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Extension Division Grows

With the rapid growth of the Extension Division of the University under the directorship of R. Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37law, new services are periodically being offered.

One of these services, a new Extension Study Center, has been established on North Campus to operate on a full-time basis under the direction of John B. Freeman, '42bus, director of short courses and conferences.

Facilities made available with the opening of the center include 34 rooms, all with connecting bath; lounges; dining halls; classrooms; conference rooms, and lecture halls. Sixty-two rooms in adjacent buildings will take care of overflow crowds. These facilities are available for periods of intensive study to citizens throughout Oklahoma who wish to continue their education beyond the formal limits of secondary, college, or professional schooling. Library facilities, research equipment, faculty specialists and hotel-like accommodations are available to those visiting the center.

Some of the functions of the center include the Debate and Discussion Institute, the Professional Writing short course held annually and The Air Age Education Conference, first of its kind in the Southwest.

Short courses and conferences are designed for the benefit of varied groups and professions.

Annual workshops are held during the summer months for teachers. Subjects vary from delinquency control to exceptional children and guidance.

The Study Center is only one of many services offered by the Extension Division, which is a member of the National University Extension Association. The department of public information is another.

This department is set up to make available special requested information on many subjects to all who request it. Most requests come from residents of Oklahoma. Those using the services include students and teachers, individuals from every other profession and occupation, libraries, study clubs, and civic and commercial organizations.

Of the thousands of subjects on which information is available, some of the most recent requested include "History of Crocheting," "Atomic Bomb," "India and Its Religions," "Slavery," "Oklahoma Heritage," "Indian Art," "Russian Art and Theater," "National Medical Care," and "Modern Trends in Education." Requests for this material is handled by an experienced staff of workers, some of which are students.

Special materials available include assembly aids, which are often requested by school principals, teachers, and others engaged in planning or supervising assembly programs; banquet material, a few collections of books on how to give banquets, debating material, both pro and con on debate subjects; entertainment aids, material on party decorations and refreshments, games, party themes, and other plans for making a party a success; reviews and many other materials. The reviews available are of books, movies, operas and plays.

The department of public information has many sources for its reference and library loan service. Subscriptions are maintained for over 100 national magazines, and for many local, state and national newspapers. Clips are made from these and kept on file. Pamphlets provide another source of material. Thousands are received from various federal agencies, business and industrial organizations, and welfare associations.

Three different types of research are done by the department. Reference books are kept in the department for locating specific information. When necessary, additional information is obtained from the University library. Faculty advice is sought in many instances. Members of the faculty co-operate in giving advice or assistance in problems which concern their particular departments or subjects.



Pictured here is the home of the Extension Division, located on the North Campus. This Division of the University is expanding under the direction of R. Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37law.

The Drug Mill

BY RALPH BIENFANG

Recently, students in Pharmacy 7 at the University of Oklahoma—"Philosophy, History and Present Status of Pharmacy"—were asked to make predictions of things to come in pharmacy between 1950 and 1960. Some are listed here:

There will be a radioactive drug for the cure of cancer in the later stages.

A drug will be developed for the cure of any type of cold.

There will be developed a specific cure for the early stages of polio.

Atomic energy will be converted to use in medicine. Name? ATOMIDINE.

The pharmacy school of the University of Oklahoma will rank No. 1 in the United States.

A prophylactic antidyseric serum will be perfected, by or for the armed forces of the United States.

Oklahoma University pharmacy students will do graduate work at the Medical Research Foundation in Oklahoma City.

At least 50% of all practicing pharmacists will be members of the American Pharmaceutical Association.

Registered pharmacists will be unionized. State Board examinations will not be required for holders of the B.S. in Pharmacy degree.

One vaccine will cover most of the common diseases.

Pharmacy in the armed forces will have recognition comparable to that accorded medicine, dentistry, and nursing.

All the states in the United States will be included in the reciprocity agreement.

Tuberculosis being so perfectly under control will be considered minor and unimportant.

Lungs from apes will be used as transplants in case of advanced tuberculosis.

Pharmacy schools will have entrance requirements similar to those of medical schools.

A safe and effective treatment for leukemia will be discovered.

Prescriptions will be written for the health of farm crops.

Kappa Psi's new officers, elected at a meeting held October 8, are Orville Avery, Norman, president; Tom Lout, Louann, Arkansas, vice-president; A. Marion Smith, Pawhuska, secretary; Bob Grantham, Memphis, Tennessee, treasurer; Lex Shelby, Ringling, historian, and Lee Jones, Oklahoma City, chaplain.

Ovetta Rothmire, Hennessey, has been elected secretary of the OUPhA. An amendment to the constitution was recently approved which calls for secret ballot in elections of the governing body and of MISS PHARMACY. First elections under this new amendment will be March 5, 1948, the date of the 14th annual convention of the OUPhA.

Arthur E. Thomas Dies

Following a long illness, Arthur Evan Thomas, 68-year-old cashier in the office of the comptroller of the University, died November 28 in a Norman hospital.

