

A Survey of Major Campus Happenings

From a Ringside Seat

Day for Dad. It was a crisp autumn afternoon (Nov. 18), the kind of an afternoon when the air smells of football. Big Red pranced onto the turf in Owen Stadium, flexed his muscles, and planted a 41-7 defeat on Missouri's chin. Taking it all in from a ringside seat was the guy who foots the bills. It was Dad's Day.

Twenty-five years ago, 400 Dads watched an underdog O.U. team beat Drake University by a score of 7-0, as a part of the celebration of the first Dad's Day. This year 1,000 fathers of O.U. students were spectators when the unbeaten 1950 Sooners skinned the Missouri Tigers.

Among them were the fathers of most of the young giants in red jerseys who were the center of attention. Lined up on benches at the very edge of the dotted line on Owen Field, the Dads of members of the Big Red squad squinted into the sun and observed how the nation's No. 1 football machine works. Some of them actually got into the game when a play on the west side of the stadium hurled half a dozen players into one of the benches. The Dads and a few Moms occupying the bench indulged in a few back flips, but no one was injured.

The football game was one of the events of a full day planned for the Dads this year, beginning with registration at 8 a. m. in

Holmberg Hall. The day was kicked off with movies of the Texas-O.U. game, followed by the annual meeting of the Dad's Association.

President Cross welcomed the visiting fathers to the campus. Then Grady Harris, '18, Alex, Oklahoma, 1950 president of the Association, presided at the meeting at which new officers were elected.

Top officers elected were T. H. McCasland, '16ba, Duncan, president; Emil Kraetli, '18, Norman, re-elected secretary; and R. W. Hutto, '10ba, Norman, re-elected treasurer.

District vice presidents elected were:

First—O. C. Cash, Tulsa; C. V. Vetter, Bartlesville; Dr. W. G. Chesnut, '23, Miami.

Second—David M. Lagon, '16ba, Okmulgee (re-elected); O. W. "Bill" Jones, '39m.ed, Tahlequah; Fred Beckman, Muskogee.

Third—Riley Smith, Poteau; Buell Awtrey, Ardmore; Jay Basolo, McAlester.

Fourth—Dick Jones, Okemah; A. M. Meyers, Shawnee; E. Douthit, Konawa.

Fifth—Welcome Pierson, '22Law, Oklahoma City; Fred Tarman, '10ba, Norman; Josh Lee, '17ba, Norman.

Sixth—H. Correy, Watonga; Jerry Brandon, Waurika; Raymond Kroutil, Yukon.

Seventh—Carl Smelser, '23, Roosevelt;

Raymond Symcox, Cordell; Frank Kirk, Altus.

Eight—Dr. D. L. Mathews, Tonkawa (re-elected); Orlando F. Sweet, '19, Guymon; Paul W. Cress, '29Law, Perry.

Frank Long, '08ba, '09ma, Roanoke, Virginia, father traveling the farthest for the Association meeting, was elected to one of the out-of-state vice presidency posts. Theodore S. Webb, Sr., Fort Worth, Texas, was elected to the other.

During the meeting 27-inch trophy cups were awarded to Edith Hume Long and Theodore S. Webb, Jr., who had been judged outstanding woman student and man student in the University.

From Roanoke, Virginia, Edith is the sixth member of her family to attend the University. A senior in arts and sciences, she is a member of Mortar Board, Kappa Phi and Alpha Lambda Delta, honorary freshman sorority.

She is also chairman of the workshop committee of the YWCA, Wesley Foundation president, floor representative of the student senate from Residential Halls and was secretary of the Independent Women's Association.

Frank Long, elected an out-of-state vice president of the Dad's Association, is her father.

Webb, from Fort Worth, Texas, is a senior in physics, and has 104 hours of straight "A" and two hours of "B" for a 2.9 grade average. He was chosen as outstanding man both for his academic record and for his activity program and honors including the Phi Beta Kappa scholarship which he won for 1949-50. His father was also named to a vice presidency.

Since its founding, the Dad's Association has shown a continued interest in the University. From funds built up by membership fees, scholarships are awarded to students on the basis of need and scholastic achievement. Last year, 24 of these scholarships of \$50 each were given to students by the Dad's Association.

Dad's Day cup winners for the years past include outstanding leaders in several fields. Two winners, Earl Sneed, Jr., '34ba, '37 Law, and Bruce Drake, '29phys.ed, are now serving as University staff members. Sneed is dean of the School of Law. Drake, out-

Dad's Day cup winners Edith Long, Roanoke, Virginia, and Theodore Webb, Jr., Fort Worth, Texas, talk with University President George L. Cross shortly after the winners' names were made public. At the extreme right is the Dad's Day trophy.





At Dad's Association business meeting, T. Howard McCasland, '16ba, Duncan, seen standing at left, was elected president. In the immediate background, Governor Roy J. Turner and outgoing president Grady Harris, '18, Alex, can be seen. At the right are Frank Long, '08ba, '09ma, and Mrs. Long, Roanoke, Virginia, who came to see daughter Edith receive the Dad's Day trophy.

standing basketball player of his class, is now basketball coach for the University.

