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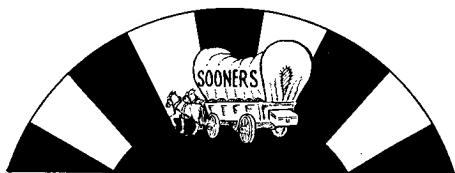
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The Cover

Most of January and February found the campus under a blanket of sleet and snow that furnished fine material for photographic studies but poor footing for walking from class to class. The cover picture, offering an interesting contrast in lights and shadows, was taken between the Administration Building and the Library as a new storm was looming in the north.

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Riding the Sooner Range

BY TED BEARD

The trails on the Sooner Range in early '49 have been long (and cold) and rugged!

Since that "climax afternoon" (the Sugar Bowl event in staid old New Orleans, New Year's) it has been a series of jumps nation-wide on observing, chatting with, and visiting among Sooner alumni.

An hour visitation in the LOVE COUNTY capital city (MARIETTA, OKLAHOMA) was a most enjoyable occasion with the old wheelhorse (and the newborn county attorney of Love County) CLINT LIVINGSTON, '48Law. Marietta is always an interesting O.U. alumni center. Even "Senator" OWEN TOWNSEND, '40ba, '40Law, who now offices in OKLAHOMA CITY and conducts his business affairs nation-wide, still makes a regular trek back down to the old home county—Love County. The long-time manager of the University Book Exchange, JIM C. MAYFIELD, '28ba, likewise trails down Marietta-ward for the family visitation, but more especially is he lured in that direction by the Texhoma fisherman NORMAN BRILLHART, '17ba (MADILL) as their "work trails" merge together at Marietta for fishing activities on Lake Murray. Other Marietta alumni who reside in the Love County center are CRAWFORD CAMERON, SR., '13Law, LLOYD JOHNSON, '48eng, CLEATUS VAUGHAN, '48pharm, and the new residence of KATHERINE TATOM SUMMERS, '23ba, '26ma, is now Marietta. After a pleasant hour's visitation and work with Judge Livingston, at which time he was designated as the ambassador-at-large to clear up the mailing lists on Sooner alumni of the county, and after he had graciously presented the venison steaks, we were up and away to the next Sooner center.

That "one night stand" in the seething alumni center of ARDMORE was, as it has been for years, most interesting. "The ole professor" GEORGE D. HANN, '36m.ed, Superintendent of City Schools, past president of the Alumni Association and present member of the Executive Board, was, as usual, most helpful by offering counsel and advice on many pending problems currently before the Association. Indeed, late this month "in company with" Fessor George, Superintendent of Schools JIM FRAZIER, '24ba, '32m.ed, WEWOKA, Superintendent of Schools DENVER DEE KIRKLAND, '33m.ed, McALESTER, DR. OLIVER HODGE, '33m.ed, '37d.ed, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, OKLAHOMA CITY-TULSA, CLYDE HOWELL, '15ba, '36m.ed, my close fellow associate in the hired hand secretaries work (Clyde is the long, long time Executive Secretary of the Oklahoma Education Association), OKLAHOMA CITY-EDMOND, and dozens of other educators

of the state, we will be up ST. LOUIS way representing Oklahoma (and may we wish its best interests) at the National Association of School Administrators. And of course, we will be joined by hundreds of other Sooner alumni from over the nation and we hope to break bread and chin with the permanent Sooner alumni residents of St. Louis and environs at a chit-chat or what have they!

In FORT WORTH the Sooners are still busy and about. The venerable and vulnerable old scientist-geologist JAMES HARVEY "ZEKE" VAN ZANT, '23ba, '26ms, is still representing his profession, his University and his state in this Texas center. Dozens of other O.U. alumni are busily engaged in their business and professional pursuits in Texas' famous "cowntown."

TEMPLE, TEXAS, is indeed not only a great medical center of the Southwest but is the alumni center in that section of the Lone Star empire for many of our people. Among the alumni in Temple are Dr. LEROY L. ENGLER, '48med, Dr. C. V. KERN, '36bs, '38med, Dr. E. D. McKAY, '32ba, '33bs, '35med, and Dr. J. R. WINSTON, '31bs, '33med.

