

Sugar Bowl Movies Travel

For years the slogan of the University of Oklahoma Extension Division has been "The State Is Our Campus." Since the successful New Year's Day affair in New Orleans, the University of Oklahoma Athletic Department has joined forces in carrying out the extension division slogan and indeed they are taking "The University of Oklahoma To The State."

The excellent colored motion picture film of the Sugar Bowl Game (official picture of Oklahoma's triumph over North Carolina in New Orleans New Year's afternoon) is in demand by Alumni groups in all sections of Oklahoma.

As we go to press with the February issue of *Sooner Magazine*, Bud Wilkinson, Director of Athletics and head football coach, announces the following cities where the film has been shown or is to be shown in the immediate future. In each instance, the film is accompanied by a staff member of the Athletic Department and reports from all sections of the state are that "There is standing room only—overflow crowds."

The records disclose the following schedules:

January 17, special dinner at the Crown Heights Methodist Church, Oklahoma City. Walter Hargesheimer, speaker.

January 19, football banquet, Marietta High School, Bill Jennings, '46bs.

January 19, noon luncheon, Oklahoma City Advertising Club, Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City, Walter Hargesheimer.

January 20, noon luncheon, Lion's Club, Muskogee, Walter Hargesheimer.

January 21, O.U. Alumni Club, Ione Hotel, Jack Baer, '42bs.

January 28, Oklahoma State Press Association Meeting, Oklahoma City, Walter Hargesheimer.

January 31, Quarter-back Club, Football Club, Wynoka, Frank Ivy, '40bs.

February 1, Rotary Club, Skirvin Tower Hotel, Oklahoma City, entire coaching staff.

February 2, Football Banquet, Sapulpa, Bud Wilkinson.

February 2, Quarter-back Club, Hobart, Bill Jennings.

February 3, Football Banquet, Pryor, Bud Wilkinson.

February 3, American Legion, Oklahoma City, Bill Jennings.

February 7, Football Banquet, McAlester, Bud Wilkinson.

February 8, Noon Rotary Luncheon, Tishomingo, Bud Wilkinson.

February 8, Football Banquet (night) Durant, Bud Wilkinson.

February 8, Credit Mens' Club Dinner, Oklahoma City, Frank Ivy.

February 9, Football Banquet, Sayre, Bud Wilkinson.

February 10, Football Banquet, Sulphur, Bud Wilkinson.

February 10, Custer County, O.U. Alumni Mid-Winter Meeting, Clinton, Bill Jennings.

February 14, Rotary Club, Madill, Walter Hargesheimer.

February 15, Methodist Mens' Club, Ada, Walter Hargesheimer.

February 15, Oklahoma County O.U. Alumni Club, Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City, (Mid-Winter Meeting), Bud Wilkinson. (At this special mid-winter meeting of the Oklahoma County Club, President George L. Cross, Alumni Secretary Ted Beard, and other O.U. representatives will appear on the program).

February 16, Washington County O.U. Alumni Club (Mid-winter meeting) Bartlesville, Bud Wilkinson, director of the University of Oklahoma Foundation, Boyd Gunning, and other University officials will appear on this program.

February 17, Rotary Club, Shawnee, Walter Hargesheimer.

February 17, Muskogee County O.U. Alumni Club (Mid-winter meeting) Muskogee, Bud Wilkinson (Boyd Gunning and other O.U. officials will appear on this program).

February 17, Elks Club, Duncan, Bill Jennings.

February 17, Mens' Club of Methodist Church, Oklahoma City, Frank Ivy.

February 18, Special Football Dinner, Denison, Texas, Bud Wilkinson.

February 18, Football Banquet, Henryetta, Walter Hargesheimer.

February 21, Rotary Club, Enid, Bud Wilkinson.

February 21, American Legion, Tecumseh, Walter Hargesheimer.

February 22, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Oklahoma City, Frank Ivy.

February 22, Lion's Club, Chandler, Bud Wilkinson.

February 23, Rotary Club, Atoka, Bud Wilkinson.

February 23, Football Dinner, special assignment of staff members of Athletic Association, Kilgore, Texas.

February 24, Lion's Club, Ardmore, Walter Hargesheimer.

February 24, O.U. Alumni Club, Drumright, Bill Jennings.

Spare That Trunk!

Don't throw away that trunk of letters your pioneer grandfather wrote years ago. They may contain information on Oklahoma's colorful past. The same goes for collections of old photographs, diaries and other records.

