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The Cover

Raynelle Sanderlin, education junior from Shreveport, Louisiana, adds a touch of glamour to our cover this month. She's the 1951 Queen of Engineers and reigned at Engineering Week activities with St. Pat. A diminutive brunette, Raynelle won the competitive queen race over other campus belles.

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Achievement Day

On The Sooner Scene

By Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37Law

At the fourth annual Achievement Day Banquet April 5, 375 Oklahomans turned out to pay tribute to the five winners of the Distinguished Service Citations. The achievement banquets become more impressive each year. It is fitting that the University and the Alumni Association should join together in honoring those who have distinguished themselves by their service to their fellowmen and to society.

Achievement or success may be defined

in many ways as it is in the recognition of men of divergent interests.

For example, Norman W. Brillhart, 17 ba, of Madill, was cited in recognition "of his devoted services to higher education in Oklahoma, the stimulus he has given geological and biological research in the southwest, his encouragement of youth in its search for a more fruitful life, and the high place he has accorded civic responsibility in his daily affairs."

A distinguished graduate of the class of

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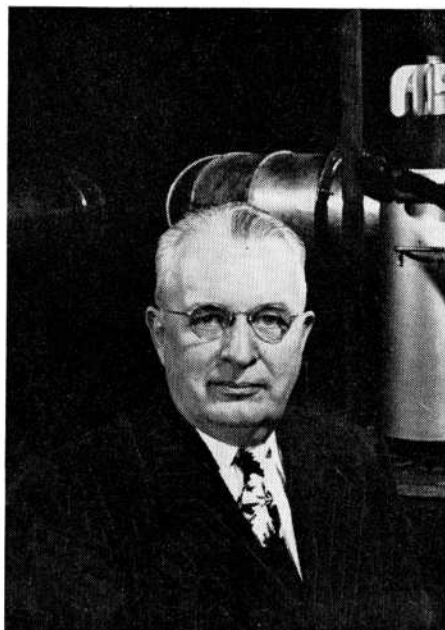
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1949-50 Representatives on the O.U. Athletic Council: Graville T. Norris, Muskogee; Paul Reed, Sulphur; Mart Brown, Oklahoma City.

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LLOYD J. HIBBARD



NORMAN W. BRILLHART

... For Railway Locomotion and Education

1914, Lloyd J. Hibbard, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, has become internationally known for his development, through research, of electrical railway equipment. He was honored for his "signal contributions to the advancement of railway locomotion, his gifts as an organizer in this field, and the qualities his career holds forth to engineering and scientific students who follow him at the University of Oklahoma."

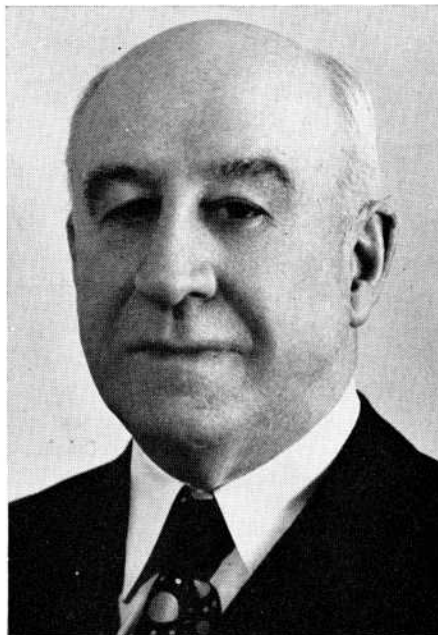
Hal Muldrow, Jr., '28bus, Norman, was already on his way to Japan with the 45th Infantry Division as Commanding General of Division Artillery. Hal was represented at the meeting by Mrs. Muldrow, the former Clara Mae Bell, '26, of Purcell, and F. O. Muldrow, '22, and his wife of Seminole. Muldrow was recognized for his meritorious and distinguished service as an officer in the United States Army "his personal valor and qualities of leadership, his devotion to the citizen's role in national defense, and the notable examples he has set in civic responsibility and personal integrity."

Jay G. Puterbaugh, McAlester, received this high honor for his "far-sighted service in the development of Oklahoma's coal reserves, his practical applications of civic virtue in his own community, his interest in and philanthropic support of medical research and public health, and his work in behalf of democratic and economical principles of government."

Another pioneer Oklahoman who was recognized this year was Edward S. Vaught, Oklahoma City. Judge Vaught was awarded the Distinguished Service Citation for his exemplary service in the ad-

ministration of justice, "his many years of devotion to education and culture in Oklahoma, his contributions to his community and State as a citizen, teacher, lawyer, and religionist, and for the inspiration his career has afforded the young and the mature of his time."

Each person honored was generous in his praise of others who had helped him along the way. They attributed success to their wives, parents, friends, and to schools, religion and "being on the right spot at the right time." I believe there are characteristics common to them all, in spite of their individual differences. These men have a high sense of moral and professional integrity. They do their work with diligence



JAY PUTERBAUGH
... For Civic Virtue

and efficiency, and are well-adjusted to meeting the problems of life. Their ideals are linked with service.

President George L. Cross, presented the citations to the 1951 winners, bringing the total of those who have won Distinguished Service Citations to twenty.

In closing Dr. Cross said, "I know that you will join with me in congratulating these distinguished Oklahomans on the honor they have received tonight. Their records are reminders that the victorious way of life must be sparked by sacrifice and service."

