

NEIL R. JOHNSON, 1915, GRANVILLE NORRIS, 1929 and PAUL REED, 1916. The three trustees of the O.U. Life Membership Trust Fund, who are responsible for administering the fifty-odd thousand dollar fund, investing in securities, etc., are ERRETT R. NEWBY, 1907, TOM F. CAREY, 1908 and NEIL JOHNSON, 1915.

"On the Board of Governors of the Oklahoma Memorial Union, which of course, as you know after all your years of service as a governor, is an alumni corporation project carried forward by the alumni, we find among the Board members the following: R. W. HUTTO, 1910, A. N. BOATMAN, 1914, E. D. MEACHAM, 1914, NORMAN BRILLHART, 1917, DON EMERY, 1920, FRANK S. CLECKLER, 1912, LOWREY H. HARRELL, 1916, GRADY HARRIS, 1918 and many others.

"One of the greatest developments, and in my opinion the most far-sighted program that has been designed at the University in the past 50 years, is the University of Oklahoma Foundation. In fact, five of the Board members serving on the Foundation Board of Trustees are O.U. alumni. They are, FRED TARMAN, 1910, T. HOWARD McCASLAND, 1916, DAWSON HOUK, 1914-1921, GEORGE HANN, 1918 and 1936 and TOM CAREY, 1908.

"There are so many hundreds of outstanding, hard-working alumni who can and will, when elected, serve with distinction on these various alumni boards, that it really is a problem to balance up the whole program when we analyze the various business projects carried forward by the Association.

"We are most appreciative of your interest, _____, and I assure you we will be happy to hear from you at any time offering suggestions as to carrying forward the program.

"Cordially yours, Ted Beard."

So there we have taken a gallop over the Range in the realm of "policy making." Indeed, it is stimulating when we have graduates of yesteryear (or several yesteryears) taking the time and interest to write us and counsel as to their particular points of view in the development of a stronger Alumni Association and a greater University of Oklahoma. Such counsel makes for general interest (and a stronger Association) while we continue Riding the Sooner Range.

► J. Bruce Wiley, '35bs, '41m.eng, associate professor of electrical engineering, is one of 25 educators in the nation chosen to attend the General Electric Professors' conference in Schenectady, New York. The group, which will meet June 27 to July 29, represents electrical, industrial and mechanical engineering. Visiting professors will plan course work, tour plants and study operations.



Honoree Dr. F. P. Baker, Mrs. Felix C. Duvall, honoree Benny Owen, Mrs. Don Emery, and Grady Harris, '18, are seen at the speakers table at the achievement award dinner.

Second Achievement Day Held

The Rev. T. H. McDowell, director of the Oklahoma-Kansas Region, National Conference of Christian and Jews, Inc., invoked the blessing. The room settled down to the steady hum of diners eating and conversing with their neighbors.

The occasion was the second annual Achievement Day Award Banquet, April 12 which was to honor five outstanding Oklahomans on the basis of their record of achievement. They were Dr. Forrest Pitt Baker, Benny Owen, Frank Phillips, Lew Wentz and Muriel H. Wright.

Grady Harris, '18, Alex, president of the University of Oklahoma Association and presiding officer, introduced Don Emery, '20ba, '21Law, Bartlesville, president of the University Regents, who in turn welcomed the many dignitaries and guests.

The Union Ballroom was filled with the voices of Marguerite Ebel, soprano, and Sterling Ebel, baritone, as they joined in the duet from *Pagliacci*. Joseph Benton, '20ba, '21fa, '41ma, professor of music, accompanied the singers.

President Cross was introduced.

"Achievement is a simple word," he said. "Yet it combines several meanings . . . an ideal, a philosophy of life, a belief in the dignity of work and a faith in attainment through honest effort," so began the introduction of award winners.

"It is fitting tonight that we should honor four men and one woman . . . each of whom has contributed in a unique way to the economy, to the culture, and to the welfare of our state and nation . . ." Dr. Cross continued.

