



Muskogee Alumni Development Fund workers include Mrs. Wanda Hays Buchanan, '35ba, '38ma, Ed Edmondson, '40 ba, Mrs. Georgia Shutt Bartleson, '18ba, Guy Brown, '42ba, '48ma, field representative of the Fund, Paul Rowsey, Jr., '49bus John H. Pugh, '22ba, Mrs. Jewell Risinger Ditmars, '19ba, S. F. Ditmars, '17, and Henry Boatright, '36ba, '38Law.

For Some, the First Opportunity

"This is the first time since graduation that I have had a chance to participate directly in University activities. I'm proud of the opportunity."

This enthusiastic statement by J. R. Sommerfrucht, '34eng, in reference to his selection to help with the Alumni Development Fund project in Oklahoma City, is characteristic of hundreds of workers who have contributed their services to building the University's annual giving program.

In the organization of the Development Fund a year ago, founders emphasized that such a program would serve an important purpose in building greater alumni interest and loyalty to the University. This very important purpose has been given real strength by the response of alumni workers in Muskogee, Anadarko, Cushing, Tahlequah, Oklahoma City, Duncan, Nowata, Enid and other sections of Oklahoma.

Cushing alumni are proud of their University and have proved it already with a greater percentage of contributors than any other single area.

The personal contact approach clicked under the guidance of Fund Counsellor A. B. Imel, '14ba, who selected a most capable fund chairman, Mrs. Ophelia Jones Simon, '30-'32. They worked closely with committee members Mrs. Jeanne Walters Cook, '47-'48, Mrs. Mary Lou Humphreys Emery, '45ba, Richard A. Bryant, '33ba, '35Law, Mrs. Betty Bailey Hall, '42ba, and Dennis Cabbage, '35Law.

The Muskogee area has its share of real Sooner boosters. Fund Counsellor Ed Edmondson, '40ba, has received the loyal support of John Pugh, '22ba, Mrs. Georgia Shutt Bartleson, '18ba, Paul Rowsey, Jr., '49bus, Howard Edmondson, '49Law, Mrs. Wanda Hays Buchanan, '35ba, '38ma, Pete Smith, '34-'39, Henry Boatright, '36ba, '38Law, Randolph Kizzire, '27-'34, and S. F. Ditmars, '17, and Mrs. Jewell Risinger Ditmars, '19ba, in his efforts to

explain the Development Fund program in this city.

Caddo County can be counted always to contribute greatly to Sooner activities. Anadarko, home of the University's first graduate Ross Hume, '98ba, 00ma, and Joe McBride, '28bus, president of the board of regents, has an alumni Development organization consisting of Counsellor Bob

Lunsford, '43ba, '49Law, Dr. J. B. Miles, '26bs, '27med, Mrs. Dora Streight Popejoy, '26fa, Carl E. West, '27ba, William McDuffey, '40-'42, Harry A. Dugger, '41fa, and Brewster McFayden, '33ba, '35 Law and Mrs. Frances Madison McFayden, '35ba, '35Law. Bob has secured the help of Omer Luellen, '28ba, '34Law in contacting Hinton alumni.

The largest number of fund workers has been



Anadarko Fund leaders have been actively collecting funds. Some of those on the Fund committee are (seated) Harry A. Dugger, '41ja, and Mrs. Dora Streight Popejoy, '26ja. Standing are Carl West, '27 ba, Dr. J. B. Miles, '26bs, '27med, and Counsellor Bob Lunsford, '43ba, '49Law.

assembled in Oklahoma City by Counsellor Ben Head, '42bus, '48Law. Twenty district chairmen have recruited Sooners in their areas to explain the Development Fund project.

Chairman Jack Wilson, '39bus, '42Law, solicited the aid of O.U. grads and former students in his area and organized the program with Maybelle Poole, '27ed, '32m.ed, Bill Kerr, '38Law, L. G. Young, '18, J. Floyd Askey, Bob Hurst, '41-'48 John Boulton, '48bus, and Mrs. Evelyn Boulton, '47bus, Charles Hickok, '24Law, Charles White, '40ba, '42Law, Martha Lake Knight, '46ba, C. Pecl Banister, '27-'35, Jess Pullen, '24, John Keating, '45-'46, and Kenneth Swann, '39bus.

