

# Alumni in The News

C. B. Memminger, '14ba, '33law, Atoka, who was director of Boys' State for five years, handled the election procedure for the boys. He is a member of the National Boys' State committee of the American Legion, and it was through his efforts that the organization was established in this state in 1939.

Charles B. Duffy, '22law, Ponca City, commander of the State American Legion Department, spoke to the boys on the principles of state government.

Alumni who participated in the program as special instructors were Chief Justice Thurman Hurst, '12law, Oklahoma City; Paul Reed, '16, Oklahoma City; Dr. M. L. Wardell, '19ba, Norman; Justice Earl Welch, '11, Oklahoma City; Randell S. Cobb, '19law, Oklahoma City, and J. William Cordell, '17, Oklahoma City. Non-alumni instructors were: Don Bowen, instructor in government at the University, and Granville Scanland, immediate past commander of the Legion.

Among the staff members and counselors were Earl Fisher, '17-'18, Norman; Levi Muncy, '42 m.ed, Bartlesville; Willis T. Hall, '31m.ed, Durant; Tom Finney, '45ba, Idabel; Ewing Sadler, '38ba, '38law, Sulphur; Ted Foster, Jr., '43, Oklahoma City; John Baumert, '43bus, Norman; Oliver Benson, '32ba, '33ma, Norman, and Paul Duncan, '35ba, '37law, Oklahoma City.

Students who were on the staff and who acted as counselors are E. E. Hill, Shawnee; Wayne Quinlan, Alva; Howard Edmonson, Muskogee; John Sullivan, Barnsdall, and Ed Boatman, Okmulgee.

Members of the faculty who were on the staff but are not graduates of the University are Dr. R. J. Dangerfield, Paul Duncan and Rufus Hall, all of the University's department of government. Other members who are non-alumni are Ted Williams, Norman; Ben Easterly, Alva; Dr. Roy Gravelle, Norman; H. Parsons, Norman; William R. Fulton, Norman; Pete Weaver and Thomas P. Gilmer.

The Boys' State held at the University is only one of the many held in the nation. Prior to the war 37 states participated, but since then the number has grown to 44.

Each state has its own program patterned after its state government.

It is an intensified program of eight days duration. During this period the boys' time is filled with classes, courts, legislatures and all other representative offices of state, county and municipal governments, lectures, recreation and special speakers. There is no idle time at Boys' State.

The boys are separated into two political parties, the Boomer party and the Sooner. These parties perform all of the functions of a political party. They hold conventions, caucuses and engage in heated campaign speeches.

Three elections are held: state, county and city. This year the boys elected the Sooner party's Don Davis from Sapulpa their governor. His margin of victory was only 23 votes in a hotly contested election.

The objectives of the program are to teach the boys the workings of their government and to develop their leadership abilities so they will be intelligently fitted to assume governmental duties when their generation will become the leaders of our country.

It is a practical laboratory where the boys actually learn the workings of the government by doing them. In addition, this work is supplemented with textbook material and tutoring from men who are experienced in governmental operation and regulation.

Credit for the organization and management of Boys' State goes to the American Legion. However, and other items would have been prohibitive had it not been for the sponsorship of the various state civic groups that "got behind" Boys' State and

helped defray expenses. These organizations cooperated to the amount of \$10,000 this year.

This amount was accumulated by these groups and represents \$22 for each boy attending the program. This provided for the delegates' board and transportation. In some instances the groups provided the boys' spending money.



CHARLEY MEMMINGER, '14ba, '33law . . .  
*Father of Oklahoma's Boys' State*

## Alumni Jaycees Help Make O.C. Club the Best in Nation

By J. C. GRIMES, '40ba

Oklahomans in general and Oklahoma Cityans in particular have a pretty good reason to be proud of the Oklahoma City Junior Chamber of Commerce.

That organization, under the leadership of President Webster L. Benham, Jr., '43ba, in 1945-46 was awarded the Harold A. Marks Award by the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce, naming it the outstanding Junior Chamber in the nation.

But the real outstanding feat was the winning of that same award for the second year in succession. A. G. Meyers, Jr., '35-'36, president for 1946-47, was awarded the second Marks awards at the national convention in Long Beach, California, on June 15.

The recipients of an award of this calibre have to more than get together a bunch of facts and prove to all the other Jaycees in the nation that they did a good job. There must be plenty of work behind those projects to get the job done right.

For instance, Earl Nichols and Alex Cheek, '40ba, '40llb, vice-presidents, put in hundreds of man-hours on the development and conduct of the agriculture programs for the two-year period which included county and state junior livestock shows, 4-H Club achievement banquets, 4-H demonstration day, and Jaycee farm tours. The agriculture committee was awarded first in the nation for two successive years.

