When the new congress convenes in January, Oklahoma will be represented by a new senator. Not long ago, a new manager was named for Long-Bell. Both men are acquitting themseves in excellent fashion.

## Sooner Portraits

## Sure Mike!

"Even when he was a freshman member of the house, Monroney showed a profound understanding of the duties and functions of a representative of the people. His horizons lay beyond the dimensions of the House itself. It was not enough, he felt, to be a good Congressman in the old political sense of the term—which meant merely to obtain the requisite number of federal appointments . . . the culverts and bridges. . . ."

In 1939 he saw the inevitability of America's entry into the war. He defied a then popular trend and voted for the fortifications of Guam. . . . It was obvious from the start that Monroney was something new in representatives." Picked as the nation's outstanding congressman in 1945, Mike Monroney, '24ba, must have received some satisfaction from reading *Collier's* reasons for selecting him.

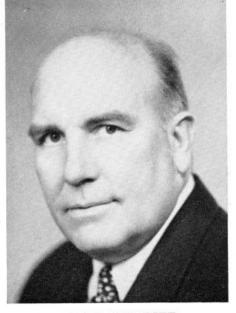
Yet, even *Collier's* probably didn't realize how prophetic their comment was on where Monroney's horizons lay. For on November 7, 1950, Almer Stilwell "Mike" Monroney was elected U. S. Senator from Oklahoma. A minor prophet would be hard pressed to say how much further the horizons must open to permit the best use of Mike's talents and abilities.

Something over 48 years ago Monroney was born in Oklahoma City. That's been his home ever since with the exception of the years from 1938 on while he has represented Oklahoma in the nation's capitol.

Tall, thin and greying, Mike has had a life of achievement. Alternately accused of being a Washington alcoholic and a socialist big spender from Washington by his 1950 campaign opponents, he took to the stump with a vengeance to give Oklahomans a chance to see and hear him deliver the other side of the story. What the citizens heard impressed. His margin of victory was greater than most political analysists had figured.

A freshman cheer leader at the University, sophomore editor of the Oklahoma Daily (one of his first campaigns was one to discourage petting among University students), he also managed to keep the grade situation well enough in hand to be a Phi Beta Kappa. He was a member of Sigma Delta Chi, Pe-et, Checkmate, Phi Gamma Delta and the Student Council.

After graduation in 1924, Monroney worked for a period as a reporter and political writer on the Oklahoma (City) News. He quit reporting to work in his father's furniture business and later to manage it. But he wanted into politics and made a successful, entertaining plunge in 1938. His work has been so well done that he has received many honors and recognitions such as the Collier award



LESLIE EVERITT ... Up the Ladder

(he holds an honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from Colgate University).

As a freshman senator from Oklahoma (Bob Kerr, '16, will be senior senator), Mike will be expected to take a back seat to the senators with seniority. Yet no one believes it will be long before he gets out of the sinner's pew.



MIKE MONRONEY ... How Broad the Horizon?

## A Smacking of Horatio

In a way that smacks of Horatio Alger, Leslie G. Everitt, '20, has become vice president and general manager of the Long-Bell Lumber Co. While he was in highschool at Enid, he worked Saturdays and holidays for the company. Then he went to the University, which he left in 1920 to take a job with Long-Bell at Breckenridge, Oklahoma. He moved up in the organization a step at a time, and in 1948 the board of directors named him to his present position.

Everitt was born in 1901 at Enid near the place where his grandfather and father staked claims when they made the Cherokee Strip run. He attended grade and highschool at Enid and came to the University in 1920.

At the University he was a member of Phi Delta Theta social fraternity and played freshman football. Still a football addict, he says watching Big Red play is one of his favorite forms of recreation.

When he left O.U., he went to work for the Long-Bell Company in its Breckenridge yard. In 1922 he was transferred to Enid as assistant manager. Five years later he was made manager at Enid and held the position until 1932 when he was advanced to division manager of the company's western division. Until 1938 he was in charge of 29 local yards located in western Oklahoma, Texas and New Mexico. He moved up again in 1938 to the position of assistant general manager of the company's retail department. He attained his present rung on the ladder in 1948 when he was made a director and vice president of Long-Bell. He now lives in Kansas City where the company's general offices are located.

The year he left the University he married Madge Millard, an Enid girl. They have two sons, Bud and Robert.

The lumber business has become a tradition in Everitt's family. Both his sons are with the Long-Bell Company in Enid. And both of them attended the University. Bud Everitt, '43, was called into military service in his sophomore year and did not return after being discharged. Robert Everitt, '50bus, received his degree in 1950.

## Signs of the Times

Capt. Loyd G. Dorsett, '37ba. '38eng, president of Dorsett Laboratories, Inc., Norman, received orders for extended active duty in November. He was assigned to the Frankford Research Laboratories at Philadelphia where he will have charge of a new weapons research and development unit. During World War II Captain Dorsett did research on rocket and bomb ballistics, and was also assigned technical intelligence duties in Germany.