

Pictured above are members of the Lincoln, Nebraska, O.U. Alumni Club at their meeting with Miss Lucy Tandy, '30ba, '32ma, October 1. (Story in November issue Sooner Magazine). Front row: Mrs. E. E. Dale, [r. (Sarah Colvert, '42ba); Mrs. Edgar Baxter (Mildred Fuller, '35ba); Miss Tandy; Mrs. M. S. Waddell; and Marolyn O. Harper, '43fa. Back row: E. E. Dale, [r., '42ba, '47ms; Edgar Baxter, '33eng; C. H. Linscheid, '34ba; M. S. Waddell, '22ms, Leslie Hewes, '28ba; Rufus Moore, '29ms; Eck F. Schramm, '06ba, and J. Joe Bauxer, '32ba.

Los Angeles Club Holds Party

A combined dinner and barn dance characterized a party held by the Los Angeles Alumni Club November 15. "It was one of the best and most colorful parties," according to Winifred Keys, '43, and everybody had a "great time."

Hiawatha "Hi" Estes, '40eng, who recently returned to the coast from Oklahoma reported to the group about changes on the campus and about two of the recent football games.

"All of us have been following the football games with great interest. We are pulling for the team and its continued success in winning games."

Miss Keys told how "... a large share of the credit for the success of the party should go to Lucille Tibbitts, (Ruth Lucille Bull, '24ba), the wife of our former president, Fred Tibbitts, '16ba, '19ma."

"She offered to prepare and manage the serving of the food, which she did beautifully. We enjoyed baked ham with all the trimmings, topped off with pumpkin pie."

The new officers of the club were introduced as follows: Glenn Watson, '39Law, president; Hiawatha Estes, '40eng, vice-president; Winifred Keys, '43, secretary; Leat Hendrex, '40mus.ed, treasurer, and Fred Tibbitts, '16ba, '19ma, public relations officer.

Miss Keys closed her report to the Alumni Office with the following remark which will be of interest to many west-coast bound alumni: "Please tell any Sooner who is coming to California to contact a member of our chapter and we will try to make his visit as enjoyable as possible."

Milams Entertained

Carl H. Milam, '07ba, and Mrs. Milam, the former Nell Robinson, '09ba, were entertained at a small luncheon and theatre party in New York on November 27. Milam is now chief librarian of the United Nations. Others in the party were Harold V. Bozell, O.U. engineering faculty member in 1908-16, now president of the General Telephone Company; Mrs. Bozell; Robert Calvert, '09ba, and Mrs. Calvert.

First Reports From Ethiopia

Teaching Ethiopians is a pleasant occupation! Although it does have drawbacks such as ignorance of the World Series and O.U. football scores.

So reports Roy E. Heffner, '18ba, '19bs, former instructor in physics, in a letter received by Dr. William Schriever, chairman of the department of physics. Heffner is in Addis Ababa where he is mathematics instructor in the Haile Selassie I Secondary School.

He is one of 13 Americans who left in September for a 3-year teaching service in the Addis Ababa schools. This is a new project of Haile Selassie, who is seeking to improve educational conditions of his country by recruiting Americans as teachers.

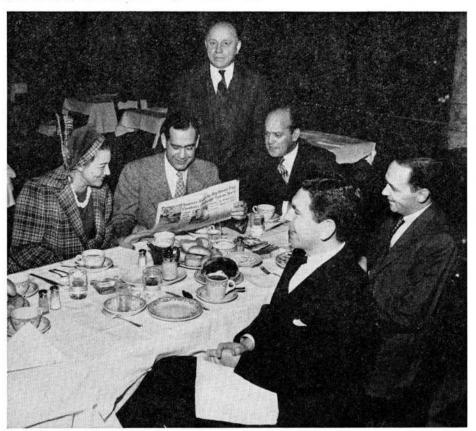
"The climate is quite wonderful here," Heffner says. He has learned that the thermometer never exceeds 87 degrees, and it is always cool in the shade. Addis Ababa is about 10 degrees north of the equator which limits the cold, and is more than 8,000 feet above sea level which limits the heat.

Heffner has found the Ethiopians very courteous and eager to assist Americans. But the greatest difficulty he has experienced is understanding the students—they speak in a low tone of voice and their diction is difficult to grasp.

Transportation is very congested in Addis Ababa, Heffner comments. There are numerous paved streets, but virtually no sidewalks. Pedestrians line the edge of the pavement, sometimes with herds of sheep, goats, burrows and cows, which make it necessary to drive "on your horn." There may be more than 50 pedestrians along the pavement in a single block.

A fact which particularly interested Heffner is that Ethiopians do not use hoisting machines for building purposes. For a 3-story building which is being constructed near the heart of town, they have no elevators. The workmen carry the building materials up long inclines.

Heffner's wife, Edna Spencer, '47ba, who is now teaching at the Jane Brook Foundation at Purcell, plans to join him in late January '49. Housing will be supplied for them by the Ministry of Education.



Although the Big Seven championship flag was assured by the Sooner's dejeat of Kansas when the above picture was made, Paul MacMinn, dean of students who was in New York attending a national convention, gave a play by play description of the game to a quickly assembled group of alumni in New York who knew the lineup from Bud Wilkinson's football letter and the Daily Oklahoman sport pages. Standing—Robert P. Calvert, '09ba, '10ma, seated are Mrs. Ken M. Robinson, MacMinn, Ken M. Robinson, '38ba, '38Law; Jack A. Horner, '34ba, '34Law, and Robert Russell Black, '42ba.