Other projects directed by members of the organization included aviation with Bill Freeman as director; Americanism led by Paul Thomson; community face-lifting under Glen Snook; community welfare funds—this is one that hundreds of

Jaycees participated in; almost every drive for funds in Oklahoma City had a Jaycee team—led by Ed Hall; Christmas lighting directed by Fred Young and Frank Sandford, '41; governmental affairs under Charles Donaldson, '43ba, '44law, and Troy Knowles—this committee circulated the State Highway Reorganization Petition and conducted a vigorous "Get-Out-The-Vote" campaign.

Marmaduke Corbyn, Jr., a national director for the state junior chamber, and now the state president, was the key man in relations with the state and national organizations and was one of the speakers at the organization of Junior Chamber International in Dallas in the fall of 1946. With the assistance of Robert E. Lee, '41bus, Corbyn helped organize Junior Chamber all over the State of Oklahoma.

Membership and Personnel was a vital phase in the operations of the Oklahoma City group. When Web Benham took office in June, 1945, the organization had barely 400 members. By the end of that year, there were over 1,000 members, and when A. G. Meyers turned over the reins to the new president, Clark Horton, in June, 1947, the rolls showed 1,627 members.

Much of the credit for the membership of the organization goes to Drive Chairman H. B. Lee in 1945 and C. B. McCary in 1946. But Colonels such as Ray Keitz, '42bs, Pep Phillips, Bob Howard and Clark Horton were due much of the credit that goes to a job well done.

The work of this team of Jaycee veterans produced a budget unexcelled in Junior Chamber history in Oklahoma. They went out on a \$12,000 drive and turned in over \$16,000 at the close of a week's attempt.

This made the work of the Junior Chamber much easier. They could spend money on civic affairs that they had never before been able to touch.

One of the major civic projects for the year was the youth activities committee, headed by J. C. Grimes, '40ba and Troy Knowles, '46bus. This committee worked closely with the office of the county judge as consultants to juveniles who needed "big brother" assistance. They conducted, under the leadership of Carl P. Smith, a state-wide high-school band festival and parade.

Other youth activities included work with the City-County Juvenile Council; organization and operation of a youth council for clearing community ideas with a group of teen-age boys and girls. They also promoted "Parental Delinquency Week" and other projects of similar nature.

The Oklahoma City Jaycee publication, the *Jaycee Builder* was edited and distributed to the membership every week, telling the latest in projects and activities of the organization. Kenneth Harris, '39ba, now public relations assistant to University President Cross, was the editor for the first year. Carl Smith, Bryce Harlow, '36ba, '42ma, and J. C. Grimes edited the publication in its second year.

The lists of project activities could go on forever. The Oklahoma Cityans conducted 119 of them in a year's time—that averages at least three or four activities at the same time throughout the year.

Jaycees in Oklahoma City attribute some of their greatest success to the outstanding type of Tuesday Forum meetings that were conducted. Speakers of the highest calibre were selected to headline Tuesday luncheon meetings which included entertainment of the best type and many special features.

Headed by Ed Oppenheim, '35-'36, and assisted by Jesse Todd, '38-'39 and a bevy of other Jaycees, these luncheon headliners brought crowds of as many as 600 persons to Tuesday meetings.

Any organization must have strong leadership to attain national stature. The success of the Oklahoma City group is attributed to the method of organization used and to the proper selection of its officials.



Here is the current Board of Directors of the Oklahoma City Junior Chamber of Commerce. Seated, left to right, are Charles Donaldson, Jack Leach, Bill Freeman, Ed Hall, Paul Thomson, Jimmie Vaughan, Art Wood, Bill Bryan, Alex Cheek, Duke Corbyn, Jr. A. G. Meyers, Jr., Ralph Neely, T. J. Dulaney, C. B. McCray, Bob Howard, Carl P. Smith, Earl Nichols, David B. Benham,

James D. Fellers, Eddie Kessler, '36, Clark Horton and Mike Massad, '32. Standing are J. C. Grimes, '40, John Walbert, Jack Clark, '42-'43, Don Black, Bob Frank, Bob Lee, Betty Coleman (office secretary), Glen Snook, Bill Stammer and Ed Oppenheim, '35-'36.

The organization is directed by a board of directors of 24 men, who in turn have an executive committee of seven men, making up the officers of the organization. The regular board of directors is supplemented by an associate board of 12 men. In that manner, when a board member is no longer able to serve, he has a trained replacement ready to take his place.

The members of the board of directors and the associate board assume the responsibility for the operation of the major standing committees in addition to their function as directors. This gives a dual control to all operations of the organization. The board itself meets every week and their agenda is always full.

The executive committee which served with Web Benham were Del Cravens, Bob Spahn and Clark Horton, vice-presidents; Bob Frank, treasurer; Duke Corbyn, national director; Bob Lee, state director; and John Alberts, immediate past president.

A. G. Meyers had as his executive committee Bill Bryan, Alex Cheek and Earl Nichols, vice-presidents; Bob Frank, treasurer; Duke Corbyn, national director; Bob Lee, state director; and Web Benham, immediate past president.

