43ba  
Chief Stewardess  
American Airlines System  
Love Field, Dallas, Texas

### Mugg Weds Former Iowa Stater

Dear Sooners:

It seems my address and APO's have a terrible time in catching up with me, however I am very glad to get the notice even if it is a bill. At present I am a member of the 313th Medical Battalion, 88th "Blue Devil" Infantry Division still a Combat Unit and on operational role overlooking the Morgan Line.

There are to my knowledge three Sooners here in the 88th. Lt. Jim Armstrong, '43, with the 752nd Tk Bn., Lt. Bob Alexander, '44, with the 788 Ord. and myself. Perhaps some boys are in the F.A. but I haven't met them, if so.

If there are any Gamma Phi Betas present, I am marrying one from Iowa State. Mary Jane Drake, '44 Iowa State—majored in home economics and is a member of "Club 88" American Red Cross here. We are both returning to U. S. soon so forward the Sooner to my home address, Higgins, Texas.

Note: the 88th activated at Camp Gruber, Oklahoma in 1942 and has fought all through the Italian Campaign.

Mother will forward check for Sooner as I don't believe you can use LIRE.

Sincerely,

James K. Mugg, '43pharm.  
313 Med. Bn. 88th Inf. Div.  
APO 88, c/o Postmaster,  
New York, N. Y.

## Sooners Hold Reunion in Vienna

Dear Mr. Beaird:

Thanks for the last note sent this way. You asked if there were any questions, to which I can only reply that I'll be asking them in person when I come to Norman sometime soon. The demobilization of officers on length of service will finally set me free before long.

All loyal Sooners finally managed to get together for a bit of a bull session a couple of days ago in Vienna . . . to name peoples there, which was held in Dick Ellinghausen's apartment, we have Gus Kiriopolis (whose brother, Louis, is also in the area), Bob Cole, Joe Andrews, and "Push" Nelson, all of the '42 and '43 classes. A bigger event had been planned for Berchtesgaden sometime ago, but due to lack of publicity, the little deal had to be replaced by the smaller affair in Vienna. We all had the rousing time to be expected, though, so no one was disappointed.

Cordially,  
Guss Babb, '43

EDITOR'S NOTE: Babb returned to the States recently, was discharged from the Army as a lieutenant and is now attending the University as a senior majoring in Business Administration. He is also serving as an announcer on station WNAD.

## Harris Meets Pals in Yokosuka

Dear Mr. Beaird:

I am sorry I never dropped up to your office to meet you after your return to the University. Naturally, my father had mentioned you to me numerous times. I often intended to drop by your office but because of studies and romance, the later probably being the strongest reason, I never got around to it.

I just received the ballot for the Executive Board and am enclosing it with this letter.

You asked for any news items. As for myself, I just finished six months of minesweeping in the China Sea and Japanese waters. I returned to the States this month, and ran into quite a few O. U. "grads" at various places in the Pacific and in Japan. In fact we almost had a large reunion in Yokosuka, Japan. Merle Dinkins, Keith Fowler, Gene Pruett, Homer Sparkman and I had a couple of enjoyable afternoons in the officers' club there. I also saw Earl Stone and Jack Birchum in Sascho, Japan. They made a mail trip run from Okinawa and anchored about 200 yards from my ship.

I am in San Francisco now and I have met innumerable O. U. "grads" that are in the Navy and pass through here.

I've been getting my "Sooners" and they have certainly been appreciated. They are often received a number of months late but the news of all my friends from O. U. is always interesting to read and appreciated very much.

Cordially yours,

Grady D. Harris, Jr., '45ba

## G. H. Nunn Begins Ph.D. Thesis

Dear Ted:

Being among the discharged, I was at home when the enclosed card arrived. For the record, I'll furnish the essential data myself.

As a matter of fact, I've been home since Easter day, having arrived but five days earlier from the Philippines, where I had spent the past ten months. Actually, terminal leave was up May 29, giving me 44 and a half months service.

The last job I held in the Army was as director of training in the G-3 section of headquarters, Base X, in Manila. At the time I left there was a project underway for the assembling of O. U. Alumni, but it had as yet produced little fruit. As for the immediate future, on August fifth I start teaching elementary government classes in the second session of the summer term at Washington Square College, New York University. In the fall I plan to start in again on the thesis for my Ph.D. at NYU, a project which was somewhat interrupted about four years ago.

