# Alumni in The News



JANE ANN COCKRELL, '47ba Her Tools—Typewriter, Scissors, Pastepot

### Sooners Are in Command On Chicago Newspaper

Sooners have pretty well taken over the Maywood *Herald*, a weekly newspaper in Chicago. Its new editor is Jane Ann Cockrell, '47ba, a graduate of the O.U. School of Journalism. Mary Evelyn Smith, '46ba, is editorial assistant.

Maywood, a Chicago suburb, is located in northeastern Cook County, just 50 minutes west of the Loop.

An independent paper published each Thursday, the *Herald* has a 12,000 circulation. It is owned by the Pioneer Publishing Company of Chicago.

Miss Cockrell moved to Chicago early in August from her Oklahoma City home for three weeks of editorial training. Miss Smith has been associated with the paper for some time.

Miss Cockrell was editor of the *Covered* Wagon for two terms; issue editor and advertising staff member of the *Oklahoma Daily;* vice-president of AWS; member of Theta Sigma Phi, honorary and professional journalism fraternity; Kappa Alpha Mu, honorary photographic fraternity; student senator for two years; was listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities" and "Who's Who at O.U."

#### Federal Officials Wrangle For Services of Bryce Harlow

Bryce Harlow, '36ba, '42ma, formerly of Oklahoma City and now a professional staff member of the House armed services committee, was embroiled recently in a tug-of-war between the committee and Secretary of State Marshall for his services.

Representative Dewey Short from Missouri, chairman of the subcommittee to which Harlow is assigned, said that "Marshall is trying to take him away from me—but he isn't going to get away with it."

Representative Short was referring to the fact that Harlow is being sought by General Marshall for a job in his new state department setup. Harlow worked for Marshall and the secretary of war early in the war when he was in the Army.

The Missouri congressman has just gotten through the House a 303-page measure for a uniform promotion system for all the armed services. It's the longest bill of the session, and gallery wits have tagged it "the Long-Short bill."

Short gives Harlow glowing credit for his part in framing the intricate legislation. The measure is significant because it marks the first time the promotion policies of the services have been considered by one committee and treated as one measure.

A reserve second lieutenant in the field artillery, Harlow was called into active service July 1, 1941, after attending Oklahoma University and other institutions.

Shortly after Pearl Harbor, he was shifted to the bureau of public relations to write speeches and documents for the chief of staff and secretary of war. This placed him in Marshall's office, where he set up the message center for the Army.

Harlow was with Marshall until April, 1942, when it was discovered he had prior experience on Capitol Hill. Then he was transferred to Congress to do legislative liaison work. There he remained throughout the war, ending as assistant chief of the Army's congressional liaison staff and a lieutenant colonel.

After being graduated from O.U., Harlow, a Phi Beta Kappan, spent one year at the University of Texas in graduate work, and then returned to O.U. to get his masters.

# Dr. Reed Joins School Staff

Dr. G. Nathan Reed, '24ms, has joined the faculty of the Institute of Textile Technology, Charlottesville, Virginia, in the division of organic chemistry. He formerly was in the experiment station of Hercules Powder Company.

For three and one-half years during the war Dr. Reed was with the Army's



chemical warfare service, entering the service as a captain and attaining a lieutenant colonel's rank before being released to inactive duty. Previously he had been with Corn Industries Research Foundation as a research fellow, working on the development of uniform methods and instruments for characterization of cornstarch.

G. NATHAN REED He also has served as an instructor in chemistry at Kansas State College.

A member of the American Chemical Society, Sigma Xi and Phi Lambda Upsilon, Dr. Reed is the author of several papers on the subject of starch, among which are: "Viscosity of Starches" and "Comparison of Visconsities and Certain Microscopical Properties of Various Kansas Starches."

#### CORRECTION

In the June issue of *Sooner Magazine*, Harry W. Hughes, Weatherford, was incorrectly identified as a student at O.U. in '04-'06. Mr. Hughes, a member of the Alumni Association's Executive Board, actually attended school here some 20 years later, receiving his BA degree in 1929. He is on the faculty at Southwestern Institute of Technology, Weathford. At the June meeting of the Executive Board, Mr. Hughes took his seat for a three-year term representing District 7.



KELLY E. DEBUSK, '23-'30 His Responsibility—Birds, Beasts, Bass

#### Kelly DeBusk Named Director Of State Wildlife Department

Kelly E. DeBusk, '23-'30, Enid, was recently appointed director of the Oklahoma Game and Fish Department by the members of the state wildlife commission upon the recommendation of Governor Roy J. Turner.