For several years he was employed as a bookkeeper for a lumber firm after coming to Norman in 1910, but since 1922 he had worked in the comptroller's office at the University.

A member of the McFarlin Memorial Methodist Church, he sang in the church choir. He also was a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Thomas is survived by his wife, Mrs. May Thomas, Norman, three sons, Merlin, Hobart, Everett, '35bus, Norman, and Gene, '39, Waco, Texas; three daughters, Mrs. Ford Michael (Marion Thomas, '27ba), and Mrs. Raymond Tullins (Gwendolyn Thomas, '36bs), both of Norman, and Mrs. Kenneth Shilling (Elizabeth Thomas, '40bs), Ardmore; one brother, Benjamin Thomas, Twin Falls, Idaho, and three sisters, Mrs. C. N. Kirkwood, Marysville, Kansas; Mrs. Robert Crane, Wathena, Kansas, and Miss Nannie Thomas of Arizona.

Lectures in Oklahoma City Scheduled by W. S. Campbell

W. S. Campbell, research professor of English and director of professional writing courses, will conduct a series of four lectures on writing January 9 through 30 at the Y.W.C.A. auditorium, Oklahoma City. The lecture series is sponsored by O.U. alumni and Mrs. W. D. Grisso, '26ba, of Oklahoma City.

The topics included in the short course are: "Professional Writing", Friday, January 9; "Fiction: Character and Scene", Friday, January 16; "Non-Fiction: The Article; The Book"; Friday, January 23; and "Marketing", Friday, January 30.

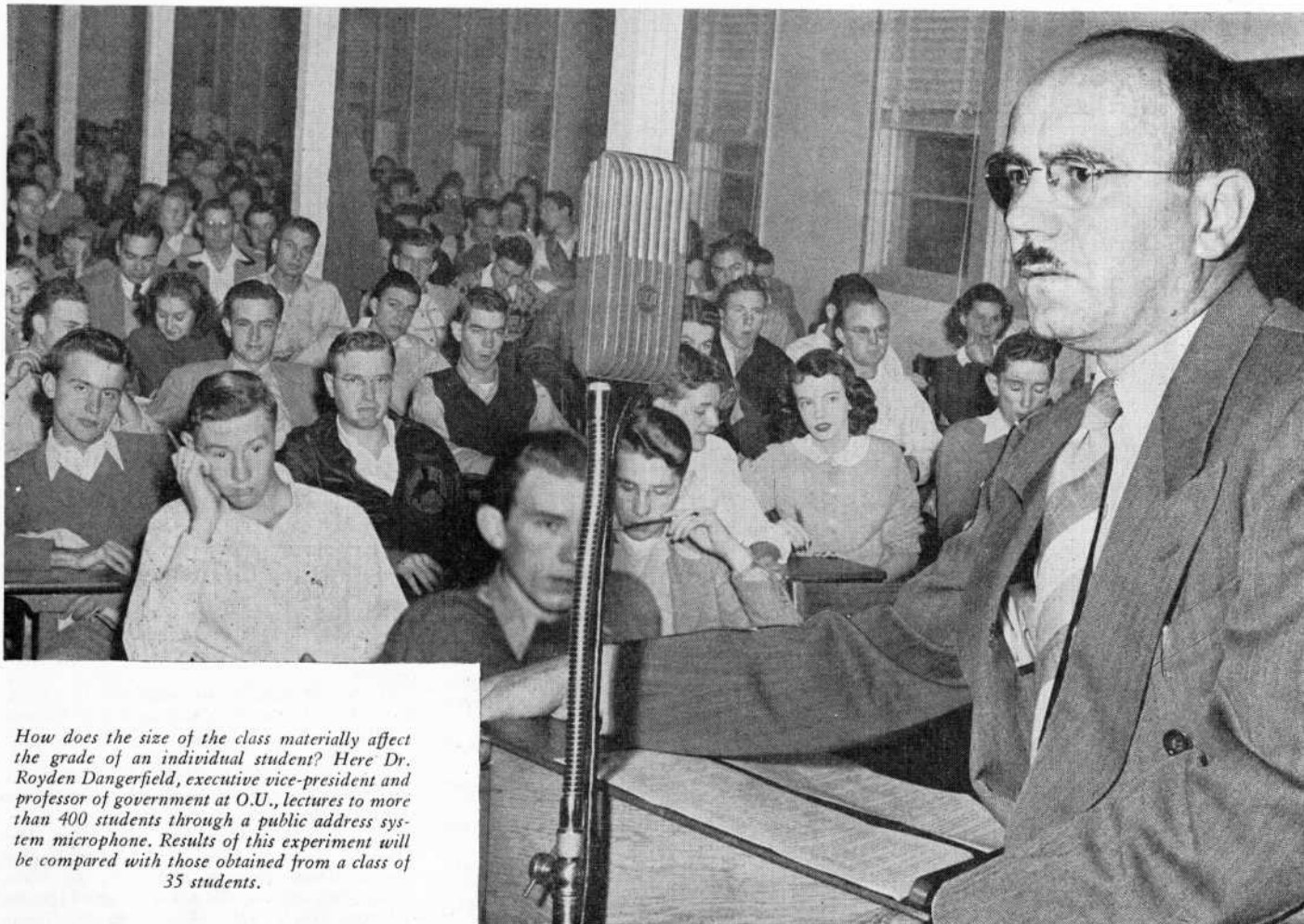
Other University faculty staff members appeared in programs during the recent art institute at the request of the Y.W.C.A. and the A.A.U.W.