The Women

Cornered. Since last September, the *Oklahoma Daily*, student newspaper at the University, has voiced its editorial opinions through the soprano voice of editor Patricia Phillips, journalism senior from Bartlesville. Then at mid-term when a new managing editor was named, the women in journalism moved deeper into what has been traditionally a predominantly male field. Naomi Callerman, senior from Oklahoma City, was selected as managing editor. Only feminine outcrop in the sheet so far is a new column. Its title: "Coed's Cosmopolitan Corner."

Change of Name. From the hard-to-pronounce Hsiao-Hisa her name has been changed to a very American one—Mrs. C. C. Hobbs. That happened two months ago when Hsiao, a Chinese student studying for her master's degree in fine arts, married Clifton Charles Hobbs who is working on his PhD in chemistry at the University.

When she first came to the United States four years ago, Hsiao couldn't speak English. But now she speaks it well enough to make 15 students in her class understand her and the Chinese she is teaching. The course she teaches is a non-credit offering for students who wish to learn Chinese.

Her profession is art. Her hobby is meeting people. And that was one reason she decided to teach the extra-curricular course, she says.

She does all forms of painting in both eastern and western art, besides singing, dancing and playing a weird Chinese musi-

cal instrument with and unpronounceable name. And for good measure she also teaches oil painting, figurines, textiles and ceramics to a group of University students.

And how did versatile Mrs. Hobbs learn to speak English? "Just turned on the radio and learned," she says.

The Men

Eyebrow Lifter. Male students on the O.U. campus haven't worn walking shorts since the summer of 1949 when the state press twittered about men students running about the campus with their knees exposed. The new trend in male styles was short lived. So when Hans Rosenberg, new student from Nassau, Germany, came to school wearing the traditional leather shorts worn by boys in schools in Germany, he met with lifted eyebrows.

That was last September, and the tall blue-eyed youth conformed to tradition after his first day in school. He doesn't understand the meaning of the English word "embarrassed," but he "felt funny" when he learned that wasn't the way Sooners did things.

Hans has a one-year scholarship and is majoring in geography and natural sciences, and he plans to teach in a highschool when he returns to Germany next summer. He has already taught three years in German elementary schools.

Before two years ago, Hans thought of the United States as New York, San Francisco, New Orleans and Texas, but not Oklahoma. He had never heard of Oklahoma until he met Harold Price, business senior, in a camp sponsored by the American Youth Hostel.

Hans and Harold bicycled together

through Switzerland, and Harold later arranged for Hans' scholarship.

Hans tutors two University students in German, attends the German club meetings and spends some time at the University School on North Campus observing ways of teaching. He likes the "friendly and personal ways students talk to professors." German professors are more distant, possibly because their classes usually contain 200 to 300 pupils, he says.

Rhodes Scholar. Aldon Duane Bell, a 20-year-old second generation Sooner, will report to Oxford University October 1, 1951, to begin work as a Rhodes Scholar. Bell earned his scholarship early in December in competition with applicants from Alabama, Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas.

A major in Latin American history at the University, he was one of the 32 students selected from throughout the United States for Rhodes Scholarships. Two years of study at the English school and a third—if he can show that it will benefit him sufficiently—is what the scholarship means to Bell.

From Perryton, Texas, Bell is in his third year at the University, having spent his freshman year at McMurray College, Abilene, Texas. He says quite vociferously that he is an Oklahoman, and that he is "from Texas" only because his parents "live in a borderline town which is the trade center of an area where they are engaged in business." "It's hard for the Texans at home to understand why I came to O.U. But I like the school, and besides, my family is an O.U. family."

His father, Aldon Bell, '29bus, and his uncle, Clifton Bell, '27ba, '37bs, and Orlan

Bell, '28bus, are O.U. graduates. All of them live in Perryton.

One of the youngest Rhodes Scholars named from the U. S., Bell graduated from highschool when he was only 16. He has no previous military service but he isn't too worried about the draft. "I'm definitely eligible for selective service," he says, "but I think I may be able to get at least a year's deferment since Texas boards are not so far down the list of registrants as Oklahoma draft boards are."

Even if he should be drafted, he added, his scholarship will be waiting for him.

Bell plans to use the \$2,000-a-year scholarship to continue his study in history. His long-range plans call for a PhD, a requisite for the type of historian he hopes to be.

He will receive his bachelor's degree from the University at the end of the spring term and plans to remain in the University next summer "to brush up my French and learn some German."

Short of a Quarter. The formal ceremony on the ROTC drill field south of the Armory was highlighted by a parade of the entire corps of the University's ROTC students which passed in review. On the reviewing stand was M-Sgt. Stephen J. Carr, an Army man who had watched many such parades at O.U. during the last 23 years.

