Roll Call

Brief news stories by classes of alumni of the University of Oklahoma

1905-20

Lily F. Stafford, '18ba, '47m.ed, Lawton teacher, was recently selected the state's outstanding science teacher by the Oklahoma Society of Professional Engineers. Miss Stafford, 68, has taught 46 years, 36 at Lawton. A Phi Beta Kappa at O.U., she teaches both physics and geology.

Grace E. Ray, '20ba, '23ma, O.U. professor of journalism, authored an article entitled "A College Town for Retirement" in the February issue of *Lifetime Living*, a magazine for older people. Miss Ray featured Norman as a tranquil, inexpensive, yet stimulating place to live for older people.

DEATHS: John Peebles McClure, '15ba, poet and copy editor of the New Orleans *Times-Picayune*, died February 8 in New Orleans. McClure, 62, had been with the paper 33 years. He was a co-founder of a literary magazine, *The Double Leader*, in 1921 and saw many of his own poems published by the late H. L. Mencken in the *Smart Set*. The veteran journalist studied at the Sorbonne in Paris after his graduation.

Edward H. Hudson, '03-'05, retired Norman engineer, died February 22 after a short illness. Hudson, 69, entered private contracting in 1936 and served as civil engineer with the Oklahoma Corporation Commission until his retirement in 1945.

John Gordon Mitchell, '19ma, former president of Central State College at Edmond, died February 9 in Seminole. Mitchell, 75, had been president of Central State from 1919 until 1931. In 1931 he resigned and became superintendent of schools at Seminole until his retirement in 1945.

1921-30

Carl Reistle, Jr., '22eng, is now vice president in charge of production of the Humble Oil and Refining Company.

Miss Doris Taylor, '28ba, '39ma, Oklahoma City Central Highschool English teacher, was honored recently by the school's athletic lettermen who selected her "sweetheart to end all sweethearts," a traditional title. The honor, which is usually bestowed on a highschool girl, was given Miss Taylor for her unfailing interest in athletic events and her lusty support of same.

Dr. V. M. Rutherford, '30bs, '32med, Oklahoma City, was recently elected secretary-treasurer of the Oklahoma Academy of General Practice,

An error occurred in the October, 1955, Sooner Magazine. It was reported that Miss Crystal Risinger, '27ba, and George Bailey, both of Muskogee, were married in early fall. Corrected, the item should read: Miss Crystal Risinger, '27ba, and George B. Meyer, both of Muskogee, were married in early fall. They live in Muskogee. DEATHS: Mrs. R. L. Murdoch, sr., '24nurse, died January 31 in Oklahoma City after a lengthy illness. A prominent civic and church figure and wife of an Oklahoma City surgeon, she was 57. Mrs. Murdoch was a native of Toronto, Canada.

Bruce B. Potter, '24ba, '24Law, Blackwell attorney, died February 26. Potter, who was 60, returned to Kay County after his graduation from O.U. and set an all-time conviction record as county attorney in the county and district courts. He was active in Republican political circles throughout the state.

Francis H. Turner, '25-'29, formerly of Oklahoma City, died February 8 in San Francisco, California. Turner was married and had an infant son, Michael Turner. He was 48, and had entered business on the west coast after a term of duty during World War II.

Ervin M. Brown, '29ba, Fox River Grove, Illinois, died January 30 on a train enroute to his home. He was the general commercial personnel supervisor for the Illinois Bell Telephone Company. He was married and has two children, Nancy, a student at Syracuse University, and Timothy, 14.

1931-35

Col. James C. Todd, '31Law, and Mrs. Todd (the former Louise Bagby, '34ba) are now in Budapest, Hungary, where the colonel is assigned as a military attache.

D. C. Frost, '31ba, publisher of the Hobart Star-Review, was honored at the Oklahoma Press Association's mid-winter meeting for writing the state's best newspaper editorial of 1955. Frost's editorial, "No, Mike," was in opposition to Senator Mike Monroney's views on federal school aid.