Since I've been home it has been enjoyable reading old and new copies of the Sooner, a pleasure I look forward to for the future.

Sincerely,  
Grady H. (Harry) Nunn,  
'41ma

## Medical School Notes

Many of the clinical and preclinical staff of the Medical School are attending the meetings of the American Medical Association in San Francisco. Several of the staff are participating in the scientific program.

Drs. Ben Nicholson, Robert H. Bayley and Howard C. Hopps presented papers at the annual meeting of the Moton Clinical Society in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dr. Robert H. Bayley, professor of medicine, recently presented papers on rheumatic heart disease and the treatment of empyema with penicillin, at a combined meeting of County Medical Societies of the Northeastern section of Oklahoma. The meeting was held at the Oklahoma State Hospital at Vinita, Oklahoma.

Dr. Reynold Patzer, assistant professor of surgery, has been granted funds by the Oklahoma Division of the National Cancer Society for an experimental study on the treatment of cancer.

Miss Lilah Heck recently attended the 45th meeting of the Medical Library Association which was held at the Yale Medical School, New Haven, Connecticut. Enroute she visited numerous medical libraries including the Osler and McGill at Montreal, Boston and Harvard Medical Libraries, the Library of the New York Academy of Medicine and the Army Medical Library in Washington, D. C.

During the next month every physician in the State of Oklahoma and all graduates of the School of Medicine residing in other states, will receive a letter pertaining to life membership in the School of Medicine of the University of Oklahoma Alumni Association. It is particularly important to raise, in the near future, \$25,000 in order to begin the campaign for funds required to construct the Alumni Research Institute.

Alumni of the School of Medicine who visited the school during the past month include: Dr. Alex Barno, Class of '44, who has just been released from active duty with the U. S. Navy. Dr. Barno was enroute to the University of Minnesota for a second year of internship in obstetrics and gynecology; Captain Hal Arthur Burnett (Army), Class of '43, who recently returned from Germany and is awaiting reassignment; Major Paul Martin Darden (Army), Class of '42.

Dr. Ivan A. Maguire, Class of '39, released from the Army last October and is now in practice (psychiatry) in Detroit, Michigan; Lt. Colonel Cannon A. Owen, Class of '34; Lt. James Riley Winterring (Navy) Class of '45, who is returning to the U. S. Naval Hospital at Bainbridge, Maryland, to finish his internship.

Former graduates of the School of Medicine who have recently been given appointments as residents in the University Hospitals are: Dr. James Charles Amspacher (Class May '43) Orthopedics; Dr. Hubert M. Anderson ((Class '42) plastic surgery; Dr. Herman R. Bender (Class '41) radiology; Dr. Clarence B. Dawson (Class Dec. '43) urology; Dr. Achilles C. Lisle, Jr. (Class May '43) neurosurgery; Dr. Wilmer E. Parrish (Class of '43) pediatrics, and Dr. Millington O. Young (Class of '44) pathology.

Dr. H. A. Shoemaker, Assistant Dean, Dr. A. A. Hellbaum, professor of pharmacology, and Dr. John F. Hackler, professor of preventive medicine and public health were among the 69 doctors from Oklahoma who attended the annual meeting of the American Medical Association in San Francisco, California, July 1st to 5th, 1946.

Dr. Paul O. Shackelford, '44med, has recently been released from the armed forces and is practicing internal medicine with the Tulsa Clinic, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Dr. Zola K. Cooper has been appointed assistant professor of histology and embryology. Dr. Cooper comes from St. Louis, Missouri, where she was assistant pathologist at the Barnard Free Skin and Cancer Hospital and instructor in pathology at Washington University School of Medicine.

## THE DRUG MILL

By DR. RALPH BIENFANG

This is just a stab in the dark, but if even one thing comes of it, it will be entirely worth while. As some of you perhaps know, the Drug Miller is engaged at the moment in an endeavor which he and the American Institute of the History of Pharmacy hope will lead to a published "History of Military Pharmacy in the United States." In this connection a Museum of Military Pharmacy has been established at the University of Oklahoma School of Pharmacy at Norman (do you have anything to send?) and articles have been written and songs have been composed. One of these, the "U. S. Army Pharmacy Corps Song," carries on the back:

"Hennel Stevens, H. N. Rittenhouse, Victor Zoeller, Henry Johnson, Robert T. Creamer, George Wright, William M. Giles, George T. Beall, A. F. Cherbonnier, and F. O'Donoghue, all qualified pharmacists, were commissioned during the Civil War by the Union Army, as Medical Storekeepers. Each was required to give a bond in the amount of \$40,000."

