



President Cross is dubbed "Bah-Kah-Moo-Che" by Albert Atockne, a Comanche Indian chief, after being made an honorary Indian chief at recent campus ceremonies commemorating the fifth anniversary of the "Indians for Indians" program broadcast weekly over WNAD, the University radio station. Dr. Cross' new name means "Arrowpoint" in the Comanche language.

O.U. Operates on Large Scale

(Special Editor's Note: In order that Sooner Magazine may present to its alumni scattered world-wide a picture of a campus that has grown in area fifteen times, practically overnight, and in order that you may visualize some of the rapid-fire development of your University Campus as a special feature writer, a graduate of your University, saw it late in September—we run below a special article by Glenn Bradley, Norman Transcript staff writer.)

If, two years ago, a Norman resident had forecast that in September of 1946 the University of Oklahoma would have multiplied in land size more than 15 times, children would be living in the B.O.Q. at the N.A.T.T.C., the officer's club at the Naval Air Station occupied by University coeds and a half dozen other possibilities there would have been some raised eyebrows.

Two years ago, the University campus could be encircled by foot in 30 minutes or less. This week, a four-hour inspection of three University campuses was made by auto and even then, only the high spots of each area were visited.

The whole idea of the visit was to see first hand what the University has done and is planning for the Naval Air Technical Training Center and the Naval Air Station, both of which are being operated by O.U. on a revocable permit basis.

At each of the three campuses, north, south and main, it is easy to see that the University is going to win its fight for housing and should, by the time Auld Lang Syne is sung in 1946, be able to offer more and better facilities to its students.

On the Main Campus, 500 prefabricated houses are nearing completion. Located south of Lindsay street, the area, at present is not the most beautiful place in the world. When work crews leave, however, and University landscape crews go into to area, the prefabs should be comfortable quarters for 500 married veterans and their families.

In the same area, four 24-unit apartments have reached the finishing stage. The modernistic buildings would be welcome on any campus. Already in use are eight buildings at Woodrow Wilson Center. Robert Whitehand Dormitory, formerly the

Masonic Dormitory, is being converted for University students.

Adjacent to Main Campus and to the south, the N.A.T.T.C. already has given shelter to more than 400 single veterans and an untold number of married students and faculty members.

At present, it is the veterans who have the rough sledding on the South Campus. They are living in five barracks all in bad need of repair or alterations. There are no study hall facilities and no privacy whatsoever.

University work crews are preparing a former ship's service store to be used for recreation while a mess hall is being altered to become a study lounge.

"We aren't complaining," said one veteran approached on the subject. "Most of the fellows realize things are going to be tough for awhile. They want, however, to hold some social functions out here as soon as possible. Biggest need right now is a study hall and better mess facilities."

The boys are studying on make-shift tables in the sleeping quarters. About the meals, nearest cafeteria is several blocks away. It's also had to get to town unless a buddy has a car. Bus service does not touch the barracks area, although attempts to route them closeby are being made.

Navy B.O.Q. offers married veterans, some of them waiting for the prefabs to be completed, good quarters. The five-wing structure has a comfortable lounge with a cafeteria attached. Also housed here are faculty members who would otherwise be homeless.

There were no dissatisfied customers in the B.O.Q. The food, according to those queried, is good, but a check with Mrs. Charles Smalley, who helps run the cafeteria, shows even better is on the way. Three meals a day cost \$1.20, 30 cents for breakfast, 40 cents for lunch and 50 cents for a fancy evening plate.

The officer's club nearby has been stripped of its recreation facilities, much of the equipment being shipped to Memphis by the Navy. It is doubtful if the officer's club will be used much.

In a third area of N.A.T.T.C., a block of barracks is being converted by Federal Public Housing authority into one, two and three-room apart-

ments. Work is progressing rapidly although it started only recently.

If possible, the University wants to operate a Veterans College at N.A.T.T.C. Housing for faculty members, which is hard to find, is the biggest factor discouraging such a college, according to Dr. George L. Cross, University president.

It's a three-mile hop to the North Campus, but the University has had control of this area since last March and is well advanced in its plan to make a complete campus out of its facilities.

Apartment units already have been set up in one area, work has begun in a second, and tentative plans call for a third development. Some of the apartments have electric refrigerators, but stoves have been delayed. Other units for married students offer only housing but a large cafeteria and snack bar are being operated.

In a desperate move to house University women, nearly 200 coeds were sent to the officer's club. They are perhaps the best housed students attending the University. A large, comfortable lounge completely furnished is theirs for social functions. Four girls are living in each room at present, but the number probably will be reduced to three. Connection baths for each two rooms are one of the better features. Two double-deck beds are in each room and study tables have been added. Only thing lacking is closet space, and two girls interviewed said they were extremely happy. On the second floor is a game room.

A study hall is being established in the cafeteria, which will not be operated, according to Mrs. Joe Keeley, hostess at the dorm.

One angle of the North Campus housing probably will be changed shortly. More than 150 girls have been housed in the former Wave barracks. They are similar to the veterans' barracks on the South Campus, except for inlaid linoleum floors. Eventually, these Wave barracks will become apartment units. According to Garner C. Collums, director of housing, the girls in the Wave barracks will receive top priority if other University housing develops.

More than 500 students are now living on the North Campus. Several thousand are attending classes in the area.

Branch libraries, laboratories and a broad curriculum make it possible for some students to live independently from the main campus. It is this feature which overshadows the South Campus possibilities.

This is the University of Oklahoma today.

Architects Plan New Program

A progressive program to meet the architectural needs of Oklahoma builders has been outlined as a goal by the University School of Architecture and Architectural Engineering.

During the coming year, the school will be administered by a committee of three members of the architecture faculty rather than by one person as head of the department. Joseph E. Smay, former head, has resigned as director but will continue on the teaching faculty.

The school is now located in one of the buildings on the new North Campus. The additional space will enable the school to care for an expected 50 per cent or more increase in enrolment this year.

O.U. Buys Drama Clippings

Clipping and press notices telling the dramatic story of the theater in America since the turn of the century are available for research in drama at the University of Oklahoma.

The collection of clippings was purchased by the University from Mrs. Mort Bixler, Mobile, Alabama, who has been employed as custodian and research librarian to prepare the material for the use of the Drama School.

Mrs. Bixler began her work as a hobby, clipping theatrical news from leading magazines and newspapers in the United States and in England. Included in the collection are press notices, illustrations and critical reviews of practically every play produced in the last 40 years.