

Clubs Hear Wilkinson, Cross, See Films and Honor Norman Brillhart

Alumni club meetings from Seattle to Amarillo and from Kansas City to deep in the heart of Oklahoma were held in late March and April. Some clubs were simply holding their regularly scheduled meetings. Others were receiving their club charters and still others were meeting for the first time to petition for the chartering of a club.

Seattle Washington Alumni club met in March to see the O.U.-Texas film. Officers of the club were re-elected. Those retaining their positions were Dr. Ray H. Ballard, '32m.ed., '39med, president, J. B. Pennington, '40Law, vice president and Mary Myers, '32-'33, secretary-treasurer. The club mailed a contribution to the

Alumni Development Fund as a part of their club program.

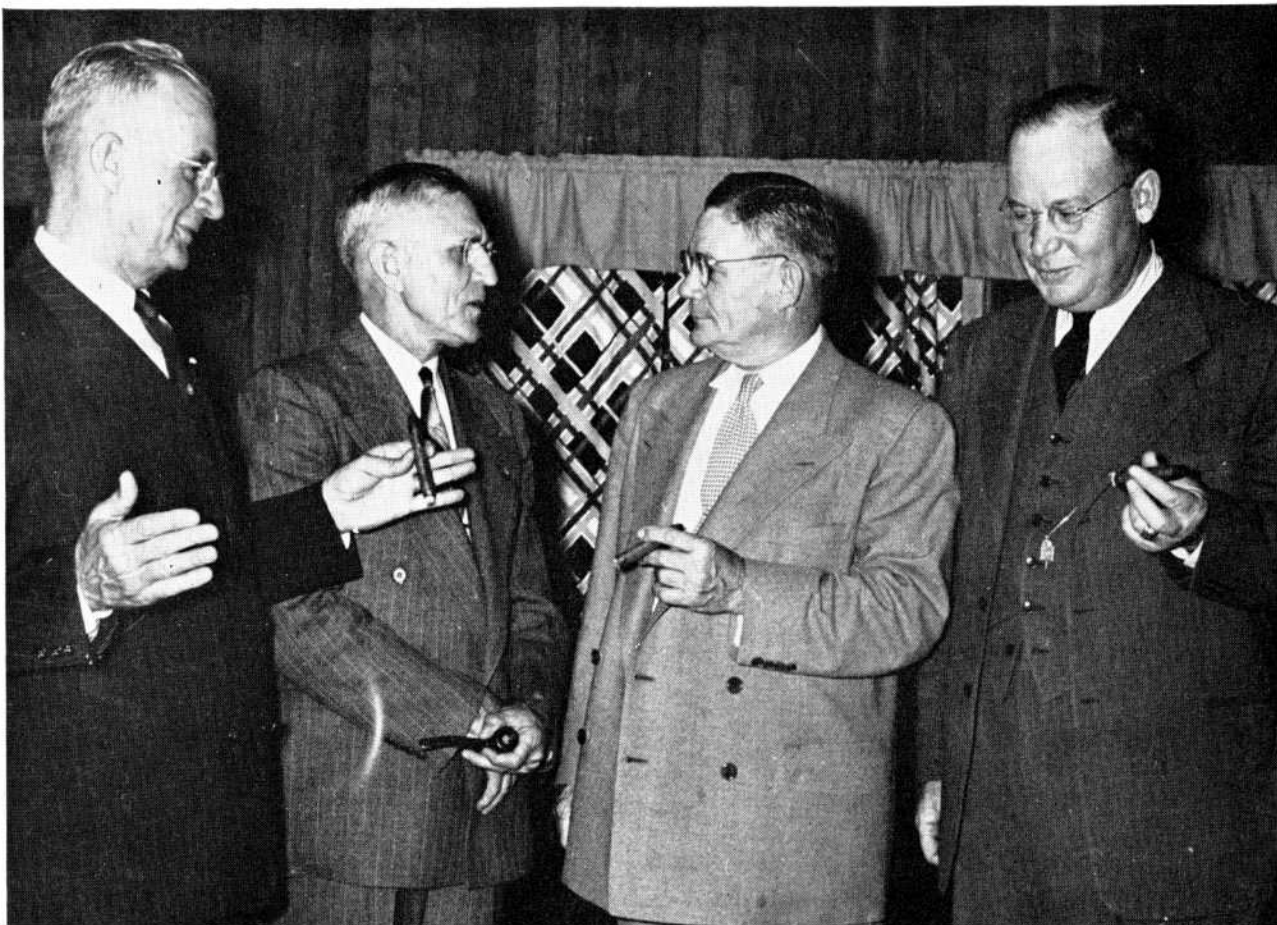
The Amarillo, Texas, Alumni club met March 26 in the Crystal Ballroom of the Herring Hotel at a dinner meeting. What attracted the huge turnout of 155 was the appearance of Bud Wilkinson. Wilkinson took with him the O.U.-Kentucky film and his usual personality.