Harold S. Skinner, '32Law, has been promoted to associate general counsel for the Continental Oil Company. Skinner practiced law for 16 years in Holdenville before joining Continental in 1948. He has been administrative assistant to the president in Houston since 1954.

James Robinson, '32ba, '32Law, O.U. extension division specialist, has been appointed chairman of the Speech Association of America's section on high school discussion and debate. Robinson is director of the Oklahoma High School Speech League.

Mrs. Virginia Carter Stumbrough, '33ma, Evanston, Illinois, recently contributed a valuable collection of 405 early American books for children to the O.U. library. The books, which include a Noah Webster reader of 1810, were given in memory of Mrs. Stumbrough's father, Charles Edward Carter, formerly head of the Equitable Royalty Company of Oklahoma City.

Henry Burton Housh, '33bus, is manager of Wilson & Company's plant in Albert Lea, Minnesota. He joined the company as a stenographer in 1933.

Ralph Cissne, '33bus, has resigned his job as state department of commerce and industry public relations man, to join the Oklahoma Development Council. Cissne will head a fund drive for the council, an industrial organization.

Dr. Gaston Litton, '34Lib.sci, '40ma, O.U. history professor and archivist, has been granted a five month leave of absence to serve as consultant to the University of Panama. Dr. Litton was sent at the request of the U. S. Department of State.

Earl Sneed, jr., '34ba, '37Law, O.U. Dean of the School of Law, has been elected president of the Sneed Oil Company of Tulsa.

MARRIAGE: Miss Ruth Ulda Brookhart, '31ed, Ponca City, and Glenn Merle McGuckin, Norman, were married recently in Ponca City. They are living in Norman.

DEATHS: Joe F. Birge, '31Law, retired Oklahoma City lawyer, died February 16. Birge, a former legal assistant for the Veterans Administration, established his practice in Oklahoma City in 1931. He was 53 and a member of Phi Gamma Delta fraternity at O.U.

Cleo Wilson, '33ba, '36Law, Tulsa attorney, and his wife, Lula May Wilson, died February 7 as the result of a highway accident south of Chelsea. Wilson, 47, was a former state president of the Oklahoma Young Republicans and former president of Tulsa's Junior Chamber of Commerce. He and Mrs. Wilson, who was 40, died instantly when their car collided head-on with a semi-truck.

1936-40

Miss Helen M. Simgs, '36journ, is now in charge of the information office at the University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City.

Dr. Elmer Ridgeway, '38bs, '40med, Oklahoma City, has been elected president of the Oklahoma Academy of General Practice.

John D. McCall, '38eng, is the owner of a motel and restaurant, El Naranjo, Mexico. McCall's motel is located 15 miles west of the Pan American Highway approximately 90 miles west of Tampico. He recommends the location as ideal for a view of Old Mexico and hunting, fishing and swimming.

Oakley MacDonald Woodward, jr., '38eng, was in Oklahoma City in early February to give a discussion of his special research project with radio antennas before the Institute of Radio Engineers. Woodward, formerly of Oklahoma City, has been with the RCA Company of Princeton, New Jersey, since 1940.

Herbert Hope, '39bus, '42Law, Oklahoma state

ALL SPORTS DAY

The 1956 All Sports Day will be held April 14 on the O.U. campus. Featuring the annual Varsity-Alumni football game, this year's events are as follows:

9 a.m., tennis, O.U. vs. East Texas State College of Commerce.

10 a.m., wrestling, an exhibition.

12 noon, baseball, O.U. vs. A&M. 2:30 p.m., Varsity-Alumni football game.

3:45 p.m., track, O.U., Colorado and Nebraska in triangular meet.

senator, has been appointed chairman for the 1956 Oklahoma Mental Health Finance compaign. Hope is currently state director of selective service.

Eugene F. Culp, '39eng, '50ms, is co-editor of the Oklahoma City Geological Society's new geological guide book to Oklahoma's highways. Culp collaborated with fellow geologists Carl C. Branson and Eugene B. Brewster on the project.