A word about the present administration. Clark Horton, the new president, has as his executive committee Ed Oppenheim, David B. Benham and Ed Hall, vice-presidents; Bob Frank, treasurer; Duke Corbyn, state president; Jimmy Fellers, '36ba, '46llb, state director; and A. G. Meyers, Jr., immediate past president.

The organization today is stronger than it has ever been in all Jaycee history in Oklahoma City. More manpower is working than has ever before been utilized. For instance, when a sudden urgent call came from the Woodward Relief Rodeo Committee for help in conducting a parade, the Junior Chamber organized and put on the entire parade in two weeks time. And more than 30 Jaycees were on hand to help chairmen Bill Morris, '43 and Paul Parsons get the parade on its way.

A tribute to the Junior Chamber is that it does have what a functioning organization of its type needs—young manpower at work. It has plenty of that. It has men who want to work. They are the force that makes Oklahoma City a better place in which to live. They are striving for an even better future.

### Alumna Author Gets Award

One of the most coveted awards in the literary field has been earned by an Oklahoma City alumna of the University of Oklahoma.

Alice Marriott, '35ba, author of *The Ten Grandmothers*, was on a recently announced list of Guggenheim Memorial Fellowship winners. For the past year and a half she has been living near an Indian pueblo on a Rockefeller Fellowship granted through the University of Oklahoma. During that time she wrote a book on *Potter of San Ildefonso*, the life of Maria Martinez, well-known Pueblo Indian pottery maker.

With the manuscript for this book only recently turned over to the O. U. press, Miss Marriott has returned to Santa Fe and is making preparations for her next book. It will be about Nambe pueblo, 15 miles from Maria's San Ildefonso.

Miss Marriott was one of the speakers at the creative writing course conducted by Walter S. Campbell June 16-19. She was accompanied to Oklahoma City by the illustrator of her latest book, Mrs. Margaret Schoonover.

### Updegraff Cited by Red Cross

Paul W. Updegraff, '30law, Norman attorney, flew recently to Cleveland, Ohio, where he accepted his appointment as the first Oklahoman to be appointed to the National Board of Governors of the American Red Cross.

Mr. Updegraff was selected to the board at the final plenary session of the national meeting held in Cleveland.

Eight governors are appointed by President Truman and 30 others are elected by the Red Cross chapters from a list of 550 submitted in the United States. Mr. Updegraff was chosen by the chapters.

The Norman attorney served as Cleveland County Red Cross chairman from 1940-1944, giving over 2,500 hours in volunteer work for the organization. He served in the Navy from February, 1944, to March, 1946. He is now serving on the Board of Directors of the county Red Cross chapter.



WEBSTER L. BENHAM, JR., '43ba . . . The first Marks Trophy, won by the Oklahoma City Junior Chamber of Commerce in 1946, is being held by Alumnus Benham, who was president of the Organization at that time.



This is a window display of the trophies and other awards received by the Oklahoma City Jaycees for projects completed in the year 1945-46. A similar collection has been achieved for activities in 1946-47.

## George McGhee Gets High Post

The United States secretary of state has announced the appointment of George C. McGhee, '33bs, as co-ordinator of aid to Greece and Turkey.

Mr. McGhee, special assistant to William L. Clayton, under secretary for economic affairs, already has co-ordinated the initial formulation of plans and personnel for the Greek and Turkish missions both in the department and as the deputy chairman of an interdepartmental committee.

As co-ordinator, Mr. McGhee will be attached directly to the under secretary of state for the purpose of assisting and expediting the work of the chiefs of the aid missions. He will receive all problems and requests of the chiefs of mission and immediately will focus the attention of the department and other interested agencies of the government on them in order to obtain the fastest possible action.

In announcing the appointment, the department pointed out that Mr. McGhee has a comprehensive economic and political background in both government and private industry. Special assistant to Mr. Clayton for the past year and a half, he was also a top official of the War Production Board in its formative years and United States deputy executive secretary of the Combined Raw Materials Board in 1942 and 1943.

## Mansfield Manages State Paper

Joehugh Mansfield, '34ba, publisher of the Odessa (Texas) *American* the past two years, has been employed as business manager of the Pauls Valley *Democrat*, of which James T. Jackson is editor and publisher.



He will work on all phases of advertising, display, classified and legal, and assist with publishing duties.

Mansfield was graduated from the University of Oklahoma Journalism School. He has had experience in the mechanical department of the Spearman (Texas) *Press* and *Northwest Oklahoman*, Shattuck; as assistant editor of the Cleo

Spring *Chieftain*; advertising salesman on the *Seminole Evening Reporter*, *Seminole Producer*, *Ada Morning Times*, *Shawnee American* and *Austin (Texas) Tribune*. He was business manager of the *Bethany Tribune* when he resigned to go to Odessa.

## Kayser Sees Scholarship Need

Hope that other citizens would give money for scholarships in journalism was expressed by J. W. Kayser, Chickasha *Star* publisher, when he presented a \$250 travel scholarship June 11 to Larry Stephenson, Headrick, University of Oklahoma journalism student.