Medical Notes

Lt. John Blender '46med, has been assigned to Dr. D. B. McMullen's laboratory in Japan. Dr. McMullen is on leave from the faculty of the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine.

Dr. Jack Downing, '46 med, recently visited the Medical School in Oklahoma City while on leave from the Army.

Dr. Henry J. Freede, '42med, has been appointed house surgeon on the staff of the Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Orthopedic Hospital in Oswestry, Shropshire, England. He left in November to assume his duties. This residency was obtained on the basis of an exchange fellowship.



How does the size of the class materially affect the grade of an individual student? Here Dr. Royden Dangerfield, executive vice-president and professor of government at O.U., lectures to more than 400 students through a public address system microphone. Results of this experiment will be compared with those obtained from a class of 35 students.

Veterans at O. U. Make Grade Competition Rough on Non-G. I.'s

By GLENN L. BRADLEY, '39-'43
Norman Transcript Staff Writer

The American serviceman, whose amazing feats in World War II made him the most talked about soldier in history, apparently is not ready to call it quits.

He has returned to the nation's college campuses and continues record-shattering performances in nearly everything he undertakes.

And in so doing, he has kicked up a problem that has been getting special attention from educators throughout the country.

The problem—and it is still a controversial one—runs along this line:

Have veterans made competition for teen-age non-G.I. students so tough that these youngsters should stay out of colleges and universities for a couple of years until the backlog of veterans clears out?

There seems to be no clear cut answer. The opinions vary and the discussion is still under way.

An article in the November issue of Survey Graphic describes accomplishments of the former G.I.'s as "the outstanding feature of American education today."

Another story, from N.E.A. service, quotes educators as saying non-G.I. teen-agers might do well to spend a couple of years working or in Army service after high school graduation rather than entering colleges and universities immediately to buck up against ex-G.I. classmates.

Classroom records of the veteran-students is praised, but at the same time educators recognize that many younger students are finding the going tougher than they expected when they first walked into classrooms crowded with older youths.

George E. Wadsack, whose duties as University registrar date back to 1921, has seen dozens of groups of students come and go on the campus.

But, he says, none rival seriously the overall attitude and conduct of the World War servicemen turned students.

Dr. Earl Silvers, dean of men at Rutgers University recently suggested that teen-age high school graduates cannot expect to compete with former G.I.'s in college classrooms and therefore should delay their higher education for a year or two.

Mr. Wadsack says the wholesome influence which has accompanied veterans is a step in the right direction.

"It is not my responsibility to advise a teen-age student to delay his college education until 1950," Mr. Wadsack points out, "I can say, however, that veterans on the O. U. campus are more serious than the prewar student. The exact reason isn't known but veteran students have introduced a motive into college education."

Mr. Wadsack believes the "motive" may be attributed to several definite sources: Sobering influence of a war, more mature age of the individual, family responsibility in many cases, and perhaps—but far from true in many instances—freedom from serious financial difficulties.

Shortly after the G.I.'s began their return to the University campus—there are more than 7,000 enrolled this semester—Mr. Wadsack became director of registration.

"There are many veterans enrolled at O. U. today," Mr. Wadsack explains, "whose past records show they were dropped permanently from the University because of scholastic deficiencies. Right now, you would be surprised to learn how many of these servicemen are back on the campus making passing grades."

The long-time University official wants it understood that veterans are not above flunking their courses.

"Certainly some of them fail, just as they did before the war," he points out. "But they realize they must maintain their averages and complete a certain number of hours each semester to continue

to receive G. I. education benefits."

One of the most convincing arguments that veterans are attending school with a definite purpose is the report that more than 3,000 endured the hottest August in nearly 10 years last summer to continue their college education.

Another point is that last year, before a definite athletic victory holiday policy was established at O. U., some students organized mass demonstrations to support their pleas for a vacation. A storm of protest arose from many hard-working veterans who insisted that such vacations slowed down their education and in the end caused additional hardships.

Mr. Wadsack doesn't agree entirely with Dr. Silvers, who says he is convinced non-veteran teen-age youths lose a great part of what they ought to get out of college by attending schools crammed with veterans.

"Some of the younger students say they are unable to make passing grades because of competition with older veteran-students," Mr. Wadsack explained. "But in most instances this is doubtful."

