Faculty in the News

Briefs-

N. Ross Strader, '47ba, has been named as a special instructor in photography at the University effective September 1. He will receive his Master's Degree in journalism this summer.

Dr. M. Q. Sibley, '34ma, has returned to the campus as a visiting professor of government. He has been teaching political science in the University of Illinois since 1938.

Edith Crowell, teaching assistant in English at the University, has been awarded the Margaret M. Justin fellowship of the southwest central unit of the American Association of University Women. She will compile a complete grammar and dictionary of the language of the Kiowa Indians.

Dick Underwood, assistant art editor for the University Press, is spending three months in Great Britain and five European countries. He is visiting publishing houses, private presses, booksellers and graphic artists in Great Britain, Holland, Belgium, France, Switzerland and Luxembourg. Mrs. Underwood, faculty member in the department of English, is accompanying him.

Earl T. Warren, '36ba, '38law, Marcaibo, Venezuela, arrived in July to assume his teaching duties as an associate professor of law.

Dr. Laurence H. Snyder, dean of the graduate college at the University, has been chosen to deliver the 59th Mary Scott Newbold lecture before the College of Physicians in Philadelphia October 13. Dr. Snyder is serving this year as president of the Genetics Society of America.

Dr. H. C. Peterson, University history professor, was decorated with the Brazilian Order of the Baron of Rio Branco for his service as an assistant military attache in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, during World War II.

Dr. J. W. Stovall, director of the University Museum, has done it again. This time, he's discovered an animal which is 225 million years old. Stovall named the animal, which lived in the Permian period, "Labidosaurikos meachami" in honor of Dr. E. D. Meacham, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. The skull found near Guthrie has five rows of needle-like teeth.

Dr. William F. Whyte has been appointed professor of industrial and labor relations at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. Formerly he had been an associate professor of sociology and a member of the committee on human relations in industry, University of Chicago, since 1944. During 1942-43 he was assistant professor in sociology and acting chairman of the Department of anthropology at the University of Oklahoma.

New Degree Offered

Every state community—large and small—may soon enjoy the benefits of expert planning. That's the hope of University of Oklahoma officials in setting up a graduate program leading to the degree of Master of Regional and City Planning.

With the exception of the University of North Carolina, the University of Oklahoma will be the only university in the south and southwest offering graduate and professional training leading to a degree in city planning.

Graduates of the new program will be equipped to serve cities and communities of the state in preparing city plans and working with chambers of commerce, it is pointed out by Dr. Laurence H. Snyder, dean of the Graduate College. And too, graduates will be prepared to work with federal and state agencies which do regional and community planning. Dr. Leonard Logan, professor of sociology, will serve as coordinator of the new program.

Vice-President Visits Campus

Carl Mason Franklin, new executive vice-president of the University, visited three days on the campus and with Dr. George L. Cross, recently.

Mr. Franklin succeeds Dr. Royden J. Dangerfield in the University administrative post. He will assume his duties here at the beginning of the fall semester. He has just completed requirements for an LLB degree from the University of Virginia.

With University administration as his objective, Mr. Franklin has obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Liberal Arts, Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Business Administration and the LLB. He served as assistant to the president at Ohio State University from 1941 to 1946.

Mr. Franklin spent his time while here acquainting himself with the University and its officials, and will make a trip to Europe before returning here to assume his duties in September.

Armentrout Transfers

Capt. E. W. Armentrout, Jr., former commanding officer of the N.R.O.T.C. unit and professor of naval science at the University, has been transferred from the University to become commanding officer of the attack transport U.S.S. Cavalier.

His successor as N.R.O.T.C. commander is Capt. Carl M. Dalton, who has served as commanding officer of Destroyer Squadron Sixty aboard the Flagship U.S.S. Sarsfield.

Captain Armentrout began his duties at O. U. in May, 1945, coming from the Pacific war area where he served as executive officer of the cruiser U.S.S. Astoria.

While at the University, Captain Armentrout has been a member of the athletic council and was active in athletic affairs. During the war, the N.R.O.T.C. unit supplied a great number of O.U.'s football and basketball players.

'Black Gold' Research

From the days when old-timers used doodlebugs or creekology until today's scientific location of oil —the research conducted by Dr. Carl C. Rister, University of Oklahoma professor, on southwestern oil pictures the vast factor petroleum has become in the nation.

Dr. Rister, who has been working for the past two years on a Standard Oil grant project to write a history of oil in the southwest, covered approximately 35,000 miles and traced many of the industry's old-timers. Giving figures to best illustrate the growth of petroleum production, Dr. Rister says that in 1897 Oklahoma produced 1,000 barrels of oil. The state produced 141,325,000 barrels of "black gold" in 1947.

Journalism School Is 'Tops'

For the 27th year, the University of Oklahoma School of Journalism is still tops. It has been accredited by the American Council on Education for Journalism along with 34 other leading schools and departments of journalism, Dr. Fayette Copeland, '19ba, director, has been notified.

A member of the American Association of Schools and Departments of Journalism since, 1921, the O.U. school has graduated 655 students. Many of them have made notable records in journalism and allied fields, Dr. Copeland pointed out.

