

Alumni in The News

Tarman Named Group Chairman

Fred E. Tarman, '10ba, publisher of the Norman Transcript, has been appointed chairman of the Newspaper Contest committee for the 1947 Oklahoma State Fair. Clarence Frost, '31ba, publisher of the Kiowa County Star-Review, Hobart, was selected vice-chairman.



FRED TARMAN

Other members of the committee include: Dave Johnson, '38ma, Nowata Daily Star; Ben Langdon, '36, '37, Mangum Daily Star; W. G. Strong, Okemah Daily Leader; N. B. Musselman, Shawnee News Star; H. Merle Woods, '17ba, El Reno American; C. S. Hubbard, Kingfisher Times; Willis Lansden, Beaver Herald-Democrat; Aaron A. Fischer, '29, Woods County Enterprise, Waynoka; John H. Casey, University of Oklahoma School of Journalism, and Ralph T. Hemphill, Oklahoma State Fair Association.

Shepler Remodels News Plant

Following complete remodeling, redecorating and modernizing of the Lawton Constitutional newspaper plant, Ned Shepler, '18, the firm's publisher, announces that it is one of the most up-to-date printing establishments in the state.

Both front and rear additions have been made to the plant which occupies a 50-foot frontage on C avenue. The rear enlargement will accommodate 53 carriers and an enlarged and improved stereotyping department, while the front alteration will permit the enlargement of business, advertising and editorial departments with private offices for the office manager, circulation department and the Constitution's companion publication, the weekly Lawton News-Review.

The entire building has been redecorated in gray and white.

Shepler, active in state newspaper circles for many years, is president of the Oklahoma Press Association.

Beaird Rides Longest 'Range'

By STEWART HARRAL

From Boise City to Broken Bow and from New York to New Zealand—there dwell 75,000 University of Oklahoma alumni, and it's one man's business to keep up with them.

He is "Range Rider" Ted Beaird, executive secretary-manager of the O. U. alumni association, who holds undisputed claim to knowing more Sooners than any other person.

Keeping up with O. U. grads since the class of '96 is no small task, as Beaird will tell you, but he manages each year to meet more than 10,000, or about 13 per cent, of the former Sooner students. To do this he annually travels an average of 10,000 miles per year. Between 1923 and 1934 he averaged over 40,000 miles per year traveling in the interests of University groups.

The association "paid customers" includes a total of 5,043 alumni of the University and 47 chartered O. U. alumni clubs. Sixty-two per cent of the membership resides in Oklahoma, while every other state in the union with the exception of one has members in the association. The foreign membership is 121, of which 90 per cent are still in the armed forces.

Wherever Sooners get together, an alumni group springs up. The 47 alumni clubs are organized in such widely separated spots as Altus and Bartlesville, Washington, D. C., Guam, the South Pole, the Aleutians, Tokyo, and the Fiji Islands. Two other foreign groups are in Honolulu and the Panama Canal Zone.

Scattered around the United States are 14 out-of-state alumni clubs. They are located in New York City; Chicago; Fort Smith, Arkansas; Kansas City, Missouri; St. Louis, Missouri; Los Angeles, California; Minneapolis, Minnesota; Washington, D. C.; Wichita, Kansas; Dallas, Tyler and Wichita Falls, Texas; Seattle, Washington, and Denver, Colorado.

Twenty-two state O. U. alumni clubs are active.

Fellers Elected Bar Chairman

James D. Fellers, '36ba, law, Oklahoma City lawyer, was elected national chairman of the Junior Bar Conference of the American Bar Association at the annual convention of the association in Atlantic City, New Jersey, recently.

The conference consists of lawyers under 37 years of age, representing all states, territories and insular possessions of the United States. As national leader of the younger lawyers Fellers will direct a program of activities during the coming year designed to improve relations between the public and the legal profession through public service and dissemination of information.

