

Q. Williamson, state attorney general; J. M. Thaxton, assistant safety commissioner and "Boss" Reed.

Receiving certificates were Vernon Ray Anderson, Lawton; Richard P. Adams, Hastings; John J. Divine, Goodwell; Vernon A. Butler, Coalgate; Charles E. Branch, Altus; Ralph E. Fromme, Alva; Bennett M. Guthrie, Tahlequah; Bert M. Grigg, Pryor; W. F. Griggs, Marietta; John A. Haworth, Enid.

Billy H. Howell, Miami; William M. Lancaster, Claremore; John C. Liddell, Marietta; Squire O. Lowry, Copan; Jack McKenzie, Ponca City; James B. Powers, McAlester; Earl C. Stewart, Sallisaw; J. C. Turner, Westville; William W. Young, Norman, and Albert B. Zoller, Oklahoma City.

Faculty

New Men's Counselor Named

Oscar D. Roberts, member of the faculty at Oak Park (Illinois) High School, has been named counselor of men at the University of Oklahoma. He holds a B.S. in education from the University of Illinois and an M.A. in educational guidance from Northwestern University. At Oak Park he is serving as biology teacher, student adviser and also as coach of the basketball and swimming teams. He will assume his duties at O. U. not later than June 10.

Robert H. Rucker Resigns, Will Open Business in Norman

The resignation of Robert H. Rucker, resident landscape architect and assistant professor of plant sciences at the University, was announced last month by President Cross. Rucker left O.U. March 1 to enter the floral and landscaping business in Norman.



ROBERT H. RUCKER

The landscape expert came to the University in June, 1945, from Waco, Texas, where he supervised campus planting for the centennial celebration of Baylor University.

A graduate of Texas A. and M. College, where he received both Bachelor and Master's degrees, Rucker worked with the Texas

highway department and taught a San Antonio High School landscaping class before entering the Army in 1942.

An infantry captain, he lost a leg in the Tunisian campaign in North Africa in 1943, and was discharged from O'Reilly General Hospital in Springfield, Missouri, in November, 1944.

Rucker supervised all grounds and landscape planning at O.U., including the landscaping of Sooner City, since joining the staff, and only recently finished plans for overall parking areas on the campuses.

The elimination of parking along University streets is the outstanding phase of the new parking formula. The plan is to be considered by the Board of Regents.

Rucker is president of the Norman Rotary Club, and has been active in garden club projects. In addition, he is consulting rosarian for this area of the American Rose Society.

Radio Authorities Confer

Everything from hillbilly music to legal phases of broadcasting was discussed by nationally known speakers at the annual radio conference held at the University of Oklahoma February 26 to 28.

"The New Look in Radio" was the theme of the three-day gathering which attracted radio and

'Miss Grace' Put Life into O. U.

By MRS. MARILYN DAVIS INGLER, '43BA

Oklahoma's growth as a state and the rise of a young University is reflected in the story of Mrs. James D. Maguire, who as a 16-year-old girl joined the University of Oklahoma faculty in 1896.

Today, at her work in the Sooner library newspaper department, she vividly remembers the days



MRS. GRACE K. MAGUIRE
A Colorful Past.

when she taught students older than herself, led the glee club in "Dixie" at football games and capped her college "career" by marrying the president of the regents' board.

There's also the memory of the song with which she captured the admiration of the legislature and assured an important appropriation for the University, and of the tunes she sang to music-hungry territory residents.

The story of Mrs. Maguire, or Miss Grace King of Emporia, Kansas, starts with an invitation from Dr. David Ross Boyd, president of the four-year-old University of Oklahoma. Dr. Boyd, who had been told of the young graduate of Emporia Teachers' College, invited Miss King to give a concert in Norman, hinting that she might be given a place on the O. U. faculty.

Despite her fears concerning Indians and gun-totin' pioneers, she journeyed down through long stretches of Prairie to sing "When the Heart is Young" and "Goodbye, Sweet Day" before a

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Some of the program subjects included frequency modulation, advertising agencies, continuity writing, promotion, independent stations, public relations and radio law.

Faculty Notes . . .

Lila Welch, professor of home economics at the University, attended the annual Southern Regional Conference for Home Economics Education which was held jointly with the Atlantic region in Washington, D. C., February 16 to 20.

Dr. John Herve, '23ba, '25law, Norman, who has been named adviser to the section on legal education and admissions to the bar for the American Bar Association, will work with deans of law schools throughout the nation for improvement of legal education. Dr. Herve formerly was

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