John L. Dalke, '39ms, was recently promoted by the radio standards division of the National Bureau of Standards' Boulder, Colorado, laboratories. He is now chief of the high frequency impedance section. Dalke joined the bureau's staff in 1947 in Washington, D. C.

E. F. Cates, '39m.ed, has been re-elected superintendent of the Hollis Public Schools by the local school board.

Dr. Rene Gabriel Gerard, '40bs, '41ba, '44med, Denison, Texas, was recently elected president of the Grayson County Medical Society.

James H. Stevens, '40ed, Dallas, has been named "Man of the Year for 1955" by his company, the Atlantic Life Insurance Company. Stevens, the company's general agent in Dallas, led in volume and was second in both premium income and quality business.

Harvey Richert, '40bus, Weatherford, was one of nine O.U. graduates who successfully passed the certified public accountant test given recently by the state Board of Accountancy.

MARRIAGE: Miss Joy Hester, '36ba, '38ma, and William Curtis Collins, both of Bartlesville, were married February 3 in Norman. Collins is a graduate of the University of Tennessee and is a native of Nashville. The couple is living in Bartlesville where both are employed by the Phillips Petroleum Company.

BIRTHS: Jack Douglas, '36ba, and Mrs. Douglas (the former Mary Steen, '43ba, '48ma), Norman, are the parents of a baby boy born January 29.

Lawrence C. Prime, '40-'42, and Mrs. Prime, Oklahoma City, have selected the name Lawrence Charles Prime, jr., for their son born February 3. The couple also has a daughter, Tally Prime, 10.

1941-45

Roy E. Caruthers, '41eng, was recently promoted to assistant manager of marketing for Continental Oil Company's central region, which has its headquarters in Oklahoma City. He has been with the company since 1946.

Bert McElroy, '41Law, Tulsa, was elected temporary chairman of the state G.O.P. convention recently.

William R. Lavery, '41eng, was recently appointed sales supervisor of Tuloma Gas Products Company in Tulsa. He has been with the company since 1954.

Henry Dacus, '41m.ed, has resigned as superintendent of schools at Roosevelt after nine years at the post.

Dayle O. Collup, '42bs, is now a member of the technical staff of the systems laboratories of the Hughes Research and Development plant in Culver City, California.

John C. Straiton, '42eng, left Oklahoma City midway through February for Honduras, where he will serve as a consultant to the Honduras government. Accompanying Straiton were his wife and two sons, David, 8, and John Straiton, 12.

Frederick E. Hopkins, '42bus, has been named assistant division accountant of Stanolind Oil and Gas Company's North Texas-New Mexico division. He joined the company in 1946 after serving a term of duty with the Navy.

Edward H. Grinnell, '42, O.U. research associate in pharmacology, has been awarded a \$5,000 grant to study chemical changes in the bloodstream during the new "cooling" process used in Student Report Card

Drop By Any Time

Student columnist presents an ageless scene: a student tries to outwit his professor in the academic struggle.

By PERRY ROBINSON, '57journ

One of the most interesting of the behind-the-scenes activities that take place at O.U. and all universities is the unwitting drama provided by the student when he tries to "con" his professor or "sell him a bill of goods." The objective of the conference varies but the methods seldom change. The saddest of all human experiences are related behind the shelter of those numbered office doors.

What is more amusing than the methods used is the fact that the student invariably believes that the professor has believed all. Here is the way one student fared.

The student, a short, crewcut blond, knocks respectfully on the door of the office. The professor, a tall man with iron-gray hair and a kindly air, welcomes him and motions to a chair.

"Dr. Randall, I just wanted to talk to you about how I am doing in this course. I guess I'm enrolled in too many hours, because I sure don't seem to have enough time to devote to this subject. But I really like it better than all of my other subjects." He pauses, and gazes earnestly at Dr. Randall.

"That's too bad, son; perhaps you could drop a course."

"Well, sir, I can't. You see, I'm working my way through school and I have to be through in three years. I work about 50 hours a week besides carrying 19 hours. I want to go into pre-med or law and I need to speed right through these lower division courses."

