

Alumni in The News



EVERETTE LEE DEGOLYER, '11ba . . .
In fifty years, from pioneer's son to millionaire

'Phi Bete'-Publisher-Geologist DeGolyer Visits Sooner Campus

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As a man who owns the nation's top literary weekly, the *Saturday Review of Literature*, as well as a fabulous library of work on the Southwest, and who is a Phi Beta Kappa, author, editor and publisher; as a geologist who made geophysics pay off in billions, and as a homesteader's son who was born on a prairie and became a millionaire before he reached his fiftieth birthday, Everette Lee DeGolyer, '11ba, may easily be considered one of the more successful graduates of the University.

DeGolyer, who visited the campus recently, remarked that the place had changed "quite a bit" since he last attended classes here in 1911. His return to the campus was in connection with the arrangement of a new curriculum in the School of Petroleum Engineering.

During his undergraduate days DeGolyer was able to achieve success under the most difficult conditions. He attended high school one year and then took two years out to work before entering the University in 1906 to study geology.

He paid his way through the University by working during the summer on field crews for the U. S. Geological Survey, first as a camp cook and later as field assistant.

Dropping out of school at the end of his junior year in 1909, DeGolyer headed for Mexico as junior geologist for Mexican Eagle.

Then in less than a year, as supervising geologist for the drilling of Potrero del Llano No. 4, he brought in a well that has produced more oil than any other in the world—130,000,000 barrels.

After this astounding event, DeGolyer rushed back to the states and married his University sweetheart, Nell Virginia Goodrich, '07ba, and finished work for his Bachelor of Arts degree in geology.

The only buildings standing which were here at the time of his graduation are the Old Science Hall, the Education Building and the old gymnasium now known as the Liberal Arts annex.

Now a world renown authority on certain phases of petroleum engineering, DeGolyer was reassuring to those who might be alarmed over

the rapid loss of our petroleum resources. "Although it is true that we are using our oil at a very rapid rate, it is apparent that we will not run short for a long time," he said.

He pointed out that the time will come when it will be necessary to make synthetic petroleum from natural gas and coal, but that a serious shortage of petroleum products would not occur.

"Atomic power has been considered by some as a threat to the petroleum industry but the present use of such power will be restricted to use only in the major industrial installations and will not replace petroleum products as a major fuel in our economy in the near future," DeGolyer continued.

One of the important medals in DeGolyer's collection is the John Fritz Medal, given in memory of the early-day Pennsylvania iron and steel industrialist. It has been awarded to such notables as Thomas A. Edison, George Westinghouse, Orville Wright, and Guglielmo Marconi. DeGolyer received it in 1942 for his "vision and leadership in developing and applying the art of geophysical exploration to petroleum deposits."

His library of Southwestern items, one of the finest in the country, was started more than 30 years ago.

DeGolyer has done his share of writing, too. He has written more than 100 technical articles for magazines, as well as a book, "My Adventures in Zuni," a history of Zuni Indian customs.

DeGolyer celebrated his 60th birthday last October 9. He's senior partner of DeGolyer and MacNaughton, consulting geologists, consultants for Petroleos Mexicanos, Conselho Nacional de Petroleo of Brazil, and Naval Petroleum Reserves for the U. S. Navy, among others. His office and a home are located in Dallas.

Mrs. Harral Elected President Of Norman Alpha Chi Alumnae

Mrs. Stewart Harral (Opal Freeland, '34fa, '40bs) was installed as chairman of the new alumnae chapter of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority, which was affiliated with state and national organizations during reactivation activities in Norman March 1.

Other officers of the local Beta Mu Beta chapter are Mary Lou Stubbeman, '45bus, Norman, vice president; Mrs. A. O. Weese, Norman, recording secretary; Mrs. J. B. Drace (Sarabeth Stubbeman, '34ba), Norman, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Frank White (Lucille Rose White, '32), Norman, treasurer, and Mrs. Hillyer Freeland (Dorothy Gish, '41bs), Norman, chaplain.

Installation ceremonies, which were held in the parlor of McFarlin Memorial Methodist Church, were attended by 76 state and local alumnae. A luncheon and meeting in the chapter house preceded the investment services.

Mrs. George Lynn Bowman (Edna Hoffman, '28ba), Kingfisher, state chairman, presided at the luncheon and assisted with installation. The latter was conducted by Mrs. John B. Watson, El Paso, Texas, regional director. Mrs. Celia Mae Bryant, Norman, provided appropriate musical background.

Others playing an important part in the activities were Mrs. Freeland, director of luncheon arrangements, and Mrs. Selwyn S. Webber (Rosamond Stephenson, '42ba), Norman, chairman of the planning committee, who was assisted by Miss Stubbeman and Mrs. Harral. Official photographer was Mrs. Garner Collums.

Visiting officers were entertained by Miss Stubbeman in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Stubbeman of Norman.



On the receiving end of congratulations from Major Bill Cox, '21ba, '24ma, Ponca City, is Joe Calloway, a '41 grad, one of ten University alumni who received awards for outstanding work in radio recently. Calloway is radio professor at Michigan State College. Spectators in the foreground are Paul Walker, '12law, another award recipient, and Mrs. Ruth Ferris, '30ba, former member of the University journalism faculty.