The council's inspection committee—two journalism teachers and three working newspaper and radio executives—spent two days on the campus last fall. Committee members gave the school an outstanding rating in 16 items checked. In seven other factors the visitors placed the school in the above-average bracket.



JULIAN C. MONNET

Monnet Is Commended

A telegram expressing best wishes and gratitude was received by Julien C. Monnet, dean emeritus of the University Law School, from members of the University law class of 1928, who met in Oklahoma City in June. The telegram was signed by 48 men coming from Texas, Kansas, New Mexico, Washington, D. C., Arkansas, Wisconsin, and Oklahoma.

Organizer of the first law class of the University in 1909, Monnet remembers that it was suggested at first that the class meet in a room at the courthouse. A room was finally obtained in the basement of the old Science Hall, which was used as a museum. Stuffed animals were moved back along the walls, and a desk and chairs were placed for the 47 beginning students. The class increased to 57 before the year was over.

Monnet and Dr. J. B. Cheadle, now legal counsel to the University president, were the only members of the staff. During the second year, the Law School moved to the basement of the old Carnegie Library, and added a new professor, Henry H. Foster, who later became dean of the Law School of the University of Nebraska.

It was during the third year of the Law School that Dr. Victor H. Kulp, University law professor, and Marion Kirkwood, now dean of the law school at Stanford University, joined the staff.

In 1914 the present law building, Monnet Hall, was built and dedicated to Monnet on March 4, the 125th anniversary of the adoption of the United States Constitution.

The telegram to Dean Monnet read, "The undersigned members of the O. U. law class of 1928, meeting for 20th reunion, extend to you their best wishes and their debt of gratitude for your excellent guidance. Your contribution to the bench and bar of Oklahoma is beyond compare and will always be remembered and appreciated by the undersigned and the thousands of other students. who were so fortunate as to study under you."

It was signed by Melvin Adler, '28law; John F. Amos, '26ba, '28law; Lt. Col. Walter Arnote, '28ba, '28law; Judge Robbie Aubrey, '28ba; Sanford Babcock, '29law; Thomas R. Benedum, '28 law; Walter Blakeburn, '28law; Judge John Brett, '28law; J. H. Broadhurst, '28law; B. H. Carey, '29law; Dick Cloyd, '19ba, '28law; Bob Chase, '27; William O. Coe, '28law; Duke Duvall, '25ba, '28 law; Charles Barnheart, Jr.; Willie B. Edwards, '28law.

Jack Foster, '29; Emory Glasglow, '28law; Judge J. I. Goins, '28law; Major James Gowdy; '28law; Lt. Col. Walter Graalman, '28law; W. Dick Grisson, '26ba, '28law; Darall G. Hawk, '28law; Jerome-Hemry, '28law; William Herring, '28law; William S. Horton, '28law; Judge Herbert Hodge, '26-'28; Judge Robert Howell, '26ba, '28law; Hon. Aubrey M. Kerr, '28law; Ben Lafon, '31-'33.

Lt. Col. Carlos McAfee, '28law; Richard Martin, '28law; Bruno Mayer, '29ba, '29law; Charles Moss, '28law; Ed Moyer, '25-'27; Judge A. P. Murrah, '28law; Parker Parker, '28law; Earle Pierce, '28 law; John Roemer, '28law: Hugh Roff, '28law; Leon C. Shipp, '28law; Ben Stephens, '28law; Judge Tom Stephens, '36law; C. W. Talbot, '28 law; Borden Wallace, '28law; Fred Wewerka, '28 law; C. B. Womack, '28law, and Judge Lawrence A. Wood, '28law.

Court Donates Books

Dr. N. A. Court, University professor of mathematics, has given his entire library of *Books Abroad*—one of the few complete files in existence—to the University of Oslo, Norway.

The University of Oslo had appealed to the American Library Association to obtain for the Norwegian school a collection of the books. This appeal was relayed to Dr. Roy T. House, editor of the internationally known quarterly, to whom Dr. Court gave his official approval on the plan.

Arrangements for the transportation of the collection to Norway have been completed with the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C., providing costs.

For Dr. Court, the gift climaxes, but doesn't end, almost a quarter-century of association with *Books Abroad*. Considered the Southwest's greatest mathematician in the field of geometry, Dr. Court also is a versatile linguist and international student.



University Foundation—

Pictured above are the officers of the University of Oklahoma Foundation Trust. The certificate holders and trustees meet once each year. Seated left to right they are O. C. Shorp, Tulsa; Dawson Houk, '14ba, '14bs, '21law, Fairview; Fred E. Tarman, '10ba, Norman; V. C. Bratton, Norman; S. W. Reaves, Norman; G. L. Cross, Norman; Ward S. Merrick, Ardmore; R. Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37law, Norman; Charles Watson, Tulsa; Richard Lermy, Oklahoma City. Standing left to right, Edwin C. McReynolds, '22ba, '26ma, '45ph.d, Norman; J. O. Hassler, Norman; J. Rud Nielsen, Norman; Tom F. Carey, '08ba, Oklahoma City; J. L. Lindsey, Norman; Roscoe Cate, '26ba, Norman; Leonard Logan, '14ba, Norman.