Dr. Randall nods sympathetically and lights his pipe, tapping the bowl first on the arm of his chair to clean it out.

Encouraged, the blond continues, "How am I doing so far?" he asks, with a halo of sincerity wreathing his face.

Dr. Randall leans forward and peruses his gradebook. "About a D right now, but you should be able to bring it up easily if you apply yourself."

The blond shakes his head, as if surprised and distressed at the same time. "The night before that first big test I had the flu and was in the infirmary all night. Then they let me out just in time to take the test. I have always been unhealthy. It runs in the family. Dad sure is having trouble making ends meet."

Dr. Randall leans forward interestedly. "Why, that's too bad. Well, it never rains but it pours."

The blond shakes his head worriedly. "My folks are trying to send my sister through a girls' school too, and you know girls can't work. I wish I could work more and help her through school. But my doctor told me I couldn't stand more than 40 hours per week." Dr. Randall nods in complete understanding, his soft brown eyes blurring with compassion under their shaggy white brows.

The blond rises suddenly. "Well, I don't want to take any more of your time. Just wanted to see how I was getting along. Always have been interested in this stuff."

"You drop by any time," Dr. Randall says kindly, and shuffles his papers.

The big oak door closes. His secretary arrives and he turns to her.

"Another victim of circumstances was in. None of my students seem to lead ordinary lives." Picking up his hat, he starts toward the door. "Maybe I'd better go outside and see if the world has changed."

Outside, the blond greets a buddy with an exultant grin. "Boy, he really took it in, hook, line and sinker. Believed every word of it. Told me to drop in any time. Now to see my math prof."

Shoulders swinging jauntily, the blond exits, supremely confident of his ability to convince any professor of anything.



The Pottawatomie County Alumni Club met February 7 in Shawnee. The meeting was arranged by Executive Board Member Nadine Norton Love, '52ba, pictured at left. She is seen with Mrs. Shirley Haddock Bowers, '43fa, and Dr. Grady Bowers, '47bus, new club president, and Don Stiller, end for the 1956 Orange Bowl team from Shawnee. Included on the dinner program was a screening of the Orange Bowl film and a speech by President George L. Cross.



The Harmon County Alumni Club met February 23 in Hollis. The club saw the Orange Bowl film and heard a short report on preparation of high school students for college entrance. Hollis alumni in attendance included Mrs. Hallie Barry Cavness, '47m.ed, vice president; her husband; Mrs. Georgia Reeves Crow, '34ed, president; Emory Crow, '42bus; Mrs. Tom Briscoe, and Mrs. Lady Dudley, '32ba, new secretary for the Harmon County Alumni group.

heart surgery. He was given the grant by the American Heart Association.

Jack McWilliams, '42eng, has been promoted to district engineer of Stanolind Oil and Gas Company's Houston district office. He was formerly senior petroleum engineer in the same office.

Ray Shirley and Mrs. Shirley (the former Virginia Lee Minnick, '42bs), are living in Crowell, Texas, where he is employed as a druggist. They have four children, Karen Adele, 8; Robert Ray, jr., 6; Kay Ellen, 3, and Kathryn Bea Shirley, 1. Mrs. Shirley, a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority at O.U., was 1953 Charter President of the Vernon, Texas, Branch of the American Association of University Women. Mrs. Charlyce King, '43h.ec, '49m.h.ec, O.U. assistant counselor of women, is on leave of absence from her job to do work for a Ph.D. She is studying in the O.U. School of Education and the subject of her thesis will be the attitudes of college women toward student organizations.

Alfred B. Ashley, '44eng, and Mrs. Ashley, along with their son, Stevie Ashley, $5\frac{1}{2}$, have left Oklahoma City to establish a home in Sacramento, California.

BIRTH: W. J. Pruett, '41bus, and Mrs. Pruett (the former Naomi Middleton, '41bus), Fort Worth, have selected the name Mary Jane for their daughter born February 20. They have a son, Bill Pruett, 9.