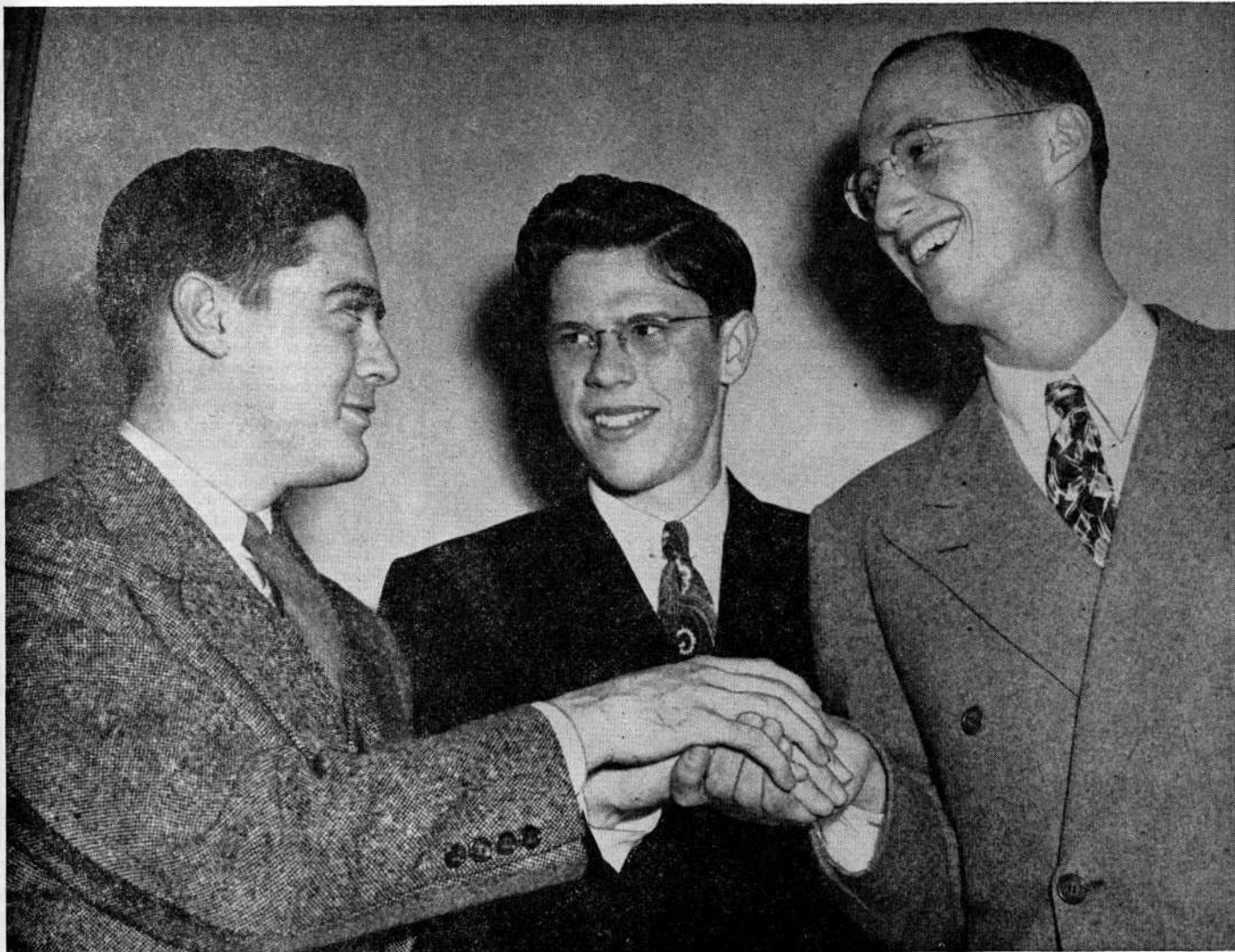
A nation-wide public information program will be conducted to acquaint the public concerning the United Nations Organization and the International Court of Justice. A resolution was adopted unanimously at the Atlantic City meeting calling on all 6,500 members of the conference to devote a portion of their time "to honest diligent study of public issues and the merits of candidates for office" and "to public exposition of the underlying facts and of their own informed views" of such subjects.

Mr. Fellers served as state chairman of the Oklahoma Junior Bar Conference in 1938-39 when the younger lawyers maintained legal aid clinics in Oklahoma City and conducted an anti-loan shark campaign, which resulted in the adoption of small loan legislation in Oklahoma. He returned to private practice in Oklahoma City last year as a partner in the firm of Suits and Fellers after four years active duty with the Army Air Forces. Mr. Fellers served as a lieutenant colonel in the Mediterranean and European theaters of operation, and was awarded the Bronze Star and Army Commendation medals. During the last year he has represented the Oklahoma Bar Association in the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association and was national vice-chairman of the Junior Bar Conference. He is the first veteran and the first Oklahoman to head the national group.

Fellers was active on the Sooner campus from 1931-36 when he was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity. He is now active in civic affairs in Oklahoma City, serving as a member of the Board of Directors of the Junior Chamber of Commerce and as president of the Cosmopolitan Club.



