

# Alumni in The News

schedule? There is DENVER, COLORADO; SAN FRANCISCO, and LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, for example, in the immediate Sooner spotlight. In a very few hours O. U.'s genial Head Football Coach, BUD WILKINSON, will be flying to these centers to meet O. U. alumni by the hundreds. In DENVER, Bud will break bread with such prominent Sooners as: ROSCOE WALKER, JR., '40ba; ROBERT B. McWILLIAMS, '40journ; WILLIAM A. CLARKE, JR., '47bus; JOHN TIPPIT, '38ba, '40law; JOE SHARPE, '47med.; B. M. GILBERT, '35-'38; WILLIAM M. FLEETWOOD, '31law; PHILLIP M. HARRIS, '39bs; HELEN L. HARRIS, '40bs; HERB E. DAVIS, '42-'46; WILLIAM H. SHIPLEY, '44bus; HARLAN MENDENHALL, '37journ; ALEX BACA, '47bus; BETTY ELLIOTT, '40geol, and THOMAS M. LEWALLEN, '41eng.

"Out of Denver, Bud will 'wing his way' on to San Francisco and there charter the newly organized O. U. Alumni Club. In San Francisco he will work and visit with dozens of grads among whom will be: REED CRITES, '36law; T. J. GALBRAITH, '19ba; CAPT. VELMA L. RICHARDSON, '38h.ec.; LEE LAIRD, '20ba; STEVEN M. LITTLE, '45eng; WOODROW B. MORRIS, '34ba, '36law; ROY P. STOOPS, '98ba; MRS. ROSEMARY H. BARTON, '45ba; GLENN A. CATO, '43-'44; CHARLES L. SMITH, '38-'40; MRS. PEARL PAXTON MORRIS, '32ba, '34ms; HARRY W. DAY, '30bus; CARRIE BELLE GOUGH, '26ba, '31ma; EDWARD "MICKEY" PARKS, '33-'37; MRS. J. F. PAXTON, '01ba; DAVID W. FREY, '47eng; WILLIS E. SNOW-BARGER, '47ma; CAROLL MADDOX, '47geol; HENRY R. HANSEN, '47med; HAROLD BELL ORR, '47bus; IRA Y. RICE, JR., '44journ; CONSTANCE K. CONCELLO, '44soc.wk.; MARY KESKIBAS, '44soc. wk., and JOHN J. GOLDEN, '47ba.

"Come the middle of June, Bud will meet the internationally known O. U. Alumni Club of Los Angeles. There he will meet (among hundreds of others) these prominent Sooners—F. LYMAN TIBBITTS, '16ba, '19ma; HERMAN ZIEMER, '35bfa, '40m.ed; HIAWATHA ESTES, '40eng; GLENN R. WATSON, '39law; LONNIE VANDERVEER, '39m.ed; FLOYD H. NORRIS, '35law; MRS. EDITH BARRE BRASHEAR, '30-'40-'42; CHARLES FORBES, '22ba, '25ma; WINIFRED KEYS, '43bs; WILLIAM N. GREENE, '41law; ALBERT WILLIAMS, '18bs, '19ms; RALPH BRAND, '33ba, '38ma; ANDREW CASTILE, '16ba; MINOR A. BALLINGER, '40; RUSSELL T. BALLYEAT, '39; MRS. DE ETIA WOODS BARNER, '43bs; MRS. LILLIAN BELLAH, '22ba; GEORGE E. BLOCH, '44eng; MRS. LORNA R. BROWN, '20bs; ERNEST ELLIOTT, JR., '39ba; DR. J. J. GABLE, '15med.; MRS. ALICE HERON GABLE, '22ba; WILLIAM C. GRIMES, '33law; LOUIS H. HOSKINS, '15ba; DR. FRANK I. REID, '27med.; DR. B. B. ROBERTS, '27med.; and ELMER C. WADE, '40eng.

"Back over on the East Coast in "little ole New York" the Sooners took over, less than a week ago, in their annual early summer of '48 meeting. O. U. leaders in that conclave were: ROBERT PARKER, '34ba; FRANK A. STEWART, '28bus; ALLEN C. DUNCAN, '21geol; DR. HARRY C. SLATKIN, '13bs; KENNETH ROBINSON, '38ba, '38law; MISS MARGARET STEPHENSON, formerly on the O. U. faculty; ROBERT CALVERT, '09ba, '10ma; MRS. ANNA MAE BAYNES, '24ba; MISS KATHRYN L. BECK, '41bs; A. R. NEVEU, '33ba; A. W. Hicks, '40m.ed; JULIETTA KAHN ARTHUR, '20ba; CHARLOTTE V. LEACH, '39bs; LEONA O. SCHNELL, '40ms; JULIA HERRMANN, '44bm; HOWARD L. FITTS, '38ba, '41law; CAROLYN FITTS, '41bm; E. D. UMAN, '33bs; CHARLES KRAM, '44; JOHN W. DAVIS, '39bus; MERLE MONTGOMERY, '24bm; A. S. GILLES, '34ba, '37law; CHARLES TURNBULL, '42bus; JOHN S. REDFIELD, '24ba, '26geol, '29ms; ORIN M. RED-