Sooner alumnae meet at the first post-war conclave of Alpha Chi Omega, social sorority, held on March 1 at the University. Purpose of the conference was to establish the Norman Alpha Chi Omega club as an affiliated alumnae chapter. Alumnae include (first row, left to right) Mrs. Glennabelle Lain Hazel, '23bm, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Celia Mae Small Bryant, Norman, and Mrs. Idabel Seitz Jones, '27bs, Oklahoma City. Second row, left to right, Mrs. Edna Fehring, Norman; Mrs. Mildred Pryor, '33-'35, Oklahoma City; Helen W. Marsh, '30bs, Tulsa; Dena Lee Jones, '43ba, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Virginia Rine Wilson, '46bs, Norman; Mary Lou Stubbeman, '45bus, Norman, and Mrs. Lucille Long Hudson, '45fa, Norman. Third row, left to right, Gene Sumner, Oklahoma City; Wilda Griffin, '27fa, '33fa, Norman; Mary Kathryn Huff, Norman; Mrs. Agnes Rutledge, Tulsa; Mrs. Inez Bever Price, '24bs, Norman; Mrs. Margaret Watson, El Paso, Texas; Elizabeth Halbert, '23fa, '27ba, '31lib.sci, Norman; Mrs. A. O. Weese, Norman; Mrs. Hazel Huntington Park, '16-'18, Tulsa, and Thelma Grigsby, Oklahoma City. Fourth row, left to right, Mary Thomp-

son Heinen, '19ba, Okarche; Mrs. Dorothy Gish Freeland, '41bs, Norman; Mrs. Helen Boughman Webster, '31fa, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Edna Hoffman Bowman, '28ba, Kingfisher, and Mrs. Kathryn Clarke Sponenberg, '42bus, Norman. Fifth row, left to right, Mary Elizabeth Flood, '41bs, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Rosamond Stephenson Webber, '42mus.ed, Norman; Mrs. Helen Legg Sullivan, '41ba, '42lib.sci, Norman; Mrs. Sarabeth Stubbeman Drace, '34ba, '39ms, Norman; Mrs. Opal Freeland Herral, '34fa, '40bs, Norman; Mary Kay Seabock, '46bs, Norman; Mrs. Genevieve Hutchinson Wright, '32fa, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Frances DeBolt Hessmer, '27bs, Oklahoma City; Mary Jane Murray, '44bs, Tulsa; Mrs. Laura Neal Billings, '38ba, Ponca City; Mrs. Sally Goodson, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Ann Crile Bailey, '46bus, Norman; Shelley Howe, '40ba, Ponca City; Mrs. Eloise McCown, Hoard, '37fa, El Reno; Mrs. Jennie Goodson Cannon, '24fa, '26bs, Ponca City; Mrs. Lloyd McConnell, '19-'22, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Dora Dean Jones, '15ba, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Virginia Carrol, Norman; Mrs. Amy Nelson, '23ba, Tulsa, and Mrs. Lucille Rose White, '32, Norman.

Reporting on Legislative Session

One of the largest press staffs in history—14 reporters including 2 radio newsmen—is keeping the Oklahoma public informed of the activities of the 20th Oklahoma legislature.

The 1947 capital press corps includes two reporters each from the Associated Press and United Press, *The Daily Oklahoman*, *Oklahoma City Times* and *Tulsa World*. One man each has been assigned to the statehouse by the *Tulsa Tribune* and radio station WKY and KOMA in Oklahoma City.

In addition, Leroy A. Ritter, '25ba, veteran capitol newsmen, issues his *Statehouse Reporter* and provides special coverage for clients.

The oldest and perhaps the best known of the capitol newsmen is Otis Sullivant, '24, who covers the senate for the *Daily Oklahoman*. Sullivant's by-line either under his own name or as "the Observer" has been familiar to Oklahoma newspaper readers for about 20 years.

Sullivant studied journalism at the University of Oklahoma and worked on the *Oklahoma News*, Oklahoma City, and the *Fort Worth (Tex.) Press and Record* before joining the *Daily Oklahoman* in 1927. Since 1929 he has been the chief political writer for the *Oklahoman*.

Working with Sullivant in covering the legislature for the *Oklahoman* is Ray Parr also a veteran reporter of the Sooner political scene. Parr received a B.A. degree in journalism from the University of Oklahoma in 1932, and joined the *Daily Oklahoman* in 1934.

Since that time he has covered a variety of assignments for the newspaper and is known as one of the state's best feature writers. He has more

or less regularly, however, been at the capitol and is covering the house of representatives for the present session.

Henry Burchfiel, a member of the *Oklahoma City Times* staff for the last several years, is assigned to the state senate. Before going to the Oklahoma City newspaper, Burchfiel was employed on the *Tulsa World*.

A member of the *Times* staff who started out on the newspaper as a copy boy and worked up to one of the top reporting jobs is assigned to the house of representatives. He is Bob McMillin, who is covering his first legislative session.

The capitol news staff of the United Press includes Carter Bartley, covering the senate, and Miss Jasmine Hatchett covering the house of representatives.

Bradley received a B.A. degree in journalism from the University of Oklahoma in 1940. He worked about a year on the *Ponca City News* before going to the *Oklahoma City Times* in 1941. He went to the United Press in December, 1943. He has been assigned to the statehouse during legislative sessions.

The regular statehouse reporter for the United Press is Miss Hatchett, the first woman to fill that post for the press service in Oklahoma. She first went to the capitol in 1942.

Miss Hatchett obtained her first newspaper experience on the *Durant Daily Democrat*. Later she worked on the *Daily Oklahoman* and got her first political experience doing publicity for Robert S. Kerr, '16, in his campaign for governor.

The Associated Press reporters for the legislature are Gene Potes, covering the senate, and Francis Barden, covering the house.