1946

Capt. Joseph P. Strong, '46med, and Mrs. Strong (the former Margaret Conkling, '40h.ec) are living in Munich, Germany, where he is stationed with the Army. They have two children, Susie, 10, and Robert Strong, 5.

Troy Knowles, '46bus, was recently promoted to assistant to the chairman of the board of Helene Curtis Industries, Inc., in Chicago. Knowles has been in Chicago since 1948.

1947

William D. Schubert, '47, has been appointed assistant sales manager of the P. H. Hanes Knitting Company. Schubert, who joined the company in 1950, is married and the father of three children.

Pete W. Cawthon, jr., '47eng, '49ms, has been promoted to assistant vice president of the oil and gas division of the City National Bank of Houston. He and Mrs. Cawthon (the former Charlsie McLaughlin, '45ed) have three sons, Pete III, 7; Mark, 4, and David Cawthon, 10 months. Cawthon joined the bank as a petroleum engineer in 1950.

1948

Bill Bentley, '48journ, is serving as president of the Oklahoma Golfer's Association this year.

George L. Noah, '48bus, '54ma, O.U. assistant professor of finance, was recently admitted to the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers. Noah joined the University faculty in 1948.

John H. Wishnick, '48eng, is vice president and general manager of Crowell Designs Inc. in West Point Pleasant, New Jersey. He and Mrs. Wishnick live in Scarsdale, New York, and have three children, Linda, 10; Laura, 8, and Bobby Wishnick, 6.

Bruce L. Kates, '48journ, is now production manager for the Yates Advertising Agency of Fort Worth, Texas.

Bill L. Shelton, '48ba, '51ma, has resigned his position as state editor of the Wichita Falls (Tex.) *Times* to take a job with the Long Beach (Cal.) *Independent*. He had previously worked on the Altus *Times-Democrat* and the Tulsa *Tribune*.

Capt. Sam E. Neely, '48med, formerly of Muskogee, is a consultant in aviation medicine for the nationalist Chinese government in Tiwan, Formosa. Captain Neely, a member of the Army Medical Corps, was married to Sarah McAfee of Fort Worth in September, 1955.

J. P. Badami, '48eng, has been promoted to the newly created position of geophysical supervisor for Continental Oil Company. He will have headquarters at Durango, Colorado.

BIRTHS: Dr. J. S. Boyle, '48med, and Mrs. Boyle, Oklahoma City, have chosen the name Mary Ann Boyle for their daughter born February 20. The couple has another daughter, Joan Boyle, $1\frac{1}{2}$.

L. B. Nicholson and Mrs. Nicholson (the former Ruth Wimbish, '48journ), Garland, Texas, named their daughter born December 7, 1955, Penelope Elizabeth Nicholson.

Albert M. Donnell, '48bus, and Mrs. Donnell (the former Virginia Duffy, '44-'47), McAlester, selected the name David Miles Donnell for their son born January 21. Donnell is manager of the McAlester hospital.

1949

Clee Fitzgerald, '49ba, '51Law, Stillwater attorney, was recently honored as "Stillwater's outstanding young man of 1955" by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Fitzgerald, active in many organizations, is state attorney for the American Legion, a deacon in the Presbyterian Church, director of the local Lions Club, and attorney for the state department of Public Safety.

Stanley O. Shelton, '49journ, was recently pro-

moted from wire editor to state editor of the Wichita Falls (Tex.) *Times*. He was formerly employed by the Vernon (Tex.) *Daily Record* and the Sherman (Tex.) *Democrat*.

Miss Lucy Mae Yarnell, '49ed, assistant professor of business administration at West Texas State College, was the guest speaker at the recent initiation-dinner of Delta Pi Epsilon, national honorary graduate fraternity, in Norman. Her talk, "Tales from Texas," outlined improvement of business education and problems of the future.

MARRIAGE: Miss Mary Ruth Sandford, Chickasha, and Charles Robert Maxey, '49bus, Shawnee, were married February 16 in Chickasha. The couple has established a home in Stillwater.