Mr. DeBusk is an Oklahoman of long standing, arriving in the Sooner state at the age of 18 months when his parents came to what was then Indian Territory in 1901. They travelled from Perry by covered wagon to western Washita County, where they established their first home in the territory.

Following graduation from Sentinel (Oklahoma) High School, he majored in Biology at Phillips University in Enid and was graduated with a BA degree in 1920. He did post graduate work at the University of Oklahoma for three summer sessions and has also attended the Rocky Mountain Biology Station for summer study.

Mr. DeBusk taught in the high schools of Chickasha, Clinton and Haskell, and in Port Arthur, Texas.

He also instructed at Southwestern State Teachers College, Weatherword. From 1926 to 1934 Mr. DeBusk was a biology instructor at Eastern Oklahoma College, Wilburton, formerly the Oklahoma School of Mines.

"I left the teaching field in 1934," Mr. DeBusk said, "and was appointed Scout Executive of the Boy Scouts of America in a number of southeast Oklahoma counties with headquarters at McAlester. Seven years later I was transferred to northwest Oklahoma with headquarters at Enid."

During the war, Mr. DeBusk served as executive secretary for Oklahoma in the National War Fund, overseeing USO and War Chest financial campaigns. Later he accepted a position in the field of finance with the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

He was employed as a field representative of Phillips University at the time of his appointments as Game and Fish Director.

Mr. DeBusk has three sons: Jim, 20, a student at the University of Oklahoma; Monte, 12, and Bill, 10. He and Mrs. DeBusk are maintaining their home in Enid for the immediate present.

He is a member of the Presbyterian Church in Enid, the American Legion and has belonged to

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the Lions club for 20 years. He served as president of the Lions Clubs in Wilburton and Mc-Alester. He is also a Scottish Rite Mason, member of Kappa Alpha social fraternity and Phi Sigma biological fraternity.

#### Army General, Not Dr. Cross, Hands Diploma to Captain Orr

The last chapter to a tale of diligence and perseverance was written recently at the Fairfield-Suisun Army Air Base when Captain Harold B. Orr, '47bs, of the base's legal office was presented his diploma from the University of Oklahoma by Brig. Gen. Archie J. Old, Jr., commanding general of the air transport command's eastern Pacific wing.

Shortly prior to the Japanese' sneak attack on Pearl Harbor, Captain Orr was just another student burdened with the responsibility of making ends meet financially as well as absorbing enough knowledge to satisfy the discerning eyes of his professors.

With the bombing and the immediate cry for men, he suddenly found himself in the Army and enrolled in pre-flight school as an aviation cadet without the credits necessary for his graduation from the University.

With the war's end, Captain Orr's original ambition, that of obtaining his diploma, took first priority over his other activities. He immediately initiated what was to become a long chain of correspondence with the school in an effort to determine exactly the number of credits necessary for his graduation. He was prepared to take any required subjects under the auspices of the United States Armed Forces Institute.

It developed, however that this was unnecessary. On subsequent examination of his records by University personnel, it was found that he lacked only eight credits to be eligible for his diploma. These he could obtain by joining the Reserve Officer Training Corps. But—since he was already a member of the armed forces and already an officer, they were credited to him without any effort on his part other than that already expended.

Thus was another member added to the University of Oklahoma's Alumni Association.

## O.U. Alumnus Presides at Wedding From His Bed in Army Hospital

A bedside wedding unique even for Brooke General Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where occasionally patients and their brides request the services of a chaplain, took place at that Army medical center in June.

This time the chaplain, Capt. Oscar E. Hill, '32ba, formerly of Norman, a patient for nearly two and one-half years, performed the marriage rites from his bed for John L. Sparks, who had served with him in France.

Sparks and his bride, the former Helen Whatley, stood together in the chaplain's hospital room, while Captain Hill, weak from a long illness, sat on the edge of his bed to read the marriage vows.

Although Sparks had attended Captain Hill's services at Cherbourg for seven months and had occasionally assisted him as organist, the two friends met again in San Antonio only by accident. Sparks, who is assistant manager of a Handy Andy store, recognized the chaplain's signature on a check Mrs. Hill had requested him to cash.

From this incident they renewed their friendship, and the former Aircorps officer requested Chaplain Hill to officiate at his wedding.

Captain Hill spent 12 months in France in 1944 and '45. He was assigned to the 22nd Ordnance Battalion and held religious services for men in the entire Fourth Port area.

Before entering the Chaplain's Corps in 1942, Captain Hill was pastor of the Methodist Church in Alfalfa.