Potes, who received his degree from the Uni-

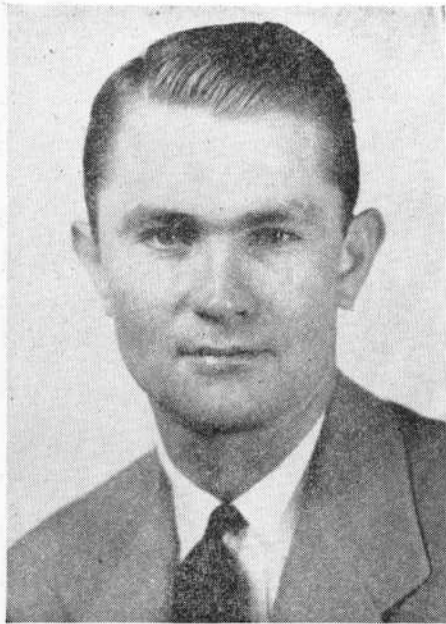
versity of Oklahoma School of Journalism in 1944, is the regular capitol reporter for the A.P. He has worked on the *Sulphur Daily News*, *Muskogee Phoenix* and *Tulsa World* and has been with the press service since May, 1945. Barden is a veteran A.P. staff member and has been with the Oklahoma City bureau since 1934. He served during the war with the infantry, and returned to the Oklahoma City bureau after his discharge.

Joseph Howell, '42, has been the capitol correspondent for the *Tulsa Tribune* since 1937. He joined the *Tribune* as a reporter in 1933 and covered various city runs until his transfer to the statehouse. Howell also writes a column for the *Ponca City News*.

N. G. Henthorne, '39-'36, the *Tulsa World* representative, first went to the capitol in 1937, after previously covering runs in Tulsa. He is a former student in the University of Oklahoma School of Journalism. Henthorne served in the Navy during the war.

This year marks the first time that radio stations have had reporters on the scene covering a legislative session. George Dewey Peck, former publisher of the *Stroud Democrat*, has a daily 15-minute commentary program broadcast over KOMA.

The news bureau of WKY sends Kenneth Lowe, '36-'40, to the capitol daily to obtain news to supplement its United Press and Associated Press radio wire coverage. Lowe is a former journalism student at the University of Oklahoma. He worked as reporter and newscaster for station KADA at Ada and was a reporter for the *Ponca City News* before entering the Army in 1942. He joined the WKY as news reporter and newscaster last year after his discharge from the Army.



BUCK CARTWRIGHT

League of Young Democrats Elects Cartwright as President

Sooner Magazine is happy to present the new president of the State League of Young Democrats, Buck Cartwright, '42law.

Practicing law in Wewoka since being discharged from the Navy, Cartwright defeated John W. Kelly of Stillwater during the stormy election session held in Oklahoma City the latter part of February. For the winner, heated political rows are nothing new, for politics runs in his family and his blood. His brother is Wilburn Cartwright, '20law, former congressman and present secretary of state.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Cartwright, Wapanucka, Oklahoma, Cartwright was active in student administrative circles while attending the University. He was elected president of his senior law class after serving as vice-president of his freshman and junior classes. In addition to his studies, Cartwright supervised the boys' resident project of the National Youth Administration while at O. U. He belonged to Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity, Delta Tau Delta social fraternity, Congress Club and the Lawyers' club.

Magazine Prints Moseley Speech

An alumnus of the University of Oklahoma who has long been distinguished as an educator and scholar has gained new prominence as a speaker. He is Dr. John O. Moseley, '16ma, president of the University of Nevada.

One of Dr. Moseley's latest accomplishments appeared in the scholarly magazine, *Vital Speeches of the Day*, which twice each month features "the best thought of the best minds on current national questions." Moseley's contribution, entitled "The Target Invisible," appeared in the December 15 issue and was a copy of an address he delivered last fall at the inauguration of Dr. Fred T. Mitchell president of Mississippi State College.

Stressing the obligations and opportunities of institutions of higher learning, President Moseley said in part:

"Education is, after all, essentially an effort on the part of oldsters to teach youngsters how to practice what the oldsters more or less believe in themselves, but alas! perform rather poorly. Education is a mirror of our social customs, our business methods, our political actions, our codes, creeds, and taboos . . .

"The best we can expect of any education is to instruct the young to do well what we ourselves believe to be worthwhile and at the same time to give free scope to the development of wholesome

variations in the faith that they will surpass us in the quest for wisdom and happiness.

" . . . education must entice inhibition to come from within; taking care not to stifle youthful initiative, independence of spirit and the creative urge which make for those wholesome variations upon which our hopes are based. Woe to the school, of whatever grade, which permits its processes to suppress in the young a joy of living, a sense of proportion, a feeling of identity with the Divine plan of the universe and the urge for knowledge!

Quoting William James, Moseley added:

"Be not afraid of life. Believe that life is worth living and your belief will help create the fact. The scientific proof that you are right may not be clear before the day of Judgment but the faithful fighters of this hour may then turn to the faint hearted who declined to go on with words like those with which Henry IV greeted the tardy Crillon after a great victory had been gained. 'Go hang yourself, my brave Crillon: We fought at Arque and you were not there.'"

" . . . Education is truly the hope of civilization," President Moseley said in conclusion. "With it we have got to win—for the sake of our children—in the ideological struggle going on about us throughout the world and with it under God's guidance and the exercise of our humanity, we will find a way for men to live together in plenty and in peace. When our people see that we are doing a job, they will give us the tools to finish the job. Let us envision the coming victory of the atomic age and find glory in the knowledge that future generations can't tell us to go hang ourselves for we were there."

Dr. Moseley, who was awarded a Rhodes scholarship while attending Oklahoma University in 1916, later taught here a few years. He was appointed president of the University of Nevada in 1944, going there from the University of Tennessee, where he formerly served as dean of students. From 1935 through 1939 Dr. Moseley was president of Central State Teachers' college at Edmond.

