

Undergraduate Activities

Students Spend Night in Line For Tickets to Texas Contest

There hasn't been such a line since the days of the land rush!

Student football fans started sweating the Dallas ticket line at the Field House 16 hours before the rationed cardboard went on sale. The theory that the early Sooner gets the ducat proved itself as about 500 students, who were in line only four hours, were turned away empty handed.

The 4,000 student tickets to the Texas-O.U. tilt went like hot cakes. One ticket was sold for each ticket book presented, but only two ticket books could be presented by any one student.

First student to stake a claim in front of the Field House was Jim Thomas, geology senior from Oklahoma City. He occupied the number one position in the line at 3:30 p. m. Sunday, to await the 8 a.m. Monday ticket sale. People-strolling around the campus couldn't believe anyone would hit the line so early and thought Thomas was merely passing the time of day. However, by sundown the rumor that the line was well on its way brought students on the run.

Blankets, cots, lawn chairs, divans, mattresses, a hammock, pup tents, portable radios, thermos bottles, and a chaise lounge were utilized.

Students settled around lanterns and lamp posts to study, play cards and discuss the evils of ticket lines and athletic officials as the line rapidly grew to unbelievable length. From the Field House down Brooks to Jenkins street the line expanded. Then it made a turn down Jenkins to Felgar, back on the campus to Asp, then up Asp in front of the Press Building to the Armory where it turned to come to a halt in front of the Library as the tickets went on sale at 8 a.m.

About 10 p.m. Sunday as the weather cooled off and the night grew long, ingenious capitalists set up stands and started hawking coffee, sandwiches, candy, doughnuts and cokes. As the night wore on into the wee hours, lanterns were doused and street lamps covered with blankets, but would-be-sleep-

ers were kept awake by the ever present "get your hot coffee and doughnuts now!"

Just as dawn rolled around, an occasional straggler could be seen looking for a buddy who would let him slip into line. This had been anticipated, though. Early in the evening line-sweaters worked out a system whereby each person was issued a signed card denoting his number in line. After 12 or 14 hours of get-acquainted songfests and card games, veterans of the line co-operated in keeping the system above board.

Little grumbling was heard about the rush on tickets to the Texas-O.U. game. Rather, most students were so impressed with the novelty of what they termed "stupidity" at waiting in line all night for football tickets, that they curbed their complaints. However, gripes were wild and furious about the overcrowded conditions of the stands during the Texas Aggie tilt in Owen Field the Saturday before. The conditions had resulted from two choice sections of seats in the East Stadium being sold to non-students.

When President Cross came down to view the fantastic line filled with blanketed figures complacently awaiting the dawn, he was immediately barraged with questions of "what're we gonna do about this Owen Field situation?" To this the president answered that never again will seats be sold in the east stadium to anyone other than students, and that they wouldn't have been this time had the administration known early enough that every student was to be given a ticket book as a part of the new \$48 fee. He also assured the students that every student wanting a ticket to next year's Texas-O.U. game would get one.

At 7:43 a. m. Monday, the Field House doors were thrown open amid wild shouts of joy sent up by the weary ticket-seekers. In a matter of two or three hours all 4,000 of the ducats were dispensed, and all were happy—that is, all but the 500 or so students who spent several hours moving gradually along the line from the Library around by the Engineering Building and on to the Field House to be turned away empty handed.

Detroit, Cadets Bow to O.U.

After squeezing out a thrilling 24-20 victory over Detroit the week before, O.U.'s high-g geared Sooners punched back at Texas A. & M. College during the final half of their game October 6 to whip the beefier Cadets, 26-14.

Jack Mitchell, Sooner quarterback, boosted his reputation as one of the outstanding backs in the southwest by doing everything but wave a megaphone before the O.U. cheering section. He figured in all four of the O.U. scores while picking up 114 yards in 15 carries.

The Red and White appeared none the worse for having lost Plato Andros and Joe Golding, a pair of 1946 aces, to professional teams. In the line John Rapacz, giant center, was the offensive bear. His two timely pass interceptions and consistent bruising play did much to keep the Cadets in check. In the opening two victories Mitchell carried the offensive load as effectively as did Golding in 1946.