LUNCHEON GROUP, AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS CONFERENCE, UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA, DEC. 11, 1946
 Seated left to right are: Matilda Starns, Mildred Morris, Juanita Lee, Irene Pate McGoodwin, Nadine Compsey, Mrs. Alexander, Lucy Tandy, Maude Kitchens, Launa Fling, Jessie Buffington. Standing left to right are: W. B. Ragan, C. M. Howell, Thurman White, C. H. Goben, Francis Noel, W. R. Fulton, Elmer Petree, S. M. Wilcoxson, Willis T. Hall, H. H. McBride, John Morris, Ben Palmer, John Haley, J. B. Stout, Merle Glasgow, Chas. D. Johnson, Ted Anderson, Owen King, Roy Martin, Henry Hansen, Theodore D. Rice, C. E. Costley, and John Freeman.



Congratulatory handshakes for being selected as one of 48 American Rhodes scholars are given J. Raymond Hinshaw (left), '44ba, '46med, McAlester, by "runners-up" Mark Allen Everett (center), University pre-med junior, Oklahoma City, and Robert L. Lunsford III (right), '43ba, Cleveland. Everett and Lunsford were the other two Oklahomans selected for the district finals.

Hinshaw Gets Rhodes Award

J. Raymond Hinshaw, '44ba, '46med, McAlester, was selected late in December as one of 48 American Rhodes scholars from a record list of 871 contenders.

Hinshaw, 23, the son of Dr. J. R. Hinshaw, '19bs, '21med, and Mrs. Hinshaw, '20ba, '21ma, of McAlester, was one of three Oklahomans selected in state competition to compete in the gulf district competition in New Orleans. Mark Allen Everett, 19, '48, of Oklahoma City, and Robert L. Lunsford III, 25, '43ba, Cleveland, were the other two Oklahomans selected for the district finals.

Hinshaw received an M.D. from the University Medical School in March of last year. In Medical School he was editor of the first individual year book published by the institution. He also was literary editor of the Apex Beat, school paper, and a member of the student council. In addition to numerous other school activities, he had an outstanding scholastic record.

The year's list of winners, first to be selected since 1938, includes representatives of 35 colleges and universities and 33 states. Dr. Frank Aydelotte, American secretary to the Rhodes trustees, said,

The men selected will enter Oxford University at Oxford, England in October, 1947, and will receive about \$1,600 per year from the fund established in 1904 by Cecil John Rhodes, South African statesman, who planned the project to "bring about peace, enlightenment and uplift of mankind."

Aydelotte said that 233 colleges and universities had sponsored candidates for the Rhodes scholarships and, in order to permit members of the Armed Forces to compete, applicants had to be interviewed in Berlin, Tokyo and Oxford as well as in centers established throughout the United States.

The number of American scholars selected for the awards in previous years totaled 32, but the additional 16 were added this year together with a broadened "war service" qualification under which veterans of the armed services might compete. Hinshaw was selected in this classification.

The broadened qualification, inaugurated to help compensate for the curtailment of the scholarships during the war years, relaxed the regular age and marital state restrictions, enabling candidates with war service to compete if they were between 19 and 31 years old instead of the previous 19 to 25 limit. The restriction against married men also was lifted this year.

Cooley Reports From Texas

Dear Ted:

I am sorry for not being prompt or punctual, for I did not realize your request for Sooner news was anything important.

There has been little of interest around these parts, especially to the Sooners. I do know that Mrs. Rector, formerly of El Reno, had a group of Pi Phi's spend the week with her. I remember only one name, that of Alice Hyde, '19ba. They live just a short way from me, but I did not know that they were in town until I saw the paper article.

