

Organization Program Booms

The instate club organization program moved into high gear during January and February. Seven instate and one out-of-state meetings were held. The Alumni Office could offer for several meetings the 1951 Sugar Bowl game. In some instances, football players appeared on the club meeting programs when it was possible to work out a suitable schedule. With assistant coaches and football players narrating films and speaking informally with alumni, interest in the club program reached a new high.

The first January meeting was held January 23 in Latimer County with 18 of 23 resident county alumni in attendance. Guy Brown, '42ba, '48ma, alumni field representative, accepted the charter application from the group. Officers and meeting plans were named and discussed at the organizational meet. Officers elected were George Giacomo, '36, president; I. C. Gunning, '35m.ed, vice president, and E. B. Hamilton, secretary-treasurer.

On the same night, alumni of Marshall County were meeting in Madill for an organizational get-together. Norman Brillhart, '17ba, and Mrs. Mildred Colby Brillhart, '22fa, were in charge of arranging the meeting. Special guests of the infant club were Dean Glenn C. Couch, '31bs, '37ms, University College, and J. C. Mayfield, '28ba, manager of the University Book Store.

Application for charter was presented to Alumni Secretary Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37 Law. Assistant Alumni Secretary George Cummings, '49bus, also attended the meeting.

Officers were elected at a business meeting following the showing of the Sugar Bowl film. Those named were James C. Hamill, '36Law, president, Jeff Herndon, vice president and Mrs. Mildred Colby Brillhart, '22fa, secretary-treasurer.

Rounding out the club meetings for January was a meeting of the Choctaw County group in the VFW hall at Hugo January 30. Assistant Football Coach George Lynn narrated the Sugar game as it was unreced. Club President O. A. Brewer, '17ba, '20 Law, was in charge of the meeting.

February was another busy month. Beginning with a meeting February 1 in



Leon Heath (left) and Frankie Anderson hear about some of the big games played by Ernest "Iron Mike" Massad, '32, (center). Also present at the Carter county meeting in Ardmore were: (standing left to right) D. H. Grisso, '30bs, Association president; Rhys Evans, '39Law, Carter County Chapter president; D. F. Overturf, '42-'46, and Dr. J. Hoyle Carlock, '31ba. The club saw the O.U.-Kentucky film and elected officers.

Wichita Falls, four meetings were held in the first eight days of the month.

The Texas town that has provided several football players and many alumni to the University, met at the YMCA. Club organization was completed with election

of officers following the Sugar Film.

Officers elected were Hoyt Burckhalter, '49geol, president; A. L. McAlister, '38eng, vice president; Miss Frances Harris, '50 journ, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. Jeanne Moody Howell, '49ma, publicity chairman.

Attending Payne County Club meeting in Cushing were (seated) Mrs. W. R. Weaver, '46ba, Mrs. Richard Simon, '42ba, Mrs. Ben Bragg, '43ba, (standing) Louis Walters, '17, Richard Simon, '41eng, and Ben Bragg, Jr., '48bs. They saw the Sugar Bowl film.



The Henryetta Alumni Club met February 5 for the Sugar film screening. Club officers, Dr. Carlton E. Smith, '30bs, '32bs in med, '34med, president; Nicholas Hamra, '27, '28, vice president, and M. S. Douglass, Jr., '38ba, '38Law, secretary-treasurer, were in charge of the meeting.

An organizational meeting of the Comanche County Alumni at Lawton February 5 produced a crowd of 350 and a large turnout of University guests.

The meeting was opened by Dr. Fayette Copeland, '19ba, director of the School of Journalism, who brought the alumni and guests up-to-date on the University. Guy Brown, explained organizational procedure and was followed by Assistant Football Coach Bill Jennings, '46ed, '49m.ed, who narrated the Texas-O.U. football film.

An additional football flavor was added by the presence of Billy Vessels, Merrill Green, Eddie Crowder and Auston and Jerry Ingram. The players were taken to the meeting by Col. Rupert Ingram.

Officers were elected. Those chosen to head the new club were Karey Fuqua, '36 bus, president; W. J. Becker, '31ma, vice president, and Mrs. Lois Elaine Rhoads, '48bs, secretary-treasurer.