National Research Council Files Include 34 Sooner Grad Names

Names of 34 University of Oklahoma alumni who have earned doctoral degrees in research sciences elsewhere since leaving the University may be found in the files of the National Research Council, Washington, D. C., according to information released recently by the council.

These distinguished Sooner-researchers are:

Ernest Ball, '37bs, '38ms, now working in the Harvard Biological Laboratories, Cambridge, Mass-

achusetts. Fred A. Barkley, '30ba, '32ms, '32-'34, employed in the herbarium of Chicago Natural History Museum. John C. Brixey, '24ba, '25ma, associate professor of mathematics, O.U. Chalmer L. Cooper, '23bs, '26ms, with the United States Geological Survey, Washington, D.C. Glenn C. Couch, '31bs, '37ms, dean of the University College. Walter B. Dye, '24bs, Berkeley, California. Edgar D. Eaves, '28bs, '30ms, educator, Knoxville, Tennessee. Spofford Gray English, '38bs, '40ms, physician, department of chemistry, University of California, Berkeley.

Julian F. Evans, '26ba, '32ma, physicist living in Tulsa. Robert D. Evans, '14bs, engineer, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Paul C. Fine, '35ba, Washington, D. C. Robert T. Florence, '32bs, '34ms, chemist living in Chicago. Frank C. Gentry, '29ba, '30ma, assistant professor in mathematics, Louisiana Tech, Ruston, Louisiana. David M. Grubbs, '33bs, '34ms, Fort Worth, Texas. Leslie Hewes, '28ba, instructor, department of geography, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska. Walter Mayo Higgins, '40bs, instructor in the department of pharmacy, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.

Daniel J. Jones, '33bs, '35ms, geologist, Bartlesville. Margaret Kaeiser, '34bs, '36ms, teacher, St. Joseph's College, West Hartford, Connecticut. Edgar Laroc Kanouse, '32bs, engineering living in Los Angeles, California. Charles H. Larwood, '25bs, teacher in Toledo, Ohio. Alfred R. Loeblich, Jr., '37bs, '38ms, Washington, D.C. Helen Nina Tappan Loeblich (Mrs. A. R. Loeblich, Jr.), Washington, D.C. Ross A. Maxwell, '29bs, '31ms, geologist with the National Park Service, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Velma E. Nichols, '28ba, '32ms, address unknown. James G. Phillips, '30ba, '33ma, physician living at Albuquerque, New Mexico. Jackson P. Sickels, '35ba, chemist, Plainfield, New Jersey. William McCray Simpson, '36bs, engineer, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas. Paul Frederick Smith, '38bs, '40ms, address unknown. Charles E. Springer, '25ba, '26ma, chairman of the mathematics department, O.U. Ramona L. Todd, '31ba, '33ms, physician, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Capt. Stanmore B. Townes, '23ba, '25ma, overseas with the Army Air Corps. William E. Wallace, Jr., '31bs, teacher, department of geology, Centenary College of Louisiana, Shreveport. Wayne Webb, '29ba, '31ms, teacher, State College, Pennsylvania. Dean E. Wooldridge, '32ba, '33ms, with research laboratories of New York Bell Telephone Company, New York City. Dixie Young, '21ba, '22ma, University of Oklahoma, associate professor of zoological sciences.



Alpha Chi Omega Alumnae officers who attended the March 1 Conclave at Norman include (first row, left to right) Mrs. Hazel Huntington Parks, president, Tulsa alumnae chapter; Mrs. Margaret Watson, chairman, Alumnae Fifth District, El Paso, Texas; Mrs. Edna Hoffman Bowman, '28ba, Alumnae State Chairman, Kingfisher; Mrs. James S. Billings, chairman, Ponca City Alumnae chapter; (second row) Mrs. C. D. Gerard, hostess, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Rosamond Stephenson Webber, Norman '42 mus.ed.; Mrs. Richard B. Rutledge, national secretary, Tulsa; Mrs. James D. Webster, '31fa, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Opal Freeland Harral, '34fa, '40bs, chairman of newly installed Norman Alumnae Chapter.



Here it is—the first photo of the 1947 Nominating Committee for the University of Oklahoma Alumni Association Executive Board. Pictured from left to right are (front row) Owen Townsend, '40law, Oklahoma City; Hal Muldrow, Jr., '28bus, committee chairman, Norman; Maj. Bill Cox, '24ma, Ponca City, president of the Alumni Association; (back row) Harold R. Belknap, '25ba, Norman; John "Jack" Luttrell, '41law, Norman; Menter

Baker, '42bus, Oklahoma City, and J. F. "Maj" Malone, '37ba, Norman. Two other members, Paul Reed, '16, Sulphur, and Edgar D. Meacham, '14ba, Norman, are not pictured. The committee's principal project is the nominating of 18 alumni from which six are to be elected to the Executive Board during balloting between April 15 and May 15. The alumni office plans to distribute 25,000 ballots.

Alumni Nominees Selected

Under call issued by Maj. Bill Cox, '21ba, '24ma, Ponca City, president of the University of Oklahoma (Alumni) Association, the annual meeting of the Nominating Committee was held at alumni headquarters on February 27. Major Cox appointed to the Nominating Committee the following alumni:

HAL MULDROW, JR.—'28bus, Norman insurance agency executive—committee chairman. After serving in the Army for over five years, Muldrow was discharged with a colonel's rank, and last summer was promoted to brigadier general in the National Guard. He participated in six European campaigns during World War II. He is at present a member of the Executive Board of the Association.

