

Beta Pi and Sigma Tau engineering fraternities and Alpha Chi Sigma, chemistry fraternity. He was also a member of Pe-et, a group comprising the 10 foremost men on the campus.

One of the prominent graduates of the class of 1928 is W. P. GAGE, '28bs, '29ms in Petroleum engineering.

Gage was apparently a very active and enthusiastic engineer while at the University—a fact which undoubtedly contributed greatly to his attainment of the position of vice-president and director of the Shell Chemical Corporation.

While at O.U. he was a member of the Blue Key, the recipient of the Max B. Miller petroleum engineering fellowship, secretary and president of Tau Beta Pi, secretary and vice-president of Sigma Tau, president of Alpha Chi Sigma, president of the Newman Club, a member of St. Pat's Council, president of Delta Phi Epsilon, editor of *St. Pat's Whirlwind* and the *Sooner Engineer* and a member of the Engineers' Club and Pick and Hammer. In professional organizations, Gage is a member of A.I.Ch.E. and A.A.A.S. and is currently living in Scarsdale, N. Y.

Among other outstanding leaders in the field of chemical engineering who graduated from the University include CARL MAJOR COOPER, '36 eng, who is currently a professor at Michigan State College. Having received a Doctor's Degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he was employed by the Phillips Petroleum Company from 1936 to 1939 as a statistical engineer. He received a general graduate scholarship to M.I.T. and, while at the University of Oklahoma he was a member of Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honorary society, Tau Beta Pi, Sigma Xi and received both the Sigma Tau and the Alpha Chi Sigma awards.

RALPH L. HOCK, '37eng, is employed as a chemical and petroleum engineer with the Cotton Valley Operators Committee of Cotton Valley, Louisiana. During World War II he served as a captain of ordnance. At the University he was a member of both the American Institute of Chemical Engineers and the Petroleum Engineers Club.

FRANK P. VANCE, JR., '38bs, was employed after graduation as a chemical engineer for the firm of Black, Sivalls and Bryson, Incorporated. While at the University he was employed as an assistant Laboratory instructor and was a member of the student chapter of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers. He is now connected with the chemical engineering department at the Phillips Petroleum Company in Bartlesville.

JOSEPH E. PENICK, '42eng, left the University after graduation to be employed by the Magnolia Petroleum Company as an assistant chemical engineer in Dallas. He is a member of the Alpha Tau Omega, social fraternity and also holds memberships in A.I.Ch.E., Tau Beta Pi and the Engineers Club.

GEORGE FRANKLIN RUSSELL, JR., '43eng, '44ma, worked for the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey as a chemical engineer on the staff of the Chemical Technical Service Department at Baton Rouge, Louisiana. During World War II he was appointed as a special instructor by the chemical engineering department of the University to teach the army trainees. He now is a consulting engineer in Houston.

Russell belonged to Sigma Xi, Sigma Tau, Tau Beta Pi, Alpha Chi Sigma and the American Institute of Chemical Engineers while at the University and also was the recipient of the American Gas Association fellowship. In 1946, he was appointed an associate professor of petroleum engineering at Louisiana State University in charge of the natural gas section of the petroleum engineering. In

1948 he resigned from Louisiana State to become a consulting engineer in Houston, Texas.

Dr. Huntington recently stated, "We are looking forward to the continued growth of our school both on the undergraduate and graduate levels. By growth we do not necessarily mean the graduation of a larger number of engineers from year to year but rather a gradual improvement in the quality of our instruction and the accomplishment of research which will contribute to the storehouse of engineering knowledge and the progress of the

nation. We appreciate the generous support, financial and otherwise, which our school is receiving from industry and from its alumni through the establishment of fellowships and the sponsorship of various research projects. This assistance makes it possible for us to attract better students and more capable faculty members than we could do otherwise. Only through such progress can we hope to pay the State of Oklahoma worthwhile dividends in return for the investment its citizens are making in the University from year to year.



Robert D. Smith, left, business junior, moves up to the Thomas C. Reynolds American Legion Post 303 commander's desk, taking the place vacated by Robert L. Lunsford, '43ba, '49Law, who graduated at the end of the first semester.

Legion Installs New Prexy

Thomas C. Reynolds Post 303, campus American Legion unit, elected a new commander, Robert D. Smith, Norman junior in business, to succeed Robert L. Lunsford, '43ba, '49Law, Pawnee, who graduated in January.

Lunsford served with the army in the Asiatic-Pacific theatre, being discharged with the rank of

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captain. In addition to being Post 303 commander while at the University, he was a letterman in track, president of Union Activities Board, member of Scabbard and Blade, of Beta Theta Pi, social fraternity, and was in the band and men's glee club.

Smith, who claims Lamont, Iowa, as his home town, has been a member of the Thomas C. Reynolds Post for four years, serving in several offices, the most recent being Post Adjutant.

He served in the Marine Air Corps from September, 1942, until May, 1945, being discharged with the rank of sergeant. Smith is a member of Alpha Phi Omega and recently resigned as treasurer of Career Conference.

He was replaced as adjutant by Lyle R. Griffis, Norman Law junior.

Climatologist Picks Weather

A lot's been said about the weather, but C. J. Bollinger is one person who did something about it.

Last spring the University of Oklahoma climatologist predicted a drouth for the Oklahoma region. However, the rains came in June and July. Critics grinned sympathetically. But August followed the prediction. Then the autumn months were the driest in history. Except for the early sum-