In making the presentation at a dinner at Norman, Kayser said: "Several persons have given grants for research in medicine and other sciences, and I hope with my humble beginning to inspire others to further journalistic study in the state university by establishing scholarships."

In memory of his son, John Winston, 1938 graduate of the Journalism School who was killed in action in France November 14, 1944, Kayser will annually give \$250 to a journalism senior chosen by the journalism faculty with approval of the University officials and Board of Regents. Bases of the award are scholarship, Christian leadership and aptitude in journalism.

Stephenson will use his award in studying public opinion research methods of Dr. George Gallup at Princeton University and Elmo B. Roper, jr., at Columbia University. He will spend August in Princeton and New York, returning to O. U. in September.

## 'Bud' Gentry Dies in Accident

J. M. "Bud" Gentry, '15ba, Enid, who was head of the state safety department under the Marland and Kerr administrations, was killed in an automobile accident July 10 near Edmond. An Oklahoma City passenger also suffered fatal injuries in the mishap.

It was under Gentry's leadership that Oklahoma's safety department became one of the nation's outstanding agencies of its kind, earning the National Safety Council's award for the greatest progress made by any of the 12 southern states in successfully combatting traffic accidents.

## So Children Might Talk

(*Sooner Magazine thanks the Oklahoma City Daily Oklahoman and Richard G. Miller for their kind permission to rewrite the following article and use the accompanying photographs which appeared in the June 22 issue of the Oklahoman. The photos are by Richard Cobb.*)

By R. G. MILLER

Six young boys, alert, vigorous and studious, ranging in age from 7 to 14—all of them deaf—were in the horse corral. They were patting the sides of the horses, stroking their manes and rubbing their noses with sugary hands. With the boys was an instructor and counselor in visual hearing. He was giving them a practical lesson in lip-reading wherein they also learn to speak audibly and understandingly, although deaf. He took them to the horse lot for this lesson so they would be exposed to the feel, the smell, the sight and the vernacular of things horsey.

The instructor motioned for one little fellow to come over and put his hand on the horse's neck. The other boys were drawn in closer, too, so that they could see the man's lips move. "This is a horse's neck," he said to them, letting his hand move from the horse's ears to his shoulder, and he repeated it over and over again, slowly—"h-o-r-s-e-s n-e-c-k." In less than two minutes all of the boys knew the teacher was saying "horse's neck."

Before the morning's lesson was over in the corral, the boys also knew about the horse's tail, the hoofs, the bridle, etc. By this method, deaf children are taught words and phrases and how to speak the words with their lips, the object being right in front of them. In almost no time the boys began to talk about horses and the various units of the horse lot. And visitors with normal hearing could understand what was being said.

The scene for the gathering of this story is Camp Jack Little, on a scenic bluff overlooking Buncombe Creek Bay in Lake Texoma, 15 miles south of Madill. The summer camp and school, comprising 16 buildings, all modernly equipped, was built during the last year and is amply endowed by Ruel W. Little ('27law) and his family, long-time residents and property owners in Marshall County. The camp is the Little family's contribution to the cause of helping deaf children learn the art of visual hearing and to carry on audible conversation with others. It is one of the finest gifts we have heard of in a long while.

It happened this way. Mr. and Mrs. Little's nine-year-old son, Jack, has been deaf since birth. In recent years he has been placed in private schools where visual hearing is taught and much progress, has been noted. For the last year they have been seeking a summer camp for the boy, a place where only youthful lip-reading students are admitted and counseled. No such camp has been found. So they have built their own, and made it big enough to care for 60 deaf boys and girls. Thirty children from nine states enrolled for the first ten-week term which opened in June. The second term begins July 20.

One girl in the camp, an orphan, well up in her teens, wholly deaf but who has had several years of study in visual hearing, was summoned to the airy, spacious lounge to talk with visitors. She was asked her age, what games she likes best, what she had for dinner, when she would go for a boat ride, the name of her favorite horse, how many bull's-eyes she had made in archery that week, what newspapers and magazines she had read recently, what

funny papers she preferred, and she spoke the answers without hesitation or stumble. The girl was introduced to each guest of the camp that day, the spokesman speaking in a normal voice but emphasizing the lip movement, and as the guests departed she told them goodbye, calling each by name. That is a demonstration of what visual hearing instruction is—it develops the voice; so long hidden by deafness. All of the children in the camp are not that far advanced; some are just beginning the study, but past experience shows there is bright hope that all of them who take to it eagerly may eventually develop something near a normal speaking voice through lip-reading.

The studies and counseling in visual hearing are only a part of the program at Camp Jack Little. Much of the day is put in at play and recreation. The Littles have provided a cabin cruiser to accommodate 25 at a trip and daily spins are made on the scenic lake. There are horses to ride, bows and arrows, softball grounds, goal-ball stand, hide-and-seek layout among big shade trees. They all have poles and lines for fishing. Running races are staged often, 50 yards. The camp is set up and conducted to provide fun and to promote health while opening a new world to the deaf children.