The City of the South (that is what their Chamber of Commerce and civic boosters say—more especially when the name DALLAS is mentioned) HOUSTON, TEXAS, has always been an outstanding active O.U. alumni center. To be joined by President GEORGE L. CROSS and Vice-President ROSCOE CATE, '26ba, at this center, where President Cross "did the honors" by giving the principle address at their mid-winter banquet at the Texas Hotel, was a pleasant occasion. O.U. alumni are making great contributions in their professional life as well as being the "foundation" upon which is built the structure for solid participation in University of Oklahoma affairs in Houston. Among the dozens that might be mentioned are WALLACE THOMPSON, '20geol, the newly elected president of the re-activated O.U. charter alumni club, CURTIS SMITH, '29bus, DICK GILLEY, '38ba, '40Law, KENDALL BAKER, '39ba, '41Law, ROBERTA HUFF BECK, '33ba, and J. W. BURKHART, '30-'31.

Alumni activity over MUSKOGEE way is "at" a buzz and a hum. The long-distance lines have been hot and the telephone tingling, with the U.S. mails loaded down announcing details on the coming county-wide alumni event pointing toward the showing of the Sugar Bowl film. Coach Bud Wilkinson and other University representatives will, before this article comes off press, have met, dined and enjoyed the Muskogee County delegation. In Muskogee, Bud and his boys will work with dozens

and dozens of Sooners, including ED EDMONDSON, JR., '40ba; Executive Board member BILL DODSON, '29ba, '34Law; past Alumni Executive Board member JEWELL RISINGER DITMAR, '19ba; "Alumni Lifer" PAUL CLAPPER, '22-'23, the very good buddy and friend of a former president of the Association, FISH MULDRON, '22, hometown, SEMINOLE; JIM BATES, JR., '39bus; EARLE E. GARRISON, '36bus, (the son-in-law of Professor FRANK TAPPAN of O.U.'s school of engineering, and son of Dad Garrison, the business manager for superintendent GEORGE D. HANN, '36m.ed, and the Board of Education at ARDMORE). JOHN T. GRIFFIN, '47bus; DR. J. F. HACKLER, '31bs, '33med, the Northeastern Oklahoma educator; JACOB H. JOHNSON, '40m.ed, president of Connors State School of Agriculture, WARNER, (on Muskogee's outskirts); past Alumni Board member HARRY SIMMONS, '24ba, superintendent of schools at Muskogee; EARL PIERCE, '28Law; CRYSTAL L. RISINGER, '27ba, (BRAD'S '23ba, kid sister—Brad, of course, the immediate past Department Commander of the American Legion and the prominent SAND SPRINGS-TULSA man of the bar—legal); Dr. C. E. WHITE, '21; Dr. PAULINE BARKER, '12med; and PAUL YOUNG, '36ed, the prominent football coach who had so many successful years at Ardmore High School and who, last season, had the championship Class A football team represented by his Muskogee High School delegation.

Up GUTHRIE way they are buzzing around in typical Sooner fashion, getting ready for the showing of the Sugar Bowl film on the circuit when their scheduled hour comes about. Among the many active Sooners in the Guthrie center who will participate in this alumni assembly are JOE N. CROOM, JR., '48journ; GORDON BIERER, JR., '21ba; RALPH T. HOOD, '26ba, '32Law, (yes, that is F.B.I. "Sandy" who gained that moniker of Sandy years ago when he was chief student assistant to HERB SCOTT, '26ba, '26ma, in the Extension Division while he was completing his law work at the University of Oklahoma—now the big cold storage executive of Guthrie); MERLE G. "DUTCH" SMITH, '21, (that is the Dutchman of years ago, who now has a daughter who is a graduate of this institution—last year); GEORGE H. STROUD, '28, General HAL MULDRON's '28

bus, side-kick down through the years in the 45th Division. Many other Guthrie Sooners will be present, indeed, far too many to record on the limited space in this Range article.