Grace Ray--Dude Ranch Writer

Grace E. Ray, '20ba, '23ma, associate professor of journalism, practices what she teaches. She not only teaches people to write and sell magazine feature articles. She writes them herself. And gets paid for it.

In the past ten years in spare time, she has pub-

lished 113 magazine and newspaper feature articles in national, regional and state journals. In that time a hundred students sold their first article while enrolled in her class.

For 15 years she has been secretary of the University chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, highest schol-



Teacher of writers and herself the free lance author of more than a hundred newspaper and magazine features, Grace E. Ray, '20ba, '23ma, associate professor of journalism, takes to the great outdoors.

astic organization in the country. She is a firm believer in Phi Beta Kappa as a reward rather than a goal that a student sets for himself.

Miss Ray teaches by the conference method. She believes in copy. When a student goes to his conference with her she likes for him to have plenty of copy for her to read and criticize. She copyreads it, suggests changes and a market. During regular class lecture sessions she reads and discusses stories from various newspapers and magazines.

During her 28 years on the journalism faculty, much of that time as the only woman, she has taught a pageful of persons now famous in the world of journalism.

One of the most enthusiastic horsewomen in Oklahoma, she gets up early to ride. When Anne McCool Cobean, '36ba, wife of Sam Cobean, '37, *New Yorker* cartoonist, recently visited the campus, she recalled, "I used to go out to the R.O.T.C. stables on Sunday mornings when they had horses. But no matter how early I went, Miss Ray would already be there, riding the best horse."

Miss Ray is packing some sharp pencils, blue jeans, cowboy boots, a pair of hunting boots (in case of rain), warm sweaters and jackets. August 4 she will board the train and head for the Diamond Cross Ranch at Seebe, Alberta, Canada.

The ranch has asked her to be a guest this summer and handle publicity. What does the job consist of? "Well, I arrange for publicity pictures to be taken at the ranch, and I take notes. I like to get exact quotes and details. When I come back I write about the country where I've been."

Since 1940 she has visited the Lazy B Ranch, Bechive, Montana; Focus Ranch, Columbine, Colorado; Buckhorn Ranch, Pincher, Alberta, Canada; Moose Head, Jackson Hole, Wyoming; Elk Head Ranch, Elk City, Idaho; 9-Quarter Circle, Gallatin Gateway, Montana.

Sometimes she chuckles and says she takes a postman's holiday. She is a writer, and she writes during her vacations. She was reared on an Oklahoma ranch, but she heads for the western ranches.

As for horses, she's been riding them since she can remember. "When I was 4 years old Daddy used to put me up on the farm horses, and I would hold onto their harness," she says.

She not only rides horses on her western expeditions. This shy, sedate lady-teacher has rounded up cattle, branded them, and has hunted antelope, elk and moose, and bear. In 1946 Miss Ray fought a forest fire in the Nez Perce National Forest near Elk City, Idaho. The forest rangers know there was a smoldering fire in the heavy forest, and they had been hunting it four days. She went out on horseback with ranchman Albert Wiseman and his cousin to find the fire.

Wiseman climbed a tall tree and sighted smoke. Finally underbrush got so thick that they had to dismount and walk. At last they had to crawl on hands and knees to the smoldering fire. Miss Ray wrote about it. She sold her story, "Feminine Smoke Chasers," to *Christian Science Monitor*.

After such high adventure, doesn't it seem dull to come back to the cloistered campus? "No," Miss Ray answers, "Usually I get so far up in the mountains it gets cold and I'm glad to come back in the fall."

Last September 4, when she boarded a Pullman in Montana, the train heater was on. "It felt good, too," she says. Next day the streamliner was racing across the hot plains and the air conditioners were roaring full blast.

Miss Ray's first published story was "Git Up Horsie," in *Holland's* 1937. But she not only writes outdoor articles. She is a publicity agent for Oklahoma. "Oklahoma Botanist Offers Chemical for Experiments" appeared in *Science Service*, 1940, and was reprinted in *Science Digest*.

and was reprinted in Science Digest. "Calling All Rattlesnakes," which tells about "milking" rattlesnakes on a Tulsa snake farm for their venom used in serum, first appeared in Travel Magazine in 1944. It later was published in Paths and Pathfinders, a reader for seventh grade students, and also in a Henry Holt collection, Let's Read.

People ask her, "Can you really teach anyone to and Mrs. Grace E. Snow; Class of 1917, Elmer write?

Miss Ray's answer is this. Ninety per cent of her students sell at least one feature article either to a magazine or newspaper while they are enrolled in her writing class. Her stories and those of her students have been published by everything from the *New York Times* to *Grit*. She believes anyone with average ability who will give time to it can sell.