The camp has three dormitories, a big kitchen, a big dining room, a big lounge, a library, a first-aid house, a handicraft room, three homes for teachers, a movie house, a fine swimming pool, three boiler and power houses and a private cottage where Mr. and Mrs. Little and their three other children expect to live much of the time and take first-hand part in all camp activities. Little is a post-graduate in handling horses, boating and fishing, and Mrs. Little is one of Marshall County's best cooks and most gracious hostesses.

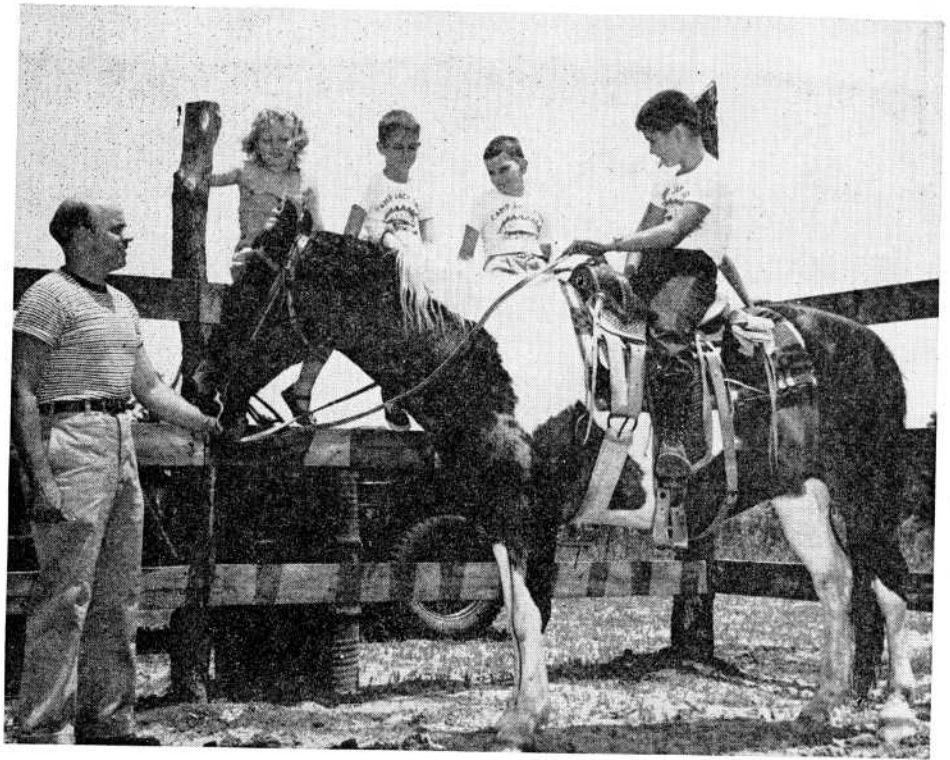
During the summer term, the children are taken to all parts of the 110-acre camp site. The counselors and play directors go along, each handling four or five as a class. They are shown the various kinds of trees, leaves and shrubs. On the boat they learn about the steering wheel, rudder, engine, bow and stern. In the dormitories they find out about beds, springs, mattresses, lights. In the library they are shown the difference between comics and biographies, fact and fiction. By the time they finish a trek in the woods, a cruise on the lake or a demonstration hour in any building, they're talking among themselves.

For the sake of all that's good and fair let's drop forever the term "deaf and dumb." There is no such thing as a "dumb" child, as afflicted with deafness. A deaf child is perfectly normal in every other way, and every deaf child can be taught to talk by visual hearing. A child naturally learns the language it hears at its mother's knee, but if the child is deaf, it hears no language. The modern educational science of visual hearing is fulfilling that need—it is teaching children to talk. A visit to Camp Jack Little will give anyone ample proof of it.

Children were there from Texas, California, Kansas, Alabama, New Mexico, West Virginia, Ohio, Oklahoma and Washington, D. C. The Littles have received commendation from a dozen or more of the principal visual hearing schools all over the country for establishing the camp. The camp rules have only one restriction on enrollment. Only the deaf children who seek instruction in lip-reading, visual hearing, are admitted. Those who have been schooled in "signs" or "finger-work" are not admitted.

As the years rolled by Mr. and Mrs. Little acquired a good deal of land. Eventually the oil fields extended to their properties. Income and capital account grew. The camp for deaf children was established and paid for by them. Maybe it cost \$50,000, possibly it will eventually cost more. They didn't say. And it's nobody's business.

The camp has a splendid staff. Mr. and Mrs. Little are the top bosses. The director and head instructor in visual hearing is Mrs. Margaret Brooks with 18 years of experience in that work. The directors of recreation are Julian and Joseph Stephenson with Master's Degrees in the work. There are assistants, senior and junior counselors, trained nurses, dieticians and skilled craftsmen to fulfill any need in the camp which may arise.