Same is true, of course, (the buzzing around and about activity) in DRUMRIGHT. There again more Sooners are getting ready for the alumni assembly and the showing of the Sugar Bowl film by Bud and his crew. In that center alumni who will participate are DOYLE WATSON, '37bus, '40Law, (yes, that is the old traveling companion during his senior year here at the University when we "flivvered" all the way from O.U. to the University of Texas, AUSTIN, and Southern Methodist in DALLAS, back via Cleveland County, NORMAN and the O.U. campus enroute to LOS ANGELES, the Ambassador Hotel and the national session there). In Drumright KERMIT NASH, '33Law, will be on row one. Kermit is Frank's brother-in-law, (FRANK HAXEL, '32, SILOAM SPRINGS, ARKANSAS, who is the Range Rider's brother-in-law, and Kermit is Evelyn's brother. EVELYN, of course, being Mrs. Frank Haxel, '32); SAM DENYER, '13ba; ROBERT T. LOFTIN, JR., '48eng; CLARA W. BARRIS, '34bs, '43m.ed; and MIREE JAMES, '48m.ed.

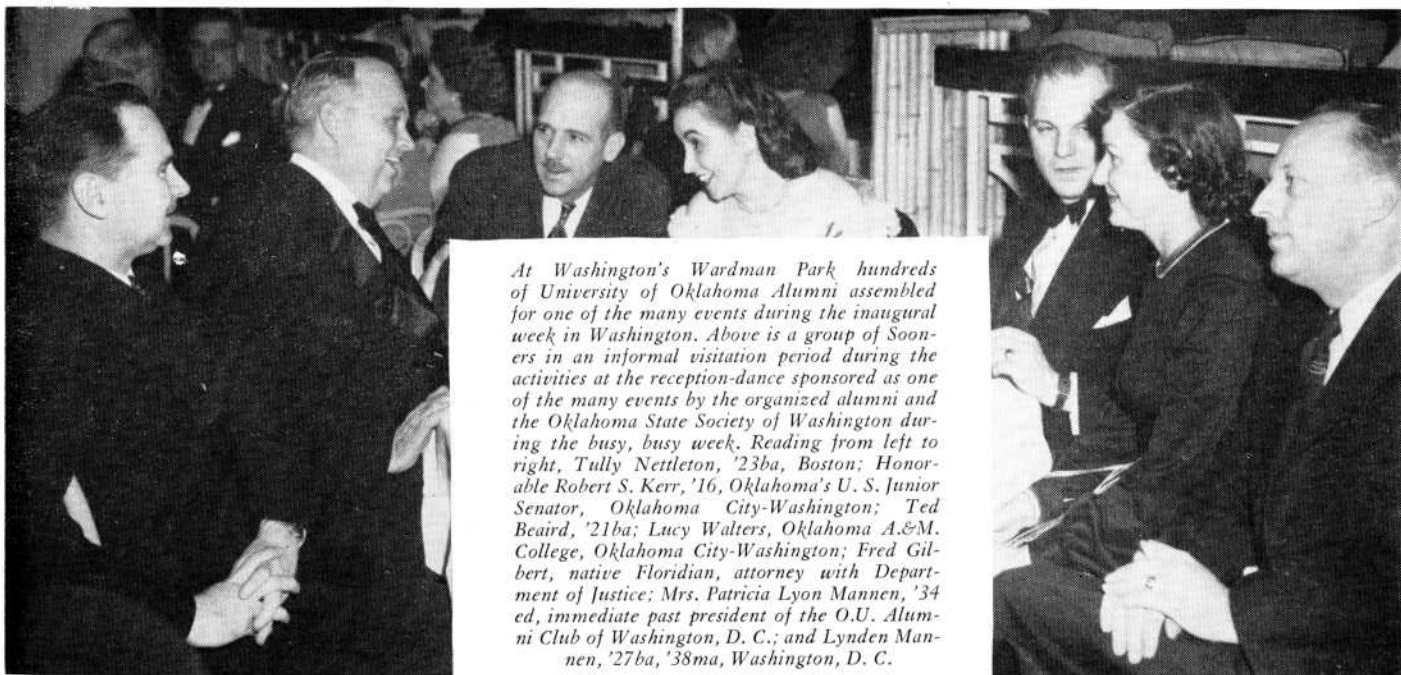
Another alumni center in the State of Oklahoma that is seething with activity just now, preparing again for the reception of Bud and his colleagues who will present the Sugar Bowl film, is McALESTER. This very outstanding O.U. alumni center is the home of "the people's" Congressman—CARL ALBERT, '31ba, (and incidentally, we were privileged to visit with Carl at the Wardman-Park in WASHINGTON, D. C. less than a fortnight ago). Alumnus WALTER J. ARNOTE, '28ba, '28 Law, outstanding army officer, mayor about his city, as well as an outstanding citizen of his state, will be in the McAlester center working right along with the dozens of other O.U.ites. ELMER HALE, JR., '41bus, will be the grand high mocus of the assembly in McAlester, as he is the contact man who has made the booking for this alumni setup. Others who will attend the McAlester fracas and do a lot of galloping over the trails of the Sooner Range are, past Alumni Board member HIRAM IMPSON, '15ba; Superintendent of Schools D. D. KIRKLAND, '33m.ed; Dr. CLAUD E. LIVELY, '30ph.c, '30pharm, '34bs, '34med; GUY H. SAV-