O.U. alumni in the district headed by S. E. "Sig" Floren, '41ba, '47Law, were contacted by Mary Alice Stephenson, '48Law, Wendell Doggett, '41ba, '47Law, Mrs. Kathryn Fisher Scott, '47ba, Mrs. Margaret Monroney Harbison, '32ba, Don Wright, '27bus, Joan and Glen Finefrock, '48ba, Jeanne Burnett, '49ba, Dale Mitchell, '43, Fred Collins, '45bus, '48Law, Karl Jones, Harry Neuffer, '29bus, Bob McCracken, '38Law, Charles Wallace and Walter Hentz, '48Law.

T. Dwight Mitchell, '43ba, found willing workers in Walter Pralle, '43bus, Charles Chesterman, '48bus, Barbour Cox and Pete Novak, Jr.

The Sooner loyalty continued as Sommerfrucht received the co-operation of Willis R. Stark, '34 Law, Frank Bookstore, '31Law, Peggy O'Neal, '48 bus, Harry Lambert, '35ba, '38Law and Mrs. Helen Kilian Delaney, '33bs, '44ms.

The Virtues—Sue Starr, '43ba, and Dick, '44 bs—combed their section to discover that other Sooners were willing to contribute their time to the interests of their alma mater. Assistance was gained from Mary Lou Milner, '47fa, Rae Marie Elliott, '40bus, Mrs. Carolyn Bentley, Mrs. Bobbie Cravens Margo, '44bs, and Max Lawrence, '49Law and Mrs. Lawrence.

Randall Linney, '48bs, '48ms, Ed Shaw, '38bs, Austin Dill, '44bs, Mrs. Pat Henson and Virginia Hardin, '49arch, are co-operating with Marvin Reed, '48bs, in efforts to reach Sooners in their area.

Chairman Louis Kiriopoulous, '43ba, '49Law, told the Fund story to Sooners Wilbur Dean, '49 Law, M. M. Herring, '41-'42, Mrs. Norris Hanthorne, G. H. Buxton, '28ba, '30Law, and William G. Jarrell, '48bs.

Charlie Mooney, '34bus, is forwarding the Fund hopes with K. O. Butler, '49bus, Lou Fant, Charlie Tuggle, '39, Carroll McKey, and Leonard Cantrell.

Still another sectional committee was formed by Jim Horigan, '49Law, with the aid of Ed Moler, '47ba, '48Law, Sidney Upsher, '47ba, '48Law, Rollie Thedford, '28-'30, '35-'38, and John Harrison, '49ba.

The organization of District Chairman David Bridges, '39fa, (new junior chamber of commerce president) consists of Gene Moss, '42bus, J. C. Mondie, '48bus, John Halley, Jr., '40ba, '47Law, Richard Karns, '39bus, and Frank Loeffler, Jr., '37-'40.

In towns large and small the Sooner Fund machinery is in operation. O. W. Jones, '39m.ed, Tahlequah school chief has received the enthusiastic backing of Jim Robinson, '32ba, '32Law, Mayor Roy Hines, Norton Burbage, '38Law, Gene Carr, '49Law, Dr. Herbert Masters, '34bs, '34med, and Mrs. Masters, Bill Perryman, '30ed, Allender Scott, '41bus, and Mrs. Scott, D. B. Morgan, '26ed, '36m.ed, Dr. R. T. McIntosh, '35bus, '37med, Gregg James, '23pharm, R. R. Crew, '21-'23, and Jack Bliss, '48Law. Likewise in Nowata, headed by Bill Highland, '41journ; Duncan, headed by J. Gordon Stephens, '39m.ed, and Enid, under the direction of C. E. 'Bud' Loomis, '40-'42, the Alumni Development Fund story has spread.

Yes, Sooner loyalty and unity is getting a tre-



Thirty-one members of the Detroit Alumni Club met at Westlawn Methodist Church April 14 to see the Sugar Bowl game film and to hear Dr. Percy Buchanan, director of the O.U. Institute of Asiatic Affairs.

Dr. Buchanan outlined the University's expansion program and discussed Asiatic affairs. After his speech, he entertained the audience with several songs.