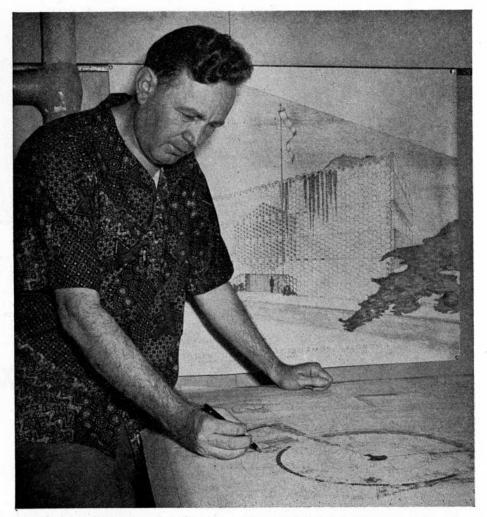
A few of the students who have had editing, reporting or writing classes with Miss Ray are: Ern-estine Brown Gorman, '39ba, women's editor, *Daily Oklahoman;* Joe Hicks, '23ba, public rela-tions man in Chicago; Leland Gourley, '40ba, publisher, editor and part-owner of Henryetta Daily Free-Lance; Jack Fischer, '32ba, editor of book department, Harper's; Jack Bell, '25ba, Associated Press, Washington, D. C., political news editor; Ernie Hill, '33ba, winner of a Niemann fellowship at Harvard University, member of staff of Chicago Daily News; Beth Floyd, '44ba, one of 13 general editors of United States News, Washington, D. C.; Paul P. Kennedy, '30ba, former correspondent in Spain for the New York Times; Mike Monroney, '24ba, winner of Collier's congressional award; Dick Pearce, '31ba, staff of San Francisco Examiner, contributor to Saturday Evening Post and Collier's; Ernie Hoberecht, '41ba, war correspondent and author of the Japanese best-seller, Tokyo Ro-mance"; Ralph Sewell, '42ba, city editor, Daily Oklahoman.

600 to Graduate in August

A new high will be reached at the University of Oklahoma August 4 when the record-breaking summer graduation class of approximately 600 will receive degrees at commencement exercises.

Second highest O.U. summer graduation was recorded in 1940, according to George E. Wadsack, director of registration. At that time, 345 graduates received diplomas at the end of the summer session.

Also a top-notch figure is the 4,986 enrolment in O.U. classes this summer. Students from every county in Oklahoma are attending classes as well as out-of-state students from 43 states and three territories. Twenty foreign countries are represented by 59 students. There are 3,924 men and 1,062 women enrolled in summer school classes.



Bruce Goff, practicing architect and brilliant new chairman of the School of Architecture, works on plans for an apartment house to be built in Norman. The apartment, being designed by Bruce and Bill Wilson, '48arch, graduate assistant in the school, will be built of hexagonal pumice concrete blocks. A drawing of the building can be seen in the background.

BRUCE GOFF

O.U.'s Practical Architect

Editor's Note: Bruce Goff, most outstanding architect in the southwest, is the soft-spoken dynamo newly selected chairman of O. U.'s 600-student School of Architecture. The school last year was rated by Progressive Architecture magazine one of the ten best in the nation.

Bruce Goff dresses in old, comfortable clothes. Usually he wears sleeveless shirts and canvas-soled shoes. He is now 43 years old. Always he talks calmly, punctuating his conversation with a quiet grin.

But he has kindled fires which have helped shock the architectural world and provide a new, better kind of creative learning. Designer of a half dozen buildings now going up in various parts of the country, Bruce is a firm believer in the practical application of learning. He began his own career at the age of 12 with a Tulsa architecture firm.

There he worked for Rush, Endacott and Rush after school and during vacations. At 22, he designed the skyscraping Boston Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church in Tulsa. Afterwards he was chief designer for the company and eventually became a member of the firm.

He is designer of the "glass house" Ledbetter home in Norman which was featured in *Life Magazine* recently.

Bruce describes it as a house for Oklahoma, an example of organic architecture. It is built of glass on the south and east to provide heat from the sun in winter. Native stone from Henryetta is used for the solid walls to the north and west for protection against prairie wind. Glass cut in large planes makes cleaning easier than in traditional windows. Cars park beneath a suspended circular aluminum canopy in front of the house. Another canopy is suspended over the terrace. Inside is an indoor garden room with shrubs and plants. A waterfall supplies the lily pool which is underneath circular ramp "stairs" of sandblasted oak which wind to the sleeping rooms above.

There is a continuous flow of space inside the house. Walls slide back and forth for privacy and for space.

Oil field workers near Edmond last year came to Bruce Goff with this problem. They wanted to build a church. They had no money to buy materials. But they did have their own labor. Bruce and Bill Wilson, '48arch. graduate assistant in the School of Architecture, put their heads together and went to work with the oilers on the problem.

As a result the oilers will have their church. Hopewell Baptist at McArthur Boulevard and Piedmont Road, Edmond. The structure, now halfway completed, is being built of salvaged oil pipe and will be in the shape of a giant tepee.

Bruce himself has not attended a university nor school of architecture. He explains, "When I was ready to go to a university they had no schools to give me what I wanted to know."

During the middle of the depression (1933) Bruce left Tulsa to strike out on his own in Chicago. He continued his private practice and did his first teaching at the Chicago Academy of Fine Arts, where he was a part time instructor for seven years.

By that time his work was being recognized nationally and was being published in books and magazines. He was building houses everywhere from London, England, to Ferncreek, Kentucky.