No. 1 team in the nation in rushing defensive in 1946, the Sooners haven't been so stingy with yardage so far this year. Both Detroit and Texas A. & M. succeeded in picking up a considerable amount of ground, but couldn't match the Sooners' offensive punch.

Terminal Leave Bonds Assist Veterans Over Financial Hump

Lining up with thousands of Oklahoma veterans who rushed bank windows on September 1 to cash terminal leave bonds were scores of O.U. vets.

Each former service man or woman had his own reason for cashing his bond when he did. However, most reasons stemmed around the fact that veterans subsistence pay does not go far enough toward maintaining a living while in school.

Charles M. Tate, engineering sophomore, cashed his bond to buy a refrigerator. A navy veteran who spent two years in the South Pacific aboard a small aircraft carrier, *U.S.S. Corregidor*, Tate received a



They waited in line all night because they had somewhere to go—Dallas! The luckier ones had mattresses or blankets to stretch out on when more than 2,000 O.U. students spent a whole night waiting to get tickets to the O.U.-Texas football game. Despite their vigil, about 500 weary students were disappointed when the tickets ran out. After the Dallas game (won by Texas, 34-14), most all of Oklahoma was angrily bemoaning the unusually consistent bad breaks that plagued the Red and White throughout the contest.

bond amounting to \$350.

He and his wife live in a prefab in Sooner City, south of the campus. Poor ice delivery is their reason for buying an electric refrigerator. In addition to a nine-dollar per month ice bill during the summer, food that spoiled due to irregular ice delivery ran up the grocery bill considerably.

Although Mr. and Mrs. Tate have been married for almost four years, an error in Veterans Administration files placed him on the single veterans pay scale. During this \$65 a month period the Tates spent most of their savings.

Charles H. Folmar, government junior, cashed his \$150 bond to buy back-to-school clothes for him and his wife, and to pay Mrs. Folmar's enrollment fees.

An infantry veteran of the European Theater of Operations, Folmar is completing work this year in R.O.T.C. which will entitle him to a commission in field artillery upon graduation from the University.

He and Mrs. Folmar were married on New Years Eve, 1946. For several months they have made their home in Sooner City. She is a senior majoring in English.

Not only the men figure in the bond cashing spree. The fairer sex also received leave pay, and they too have reasons for signing over their bonds for ready cash. Mrs. Robert McDonald, a former WAVE, wife of a Ponca City business junior, cashed her \$125 bond and spent it for odds and ends. She and her husband moved from a pre-fab to the Niemann Apartments at the beginning of the fall term, so most of her money was spent in buying things for their new home. However, just to show hubby, a merchant marine veteran, that she was the one who received the check, Mrs. McDonald bought a couple of pairs of shoes.

While Mr. Mac goes to school, Mrs. McDonald works as a telephone operator. While serving almost three years in the Navy she was stationed in New York, Kansas, Tennessee, and Norman. She was an aviation machinist mate.

William P. Milne, geology senior from Cornvallis, Oregon, and wife Annette, a former WAC, are cashing their bonds to "buy food for the baby."

Last year the Milnes were both in school, Bill getting \$90 a month and Annette \$65 a month subsistence pay. With this income they were adequately provided for. But with the birth of a daughter, Janet, Mrs. Milne had her hands full at home. Thus, with an addition to the family, the income was slashed by \$65 a month rather than raised. For this reason the Milnes have no other alternative but cash their two bonds totaling \$275.

Probably Bill and Annette feel that they amply earned their bonds. At a time when leave would have meant so much to either of them, they were both unmarried and in the European Theater of War. Attempts to obtain passes to visit each other panned out only once. That was a three-day pass Bill got while in Belgium. He went to Paris and visited Annette.

A half dozen lemons was the medium which brought Bill and Annette together for the first time. While both were in England, Annette received a package of citrus fruit from home. Having an American girl friend working in a Red Cross canteen, she took her some of the coveted fruit. It was at the canteen she met Bill.

After the war was over and Annette received orders to return to the states, she stretched the distance allowed on a pass a little by rushing into Belgium to see Bill, only to find he had moved into Germany with his outfit, the 942 Engineer Aviation Topographical Battalion.