AGE, '43bus; MARTIN A. SAVAGE, '36-'40; and many, many others.

Dr. RALPH W. MORTON, '38bs, '40med, "the alumni head-man" down in MURRAY COUNTY with SULPHUR headquarters, has his Sooner delegation all a-stir awaiting the reception of the representatives from the University with the Sugar Bowl film. Among the many other Sooners who will participate there in this Sooner get-together are THOMAS G. WHITE, '48bs; MUNDEER HASEN, '44; JEAN RAMSEY, '48drama; JOHN C. POWELL, '22Law; the Aggie-Sooner-law-maker L. B. PEAK; the Commissioner PAUL REED, '21, (yes, he will even breeze down from his central headquarters in OKLAHOMA CITY for this get-together); the old newshound PAUL JOHN, '31ba; C. F. JAMES, JR., '39bus; A. J. HOWELL, '48 geol; LEO B. HORSMAN, '34-'38; FLEETA B. HORN, '48m.ed; ROBERT L. GOWAN, '29 pharm, '30ms and JEAN B. CONDRIFF, '33 nurse.

With "Our Man Friday"—GEORGE CUMMINGS, '49bus, OKMULGEE and O.U. alumni headquarters, NORMAN, it was a pleasant ride out CUSTER COUNTY way to re-activate the Club with the headquarters to be listed in CLINTON for all future participation. Yes, that Custer County Club, under the able leadership of CHARLES ENGLEMAN, '33ba, FRANK "LUKE" SEWELL, '47bus, and Charlie's vice-president, V. M. THOMPSON, '48bus, will, long before this February issue of SOONER MAGAZINE comes off the press, have held another of their very outstanding meetings, when they assemble for their mid-winter session with BILL JENNINGS, '46ed, Sugar Bowl film and all the trimmings to be presented to the assembled group in their get-together.

The 5,000-plus O.U. alumni who are residents of OKLAHOMA COUNTY are on an "expanding program." For years they have sponsored the very effective and outstanding pre-Homecoming dinner-dance as the big fall event for O.U. Sooners from everywhere. Under the able leadership of the new, young, aggressive prexy, DICK VIRTUE, '44ba, and his officers, FRED SCHONWALD, '30ba, '34 Law, BEN HEAD, '42bus, '48Law, and MRS. FRANK HARBISON (MARGARET MONRON-EY, '32ba), they too before this February issue of SOONER MAGAZINE comes off press, will have