Mr. Wadsack goes along with the group of administrators who believe the competition inspires the younger students to meet the new high classroom standards created by the hard-working veteran.

As for a teen-ager postponing a college education—perhaps even getting in a uniform for 18 months or more—some administrators agree that the idea may not be entirely healthy. Some of the youths might never find their way back to a college campus.

The students have their own ideas on the subject, too.

For example, listen to Robert Royer, 19-year-old O. U. chemical engineering junior from Enid, and Tom Chastain, 31, who attended Oklahoma City University in 1934, withdrew, and did not return to the classroom until two years ago. He is a junior

in pharmacy, is married and has a 19-month-old daughter.

Says Robert, a non-G.I.: "The veteran puts in more hours studying than most of the younger students normally do. Thus, to keep up, I have had to study considerably more and still am not making more than a low 'C' average. As for staying out of school, I would say no. The G.I. has had a healthy influence on the classroom. His desires for knowledge has resulted in my studying more."

And Tom said: "I believe the younger students grasp the material more quickly than I do. But, on the other hand, I spend a great deal of time studying out of the classroom. When I returned to school two years ago I had a difficult time passing. Since then it has become easier. Last semester, compared to a 'D' plus average two years ago, I came through with a 'B' average."

Dr. W. B. Morrison, of East Central State College, Ada, is quoted in an article as saying his experience shows non-veterans have a slight edge over the former G. I.'s in grade averages. Mr. Morrison points to the veteran's loss of study habits and principles of grammar as giving the non-vet a decided advantage.

With 12,000 students attending classes at the University, an experiment which may have widespread influence has been started.

Dr. Royden J. Dangerfield, executive vice president and professor of government, is teaching one government section which has more than 400 students—more than three times above the desired average.

Fire Razes O. U. Building

A disastrous \$100,000 fire razed a geology building on O.U.'s South Campus Thanksgiving Day destroying many irreplaceable materials and equipment.

Lost in the fire, which leveled the frame structure, also were valuable rocks, minerals, fossils; thousands of typographic maps, books, historical records and journals.

Dr. V. E. Monnett, chairman of the School of Geology, said that the most serious loss is not

Equipped with a public address system, carefully tuned for clarity, Dr. Dangerfield lectures the "over 400 club" three times each week. He also is instructing a section of 35 students.

"What we've done is to undertake an experiment—pitting the results attained in a large section with those of a normal-sized class," Dr. Dangerfield explains. "The question we want to answer is, simply, 'Does the size of the class influence the grade of the student?'"

Dr. Dangerfield believes the answer is "No," insofar as a lecture section is concerned. But, Dr. John Rohrer, associate professor of psychology, is observing the progress of the guinea pig classes and will draw more definite conclusions after the end of the current semester.

Thus, the veteran who junked his O.D.'s for A.B.C.'s is responsible for an interesting, perhaps precedent-setting experiment being undertaken.

monetary. "It is that of the graduate students, some of whom had completed a large part of the research work in connection with their thesis."

One thesis lost was the product of two years work.

Of the materials and equipment lost perhaps the most costly and difficult to replace soon were the microscopes. At least 14 binocular microscopes, valued at \$264 each, and two petrographic microscopes, valued at \$1,200 each, were destroyed.

When questioned about the building up of a new geological collection Dr. Monnett states:

"The School of geology hesitates to try to build up a new collection of material or even accept gifts of valuable materials as long as they have to be kept in another frame building identical with the one which burned. But we have no alternative until a new fire-resistant building can be constructed."

A shipment of fossils from Texas Tech College at Lubbock has been received as a partial placement for materials lost, and Dr. Monnett said appeals have been sent to various other schools for additional help.

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Oklahoma's colorful past is outlined by two University of Oklahoma history professors in a book scheduled for release early next spring. Dr. Edward E. Dale, research professor of history, has been a sheriff, cowboy and itinerant teacher of the southwestern plains in his varied career. He is the author of a history of the United States which will be published in January. Dr. M. L. Wardell, professor of history, has collaborated with Dr. Dale on other historical works and is the author of several books on Oklahoma.

Two University professors directed a discussion contest at the seventh annual Bison Forensic at Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, December 12 and 13. They were Guy H. Brown, '42ba, instructor in speech, and Dr. William Sattler, associate professor of speech.

Savoie Lottinville, '29ba, director of the University Press, discussed research materials and publication facilities in the southwest at the regional conference on the Humanities and Social Sciences November 8 on the campus of Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.

H. H. Rowley, associate professor of chemistry, is the author of two scientific articles published in the latest issue of the journal of Physical and Colloid Chemistry. Contributed jointly with Dr. W. B. Innes of Stamford, Connecticut, the papers are entitled: "Adsorption Isotherms of Mixed Vapors of Carbon Tetrachloride and Methanol on Activated Charcoal at 25 degree Centigrade," and "Adsorption Equilibria of Liquid Mixtures of Carbon Tetrachloride and Methanol with Charcoal."