Officers for 1950-51 were elected at a business session which followed Dr. Buchanan's talk. Elected were:

Paul N. Campbell, Jr., '48bs, Willow Run Village, Michigan, president; Ben W. Ball, '29, Detroit, vice-president; Margaret B. Goodwin, '48bs, Detroit, secretary-treasurer.

Pictured above are Ball, Dr. Buchanan, Miss Grace Buhl, Mrs. Goodwin and Campbell.

mendous boost from the Development Fund program. Here is a real opportunity for all, regardless of financial rating, to do a job of the greatest importance for the University.

As the program gradually includes every community where Sooners reside, the call will go out to graduates and former students to identify themselves actively with the Development Fund program which is designed to build a greater University of Oklahoma.

The Golden Age

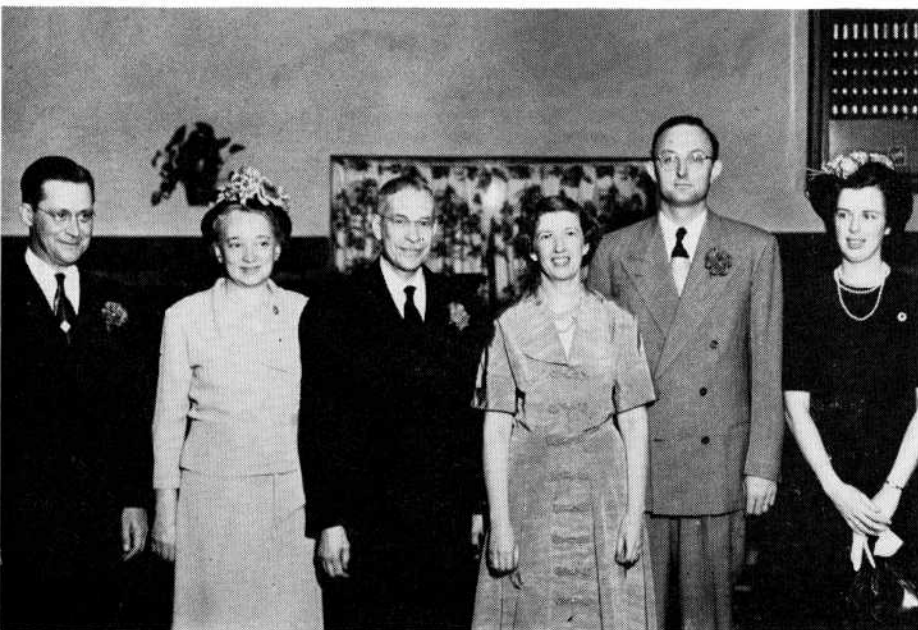
The last 25 years could well be called the Golden Age of Medicine in the opinion of Dr. George Garrison.

Dr. Garrison, president of the Oklahoma Medical Society, spoke to doctors and their wives at the Annual Doctors' Day Dinner in Norman March 30. He told them medical progress in the United States has been greater than that in any other country.

Dr. Garrison reviewed the accomplishments in the field of medicine during the past 25 years, the advancements in the making and what is influencing medicine today.

He described the great strides made in knowledge of causes and treatments of various diseases, and gave factors inside and outside the profession influencing the practice of medicine.

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Pictured are some of the doctors and their wives attending the Norman meeting. From left to right they are Dr. T. A. Ragan, '32bs, '32med, Norman; Mrs. George Garrison and Dr. Garrison, Oklahoma City, and Dr. James F. Hohl, '44ba, '44med, and Mrs. Betty Chouning Hohl, '40ba, '43ms, Tulsa.



Theta Xi

Founded at O.U. in 1949

Theta Xi fraternity had its beginning 83 years ago on April 29, 1864, at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York. Eight students met together for the purpose of founding a new secret society to take the place of a local fraternity which had recently disbanded. From this historic evening has come a fraternity embracing over 16,000 members with chapters in 40 colleges and universities throughout the United States.

Theta Xi made its start on the University of Oklahoma campus in the winter of 1947, when Paul Ackerman, a Theta Xi alumnus from Ohio State University met with a small group of farsighted young men who had been carefully selected for their outstanding qualities of leadership on the campus and their enthusiasm and wholehearted interest in Theta Xi. These men were initiated into the bonds of Theta Xi at the University of Texas on April 24, 1948, and in less than a year after that event the Alpha Rho chapter of Theta Xi was installed at the University of Okla-

homa.