BIRTHS: Robert Steen Smith, '49bus, and Mrs. Smith, Tulsa, have selected the name Craig Busey Smith for their son born January 20. They also have a daughter, Robin Anne Smith, 2.

Dean K. Emery, '49ba, '51Law, and Mrs. Emery (the former Wanda Davis, '50ba, '51ma), Pauls Valley, have selected the name Barbara Ann Emery for their daughter born January 17. They have two other children, Lee Monroe, 3½, and Laura Leone Emery, 2.

Bob G. Villines and Mrs. Villines (the former Donna Lee Haggard, '49ba), Enid, have chosen the name Catherine Irene Villines for their daughter born January 15.

Don C. Boulton, '49bus, and Mrs. Boulton (the former Grace Ward, '48ba), Oklahoma City, have chosen the name Scot William Boulton for their son born January 29.

Rev. Joe Hazlitt, '49ba, and Mrs. Hazlitt (the former Martha Anne Davis, '51ed), Oklahoma City, have chosen the name Angela Dawn Hazlitt for their daughter born January 22.

1950

Irving Trachtenberg, '50journ, is now a sales executive for the national sales department of the Radio Advertising Bureau, Inc. Before receiving the promotion, he had been an accountant executive for three years. Before joining the company, he was associated with the New York *Daily News* and the Oklahoma City *Times*.

Lieut. Jo Ann Stitler, '50ba, Beggs, recently graduated from the basic course of the Women's Army Corps center at Fort McClellan, Alabama. Lieutenant Stitler joined the army in Japan where she was working for the army as a clerk-stenographer. She will remain at Fort McClellan as a training officer.

Thompson A. Gonce, '50ma, Oklahoma City, recently passed the examination given by the state Board of Accountancy for persons wishing to become certified public accountants.

John E. Heaney, '50journ, recently resigned his position with the United Press bureau in Oklahoma City to join the staff of the *Shell News*, the employe publication of the Shell Oil Company of New York. Heaney formerly worked on the *Ponca City News* and the *Tulsa Daily World*.

Ray Tassin, '50journ, sold the Konawa Leader, a weekly newspaper, recently and entered O.U. at midyear to work toward a master's degree in journalism. Tassin was news editor of the *Clinton Daily News* before purchasing the Konawa paper in 1953.

Edward B. Dycus, '50journ, resigned his reporting job with the Oklahoma City Times recently to take the job of editor of the Oklahoma City Advertiser. Dycus is a veteran newspaperman, having worked on five different papers.

MARRIAGES: Miss Emily Jane Travis, Lansing, Michigan, and Robert Marten Wiese, '50Law, Oklahoma City, were married February 11 in Lansing. Wiese was a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity at O.U. The couple is living in Billings, Montana. Miss Mary Susan Healy, Birmingham, Alabama, and Charles Ray Hale, '50bs, Moore, were married January 28 in Houston. The couple has established a home in Houston.

Miss Margaret Faye Hannon, Indianapolis, and Charles Hill Johns, jr., '50, Oklahoma City, were married February 11 in Indianapolis. Johns, a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity, served as a first lieutenant in Korea.

BIRTH: Edward N. Litman, '50ba, and Mrs. Litman, Jackson, Mississippi, have selected the name Pamela Cecile Litman for their daughter born January 29.

1951

Robert M. Poe, '51bus, Oklahoma City, is stationed with the Army at Fort Sill. Before entering the Army in November, 1954, he was employed by the Buick Motor Division of the General Motors Corporation.

Herbert F. Holden, '51bus, Tulsa, successfully completed the certified public accountant test given by the Oklahoma Board of Accountancy.

Mrs. Mildred Earhart, '51m.ed, was honored recently in Oklahoma City for her nine years service as principal of the county school at Will Rogers Field. A "This Is Your Life" program, a threetiered cake, and various gifts were on the surprise agenda, which Mrs. Earhart thought was an ordinary Parent-Teacher Association meeting. She has been teaching since 1924.