The first award was presented to Dr. Forrest Pitt Baker, superintendent of Eastern Oklahoma State Sanatorium at Talihina.

Dr. Baker was born at Hot Springs, Arkansas. His father, a West Point graduate, made the Cherokee Strip run and settled at Cleveland. Later he served as a medical officer with the Philippine constabulary. Returning to this country the family established a home in Amity, Arkansas, where Dr. Baker was graduated from high school.

He received his M.D. from the University of Arkansas school of medicine in 1912. He did his internship in Little Rock's city hospital and residency for a year at St. Vincent's hospital in the same city. He served as resident physician at the State Sanatorium at Booneville, Arkansas. From 1917 to 1922 he was a medical officer in the army stationed in Panama. It was Governor Johnson that named him superintendent at Talihina.

He is a fellow of the American Medical Association, a fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians, an honorary life member of the Oklahoma Congress of Parents and Teachers and a medical adviser of the state welfare department.

Bennie Owen, director of intramural athletics, received the next award.

Owen's athletic star began its ascendancy when he quarterbacked Fielding H. Yost's all-victorious Kansas club in 1899. In 1905 he came to the University as coach. His success was in keeping with this phenomenal man. His 1908 team lost one game, his 1910 squad lost two, his 1911 eleven



DR. BAKER



MR. OWEN



MR. PHILLIPS



MR. WENTZ



MISS WRIGHT



The right half of the award table includes honoree Muriel H. Wright, Don Emery, '20ba, '21Law, Mrs. Grady Harris, Dr. Cross, and Mrs. W. B. Bizzell.

none, his 1913 crew two, his 1914 varsity one and his 1915, 1918, and 1920 teams were undefeated.

Dr. Cross said of him, "More than anyone else, he was the motivating force which produced Owen Field, the fieldhouse, the men's swimming pool, the baseball field and bleachers, the concrete tennis courts, the nine-hole golf course and the numerous playing fields.

"Most important of all, he has been a builder of men. Thousands of boys who played football under him today are still living by his rules—that clean speech and clean living are essential to winning, that it is important to know how not only to take victory modestly but defeat gracefully."

Frank Phillips was the next award recipient.

Phillips finished his education at a one-room country school in Iowa. In 1903, while working as a bond salesman, he came to Bartlesville. He organized and became the first president of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company. His banking took him into the oil business. His operations grew until 1917 when he and his brother, L. E. Phillips, deceased, incorporated the Phillips Petroleum Company.

As an aviation enthusiast he backed Col. Arthur C. Goebel in record-breaking flight to Hawaii. He also sponsored Wiley Post in his stratosphere test flights which contributed much to aviation.

In the early days the Phillips company drilled many wells on Osage Indian lands. In recognition of his fair dealings with them, the Osages adopted him as the only white man ever to be made chief of their tribe.

He established the Phillips historical collection at the University and the famed Woolaroc Museum. In 1939, he was admitted to the Oklahoma Hall of Fame to cap many distinctions and honors.

Lew Wentz was the fourth award winner.

Wentz came to Oklahoma in 1911. Business brought him to Ponca City for a six month stay and a venture into the oil business. The six months have turned into 38 years thus far.

Today his business interests extend into oil operations in Texas, Oklahoma and other states, automobile agencies in Kansas and Oklahoma, in several newspapers and in agriculture. His chief interest and investment has been, perhaps, in youth.

In 1926 he established loan funds at several colleges in Oklahoma, one of which was the University, where a fund of \$150,000 was created.

He has served several terms as Republican national committeeman from Oklahoma and once

served four years as a member of the state highway commission. He serves as president of the Masonic charity foundation of Oklahoma.

Muriel H. Wright was presented the fifth distinguished service citation.

A native Oklahoman, Miss Wright is the daughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. E. N. Wright. Dr. Wright was president of the Indian Territory Medical association. Her mother was a teacher in Atoka, Indian Territory, before her marriage.

