

L. A. Alumni Meet

The always active Sooners of Los Angeles got together January 10 for "one of the best meetings on record."

According to Glenn R. Watson, '39Law, president of the club, "Anything can happen at our meetings, and usually does. This time was no exception."

It seems that the whole thing started when Walter Hargesheimer brought his "Minnesota" weather into town with him. The night of the meeting was one typical of sunny Southern California—an unprecedented snow, sleet and rain storm going full blast and a resulting power failure! The affair got underway in total darkness and the never-failing light of the ages—the candle—made its appearance so the meeting could be held.

The "high-light" of the evening was Walter Hargesheimer's story of the O.U. football team. "Walter took us through the season from Santa Clara to the Sugar Bowl, pointed out the development of the team and individual players throughout the season, and gave us a birdseye view of next year's prospects. It's hard to get too much out of coaches about prospects, but from what we learned, we're expecting a great season next year."

The lights finally came on just as they were ready to show the movies of the O.U.-Missouri

game. Hargesheimer, the University's well-known backfield coach, narrated the game for the fans as it unfolded before them on colored film.

Watson continued, "Bud Wilkinson is a favorite here, and from what we've seen we know there must be some fine team work on the coaching staff.

"There's real, genuine, wholehearted friendliness at our meetings that is refreshing and heart-warming in this big city scramble. The boys and girls from Stroud, Weatherford, Norman, Cordell, Ada, Muskogee and other Oklahoma cities and towns find something here that they miss—and we all make up for lost time when we get together."

Among the Sooners present for the January 10 meeting were: Lonnie Vanderveer, '39m.ed., now with George Pepperdine College and past-president of the club; F. Lyman Tibbitts, '16ba, '19ma, also a past-president and now with the Veterans Administration; singer Byrne Gearhardt of Earl Carroll fame and his wife Ruby; Tom Henry, '27ba; Hiawatha Estes, '40eng; J. D. McCoid, '31bs, formerly of the University Press; W. L. Kendall, '03ba, the first Rhodes Scholar and a member of one of the early O.U. football teams; Herbert Everest, '06bs; Jack Rinn, '40bus; Olive Leeper, '11ba; Floyd H. Norris, '35Law, and his wife, the former Martha Buntin, '31ma; George Shaefer, '48bs and Jim Thacker, '43ba.

Tulsans Hear Gunning

Nearly 70 alumni of the Tulsa chapter braved foot-deep snow and icy winds to attend a January 24 meeting of the group at which R. Boyd Gunning, '37bs, '37Law, executive secretary of the University Foundation, spoke on "The Alumni Development Fund."

Mr. Gunning enumerated the 14 points of the plan and emphasized the importance of the Fund to the University and to Oklahoma.

Bill Jennings, '46bs, of the Sooner coaching staff, showed the film of the Sugar Bowl game to the Tulsa association.

Thurmond White, '41ms, director of the University Extension Division, was present at the meeting, also.

Tulsa Chapter President Charles R. Fellows '36ba, '37Law, presided over the business meeting of the group at which W. Preston Woodruff, '34ba, '36Law, '37ms, was elected secretary-treasurer.

Mr. Woodruff replaced A. Marion Smith, '27bus, '48pharm, who is now employed at the Veterans' Administration Hospital, Oteen, North Carolina.



Members of the Los Angeles Oklahoma Alumni Association chapter recently gathered to view motion pictures of the O.U. football team in action against Missouri, which were narrated by Walter Hargesheimer, member of the University coaching staff.

(1) After the meeting three Sooners hesitate before venturing out into the Los Angeles snow. From left to right, they are: Lonnie Vanderveer, '39m.ed.; Glenn R. Watson, '39Law; and F. Lyman Tibbitts, '16ba, '19ma.

(2) The old and new in gridiron methods meet when Sooner footballers of 1901 and 1925 discuss the game with a present-day coach. From left to right: William L. Kendall, '03ba, 1910-11 president of the Alumni Association, Walter Hargesheimer, and Tom H. Henry, '27ba.

(3) Two recent University graduates in engineering draw aside for a chat. J. L. Flinn, '48bs, left, and George Shaefer, '48bs.