The next meeting was in March, 1946, at the University of Oklahoma. A wedding followed May 8, 1946. Making Norman their home, both attended the 1946-47 school year at the University.

The Milnes, Mr. Tate, Mr. Folmar and Mrs. McDonald, are only a few of the Sooner City dwellers who have found it necessary to cash terminal leave bonds to stay in school. While many are desperately holding on to their bonds, hoping to be able to keep them until maturity, a large number have indicated that they may be forced to cash theirs also.

Roll Call

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READY-MARTIN: Genevieve Ready, Norman, became the bride of Clyde Martin, '43eng, Oklahoma City, on September 14 in the home of the bride's parents. Mr. Martin is a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. He is now employed at Tinker Field, Oklahoma City.

SETZER-WILSON: Eleanor Alice Setzer, Oklahoma City, became the bride of Harry Harding Wilson, '43bus, also of Oklahoma City, in a ceremony read September 26. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are temporarily at home in Oklahoma City.

DREYFUS-KATZ: The nuptial vows for Polly Dreyfus, '42-'43, Ponca City, and Dr. Robert B. Katz, Albuquerque, New Mexico, were read August 31 in Ponca City. The couple is at home in Albuquerque where Dr. Katz is practicing medicine.

David N. Newby, '43eng, and Mrs. Newby (Ruth Ann Hummer, '43ba) are the parents of a daughter, Meredith, born August 8. This is the second child for the Newbys.

STOUT-BRUNSTETER: Phyllis Stout, Hazelton, Kansas, became the bride of William E. Brunsteter, '43, Alva, August 21. Mr. Brunsteter also attended Northwestern State College.

MARTIN-NEWPORT: Lucy Margaret Martin, Oklahoma City, became the bride of Edward Lee Newport, '43, Eunice, New Mexico, August 30 in Oklahoma City. Following a wedding trip the couple established a home in Norman where Mr. Newport is a student in the School of Pharmacy.

Marjorie L. Clark, '43phys.ed, returned to the United States recently after two years in Europe with the Red Cross and has resumed her job at the Oklahoma City Y.W.C.A.

Lt. John H. Smith, '40-'43, Oklahoma City, is now special investigator for the public safety branch of American Military Government for the U. S. sector at Berlin, Germany.

JACOBSON-ROYS: The wedding of Ruth Pollard Jacobson, Seattle, Washington, and Dr. Harvey Curtis Roys, '43med, Norman, was an event of August 9 in Seattle. The couple are at home in New York where Dr. Roys will begin his studies at the New York post graduate medical school.

Mrs. Ethel McNatt, '43m.ed, first grade teacher at University Heights school, Oklahoma City, for eight years, is the new principal at Dewey school. Mrs. McNatt formerly taught primary grades at Rocky, Dill and Sayre.

Frank P. Fonvielle, Jr., '41-'43, Norman, recently returned from the national convention of Delta Sigma Pi, professional business fraternity, in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Mr. Fonvielle is president of the University chapter of the organization.

Mrs. Margaret Stone Hardin, '43h.ec, Charlotte, North Carolina, recently spent several weeks in Oklahoma City visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Hardin are the parents of a small daughter, Margaret Karen. Mrs. Hardin was a member of Delta Gamma Sorority at the University.

Byrum E. Carter, Jr., '43ba, Frederick, is teaching American, French and German government at Indiana University, Bloomington.

Mrs. Lavonia McArthur Leo, '43bus, and Devere Leo, are the parents of a son, Robert Darrell, born August 20, in Seattle, Washington.

WILSON-COLE: Delia Mae Wilson, Oklahoma City, and Robert G. Cole, '43, also of Oklahoma City, were married September 3 in the rectory of the Corpus Christi Church. Mr. and Mrs. Cole have established a home in Oklahoma City where they are attending Oklahoma City University.

W. R. Baker, Jr., '43eng, and Mrs. Baker, Bridgeport, Connecticut, have established a home in Nashville, Tennessee, where Mr. Baker is serving on the faculty of Vanderbilt University.

