

Four Members of the Honored Alumni Club were present at Reunion time. They were Mrs. Florena Williams Hadsell, '02ba, Norman; C. Ross Hume, '98ba, '00ma, Anadarko; Mrs. Minnie Gould Hefley, '03ba, Norman, and Francis C. Oakes, '03ba, Edmond. Mrs. Oakes is at far right.

Album

of Reunion Pictures

he largest class reunions in many years were held June 7-8 in the Oklahoma Memorial Union for the Classes of 1903, '08, '13, '23, '28, '33, '38, '48.

The reunion program called for a reception, separate class meetings, and a banquet for June 7, and reception and commencement on the following day.

But the program was incidental to the people who returned to strengthen old ties. The real heart of the reunion meetings was the individual remembering sessions that took place whenever two classmates found themselves side by side.

Two reunion classes were especially spotlight at the meeting. One was the Class of 1903. Only two members returned but they represented a class that now numbers seven living members. They were Mrs. Minnie Gould Hefley, '03ba, Norman, and Francis C. Oakes, '03ba, Edmond. The two received Honored Alumnus pins, recognition of their 50th anniversity.

The Class of 1928 also shared the spotlight with the largest turnout of the day for their 25th anniversary.

Three alumni who could claim earlier graduating dates than could the class of 1903 attended. They were C. Ross Hume, '98ba, '00ma, Anadarko, Mrs. Mertie Collum Smith Wadley, '98mus, and Mrs. Florena Williams Hadsell, '02ba, Norman.

And the three, together with the two 1903 graduates, had something to talk about besides early days at the University.

Under the leadership of Judge Hume, the five organized the Honored Alumnus Club—a club whose membership will include all graduates who have celebrated their 50th commencement.

In a letter to all those eligible for membership, Judge Hume explained that the name of the club would be the HACs, derived from the initials of Honored Alumnus Club. He wrote, "As you recall, most of us came to Oklahoma in a hack, wagon or . . . similar conveyance and we feel that this is typical of our day and will be for a number of years until fifty year students who came in automobiles arrive."

Officers of the organization were named at the reunion meeting. They are Hume, HAC driver, Mrs. Hadsell, HAC checker, and Oakes, yell leader.

While the new organization was being established, other reunion classes were holding separate meetings and having a whale of a good time. For enthusiasm it would have been hard to pick between the Class of 1908 and the Class of 1913. Both classes had fine turnouts.

The banquet provided the end of the reunion day. Josh Lee, '17ba, famed orator and member of the Civil Aeronautics Commission, made the principal address. Others participating on the program were Alumni Association President Dudley

Culp, '34Law, Wewoka, Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37Law, executive secretary of the Association, Guy Brown, '42ba, '48ma, assistant executive secretary, President George L. Cross, and Bill Spohrer, '53 journ, Senior Class president who accepted membership for his class in the Association.

For the second year, the Association awarded prizes for several alumni with the mostes'. Included in the gift bag were such items for awards as "earliest member of an official glee club present" (Hume), "alumnus traveling the longest distance" (H. A. Berlin, '11ba, Oxnard, California), and "Sooner with youngest grandchild" (Frank Long, '08ba, '09ma, Norman). The race to determine which alumnus present had the least desirable job while in school resulted in a tie. R. M. Parkhurst, '13ba, '15Law, Blackwell, (see cover), and Q. M. Spradling, '28ba, '32bus, '40m.bus, Norman, tied for first place on an applause basis. Parkhurst's explanation of how he cleaned the Pharmacy laboratories daily for \$12.50 per month, expertly told, earned him a tie with Spradling who had a job of turning cadavers in their vats.

The following day the reunioners attended a commencement reception and commencement itself.

It would be five years before the classes of '03 and '08 met again. In the meantime, they had a fine 1953 meeting to remember.



CLASS OF 1913 had an enthusiastic meeting. Attending were (f. r.) Mrs. Vera Gorton Clark, '13mus, '13ba, Ponca City; Mrs. Anna McLauchlin Meeting, '13ba, Anadarko; Mrs. Mary Harness Berry, '13ba, Oklahoma City, Deborah Haines, '13ba, '49fa, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Dona Ogle Wheeler, '13ba, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Myrtle Ellenberger Phillips, '12ba, Oklahoma City; (2nd. r.) Earl Groves, '13ph.c, '13ph.c, Hollis; Dr. Clarence Bates, '13ph.c, '18bs, '20med, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Bates; Mrs. Alta Sawyer Foster, '30ma, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Laura A. Richards, '23ba, Tulsa; Arthur L. Richards, '13ba, Tulsa; Claude Rosenstein, '13Law, Tulsa; (b. r.) Earl Foster, '12ba, '13Law, Oklahoma City; Floyd Wheeler, '10ba, '12Law, Oklahoma City; Glenn C. Clark, '13ba, Ponca City; R. M. Parkhurst, '13ba, '15Law, Blackwell; Leo Gorton, '13eng, Tulsa; Clarence Knappenberger, '13ph.c, Watonga; Elton B. Hunt, '13Law, Tulsa, and Roger Berry, '13ba, Oklahoma City. The class produced cover boy.