### Scenes From Camp Jack Little

Reuel W. Little, '27law, sponsor of Camp Jack Little, and his nine-year old son, Jack, for whom the camp for deaf children is named, look out over a portion of Lake Texoma (upper left hand cut). Mr. Little spends part of each day at the camp located south of Madill despite his heavy business schedule. Horseback riding and archery are just two of the many activities on the young campers' daily schedule which the girls (lower right) are studying. (See story on opposite page.)



## Medical Notes

Dr. Jack Haldeman, '37med, is serving with the hospital division of the United States Public Health Service as consultant to the states in the development of the hospital survey and construction program.

Dr. C. Samuel Beaty, '35med, and Dr. L. G. Johnson, '35med, are serving residences in anesthesia at the University hospitals.

Dr. Paul B. Chapman, '46med, recently visited the Medical School. He recently completed his internship at Evangelical Hospital, Detroit, and is awaiting military duty.

Dr. Carl Bowie, '46med, and Dr. James T. Boggs, '46med, have completed their internships at Wesley Hospital.

Dr. Elnora Miller, '46med, recently completed her internship and has entered practice in Tulsa.

Dr. John F. Hackler, professor of preventive medicine and public health, participated in a symposium on Recruitment and Training of Public Health Personnel at the meeting of the southern branch of the American Public Health Association in Memphis, Tennessee.

Dr. Donald B. McMullen, associate professor of preventive medicine and public health, has been granted a two-year leave of absence from the School of Medicine. He will be senior parasitologist with the armed forces in Japan, attached to the 406th medical general laboratory in Tokyo as head of the department of parasitology.

Dr. Paul Hanson, '36med, and Dr. Orcina Hanson, '28med, are practicing in Los Angeles, California. Specializing in chest surgery there is Dr. Bert Cotton, '37med.

Dr. K. M. Richter and Dr. J. W. Barnard attended the annual meeting of the American Association of Anatomists held at McGill University, Montreal.

Dr. Mark Johnson, '46med, has completed his internship at Wisconsin General Hospital, Madison, Wisconsin, and is serving as Cleveland County health officer while awaiting call into military service.

Capt. William T. Snoddy, '44med, recently visited the Medical School. His last assignment was with the 11th General Dispensary at Kobe, Japan. He returned to the states May 7 and was discharged May 17. Captain Snoddy plans to take a residency in pathology.

Dr. Millington O. Young, '44med, who served his residency in pathology at the University hospitals is continuing his graduate training in surgery at Yale University School of Medicine.

## Fischer, Benson Participate In World Relations Institute

Alumni John Fischer, '32ba, and Dr. Oliver Benson, '32ba, '33ma, participated in the 10th annual Oklahoma Institute of International Relations held at the University from June 8 to 13. The theme was "The World's Chance for Peace."

Mr. Fischer, editor of *Harpers* magazine, is author of the Book-of-The-Month club selection *Why They Behave Like Russians*. He has worked in India for the Foreign Economics Administration and in the Soviet Union for UNRRA.

Mr. Fischer presented a talk on "The Dynamics of Russian Politics," and participated in a roundtable discussion on "Russia's Role in World Politics" with Dr. A. N. Court, professor of mathematics in the University.

Dr. Benson an associate professor in the University's department of government, acted as moderator for all sessions of the roundtable discussions. He also served as director of the Institute.

Others who participated in sessions of the Institute were:

Dr. Royden Dangerfield, administrative assistant to the president of the University and professor of government, who spoke to the Institute on "The United Nations." During the war, Dr. Dangerfield served with the Foreign Economics Administration, the Navy and the State department. He is the co-author of the book, *The Hidden Weapon—The Story of Economic Warfare*.

Howard Eaton, professor of philosophy in the University, and co-author of the book *Federation:*

*The Coming Structure of World Government*, spoke on "World Federation." Mr. Eaton is a leader of national reputation on the movement for world federation.

Philip Morrison, professor of physics at Cornell University, presented a talk on "An Atomic Scientist Looks Ahead." Mr. Morrison helped to assemble the first atomic bomb at Trinity Island and the one dropped on Nagasaki, Japan which was assembled on Tinian Island. Later, he went to Japan to inspect the damage done by the bombs.

Martin Hall discussed "Economic Conditions for Peace in Europe." Mr. Hall was an anti-Nazi leader in Germany and a correspondent for the *Manchester Guardian*.

Dr. Eddy Asirvatham spoke on "The Political Future of Southern Asia." Dr. Asirvatham has served as chairman of the department of political science, University of Madras, and is now professor of Christian international relations at Boston University.

The program plan of the Institute was to present a speaker who discussed his topic, and following his talk another session met during which a roundtable discussion was held with questions submitted by the audience.

The majority of the questions discussed were of a controversial nature, and the institute afforded many lively discussions on pertinent issues that are facing the world today.

## School Honors O.U. Alumni

The late Hugh Nicholas Comfort, '33ba, '35ma, was honored June 2 when one of the triple chancel windows for the Y Chapel of Song on the Central State College campus, Edmond, was dedicated to his memory.

Another window was dedicated to John T. Butcher, '28ma, and a third to Miss Ruby Canton. All are former Central faculty members.