He enlisted in the Seabees during the war, did a hitch in the Aleutians, and climaxed his Seabee career by designing a group of buildings for GIs at Camp Parks, California. The nine all-Seabee built buildings at the camp were made of quonset huts, redwood, plywood and brick. Chief of the unlike-GI buildings is McGann Memorial Chapel, a huge quonset employing the imaginative use of brick, glass, and shrubberv.

"This wasn't just a glamor job done at the cost of war bond money," Bruce points out. "All was done with Seabee labor and with profits of ships service stores."

Following his discharge from service, Bruce was sought by several universities. But he chose the University of Oklahoma "because I like this section of the country best and we have the greatest opportunity here to develop the kind of school we need."

Frank Lloyd Wright, famous modern architect, once was asked if Bruce had studied under him. (Bruce has not). It is said that Wright drew himself up and replied, "Bruce Goff has studied with me always." Wright also has described Goff "one of the most talented members of the group of young architects devoted to an indigenous architecture for America."

What will Bruce Goff do with the O. U. School of Architecture? He is enthusiastic. "We're in a better position than ever—" he says. He likes to talk about "this business of developing individuals."

"We try to give technical knowhow and help them to find their own sense of direction. I think most people do have creative ability of some kind until it's beaten out of them, and very often it is."

Many so-called schools of architecture, Bruce says, are still modeled on the old or new Paris Beaux Arts. Everything is copied from the Parisians, with emphasis on drawings and on architecture of the past.

"We have the greatest respect for what has been done, for the old as well as the new," Bruce says. "Oriental art, for example, is studied at O. U., too. But when it comes to doing something, we strike out on our own."

He makes a distinction between influence and imitation. Most schools copy the old or the modern fashions—O. U. emphasizes the importance of the influence of others but believes builders should eventually shed the traits of others. "They should absorb and digest, not copy verbatim," Bruce believes.

The Beaux Arts people even sent out programs of study to schools and thousands of copies of drawings were sent in annually to be judged. Incidentally, O. U. was a consistent winner in those days. "But what did we have when we won?" asks Bruce.

"Today we exchange work with other schools constantly. We are unafraid of the comparison. Our people have a greater range of variety and ideas. Most of the others are not now copying the old things, but are copying the new ones."

Frank Lloyd Wright is leader of the modern organic architecture movement. When he, Louis Sullivan and others, advocated an architecture for our time and our people they were branded radicals. Eventually, however, schools copied Wright and the moderns as rapidly as they had previously copied the ancients. They replaced the old books with new books and said, "This is the answer." "It's easier to copy," Bruce says. For awhile

"It's easier to copy," Bruce says. For awhile after he came to the University in January, 1947, glass, quonsets and other Goffics appeared in the work of his own students. But copying is gradually fading and originality is taking its place.

"If the student wants to stick to the conventional, that's OK, too. But we maintain order and discipline whatever our method. It is not just a free for all." In the struggle to develop imagination and individuality, Bruce chuckles, "Sometimes at first you have to shut your eyes. But they Bruce Goff is a practical idealist. His work has been pictured and discussed twice recently in the authoritative *Architectural Forum Magazine*. He owns over 5,000 discs and his students relax by playing convention-jarring Oriental and Buck Rogerish super-modern records.

Once Bruce decorated his office in California with paper plates turned upside down and tacked on the wall. He painted the plates burnt sienna. He has used perforated piano player rolls for curtains because they give an unusual pin-prick pattern of light.

His own work is teaching and building. Besides the Edmond church project, other Goff-designed buildings now being built include an apartment house in Norman, a model home in Midwest City sponsored by *Good Housekeeping* magazine, the Ledbetter lodge at Lake Texoma, and a series of community theaters called "theaterdromes." The "theaterdromes" are being built by a chain company and feature a floor which can be used for skating or dancing and 16 millimeter movies. They will be used as community centers.

All professional men on the faculty are doing actual architectural work. "We do not favor the idea of professional teachers. They tend to fall in a rut," Bruce explains. "They lack contact with the outside world which the student needs. We like to keep students informed concerning current labor, materials and other problems they will have to meet in the outside world."

Professor Goff preferred to remain at O. U. when Henry L. Kamphoefner, former chairman of the School of Architecture, resigned to build up the School of Architecture at North Carolina State College.

"We have need for accomplishment . . . We draw our own problems," Bruce emphasizes. "When we design a hospital we call in doctors for a jury. We don't encourage students to go to New York and sit in the corner of a drafting office detailing office doors and windows. But our aim is to develop architecture in this University for this part of the country."

The copiers—the eclectics—learn how the Parthenon was built and follow its pattern . . . "But they say, 'You poor fools, you haven't a chance.' They expect to stand still. We expect to go forward."

Professors Visit High Schools

Each spring the College of Education at the University of Oklahoma sends volunteer representatives to visit high schools over the state. During the visitations the representatives have conferences with high school juniors and seniors, civic clubs and school administrators.

Correct information on activities at the University, housing, entrance requirements and freshman orientation is given the students in assemblies and conferences. Through these visitations an effort is made to determine whether the academic program at the University will fit the needs of those students planning to enter college.