Alumni recently initiated into the campus chapter of Phi Beta Kappa are left to right: C. Ross Hume, '98ba, '00ma; Wyatt Marrs, '17ba, professor of sociology, and Gladys C. Bellamy, '32ba, '38ma, '46Ph.D., special instructor in English. J. Rud Nielsen, right, research professor of physics, was initiated as honorary member.

## Phi Beta Kappa Initiates

Eleven alumni, one honorary member and 27 junior and senior students were initiated into Oklahoma Alpha of Phi Beta Kappa at ceremonies held during early May. The rites were followed by a banquet, at which the initiates were honored, and an address by Waldo Stephens, a Phi Beta Kappa who holds a Ph.D. Degree from Columbia University, New York City, and is a former faculty member of that school. He is now president of the Stephens Petroleum Company, Oklahoma City.

Alumni elected to membership in the scholastic fraternity are Dr. Gladys Carver Bellamy, '32ba, '38ma, '46ph.d., special instructor in English; James Wyatt Marrs, '17ba, professor of sociology; C. Ross Hume, '98ba, '00ma, Anadarko, and Harold Linwood Bowen, '09ba, Evergreen, Colorado. Mr. Bowen attended initiation ceremonies at the University of Denver, Denver, Colorado.

FIELD, '40-'42, and HALE WINGFIELD, '36 journ.

"So it goes, whether in Denver, San Francisco, Los Angeles, New York, Washington, Dallas, San Antonio, Detroit, Tulsa, Oklahoma City, or innumerable cities and towns over the nation—when the Sooner call is sounded, alumni of the University respond.

"But—back to the affair of the hour—the reunion classes in session here in the Oklahoma Memorial Union in the heart of O. U.'s campus. We see mingling with the crowd the chap who does a lot of Riding the Sooner Range—TED BEAIRD, '21ba—the Executive Secretary-Manager of the general Alumni Association. We are going to move our microphone over his way and ask that he call in for a short comment on the affairs of the day, some of the visitors representing the reunion classes of 1948."

Yes, the microphone did come over our way, and, for a period of thirty minutes, alumni from the various reunion classes extended their greetings to the radio audience, (and, through the facilities of this Range article, to thousands of alumni scattered world-wide on the Sooner Range.)

Dr. J. Rud Nielsen, research professor of physics, was elected to honorary membership.

Members of the Class of 1947 who became Phi Beta Kappa members are Faye Alcen Brown, Dallas; Robert Dodge Davis, Muskogee; Cherry Flo Ledgerwood, Lawton; W. James Logan, Norman; Mrs. Milton E. May (Mary Eloise Conch), Norman; Bobby Ruth Smith, Oklahoma City, and John Wayne Ward, Oklahoma City.

Senior students elected to membership are Billye Abbott, Durant; Jane Ann Bullock, Picher; Randell Eugene Davis, Duncan; Stanley E. Disney, Muskogee; Elizabeth Marie Erwin, Wellston; Mark Allen Everett, Oklahoma City; Howard Irwin Friedman, Oklahoma City; Marvin Kenneth Hambrick, Oklahoma City; Virgil Thomas Hill, Canute; Fredrick Redding Hood, Jr., Oklahoma City, and John Hart Lane, Jr., Norman.

Allen G. Marr, Tulsa; Mary Hunter McMurray, Norman; Anna B. Novotny, Oklahoma City; Ava Jeanne Prater, Effingham, Illinois; Thelma Dickey Randle, Oklahoma City; Eleanor Louise Salyer, Norman; David Gilbert Smith, Wagoner; Alice Carolyn Taylor, Idabel; Charles Leland Ward, Oklahoma City, and Yvonne York, Oklahoma City.

Juniors named to Phi Beta Kappa are, in order of scholastic standing, Harry Houston Hinkle, Hugo; Christie Dougherty Furlow, Norman; Carol Lyon Grogan, Stroud; Hugh Wilson Treadwell, Oklahoma City; Bobby Jake Dunham, Perry, and Genevieve Dale, Oklahoma City.