These men, then, were the pharmacy officers of the Union Army. Does any reader have any information on any of them? If so, would he write the Drug Miller a letter?

The Confederacy of course also employed pharmacists in the armed forces. Whether or not any of these had commissioned status is a little hard to say, for there seems to be a dearth of information available. Pharmaceutical problems in the South, though, it would appear were even more pressing than they were in the North. Anyone knowing about Confederate Army and Navy pharmacists, commissioned or not (hospital stewards), is requested to write in to the Drug Miller, care of this magazine.

## PHARMACY MINISTERS

SEPTEMBER SALLIES—Been saving this one for about a year. The Drug Miller was in his home town library doing some researching. Noticed that the librarian was a woman who had been a year ahead of him in high school. After a bit she came over to where the Drug Miller was working and said, "Aren't you the Bienfang boy?" "Yes" said I, "Aren't you the Neis girl?" Make something out of it if you can . . . With a beautiful green and brown on buff announcement, Bauman & Clarkson Drug Co., prescription pharmacists have recently opened their doors at 3001 Main Street, Ocean Park, California. Lead and closing sentences in this announcement are outstanding. "You will be interested in knowing that we have opened an up-to-date pharmacy which we hope to make a real asset to the community . . . We shall esteem greatly the privilege of serving your needs as they arise and we hope to make of you and your family permanent patrons." The many friends of handsome Phm. H. T. Clarkson wish him well in this new pharmacy.

## Medics Plan \$3 Million Drive

Hoping to raise a \$3 million endowment for a research unit from physicians and laymen, the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation together with 25 physicians and laymen, met recently at the Skirvin Hotel to incorporate a permanent board and begin the campaign.

Dr. John H. Lamb, '32med, acting temporary chairman of the group, said the foundation hoped to begin the drive early this fall.

The Foundation, sponsored by the University Medical Alumni, plans to build a research center in conjunction with the University Hospital in Oklahoma City so that state doctors can conduct research on the illnesses of this region. One floor would be devoted to cancer.

Speakers at the meeting were Dr. Howard Hopps, professor of pathology, on "The Value of Research," and Dr. George Hazel, Oklahoma City physician, on "The Purpose of the Foundation."

## Runkle Buys Advertising Firm

Oklahoma's newest advertising agency is really not new at all, but is an old established organization dressed out in the name of an O. U. graduate who helped to build it.

For with his purchase of the Ray K. Glenn, Advertising agency in Oklahoma City last month, Lowe Runkle, '30ba, became the owner and president of one of the most successful advertising agencies in the Southwest. With the change in ownership there also came a change in name, and the firm is now operating as the Lowe Runkle Company, with offices in the First National Building, Oklahoma City.



LOWE RUNKLE

An eight year stretch with the Glenn agency, as everything from copyboy to account executive, took him into 1940 and a position as vice-president and manager of the firm's Oklahoma City office. Early in 1944 Uncle Sam crooked a finger in his direction and there followed an 18-month tour in khaki which saw Lowe doing public relations work for the Army Air Forces.

Back into civilian clothes again late last fall, Runkle immediately took over his old job and started making up for lost time. In July this year, he sold out his interests in the Glenn agency's offices in Fort Worth, Dallas and Los Angeles, and purchased the Oklahoma City business outright.

During his four years at O. U., Runkle was a member of the ATO fraternity, Ruf-Neks, and Checkmate. He is married, and has two sons whom he hopes will someday help him expand the firm name into "Runkle, Runkle & Runkle."

## Curtis Gets Appointment

Dear Ted:

I left Pauls Valley with my family on May 16th, and after a very pleasant vacation in California returned home about midnight last night.

In going through my correspondence this morning I found your letters of June 3rd, and June 4th advising me of my election as a new member of the Executive Board, and of the meeting which was held on Monday, June 17th. I am very much disappointed that I did not arrive home in time to attend this meeting. I am also disappointed that you were not advised of my inability to attend. However, my office had been expecting me home for the past week, and I feel that they thought I would be home in time to attend this meeting.