For the first time this spring professors from different departments at O. U. made the visitations. Previously only representatives from the College of Education made attempts to contact high school students.

Faculty members who participated in the program include Dr. Frank A. Balyeat, '11ba, '18ma, director of adult education; Dr. Helen B. Burton, professor of home economics; Helen T. Clark, assistant professor of home economics; Dr. Ellsworth Collings, professor of school supervision; Dr. Glenn C. Couch, '31bs, '37ms, dean of the University College.

Dr. Charles F. Daily, '31ed, '33m.ed, '35D.ed, professor of economics; Lowell Dunham, '32ba, '35ma, assistant professor of modern languages; Dr. F. F. Gaither, '21ba, '26m.ed, associate professor of secondary education; Dr. B. O. Heston, professor of chemistry; Dr. Garold D. Holstine, director of University Laboratory school and student teaching.

Dr. Harry E. Hoy, associate professor of geography; Dr. Harry Huffman, associate professor of commercial education; Dr. Arnold E. Joyal, dean of the College of Education; Gus C. Lease, instructor in voice; Gaston Litton, '34lib.sci, '40 ma, University archivest; Dr. S. E. Torsten Lund, professor of education; Dr. D. Ross Pugmire, professor of school administration.

Dr. William B. Ragan, '22ba, '28ma, professor of elementary education; Dr. Howard H. Rowley, associate professor of chemistry; Dr. J. Teague Self, '36Ph.D, associate professor of zoological science; Dr. C. E. Springer, '25ba, '26ma, professor of mathematics; Guy Waid, '47m.ed, principal of University High School, and Herbert E. Wrinkle, '22ba, '31m.ed, director of field relations, College of Education.

Regents Give Report

Appointment of Stewart Harral, '36ma, for 12 years director of press relations and former director of the School of Journalism, as director of public relations was announced by President Cross following the monthly meeting of the Board of Regents.

In his new administrative position Harral will centralize many existing University relationships with the public as well as extend the services of others, President Cross explained. Agencies to be co-ordinated include press relations, official publications, special events, fund raising and overall public relations.

Paul MacMinn, director of student affairs, has been given the title of dean of students. The new title is more in keeping with the duties and functions of his office—that of co-ordinating all personnel functions of students outside the classroom, President Cross said. During the summer MacMinn is doing work toward a Ph.D. at Northwestern University.

Salary rates for faculty members and non-academic staff members were approved for the next fiscal year. The \$400 cost of living raise, which was added to the annual rates of permanent members of the faculty during the present school year, will be continued next year, said Doctor Cross. A small number of faculty members received merit raises and a few scattered raises were approved for non-academic personnel.

The Regents voted to locate the new Geology Building south of the present Biology Building. Plans are still being worked out for the new structure.

Terms of 17 departmental chairmen were approved by the Regents.

Chairmen and their terms include:

Arts and Sciences, Dr. Robert Ball, anthropology, four years; Dr. Kenneth E. Crook, '25bs, '26ms, chemistry, four years; Dr. Harry E. Hoy, geography, four years; Dr. L. E. Winfrey, modern languages, one year; Dr. Howard O. Eaton, philosophy, one year; Hugh V. McDermott, '20ba, physical education for men, one year.

College of Business Administration, Francis R. Cella, business statistics, four years; Dr. Jim E. Reese, economics, four years; and John E. Mertes, '35bus, marketing, one year.

'35bus, marketing, one year. College of Engineering, Bruce Goff, architecture, one year; Dr. R. L. Huntington, '17ba, chemical engineering, two years; J. Ray Matlock, '25eng, civil engineering, one year; Dr. John C. Calhoun, Jr., petroleum engineering, three years; Dr. Richard G. Fowler, engineering physics, four years; and W. O. Smith, general engineering, four years.

College of Fine Arts, Spencer H. Norton, '28ba, School of Music, three years; and Lytle Powell, applied music and theory, two years. Q. M. Spradling, '28ba, '32bus, '40ms, assistant

Q. M. Spradling, '28ba, '32bus, '40ms, assistant comptroller, has been appointed assistant secretary of the Board of Regents. He served in the capacity of secretary during the absence of Emil R. Kraettli, '18, who was vacationing during June.

Organizing Is His Specialty

The University Independent Men's Association plays a vital role in American independent student life. It's the daddy of all the I.M.A.s in the country.

Boyce D. Timmons, '37law, recorder and office manager of the office of admissions and records, was recently named one of two faculty advisors on the executive council of the National Independent Student Association.

One of five O. U. students who founded I.M.A., Timmons was nominated at the national convention, which was attended by an O. U. delegation. With Dean Shutt of the University of Illinois and five students from universities throughout the country, he will make policies for the organization.

Others of the five who founded I.M.A. are Kirk Woodliff, '37law; Theatus Greeson, '39journ; William R. Flood, '41med, and Ray C. Carroll, '37bus.

The I.M.A was born back in 1934 when Boyce Timmons and his four classmates got together and decided that most independent men were not conscious of any tie-up with the University except the classroom and boarding house-and something should be done about it.