Dr. J. Rud Neilson, research professor of physics at the University, attended the ceremonies and seminars at the inauguration of Dr. Charles S. Johnson as president of Fish University, Nashville, Tennessee. Dr. Neilson was one of the two official representatives for the University at the inauguration. Frank McCoy, Jr., '35ba, Nashville, was the other representative.

Dr. George L. Trager, professor of linguistics, has been named a member of a subcommittee for the analysis of American English set up by the American Council of Learned societies, Washington, D. C.

Foster Harris, '25ba, instructor in professional writing at the University, discussed "Trends in Postwar Fiction" before a meeting of the Oklahoma Writers Club recently.

Dr. Royden J. Dangerfield, executive vice president of the University, attended a meeting of the Southern Political Science Association at Atlanta, Georgia, recently.

Dr. H. A. Shoemaker, of the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine, spoke at the meeting of the Beta Beta Beta, honorary biological fraternity at Oklahoma City University December 2. Dr. Shoemaker discussed biology in regard to the medical profession and allied fields.

Laboratory partners in a chemistry course are Robert Royer, 19, and Tom Chastain (right), who is eleven years older. Robert, a junior in chemical engineering from Enid, agrees that Tom and other older veterans are causing him to study harder to keep up with them. At the same time, though, he likes the "healthy influence" of older students. Tom, a pharmacy junior from Oklahoma City, returned to college classrooms after serving in the Army. He says making good grades is by no means easy, but is easier than when he re-entered the University two years ago.



Popcorn Punishes Public When Play's Plot Grows Profound

Audiences at the theater don't want to see a show with a plot so involved that they can't concentrate on eating their popcorn, Arthur Ranous Wilmurt, new associate professor of drama at the University and author of a number of Broadway plays, told members of Phi Beta Kappa at their December 4 dinner meeting.

Seventy-four Phi Beta Kappas and their guests attended this annual founders day dinner in Woodruff Room of the Union. Before introducing Wilmurt as speaker of the evening, Dr. C. E. Springer, chairman of the department of mathematics, made a few remarks about the society. He pointed out that this was the 171st anniversary of the founding of Phi Beta Kappa. It was founded on William and Mary campus on December 5, 1776.

Title of Wilmurt's speech was "What Are You Doing Here?" After an introduction he hastily explained that perhaps he should have entitled his address, "What Am I Doing Here!"—since *Fashion*, second production of the University Playhouse, was being staged that evening in Holmberg auditorium. Getting off to this humorous beginning, the speaker spoke on the theme that audiences are too lethargic, producers and writers believe them too dense to accept anything deep or thought provoking, and there is nothing in the present trend of audience behavior to change the situation.

Grace E. Ray, '20ba, '23ma, associate professor of journalism, was praised by Phi Beta Kappa President Springer for handling arrangements for the annual dinner. Miss Ray is secretary-treasurer of the local chapter of the society.

School Honors Miss Truex

Miss Dorothy Truex, who in her duties as counselor of women at the University helps guide Sooner coed on the way to success, practices what she preaches.

The Sooner counselor was recently presented the Achievement Award by her alma mater, William Jewell college, Liberty, Missouri. The award has been given for the last four years to distinguished alumni. Last year's honoree was Ted Malone, well-known originator of the radio program *Between the Bookends*.

Called the "campus of achievement," the college has for some time emphasized successes of its graduates with a yearly event similar to O.U.'s "Career conference." Miss Truex, who has specialized in personnel and psychology work since graduation spoke to college students interested in that profession. She was the only woman honored among seven graduates.

Swearingin Gives Research Views

Lloyd E. Swearingin, '20ba, '21ms, director of the research institute, advocated a national policy of research as a "design for discovery" in a lecture given December 10.

Mr. Swearingin declared there is an unbalanced condition between basic research and applied research.

In advocating a national policy of research he declared that science must be given a purpose and direction. Once given that purpose and direction science can not be stopped, he indicated, and pointed out the advances made by science during the recent war.

As an agency to formulate a national research policy, the research director suggested the creation of a post of cabinet rank and a department of research comparable to the War and Navy departments.

Dr. Swearingin explained that in past generations America has drawn upon Europe for all the basic research with which American industry has made such great strides.

He emphasized that industry and the federal government could do well to follow the lead of educational institutions in their policy of spending more money for basic than for applied research.

Dr. Wurtzbaugh Keeps Post With Language Association

Eight University faculty members were chosen chairmen and committee officers of the South Central Modern Language Association when it met in Biloxi, Mississippi, on October 31 and November 1.

Dr. Jewel Wurtzbaugh, professor of English at the University of Oklahoma, was re-elected secretary-treasurer of the Association.

