FACULTY

Beginning in 1909 and continuing until last July, Jesse L. Rader served as University librarian. Because of his years of service and ability, he has made the bond between himself and the library

An Unforgettable Link

Jesse L. Rader, '08ba, '13ma, the University's long-time librarian, retired in July after 42 years of service to the University.

He became chief librarian in 1909 and has directed the library's growth through the Carnegie Library (originally housed in the Education Building), through its move into the Art Building in 1920 and finally to the William Bennett Bizzell Memorial Library. Dean of Oklahoma librarians, Rader has built the library from fewer than 5,000 volumes to 341,000 books.

Commenting on the retirement, Dr. Cross said, "J. L. Rader's name will be linked unforgettably with the University Library. To him, books were always more than mere documents. Rather, they served as doorways to new ideas, new experiences. His many achievements—as librarian, as director of the school of library science and his zeal in extending the influence of library work all over Oklahoma—make his years of service most distinguished and praiseworthy."

In 1950 he was among four state librarians honored by the State Library Association (he helped organize the Association in 1907 and served three terms as president) for "distinguished service to the profession and the people." The same year he was chosen a fellow in England's Royal Society of Arts.

Rader will be succeeded by Dr. Arthur M. McAnally, '33ba, '35Lib.sci, '36ma, formerly assistant director of libraries at the University of Illinois. It will be another O.U. family at the helm as Mrs. McAnally is the former Lucille McGeorge, '43ba. Mrs. Rader is also a graduate. She received a bachelor's degree in 1910.

Good News

Welcomed Addition. Some relief was in sight for hard-pressed faculty members as the result of the action of the Board of Regents in early July. The Regents approved a \$300 yearly cost-of-living increase and an additional increase of \$300 in some cases.



JESSE L. RADER

The Board approved a \$5,118,000 budget for the next fiscal year at the time they announced the general faculty increase. Dr. Cross announced the raises and told where the money was coming from (despite an decrease in University operational funds): the University will no longer subsidize athletics. To help take up the slack in athletic revenue, students were slated to pay a \$5 fee for football tickets plus tax.

What Was Needed

For the Army. Dr. Lloyd E. Swearingen, '20bs, '21ms, research professor of chemistry, has assumed his new position as director of basic sciences research for the army.

He will plan, co-ordinate and supervise the army's research program for all basic sciences.

Dr. Swearingen joined the faculty in 1923 and was named research professor in 1948. He was militarily fitted for the post through service in both world wars. During the last war he served as a colonel in the chemical warfare service. In contacting the University administration, the Department of the Army asked for a two year leave of absence for Swearingen stating, "Dr. Swearingen's military experience together with his academic and scientific experience and attainment renders him most desirable for this position."

Said Dr. Cross, "I am very happy that someone from the University was chosen for this position . . ."

For Directorship. Stewart Harral, '36ma, director of public relations at the University for the past 15 years, resigned in July to accept a newly-created office as director of public relations studies and professor of journalism.

Harral, who served the past year as president of the American College Public Relations Association, will continue to serve as public relations adviser to President Cross.

"Nationally known as a lecturer, practitioner and writer in public relations, Mr. Harral is uniquely fitted to direct a professional program in this expanding and vital field," Dr. Cross stated.

Briefs . . .

J. L. Lindsey, '15, member of the University staff for 39 years, has been given the title of controller emeritus by the Board of Regents. He was controller from 1938 to 1950 and has served as auditor for special funds the past year. His retirement and emeritus title became effective July 1.

Dr. E. Harold Hinman, director of the school of public health, has been elected to the board of directors of the Liberian Institute of the American Foundation for Tropical Medicine. He will serve a 3-year term.

Dr. Leonard Beach, chairman of the English department, resigned in early July to become dean of the graduate school of Vanderbilt University College of Arts and Sciences at Nashville, Tennessee. He has been on the O.U. staff since 1945.