## Student Unions Visited

Hillyer Freeland, '38bfa, operational manager of the Oklahoma Memorial Union, and Miss Mary Lou Stubbeman, '45bus, director of Union activities, returned recently from the national convention of the Association of College Unions at Roanoke, Virginia. On their return trip, they visited student unions on several national campuses.

While in Roanoke, they took time off from business to contact O. U. alumni living in that area. Those they saw were Elmer H. Gish, '42bm; Frank M. Long, '08ba, '09ma; Robert M. Culver, '36ba; Dr. Charles W. Grady, '16bs, '18med; Mrs. Charles W. Grady (De Ette Clifton, '19ba), and Elizabeth Van Lear, '37-'38.

## Bass Memorial Scholarship

By DR. E. D. MEACHAM  
Dean of Arts and Sciences

Next fall the first Robert Dean Bass scholar will be preparing himself for enlightened leadership in the American way of life.

Stocks valued at approximately \$13,900 have been transferred to the University Foundation by Harry W. Bass, '17, Dallas, in memory of his nephew, Robert Dean Bass, who was killed in action in World War II.

President George L. Cross received a letter May 28 from Henry B. Bass, Robert's father, informing him that the transfer of stock had been made to the University of Oklahoma Foundation.

Robert was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Bass, and the grandson of D. C. Bass, a pioneer builder, all of Enid. He was an outstanding baseball and football player in Enid and graduated from Enid high school. He attended the University from 1939-43 and joined the army shortly before he would have completed the requirements for his degree in geology.

He was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity. Mrs. W. B. Abernathy, Phi Delt house mother to hundreds of boys, described him as a young man of high ideals. "Everyone could always depend on Bob," she said. "This is appropriate and a wonderful thing for his family to do."

A combat engineer officer of the 99th Division, 1st U. S. Army, he had been promoted to first lieutenant. In western Germany, February 7, 1945, he was killed in action.

His chauffeur, T/5 Raymond Collins, wrote a letter February 25, 1945, to Bob's family. Collins said "This is not an easy letter for me to write, but I feel in all fairness to your son that I write his family so they might know how much I, and the platoon, respected and admired him for his great courage and fine ideals. He was more than an officer to us, for he was our friend. He held to his ideals and beliefs until the last, and led his men, as he always did, even into the most dangerous jobs a soldier may be called upon to do."

The letter continues, "He was my officer, and I can honestly say that he personified the high ideals of the uniform he wore so proudly. He was a fine man, and it has made my life fuller and richer for having had the privilege of knowing and serving him."

The Robert Dean Bass fund, is the type of scholarship which fits University needs perfectly. Income from the fund will provide scholarships for generations to come.

The Bass scholarships will provide opportunities for worthy students to study for the preservation of the American form of government and of free enterprise through the education of future leaders.

Any University student may apply for the Bass scholarship, which this year will amount to approximately \$600. The recipient of the first scholarship will be selected by a committee of the faculty before the opening of the fall semester. Applications should be sent to the University of Oklahoma Foundation.

The Bass family has long been associated with the University and the history of the state. Robert's father, Henry B. Bass, is builder of the Bass office Building, the new high school in Enid and the Oakwood Country Club of Enid. He has also built a number of Oklahoma industrial plants.

Robert's uncle, Harry W. Bass, '17, who established the memorial fund, operates the Harry Bass Drilling Co., Dallas. Robert's uncle D. Clarence Bass, Jr., '22, is an architect.

John Harvey Bass, another uncle, studied law at the University and was a member of the department of government staff in 1920-22. He is now an attorney in Chicago.

Robert's sister, Barbara, also attended the University. She is the wife of Guy Leonard Berry, Jr., '46bus, Sapulpa. His other sister, Jeraldine, a senior in the College of Arts and Sciences, is majoring in foreign languages.

The Bass memorial will benefit students who want to make a study of the problems of American government. Out of this, it is hoped, better informed leaders will be attracted to government service. Through the development of informed, objective leadership, government at all levels will become more enlightened.

## Larson's Job Nears Completion

Jess Larson, '22, '33, the Chickasha lawyer who worked his way up from Army colonel to administrator of war assets, reports that his job as keeper of the biggest store in the history of the world is nearly done.

Most of the billions of dollars worth of goods left over from the war have been sold. Included in the surplus was a consignment of false teeth for Russian lend-lease.

He has sold most of his human skeletons, mules, flying machines, broken jeeps, silver finger bowls, shoe polish, flea powder and other items worth \$21 millions. He has only about \$6 millions worth left, and most of this in the form of real estate.

Mr. Larson thinks his outfit, which still employs 25,000 people, should be abolished and the rest of the job turned over to the Federal Works Administration.