At Washington's Wardman Park hundreds of University of Oklahoma Alumni assembled for one of the many events during the inaugural week in Washington. Above is a group of Sooners in an informal visitation period during the activities at the reception-dance sponsored as one of the many events by the organized alumni and the Oklahoma State Society of Washington during the busy, busy week. Reading from left to right, Tully Nettleton, '23ba, Boston; Honorable Robert S. Kerr, '16, Oklahoma's U. S. Junior Senator, Oklahoma City-Washington; Ted Beard, '21ba; Lucy Walters, Oklahoma A.&M. College, Oklahoma City-Washington; Fred Gilbert, native Floridian, attorney with Department of Justice; Mrs. Patricia Lyon Mannen, '34 ed, immediate past president of the O.U. Alumni Club of Washington, D. C.; and Lynden Mannen, '27ba, '38ma, Washington, D. C.

held, at the Sooners home away from home—the Oklahoma Biltmore—their first mid-winter meeting since the close of World War II. As we go to press we are advised by the Oklahoma County boys that they are expecting an overflow crowd—indeed, a turn-away meeting for lack of space when Coach Bud, President George L. Cross and Foundation Director BOYD GUNNING, '37ba, '37Law, and other University representatives assemble with them for this mid-winter session.

To pay a hurried-up business trip to the City of the South (MEMPHIS) twice in a fortnight has proven an unusual (but pleasant) experience for your Range Rider in recent weeks. Due to the nature of the business it was not possible to hold an assembly with our very outstanding O.U. alumni residing in that southern metropolis. Had time permitted (and it will in the future months to come) among the outstanding alumni that we would have

tel noon January 18, when more than 300 "squeezed in" and other dozens were directed to over-flow quarters and other activities due to limitation of space, the big Sooner alumni show was the talk of the city, because of the enthusiasm shown by the "participating delegates." For the second time in twenty-five years (and squirming in embarrassment) your Range Rider was forced to miss this kick-off luncheon by being grounded in the dense fog in around and over the University of Tennessee, but the luncheon clicked 1000% after a hurried exchange of long-distance calls to and from the Congressman of Congressmen, MIKE MONRONEY, '24ba, who acted as the general toastmaster of the luncheon, President George L. Cross (who, incidentally, due to special train schedule arrived late but in time for the luncheon) HARRINGTON WIMBERLY, '24ba, our "Power representative," WASHINGTON-ALTUS, and

with in Elizabeth's home were Colonel WEBSTER WILDER, '33ba, '33Law, Mrs. Wilder, (SALLY WILBANKS, '34fa), Major NEIL KELLER, '33 Law, Mrs. Keller, (HELEN MOORE, '31), WALTER EMERY, '34Law, Mrs. Emery, HURSHEL UNDERHILL, '27bus, Mrs. Underhill, FRANCES HUNT, '29ba, MORRIS HAGGARD, '46, KEN MARKWELL, '20eng, president of the WASHINGTON, D. C. O.U. Alumni Club, Lt. Col. JAMES C. TODD, '31Law, and Mrs. Todd, the former LOUISE BAGBY, '34ba, Lt. Col. WALTER BEETS, '28-'31, JACK YOCUM, '43ed, former WNAD staff member under the then director, Homer R. Heck. Jack is "plying his trade" as one of the "topkicks" in the sergeant staff in the "congressmen of congressmen" command, namely, Mike Monroney. Also attending were SAM ABRAMS, '33ba, '36Law, NORMAN FUTOR, '32ba, '34Law, '39ma, Col. JOHN EMBRY, '27Law, and Mrs.