I am sure that your meeting was held as scheduled, and that all members with the exception of myself have been duly installed.

Please advise me the date of the next meeting so that I can make plans in advance to attend. I am very happy over my election and will do my very best to render some degree of service to the school which has done so much for me.

It may be of interest to you to learn that on our trip we visited the campuses of the following Universities:

Scripps College for Women, at Claremont, California, where my daughter, Jo June, has been a freshman the past winter. Needless to say she is now planning on enrolling for her sophomore year at the University of Oklahoma.

Mills College for women, at Oakland, California; Leland Stanford, at Palo Alto, California; Pomona College, at Pomona, California; University of California, at Berkeley, California; University of Southern California, at Los Angeles, California; University of Colorado, at Boulder, Colorado.

The very first time I go to Oklahoma City I plan on dropping in at your office in Norman.

Sincerely yours,  
Joe W. Curtis, '22law.

## Aviation Future—

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knowledge of flight, a broad program of faculty flight training or flight experience should be instituted as preparation for the University's new responsibilities in the Air Age.

The University also should explore the use of the airplane in extending its services to the state. The use of air travel could almost double the amount of service that University personnel could render to the state. By air, most communities are from ten to twenty percent closer in distances, and only half as far away in terms of time. Experience in commercially rented planes shows that the saving in time more than offsets the added cost of flying.

Under present plans, the University will contract with flight operators for flight instruction, airplane rentals, charter services, aircraft and engine repairs, and airplane sales. Flight instruction will be offered to former service men and women under the provisions of Public Law 246, as well as to non-service students. The University also expects to co-operate with federal and state agencies in programs of aviation research.

Of course, the University will have many new problems in the successful carrying out of such a broad program of aviation as outlined above.

The proper maintenance of an airport is expensive. State funds probably will not be available for airport operations. Thus, all flight operations must be financed by earnings of the field and flight facilities and through the sale of gasoline, oil and other supplies.

Here, again, however, the University has an excellent opportunity to make a valuable contribution to successful airport management. The economics of flight and flight operations is a new field and much remains to be learned. The University, with its personnel and research facilities, is the logical agent for the studying and solving of such problems.

In other words, in solving its own financial, operational and maintenance problems, the University should be able to make an important contribution to the knowledge and practice of airport-operation.

The University earnestly solicits the interest, support and counsel of its alumni in this new venture. We invite you to fly to Norman to visit our campus, to attend various University activities for a day of recreation. You, then, will have an opportunity to observe first hand the aviation future of the University of Oklahoma.

## 14 Sooners Are Rhodes Scholars

The University ranks among the 25 highest contributors of students for Rhodes scholarship awards in the United States. With a total of 14 Rhodes scholars, O. U. is in the same group with the Universities of Minnesota, Missouri, Utah, and Wyoming.

The highest contributors are Princeton, Harvard and Yale, with a total of 61, 46 and 43 scholars, respectively.

Since its inception in 1904, until wartime suspension in 1939, Rhodes Scholarships to Oxford University, England, have been given to 1,127 students in 211 colleges of the United States. Granting of Rhodes Scholarships will be resumed this fall.

In his new book, "The American Rhodes Scholar—A Review of the First Forty Years," Dr. Frank Aydelotte describes the founding of the grants under the will of Cecil Rhodes, the South African empire builder, the history of their administration in this country and the records of American holders at Oxford and in later life.

## Early Start Advised

High school radio programs would provide experience for home station talent and provide the schools with better public relations, a panel of radio experts agreed at the recent University of Oklahoma radio institute and colloquium. The students would have a chance to gain radio experience, and the stations would have a "live" program.

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## An Oklahoman—

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household with a complete grace and ease bespeaking long experience.

The Owen apartment in Washington remains a center of activity revolving around two ideas dear to the Senator's heart. One is adoption of a global alphabet invented by the Senator, through which English may be effectively promoted as an international language. As President of the World Language Foundation, Senator Owen writes many letters, makes speeches, and testifies often in support of this idea. It has received endorsement from some of the nation's outstanding philologists, and is at present undergoing classroom tests in several Washington schools.

