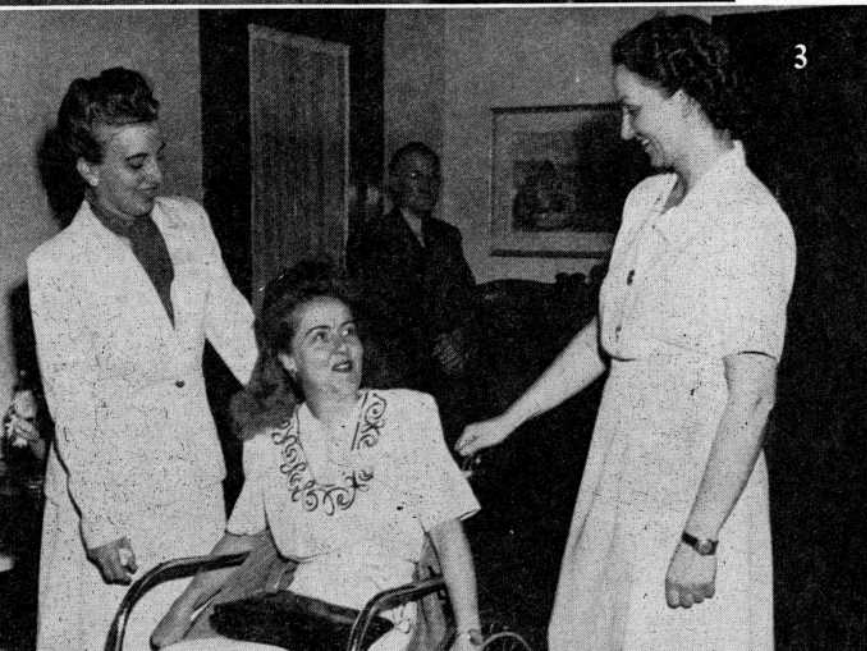
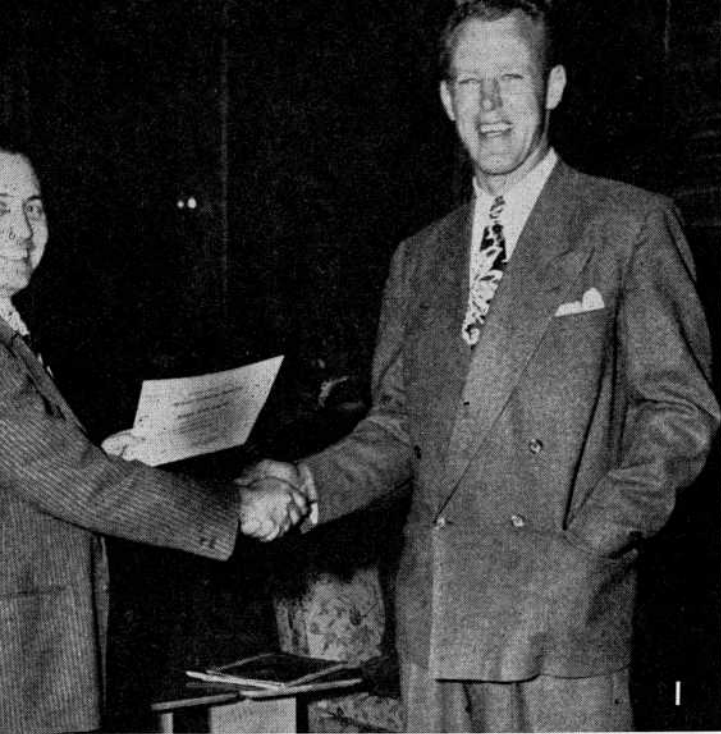


BUD GO



TWO Alumni Clubs sprang into being during June when Bud Wilkinson, affable Sooner football coach, delivered charters to the Denver and San Francisco groups during a west coast visitation.

Coach Wilkinson met with the Denver group June 9, presented the charter to President Roscoe Walker, Jr., '40ba, '42law, and made an informal talk about sports and affairs in general at the University. He also narrated for films of two Oklahoma football games played last season—the Missouri and Kansas games.

Leaving Denver he traveled on to the coast and stopped off in San Francisco where he chartered the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter.

There he also screened the pictures of the two football games. Then to Los Angeles for a meeting with the Southern California Chapter which had a record turnout of 142.

Reports from all three chapters concur with the sentiment expressed in a letter from Dr. Alice Sowers, director of the Family Life Institute, Extension Division, who was a guest at the meeting of the Los Angeles Club.

"Although I'm not your official representative out here," she writes, "I am very enthusiastic about the O.U. alums I met and saw and heard here in Los Angeles. No small share of that enthusiasm is for Bud Wilkinson. He was grand. It is so fine to have a coach who is of his type. He talked easily and freely without notes; had a nice sense of humor without wisecracking or trying to be funny; thinks quickly on his feet during the question period.

"Bud's remarks during the showing of the films added a lot," Dr. Sowers continued. "Everyone applauded and yelled just as if it were a real game. I, too, was tense on occasions when the ball was almost on the line, forgetting that I already knew the outcome of the game."

In Denver about 45 alums turned out to hear Bud. Six guests also present included Dallas Ward, University of Colorado football coach; Johnny Baker, football coach at Denver University; Harry Hughes, athletic director at Colorado A. and M.; Frank Potts, '27ba, head track coach at University of Colorado; Chet Nelson, of the *Rocky Mountain News*, and George Franco, of the *Denver Post*.