Miss Wright is associate editor of *The Chronicles of Oklahoma* and is assistant director of research in the Oklahoma Historical Society. She has written many books and magazine articles. Because of her activity in the work of Indian councils and committees in Oklahoma she was unanimously elected secretary of the Choctaw convention in 1934 and later was appointed the first woman member and secretary of the Choctaw Advisory Council on which she is still serving.

She has been in charge of the Oklahoma War Memorial—World War II—since 1943. She is now preparing the data in brief form for the proposed markers of famous sites in Oklahoma in a program promoted by the historical sites committee.

The honorees responded to the introductory speeches with their own definition or ideas of what achievement is. The utter simplicity, humor, depth of perception coupled with sincerity and humility brought the guests to their feet to pay further homage.

Each award carried the specific field of achievement for which the awardee was selected.

Achievement Day is sponsored jointly by the University and the University of Oklahoma (Alumni) Association.

Career Talks Bring Visitors

The Ninth Annual Career Conference, featuring some of the outstanding professional and business leaders of the country, highlighted the campus activities May 3, 4, and 5.

Bringing to the campus almost 30 national leaders and authorities, the Career Conference composed of 12 women students and 6 men students, have been working on this annual campus career confab since early in November. Headed by Tom Goodwin, arts and sciences sophomore, and Martha Meacham, arts and sciences senior, the conference was under the general guidance and supervision of

Dorothy Truex, counselor of women and O. D. Roberts, counselor of men.

Students from all schools and colleges in the University heard the many speakers and so many signed up for private conferences that several were forced to stay over an extra day to complete their conferences.

The list of speakers included five graduates and one faculty member of the University. They are:

Colonel Bennett Griffin, '17ba, director of the Washington National Airport, Aviation; Barbara Christian, '43ba, Chief Stewardess, American Airlines, Airline Hostess careers; Verma Iva Parman, '48ma in home economics, president of the state Dietetics Association, Dietetics; W. R. Wolfe, '26 bs, '38eng, vice-president of the Oklahoma Gas and Electric Company, Engineering; A. R. Denison, '21bs, '25ms, chief geologist for the Amerada Petroleum Company; and Mary R. Caron, director of the O.U. School of Nursing.

Other distinguished speakers participating in the conference were: Mrs. Charles Goodell, Job Opportunities for Graduates; J. A. Bearne, Labor Relations; Robert McCool, Chemistry; Esther Harris, Fashion Merchandising; Oscar Davis, Accounting.

James E. Gourley, Library Science; Helen Wolfe, Psychology; Dr. Donald L. Rose, Physiotherapy; Miss Iris Davenport, Home Economics; Hodding Carter, Journalism.

Lieutenant Irma Bouton, Army Recruiting for Women; Franklin Beardsley, Insurance; Wallace Rosenbauer, Art; Olyne Jeffries, Big Business; Henry M. Lester, Photography.

John A. Patton, Public Relations; Raymond Zimmerman, Management; Margaret Stroh, Education; Vernal Johnson, Medical Technology; Harry Wismer, Radio; Joe R. Hoffer, Social Work; and Paul D. Bagwell, Speech and Written English.

Short Course Draws Record Crowd

The highlight of the opening session of the Twenty-fourth Annual Southwestern Gas Measurement Short Course, held at Norman, April 12, 13, and 14, was an address entitled "Gas Pipe Line Financing" given by C. T. Chenery, chairman of the board, Southern Natural Gas Company.

The meeting was opened by Mr. C. E. Terrell, chairman of the general committee of the short course; and the address of welcome was given by President Cross. The chairman of the executive committee, Dean W. H. Carson of the College of Engineering, outlined to the students from industry the operation and aims of the Gas Measurement Short Course.