Another Owen project is congressional legislation in final settlement of Cherokee Indian land claims, on which the Senator maintains millions of dollars are still owed by the federal government. It seems a safe bet that the man who fathered the Federal Reserve Bank system will see this measure through, despite his ninety years.

Early Oklahoma is definitely one of Senator Owen's favorite subjects. Having come to the Sooner state in 1879, and having served as one of the first presidents of the old Indian International Fair at Muskogee, he is an authority with few peers. His word picture of the "sea of teepees" which once surrounded the old Indian fair is a memorable one.

Former Senator Gore is another early settler, having moved to Lawton from Texas in July of 1901, shortly after his marriage. The Gore law office in Lawton soon became a political center, and after organization for statehood the 37-year-old attorney was a primary winner and the choice of the legislature along with Robert Owen, to go to the senate.

In the nation's highest legislative body in 1907, Tom Gore of Oklahoma was the youngest senator present. He was soon involved in a short-lived filibuster which helped establish the Gore reputation as one of the senate's leading orators.

Two major pieces of legislation stand today as evidence of Gore service. Soil conservation was a measur for which he fought long and hard, as one of Oklahoma's greatest needs. As an oil state, Oklahoma benefited by his depletion allowances provision written into income tax law, under which tax deductions in the millions have been allowed on oil production income.

Today, Senator Gore continues to report to his Washington law office daily, driving to and from his apartment with Mrs. Gore. Both, however, have been ill recently, and are now, in the Senator's words, "taking it easy." This did not preclude his presence in the senate, where as a former member he enjoys floor privileges, throughout the recent Southern filibuster on the Fair Employment Practices Commission. The Gore record for attendance during this debate was as good as that of any member of the senate.

Senator Gore is emphatic in support of the right to filibuster, although he will admit it is a right sometimes abused.

"There should be at least one place in the world," he declares, "where a man can speak for himself as he feels it necessary in support of an

idea. The United States Senate is the only remaining place where that can be done."

Around the town: Law student Bill Leach, of Bristow, and wife Edith Leach, '44ba, of Duncan spend most of their evenings with books; Bill combines a full-time job as Congressman Lyle Boren's secretary with studies at George Washington University. . . . Add to that list of former Oklahoma newspapermen Don Robinson of Oklahoma City, now on the Washington DAILY NEWS, and Herman Schaden of the Muskogee DAILY PHOENIX, now a Washington STAR re-write man. . . . Also, Charles Alldredge, son of Interstate Commerce Commissioner J. Haden Alldredge, now writing publicity for Interior department, and Malvina Stephenson, '36ma, once of the DAILY OKLAHOMAN, whose features are distributed by North American Newspaper Alliance. . . . One of the capital's most traveled officers is Colonel Charles Mason of Nowata, formerly on the Oklahoma Supreme Court, whose Air Force duties have taken him to China, Japan, Germany, and many other theaters; Colonel and Mrs. Mason are enjoying his current Washington tour of duty together. . . . Vinita's Major General Wm. P. T. Hill, '32ba, is one of Uncle Sam's biggest buyers; as Quartermaster for the U. S. Marines he buys supplies and material in tremendous quantities. . . . A crowd estimated at 135,000 swarmed over Tidal Basin for the first day's blooming of Washington's famed cherry blossom. . . . At least three former Oklahoma newspapermen were aboard the USS Appalachian as observers when the time came to sail for Bikini and the Pacific atom bomb test; in addition to Jim Lucas of Scripps-Howard, Paul Lee covered the story for Associated Press and Bob Butcher, '24, was sending copy to Shreveport and Hot Springs papers. . . . Okmulgee's Betty Smith, popular vice president of the Oklahoma State Society, has recovered after a serious illness. . . . Sallisa's Howard Bonham holds down an important job at national headquarters of the American Red Cross; as assistant director he has charge of publicity and information.

Hugh P. "Red" Crowe, '35ma, former German instructor at Northeastern State Teachers College in Tahlequah, is now with the Civil Service Commission. . . . One congressman's office which is open on weekends is that of Victor Wickersham of the seventh district, who has been burning midnight oil mounting a counter-attack against former Representative Jim McClintic; Mr. Wickersham is just as worried over the candidacy of Mansur Stewart of Mangum, third man in the race, who was for six years secretary to the late Congressman Sam Massingale. . . . Reports from the seventh say that Mr. Stewart, a veteran school man who enlisted as a GI in World War II and is aggressively liberal, is conducting a grassroots campaign and rates as better than a dark horse bet.

