

One evening a short time ago while I was enjoying a mental pause and TV, I heard a gentleman intoning the blessings of "Summertime." I listened because the image was something short of challenging. As a consequence, I exposed myself once

## Under Cover

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again to the Gershwin boys' philosophy. I don't know how they spent their summer immediately before writing their classic but I am going to find out. I want some of that easy living.

Between the covers of this issue, the casual reader will find reports on some of the activities that have kept the alumni office and magazine staff indisposed for fishing trips, ice cream socials, investigations—and easy living.

Due to a great amount of material and a shortage of space, several matters of general alumni news interest have been omitted from the regular news pages. They are presented in brief form below:

**Alumni Election.** At the Alumni Association's annual Commencement meeting of the Executive Board, June 8, newly elected board members were seated and officers for 1953-54 were elected.

As the result of balloting through the *Sooner Magazine* (April, 1953), the following Executive Board members were declared elected and seated: Mrs. Ellen Rowe Brillhart Phillips, '49fa, Madill; T. E. Weirich, '22geol, Bartlesville; Barth "Jiggs" Walker, '40geol, '40Law, Oklahoma City (all members-at-large); and Mrs. Jewell Risinger Ditmars, '19ba, Muskogee, District II; Mrs. Nadine Norton Love, '52ba, Shawnee, District IV; Judge Weldon Ferris, '29ba, '31Law Altus, District VII.

Judge Royce Savage, '25ba, '27Law, Tulsa, U. S. district judge of the Northern District of Oklahoma, and T. H. McCasland, '16ba, Duncan oilman, were elected president and vice president of the Association, respectively, by the Executive Board for the 1953-54 year.

**Union Election.** Four members of the Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma Memorial Union, Inc., who were elected as a result of balloting through the *Sooner* (April, 1953) were seated at the June 8 meeting of the board. Those seated were

Frank Cleckler, '21ba, Oklahoma City; R. J. Clements, '22ba, Oklahoma City; Clee Fitzgerald, '49ba, '51Law, Stillwater, and Neil Johnson, '15ba, '17Law, Norman. All will serve 3-year terms.

**Good Sports.** Finishing first or second

in eight of ten sports, Oklahoma ran away with the Big Seven's all sports title for 1952-53.

The Sooners established a new Big Seven record of 19½ points, winning by 14½ points from Kansas which was second. The totals, low score winning, were Oklahoma 19½, Kansas 34, Iowa State 41, Colorado, 42, Nebraska 42½, Missouri 47½, and Kansas State 53½. However Kansas tied Oklahoma in championships with four—O.U. won football, baseball, wrestling and swimming—and Colorado and Iowa State took one title each.

However, Oklahoma also placed second in four additional sports—crosscountry, in-

door track, outdoor track and tennis—and came home third in golf and fourth in basketball, thus achieving its finest balance of all time.

**Club News.** Chicago Alumni met April 26 at the Indian Hills Country Club for a meeting with University President George L. Cross. . . University of Oklahoma Club of Dallas staged a May Day Dance, May 2. Held in the Dallas Reserve Club at Love Field, approximately 150 Dallas alumni attended. Nick Tinker, '40eng, and Bill Scott, '42bs, were in charge of arrangements. (Additional club news on pages 6-7).

**'52 Class Please Note.** Every class receives the *Sooner* and a membership in the Alumni Association for a 1-year period after graduating. Both June and August graduates were entered as members of the Association as of September 1, 1952. That membership expires August 31, 1953.

We hope you have felt that your membership and magazine were important to you. You can renew your membership and subscription by mailing \$4.00 for an Annual Membership, or \$5.00 down and \$5.00 quarterly until a total of \$80.00 has been paid for a Life Membership. Since I can't send each of you a piece of remembering string, renew your membership today. Mail your check to the University of Oklahoma Association, Norman.



NEW OFFICERS of the Alumni Association were elected at Executive Board's June 8 meeting. They are pictured here with out-going president Dudley Culp, '34ba, Wewoka (seated), and two members of Executive Board. Standing are Granville Norris, '29ba, Muskogee; T. H. McCasland, '16ba, Duncan, new vice president; Herbert L. Branan, '32ba, '38Law, Oklahoma City, former president and member of board, and Judge Royce Savage, '25ba, '27Law, new president.