"Intramurals brought up the idea," Boyce recalls. "The only contact the average independent had with athletics was to play with the Greasy Spoon cafe. The picture show constituted most of his social life."

Kirk Woodliff, first I.M.A executive secretary, and the former Dean of Men, J. F. Findlay, originated the idea. Kirk Woodliff has been state director of Oklahoma's employment office and is practicing law in Henryetta.

To Theatus Greeson, now in public relations for the Oklahoma City Senior Chamber of Commerce, goes credit for the idea of a national I.M.A. In 1938 the first national conference of the Independent Students' Association was held April 22-23 at the University. Student delegates numbering 109 and 13 faculty sponsors and deans representing 23 institutions meccaed to Oklahoma for the conference.

Dean Findlay was named first national executive secretary and Theatus Greeson, "in recognition of his services in this convention and his knowledge and experience in the affairs of independent associations" was named assistant executive secretary.

William R. Flood, another of the original five, is a doctor for the Arab-American Oil Co., Bahrein Island, Persian Gulf. Ray Carroll of the five starters returned from overseas service with the Army and is a western Oklahoma wholesale tire salesman.

About Christmas in the lean year of 1936, a group of I.M.A men sat in a Norman basement boarding house discussing possibilities for a co-op cating establishment.

The co-op became a reality in January 1937. Forty men put in \$1 apiece to pay a cook her first month's salary. They bought a cook stove from a fraternity house, and the co-op dining hall was set up under the west wing of Owen Stadium.

In the first semester of the I.M.A-sponsored project, the 40 boys paid \$11 monthly for two meals a day. Before the end of the term they had accumulated reserves so that, to make sure the organization ended the semester non-profit, they were permitted to eat "free" for the last three weeks!

Later the co-op was enlarged with the aid of N.Y.A funds. Sixty men were housed in what are now Owen stadium band and badminton rooms, and 125 men were fed.

Oklahoma Congressman Glen Johnson, '31-'39, was a member of the co-op group. Boyce Tim-



Boyce D. Timmons, '37law, one of the original five University students who started IMA, now recorder and office manager of the office of admissions, studies the records. Mrs. Jo Anne Mullen, '46-'47, assistant recorder, looks up a name in the voluminous office files. She is the wife of James Mullen, '48bus, a freshman law student.

mons, secretary of I.M.A when the co-op started, became manager of the project.

The almost-skinny Boyce Timmons now supervises the 31 admissions and records employees with quiet spoken smoothness. He's the man who has charge of the recording and transcription of the records of all students who have attended the University. A microfilming machine in the office has made it possible to reduce all official permanent records into one drawer of one 6-drawer cabineta half million records!

He started out to be a lawyer, but has been on the University job ever since his graduation from Law School. "The I.M.A is really the cause of my being here," he explains. "You see, when Kirk Woodliff left the I.M.A I followed him as executive secretary. He became employment secretary for the University then I followed him into that job for one year. Mr. George Wadsack, registrar of the University, was on the employment committee and at the end of the first year as employment secretary he offered me a position with the Registry Office, where I have been since 1937.'

He's not thinking of moving out to practice law, either. He says he's too envolved in University life now, and, besides, he likes it.

I.M.A in its 14 years of life has poured out a flood of leaders. John A. McReynolds, '37ba, another of the early I.M.A men, is active in Oklahoma City insurance and real estate. Emil Stratton, '41bs, is an army doctor sta-

tioned on the Pacific coast. John Cooper, '36ba, is an attorney in Ft. Logan, Colorado, and a regional representative of the Veterans Administration. Kenneth Sadler, formerly active on the staff of I.M.A and one of the delegates to the first national convention, is manager of the Pioneer Abstract Co., Muskogee.

Hugo Dallas, '47bus, starting almost from scratch, provided the spark which reactivated I.M.A after the war and skyrocketed it into a larger, more powerful organization than ever. Dallas is a Dover, Ohio, accountant.

Dick Clarke, '33-'37, now a Campbell-Harris professional writing student, wrote and edited The Round-Up, Independent newspaper.

Since the war the group has done everything from providing tutor service to organizing a date bureau-coke bureau for blind dates. It staged the first all-school show since 1939, organized a 12-man orchestra, the "Starlighters," and operated a commuter service board to handle rides for commuters.

lim Smith, University student, was named an alternate member of the national council at the recent convention. He will probably serve with Boyce Timmons before the end of the year.

Pete Woodruff, Birmingham, Alabama, student, last month was elected president of the University I.M.A. The election drew a record number of voters to the polls. I.M.A continues a going concern.

250 Attend Writers' Course

WNAD Personalties Presented

Seventeen states were represented by the more than 250 professional writers who came to the University to attend the writers' short course on the South Campus early in June.

Evan Thomas, associate editor of Harper and Brothers; Paul R. Reynolds, longtime literary agent, and Nelson Antrim Crawford, editor-in-chief of *Household* magazine, were the three principal speakers of the conference.

Other speakers included Walter S. Campbell, director of courses in professional writing on the campus; Dr. Carl C. Rister, research professor of history, and Ramon F. Adams, western story writers.