The Alpha Rho chapter now has over 60 members, and pledges, and although still in its infancy on the O.U. campus has rapidly gained prestige during the last two years. The chapter has actively participated in University activities and has made great headway in establishing itself among the outstanding fraternities on the campus.

Besides notable success in the regular social activities, Theta Xi has had other noteworthy achievements, such as the winning of the "March of Dimes" sponsored UGOC (Ugliest Guy on Campus) contest by one of the active members. Prominent among these achievements was the winning of a silver cup for the best group act in the annual "Sooner Scandals" by a five-man pledge band, who created a sensation with their spicy and mirthful rendition of "Cigarettes and Whiskey and Wild Wild Wimmin."

Although striving for eminence in social, intramural, and other campus activities, Theta Xi

also strives for superior scholastic attainments. Outstanding O.U. students who are members of Theta Xi can be found in the student senate, Alpha Chi Sigma, Tau Beta Pi, Sigma Tau, Tau Omega, Scabbard and Blade, and Phi Eta Sigma. Theta Xi also is fortunate in having honoraries as Mr. D. R. Kimrey, purchasing agent for the University, Dr. H. V. Thornton, professor of government and former mayor of Norman, and Mr. Joseph E. Smay, professor of architecture and faculty advisor to the fraternity.

Theta Xi, with a religious, social, and intramural program which is balanced by a stress upon scholastic achievements, endeavors to equip its members with practical concepts of unity and fellowship so they may better fulfill the needs of society after they have completed their education. The fraternity is proud of its initial success at O.U. but intends to go on to greater heights in fulfilling its aims and ideals.

with Charles Boyer and Marlene Dietrich and "The Plainsman," starring Gary Cooper.

Barrett Clark, the New York critic, once said of Riggs, "He is one of the four greatest dramatists alive today, the other three being O'Neill, Paul Green and Albert Byne." And the *New York Times* commented, "Mr. Riggs writes only of the people whom he knows. Every one of his plays to date has its scene in the author's native Oklahoma. And more often than not the people are the people among whom he was reared."

Riggs is now in New York working on another play—about Oklahoma no doubt.

► Dr. Harry E. Hoy, chairman of the department of geography, and Dr. Ralph E. Olson, associate professor of geography, attended sessions of the Southwestern Social Science Association in Houston, April 6-9.

► George P. Haley, director of veteran affairs, and J. C. Mayfield, '28ba, manager, University Book Exchange, attended the National Association of College Stores convention in Chicago, April 18-22.

Golden Age—Continued

Doctors must let people outside the profession know their opinion on things affecting medicine, Dr. Garrison said. He urged them to take a greater interest in politics and affairs of the day. He urged the doctors to register and urge their friends to register and take an interest in elections, regardless of how they vote.

Speaking on socialized medicine, he reported offices of physicians in Britain are crowded with people with minor ailments, while patients with serious ailments are unable to get into the hospitals. He quoted statistics to show the increase in the number of government employees in Britain and this country. He quoted Lenin as having said "socialized medicine is the key to the arch of the socialized state."

Factors inside and outside the medical profession were discussed. A statement by Lincoln was quoted by Garrison that "you can't keep out of trouble by spending more than your income, and you cannot help people by doing for them what

they can do for themselves."

Dr. Garrison presented a charter to the Cleveland County Medical Society with Dr. James F. Hohl, '44ba, '44med, president of the society, reading the first minutes kept by the county organization dated March 4, 1910. This was two years after the medical society held its first meeting some time in 1908, according to Dr. D. W. Griffin, one of the charter members.

The late Dr. A. L. Blush, pioneer physician and surgeon of Oklahoma City, came down from Oklahoma City to assist in the organization of the Cleveland County Society 42 years ago. This makes the Cleveland county society one of the oldest in Oklahoma. Dr. A. C. Hirschfield was the first recording secretary of the Cleveland county society.

► Paul MacMinn, dean of students, went to Atlantic City to attend the American College Personnel Association meeting March 24-April 2.

► Dr. Kester Svendsen, professor of English, studied the Milton collections at Duke and North Carolina, April 5-12.