Wagoner County Alumni met February 6 for a dinner meeting and to receive their club charter. Arranged by club president Frank Spence, '41journ, alumni and guests viewed the Kentucky-O.U. pictures. George Lynn narrated the film and Boyd Gunning was on hand to present the club charter.

Carter County Alumni staged a giant rally February 7. More than 250 alumni and guests were present for the organizational meeting arranged by Mike Massad, '32, in Ardmore.

Guests for the meeting included D. H. Grisso, '30geol, president of the Alumni Association; Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37Law, executive secretary, Brown, and two footballers of note, All-Americans Leon Heath and Frankie Anderson. Once more the Sugar film was shown.

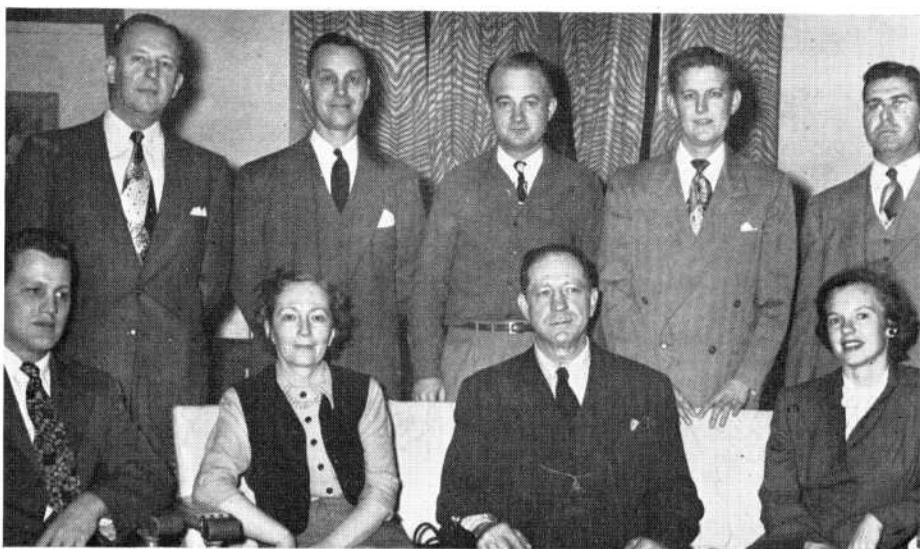
Officers were elected. Rhys Evans, '36ba, '39Law, president; Jack H. Smith, '28-'30, vice president; Mrs. Page Lambert, '33ba, secretary, and D. C. Fitzgerald, '38, treasurer, were those selected.

The Payne County Alumni Club met in Cushing February 9. Bill Jennings repeated as narrator of the Sugar film. Gunning and Brown represented the Norman alumni office.

The dinner meeting was arranged by A. B. Imel, '14ba, president of the club. He was assisted by the following committee: Mrs. Ophelia Jones Simon, '30-'32, chairman, Mrs. Dorothea Kerr Branyan, '34bus, Leo Davis, '36-'37, and Robert Allen, '36, all of Cushing, and Preston Moore, '50Law, Stillwater.



Mrs. George (Barbara Camp, '42bs) Moore, Tom Lunsford, '42, Miss Arda Frans, '23bs, '33ma, and George Moore, '48ma, were present at the Comanche County Club meeting.



Present at the Choctaw County meeting in Hugo: (seated, left to right) George Lynn; Mrs. Gladys Brewer, '20; O. A. "Dutch" Brewer, '17ba, '20Law, and Mrs. George Lynn. Standing (left to right) are: Dr. G. W. Anderson, Simon Parker, A. Cecil Ford, '39, Johnny Houser, and Joe B. Brindley, '41bs. George Lynn narrated the Kentucky game.

More than 100 persons attended the open meeting of the Wichita Falls, Texas, Chapter to see the O.U.-Kentucky film. Among those present were A. L. McAlister, '38bs, club veep (far left), Jerry Edwards, '48bs, (center) and Frances Harris, '50ba, (far right).