The nation's capital lifted its hat during the past week to a demonstration of western justice which featured in stellar roles two Oklahomans:

Federal Judge Bower Broaddus of Muskogee and Assistant Attorney General Holmes Baldrige, '25ba, of Oklahoma City.

Recognition came in the wake of the anti-trust trial just concluded before Judge Broaddus, in which fines totalling more than 60 thousand dollars were assessed against 71 artificial limbs manufacturers found guilty of conspiracy to control prices on their products.

Only two days were required for taking testimony in the trial, and overall time for the proceedings was approximately five days. Mr. Baldrige, in general charge of antitrust litigation for the Department of Justice, could recall only one antitrust trial of shorter duration.

More than half of the fines assessed were suspended for a year under terms of the sentences imposed by Judge Broaddus, who directed the defendants to cease practices charged in the indictment and to comply with fair trade practice rules compiled in April by the Federal Trade Commission.

Expeditious disposition of the artificial limbs case added luster to judicial prestige acquired by Judge Broaddus in earlier antitrust actions involving motion picture distributors, and led to predictions the Oklahoma jurist's legal star will continue to rise.

Mr. Baldrige made his national reputation as general counsel for FCC during the telephone rate hearings which began in 1935, and has directed antitrust litigation for Justice Department since 1938. Next target for his hard-hitting attorneys will be International Nickel and its American affiliates, named by the government in a suit filed in New York last week.

## University Press Prints Biography

A. J. Hanna's biography of Napoleon's nephew, the Prince of Naples, has been scheduled for fall publication by the University Press. Entitled "A Prince In Their Midst," it is the story of Achille Murat who became an American citizen and was a romantic figure on the American frontier.

Dr. Oliver E. Benson, University government professor, was a Naval Japanese interpreter and military government officer at Truk and the Central Caroline islands during the war.

# Hal Muldrow, Jr.

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## Design For A Better Date Book

By ERNIE HOBERECHT,  
'41journ.

(Editor's Note—A condensed reprint follows of a story that appeared in the February issue of the *Paradise of the Pacific* magazine which is published monthly in Honolulu, Hawaii. It was written by one O.U. graduate about an interesting project of another.)

Back in 1918, in a Latin class of a Massachusetts high school the students were discussing calendar changes by the Roman Caesars. When one of the pupils asked his teacher if she didn't think their results were confusing, she replied, "Do you think you can make a better one?" He did.

The former school boy is Willard E. Edwards, '29eng, now a resident of Honolulu and a lieutenant commander in the U. S. Naval Reserve. Interest in his practical, perpetual equal-quarter calendar has been growing over the years and is now before the Congress of the United States as a concurrent resolution and may be considered for adoption by the United Nations . . . .

Lt. Comdr. Edwards at one time was a pilot for the Hawaiian Airlines, and it was while in Hawaii that he explained his calendar to Joseph R. Farrington, the Territory of Hawaii's delegate to Congress. It was Delegate Farrington who introduced the idea in Washington as House Concurrent Resolution 39 requesting the president to urge at the peace conference the international adoption of the Edwards Perpetual Calendar. A previous Hawaiian resolution and the calendar were also printed in the Congressional Record for September 17, 1943.

The proposed method eliminates the difficulties of the present calendar and offers many new advantages. By setting the first day of the year as a day apart from any week or month, it permits division of the remaining 364 days into exactly 52 weeks. The result is that the half-years become equal, the quarters become equal, and the months fall into regular rhythmical pattern of 30, 30, 31 days. This allows the 91st day of each quarter to be used by all accountants and merchandisers as an extra day in which to catch up on their quarterly bookkeeping and stocktaking.

"New Year's Day," celebrated as a day apart, is a holiday not associated with any week-day or month date. It may be abbreviated as N.Y.D. and is a definite day all by itself, such as "New Year's Day, 1945." The following becomes "Monday, January 1, 1945," the second day of the new year and the first working day.

The final effect of this and other changes are even more far-reaching. The first month of each quarter begins on Monday, the second month on Wednesday and the third month on Friday with exact regularity through all future time. One has only to remember "30, 30, 31—Monday, Wednesday, Friday" to be able to compute all future dates without a printed calendar.