Other appointments included: Dr. Willis H. Bowen, French I; Miss Stella Sanders, '21ba, '26ma, French II; Lowell Dunham, Spanish; A. M. de la Torre, Spanish; Dr. Gladys C. Bellamy, '32ba, '38ma, '46Ph.D, American Literature; Dr. Thomas Pyles, English I, and Dr. Stewart C. Wilcox, English II.

The language association, which is a branch of the national modern language association, met in Biloxi at the invitation of Mississippi State College and Tulane University. The 1948-49 session of the organization will be held on the campus of the University of Oklahoma.

At this year's meeting Dr. Kester Svendsen, association professor of English, read a paper on "Adam Soliloquoy in Book X or *Paradise Lost*." "The Sources, Symbolism, and Unity of Shelley's *Skylark*" was the topic discussed by Dr. Wilcox, associate professor of English.

In the French sections Dr. Bowen, assistant professor of modern languages, addressed the group on "Le tabac dans la litterature francaise." "The Jibaro as a National Character in the Literature of Puerto Rico" was discussed by Mr. Dunham, assistant professor of modern languages.

Dr. Leonard B. Beach, professor of English, served as chairman to the second session of the American Literature group. In this section Dr. Frederick J. Hoffman, associate professor of English, spoke on "Hart Crane and MacKnight Black: Some Notes on the Technological Fallacy in Modern Poetry."

Dr. Johannes Malthaner, professor of modern

languages, read a paper on "The Question of Academic Freedom in the Early History of the German Universities." "Southwestern Onomastics" was discussed by Dr. Pyles, professor of English.

University Will Give Awards For Achievement Next Spring

First of the University distinguished service citations to outstanding persons chosen by a secret committee will be presented April 27 at the eighth annual career conference dinner, President Cross has announced.

The plan is designed to honor not only graduates and former students of the University but also citizens of Oklahoma and the nation whose good citizenship and distinguished service merits recognition.

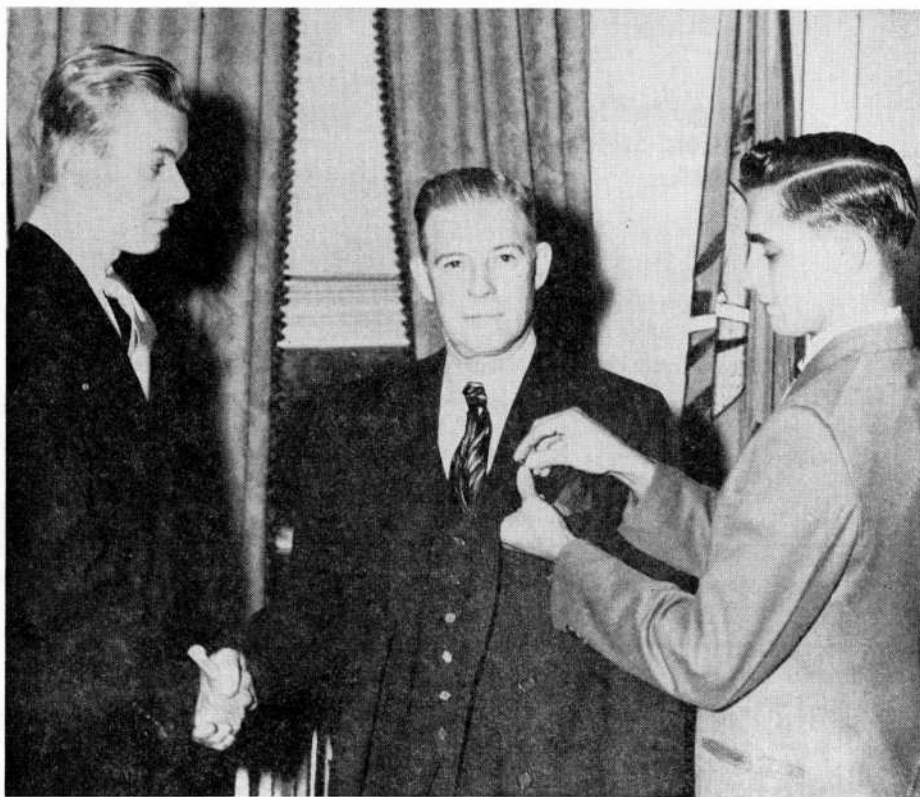
No more than seven persons will be chosen each year, and of this group a majority must be graduates or former students of the University. Winners will be invited to act as consultants to students during the three-day career conference.

The citation program is a going project of the Alumni Association and the Board of Regents. Details of setting up the system were made over a year ago by a drafting committee composed of Kenneth Harris, public relations assistant to the president; R. L. McLean, superintendent of schools, Anadarko; Boyd Gunning, director of the Extension Division; Joe W. McBride, member of the Board of Regents; and Stewart Harral, director of press relations.

President Cross later appointed the following planning committee: Dr. Leonard Logan, professor of sociology, chairman; Raymond R. White, associate professor of secretarial science; James C. Powell, professor of business law; Gunning, Harris and Harral.