This parade had special significance for Carr. He was formally retiring from the Army and his University position, a position which he had held just two years short of a quarter of a century.

Following the parade, a letter of appreciation from President Cross, in behalf of the University and Norman, was read by Colonel Jerome J. Waters, Jr., commanding officer of the unit. Officers and enlisted men of the ROTC staff were in attendance.

The letter of appreciation read in part: "I am informed that such a period of Army service at one institution is exceptional if not unique, which fact serves to confirm the worth of your service. I speak for both the University and Norman in wishing you and your family many happy years of retirement in the community."

Climaxing the ceremony, Carr was retired with the rank of major, which he held during his tour of duty in the last war. (Law requires that army personnel be retired at the highest rank they have held while in the service.) However, Carr will retain the rank of lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve.

After his formal retirement, Carr was presented with an engraved gold watch by Colonel Waters, in behalf of the ROTC staff.

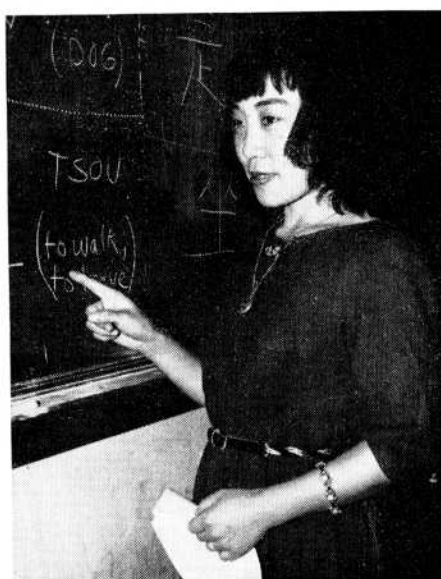
Retirement for Carr climaxed 30 years of service in the Army, 23 of which were

with the University ROTC unit. He joined the O.U. staff in 1920 as a recruit and worked in the motor shop for five years. For 15 years previous to World War II, he was in supply work with the unit.

After World War II, when he was on active duty, Carr was with the occupation forces in Korea. He came back to the states to re-enlist in 1947 as a master sergeant and rejoined the ROTC unit.

Questions & Answers

New Airing. A proposed two-way grading system in which the instructors grade the students and the students grade the instructors has been bandied about the Uni-



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versity intermittently for a number of years. So it was an old hat pulled out for a new airing when the student senate proposed in November an evaluation of instructors by their classes.

The proposal came as a result of a letter from Roscoe Cate, '26ba, financial vice president of the University. Cate said the evaluation of faculty members was necessary for purposes of promotion and suggested the students might help.

A system of student evaluation used by the University of Washington was introduced as a model and passed on to the faculty senate. After committee deliberation, the faculty group announced it had found the Washington plan not suitable for O.U. The committee report concluded with the statement: "If there's a man with a plan, let him step forth."

Moot Query. "Who Owns the Clouds," a moot question for any moot court,

brought recognition in recent weeks to a trio of University law students. Ed Moores, Tulsa; John Wagner, Chandler, and Bill Cates, Tulsa, represented the University in regional elimination of the national moot court competition at SMU in Dallas where they defeated Tulane on the subject of ownership of clouds.

A later defeat of the University of Texas debate team qualified the Oklahoma trio for the quarter-finals. After defeating Notre Dame, the student lawyers were defeated by Kentucky in the quarter-finals of the national moot court in New York.

Collecting & Selling

History Flashback. The strange nature of an archivist oft times makes him as interested in the more prosaic ventures as in the bright flashes of history. Dr. Gaston Litton, '34ba, '40ma, O.U. archivist, is no exception. In compiling his composite picture of Oklahoma and the Southwest he is seeking financial records, old letters, diaries, clippings, albums of photos and minute books.

Historically, Litton says, these materials reflect the state's economic, cultural, social, financial and commercial development. O.U. hopes in the long run to collect materials on every pioneer Oklahoma family of note, get papers of pioneer state institutions, and assemble materials of every past and contemporary leader.

"It's generally known," Litton points out, "that there were two-dozen short-lived, short-lined railroads in early Oklahoma. We want to know more about them."

Sooner history-hunters are already off to a fast start collecting records of Oklahoma political leaders. O.U. has the gubernatorial papers of Sen. Robert S. Kerr, the papers of Reps. Lyle H. Boren and L. N. Gensman, the late M. C. Garber, U. S. representative; W. C. Austin and Federal Judge Bower Broadus. In addition, O.U. has in fireproof files the records of pioneer physicians and numerous private collections.

Sooner graduate students working in the humanities—from history to economics—are studying the original sources for their theses.

By Any Name. Everything indicates that life has a nice rosy tinge for most of the writers trained by the Campbell-Harris team in recent years. Walter S. Campbell and Foster Harris, University professional writing teachers estimate that their students and former students earned \$100,000 during the past year. They made money by selling articles, short stories, books, poems, serials and other types of manuscripts to a variety of publications.