Graduates of 1908 present for 45th commencement anniversary and their families included: Mrs. Lola North Newby, '14ba, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Guy Wilcox, Oklahoma City; Miss Barbara Ann Hoover, Tuttle; Mrs. Frank Long, Norman; Mrs. Etta Hutchins Ambrister, '06mus, Norman, Mrs. Pearl Hutchins Pendergraft, '08ba, Lawton; (2nd r.) Errett Newby, '07mus, '08ba, Oklahoma City; Jesse L. Rader, '08ba, '13ma, Norman; Mrs. Frances Simpson Rader, '10ba, Norman; Mrs. Clement Gittinger, Tulsa; Clement Gittinger, '08ba, Tulsa; Frank Long, '08ba, '09ma, Norman; (b. r.) W. T. "Cump" Leach, '08ba, '16ma, Norman; Max Robberts, '08ba, Winfield, Kansas; Guy Wilcox, '08ph.c, Oklahoma City; Sam G. Ambrister, '08ba, Norman, and Ed Harris, '08ba, Norman. Long and Newby served as co-chairmen of '08 reunion committee.



Members of the Class of 1928 and their families provided the biggest turnout of reunion day. Pictured are (1st r.) Mrs. Laura Maxwell Bleakley, '28ba, Bethany; Bill Bleakley, Bethany; Doris Taylor, '28ba, '39ma, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Lee Burrus, Tulsa; Lee Burrus, '28bs, Tulsa; (2nd r.) Dr. Loren Brown, '28ma, '37ph.d, Norman; Dr. William B. Ragan, '22ba, '28ma, Norman; Bill Thompson, Tulsa; Hubert H. Thompson, '28 eng, Tulsa; Mrs. Thompson, Tulsa; (3rd r.) Dr. Selvie J. Curtis, '28bs, '28med, Denver; Steven Curtis, Denver; Myrtle Burnett, '28ba, '37ma, Seminole; Mattie Hofmeister; Dan Withers, '28ba, Elgin, Illinois; (4th r.) Q. M. Spradling, '28ba, '32bus, '40m.mus, Norman; Dr. Jim Haddock, '27ba, '28bs in med, '29bs in pharm, '32med, Norman; Joe McBride, '28bus, Anadarko; Mrs. Clella LeMarr McBride, '27ba, Anadarko; Tom R. Moore, '28bus, Wewoka; (5th r.) W. A. Wilson, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Gene Pope Wilson, '28ba, and Billy Wilson, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Fred Humphrey and Fred Humphrey, '28bus, San Angelo, Texas; (6th r.) Irene Bullard and Mrs. Elizabeth Garee Bullard, '28ba, '28ma, Noble; Melvin F. Adler, '28Law, Ft. Worth; Mrs. Lillian Reisberg Adler, '28, Ft. Worth, and Dorothy Ann Adler, '53journ, Ft. Worth. The Adlers' 25th class reunion was made even more memorable for them as their daughter, Dorothy, was a member of the 1953 graduating class of O.U.



Graduates of the Class of 1933, who attended their 20th commencement anniversary reunion, included: (f. r.) Esther Bloom, '33ed, Oklahoma City, Dorothy Singer, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Orville Muir, Wewoka; Mrs. Vincent Dale, Guymon; Mrs. Jeanne Garnett Engleman, '33h.ec, Clinton; Mrs. Mable Wallis Neal, '33ba, '34ma, Chickasha; (2nd r.) Dr. Arthur McAnally, '33ba, '35Lib.sci, '36ma, Norman; Kenneth W. Henson, '33eng, Pauls Valley; Mrs. Linton Epperson Taylor, '33bs, Norman; Mrs. Lottie Shanks Winningham, '33nurse, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Ab Walker, San Antonio, Texas; Ab Walker, '33bs, San Antonio; Vincent Dale, '33, Guymon; (b. r.) George Dinkler, '33ph.c, Hennessey; Orville Muir, '33bus, Wewoka; Dr. Elbert V. Winningham, '33ba, '49med, Oklahoma City; Charles Engleman, '33ba, Clinton; Gilbert Ludeman, '33bs, Anthony, Kansas; Rex Taylor, '33ed, Norman. Alumni attending the 20th class reunion represented most O.U. schools and colleges.