Nominations may be submitted by anyone, members of the committee said. They should be sent to President George L. Cross or to Ted Beard, executive secretary-manager of the Alumni Association, who will turn them over to the secret committee.

Members of the selection committee will con-



Oklahoma's governor, Roy J. Turner, receives a Phi Delta Chi pin from Durell Poysthress, O.U. pharmacy student from Chapel Hill, North Carolina, following his honorary initiation into that pharmacy fraternity. Shaking hands with the governor is Henry W. Phelps, another pharmacy student, from Hempstead, Long Island.

sider the following factors in making their selections: (1) good citizenship, (2) distinguished service to a state community, to the state, nation or the world, (3) humanitarian, cultural, intellectual or scientific contribution, (4) unselfish service or leadership over an extended period of years, (5) research that contributes to the public welfare, (6) pioneering new fields, thereby advancing ideas and opportunities for development and (7) distinguished service to a state community, to the state, nation or the world, (3) humanitarian, cultural, intellectual or scientific contribution, (4) unselfish service or leadership over an extended period of years, (5) research that contributes to the public welfare, (6) pioneering new fields, thereby advancing ideas and opportunities for development and (7) distinguished achievement in a chosen profession.

Women Pick a King!

His Majesty, Don I, captured the hearts of his many constituents during his recent coronation in the Union Ballroom as King of the Independent Women's Association.

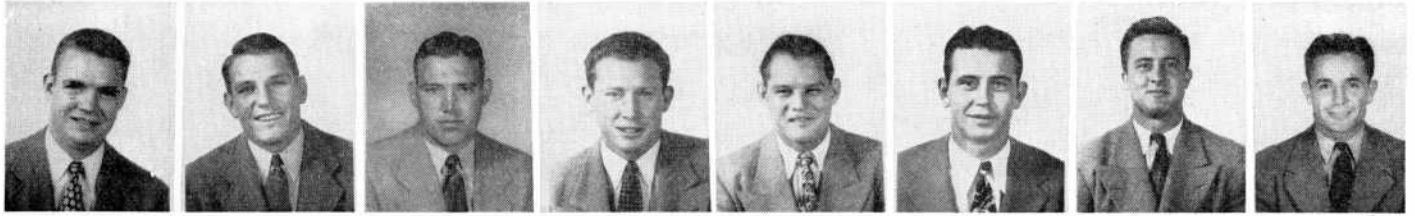
It's an accepted fact that His Majesty would have to have superior looks and a Charles Atlas physique, or how else would he, a fraternity man, be elected to reign over the domain of independent women?

Don Watson holds quite a distinction, being the first King elected on the campus. Practically every school has its queens, even O. U. has had its share. There's been the music queen, then a band queen, an honorary colonel elected by Scabbard and Blade military fraternity, a Ruf Neks queen, and finally an Indian princess who reigned as Sequoyah Indian Club queen. But not everyone has a King. One would think someone would have

gotten around to the idea of a man in a royalty role a little sooner, what with a 6-1 ratio of men to women on the campus.

It can't be said that His Majesty Don I won his throne hands down. Competition was strong. Two of many competitors were Bruce Chenault, student senate president, Tulsa, and John Rapacz, Kalamazoo, Michigan, who was named to Oscar Fralley's United Press All-American grid eleven recently, and was on *Pic Magazine's* All American team last year.

I.W.A. president, Lucille Kennedy, presented King Don I with a combination cigaret lighter and case at the annual I.W.A. formal dance in the Student Union Building. It was announced that he was chosen because of his "brawn, brains, beauty and general qualities which make an all-around college man."



EDDY DAVIS M. GREATHOUSE BILL MORRIS MERLE DINKINS LADDIE HARP JIM TYREE ED KREIK JOHNNY ALLSUP

With O.U.'s victory over the Aggies from A.&M., these eight men wound up their collegiate careers in Sooner football uniforms. All are seniors.

Sooners Sink Aggies as Eight Seniors Close College Careers

Two tremendous gallops of 59 yards and 38 yards in the fourth quarter by George "Junior" Thomas, O.U. sophomore halfback from Fairland, gave the Sooners a thrilling 21-13 victory over the Oklahoma Aggies in the 42nd renewal of their historic football classic at Owen Field November 29.

The victory ended the most successful O. U. season in many years and was a tribute to Coach "Bud" Wilkinson, serving his first year as a head football mentor. In their ten games, the Sooners won seven, tied one and lost two games, and were Big Six co-champions for the second straight year with Kansas.

Thanks to a Sooner fumble and a partially blocked punt which the scrappy Aggies turned into touchdowns, the underdog Cowboys were leading, 13-7, as they made the final turn in a battle which had been nip and tuck from the opening whistle.

Then Thomas caught the Aggies flatfooted with two swirling sprints down opposite sidelines just nine minutes apart and wrapped up the Sooners' twenty-eighth triumph in the long series extending back to 1904. The Aggies have won eight, and six games have ended in ties.