# John Wilkinson Is Promoted

John F. Wilkinson, '23ba, and past president of the St. Louis, Missouri, Alumni Club, recently was appointed assistant vice-president in the correspondent banks department of Mercantile-Commerce Bank & Trust Company, St. Louis.

Wilkinson entered the investment business in St. Louis following his graduation from O.U. and joined the investment division of Mercantile-Commerce in 1930. His work covered southern and



Ordinarily this ceremony would be performed by President George L. Cross; but due to time and distance involved, it was impossible in this case. Brig. Gen. Archie J. Old, Jr. (left), commanding the air transport command's eastern Pacific wing with headquarters at Fairfield-Suisun Air Base in California, presents Capt. Harold B. Orr, '47bs, of the base's legal office, with his diploma from the University of Oklahoma.

southwestern states until 1941 when he was appointed sales manager of the bond department.

A member of the 1944 class of the Rutgers University Graduate School of Banking, Wilkinson at present is serving as St. Louis member of the state bank committee representing bankers on the United States Saving Bond Committee.

In his new connection with the correspondent banks department, Wilkinson will work primarily in the southern states.



JOHN F. WILKINSON, '23ba New Position with Banking Firm

# **Rotarians Back Clinic Drive**

When Joe W. McBride, '28bus, Anadarko, district 124 governor of Rotary International the past year, sent out his final monthly news letter to the 3,000 Rotarians in his jurisdiction recently, he had the following to say about Rotary's contribution to the University School of Medicine:

"One of the finest contributions by any Rotary district was made this past month when \$3,000 was officially turned to the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine for the establishment of a speech and hearing clinic at the school in Oklahoma City. The basis for this program was laid by past governor, Ted Beaird ('21ba), and it was through this beginning, led by Ted, that a great new program has begun in Oklahoma. Because Rotary in the 124th (district) undertook this effort, other agencies have become interested until today the clinic is underway with approximately \$200,000 in assets.

in assets. "The rooms are now being outfitted and personnel is organized. A Rotary plaque will hang in the reception office of the headquarters, giving due credit to Rotary for the undertaking that has grown so bountifully and become another service for our fellowmen. All of Rotary may be proud of this achievement and the work done by Ted Beaird, Jim Finney, Joe Hamilton and others to bring this additional glory to the 124th."

#### Summer Grads Hear Addresses By Rev. Schooler, Dr. Stephens

The Rev. Don E. Schooler, '24ba, pastor of the Epworth Methodist Church, Chickasha, delivered the baccalaureate sermon before 180 seniors who were graduated at the conclusion of O.U.'s summer course. The service, held Sunday evening, July 27, took place in the outdoor amphitheater. Dr. Waldo E. Stephens, Oklahoma City, execu-

Dr. Waldo E. Stephens, Oklahoma City, executive vice-president of Stephens Petroleum Company, delivered the address, "Expanding Horizons," at commencement services July 31. An authority on international affairs, he formerly was a member of the Columbia University faculty.

Reverend Schooler, whose theme was "A Mountain in Your Heart," was president of the Y.M.C.A. while a student at the University. He also was assistant minister of McFarlin Memorial Methodist Church at the time it was being built.

He received his Bachelor of Divinity degree from Yale University in 1927, and later studied at Aberdeen University in Scotland.

Before accepting his present pastorate at Chickasha, Reverend Schooler was pastor for five years at the First Methodist Church of Cape Giradeau, Missouri, and spent another five years with the First Methodist Church in Stillwater.

He was chosen last year to be one of a group of Methodist ministers to preach during the New Life mission held in Los Angeles. He will also participate at a mission in Nashville next November. In great demand as speaker at student conferences, Reverend Schooler has spoken to many colleges during religious emphasis week.

#### Larry Cotton Among Artists Who Will Perform at O.U.

The O.U. Celebrity Series Association will present an outstanding program for its members during the 1947-48 season. The finest type of entertainment will be available to discriminating Sooners, who should have no reason to long for the musical privileges afforded by larger cities.

Several world renown artists will perform from the stage of Holmberg Hall, thanks to the energies expended by the Celebrity Series Committee.

James Melton	October	28
Whittemore and Lowe	November	18
Larry Cotton	November	25
Oklahoma Symphony Margaret Speaks	December	9
Conrad Thibault	February	3
Larry Addler, Paul Draper	March	11

Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '38law, director of the O.U. Extension Division, is chairman of the committee. Lewis S. Salter, '12ma, '17ba, dean of the School of Fine Arts and chairman of last year's



committee; Victor Řicks, counselor of men; Paul Mc-Minn, director of student affairs, and Miss Dorothy Truex, counselor of women, are the members of this year's committee.