Several events, including an all-University alumni luncheon in the Annapolis Hotel, were held during the busy inaugural week in Washington when the University of Oklahoma alumni sponsored many "get-togethers" for former students and graduates of the University who reside in Washington and environs, as well as hundreds who came from all sections of the United States for inaugural week activities. At one of these functions an informal shot was taken of a "visiting group" as they met to exchange "chatter" and reminisce about the hours down O.U. way. Among those who may be identified in the picture above are: Col John Embry, '27Law, Chandler-Arlington, Virginia; Jeanette Embry, '27, Chandler-Arlington, Virginia; Ralph H. Schaller, '30Law, Oklahoma City-Arlington, Virginia; Gerona Schaller, '27, Oklahoma City-Arlington, Virginia; Col. J. Carter Todd, '31Law, Tulsa-Arlington, Virginia; Louise Bagby Todd, '34ba, Norman-Arlington, Virginia; Walter Beets, '28-'31, Comanche-Alexandria, Virginia; Frances Storie Beets, '29, Comanche, Alexandria, Virginia; Col. Bert E. Johnson, '24ba, '29Law, Tulsa-Arlington, Virginia; Charles E. Brodersen, '29ba, '31Law, Okarche-Washington, D. C.; Col. Webster Wilder, Jr., '33 ba, '33Law, Cherokee-Falls Church, Virginia; Sally Wilbanks Wilder, '34fa, Holdenville-Falls Church, Virginia; Carlos E. McAfee, '28Law, Oklahoma City-Arlington, Virginia; John F. Taylor, '36ba, '39Law, Lawton-Falls, Church, Virginia; Durward Mathis, '30ba, '34Law, Lawton; Col. Merton E. Munson, '29ba, '31Law, Lawton-McLean, Virginia; and Col. Bryan L. Raķestraw, '33ba, '39Law, Oklahoma City-Alexandria, Virginia.

worked with on this particular trek would have been ALFRED BENSINGER, '39bus, WALTER L. BERRY, '18, SALLY H. DINNING, '43phys. ed, LORRAINE J. GELVIN, '37ba, L. W. KIBLER, '16ba, '17ma, DONALD R. QUINN, '48bus, and MARION L. SLUSSER, '48eng.

On the pages of SOONER MAGAZINE and through various other news releases we have in the past years called to the attention of our thousands of readers the very active alumni group in "the District"—WASHINGTON, D. C., and environs. Probably the culminating event of events was the series of meetings sponsored by the Washington-ites during inaugural week, January, 1949, in the nation's capitol. Accompanied by President George L. Cross, it was your Range Rider's pleasure to visit, work with, and contact in general, multiplied hundreds of alumni who are residents of Washington, along with many visiting firemen from over the nation. Beginning with the alumni luncheon sponsored at the Annapolis Ho-

tel far too many others to record at this writing.

A momentary break in the fog at KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE permitted us to leave the air field some nine hours late, only to be grounded again in RICHMOND, VIRGINIA and to arrive late in the evening of January 18 at the National Airport and eventually at the Annapolis. Five minutes after registration and the report that the American Airlines "Super Ship" had broken through the fog and landed, a dingle of the telephone announced the fact that an alumni session would be underway at 9 p.m. at the home of ELIZABETH BASCOM, '22-'24. LYNDEN MANNEN, '27ba, '38ma, was on the sending end of the wire, and stated, "Be down for you in a few minutes. We have hastily organized an alumni meeting and this will offset some of your disappointment due to the fog and the failure of the commercial airlines to fly." And what a session! Dozens of Sooners on short notice had assembled to be guests of Elizabeth. Among the many we were privileged to visit

Embry, Col. MERTON MUNSON, '29ba, '31Law, and Mrs. Munson, JOHN COFMAN, '26eng, MARY WINGATE, '48ba, and JIM WOODWARD, '48ba.

The next big alumni assembly came at the break of day (the following morning)—the Mayflower Hotel at the Oklahoma State Society breakfast. Here again hundreds of O.U. alumni were assembled to participate at the assembly so ably handled by Oklahoma's Junior U. S. Senator (and lifer alumnus) BOB KERR, '16.

But, the above Sooner assemblies during inaugural week in Washington were not all! On the night of the 19th, at the Wardman-Park Hotel, the reception-dance was again an overflow affair. Among the multiplied dozens we were privileged to visit with on this occasion were former U. S. Senator JOSH LEE, '17ba, and LOUISE LEE, '23, and entire Congressional delegation, including Senator BOB KERR, Congressman CARL ALBERT, '31ba, Congressman DIXIE GILMER, '24Law,

Congressman W. G. STIGLER, '16, Congressman MIKE MONRONEY, '24ba, and Congressman GEORGE H. WILSON, '29Law.