He closed the meeting with these words, "Finally, I hope that the attainments of those being honored will provide others with the courage, faith, inspiration and devotion which turn dreams of achievement into realities."

D. H. Grisso, '30geol, president of the

University Alumni Association, was master of ceremonies, and Dr. John Abernathy, Oklahoma City, a citation winner last year, gave the invocation.

The welcome address was given by Ned Shepler, '18, president of the University Board of Regents. A musical program was presented by Bill Harper and Janet Goethals students of Miss Eva Turner, visiting professor of voice from London. A special treat were numbers by members of the faculty performed by Robert Gerle, violinist, and Keith Wallingford, pianist.

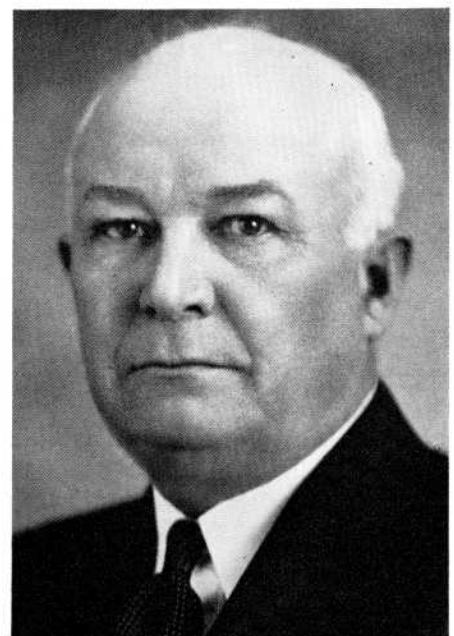
With the completion of the Memorial Union Building Addition this summer, the Annual Achievement Day Ceremonies will become an occasion of increasing importance. An impressive permanent plaque will be placed in the main foyer of the re-decorated Memorial Union on which will be inscribed the names of all citation winners.

In the excitement of the evening it was impossible to see everyone who attended, much less remember everyone you saw. In addition to the families of the honorees, there was a list of distinguished guests which reads like pages from Who's Who in Soonerland. Those I saw included Charles Duffy, '22Law, and Mrs. Duffy (Vala Gladys Solf, '19-'22), Ponca City; James Work and Mrs. Work (Dorothy Duffy, '50 fa), Norman; Roy Spears, '14ba, and Mrs. Spears, McAlester; President Bruce Carter, '32ma, '50d.ed, and Mrs. Carter, Northeastern A.&M. College, Miami; Rayburn Foster, '16Law, and Mrs. Foster, D. E. "Bill" Hodges, '25ba, '27Law, and Mrs.

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GEN. HAL MULDROW
... For Personal Valor



JUDGE EDWARD S. VAUGHT
... For Justice

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pha Sigma Delta, Eta Kappa Nu, Beta Theta Pi, Oklahoma Academy of Science and the Oklahoma Society of Professional Engineers.

When he was named David Ross Boyd Professor, Tappan didn't go out to pasture. He is still teaching. And he is still pondering over the fourth dimension.

Sooner Scene

Hodges, both families from Bartlesville.

From Kingfisher came that old pharmacy wheelhorse Ralph Enix, '36pharm. Dudley Culp, '34Law, and Mrs. Culp were present from Wewoka, sitting next to the parents of the Alumni Association president, Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Grisso, Seminole.

It was good to see Paul, '21, and Mrs. Reed, Sulphur, since Paul has been serving in the army as a Lieutenant Colonel for nearly a year, and just returned home in time to bid Paul, Jr., '50geol, farewell on his trip to Japan with the 45th Division.

From Madill were state senator Raymond Gary, Mrs. W. H. Colby, Richard D. Phillips, '49bs, and Mrs. Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. James Parker, and Miss M. E. Norman. W. L. Peterson and Bill Marsico, '40ms, along with several others were here from Denison, Texas.

Cushing was ably represented by A. B. Imel, '14ba, and Mrs. Imel (Hazel Kelly, '15-'16). This story would not be complete without including the fact that forty-two special guests, relatives of Mr. Puterbaugh from several states, held a two-day reunion in Norman in honor of the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Dial Currin, Shawnee, were present as were George Hann, '36m. ed, and Mrs. Hann (Irene Agabright, '26), Ardmore.

The University faculty was well represented as was the city of Norman. A few of those present from Oklahoma City included George Shirk, '35ba, '36Law, Mart Brown, '29Law, Richard L. Virtue, '44ba, Herbert Branan, '32ba, '38Law, and Mrs. Branan (Elizabeth Trumbo, '29bs), Frank S. Cleckler, '21ba, Frank Buttram, '10ba, '12ma, and Mrs. Buttram (Merle Newby Buttram, '06mus, '12ba), Lee B. Thompson, '25ba, '27Law, and Mrs. Thompson (Elaine Bizzell, '24), Errett Newby, '07mus, '08ba, and Mrs. Newby, Dr. Mel A. Nash, '19ba, '27ma, Grover Strother, '20ba, and Mrs. Strother (Alice Truesdell, '17ba) and Robert Shelton, '29ba, '29Law.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Morris, El Reno, and Mrs. Ruth Vaught Thompson, '31ba, Oklahoma City, accompanied their father, Judge Vaught.

And with the names of J. Phil Burns, '27ba, and Mrs. Burns, Oklahoma City, I bring this report to a close while I can still think of twenty or thirty omissions.