Undergraduate Activities

97 O. U. Women Have Rich Uncle, Too

Uncle Sam is sending girls to school, too. Ninetyseven of the 7,050 veterans enrolled in the University of Oklahoma are used-to-be WACs, WAVES, SPARS, Army and Navy nurses and women Marines.

Thirty-five "new" women veterans enrolled in the University this past semester. The GI Janes have as many reasons, ambitions, attitudes, ideas and personalities as the number enrolled. They are proud of their service, but as modest in talking about it as an 1890 spinster. No letter, plane, radio, telephone or pony express could find many of them; but they cannot hide from the veterans administration.

Irene Boyle, journalism junior, plans to be married soon after she gets her degree, but really "wants to work a while in advertising." Miss Boyle was a sergeant in the WACs. She was stationed in Enid, Washington, D. C., and Sherman, Texas. She lives in Norman and was enrolled in the University before joining the WACs.

Anne Bryant from Baxter Springs, Kansas, was a member of the WAVES for 18 months. She is a sophomore in the Pharmacy School and is looking forward to owning her own pharmacy. Miss Bryant was in the hospital corps, stationed in Bronx, New York, and Bethesda, Maryland.

Very much in the minority are the SPARS. Marian Dunham, junior in social welfare, is one of two enrolled in the University. From Oklahoma City, Mrs. Dunham served two years in New York City and Norfolk, Virginia. She had two semesters in the University before joining the SPARS. Her husband wants a MS degree in geology, so they plan to be at O.U. for some time.

Edna McMillan from Gracemont is a registered nurse who works in the University's infirmary. This is her first year in the University. She wants a degree in nursing administration. She served six months in the Philippine Islands. Next year she plans to attend the University of Colorado.

Lucille Molloy, junior pharmacy student, is from Tahlequah. She served 18 months as a corporal in the women's Marines in San Francisco and wants to work in retail pharmacy when she has her degree.

So, the story could go on, repeating and changing itself 97 times.

Dream of Dreams

Joanne Johnston, Arts and Sciences junior and Beaux Arts Queen was recently crowned Queen of Queens on the campus at the first School of Journalism dance since before the war.

Competition was stiff for this royalty role. Queenships don't grow on family trees in Oklahoma. Joanne was chosen as the most beautiful contestant in the parade of queens staged at the J-School dance.

The contestants were reigning royal lovelies on the campus. Joanne's competitors included Jo Morgan, honorary colonel of Scabbard and Blade, military fraternity; Nila Jean Caylor, Miss Norman of 1947; Ann Cleveland, Ruf Nek queen and queen of the Phi Delta Theta Mardi Gras; Ruey Haozous, Sequoyah Indian Club princess; Roseann Miller, *Covered Wagon* cover girl; Marjorie Smith, O.U. band queen; Maxine Robberts, School of Music queen; Bobbie Craig, Engineer's queen; Betty Kerr, Miss Pharmacy of 1947; Mary LeFlore, 1947 yearbook queen, and Norma Jean McArthur, PiKa dream girl. Ann Jarrett, track queen, was unable to compete.

Early last fall Joanne was crowned Beaux Arts queen. This queenship was awarded when she was selected over contestants from other colleges and

universities in the state at the Beaux Arts ball in Oklahoma City. Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic fraternity, sponsored the J-School dance and Queen of Queens coronation. Joe Fleming, SDX president, crowned Joanne after her selection by prominent state newspaper people who attended the event, but preferred to remain anonymous.

Selection was made following the parade of queens in the Union Ballroom. Patty Oliver, recently elected School of Journalism's Princess Print, presented a bouquet of American beauty roses to Queen Joanne.

Flight Appeal

Popular with many students on the O.U. campus are the flight training courses.

More than 145 students now are enrolled in the courses. Last semester the University created a separate department of aeronautics to teach flying and other courses of an aviation nature.

Last year the flying was done under contract with two flight school operators who trained more than 350 students.