Gene Edwards, 47ba, '49Law, club secretary, wrote: "Bud made a big hit with his remarks before the showing of the Sugar Bowl films, and the pictures themselves were of great interest to all of us who had been unable to see the game. The gist of opinion following this visit of Bud's was that the University could not pos-



When you prepare for 50 and three times that number arrive the host takes to the kitchen. James C. Hamill, '36Law, Marshall club prexy, is interrupted in his carving by the Sooner photographer.

Walter Kraft, director of the physical plant, indicates the size of the "Big One" while Emil Kraettli, '18, University secretary, talks with Norman Brillhart, '17ba, Madill. J. C. Mayfield, '28bus, bookstore manager, seems amused at Kraft's yarn. The University men joined Marshall County alumni in honoring Brillhart.





Standing behind a movie projector are several members of the Nowata County club who attended the April 5th meeting. They are Bob Myers, '48bus, president, Mrs. Charlotte Dugan Myers, '47ed, Miss Helen Barr, '36ed, Mrs. Bob Beck, Bob Beck, '42bus, Mrs. Leon S. John and Leon S. John, '35ba, '41m.ed, vice president of the club.

sibly have a finer emmissary of good will than Bud Wilkinson. In addition to thoroughly selling himself, he does the same for the University, and makes us all want to get back there again for a visit."

The dinner was planned and arranged by A. O. Johnson, '30ba, '33Law, club president, Bill Clarke, '47ba, vice president, and Edwards.

Nowata County club met April 5 at the Nowata Country Club for a dinner meeting preceding the presentation of the club's charter. Guy Brown, '42ba, '48ma, alumni field representative, presented the charter to club president Bob Myers, '48bus. The technicolor "O.U. Personalities" film was shown. A special guest of the club was Payne County club president A. B. Imel, '14ba. Other officers in charge of the meeting were Leon S. John, '35ba, '41m.ed,



More Nowata Alumni at the April 5th "Charter Night" meet. From left to right: Myer Roberts, Mrs. R. E. Staffebach, Hugh Conine, R. E. Staffebach, '25ma, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. H. M. Prentiss, Mrs. Mary L. Woodward Conine, '27ba, and Art Meyer.

Noble County alumni met April 25th for an organizational meeting. Seen at the meeting are Earl Bechtold, Jim Riley (a visitor from Oklahoma City), Mrs. Harry Bonham, Mrs. Frances Lindquist Bontrager, '47fa, Bonham, '37ba, Rudolph Zorba, '49pharm.



club vice president, and G. C. Littlejohn, '36ba, secretary-treasurer.

The Kansas City alumni club held their annual spring banquet April 9. Club secretary-treasurer and former editor of the *Sooner Magazine* George Souris, '47ba, wrote:

O.U.'s flying president, Dr. George L. Cross, landed his small cabin plane in misty shroud of Missouri "peasoup" to tell over 50 members of the Kansas City Alumni Club about the enormous expansion program in progress at the University, and to reiterate the Sooners' past athletic achievements and their future prospects. He also paid tribute to the excellent O.U. teaching staff. Colored films of the 1950 Sugar Bowl game were shown along with a nostalgic feature (O.U. Personalities film) on eminent University administrative and faculty personalities.

The occasion was the chapter's annual spring banquet held April 9 at the Hotel Phillips in downtown Kansas City. Cross was introduced by Arch Wheeler, '38bs, retiring president of the group.