Yes, it was a "whale of an inaugural week." In fact, the stranger, observing the participation of the O.U. alumni in the Washington center, would readily be led to believe that the University of Oklahoma had called all of its former students and graduates to the nation's center just to convince the rest of the world that the Oklahoma float, sponsored in the inaugural parade, was the Sooners contribution to a great activity. (And, in passing, that Oklahoma float was—and this is not prejudiced speaking—the outstanding float of all entries in the inaugural parade. More favorable comment was listed on this float than any other entry. And too, in passing, the float was sponsored, the drive for the several thousand dollars needed to develop the float, as well as the nation-wide publicity on Oklahoma's float—well, the committee was headed up by Sooner alumni with Sooner enthusiasm.)

Yes, the past several days and nights in this early 1949 have been long (and cold) and rugged. But they have been interesting, long, cold and rugged days and nights because of the participation with thousands of O.U. alumni.

And now, to turn to other tasks and open a new series of trails on the Range. The little item of getting everything organized for the big Oklahoma Education Association assembly in mid-February, to be staged in Oklahoma City comes first on the agenda. Yes, there again thousands of University of Oklahoma alumni will hit the trail and do a lot of Riding of the Sooner Range down Oklahoma City way. In those "Fessors and marms" will flow from each of the 77 counties of "the Sooner Commonwealth." In addition to "getting educated" at their annual meeting, those schoolmarms will certainly buy their quota of spring bonnets!

The Postman Rang Twice

Dear Ted:

Left Kyoto, Japan on 10th January, 1949. Arrived at Oklahoma City 17th January on a 30-day emergency leave due to critical illness of my father, Dr. R. L. Gardner of 922 Northwest 21 Street, Oklahoma City. He passed away on January 23, aged 86 years, 10 months. Burial services were held at Pulaski, Tennessee, former home of my parents.

My mother will continue to reside at the Oklahoma City address noted above.

I am returning to Japan February 15 to join my wife and 13-year-old son.

I frequently meet alumni of old O.U. but cannot recall the names of any I have met recently.

Robert P. Gardner, '29pharm, Major, F. A., Hdqs. I Corps, APO 301.

Oklahoma City

Oxford, England

Dear Ted:

The first thing I do every Tuesday morning is to purchase the Paris edition of *The New York Herald-Tribune* to see, not "IF," but by how much the Sooners downed their previous Saturday's antagonists. Congratulations on the outstanding football aggregation.

Sincerely yours, T. Dwight Mitchell, Jr., '43ba.

Gadsden, Alabama

Dear Ted:

I have been in Dixie Land for a year and haven't or hadn't met a "Sooner" until last week. I was on my way to the bank and a car honked at me. Naturally I smiled and waved. Then a head came out of the window and said "Potter." To my sur-

prise it was Dale Hawkins, '39-'41, who lives in Birmingham, Alabama. We enjoyed a brief visit and hope to see each other again. Do you know of anymore Sooners in Dixie?

Sincerely, Curtis F. Potter, '47pharm.

Saga, Kyushu, Japan

Greetings:

I came here a month ago. I am assigned to Military Government and have become enchanted with the beauties of this island. Kyushu is Japan's most southern island, but we are having a real winter. Sorry I couldn't get a picture to you from Columbia, but things were happening too fast—Margaret getting married, my family leaving, and getting ready to sail. One of these days I will send you a picture from here. Please let me hear from you.

Best Wishes, Margaret Ann Hamilton, '38.

Bend, Oregon

Dear Mr. Beard:

Thank you so much for forwarding the copies of the *Sooner Magazine* in which I was interested and also for the copy of the Daily.

I enjoyed the magazines and paper tremendously not only for the stories in which I was interested in seeing but for the general campus news as well. They made me quite home-sick for O.U. and my old friends there.

Portland, Oregon, is now on the firing-line of race relations due to influx of Negroes during the war and I am beginning a study of the situation. Edwin Berry, sociology professor at Vanport College (remember the Vanport flood?), and of the Urban League of Portland, is interested in seeing the Sooners and I am forwarding them to him.

The Sooners revived memories of the days that I used to write for it. Was glad to hear the news of Roscoe Cate's new position. Please give him my regards when you see him.