J. F. "MAJ" MALONE—'37ba, assistant to the president of Oklahoma Operating Company, Oklahoma City—committee member. A former intelligence captain in the Army Air Corps, Malone later was director of short courses, extension division, at O. U. before resigning in favor of his present position.

EDGAR D. MEACHAM—'14ba, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, past president of the Alumni Association and member of the Board of Governors of the Oklahoma Memorial Union—committee member. Dean Meacham has been on the O. U. campus more than 30 years.

OWEN TOWNSEND—'40ba, '40law, former captain in the Army Air Corps and state representative. Now practicing law in Oklahoma City, Townsend was county attorney of Love County before entering the service and until recently served as chairman of the State Industrial Commission. He

is serving currently as a member of the Union Board as well as of the nominating committee.

JOHN M. "JACK" LUTTRELL—'38ba, '41law, Norman lawyer and former lieutenant in the U. S. Navy. A Rhodes scholarship winner and graduate of Oxford University, England, Luttrell was a member of Norman High School's national championship debate team in 1934. Following his return from service, he served as a special professor in the O. U. School of Law before entering private practice. He is now serving as a member of the Union Board of Governors.

MENTER BAKER—'42bus. A former Army captain, Baker is now director of conventions and institutes of the Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the Board of Governors.

HAROLD R. BELKNAP—'25ba. For many years active in Norman civic affairs and University activities, Belknap is business manager of the *Norman Transcript*.

PAUL REED—'16, Sulphur—member. Received major's rank before getting Army discharge. Reed, recently appointed commissioner of public safety by Governor Turner, has a long record of service on University boards, commissions and committees. He is one of three alumni representatives on the O. U. Athletic Council and is a member of the Board of Governors of the Oklahoma Memorial Union.

Mr. Cox, as ex-officio member of the committee, presided at the meeting.

Nominations for the 1947 ballot were made by the Nominating Committee as follows: Nine alumni were chosen to fill the three executive board positions at-large. Three nominees each were selected for Districts 2, 4, and 7. In each of the three

districts the nominee receiving the greatest number of votes will be seated on the Alumni Executive Board for a three-year term, while the three nominees from the at-large list will be seated in the annual commencement meeting of the board (June, 1947) to serve three-year terms.

The terms of C. V. Nichols, Anadarko, and William F. Absher, Bartlesville, members at-large; James L. Robinson, Tahlequah (dis. 2); James R. Frazier, Wewoka (dis. 4), and Mrs. June Baker Durkee, Norman (dis. 7) will expire at the annual meeting in June.

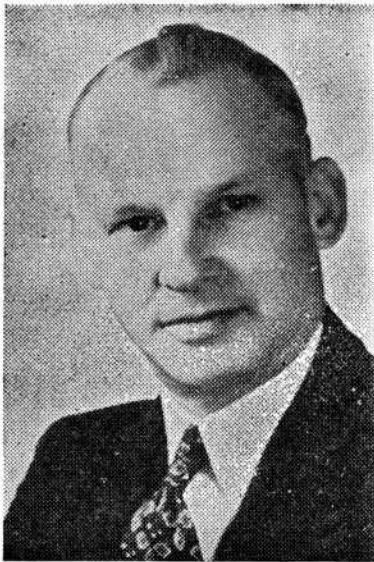
Under the constitution and by-laws of the Alumni Association, the ballots are sent out worldwide on April 15 of each year for votes to be cast on Executive Board nominees.

All members of the 1947 Nominating Committee were present except Dean Meacham, who was ill, and Mr. Reed, who was busy with his new state duties the day President Cox assembled the alumni group on the O. U. campus.

John C. Knight, '41arch, has been awarded the \$1,000 Weymer foundation traveling scholarship for 1946 which is open to all graduate students in architecture at the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago.

Robert Jefferson Cawthon, '41, Seminole, is owner and operator of the Cawthon's Grocery in Seminole.

Lysle Rex Wright, '40-'41, and Mrs. Wright (Mary Sholl, '45fa) are the parents of a daughter born recently in Cushing. Mr. Wright is attending Oklahoma A. and M. college at Stillwater.



DENVER D. KIRKLAND

Kirkland Named O.E.A. President

Denver D. Kirkland, '33m.ed, superintendent of McAlester public schools, is the new president of the Oklahoma Education Association.

A native of Kentucky, Kirkland came to Oklahoma 26 years ago as principal of Barnsdall Junior High School. Leaving Barnsdall after one year there, Kirkland has served 25 years in administrative positions in Oklahoma schools. He occupied superintendent's desks at Burbank, Maud, Coalgate and Holdenville before going to McAlester six years ago.

In 1938-39 Kirkland was president of the Oklahoma School Administrators' Association. He is also a former president of Osage and Pottawatomie Counties Teachers Associations. He has presided over the board of trustees of the Oklahoma Teachers Retirement System the past four years and has worked actively for several years for the organization of the State Teacher's Retirement System. Kirkland is a member of the O.E.A. Legislative Committee and the Board of Directors.

A veteran of World War I, Kirkland was graduated from Northwestern State Teachers College, Alva, and later received his masters degree from Oklahoma University. While attending the University, he was a member of Phi Delta Kappa and Kappa Delta Pi fraternities. Other affiliations include: vice-president of McAlester Lions Club; 32nd degree Mason, membership of the First Missionary Baptist Church of McAlester.

12 Lawyers to Lecture Students

Addresses by 12 prominent Oklahoma lawyers remain on the semester's calendar for O.U. law students, according to Dr. W. Page Keeton, dean of the School of Law.