James Melton, world famous tenor, will be the first celebrity to appear. He will be here October 28. The next program, on November 18, will feature Whittemore and Lowe in their famous piano duet program. O.U.'s own Larry

LEWIS SALTER

Cotton, whose home town is Norman, will appear the following Tuesday. The Oklahoma Symphony will perform December 9. The first performance of the second semester will feature Margaret Speaks and Conrad Thibault, who will appear on February 3. Final performers in the parade of talent will be Larry Adler and Paul Draper, harmonica and dancing specialists, respectively.

Of-special interest to Sooners will be Larry Cotton's appearance, which will mark the triumphant return of another Sooner-made-good.

Cotton left O.U. in 1933. He was singing on The Breakfast Club program in 1937 and later had his own program. From 1938 to 1942 he was featured vocalist on the Horace Heidt Pot O' Gold program. He served in the Army Air Forces from 1942-'46.

Upon his return to civilian life, Larry decided to study toward his lifelong ambition—to be a classical singer. He has spent the last year studying intensively in New York. His present teacher is William S. Brady, one of the leading voice production teachers in the country. Some of Brady's pupils

have been Caroline Lazzari, contralto, who has been with the Chicago Civic Opera and the Metropolitan Opera; Katherine Meisle of the Metropolitan Opera, and Fredrick Jaegel, Metropolitan tenor.

The series committee has named Clee Fitzgerald, Caddo, senior in government and past commander of the University American Legion Post, as series manager for the '47-'48 season.

Reserved seats are offered this year, particularly for the benefit of persons who are unable to arrive far in advance of the starting time. The student who has to watch his outgoing expenses is also assured of a good seat merely by arriving early. The main floor and the second balcony are available to the general admission members. The first balcony in Holmberg will be the reserved section. Celebrity series membership fee is to remain at the pre-war level.

# Morris Tenenbaum and O. U.

(Traditional on the University campus and in Norman is Morris Tennenbaum, who was featured recently in an article by John Clabes, freshman journalism student. Mr. Clabes' story appeared originally in the Oklahoma Daily, O.U. student newspaper. It is reprinted here for readers to whom Mr. Tennenbaum ranks along with deans, professors, football coaches and presidents as an outstanding personality on and around the campus.)

He's just a little squat fellow with greying hair a person you wouldn't notice if you passed him on the street, but he's probably the best-known person on the campus. Probably more alumni know him personally than any one else on the campus.

He is Morris Tennenbaum—campus figure, salesman and good buddy.

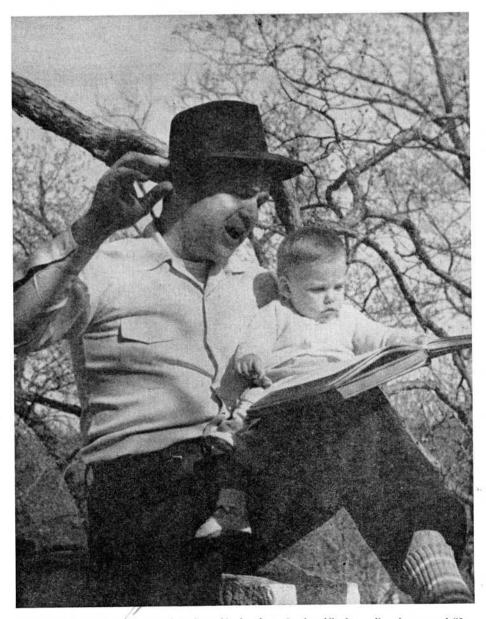
Morris is a special friend to all needy souls on the campus. He buys old clothing and helps the boys out, all the while insisting that "there is no money in the second hand business." Morris has a comfortable home in Norman.

Morris came to Oklahoma City from Poland in 1913 and started a clothing store. Deciding that the campus would provide greener pastures, he moved to Norman in 1915 where he started a small loan business and started buying old clothes.

Any student who has been in a monetary pinch knows it was a mighty helpful thing. He bought old clothes, lent money without interest on articles and kept some of the boys in money who otherwise would have done without.

Just before the war he quit the loan business and capitalized on buying used clothing which he sold in Oklahoma City.

His life here on the campus has been interesting and unusual.



Larry Cotton, '33, receives some help from his daughter, Carol, while he studies the score of "La Bohme." Cotton, whose home town is Norman, is one of the artists who will be presented by the O.U. Celebrity Series Association this fall. He will sing in Holmberg Hall November 25.

