

# Sooner Portraits



**H. G. BENNETT**  
... A Big Job

## Service in High Places

Names in recent national and international news have found two University graduates—one from Dallas, Texas, and the other from Oklahoma—holding second place to no one.

The appointment of Dr. Henry G. Bennett, '24 ma, president of Oklahoma A.&M. College, Stillwater, to the state department in Washington plus the service of George McGhee, '33bs, in a similar position are examples that they are men with wide backgrounds and are capable of doing many things well.

Described in a 1949 issue of *Look Magazine* as a "Texan with ideas and a heart as big as his state," McGhee has been in the present state department chair since the spring of 1949.

Public service isn't a new undertaking for the young Texan-Oklahoman. A physics and geology student at the University, McGhee was elected a Rhodes scholar in 1933. He entered Queen's College in the autumn of 1934 and received a doctor of philosophy degree in geophysics two years later—an early example of his more than average abilities.

Upon his return to the United States in 1936, he continued in the geophysics field and also operated in oil until 1941 when he joined the state department as a senior liaison officer on the War Production Board.

McGhee's work was interrupted during World War II while he served as a naval lieutenant, receiving the Legion of Merit for co-ordinating bombing missions in the Asiatic Theater and three battle stars with his Asiatic Theater ribbon.

Following the war, it was back again to Washington. And with his return came an appoint-

ment as special assistant to the deputy assistant secretary of state for economic affairs. More recently came the appointment as deputy in the Greek aid program where he was co-ordinator of the Greek-Turkish aid program. At the present time he is in charge of Near East and African relations.

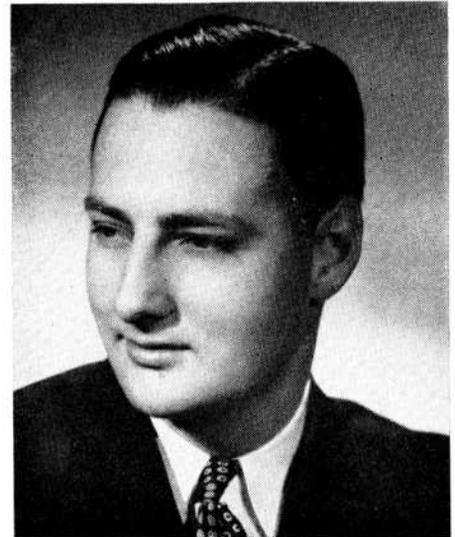
And proof positive that he is "capable of doing many things well"—and has done them well for some time—came in 1947 when the Dallas Junior Chamber of Commerce awarded him the Distinguished Service Award.

Probably better known to Oklahomans than McGhee, Bennett was appointed to his post recently. He is officially serving as technical cooperation administrator for President Truman's four-point program of aid to economically underdeveloped areas of the world. He is making a gallant effort to live up to the reputation of his well-known abilities by acting as both Washington and Oklahoma A.&M. administrators, which, to coin a phrase, isn't easy.

But a great number of the Oklahoma educator's achievements haven't been easy. As a result of years of planning and research, both at A.&M. and elsewhere, he has become the most often listed among America's top ten college presidents and holds seniority among Land-Grant College presidents for length of tenure of college presidency in America.

A member of Oklahoma's Hall of Fame since 1938, Dr. Bennett is also listed in *Who's Who in America*. He is a member of the Industrial Mobilization Committee of the Oklahoma Planning and Resources Board and Public Director of the Oklahoma Cotton Co-operative Association.

Bennett was the founder of the Oklahoma Flying Farmers Association which has now grown



**ARCH T. WHEELER**  
... A Big Man

into the National Flying Farmers. Following the close of World War II, he was the only American agricultural college president selected to attend the International Foods and Agricultural Organization that met in Quebec, Canada.

More recently Bennett spent several weeks in Ethiopia consulting with Emperor Haile Selassie on expansion of that country's agricultural training program.

## An Early Indication

Arch T. Wheeler, Jr., '38bs, president of the Kansas City Alumni Association, indicated at an early age that he was going to go places in the banking business. He started his career as soon as he was tall enough to reach the till in his family's bank in Clinton, Oklahoma. And judging from his present height of six feet, four inches, physical growth has kept up with professional ambition.

Born at Pauls Valley, he moved to Clinton with his family in 1928, was graduated from Clinton highschool in 1934, attended Southwestern College at Weatherford and was graduated from the University in 1938 with a BS degree in business.

While attending school at Weatherford, he was named the best individual debator in the junior college division of a tri-state tournament, competing with entrants from Texas, Kansas and Oklahoma. He majored in finance and accounting while attending the University and was a member of the senate forensic society, the University debate team and Phi Gamma Delta fraternity.