"Historical materials of one pioneer by themselves may not mean much," explains Dr. Gaston Litton, '34Libsci, '40ma, University of Oklahoma archivist. "But placed with others and properly sorted they often make a new pattern of the past."

O.U.'s division of manuscripts is gathering into a permanent repository material of enduring historical interest on Oklahoma. Otherwise, much of it would be lost. Materials are being collected from individuals, early-day business firms, civic and religious groups.

"That doesn't mean we're looking for a family's prize document or photograph," Litton says. "But we're interested, as an example, in the files of negatives, glass plates or prints of early Oklahoma photographers."

Valuable sources are trunks of family correspondence, diaries of pioneers who cracked whips in the various land "runs," and boxes of records of ranchers, Indian agents, traders and merchants. Litton points out that records of mercantile firms, especially "the old general store," give an accurate picture of the state's early economy and agricultural growth.

"Although Oklahoma is a comparatively young state," he says, "the 42 years since statehood leave the possibility that many records have been lost. Materials now surviving will be gone in a few years unless collected and protected."

Persons having quantities of these records may write Dr. Litton at O.U. Already the University has received the papers of former Governor Lee Cruce and collections from several other state pioneers. The papers of David Ross Boyd and A. Grant Evans, O.U.'s first two presidents, also are being catalogued.

Pruet—Revenge Victim

Earl Dayton Pruet, '27ba, top-flight Oklahoma City attorney and for 21 years an active and prominent alumnus of the University, was slain in his First National Bank building office January 11.

The confessed killer, later apprehended in El Paso, Texas, has been identified as Roy Frank Godbey, an ex-convict whom Pruet, as a young county attorney, prosecuted for an attempt to rob the Ringling First National Bank some years ago. Godbey, who received a 35-year sentence, had been released after serving 16 years, five months and 12 days.

Pruet was county attorney of Jefferson county from 1929 to 1934 when he was appointed assistant U. S. district attorney for the Eastern District of Oklahoma. He joined the law firm of Richardson, Shartel and Cochran in 1937 and his name was added to the firm's title shortly afterwards.

Pruet would have been 49 January 20. He was born at Cordell.

The attorney received his B.A. Degree from the University in 1927 and taught school a year before becoming superintendent of schools at Addington, a post which he held from 1922 to 1928.

He was admitted to the bar in 1927 and served as county attorney of Jefferson County from 1929 to 1934 when he was appointed assistant U. S. attorney for the Eastern District of Oklahoma.

He held this position until 1936 when he took an assistant's position in the office of the U. S. attorney for the Western District of the state. He was an expert on oil and gas law.

Always an active alumnus of the University, Pruet never wasted a moment of his college career. During his undergraduate years he was a member of Delta Sigma Rho, debating club; Phi Delta Phi, honorary law fraternity; Phi Kappa Psi, social fraternity; a member of the student council in 1919; the Oratorical Council in 1918, '19, '20, '21; the President's Oratorical Council in 1919; the Varsity Debate team in 191; the Ruf Neks; the Congress Literary Society and the Inter Society Debate team in 1920. He was serving as a vice-president of the Dads' Association at the time of his death.

A sports enthusiast, Pruet played sandlot baseball at Waurika in his younger days and was one of the Oklahoma City Indian's most avid supporters.

Pruet is survived by his wife, Eunice; one son, Gene; two daughters, Sara Ann and Mary Katherine; his mother, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Pruet, Norman, and a sister, Mrs. Foster Harris, Norman. Gene is a junior law student at the University while Mary K. is a graduate student and Sara Ann a student in the University College.

The Ocean Roared

Postal Inspector Ernest M. Harkins, '27bus, was shot to death in the lobby of the main postoffice in Oklahoma City January 12, and a federal murder charge was immediately filed against a 65-year-old man identified as Joseph Donnelly, Oklahoma City.

Donnelly, who complained of a roaring in his ears "like that of the ocean," blamed Harkins of slandering and humiliating him in a case involving two \$20 money orders that were supposedly lost a number of years ago.

Harkins was born in Hackett, Arkansas, and came to Oklahoma City with his parents when he was six. He attended school there graduating from Central High School in 1917.

He married Miss Grace B. Hannah in June, 1921. He also is survived by two daughters, Miss Mary Josephine Harkins and Miss Grace Harkins.