"I don't have to read the history of O.U.," he said. "I know it all—I watched it." Morris has "served" under nearly every president and football coach that has been here since he came to the campus. Declaring that he was a special officer, he produced a badge that bore him out. It was presented by Tom Stidham and Jap Haskell and made him an honorary officer. He is the official watchman for all of the dressing rooms during athletic events.

Besides watching over the boys' stuff, he has given them all chewing gum for the last two years and "can't collect a dime from Bill Cross." That is Morris' contribution to the winning effort.

Morris has been taken, more or less, into every fraternity on the campus. He calls them all his "brothers." Though he has never eaten in a fraternity house, Morris said that he has been invited by every house and has taken his portly frame into almost every room.

Morris, who says that he is "rich in other things besides money," pondered his present dilemma on the campus today.

"It's not like it used to be," he said. "Too many people here now, and I don't know them all." His business is even slacking a little because he "can't make money from the ex-GI's."

With his slight accent he explained the situation like this. "Too many wives—too many babies, and they don't have the money that the boy fresh from high school used to have."

Morris is quite a philosopher, and his conversation runs continually on the philosophical side. It is usually sound advice, but a touch of cynicism creeps in, such as, "I like the single life—don't believe in producing slaves in this generation."

With a slight grin that left his cigaret dangling in his mouth, he related some of the nicknames that have been attached to him. Almost everyone has their own conception of what to call him. The most recent one is "Freshman," which has been added in the last two years. Maybe it's because he is so new on the campus.

Morris has been here a long time—32 years to be exact—and still declares that he loves this campus life.

He said that to be friends with everyone is a wonderful feeling. He must feel good, because everyone is a friend of Morris'.

"Only thing I don't like about this life," he said with a broad grin, "is that I'm getting bald."



It's a deal!—and Phi Gamma Deltas George Davis (left) and Don Welch (right) find Morris Tennenbaum well pleased with their collection of cast-off clothes. The well-known second-hand dealer nevertheless gives their offerings a critical inspection.



Morris Tennenbaum, whose friendly bargaining on the campus for over 30 years has made him a prominent O. U. personality, poses with a typical day's "haul" before his Norman home. He makes his rounds of University dwellings on his bicycle and winds up with everything from top hats to overshoes.

#### Mrs. Ladewig on College Staff

Appointment of Mrs. Adelheid G. Ladewig, '45lib.sci., as head cataloguer of the library at Hamilton College, Clinton, New York, has been announced by David Wilder, associate librarian.

Educated in Germany with a doctorate from the University of Wurzburg, Mrs. Ladewig worked briefly as librarian for a Frankfort-on-the-Main bank, and then came to this country in 1939. Here she served as a cataloguer in the University of Maryland library before joining the Hamilton Library staff last December. Her husband, Hans Carl Ladewig is in the language department at Alderson-Broaddus College in West Virginia.

#### Dr. Snyder Receives Honors

Dr. Laurence H. Snyder, internationally known scientist who was recently named dean of the O.U. Graduate College, is the recipient of two recent honors. He has been appointed adviser to the Atomic Casualty Committee and expert consultant to the surgeon general of the United States Army.

The new dean, now a professor of medical genetics and chairman of the department of zoology and entomology at Ohio State University, will assume his duties here October 1. He is best known for his research, lectures and writings in the field of genetics.

Dr. Snyder has published four books and more than 60 magazine articles for scientific journals and magazines. He is a member of the editorial boards of Eugenical News, Our Times and American Naturalist.

#### Dr. Finley Weaver Now in London

Dr. Finley Weaver, former director of the Bureau of Business Research at O.U. but now in the United States foreign service, has been transferred to the London embassy. He formerly had spent two years in Lima, Peru, with his family.

Mrs. Weaver, who was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Wilhite recently, informed Sooner Magazine that Dr. Weaver had been in London since July 24. He makes economic and financial studies for the departments of state and commerce.

A senior analysis, Mr. Weaver entered the foreign service in 1944, getting a leave of absence from the University. He had taught at O.U. since 1930. A year ago he became a permanent government staff officer.

Dr. Weaver took his family to Peru in 1945 and spent five months that year in Panama studying economic conditions in that Central American country.

try. The five Weaver children, Sam, 17; Nancy, 15; Nina, 13; Marian, 11, and Margaret, 6, attended school with other embassy children and with native Peruvians while in South America. Sam travelled extensively while there and became familiar with the country.

Mrs. Weaver and children plan to join Dr. Weaver in London in September. They expect to leave the States September 10 on the ship America.

Both Dr. and Mrs. Weaver received BA degrees from Texas University. He received his MA from that school before completing his doctorate at the University of Illinois.