By 9:30 a.m. on the opening morning, Tuesday, April 12, more than 800 men from industry had registered, representing 25 states and two foreign countries. By the end of the third day the enrollment had reached 846, which exceeds the number in attendance for any Short Course in the past. Seventy separate classes on diversified subjects covering every phase of gas measurement, gas regulation, and related subjects were taught by qualified instructors from the University and from industry.

There were 29 manufacturing concerns which had educational exhibits available for the students who attended the Short Course to examine during their free periods. The manufacturers used every conceivable visual aid to assist the gas men to obtain a better understanding of the operating characteristics of the equipment.

► The international literary quarterly "*Books Abroad*," published by the University, has accepted the invitation of the arts and letters division of the United Nations to join its international literary pool, Dr. R. T. House, editor and founder of the magazine, announced recently.

Treadwell Wins Rotary Scholarship

Ninety-one hours of "A" and thirteen hours of "B."

And that's just the beginning of the story behind Hugh Wilson Treadwell who recently was notified that he was the recipient of one of the famed Rotary foundation fellowships for advanced study abroad. He plans to attend the University of Brussels. He was sponsored by the 124th Rotary district which encompasses most of Oklahoma.

Treadwell, who will receive his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Oklahoma in June, is indeed the pride of both the Norman and the Oklahoma City Rotary clubs.

They are justly proud too.

Why?

Because both clubs have sponsored him for the national fellowship.

"I don't know how to thank them for what they have done for me," Treadwell said recently. "Ted Beard, '21ba, who headed the divisional selection committee for the Norman Rotary in 1948 enabled me to get to the final stages of the national competition in 1948 and William E. Amend, Oklahoma City attorney, worked very hard as the head of the selection committee for the Oklahoma City Rotary this year. It's hard to thank men who give so much of their time so unselfishly."

Treadwell was disqualified in 1948 after reaching the final stages because he lacked six hours to reach senior standing which the fellowship requires.

He has not only an amazing but a well-rounded career. Deprived of his father at the age of four, he has risen from the ground up and his ladder of success is adding new steps by the minute.

Entering the University of Oklahoma, he added some new rungs. He is an active member of Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity, Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honorary fraternity, Kappa Gamma Epsilon, honorary modern language fraternity, Pe-et, an honorary society composed of the ten outstanding senior men on the campus, and Delta Phi Alpha, national honorary German Language Fraternity.

He is also a past president of the French Club, a former member of the Glee Club and the Male Quartet and his name is currently appearing in *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. He also holds the position

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HUGH WILSON TREADWELL, '49ba
The Rotarians Are Proud

He's A Paradox

Lewis Salter, Jr., is a paradox in students. He has maintained a grade point average of 2.8, received a Rhodes scholarship, was the recipient of the silver Letzeiser award for men and has been active in extracurricular activities. He's a serious young man with a sense of humor. He's a physics major with a love for music.

Recently I invited Lewis to drop by the *Sooner Magazine* office for an interview. I wanted a story concerning the Rhodes scholarship that would partially, at least, outline his plans for sailing to England, his objectives while there and what he ultimately wanted to do. I wasn't disappointed.

Question: How many states were represented in the district competition for the scholarship?

Answer: Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas and Oklahoma.

Question: How many students were selected from this district?

Answer: Two.

Question: How long a period does the scholarship cover?

Answer: Two years with the possibility of an additional year if my record is sufficiently good.

Question: What college at Oxford do you intend to enter.

Answer: It's not quite that easy. When we were notified of the committee's choice, we were asked to list our preference in the matter of colleges. I chose Penbroke college but as yet do not know whether or not I have been accepted.

Question: When do you plan to leave for England.

Answer: I expect to leave September 29 on the Queen Mary. We begin our studies the 7th of October.

Question: What are your plans for the future after completing your study abroad.

Answer: I'd like to teach. I'm particularly interested in the philosophical background of science.

Question: Would you expound a little on your theory.

Answer: I believe that to adequately teach in one field you should know the relationship of that field to the other fields of endeavor.

Question: Your major is physics, yet you've been very active in music work. Is music one of the fields you hope to relate with some other field such as physics.