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Marion Reed Lawton, '44ba, Pawhuska, is now teaching Japanese people to speak English in his own school, Lawton Institute of Linguistics, in Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. Mildred Nichols Schroeder, '44ba, Vallejo, California, former editor of the *Oklahoma Daily*, is now assistant city editor of the *Vallejo News-*

Chronicle. Following her graduation she was employed on a Baton Rouge, Louisiana, newspaper for the Associated Press.

ERNST-SCOTT: Shirley Joyce Ernst, Wichita, Kansas, and Cleveland Rex Scott, '44bs, Shawnee, exchanged nuptial vows in the First Christian Church of Bartlesville August 30. Mr. Scott spent one year at Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, before entering the University.

JEWITT-DALE: Vivian Jewitt, Carney, and Glenn H. Dale, '44eng, Bartlesville, were married August 30 at the Christ's Methodist Church in Bartlesville.

Dorothy B. Peale, '44m.ed, has been head of the social studies department at Taft Junior High School, Oklahoma City, for the last eight years.

TREMPUS-ALLEN: Kathryn Barbara Trempus, Springdale, Pennsylvania, became the bride of Rollie Edward Allen, '44, Lawton, recently. The couple is at home in Lawton where Mr. Allen is attending Cameron College.

Lt. Robert E. McCurdy, '44bs, '46med, Purcell, has received an appointment to the Fitzsimmons General Hospital, Denver, Colorado. He will be a member of the hospital staff there for the next year. He completed his internship last July at the University of Maryland, Baltimore.

Dr. James Ronald Smith, '44med, Oklahoma City, and Mrs. Smith, have named their daughter Judith Lynn. The infant was born August 27 in University Hospital.

S. F. Bird, '44eng, Tulsa, is employed as petroleum engineer for the Amerada Petroleum Company. He formerly lived in Peru.

ROBERTS-QUINLAN: The wedding of Betty Jane Roberts, '44ba, Oklahoma City, and Joseph Wayne Quinlan, '46-'47, Dacoma, was an event of August 31 in Oklahoma City. Mrs. Quinlan was president of the Junior class and vice-president of Mortar Board. She was listed in "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges." She was associated with the U. S. Department of Labor as a research economist. Mr. Quinlan is now a senior law student at O. U. Mr. and Mrs. Quinlan are at home in Norman.

LAM-SCHULTZ: Wilma Elaine Lam, '46-'47, Oklahoma City, became the bride of James Edward Schultz, '44, '46-'47, Norman, in a ceremony performed August 26 in Oklahoma City. A home has been established in Norman by the couple where Mrs. Schultz is enrolled in the School of Arts and Sciences and Mr. Schultz is a student in the School of Architecture.

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EDWARDS-MINTER: Betty Edwards, '44-'45, became the bride of Lloyd George Minter, '43law, both of Oklahoma City, in a ceremony performed August 8. Mr. Minter was a member of Phi Delta Phi, legal fraternity at the University. He is now an attorney for Phillips Petroleum Company.

SHORT-HOOVER: Peggy Lee Short, Oklahoma City, became the bride of James F. Hoover, Jr., '45, Duncan, in a ceremony read recently in the home of the bride's brother.

KINNEY-RUSH: Marian Virginia Kinney, '45ba, Houston, Texas, formerly of Oklahoma City, and Thomas Dudley Rush, St. Charles, Missouri, and Winter Haven, Florida, were married recently in the home of the bride's parents. Mrs. Rush is a member of Delta Gamma Sorority and took graduate work at the University of Chicago, Illinois. Mr. and Mrs. Rush are at home in Columbia, Missouri.

WARDEN-BONE: Essie Wanda Warden, '45ed, Norman, became the bride of John H. Bone, Wichita Falls, Texas, August 30 in Houston, Texas. Mrs. Bone has been employed in the office of the International Business Machines at Houston for the last two years. Mr. Bone is a graduate of Texas A. and M. College.

Kelly Dean is the name chosen by Mr. and Mrs. Bud Flanagan for their son born September 6. Mrs. Flanagan is the former Helen Stair, '44-'45.