The department has set up its own maintenance shop and assembled a staff of flight and ground school instructors. Six Aeroncas and two Cessnas are being used in the program. Next semester a

'Queen of them All'

flight instructor course will be available to students.

Max Westheimer Field, one of the largest of its kind devoted primarily to educational use, is the center of University flying operations. O. U. also owns a smaller grass field which is used to give students practice in landings and takeoffs.

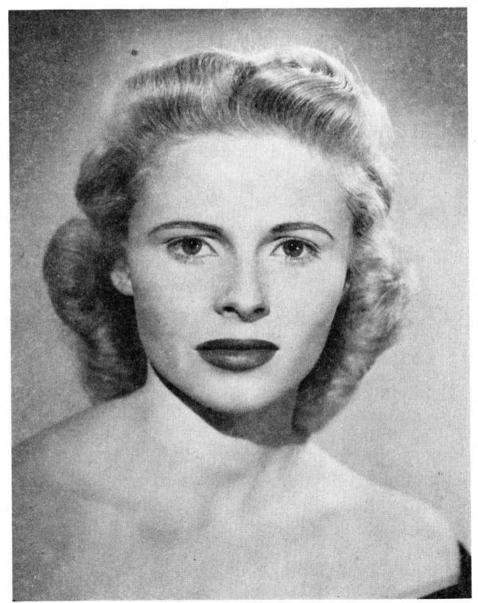
In addition to flight training, the University offers scholastic work leading to a degree in aeronautical engineering and aviation administration.

Connally Memorial Fund Set Up

In memory of Dewey Connally, University of Oklahoma student who died last October, a scholarship fund has been founded for students who are active in community singing circles, John W. Reed, O. U. associate law professor, has announced.

The fund, now totalling approximately \$2,000, was originated in the Norman Vesper choir, which is directed by Mrs. Dolly Connally, '26fa, '47 m.mus.ed, mother of the late O.U. student. Connally, who died of injuries received in an automobile accident while returning from Dallas where he attended the Texas-O.U. football game, was a charter member in the choir.

Awards will be made by an advisory board made up of Paul S. Carpenter, dean of the College of Fine Arts, Mrs. D. L. Barnes and Professor Reed. The first award will be given in the summer of 1948.



JOANNE JOHNSTON

Copmann Takes Over 'Daily' As Quinton Peters Writes '30'

Lyle Copmann, Journalism Senior of Oxford, Kansas, has stepped into the number one position on the Oklahoma Daily, student publication, for the second semester.

As editor, succeeding Quinton Peters, Journalism Senior of Hominy, Copmann also will serve as a member of the Oklahoma Memorial Union Board of Managers.

The editor of the *Daily* automatically is a member of the seven-man board, together with the Student Senate president; Ted Beaird, '21ba, manager of Oklahoma Memorial Union; Paul V. MacMinn, director of student affairs, ex officio member for President Cross, and three Alumni selected by and from the Union Board of Governors.

The three elected members serving with Copmann are Hal Muldow, Jr., '28bs, president of the University of Oklahoma Association; E. D. Meacham, '14ba, dean of Arts and Sciences, and Jack Luttrell, '38ba, '41law, Norman attorney. Student Senate president on the board is Jerry Edwards, Engineering Senior, who as vice-president is serving out the unexpired term of Bruce Chenault, graduating senior in Business Administration of Tulsa.

Copmann will serve with the others in formulating the policy of the Union.

- He has a lot of invaluable experience behind him in the newspaper field. During the war he was an issue editor on the Ohio State Lantern, college newspaper, and has been a correspondent for the Wichita (Kansas) Eagle. He has come up through the ranks on the Daily, having served as reporter, issue editor, and managing editor.

In assuming duties of editor, Copmann announced "I want to continue the present policy of putting out a good paper. The Daily has been and will continue to be a newspaper for students."

Peters, who has edited the paper for the past semester and has done every other job known to the college newspaperman, stepped down to the quieter task of finishing work toward a B.A. which he expects in July. During his semester as editor he has been best known by his personal daily column, "All The Way."