Answer: Yes. I'm particularly interested in theoretical acoustics.

The curtain rang down on the interview. Salter is the son of Dean and Mrs. Lewis Salter, Sr. Mr. Salter is dean emeritus of the college of fine arts.

McGehee Tops Senior Men

William C. McGehee, government senior, was designated as the outstanding man on the campus with the presentation of the gold Letzeiser medal at the annual outstanding Sooner Men's luncheon May 4.

Lewis S. Salter, physics senior and recent recipient of a Rhodes scholarship, was awarded a silver medal, and Richard L. O'Shields, outstanding senior engineer of '49, received a bronze medal.

The awards, presented by O. D. Roberts, counselor of men were made before 85 selected students, faculty members and Career Conference guests. They were based on exceptional scholarship, leadership and participation in extracurricular activities.



ANN BLANTON
She's the Class of '49

Ann Blanton Cops Letzeiser Award

Ann Blanton, senior in sociology, Pershing, was named recipient of the gold Letzeiser award at the annual BWOC banquet May 5.

The silver Letzeiser award went to Ann Darrough, senior in government, Oklahoma City and the bronze award was received by Ellen Rowe Brillhart, Madill, radio drama senior.

Miss Blanton, who has a grade point average of 2.00 is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta. She is a member of Mortar Board and Kappa Delta Pi. She has served as president, scholarship chairman and intramural chairman of her sorority. She has been president and treasurer of AWS and has served in YWCA as vice-president and acting president. She has been assistant intramural manager of WRA.

The top senior woman was named to *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*, and was selected as the outstanding pledge of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Miss Darrough and Miss Brillhart were close competitors with 2.3 and 2.2 grade averages plus an amazing record of extracurricular activities.

Selection of the Letzeiser awards was made by a committee of six faculty women and six junior women. Miss Dorothy Truex, counselor of women, made the presentations.

McGehee has maintained a grade average of 2.8. He is president of the campus YMCA, is a member of Delta Tau Delta social fraternity, the student senate, the university debate team and Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honorary fraternity. He received the first year Bass scholarship award and is listed in *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* for 1949.

Salter and O'Shields list a 2.8 and 2.87 grade average.

Varsity Shaves Alums, 14-13

Coach Bud Wilkinson's Oklahoma Sooners were pressed to vanquish a Sooner alumni team that boasted six All-Americans and a full team of All-Big Six stars, 14-13, in an exciting practice football game played before 8,000 fans April 29 at Oklahoma City's Taft Stadium.

Mothers Visit Campus

There were hundreds of Queens on the campus April 30 and May 1 as students called their mothers to be with them for the University's annual Mothers' Day celebration.

Sooner mothers arrived early Saturday morning, registered at student houses and were guests at a tea from 3 to 5 p.m. in the home of President and Mrs. George L. Cross. Another afternoon feature was the All-University sing which was interrupted temporarily by the tornado that destroyed portions of the North Campus.

Sunday the Norman churches held special Mothers' Day services as proud students and equally proud mothers flocked to church and toured the O.U. campus.

In spite of the rain that filled Norman's streets Saturday night, 600 mothers attended a Mothers' Association meeting in Holmberg Hall to elect Mrs.

William Eagleton, '19, Tulsa, as their new president.

Mrs. Eagleton succeeds Mrs. S. F. Ditmars, '19ba, Muskogee. Other officers include Mrs. Herbert Oakes, '26ba, Edmond, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. Joe Curtis, '22ba, Pauls Valley, parliamentarian.

District vice presidents also were named and awards presented to the mother coming the greatest distance and the one having the most children enrolled in the University.

Mrs. Dean DeMerrit traveled from as far as Honolulu to receive the orchid for the mother coming the greatest distance. Mrs. Grady Ryan, '17ba, '17ma, Norman didn't have to come quite as far, but nevertheless, she took top honors for the mother having the most children enrolled in the University and a fourth who is graduated. A tie forced the decision to be based on children plus in-laws and Mrs. Ryan won the orchid because she also has two Sooner in-laws now at the University.