Beginning at 11 a.m. each Wednesday, the lectures are being held in room 200 Monnet Hall, and are open to the public. A unique feature of this address series which began early in February is the fact that all but two participating attorneys are either alumni, husbands or fathers of alumni.

Thumbnail sketches of lawyers scheduled to speak on the campus follow:

March 5—A. P. Murrah, '28law, Oklahoma City. Subject, "Federal Appellate Court Practice." At 44, Murrah is one of the youngest justices of the Circuit Court of Appeals, Circuit 10.

March 12—G. A. Rinehart, Army veteran and member of the law firm of Butler and Rinehart, Oklahoma City. Subject, "Industrial Commission Practice."

March 19—John H. Cantrell, '24law. Subject, "Corporation Commission Practice." General counsel for Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Cantrell is past president of the Oklahoma Bar Association. He's a member of the law firm, Cantrell, Carey and McCloud, Oklahoma City.

March 26—Hal Thurman, Dallas, Texas, general counsel for Braniff Airways. Formerly of Oklahoma City, Thurman is the father of the late Harold C. Thurman, '32law. His subject will be "Some Practical Aspects of Corporate Practice."

April 2—H. T. Tumilty, title attorney for American-First Trust Company, Oklahoma City. Subject, "Examination of Abstracts, Etc." Mrs. Tumilty is the former Louise Edwards, '24.

April 9—James S. Twyford, Oklahoma City. Subject, "Tax Titles." A member of law firm Twyford, Smith and Crowe, Twyford is the father of Mrs. Aileen Twyford Fuller, '37fa.

April 16—C. D. Ellison, '27law. Subject, "Drafting Wills." Ellison, Oklahoma City, is an authority on wills and taxation of trusts.

April 23—R. R. "Duke" Duvall, '28law. Subject, "Insurance Practice." A member of law firm Dudley, Duvall and Dudley, Duvall has wide experiences in the field of trial work for insurance companies.

April 30—M. W. McKenzie, Oklahoma City. Subject, "Community Property." A member of Everest, McKenzie and Gibbens law firm in Oklahoma City, McKenzie is author and lecturer on "Community Property." His son is Malcolm W. McKenzie, Jr., '37eng, Oklahoma City.

May 7—J. B. Dudley, another member of Dudley, Duvall and Dudley, Oklahoma City. Subject, "Ethical Questions Arising During Trial." Three Dudley sons have attended Oklahoma University. They are Carter G. Dudley, '39, Oklahoma City; John Benton Dudley, Jr., '35law, and Paul Dudley, '32law, Oklahoma City.

May 14—Claude Monnet, '22law. Subject, "How To Build a Law Practice Ethically." A son of Julien C. Monnet, dean emeritus and founder of the University School of Law, Claude Monnet is a member of law firm Monnet, Hayes and Brown, Oklahoma City.

May 21—Royce H. Savage, '27law, Tulsa. Subject, "Jurisdiction of Federal Courts." Savage has served as federal judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma the past five years.

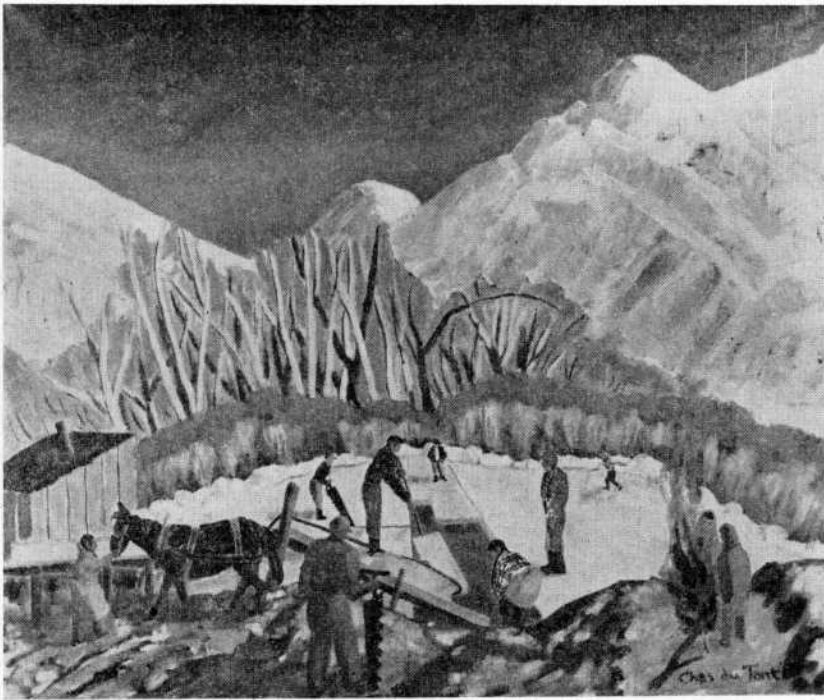
Solons who have already appeared before the University's potential lawyers include Thurman S. Hurst, '12law, Oklahoma City; Coleman Hayes, '26law, Oklahoma City; C. J. Blinn, former mayor of Oklahoma City, and Robert O. Bailey, '24law, Oklahoma City.

Harry A. King, '41eng, West Orange, New Jersey, and Mrs. King are the parents of a son, Harry Andrews, Jr., born recently in West Orange. Mr. King has resumed his position with General Electric in the Air Conditioning Department at Bloomfield, New Jersey, following his release from military service.

Maj. Cullie B. Harris, '41eng, is now stationed in Washington, D. C., with the World Headquarters of the Air Weather Service. Mrs. Harris is the former Virginia Turnbull, '45h.ec. They are the parents of a son, Darryl Brent, born August 26, 1946, and a daughter, Janice Elaine, who is three and one-half years old.