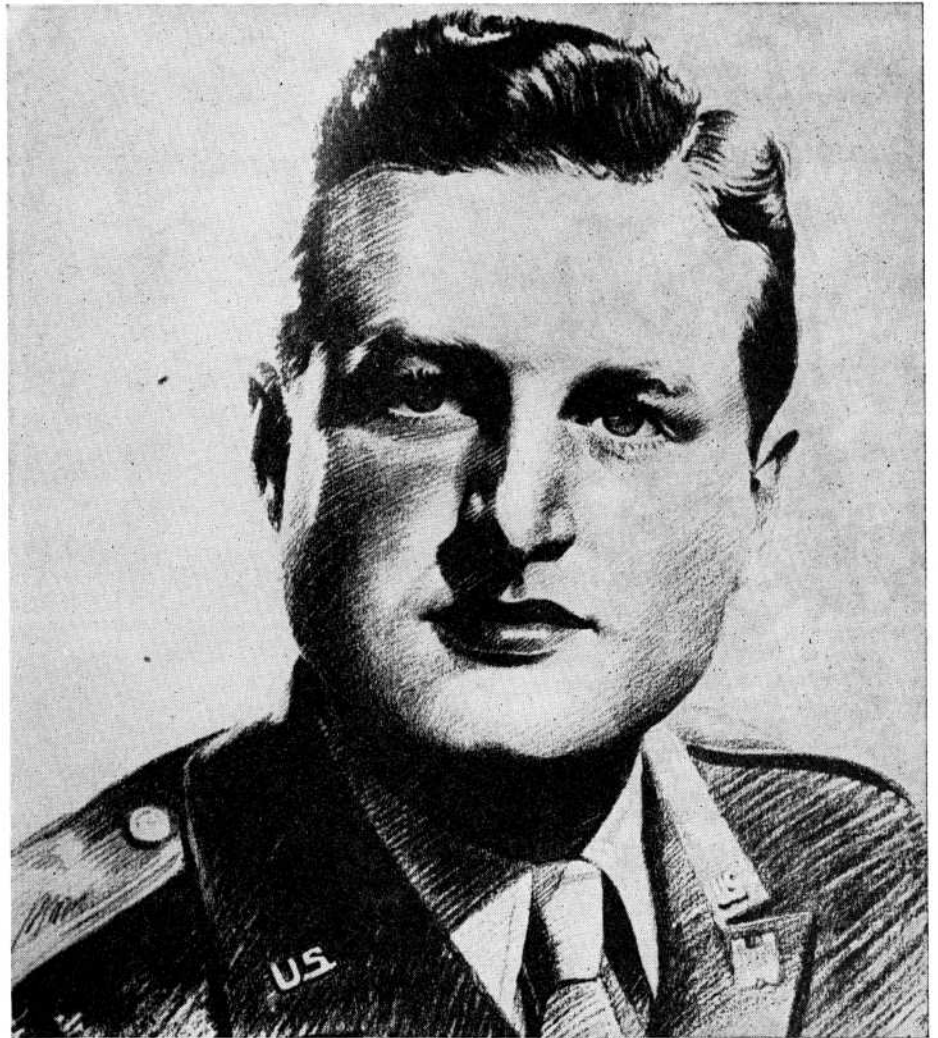
## Truman Reappoints Wimberly

Harrington Wimberly, '24ba, publisher of the *Altus Times-Democrat*, has been reappointed as a member of the Federal Power Commission by President Truman. He was first named to the post in October, 1945, after the resignation of Basil Manley. He has resided in Washington, D. C., since that time.

After receiving his B.A. Degree in journalism from the University in 1924, he became advertising manager of the *Times-Democrat*. He left the *Altus* paper to become editor of the *Cordell Beacon*, but returned to Jackson County to become president of the company which publishes the *Altus* paper.

Wimberly was president of the Oklahoma Press Association in 1937-38, and was a director of the Southern Newspapers Publishers Association from 1940 to 1943. In 1945 he was named to the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents, but resigned a few months later to accept his appointment to the Federal Power Commission.

Three books published by the University of Oklahoma Press have been recognized in national competition. Savoie Lottinville, '29ba, director, has announced. *Maya Explorer* was chosen as one of the 50 best books published in the U. S. in 1947 in a contest sponsored by the American Institute of Graphic Arts. The Trade Book Clinic chose *Cervantes* and *Mary Shelley's Journal* for second place honors among books considered for its design award.



ROBERT DEAN BASS

"Tell them in Laecedaemon, passerby, that here obedient to their word we lie."—by SIMONIDES at Thermopylae