



Veterans' problems were aired recently when this octette met at the University. From left to right—Dr. H. V. Thornton, '22ba, '29ma, professor of government; Dr. Royden Dangerfield, executive vice-president; O.U. Dad Cecil Chamberlain, Frederick attorney; Ray Field of Guthrie and Indianapolis, Indiana; Granville Scanland, an O.U. Dad and assistant city attorney of Oklahoma City; Milt Phillips, '22, Seminole; J. B. Koch, '26eng, Norman, and Hugh Askeu, Oklahoma City, another O.U. Dad.

These Two Prepare for Oxford

Rhodes Scholar competition for 1948 came to a close in December with the names of two University of Oklahoma students occupying places on the national roster of 48 men.

These two, William L. Howard, Oklahoma City graduate student in Chemistry, and William E. Slesnick, Norman senior in Arts and Sciences, will enroll at Oxford University, England, for the fall term, 1948.

This year 745 candidates from 211 colleges competed for the 48 awards. During the 43 years that the awards have been presented, as provided for in the will of Cecil Rhodes, South African empire builder, O.U. students have received 16 of the 1,222 awards given.

As students at Oxford, Slesnick and Howard will receive an annual stipend of 500 pounds, which is approximately \$2,000. Their benefits under the G. I. Bill of Rights will continue. The stipend is provided for two years, but it may be extended for a third year. Third year extensions are based on the student's intellectual ability, character, personality, instinct for leadership and interest in outdoor sports.

Howard plans to continue his study of chemistry at Oxford. He received the B. S. degree in chemistry in 1943 with a straight "A" average, and has completed a year's work since the war on the M. S. degree in chemistry, also with an "A" average. At present he is a Research Fellow under the Public Health Service Grant. He expects to receive the M. S. in chemistry in the Spring.

Howard served as an Army Ordnance officer during the war, spending two and one-half years in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater of Operation. He returned to the University for the Spring term of 1947.

When queried about a system for making a "three point" average for five year's work, Howard's reply was not at all hesitant.

"I'm an academic man, not a socialite," he answered.

But even as a scholar who stays in the lab until after ten every night, Howard finds time to play tennis occasionally and pursue his two hobbies—music and photography.

Honorary and professional societies of which he is a member include Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi, Pi Mu Epsilon, Sigma Pi Sigma and Phi Eta Sigma. He was also a member of the President's Honor Class.

Slesnick, the other member of the O.U. Rhodes Scholar duo, expects to receive the B.A. degree in 1948. He now holds the B. S. degree from the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland.

During the war he served as an ensign aboard the U. S. S. Manchester and the U. S. S. Columbia. Before entering the Naval Academy he attended his Freshman year at the University, where he was a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Freshman scholastic fraternity. He also was recipient of the Pi Mu Epsi-



WILLIAM SLESNICK WILLIAM HOWARD
O.U.'s newest Rhodes Winners.

lon math award in 1942, and was a charter member of Alpha Phi Omega, service fraternity.

The year he received the math award, two relatives were among the graduating class. His sister, Ruth Slesnick Gechter, received the B. S. in Business Administration. A cousin, Helen Slesnick Wolk, winner of the 1941 Dads' Day award, graduated from the School of Journalism.

Slesnick looks forward to studying at Oxford because he likes the British system of education. The British plan is for three eight-week terms of school with the other 28 weeks of the year interspersed between school terms to allow time for traveling. He plans to travel extensively on the continent.

Howard and Slesnick will leave for the East Coast in time to join the other Rhodes Scholars going over for the Fall term. In the meantime, they are continuing their school work at O.U., and gaining helpful knowledge from some of O.U.'s former Rhodes Scholars of what to expect at Oxford.

Three persons at the University now who were Rhodes Scholars are Walter S. Campbell, director of courses in short story writing; Savoie Lottinville, director of the University Press, and Dr. C. E. Springer, chairman of the mathematics department.

The Good Ole Army

War orders gave First Lt. Rodolpho M. Pascua, '42m.bus, his first visit home to the Philippines in 13 years. Now, still under war orders, he is again in the land of his adoption—the United States.

Lieutenant Pascua, who received his Master's Degree in business administration at the University, recently visited Pablo Valdez, in Oklahoma City. With him were his wife and daughter, Margaret Ann, 16 months. They were enroute to a new tour of duty at Fort Story, Virginia.

Pascua left his home in Pangasinan, Luzon, when he was 15 years old, going to Salt Lake City where he was graduated from high school and earned his BA degree at the University of Utah.

Miss Gannon Goes to Tokyo

Miss Carolyn Gannon, '46bfa, Hominy, has a novel ambition. She wants to be a "Tokyo Rose." That is why she has gone to Japan to be program director for Armed Forces Radio Service.

The urge to travel and entertain homesick G.I.'s in the occupation army struck Miss Gannon when she was vacationing in Hawaii from March to August of this year. Her vacation to Hawaii was scheduled for two weeks, but she found it took longer to learn the hula, so she stayed almost six months.

While learning the hula she went to work for the Armed Forces Radio station located in Honolulu. After returning to Oklahoma she applied for her present position in Tokyo.

Enthusiasm over a trip to Japan was two fold. Not only would she be doing the type of work she enjoys most in a strange new land. She also was to rejoin an old friend, Miss Betsy Gandy, '47bfa. Miss Gandy is in Tokyo with her mother and father, Col. and Mrs. C. L. Gandy, the colonel is commander of the 49th general army hospital in the Japanese capital.

Miss Gannon, who spent most of her life in Cushing, likes to call Okmulgee home because she graduated from high school there. After her graduation from the University she spent several months in Hollywood as commercial continuity director for Columbia Broadcasting System. It was there that she met Miss Florence Hale, Bound Brook, New Jersey, and went vacationing with her to Hawaii.

FORENSIC MEET—MARCH 8-9

Junior collegians are preparing to "speak up" this year. After months of practice, they will compete March 8 and 9 in the State Junior College Forensic Association tournament to be held at the University of Oklahoma. The tournament is open to all state-owned, independent and municipal junior colleges of the state, Guy Brown, O.U. speech activity director, has announced.