Harry Hughes, '04, '16, Colorado A. and M., was the oldest alumnus present. Bob Seymour, '36, '41, backfield coach at Denver University, introduced guests at the event.



1. President Reed Crites, '36law, left, accepts the Alumni Club charter from Coach Bud Wilkinson for the San Francisco Bay Area Club.

2. Los Angeles president Fred Lyman Tibbitts, '16 ba, '19ma, speaks to the chapter while Mrs. Tibbitts (Ruth Lucille Bull, '24ba) looks on.

3. Constance Keskebas, '44soc.wk, left, listens while Capt. Velma L. Richardson, '38h.ec, right, chats with

Mary Keskebas, '44soc. ing.

4. Former O.U. officers pose with Coach Wilkinson to right they are William Kendall, '03ba; Gene Henry, '27ba, and C.

5. Officers of the Los Angeles Chapter pose with Coach Wilkinson and Alice Sowers.

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Meeting in the Nurses Recreation Hall of the Presidio, the San Francisco group gathered and received its charter from Bud. Forty-eight members and 17 guests signed the register.

The oldest charter member of the San Francisco Club, Dr. Roy Stoops, '98ba, missed the chartering ceremonies because of being in Norman following attendance at the Alumni Reunion at which he celebrated his fiftieth anniversary of graduation. Dr. Stoops is a past president of the Alumni Association. He served his term of office in 1904, when he was a practicing physician in Norman. Another old-timer who is a member of the club is Mrs. Fantine Samuels Paxton, '01ba, the first woman graduate of the University.

Dr. Kenneth B. Kincy, '41ba, '44bs, '44med, and D. L. Dillbeck shared the distinction of having traveled the farthest (60 miles) to attend the San Francisco meeting. Froma Johnson Updegraff, '21fa, and Edna Messent, '20ba, were joint recipients of the distinction of being the most recently transplanted Oklahomans.

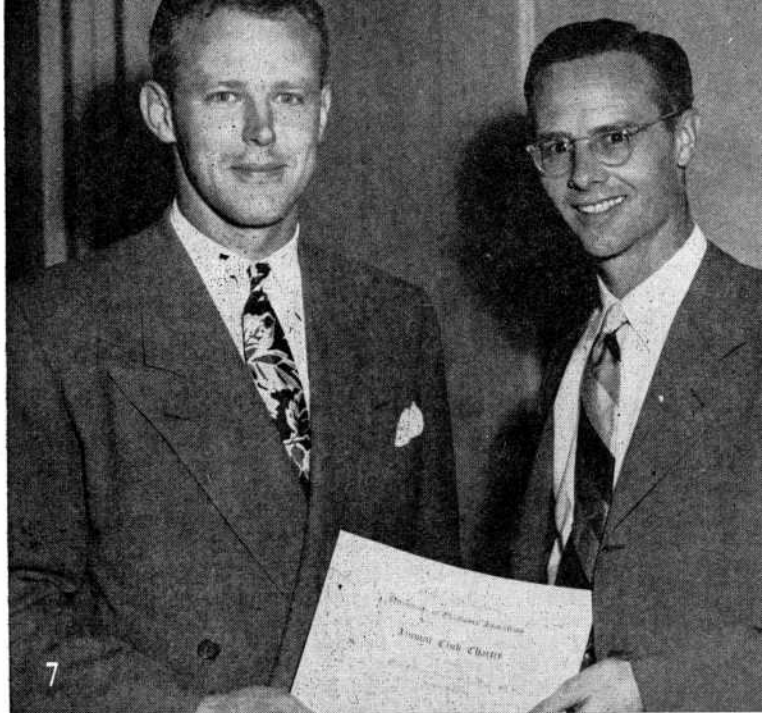
Captain Velma L. Richardson, '38h.ec, secretary-treasurer; Pearl Paxton Morris, '32ba, '34ms, chairman of the entertainment committee, and Belle Gough, '26ba, '31ma, chairman of arrangements, were thanked by President Crites for their work which made the party a success.

The San Francisco Club is planning a homecoming for the night preceding the O.U.-Santa Clara game September 25 in San Francisco. They are arranging with Bill Cross, O.U. athletic business manager, for a block of tickets to that game.

The Los Angeles meeting was held at Pepperdine College. During the dinner, President Lyman Tibbitts, '16ba, '19ma, kept the meeting going at a lively pace by having all members present who were associated with different campus organizations while on the campus, such as the band, football squad, faculty, etc., introduce themselves. The entire group was startled when of a sudden the Ruf-Neks gave forth with a typical yell. Former football coach, William P. "Dutch" Fehring introduced Bud as speaker of the evening. "Dutch" is now assistant football coach at U.C.L.A. in Los Angeles.

Again sentiment of the three chapters was summed up by a Sooner when Hiawatha Estes, '40 eng, secretary of the Southern California Club,

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Watson, '39law; Lonnie Vanderveer, '39m.ed; Wilk-
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Lyman Tibbitts, '16ba, '19ma. Herman Ziemer, '35ja,
'40m.ed, came later and is not in the picture.

6. At the San Francisco meeting, Fantine S. Paxton, '01ba, left, poses with Pearl Morris, '32ba, '34ms.

7. President Roscoe Walker, Jr., '40ba, '42law, right, accepts the charter of the Denver Alumni Club from Wilkinson.