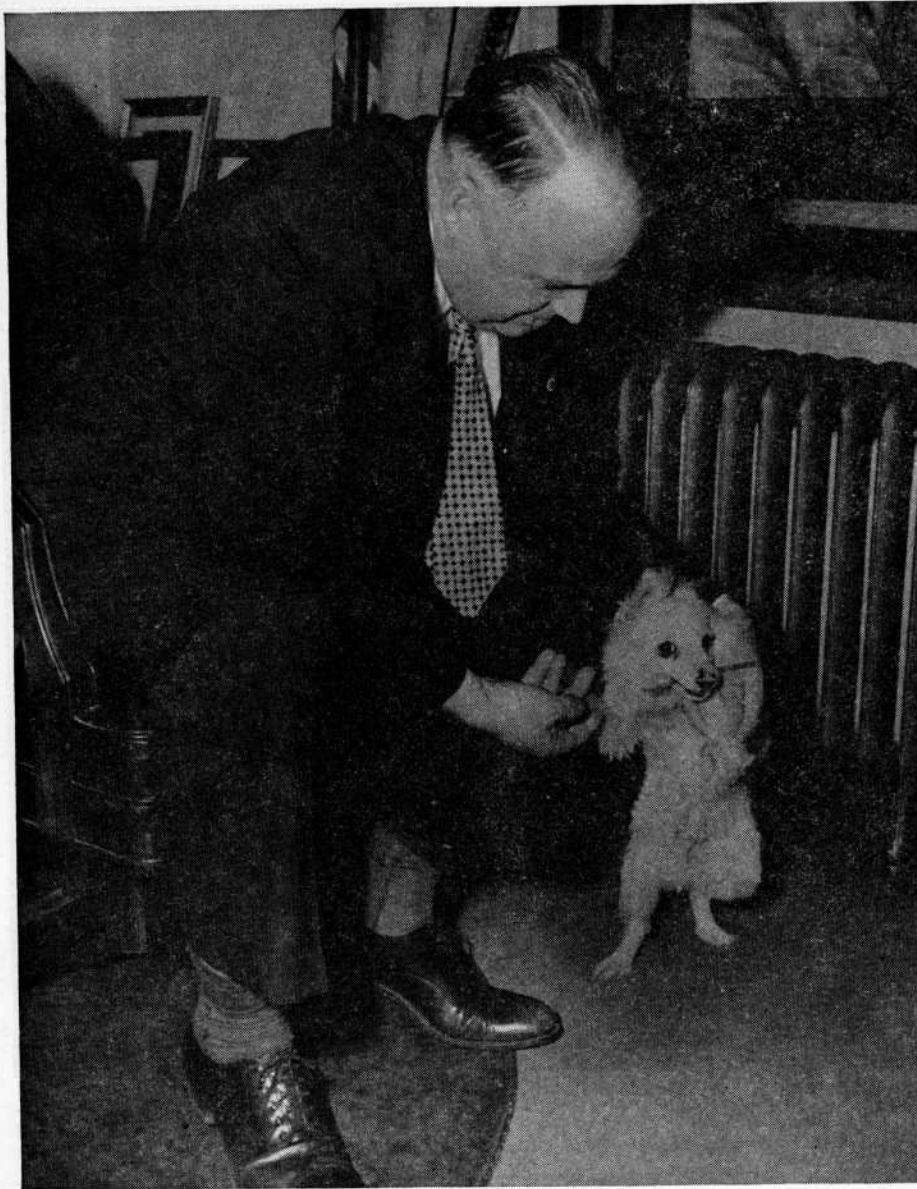
There are several boys here in training at Ft. Bliss that have come over to the house and spent some time. Among these were two Norman boys, Hank Brazil and Jim Downing. We have enjoyed them very much. Then the son of HESSIE Frost Teas, '22, and Paul Teas, '23, came over frequently until being sent to O.C.S.

You may be interested to know that Dorrance Roderick, '22ba, is about the King of Radio in this end of the country. He has just opened a new station at Silver City. I understand he has interests in several others—at Carlsbad and other cities in this neighborhood. I saw Dick, '14-'15, '24-'26, and Jelah Downing the other day at Roswell. They are opening a bank there and it is thought it will go over in a big way. Had a call from T. Jack Foster, '29, one night last week. He was on his way to Albuquerque where he has mining interests.

We are loosing the A.A.R.T.C. and the training center here is going to Ft. Ord. This is taking lots of soldiers from here, and that will lessen our chances of seeing some of the Sons of Sooners.

I am connected with a group of doctors who are quite busy, and as a result have been unable to attend any of the University affairs. If things let up I may get an opportunity next fall to come to some of the games. I would like to see one for it has been five years since I've attended a game. I do follow them in the papers. I think the Sooners did a good job this year and hope for a better one next year.

Yours very truly,
Ben Cooley, '21med
303 First National Bank Bldg.



Toothbrush in mouth and "grinning" victoriously, Magnolia, household pet of Governor Robert S. Kerr and family, seems to say, "It's mine, now!" Formerly the exclusive property of Governor Kerr, the toothbrush was relinquished to Magnolia—after the governor discovered that he had been "sharing" his toothbrush with Magnolia for several days.

Hamilton Receives Bronze Star

William M. Hamilton, '34, former chief pharmacist's mate, U. S. N. R., has been awarded the Bronze Star medal, the Eighth Naval District Headquarters, New Orleans, La., has announced.

Citation for the award, which was signed by Secretary of the Navy James Forrestal, reads:

"For meritorious achievement as a crewman on board the U.S.S. Holder in action against enemy forces off the Algerian Coast, April 11, 1944.

"When his vessel was torpedoed, causing severe structural damage and extensive casualties to personnel on board, Hamilton promptly established an emergency dressing station, organized his facilities and, working tirelessly and with great skill, effectively treated many seriously burned and wounded men.