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... A Texan With Ideas

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'50ed, Seminole, and Ralph A. Dickinson, Oklahoma City, were married in a late autumn double-ring ceremony in the First Methodist Church in Seminole. At the University, Mrs. Dickinson was a member of Alpha Phi sorority. Dickinson, a senior in the University's School of Business Administration, is affiliated with Delta Upsilon social fraternity. The couple is making their home in Oklahoma City.

Jack Davison, '50ba, '50m.ed, formerly of Norman, is on the faculty of the Sky City grade school in Gallup, New Mexico, where he is a teacher and coach of the Sky City Angels football team.

W. E. Richardson, '50eng, is employed in the geophysical department of Continental Oil Company in Tahoka, Texas.

KENDALL-BRUMWELL: Miss Betty Ray Kendall, '50fa, Cheyenne, became the bride of Norman Stanley Brumwell, '50bs, in an evening ceremony Saturday, June 17, in the First Methodist Church in Cheyenne. Mrs. Brumwell was a member of Gamma Alpha Chi while attending the University. The couple is making their home in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, where Brumwell is employed by an oil corporation.

ROBBERSON-MORGENSEN: Miss Martiena Robberson, '50geol, and Dean Morgensen, '47eng, were united in marriage at an evening candlelight service held June 21 in St. Luke's Methodist Church, Oklahoma City. While attending the University, Morgensen was a member of Phi Delta social fraternity. The couple is making their home in Oklahoma City.

SAMUELS-DAVIS: Miss Frances Ann Samuels, Norman, and Del D. Davis, '50pharm, Elk City, were married September 2 in the First Christian Church in Norman. Mrs. Davis is a sophomore at the University where she is affiliated with Gamma Phi Beta sorority. Davis was a member of Phi Delta Chi, honorary pharmaceutical fraternity at the University, and a member of Oklahoma Pharmaceutical Association. The couple is making their home in Oklahoma City.

Leo D. Reynolds, '50journal, is employed as sports editor of the *Pampa Daily News*, Pampa, Texas. He is a former sports editor of the *Oklahoma Daily*.

BLACKWELDER-MORRIS: Miss Paula Blackwelder, Hobart, became the bride of Walter W. Morris, Jr., '50bs, Shawnee, Saturday, August 19, in the First Methodist Church, Hobart. The couple is making their home in Oklahoma City.

CARTWRIGHT-ARNOLD: Miss Wilburta May Cartwright, '46-'50, Oklahoma City, and Roland Kelbert Arnold, Jr., '50ba, Duncan, were married September 10 in the Crown Heights Baptist Church, Oklahoma City. At the University, Mrs. Arnold was a member of Sigma Alpha Iota, Gamma Alpha Chi, the University Symphony and Gamma Phi Beta sorority, which she served as president. A student in the University school of law, Arnold is a member of Phi Alpha Delta and Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity.

William L. Richards, '50bs, Andrews, Texas, is employed by Stanolind Oil and Gas Company in the producing department, South Fullerton gasoline plant.

George F. Conant, Jr., '50geol, is employed in the exploration department of the Big Spring, Texas, office of Stanolind Oil and Gas Company.

Billy H. Sellus, '50bs, is living in New Orleans, Louisiana, where he is employed as plant engineer for Thompson Hayward Chemical Company.

Paul R. Brokaw, '50bus, Corpus Christi, Texas, is employed by the Arthur Anderson and Company, certified public accountants, in Houston, Texas.

David W. Frank, '50bs, Dallas, Texas, is em-

ployed as junior engineer in the substation design department of Texas Power and Light Company.

METZ-CORNELSON: Miss Jane Ellen Metz, '49-'50, Oklahoma City, and Jodene James Cornelson, '50bus, Braman, were married in a late summer wedding in the Crestwood Baptist Church, Oklahoma City. Cornelson was affiliated with Delta Chi fraternity at the University. The couple is living in Blackwell.

BALE-McGRAW: Miss Charlotte Marie Bale, '48-'50, Oklahoma City, became the bride of George William McGraw, Jr., '50geol, Fort Smith, Arkansas, in an autumn wedding in St. Luke's Methodist Church, Oklahoma City. At the University, Mrs. McGraw was a member of Alpha Phi sorority and McGraw was affiliated with Sigma Nu fraternity. The couple is making their home in Potcau.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Robinson, the latter who is the former Shirley Evelyn Jones, '50bus, Ardmore, Pennsylvania, are living in Paramount, California, now while Robinson is enrolled at the University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

John D. Berry, '50Law, formerly of Richmond, Virginia, is the Oklahoma sales representative for West Publishing Company, law book publishers, in Oklahoma City.