The Range Rider takes his turn. Being handed a special award for his contribution in developing the University radio station WNAD is Ted Beard, '21ba (left). Making the presentation is President Cross. Seated is Kenneth Fry, chief of the international division of the State Department, an after dinner speaker on the radio awards program.



*"The Ice Cutters" . . .
Oil painting by Charles du Tant, '25, '29, Taos, New Mexico. Owned by Mrs. H. S. Griffin, Brownsville and Wichita Falls, Texas.*

Du Tant 'Trades' Ink for Easel

An alumnus of Oklahoma University who is enjoying success as an artist is Charles du Tant, '25, '29.

Du Tant, whose home is at Talpa Plaza, Ranches of Taos, New Mexico, was superintendent of the University's Journalism Press, Incorporated, before deserting printer's ink in favor of the palet and easel. He and Mrs. du Tant (the former Christine James, '31fa) left Norman in 1945 to join the Sangre de Christo art group at Taos, where the former is devoting his entire time to painting.

Du Tant's watercolor and oil landscapes have been valued by art collectors in this nation for many years. Currently he is represented by two large paintings at the Memphis (Tennessee) Academy of Arts, where products of prominent New Mexico artists are being shown. Two of his monotypes are on display in the Northwest Print Show, Seattle, Washington. Three oils, a tempera and another watercolor are traveling around the United States with works of five other Taos painters.

Andrew Dashburg, the Paris-born modernist; Louis Ribak and Beatrice Mandelman, both well-known in New York art circles, and Du Tant are scheduled for a big group show at the Ebell Galleries in Hollywood next fall.

A painter since the age of 13, Du Tant grew up in a newspaper family and has worked at almost every job in the publishing business; but his painting always came first. He made two cross-country trips in the 1920s, painting and sketching. Later one of his works, "Oklahoma Farm Land," was the only oil painting from Oklahoma accepted for exhibition at the annual Midwest exhibition at the Kansas City Art Institute. The selecting jury was composed of Thomas Hart Benton and Boardman Robinson, internationally known artists.

While employed at the University, Du Tant made many fishing and painting trips to New Mexico, where he finally bought and remodeled a century-old adobe house at Talpa. That was nearly 18 months ago, and since then paintings by Du Tant have been displayed twice in O.U.'s Art Building.

Looking back over his stay in Norman, Du Tant writes that his student-teacher relations with Leonard Good, professor of art, is one of his most important experiences.

"Leonard didn't bother you. He simply saw to

it that you worked. After all, painting at its best is just another search for the eternal, and there isn't a teacher alive and there never has been one who could tell you where to look."

In addition to painting, Du Tant finds time for a variety of hobbies. He is experimenting with architectural design, is a member of the Taos Little Theater group, delights in winter sports, trout fishing and mountain hiking.

Frederick Luther Thompson, Jr., '41eng, Tyler, Texas, is employed as a petroleum engineer with the Humble Oil and Refining Company in Tyler. Mrs. Thompson is the former Virginia Teeter, '42 fa.



*"Valley of the Hondo" . . .
Another oil by Du Tant, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Niven Busch, Hollywood, California.*

Conner Receives Bronze Medal

Herald A. Conner, '34bus, Oklahoma City, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal. Citation for the award, signed by James Forrestal, secretary of the Navy, reads:

"For heroic service as assistant communications officer for Commander Transport Squadron 17 in action against enemy Japanese forces in the Pacific war area from December 18, 1944, to November 18, 1945.

"Throughout this period, Lieutenant Conner assisted in organizing the staff; participated in the initial assault and landings on Kerama Retto and Te Shima; spent a 35-day period in the Okinawa area where his flagship was hit by a Japanese suicide plane, participated in the occupation of Jinsen, Korea and Taku, China, and in the lifts of the Chinese 13th and 18th armies from Kowloon to Chinwangtoa and Tsingtao . . .

"His devotion to duty throughout was in keeping with the highest tradition of the United States Naval service."

Conner entered the Navy on March 23, 1944, and served overseas for 12 months. He is now employed as an agency director for North American Accident Insurance Company. His mother, Mrs. Grace E. Rose, lives in Oklahoma City, as do his wife and daughter, Kay, 12.

Rollins Appointed Artillery Exec

Maj. Albert F. Rollins, '35, has been recently assigned as executive officer of the 24th Field Artillery Battalion, 12th Infantry Division, Philippine Scouts, stationed at Camp O'Donnell, Tarlac, Philippines.

He has served in central Germany and the Philippines with the 86th Infantry Division.

Major Rollins attended the United States Military Academy at West Point and various field artillery schools after leaving the University.

He wears the Bronze Star medal, E. T. O. ribbon, Asiatic Pacific medal, Philippine Independence ribbon, American Defense medal, American Theater ribbon, Medal of Occupation and Victory medal.

His wife, the former Bertille McMahan, '38fa, resides at Altus.

Association Progress

Cross Recommends Med School Land Grant for V.A. Hospital

A recommendation by President Cross that four and one-half acres of the University Medical School campus be given the Veterans Administration for a proposed \$18,000,000 veterans hospital has been approved by the Board of Regents and has been presented to the Oklahoma Legislature.

The action was requested of President Cross by Dr. J. P. Gray, dean of the School of Medicine, in February. The additional land brings the University grant to a total of nine acres.

Col. Harry E. Brown, member of the Veterans Administration's national hospital committee and member of the Senate veterans affairs committee, predicted recently that actual construction on the hospital would begin within the near future. It is expected that engineers will begin surveying the site within a short time after transactions are completed. They must be formally approved by President Truman and V. A. headquarters in Washington.