CLASS MEMBERS OF 1938 included: T. P. Vaughn, '38eng, Phillips, Texas; W. Hillyer Freeland, '38fa, Norman; Mrs. Eleonore Aderhold Gunning, '38fa, Norman; Dale Vliet, '38Law, Norman, and Baird Jones, '38fa, Norman. Other members attended dinner but were unavailable for picture.



CLASS OF 1923 attending their 30th reunion included: C. C. Bush, Jr., '23ba, '32ma, Norman; Mrs. Lucille Lawrence Sullivan, '23ba, '47m.ed, Norman; Lloyd Smith, '23Law, Bartlesville; Mrs. Smith; and Lester Ellis, '23eng, Oklahoma City.

Youngest Reunion Group, 1948ers, were represented by (f. r.) Mrs. Max Schiff, Duncan; Mrs. James Brittain, Dumas, Texas; Mrs. Gene Scheirman, Tyler, Texas; Phoeba Ann Fowler, '48h.ec, Oklahoma City; Mrs. Margaret Slaughter Yeakley, '43bs, Oklahoma City; (2nd. r) Max Schiff, '48bus, Duncan; James Brittain, '48eng, Dumas; Gene Scheirman, '48eng, Tyler; Tom Brett, '40bus, '48Law, Norman; Charles Yeakley, Jr., '48bus, Okla. City; (b. r) Lester Reynolds, '48Law, Norman; Ben Head, '42bus, '48Law, Okla. City, Walt Yeilding, '48bus, Temple.





THE CARTER COUNTY ALUMNI club held a dinner meeting May 26 in Ardmore. More than 80 alumni attended. Principal speaker of the evening was Benny Owen (center) shown with Sam Noble, '47ba, and Quintin Little, both of Ardmore. Little is member of O.U. Board of Regents.



New Officers were elected at Ardmore meeting. President Jack Smith, '28-'30, is shown with new president Martin Cassity, '37-'39.

Clubs Hold Spring Meetings

Six alumni clubs are pictured on these pages at their April and May get-togethers. Carter, Jackson, Grady and Mayes counties held meetings as did Washington, D. C., and West Texas Alumni club.



Officers of the Jackson County Alumni Club are pictured at April 2 meeting. They are H. Paul Flippin, '39journ, v.p., Mrs. Ann Hardy Braddock, '46ba, sec., and Maurice Willis, '42pharm, president. O.U. President George L. Cross was special guest.

Don A. Eaton, '47-'49, (center) is congratulated on his election as president of the Washington, D. C., Alumni club by Paul Walker, '12Law, Federal Communications Commissioner, (left) and by Representative Ed Edmondson, '40ba, Muskogee, (right). Edmondson was principal speaker at the club's annual spring banquet May 9. Eaton succeeds Russell Chapin, '48Law.





Grady County Alumni met April 26 in Chickasha for a reorganizational meeting of the county's alumni club. Those attending meeting included: Bud O'Dea, '41-'42, holding Mike ODea; Paul Pitchford, '28; O. E. Owensby, '53; Doug Van Dyck, '40bs, '42Law; Dr. R. R. Coates, '27med; Joe Ross, '50bus, and Frank Kliewer, '51bus. Seated are Mrs. Stanley; Mrs. Mattie Stanley Conn, '24h.ec, and Mrs. Marilyn Phillips Kliewer, '50phys.ed. Dr. Coates was elected president. Meeting was held in the county courthouse.



MAYES COUNTY ALUMNI Club met April 17 in Pryor. Present at meeting were William Settle, '48eng, president; T. Elmer Haddan, Jr., '42pharm; Mrs. Haddan; Tony Lyons, '52Law, and Luke Wilkerson, '42ba, '47Law.

West Texas Alumni Club met in early spring to hear Bud Wilkinson and to elect new officers. The meeting was held in Midland. Pictured are the old and new officers. They are George Grimm, '27ba, past veep; Robert N. Conkling, '49bs, president elect; Booker McDearmon, '47geol, secretary-treasurer; Buddy Jones, '51geol, vice president elect; Bud Wilkinson, and Bob Cocanower, '37-'42, past president. Attendance was 100.