With best wishes to you and the Sooner staff.
Yours truly, Eleanor Lain Wilson, '40ba.

(Ed. Note: The letter below received from Miss Lena C. Adams mentions her working at the college in Cheney, Washington. Indeed, our August, 1948 graduate selected a "Sooner center." The college at Cheney is headed by Sooner life member alumnus Walter W. Isle, '15ba. Mr. Isle has several University of Oklahoma people on his staff.)

Cheney, Washington

Dear Ted:

At the time I finished my M.A. in Personnel Work, August 4, 1948, my plans for the future were not definite. Now I would like my Sooner friends to know where I am so I appeal to you for help.

I am now Assistant Hail Director at Eastern Washington College of Education, very near Spokane. Also I work in the Psychological Clinic here, testing and counseling students. I find my training at O.U. and my two years of experience there in the dorms as a graduate counselor are excellent preparation for the work I am doing now.

Also, this summer, on June 24, I will accompany my parents and my young brother to Italy. We'll be away for the summer and plan to spend most of the time in Sicily, visiting my father's family.

After living in Oklahoma, I find the 20 inches of snow in Cheney quite a change. But the freezing temperatures don't alter my enjoyment of the beautiful Pacific Northwest country.

Thank you for including my brief history in the magazine. I enjoy reading the *Sooner* every month.

Sincerely, Lena (Lee) C. Adams, '48ma.

Correspondence

Long Beach, California

Dear Ted,

We appreciated the opportunity of seeing the movies of the Missouri-7, O.U.-41, game on the night of January 10. As Ferne, (Ferne Keniston Forbes '28bus) C. E., Jr., and I worked in the yard that sunny November Saturday afternoon we enjoyed Bill Stern's description of the affair, and with the interview with Bennie Owen, it recalled the days of old Boyd field.

While home during the Christmas holidays we talked with many Sooners who were going to the Sugar Bowl game which we later heard over the air.

The announcer reminded me of a British broadcaster who continually told of the favorite in the horse race although it was badly beaten—this in reference to the lavish praise of "Choo-Choo" Justice.

By the way, how is Dr. Dale's class in Oklahoma History progressing? Or Ed Meacham's in College Algebra?

Cordially and sincerely, Charlie Forber, '22ba, '25ma.

(On the night of January 10, Walter Hargenschimer of the O.U. coaching staff met with the Los Angeles Alumni Club and presented the Missouri film.

Dr. E. E. Dale, '11ba, is now a research professor of history and no longer teaches Oklahoma History. Dr. Edgar D. Meacham, '14ba, is dean of the college of arts and sciences and instructs no algebra classes. Editor's note.)

Waco, Texas

Dear Mr. Beard:

My family and I moved from San Antonio, Texas, where we lived for 12 years to Waco, Texas three years ago. My husband has gone in business for himself here and is doing nicely in the automotive supply business.

We took a trip to California this summer and looked up Vivian Zirkle Sturdevant, '28bs, (Mrs. Carl Sturdevant) and Nondis Zirkle Brixley, '30fa, (Mrs. Steve Brixley). Both Vivian and Nondis were in school at the same time that I was. Vivian has two children, a boy and a girl, and Nondis has two boys. They live in Orange and Laguna Beach, California, respectively.

Also saw Virginia Perkins, '28bs, in Riverside, California on a previous trip out there. Ludora Langston Kuempel, '29-'30, (Mrs. Henry Kuempel) lives in Austin, Texas, and we get together for baseball games and the O.U.-T.U. football game at Dallas which I haven't missed but once or twice since I got out of school. Ludora has two boys.

Yours truly, Nora Edwards Gale, '29bs.

Burlington, Kansas

Dear Ted,

The weekly football letter of Coach Wilkinson has really been appreciated. I found myself looking for it each week during the season. For some reason it has stirred up the O.U. spark so that I have watched for reports of the team and even drove 150 miles to see them in action against Kansas at Lawrence.

I saw some old O.U. men at the game who told me of many improvements going on at the University—sure glad to hear it! A fellow gets out of touch when he has been away for thirty years.

Very truly, A. B. McConnell, '15med.