Dr. Jewell Wurtzburgh, professor of English at

O. U., paid tribute to Comfort, who was a member of the Central English faculty from 1936 to 1938. Comfort died in 1938 while studying for his doctor's degree at Yale.

Devotionals at the service were given by the Rev. E. N. Comfort, Hugh's father, who is a former dean of the Oklahoma School of Religion.

N. E. Butcher, Oklahoma City, paid tribute to his brother, who was head of the training school at Central from 1926 until his death in 1941.

Honors were paid Miss Canton by Dr. Charles Evans, Oklahoma City, former president of Central.

Chairman of the chapel committee is Dr. Jesse Newby Ray (Mrs. Louis B. Ray), '10ba, '25ma.

## Dallas Sooners Hold Picnic

About 150 Sooners, including alumni and their families, were on hand when the Dallas club staged its picnic at the Lakewood Country Club grounds May 27.

Special guests included Ted M. Beard, '21ba, executive secretary-treasurer of the University of Oklahoma (Alumni) Association, and Mrs. Beard, '24; and Hillyer Freeland, '38ba, and Mrs. Freeland (Dorothy Gish, '41bs), all of Norman.

Mr. Beard spoke informally to the group about activities of the Association and those on the O. U. campus.

Round-the-bench discussions concerned the probability of more outings of the sort and unofficial plans for a big Sooner get-together next October 11 when O. U.'s football team tackles Texas University in Dallas.

Included in the collection of unique names compiled by L. N. Morgan, University of Oklahoma English professor, are Katie B. Gay, Safety First and Harness Upp. His favorites also are John the Baptist Poe and Lucy Goes Through the Center.



A few of the Dallas picnickers (see story on this page) are making the most of cokes, cake and cigars at their outing May 27 at Lakewood Country Club, Dallas. Front row, left to right, are Hillyer Freeland, '39ba; Mrs. Ted Beard, '24; Mrs. Freeland, '41bs, and Mr. Beard—guests at the outing from Norman. In the back row are Betty German, '44ba, secretary of the Dallas Club; Bonnie Knight, '45ba; Mrs. Jerry Nolan, '40-'43; Betty Hardeman, '45ba; Jerry Nolan, '39bs, treasurer; Clifton Wilhite, '40ed, vice-president, and James "Cotton" Mendenhall, '35bs, vice-president. Grouped behind Mr. Beard at the right are Mrs. Walter S. Knight, Jr., '42; John Cheadle, '24ba, '27law, executive vice-president; Walter Ditzler, '14ba, '17law, president, and Boyd Koepke, '21bs.

## Dr. Dixie Young to Leave O.U.

Dr. Dixie Young, '21ba, '22ma, University professor of zoological sciences and a Norman resident since 1922, has resigned her position and will be director of the department of biology at Texas State College for Women, Denton, Texas.

Dr. Young will begin her new duties September 1.

After receiving two degrees from O. U., she received a doctor of Philosophy degree from Yale University.

A member of the advisory board of YWCA for several years, Dr. Young also sponsored Lambda Tau, biological technologists fraternity. She belongs to Phi Beta Kappa, the American Society of Zoologists, Sigma Xi, and American Association of University Women.

## Dr. Roy House, Frank Tappan Are Appointed Boyd Professors

Two University faculty members are making plans to become the sixth and seventh men elected to David Ross Boyd professorships. The appointment of Dr. Roy T. House, editor of *Books Abroad*, and Frank Tappan, director of the School of Electrical Engineering, will become effective September 1.

Their appointments were announced recently by Dr. George L. Cross, University president.

Four University faculty members now are serving as Boyd professors. They are Dr. John F. Bender, professor of education; Dr. M. L. Wardell, '19ba, professor of history; Dr. John B. Cheadle, professor of law, and Dr. Victor Kulp, professor of law.

To qualify for a Boyd professorship, according to Dr. Cross, a faculty member must demonstrate over a period of years his leadership in instruction, counseling and guidance of students.

Dr. House joined the University faculty in 1911 as professor of German. He has been editor of *Books Abroad*, international literary quarterly devoted to reviews of books printed in languages other than English, since the organization was founded in 1927. A specialist in the field of French philology, Dr. House is active in learned and professional societies.

Mr. Tappan has been a member of the University faculty since 1917. Since 1918 he has been director of the School of Electrical Engineering. During 1935 and 1936 he was acting dean of the College of Engineering.

His work has extended beyond his professional field. He is a recognized linguist and has rendered extensive service to *Books Abroad* by reviewing numerous French, German and Spanish publications.

### Appeal in a Box Top

When Junior has his ear glued to the radio for his daily "shoot-em-up," it's not the gun battles but the box tops that hold his interest.

That's according to Dr. Sherman P. Lawton, professor of speech and co-ordinator of radio instruction at the University.

Lawton's scientifically conducted experiments show that an appeal over the radio for a box top gets more emotional response from children than a gangster shooting.