New Year's Day (a day apart from any week or month) is the first day of each year, a holiday, followed by the 364-day fixed calendar shown above.

Leap-Year Day (a second day apart) is observed during leap years between June 31 and July 1 as the first day of the second half-year, a holiday.

The two Year-Days are definitely named and have a definite purpose. When considered apart from any week, they allow the calendar to become fixed and perpetual.

Some of the other advantages of the Edwards Perpetual Calendar include the fact that Monday is the first day of the week. This agrees with common business practice and with our psychological conception of the "weekend" on the calendar as well as in fact, and the seventh day thus becomes the day of rest and worship in keeping with the Biblical Sabbath.

All anniversaries will fall on the same week-day each year. There is much sentimental value attached to such an arrangement. It would work like this. Persons born on Saturday, February 11, would always celebrate their birthday on Saturday, February 11. This date would never fall on Friday or Sunday or on any other day of the week.

Attention is called to the fact that George

Washington was actually born on February 11, but changed his birthday celebration to the 22nd when a calendar change of 11 days was put into effect during his lifetime. Under the Perpetual Calendar, Washington's birthday will always fall on Saturday, February 11, and Lincoln's on Sunday, February 12, and Lieutenant Commander Edwards has made an original suggestion that Monday February 13, be celebrated as "President's Day," a nation-wide legal holiday in memory of all past presidents.

Those whose anniversaries fall in 30-day months will not be affected. Of the seven months which now have 31 days, March and December will remain the same. The other five months will be shortened by one day, but Lieutenant Commander Edwards has figured that approximately only 1.37 percent of the present population would have to celebrate their birthday anniversaries one day later, as do those now who were born on February 29 in leap years, and of course, even this minor difference would eventually vanish.

Easter may become a fixed date and possibly another three-day holiday period, as regular as Christmas, since Lieutenant Commander Edwards has suggested that Monday, April 15, be celebrated as Easter Day, a universal legal holiday, following Easter Sunday on April 14. This latter date agrees with a recommendation of the British Parliament, made in 1928, and with the original historic date of the Easter period.

There is no so-called "unlucky" Friday-the-13th in the entire year in contrast to other proposed calendars.

There are always 26 working-days in each month and 65 school days in each quarter, excepting holidays and vacations, and 91 days in any three-month period. Production schedules would thus be much easier to plan and carry out, and accounting comparisons and tax returns would be far more easily figured. . . .

Lt. Comdr. Edwards does not expect to win unanimous approval overnight—any more than did the idea of day-light saving or standard time zones. He says much of the difficulty in pushing his

calendar is not opposition but just natural human indifference toward any change.

\* He has studied this subject for many years, beginning in 1918 while still in high school when the proposed calendar was first devised, entirely independently, and in its present form. While financing college years, from the age of 16 by working on shipboard as a radio operator, opportunity was provided to study the calendars of other lands. Interest continued throughout the years as an undergraduate at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, at the University of Oklahoma and during 15 years of professional engineering in the radio, communication and aviation industries.

After devising his calendar, he started trying to arouse interest in it. . . . Lt. Comdr. Edwards can pull endorsements from his brief-case all day long. He has clippings and letters from everywhere. He even has the blessing of some calendar printing firms who say the Edwards Perpetual Calendar would not hurt their business in the slightest as newly-printed calendars are always desirable each year.

## Major C. W. Giffin Gets Degree

Maj. Charles W. Giffin, '46journ, Oklahoma City, was awarded his degree on July 30, after leaving the University in 1941 with nearly all his academic requirements completed at that time. After entering the Army in March, 1942, Major Giffin was commissioned and assigned to the Air Forces Technical Training Films Production department at Lowry Field, Denver, Colorado.

Last March Major Giffin flew to Bikini where he was assigned to a photographic unit for the atomic bomb tests.

While at the University he served as editor of the Covered Wagon and as campus photographer. Major Giffin has also worked as a reporter for the Lawton Morning Press and the Daily Oklahoman, as staff writer for the WKY news bureau in Oklahoma City and as photographer for the St. John's Camps, Delafield, Wisconsin, and Securities Exchange Commission, Washington, D. C.

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