In this column he has discussed everything from the questionable Jack Sisco referee decisions in the O.U.-Texas Cotton Bowl game to the fight by Ada Lois Sipuel Fisher, Chickasha Negro, for admittance to the University School of Law.

Leon Bert, Artesia, New Mexico, will be Copmann's managing editor for the first eight weeks of the semester. He is former sports editor of the *Daily*.

Sooner Sports

Burris, Rapacz Acclaimed

Probably the most genuine all-American football teams today are the all-players all-American published by the *Chicago Tribune* and *Pic* magazine's all-American eleven selected by the nation's scouts.

Ignored in 1947 by most of the sports writerauthorized elevens, Coach Charles "Bud" Wilkinson's Oklahoma Sooners, Big Six conference cochampions, placed a rugged linesman on each team chosen by the players and the scouts—the men who should know.

Paul "Buddy" Burris, guard from Muskogee, was voted one of the two best guards in the nation by 1,616 college players from coast to coast. The 1947 players' all-American was:

Ends-Paul Cleary, Southern California, and William Swiacki, Columbia; Tackles-Bob Davis, Georgia Tech, and Dick Harris, Texas; Guards-Paul Burris, Oklahoma, and Joe Steffy, Army; Center-Charles Bednarik, Pennsylvania; Quarterback-John Lujack, Notre Dame; HalfbacksChalmers Elliott, Michigan, and Charles Conerly, Mississippi; Fullback-Russ Steger, Illinois.

John Rapacz, O.U.'s big center, was named to *Pic's* second team by the nation's scouts.

Sooner Cagers Run Hot and Cold

More amazing than its upset aspects was the apparent ease with which the Oklahoma Sooners smothered the highly touted Iowa State Cyclones January 17 in the O.U. field house. The score was 66-39, and the Staters were completely baffled by the first half Sooner defense which held them to a single field goal in 27 shots.

When the Cyclones blew into town, they were on top of the Big Six Conference with two wins and no losses. The Sooners, on the other hand were on the bottom of the heap, having lost to Kansas, 39-38 in a sloppy overtime tilt in Lawrence.

Iowa State's surprising defeat brought to mind the O.U.-Wisconsin game in December when the Sooners trounced the highly favored Big Nine Conference leaders, 75-49.

With a 31-8 lead at halftime, the Red Shirts coasted throughout the last 20 minutes of play against the Cyclones and preserved a 30-point margin until the last few minutes of play.

The victory was the sixth in ten starts for Coach Bruce Drake's athletes. Their record includes victories over Southern Methodist University, 55-45; Ohio State, 63-53; Colorado 61-56, and Missouri, 55-44, in addition to the Wisconsin and Iowa State triumphs.

Against DePaul, Kansas State, Tulane and Kansas the Sooners weren't so impressive. They lost to DePaul, 61-71; Kansas State, 48-55, in the Pre-Big Six tourney in Kansas City; Tulane, 32-49, and Kansas.

Bill Waters, husky center from Oklahoma City, and Paul Courty, forward from Windsor, Missouri, were running a nip-and-tuck race for scoring honors after the Iowa State game. They had a total of 125 and 124 points, respectively, with Kenneth Pryor ranking third with 90.

Tucker, Reich Shine for '66'

Two basketball aces at the University last year, Gerald Tucker and Dick Reich, are now members of the national AAU champs, the Phillips 66 aggregation of Bartlesville.

Members of Bruce Drake's 1947 runnersup in NCAA competition, both Tucker, an all-American and last year's Helms athletic award winner, and the dependable Reich, who was all-Big Six, already have seen a lot of action with the apparently unbeatable Phillips club. Tucker scored 28 points in a December contest.



"Your seat, Sir," gestures Quinton Peters, retiring editor of the Oklahoma Daily, student publication, to editor for the spring semester, Lyle Copmann. Both are seniors in journalism, and worked their way up the ladder of the Daily to the number one position.