Congratulating each other on the orchids they won are Mrs. Dean DeMerrit, Honolulu, who came the longest distance, and Mrs. Grady Ryan, '17ba, '17bm, Norman, who had the most children attending the University. The awards were given at the Mother's Day celebration.

Twenty Scholarships Available, Fund Provides Aid to Activities

Twenty scholarships, valued at \$200.00 each, were announced late in April by Harry H. Diamond, '12Law, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Development Fund. These scholarships were made possible by the contributions received this year from alumni of the University through the Alumni Development Fund.

Other programs and activities which were achieved through the fund organization in its first year of operation included financial assistance to help meet the following University needs:

- Surveys and Analyses of Oklahoma Business
- Murals for the new Geology Building
- Acquisition of Early Oklahoma Costumes
- Purchase of Paintings from Oklahoma Artists
- Nutrition Studies

Additions to the Memorial Scholarship Fund

Research in Entomology and Parasitology

Books Abroad

Collection of Early Cook Books

Cartographic Laboratory

Purchase of Scientific Journals

Mathematics and Astronomy Models

Members of the board attending the meeting were Diamond, Holdenville; Norman W. Brillhart, '17ba, Madill; President G. L. Cross; T. M. Beard, '21ba; Dean E. D. Meacham, '14ba; Dean Glen C. Couch, '31bs, '37ms; Professor Dale Vliet, '38Law; Roscoe Cate, '26ba; J. L. Lindsey, '15, and R. Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37Law.

The Alumni Development Fund scholarships are for students who are in need of financial assistance

and who have outstanding scholastic records. There is no limitation on the field of study or class. The scholarship will be available for the 1949-50 school term, payable at the rate of \$100.00 a semester.

The selection committee designated by the board is the same committee which awards the Memorial scholarships established by the Senior Class of 1948-49, including Dean Couch, Dean Paul MacMinn, and Gunning.

The Alumni Development Fund has made an outstanding contribution to the University, considering that it was only organized last summer. The funds received through this program, combined with alumni contributions to the University Foundation, total well over \$106,000.00

Summer Activities Listed

The Extension Division's department of short courses and conferences of the University recently released their activities schedule for June and July. To prove that the work goes on come heat wave or no, the activities are recounted below.

June 3-11	Boys State
June 4-July 2	Oklahoma Highway Patrol School
June 6-9	Professional Writers Short Course
June 6-July 1	Drama Institute
June 6-July 1	Speech Activities Institute
June 12-17	Institute of International Relations
June 13-24	Association for Childhood Education Workshop
June 27-28	Institute on Office Skills
June 29-July 1	Audio-Visual Conference
July 5-16	Drum Majors Short Course
July 5-16	Percussion Short Course
July 14-15	Marching Band Clinic
July 16	Massed Band Festival
July 19-20	School Administrator's Conference
July 21-22	Rural Education Conference

Foundation Gets Gift

The University of Oklahoma Foundation has recently received a \$10,000 gift to be used for promoting the organization's endowment program. R. Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37Law, executive secretary, said the amount had been set up in a special fund as directed by the donor. Established in 1944 by the O.U. Regents and Alumni Association, the Foundation handles gifts and bequests for the benefit of the University. The endowment program is operated independently from other University activities.

Fifty-four schools and departments will offer courses during the University of Oklahoma summer session, Dr. Laurence H. Snyder, session director and dean of the graduate college, has announced. Freshman period starts June 7, with enrolment scheduled June 8 and 9 and classwork beginning June 10. The period closes August 8.

Degree programs are planned to meet the needs of students on all levels, Snyder said. Seventy-one courses in education will be offered for the hundreds of school administrators, principals and teachers seeking higher degrees or special studies. A second term is set August 8 to September 2, when a smaller number of graduate courses will be on the curriculum.