The original estimate of the hospital was \$10 millions on 4.5 acres of land but officials of the V. A. held the acreage was too small to accommodate the 1,000-bed hospital. A Senate committee has agreed to amend the bill to include nine acres. The University owns all the area except three lots and is arranging to obtain this from private owners.

Dean Gray and President Cross said the money obtained from the land grant would be used for further expansion.

Regents Act

At a meeting, the Board of Regents accepted the resignation of eight faculty members, administrative and clerical employees who are former students. They include: Elizabeth B. Barnett, '36phys. ed, instructor, physical education for women; W. H. Akers, instructor in geology; Stanmore Brooks Townes, '23ba, '25ma, who failed to return to his position after termination of his leave of absence for military service.

Wiley Richard, '42fa, announcer, WNAD; Annetta Lee Kent, '45ed, clerical stenographer, correspondence study department; Mrs. Mary Jane Noble, '46bus, clerical stenographer, office of counselor of women; Hazel Gunby, '41lib.sci, head of the periodical department, University library; and Ann Gottlieb, '46ba, junior psychometrist.

Faculty and clerical appointments were approved by the Board of Regents recently. The appointments made were: Lawrence Vernon Scott, '43bs, instructor of plant sciences; Irving Yale Fishman, '42bs, graduate assistant in zoological sciences; John T. Hedges, '29law, special instructor in economics; Hal Muldrow, Jr., '28bus, part-time special instructor in finance.

James Dolph Carmichael, Jr., '41ba, special instructor in economics; Richard P. Yielding, '36-'38, and Lowell Dean Gregory, '40ba, half-time instructors in mathematics; Jack M. Bowers, '39fa, '41ma, music director, WNAD, assistant professor of music; Raymond Grover Loper, '38-'41, graduate assistant in petroleum engineering.

Guy Herbert Brown, '42ba, instructor in speech; Mrs. Ruth F. Walton, '38ba, '41ma, instructor in journalism; C. Joe Holland, '37ba, supervisor of student publications and special instructor in journalism; Ruth Ann Park, '45ba, and Ann Hardy, '46ba, teaching assistants in English; Ruth Collier McSpadden, '44ba, teaching assistant classical languages; William Allen Snyder, '45, graduate assistant in physics.

Administrative and clerical appointments made were: Patti Webb, '46bus, junior accountant; Mrs. Virginia Nation Schubert, '45bus, clerical secretary; Don M. Frensis, '41-'43, budget clerk; Arthur L. McElmurry, '41-'43, junior accountant; Fred Grove, '37ba, assistant in press relations; Mrs. Edith Walker Hefley, '41ba, clerical secretary, department of government.



Watching while WNAD director John W. Dunn glances at script to be broadcast over Oklahoma ether waves are announcers Guss King Babb (left), finance major from Tulsa; Jack Payne (second from right), sophomore arts and science student from Okemah, and Hilary Fry (right), arts and science junior from Davis.

Soonerland's WNAD 'Grows Up' From 10 to 1,000-watt Station

From a 10-watt station in the basement of a student's home to a 1,000-watt station with sound proof studios on the fourth and fifth floor of Oklahoma Memorial Union Building tells much of the quarter of a century history of WNAD, University of Oklahoma's official broadcasting station.

Many changes and improvements have transpired since the station first went on the air in the home of its owner and builder, Maurice L. Prescott, '24eng, '31eng, (now a General Electric application engineer) in September, 1922. Prescott, assisted by the Oklahoma Radio Engineering Co., which was organized by him, soon boosted the station's power to 50 watts. By the time school started in the fall of 1923, the station had been purchased by the School of Engineering which had MAURICE L. PRESCOTT built a 100-watt transmitter in the Electrical Engineering Laboratories. O. W. Walter, '20ba, '21eng, '26eng, assistant professor of electrical engineering, supervised this construction.

During this early day period the station was limited to about two-hour broadcasts three nights a week. It now operates on a full daytime schedule, averaging about 10 hours a day with more than 200 broadcast periods each week. A recent permit from the Federal Communication Commission authorized broadcasts of basketball games at night.

The present day station of 1,000 watts was

boosted to that power by steps, not all at once. In 1925-26, a complete assembly of new equipment permitted an increase in power to 500 watts. At this time Charles E. Bathe, '25eng, '33ba, was operator of the station. He was assisted by Byron McDermott, '28eng, under the direction of Professor Walter, in the installation of the new equipment.

The official opening of the 500-watt station was held in January, 1926. Since then the "Voice of Soonerland" has been heard in every state in the union, every Canadian Province, Alaska, Mexico, New Zealand, Hawaii, Cuba and other remote points.

In 1927, Ted Beaird, then director of town and country service in the University Extension Division, assumed the duties of program director and general manager of the station. C. V. Bullen, assistant professor of electrical engineering, was appointed to serve as mechanical director. In 1931, when Bullen resigned from the faculty, Clyde L. Farrar was appointed chief engineer and mechanical director.

Then in 1932, Walter Emery, '34law, now in the legal department of the Federal Communication Commission, was appointed chief announcer and studio manager by General Manager Ted Beaird. At that time Emery was director of forensics in the University.

Emery was succeeded by Homer R. Heck, '35, in 1934, who served under Beaird as studio manager until 1935, when Harold McCollum, '34ba, was appointed. In 1937, Heck, now NBC production manager in Chicago, took over general management of WNAD and also became assistant manager to Ted Beaird in the Alumni Corporation. Heck held these positions until Beaird left for army service early in 1942. A few weeks after Beaird reported for active duty, Heck resigned in favor of his NBC assignment.