Dr. Moody C. Boatright, associate professor of English at the University of Texas, and author of several books; Stewart Harrall, '36ma, director of press relations at the University, and Mrs. Lona Shawver, book review columnist for the Amarillo Times, spoke at one afternoon session.

The first place Robert Whitehand Memorial Award was won by Jessamon Dawe, San Antonio. Second place was awarded Mrs. Delia Randall Dumphy, Britton, and third place went to Muriel Hyroop, Oklahoma City.

The prize money is given each year by Harlan Mendenhall, '37journ, in memory of his friend, the late Captain Robert E. Whitehand, '33ba. These prizes are offered for the best original unpublished detective or mystery stories not exceeding 15,000 words in length, submitted by a person registered for the short course.

Correspondence Study

The University correspondence study department, under the direction of Miss Lucy Tandy, is playing a more important part than ever in the education of students. All over the nation classrooms and campuses are crowded to capacity and beyond, and many students, who have been unable to gain entrance, are turning to correspondence.

An Extension Division service since 1913, the department handles lesson plans and books, and acts as a clearing house in the grading of papers by University faculty members or certified high school teachers. Between 3000 and 5000 persons annually are enrolled in the high school and college correspondence courses.

At present, nearly 400 high school and college courses are offered by the department. A citizenship course for aliens waiting to take their naturalization examinations has a large enrollment. The course is offered in conjunction with the Bureau of Immigration and Naturalization, Department of the Interior.

A unique feature of the department is the large collection of records for use by foreign language correspondence students. The department rents records in French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish.

The Crippled Children's Hospital in Oklahoma City, through Miss Genevieve Pemberton, principal, has established a fund with the department for enrolling patients. High school correspondence courses have proved especially valuable to children of servicemen stationed overseas in occupied areas.

Caddo was once a Choctaw court town where tribal members came the first Monday of each month to air their grievances or to stand trial.

A report released by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools concerning the supply and demand in the field of college teaching shows that there seems to be about 5 per cent fewer professors and associate professors, and about 5 per cent more teaching fellows, teaching assistants, and lecturers. The largest increase in a single field was found in mathematics with an increase of 114 per cent. Eight colleges and universities were unable to add as many teachers as authorized by their budgets for 1947-48.



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E. G. HOLDREN

Prominent University faculty members appeared on regularly scheduled broadcasts over the University radio station, WNAD, during the month of June.

Each Monday afternoon special attention is given to the outstanding legal figures of the world on the program "Great Men in Law." Dr. W. Page Keeton, dean of the School of Law, is in charge of the series.

Dr. Oliver E. Benson, '32ba, '33ma, chairman of the department of government, discussed political ideologies which have had a vital influence on the world today on the new series of programs, "Ideologies in Government."

Our "Neighbor to the South" proposes to give WNAD listeners a clearcut picture of Mexico—its history and present day position as one of the leading nations of the Western Hemisphere. For the month of June Dr. Max Moorhead, '37ba, '38ma, of the department of history, gave pertinent facts relative to the historical development of Mexico.

Professor I. J. Sollenberger, professor of finance, reviewed the book *Insurance and Your Security* by Gilbert in the broadcast, "New Worlds in Books."

A weekly commentary of the news is given by Dr. Howard O. Eaton, chairman of the department of philosophy, on "Between You and Me."

WNAD Production Manager Bill Morgan tours the campus via microphone through the museums of the University each Monday afternoon. His program is known as "Turning Back the Years."

The University of Oklahoma's flying educator, Dr. S. E. T. Lund, presents problems of safety in the air, utility of personal flying, and developments in Oklahoma on his program "Let's Fly, Oklahoma."

"Students Look at Education" is a summer session series of broadcasts to let graduate students talk about the courses they are taking, why they are taking the particular courses and what they expect to accomplish in them. The series is directed by Dr. W. B. Ragan, '22bs, '28ma, professor of elementary education.

The importance of research and its place in today's world is emphasized by the series "Spotlight on Research." Dr. Ronald B. Shuman, chairman of the department of business management, discussed business management over the air on June 23.

E. G. "Pop" Holdren, Veterans Administration contact representative for Norman, comes to WNAD once a week on "Information Desk" to help veterans in the listening audience by explaining various benefits offered to them and to answer questions about subsistence, hospitalization, and other issues of particular interest to veterans.

Wages Is Subject of Article

Compensating student employees and a comparison of wage rates in 27 colleges and universities throughout the nation was the subject of a recent article by Frank A. Ives, director of the University employment service, in *College and University Business*.

The feature is a compilation of statistics secured by Ives, showing minimum and maximum wage scales for part time student workers. Sizes of the schools varied from 1,300 to 25,000 students.

Determinant of the number of types of employments is "the nature of the community in which the institution is located." Wage rates tend to approximate the prevailing hourly wages in the community, according to the report, but some run from 5 to 10 per cent lower in several cases. Percentage of students requesting work varied from 5 to 90 per cent of the student body, while from 25 to 95 per cent were actually placed.

Ives concluded his article with suggestions for improvement. Among these were the establishment of standard wages for all work that may be performed by students and developing a closer relationship among all student personnel services.