Jasper C. Hunt, '50Law, Watonga, was named law clerk for Federal District Judge W. R. Wallace recently.

George C. Schneider, '50geol, is employed by the Erle P. Haliburton Company in Duncan as a pilot-junior geologist.

CARNEY-ROSS: Miss Jo Ann Carney, '48-'50, Atoka, became the bride of Robert N. Ross, Jr., '50be, Oklahoma City, in a late summer wedding in the First Baptist Church in Atoka. Mrs. Ross was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta social sorority, Y.W.C.A., the University band and Women's Recreational Association at the University. Ross was affiliated with Phi Kappa Sigma social fraternity, Alpha Epsilon Delta premedical fraternity and Public Health Society. The couple is making their home in Atoka.

J. M. Welch, '50, formerly of Port, was named superintendent of the Cordell schools for this school term.

RILING-RABURN: Miss Josephine Riling, '50bs, Spiro, and Sgt. James Winston Raburn, '49ba, Norman, were married in the late autumn in the 120 Engineers Chapel, Camp Polk, Louisiana. The couple is making their home in DeRidder, Louisiana.

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Following graduation from the University he joined the family bank in Clinton as assistant cashier. In 1941 he joined the National Bank Examiners' force. Although he considered it an excellent experience, commercial banking was what really interested Arch. So he went to Wichita, Kansas, in 1943 as cashier of the Southwestern National Bank. In 1945 he moved to the Union National Bank in Kansas City, Missouri. And in 1947 he was elected vice president of the Union Bank, becoming one of the youngest men in the country to hold a senior officer position in a large metropolitan bank.

Arch Wheeler likes people and he has a tremendous amount of energy which he directs toward promoting a better relationship between bankers and their customers. Since becoming head of the correspondent banking department of the Kansas City Bank, he has been busy calling on bankers and commercial customers throughout the south-

west. This broad acquaintance has been another of the reasons why he has held many important positions in the city and state banking associations.

In 1943 he was married to the former Lucille Akers, '38bs. They make their home in Kansas City.

Arch is making plans for a large Kansas City Alumni luncheon this spring. He was informed by his predecessor, Richard T. (Dick) Pendleton, '26Law, that if the Sooners didn't have a football team during the 1950 season, he would be able to serve the luncheon on a bridge table. If football scores will raise the Sooner Alumni spirit, Arch may have to reserve Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium.

## Signs of the Times . . .

assistant chief of staff for military intelligence for the Japan Logistical Command with headquarters in Yokohama. Prior to his present assignment, Major Allen served with the headquarters of the Eighth Army in Japan. During World War II, he was assigned to the headquarters of the First Corps and participated in the Luzon action in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater of Operations.

Lt. Alex K. Adwan, '50journal, former *Seminole Producer* reporter, who reported for active duty at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, recently, has been made troop information and education officer with the 45th Division at Camp Polk, Louisiana.

Capt. R. L. Lunsford, III, '43ba, '49Law, is stationed with the Army at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Previous to his recall, Captain Lunsford had a law practice in Anadarko.

J. Frank Schulman, '50ba, is stationed aboard the U.S.S. Princeton, c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, California.

John A. Love, '50bus, Shawnee, is taking an associate basic course in the Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, Virginia.

## Short Course Calendar

The Extension Division's department of short courses and conferences recently released a partial calendar of activities for the New Year. (Not listed because of timing, January's short courses and conferences.)

The schedule through April:

### FEBRUARY

- 9-11 Baptist Missionary Union Auxiliary Workshop
- 15-17 All State Orchestra
- 19-20 Pharmacy Conference
- 22-24 All State Band

### MARCH

- 2-3 Family Relations Conference
- 6 University Highschool Poetry Festival
- 16-17 Oklahoma Library Association Meeting
- 19-23 Sixth Annual Fleet Supervisors' Institute
- 29-31 Elementary School Principals' Third Annual Spring Conference
- 29-30 Missouri Valley Forensic Association

### APRIL

- 2-6 Business Insurance Seminar
- 6-7 Southwestern Journalism Congress
- 9-12 Episcopal Work Conference
- 10-12 Southwestern Gas Measurement Short Course
- 13-14 Annual Camping Institute
- 13-14 Junior and Senior College Debate Finals (tentative)
- 19-21 Speech and Hearing Conference
- 20-21 Pershing Rifle
- 26-28 Interscholastic Events