Speaking like a doting parent, Cross also noted the admirable performance of O.U.'s track, wrestling and basketball teams. On the matter of professionalism in college athletics, Cross stated that the policy of subsidizing athletes should be "clearly and fairly redefined."

He emphasized that good Sooner teams were developed through good coaching and consistently hard work, "and as long as our boys and our staffs continue to work hard, we'll continue to put out fine teams."

Souris ended his report with the names of the officers elected for the year. Those selected were Knowleton E. Carson, '32ba, president, Wilma Francisco, '27, vice pres-



Kansas City alumni met for a club get together April 9th. Among those present were Knowlton E. Carson, '32ba club president, Mrs. Dorothy Carson, Mrs. Fran Writer, Harry Moreland, '20, Bud Writer, '31, Mrs. Eva Moreland, Leslie Everitt, '20, Mrs. Madge Everitt, and Burton Hamilton. University Prexy George L. Cross was the featured speaker at the club's annual spring banquet.

ident, and George Souris, secretary-treasurer.

Noble County alumni met April 24 in the Methodist Church in Perry to discuss the organization of a county club. George Cummings, '49bus, assistant executive secretary of the Alumni Association, met with the alumni to help initiate the club program. A. J. Bontrager, '43pharm, and Mrs. Bontrager (Frances Lindquist, '47fa) were instrumental in helping to organize the meeting.

Marshall County alumni met April 24 for a special meeting at Camp Jack Little on Lake Texoma to honor Norman Brillhart's selection as a recipient of the Distinguished Service Citation. Brillhart, '17ba, was awarded the Citation April 4. Friends of Mr. Brillhart from several counties were present. It turned out to be one of the largest meetings ever held in Marshall county.

Many Norman people made the short junket to be present at the local club's meeting. Among their number were President George L. Cross and Alumni President D. H. Grisso, '30geol.

Marshall County club president James C. Hamill, '36Law, was in charge of the meeting. The occasion was a fitting tribute to one of the University's most distinguished graduates.

Club meetings were held for Washita County April 26, Atoka County, April 26 and Stephens County April 30. Since pictures of the meetings were unavailable at deadline time, club reports will be featured next month.

Faculty . . .

his undergraduate days in the late 1920's, Keith received the annual award of the National Sports Publicity Association to cap a 20-year period of spreading University sports publicity throughout Oklahoma and the nation.

Keith has published several books in the past decade, including *Sports and Games*, a volume which received the national junior literary award, and *Oklahoma Kick-off*, a history of football at Oklahoma from its start before the turn of the century until 1921.

Housing Headliner. A house designed by Bruce Goff, chairman of the School of Architecture, was the subject of a 6-page layout in the March 61 issue of *Life Magazine*.

The dome-shaped house, designed for Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ford of Aurora, Illinois, is the second Goff-designed house to appear in *Life*.

Unusual features of the house, completed this year, include a circular floor plan, the kitchen in the living room, and a dome shape from the ground up.

New President. Dr. Harrell E. Garrison, '31, professor of elementary education and director of the University Reading Laboratory, was elected president of Northeastern State College, Tahlequah, in March.

Dr. Garrison joined the University faculty in 1949. He came to O.U. from North

Texas State Teachers College, Denton, Texas, where he was dean.

He succeeds John S. Vaughan, '24ba, '27ma, late Northeastern president who died January 21.

Keen Commissioner. Paul Keen, professor of physical education, was re-elected to the Norman board of commissioners in a city-wide election April 3.

Keen was high man in the balloting which returned all but one member of the commission to office. He also received the largest number of votes of any candidate in the primary.

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discharged March 26 following 22 years of service with the division. He returned to the University as director of student health service.

Capt. Phil Bentley Adrean, '49bs, Burnett, Texas, was one of 53 persons aboard the airforce Globemaster that crashed in the Atlantic off the coast of Ireland March 23. Previous to the crash, Captain Adrean was stationed at Roswell Air Base, Roswell, New Mexico. He is survived by his parents of Burnett.

Capt. Stan W. Woodall, '40bus, Skiatook, is stationed with the United States Airforce in the Philippine Islands following completion of a seven month tour of duty with the Third Bomb group in Japan. Captain Woodall is assigned as a flight line navigator for the 6204th Photo Mapping Flight and 13th Airforce on Clark Airforce base in Central Luzon.