Playing the last game of their collegiate careers were eight senior members of the O.U. club. They are Ed Kreik, Eddy Davis, Johnny Allsup, Jim Tyree, Merle Dinkins, Bill Morris, Myrle Greathouse and Laddie Harp.

O. U. Coaches—As Tyree Saw Them

Jim Tyree, who was Oklahoma's big co-captain and left end, ranks with Lum Roberts '97, and Clyde Bogle '02, as one of the most popular O. U. game captains of all time.

He's the squad's choice. Last year coach Jim Tatum's Sooner squad elected Tyree honor captain. This year coach Bud Wilkinson's Sooners chose Tyree and Tackle Wade Walker co-captains. In his senior year at Oklahoma City Capitol Hill High School, Tyree was also elected captain.

Would Tyree mind chatting a bit about his coaches, particularly those he had had several years to appraise in the light of retrospection?

"Jim Lookabaugh was my high school coach at Capitol Hill," Tyree began. "I learned everything from him. Jim is very good at teaching fundamentals—particularly blocking and tackling. He is tops

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at taking some boy with good physical possibilities but no co-ordination and making a real football player out of him.

"Jap Haskell, my freshman coach at O. U., was a fiery guy. He could make you mean, put you in a fighting mood. I never heard him speak a word of English in my life, but after you learned to interpret his slang, he could sure help you. He used to take us over into 'linesmen's gulch', as he called the practice field east of the cinder track, and the men who were able to walk back started the next game in the line. Tom Stidham never would let any of the backs go over there.

"Stidham was a fine coach. He was quiet and had a fine personality. It was impressive just to look at him and hear him speak. He was close to his boys and they liked him.

"Snorter Luster had one of the keenest coaching minds I ever saw and his witty quips livened up the practices. O. U.'s system before Luster was to run to the right and pass to the left but Luster started us running to the weak side as well.

"Orville Tuttle, our line coach in '42, was so young and had played so much pro ball he could get down and personally demonstrate his theories. He always kept his pads hanging in the locker. He seemed more like a player than a coach."

Tyree gets his degree in mechanical engineering in January "unless something goes wrong" as he caustically puts it.

O. U. Cagers Start Off Right

O.U.'s young yet flashy basketball team opened this season's campaign with victories over Southern Methodist University of the Southwest Conference and Ohio State of the Big Nine.

The Sooners, alert, but often erratic, thumbed S.M.U.'s Mustangs, 55-45, in their first game, with Center Bill Waters and Guard Paul Merchant setting the pace, scoring 16 and 12 points, respectively. Bruce Drake's men showed a good deal of fire and some expert ball handling in downing the smaller Mustangs. They never were in serious danger.

Taking up where All-American Gerald Tucker left off, the 6-5, 220-pound Waters looked good in swinging off his post position to dump 'em in as "The Tuck" used to do.

Paul Courty, only regular from last year's national runners-up, is back to his rebounding tricks

again and scored a total of 26 points in the first two tilts. He took charge of the boards both offensively and defensively against Ohio State in addition to swishing 16 points through the hoops for scoring honors.

O.U. drubbed the Ohio Buckeyes, 62-53. Sports writers in the Big Nine area were reported as having said the smart passing Oklahomans reminded them of Illinois' famed "Whiz Kids" some of the time.

Football Crowds Set Record

Missing an average of 30,000 per home game by only 213, Coach Charles "Bud" Wilkinson's Oklahoma football team, Big Six co-champions, broke all home attendance records in the history of the University this past season.

Wilkinson's Sooners set a new average for Norman games of 29,787, surpassing last year's average of 27,404 attracted by Coach Jim Tatum's Sooners, also Big Six co-champs.

First and second largest individual game crowds ever to see a home game at Owen field were attracted this year when 34,547 saw Oklahoma and Kansas play a 13-13 tie, and 33,945 saw the Sooners come from behind to take the Oklahoma Aggies 21-13 in the finale.

The 1947 attendance for the five Norman games:

Texas Aggies	29,431
Kansas	34,547
Texas Christian	27,957
Iowa State	23,058
Oklahoma Aggies	33,945
Totals	148,938

Grid Experts Place O.U. High

Oklahoma's 1947 football team went on the books as the 16th best team in the nation following figures released by the Associated Press' national sports poll.

Texas and Kansas, only Sooner opponents to finish in the top 20, polled 5th and 12th respectively. The top ten teams, in order, were: Notre Dame, Michigan, Southern Methodist, Penn State, Texas, Alabama, Pennsylvania, Southern California, North Carolina and Georgia Tech.

STUDENTS WIN PRIZES

Two University engineers have won first and second prizes in a poster contest sponsored by the National Safety Council. Rex Vicars, Dallas, chemical engineer, placed first, with Sam C. Smith, Enid, graduate student in chemical engineering, next. They competed with thousands of other contestants from over the nation.