Faculty

Death Claims Dr. Alma Neill

Dr. Alma J. Neill, faculty member since 1920, died in April following a short illness. Services, which were conducted by the Rev. Robert M. Lehew, pastor of Independence, Missouri, Methodist Church, were held at the McFarlin Memorial Methodist Church, Norman. Burial was at Chillicothe, Illinois, where she was born February 21, 1885.

Dr. Neill, professor of physiology, was a nationally known authority on sleeping sickness. She received the B. A., Master's and Doctor's degrees from the University of Illinois, graduating with honors.

She was an active member of numerous honorary and national organizations and participated in local civic and religious work. She was the author of several articles for scientific publications and was one of the two faculty members listed in the 1946 edition of *World Notables*, published in New York.

Dr. Joyal Accepts College Presidency

Dr. Arnold E. Joyal, dean of the College of Education, has resigned to accept the presidency of Fresno State College, Fresno, California. Dean Joyal, whose resignation becomes effective August 31, will replace Dr. Frank Thomas, who is retiring after serving as president for 20 years.

Dr. Joyal said he was resigning because of the "opportunities for professional service and advancement" at Fresno. "I have been very happy here and have thoroughly enjoyed my work and my professional associates," he added.

President Cross commended him for his outstanding service, "both to the University and to the schools of the state."

Joyal will direct the building of a completely new Fresno College. A new site of 160 acres has been acquired and the institution has available several million dollars with which to begin construction. The old campus and building will be sold to the city of Fresno for a junior college.

Joyal became University dean of the College of Education and director of the summer session in October, 1945. He had previously served as high school teacher and principal in Wheatland, California; associate specialist in school finance, United States Office of Education, Washington, D. C.; lecturer in education, University of California, and professor of education and chairman of the department of education at the University of Denver. He also was acting dean of the college of education and director of the summer session at the University of Maryland.

Joyal holds the B.A., and M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of California.

Rural School Teachers to Meet

Educators in rural schools over Oklahoma will meet with Dr. Shirley Cooper, National Education Association rural expert, June 23 and 24 at the University of Oklahoma for the annual Rural Educators Conference.

Planned on the theme of "Building Better Rural Schools and Communities," the conference will feature discussions by Dr. Cooper on teacher recruitment, re-organization of school districts, "keeping rural schools rural" and audio-visual aids.

Assistant director of rural service in the NEA department of rural education, Cooper has extensive experience in that field. He has taught in a one-room school, served as principal of a consolidated elementary schools and as county superintendent in a school system in which all the schools were rural.

Dr. Dangerfield to Leave O.U.

Carl Mason Franklin, former assistant to the president of Ohio State University, has been named to succeed Dr. Royden J. Dangerfield, administrative vice-president, who has resigned to accept the chairmanship of the department of government at the University of Wisconsin.

Dangerfield is now on leave of absence with the bureau of the budget, Washington, D.C. A continuation of the leave, which was to have terminated June 15, was granted from September 1 to January 30, 1949, in order for Dr. Dangerfield to serve with the National War College faculty. He is one of five civilian experts chosen to serve with the group.

He joined the faculty in 1928, and in 1947 was named administrative assistant to the president. He also received the title of executive vice-president of the University in 1947.

Franklin, who will assume his duties here as

soon as possible, is attending the University of Virginia, from which he will receive a Bachelor of Laws degree in June.

He holds the B. A. degree from the University of Washington, the M.A. in economics from Stanford University, and M.A. in university administration from Columbia University and the M.B.A. from Harvard University.

He began his career as a high school teacher in Chehalis, Washington, and has served on the faculty at the University of Alaska as an instructor in economics and accounting. He also served as registrar and comptroller there. He attended Harvard in 1940-41 as a Sheldon Research fellow.

Franklin was assistant to the president of Ohio State University from 1941 to 1946, during which time he served as director of the budget and as an associate professor of educational research. Since 1946, he has been a Dupont scholar at the University of Virginia.

Speech Star from Waukomis



For more than forty years, the University, through its Extension Division and speech department, has been the guiding force for hundreds of Oklahoma senior high school youngsters who have participated in Oklahoma High School Public Speaking League activities.

This state-wide organization also sponsors speech meets for state colleges. In the state prep school finals for 1948, held recently on the O.U. campus, Rosalie Moravec, a captivating Waukomis student, was the star of the more than 300 youths who qualified for the state finals. Rosalie, with a friendly smile, freckled nose and long brown hair as well as speaking excellence, won first place gold medals in three principal events in the Class C school class, public address, humorous reading and dramatic reading. Her coach at Waukomis High is Howard Domnick.

Pictured above is a group of Oklahoma alumni, all leaders in the field of speech education, congratulating Rosalie on her accomplishments.

Seated, left to right: Eula Boulware Peterson, '35, Altus; Dr. E. D. Meacham, '14ba, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, O.U.; Miss Moravec; Dr. Charles P. Green, '25ba, chairman of the department of speech, O.U., and Mrs. Elaine Johnson Tucker, '29, head of the speech department, Classen High School, Oklahoma City. Standing, left to right: Miss Nellie Waterman, '36, who for the past 20 years has been head of the speech department at Chickasha High School; Guy Brown, '42speech, director of the Oklahoma High School Public Speaking League; Miss Ruth Redwine, '26ba, director of debate at Central High School in Oklahoma City, and C. E. "Pop" Grady, who in the past 25 years has probably developed more national champions in the field of speech education than any other speech official in the United States. Last year "Pop" Grady retired as head of the debate division of the speech department at Classen and at present is county superintendent of Oklahoma County.