For his reaction tests, Lawton uses an instrument similar to the lie detector, called a psychogalvanometer reactometer. To get a good test response, he uses from 20 to 100 people for his listening audience. Brass contact armbands are placed on each person, and current passed through the individual shows on the meter his reaction to recorded radio shows.

Lawton's experiments with the youthful radio listener show that Junior is more interested in the villain than in the hero—and sometimes Mom and Pop are more interested in son's radio program than Junior himself.

# Faculty



DR. LAURENCE H. SNYDER . . .  
O.U.'s newest dean

## Graduate College Dean Named

President Cross announced recently that Dr. Laurence H. Snyder, nationally known geneticist and chairman of the department of zoology and entomology at Ohio State University, has been named dean of the Graduate College.

The forty-six-year-old scientist, who will assume his duties October 1, holds the degrees of BS from Rutgers University and the MS and ScD from Harvard University.

Snyder has occupied high positions in national organizations, having served as vice-president of the American Society of Zoologists, vice-president of the American Society of Naturalists, secretary-treasurer of the Genetics Society of America, president of the Eugenics Research Association, member of the council of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and chairman of the committee on human heredity of the National Research Council.

The new dean is widely-known as a lecturer. His publications include four books and more than 60 articles for scientific journals and magazines. He is a member of the editorial boards of *Eugenical News*, *Our Times* and *American Naturalist*.

He began his teaching career as an instructor in zoology at North Carolina State College, he joined the faculty at Ohio State in 1930.

Dr. and Mrs. Snyder have two daughters, Clara Reed and Margaret Neal.

Dr. A. O. Weese, professor of zoological science at O. U., has been acting dean of the Graduate College.

## New Enrollment Mark Seen

Fall enrollment at the University of Oklahoma may reach 11,000 or 12,000 students, President George L. Cross has predicted.

However, the enrollment outlook hinges on the number of new faculty members the university can obtain to meet an increased teaching load, Cross explained. Last semester 10,009 students were enrolled, a new all-time high, with 6,230 of them veterans.

## Faculty Notes

A review of *Country Jake*, by Charles B. Driscoll, written by H. H. Herbert, professor of journalism, appeared in the June issue of the *Journalism Quarterly*, publication of the schools of journalism. The book deals with the boyhood of a noted New York columnist.

Cmdr. William M. Rakow, former NROTC executive officer, is now commanding a destroyer escort division operating from Seoul, Korea.

Walter S. Campbell, professor of English, is instructing a six weeks course at Mills College, Oakland, California. The course will terminate August 16. Mr. Campbell will leave after the session closes to conduct a course of lectures on "Western American Literature" at the Western Women's College.

Max L. Moorhead, assistant professor of history, is the author of several articles appearing in the 1947 edition of the *Encyclopaedia Britannica Book of the Year*. The book is published as a source book of current information and as an annual supplement to the *Encyclopaedia Britannica* itself.

Harvard University has been chosen for the study of landscaping by Robert H. Rucker, assistant professor of plant sciences and landscape architect. Mr. Rucker is spending most of the summer at Harvard and will be back on the campus when the fall semester begins in September.

R. Boyd Gunning, director of the Extension Division, has received appointment to the senate of the Film Council of America.

An article on chili pepper cooking, written by Dr. Ralph Bienfang, will be published in the August addition of *Sun Up*, an all-south garden magazine published in San Antonio. Dr. Bienfang was requested to write an article on whether it is correct to eat chili pepper cooking in the summer.

W. Page Keeton, dean of the School of Law, attended a reunion of the University of Texas' class of 1913 which was held recently in the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas.

Lieut. V. G. Quillen, NROTC instructor, is receiving additional training at the NROTC's instructors school at Northwestern University.

Dr. Paul Ruggiers, instructor in English, is at home in Fairlawn, New Jersey, but expects to go to Ithaca, New York, to study at Cornell University.

Dr. Steward C. Willcox, associate professor of English, is spending the summer in South Westport, Massachusetts, studying and writing.

Dr. Paul L. Gettys, professor of government at Texas A. & M. College and formerly a member of the O. U. government department faculty, visited friends in Norman recently.

## A Faculty Fish Fantasy

By EDWIN O'BRIEN

O. U. *Journalism Sophomore*

A cook, a dish washer and a wood rustler returned to the campus last weekend tired but happy after their 10-day fishing trip.

And, as happens on all good fishing trips, a few big ones got away. One in particular was a "monster". It broke the cook's fishing rod and swam merrily on its course in the Red River about 10 miles from Questa, New Mexico.

The fishing trip has been an annual excursion for the three for the last ten years, except during the war.

Questioned as to the size of the catch, the cook would divulge no definite statistics. However, he assured skeptics that the catch was enough to make the three families a good mess.

This week the cook, Emil R. Kraettli, '18, secretary of the university; the dish-washer, Ben G. Owen, director of intramural athletics, and the wood rustler, J. L. Lindsey, comptroller, were back at their jobs.

Were they busy? Yes. Planning next summer's trip.