"By his cool initiative and unselfish concern for the welfare of his shipmates, Hamilton effected an early and safe transfer of many seriously wounded men to base hospitals ashore and contributed to the probable saving of several lives, thereby reflecting great credit upon himself and the United States Naval Service."

Hamilton enlisted in the Navy in November, 1942, and served overseas 20 months. He took part in the invasion of Italy and the Okinawa campaign.

He was discharged in October, 1945.

Employed as a pharmacist for Cooley Drug Company, Fort Smith, Arkansas, Hamilton is married and the father of a son, Billy, 2.

Knowlton Named Band Officer

Chief Warrant Officer Homer Knowlton, a graduate student at the University in 1939-'40, has been assigned as theater band officer in the music section of the Theater Special Services, Frankfurt, Germany. His wife, Celeste Todd Knowlton is living in Oakdale, North Carolina. He is the son of Homer Knowlton, Snyder, Oklahoma.

Theater Special Services under the direction of Maj. Gen. A. R. Bolling is responsible for the recreation and entertainment of all United States occupation troops in the European theater. Athletics, libraries, Army service clubs, stage shows and music are a few of the many T.S.S. activities.

Knowlton is a graduate of Snyder High School. After leaving the University in 1940 he entered the Army Air Corps, in which he has served for six and one-half years. He was graduated from the Army Music School in May of 1942. He arrived in Europe last fall. Knowlton has been guest conductor on several occasions with the Theater Special Services Band, which broadcasts every Sunday evening from Wiesbaden (Germany) Opera House.

Mystery Solved by Kerr Dog

Gov. Robert S. Kerr, '16, is the proud owner of a brand new tooth duster—now that he has successfully solved the "case of the disappearing tooth brush," which plagued the Kerr private mansion for several days.

According to the chief executive's own account of the perplexing household drama, Magnolia (that's daughter Kay's white dog, weighing exactly seven pounds), was the real culprit, but the governor also is feeling sheepish about the whole affair.

Governor Kerr gave this play-by-play of his sleuthing which finally unraveled the mystery:

"I am very careful always to keep my tooth brush in the medicine cabinet except when I am using it personally. Monday morning, November 25, it was not there. I found what appeared to be it on the side of the wash basin. I questioned Bill (the governor's son) and Mrs. Kerr, and they both assured me it was my tooth brush and that neither of them knew how it got there. I used it and put it back in the medicine cabinet.

"The next morning it was not there. I found it on Mrs. Kerr's dressing table. I questioned everybody concerned, received assurance it was mine, and in spite of the fact that neither they nor I could figure out how it had gotten where it was, I used it again and put it back in the medicine cabinet.

"The following morning it was missing again, and again I found it, or what appeared to be it, on the side of the wash basin. My curiosity was really aroused. I was somewhat concerned, but upon renewed assurances that it was my tooth brush, and that no one else had used it, I used it again and put it away in the medicine cabinet.

"On Thursday morning it was missing again, and this time it couldn't be found on the wash basin or on Mrs. Kerr's dressing table or anywhere in our part of the house.

"A little later in the morning, Magnolia trotted into the room where I was. Magnolia had an article in her mouth which looked to me very much like the tooth brush that had been playing hide and seek with me for four days.

"I said: 'Kay, what is that in Magnolia's mouth?' Kay answered: 'Oh isn't that the cutest thing?' Magnolia has been playing with that for nearly a week and she leaves it in the funniest places and when she and I look for it we always find it in the medicine cabinet. We don't understand it because neither of us ever put it there."

"I didn't say a word. I was very much afraid that Magnolia and I had been sharing the same tooth brush. I have surrendered all claims that I may ever have had to it and will do all I can to see that Magnolia's possession of it is uncontested by me from here on out.

"Needless to say, I am now the proud owner of a brand new tooth brush."

University Gazette

Oklahoma Aviation Association Meeting, January 22.

Flower Judging Short Course, February 6 and 7.

All-State High School Orchestra, February 12 and 13.

"Church Music in Oklahoma," a conference, February 14 and 15.

Radio Conference, February 27, 28, March 1 and 2.

Junior College Forensic Association Tournament, March 12, 13, 14.

Motor Vehicle Fleet Supervisors Training Institute, March 24, 28.

Municipal Planning Institute, March 26 and 27.

State Debate Tournament, April 16, 17 and 18.

Oklahoma University Vocal Contests, April 24 and 25.

Boys State, June 7-14.

The Association of Childhood Education Workshop, June 9-21.

Linguistics Institute, June 9 to August 22.

Professional Writers Short Course, June 16-19.