

## 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 Beard, '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 writer-authorized elevens, Coach Charles "Bud" Wilkinson's Oklahoma Sooners, Big Six conference co-champions, 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; **Halfbacks**—

Chalmers 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 vic-

tories 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.

## An Important Grid Date--Sept. 29, 1951

When the Texas football team comes to Owen Field here in 1951 to start a home-and-home series that will replace the present Dallas contract which still has three years to run, it will mark the first time in 29 years the Longhorns have played on Oklahoma soil.

In 35 of the previous 41 games, Sooner teams have played south of Red River. Texas has won 28 games, Oklahoma 11 and two were tied. Excellent Steer teams coached by Dana Bible and Blair Cherry have now measured Sooner aggregations eight years in a row.

Bringing the game to Norman on alternate years, however, won't assure a Sooner victory. Of the six Texas-Oklahoma games played in Oklahoma, Texas won four. In 1901 they defeated Oklahoma 11-0 at Norman, in 1903 they won 11-5 at Oklahoma City, in 1906 they won 10-9 at Oklahoma City and in 1922 they won 32-7 at Norman. The Sooners won 2-0 at Oklahoma City in 1905 and 50-0 at Norman in 1908, record score of the series.

Tom Stidham has been the most successful Sooner coach against Texas teams. Stidham's red-panted

Sooner Powerhouses won 13-0 in 1938 and 24-12 in 1939, tied 7-7 in 1937 and lost 16-19 in 1940 although leading 16-7 at one point in the game.

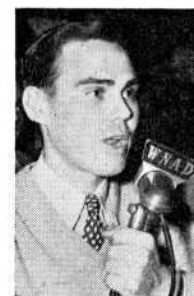
Bennie Owen had a .500 percentage against Texas, winning eight and losing eight of 16 games, 12 of them played in Texas, four in Oklahoma.

With the Cotton Bowl's seating capacity scheduled to be increased 15,000 by this fall, the 1948, 1949 and 1950 Texas-Oklahoma games will be played before 62,000 at Dallas. The contract has been extended four years beyond the Dallas contract and here are the dates: September 29, 1951 at Norman, September 27, 1952 at Austin, September 26, 1953 at Norman and September 25, 1954 at Austin.

President George Cross of Oklahoma has stipulated, in agreement with Texas officials, that a continuation of the series is contingent upon good crowd behavior. The pop bottle-heaving episode of last fall is the only public demonstration ever to becloud the 48-year old rivalry. Relations between the rival players and student bodies have always been fine.

## O.U. Cage Tilts Aired by WNAD

Basketball games at the University field house will be broadcast in February as they were last month by Jack Payne, WNAD sportscaster. The Sooners' five remaining home tilts, including the final two in March, also will be brought to radio listeners by Curt Gowdy of KOMA, Oklahoma City.



JACK PAYNE

Payne, junior from Okemah, handled last year's basketball and football broadcasts. He'll report action in the Nebraska game February 9; Kansas, February 21 and the Oklahoma Aggie tilt February 24.

It is expected that WNAD will request permission from the Federal Communications Commission to carry broadcasts of the two March games in Norman—Missouri, March 5, and Kansas State, March 8.

# Calling the Roll of Sooner Classes

### ~1902~

Dr. Frank Leroy Carson, '02Ph.C, Shawnee, chief surgeon at the ACH hospital and one of the founders of that institution in 1927, died unexpectedly December 19 at his home.

### ~1907~



ERRETT R. NEWBY

Active in Alumni work and organizations since his graduation from the University is Errett R. Newby (above) '07fa, '08ba, prominent oil man from Oklahoma City. Mr. Newby was featured in the December issue of *The Delta*, official publication of Sigma Nu Fraternity. Mr. Newby is also president of the General Bonding and Insurance Company of Oklahoma City.

The homes of Mrs. Lucia Ferguson, '07, and Mrs. Pearl G. Porter, '09bm, '10ba, in Tulsa, were the scene of a series of parties for former friends and classmates at the University. Those attending were Mrs. Alta Loomis Carder, '06ba, Cordell; Mrs. Blanche Morgan Webb, '05bs, Chicago, Illi-

nois; Maebelle Williams, '17, Wichita, Kansas; Mrs. Nell G. DeGolyer, '06bm, '07ba, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Adelaide L. Parker, '06ba, '10ma, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Merle Newby Buttram, '06bm, '12ba, Oklahoma City, and Mrs. Nina Bessent Owen, '10, Norman.

### ~1909~

W. J. "Bill" Cross, '09ba, business manager for the University athletic department, is the grandfather of William Walter Cross, Jr., born December 6 in Norman. The baby's parents are W. W. Cross, University student, and Mrs. Cross. The proud grandmother is Mrs. Rosalie Biscoe Cross, '35cd.

### ~1911~

John A. Bryan, '11ba, is president of the Choctaw Electric Co-Op of Hugo and a member of the Executive committee of the Oklahoma Statewide Electric Co-Op of Oklahoma City.

### ~1914~

Lina Bryan Beene, '14bm, is making her home in Tulsa where her husband, W. P. Beene, is in the wholesale paper business.

### ~1915~

Appointment of Louis Hoskins, '15ba, Anaheim (California) postmaster, as a member of the national executive committee of the National Association of Postmasters was announced recently. Mr. Hoskins will represent the area of Nevada, Arizona, California, and Territory of Hawaii during his 12-month term of office. This is the first time in recent years that a California postmaster has been appointed to the executive committee.

### ~1917~

Grady Lewis, '16-'17, is on the mediation panel of the United States Mediation Board in Washington, D. C. He served in the European theater for two years as lieutenant colonel in the intelligence section of the Air Service.

### ~1920~

Grace E. Ray, '20ba, '23ma, associate professor of journalism, had an article in the December 6 issue of the *Christian Science Monitor* entitled "Feminine Smoke-Chasers" which tells the role women play in detecting and fighting forest fires.

Two of Oklahoma's most famous sons were featured in the ninth faculty recital presented December 16 in Holmberg Hall. Joseph Benton, '20ba, '21fa, '41ma, professor of voice, and former Metropolitan opera star, sang 13 selections and was accompanied by Lewis S. Salter, '12bm, '17ba, professor of music. Mr. Salter presented two piano selections on the recital.

Dr. Lloyd E. Swearingen, '20bs, 21ms, professor of chemistry and director of the University research institute, has been named by Gov. Roy J. Turner to an advisory committee to the industrial division of the state planning and resources board.

### ~1921~

With the backing of the party organization, Leslie E. Salter, '21ba, '22law, Flossmoor, Illinois, has announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for congressman from the newly created Fourth District of Illinois.



LESLIE E. SALTER

Mr. Salter has been in public life except for brief periods of private law practice since he was a law student at the University of Oklahoma. When still a student he was elected to the Oklahoma legislature. He served two terms, during the second of which he was Republican floor leader and member of the board of managers in the impeachment trial and removal from office of the Democratic governor, Jack Walton.

After three years' service as assistant U. S. district attorney in the western district of Oklahoma, Mr. Salter was made a special assistant to the attorney general of the United States. In seven years in the post, he became known as the department of justice's "ace" prosecutor.

Mr. Salter entered private practice in Chicago, Illinois, in 1936. In 1941 he was appointed to the staff of the Illinois Commerce Commission, where he is now serving the public as an examiner and supervisor of the motor vehicle section.

With Mrs. Salter and their two sons, Mr. Salter has lived in Flossmoor for the last 15 years.