A. Haeworth Robertson, '51ba, formerly of Oklahoma City, was recently promoted to associate actuary in the Dallas office of the Wyatt Company. He joined the company last August after his discharge from the Air Force. He is married and has one daughter, Valerie Lynn, $2\frac{1}{2}$.

MARRIAGE: Miss Roanne Rian, Jamestown, North Carolina, and Bobby Keen Pulliam, '51ba, Ada, were married in early February in Jamestown. They are living in Takoma Park, Maryland.

BIRTHS: Dr. Thomas Neil Lynn, jr., '51bus, '55med, and Mrs. Lynn (the former Virginia Harsh, '52ba), St. Louis, have chosen the name Thomas Neil Lynn, III, for their son born February 3.

Glenn Wilson, '51ba, '52ma, and Mrs. Wilson, '52ba (the former Helen O'Dell), announced the birth of a daughter, Lacey Ann, December 9. The Wilsons also have twin sons. Mrs. Wilson is a former Roll Call editor of *Sooner Magazine*. The family lives in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Monroe L. Billington, '51ma, and Mrs. Billington (the former Mary Elizabeth Salter, '50ba), Vermillion, South Dakota, have selected the name Marian Lewis Billington for their son born January 5. Billington is a member of the University of South Dakota faculty in the history department.

Manford R. Haxton, '51eng, and Mrs. Haxton, Texas City, Texas, have chosen the name John Robert Haxton for their son born January 20. They have two other sons, Charles Manford, 4½, and William Edward Haxton, 3.

Calvin C. Steinberger, '51eng, and Mrs. Steinberger (the former Margaret Mathis, '49h.ec), Houston, selected the name Gail Steinberger for their daughter born November 18. The couple has two other daughters, Lynn, 4, and Peggy Steinberger, 2.

1952

William E. Martin, '52eng, and his wife are now living in Grand Prairie, Texas, where he is employed by the Chance Vought Aircraft Company. Martin recently returned from Germany and received his discharge from the Army.

Robert Fulton, jr., '52bus, was recently released from duty by the Air Force and has returned to Chickasha where he is associated with Fulton Motor Company. He and Mrs. Fulton have been living in Wichita, Kansas, where he was stationed at McConnell Air Force Base.

Donald Baxter, '52bus, Ninnekah, passed the recent state examination for certified public accountants.

Irvin R. Lumley, '52bus, Chickasha, passed the recent certified public accountant examination given by the State Board of Accountancy.

E. J. Wadkins, '52journ, was recently appointed wire editor of the Wichita Falls (Tex.) *Record-News*. He has worked on the Pauls Valley *Democrat* and the Clinton *Daily News*.

Zenon Navmark, '52eng, has joined the ground systems division of the Hughes Research and Development Company in Culver City, California. Navmark was formerly employed by the Southern California Gas Company.

Ralph C. Martin, '52eng, is now employed as a process engineer in the Dhahran District of Arabia. He is associated with the Arabian American Oil Company.

Lois Cohen, '52ba, is presently employed by Nieman-Marcus in Dallas.

Lee R. West, '52ba, Antlers, was recently granted the annual \$500 scholarship awarded in the



Lieut. Bill R. Hise, '42eng, '54ms, and Mrs. Anne Warren Hise, '53eng, '54eng, are pictured with their son, Richard Warren, born November 8. The Hises are living in Edwards, California, where he is serving at Edwards Air Force Base.

O.U. College of Law by the Liberty National Bank and Trust Company of Oklahoma City.

MARRIAGES: Miss Olna Ruth Watson, Haileyville, and Charles Ronald Bassett, '53bus, Anadarko, were married February 12 in McAlester. Mrs. Bassett received a degree in music from the Oklahoma College for Women.

Miss Mary Elizabeth Lockhart, '52bus, Oklahoma City, and Joe W. McKinnon, '55eng, Ada, were married January 28 in Oklahoma City.

Miss Julia Anetta Beckman, '52bus, Muskogee, and Richard O'Dell Cain, Oklahoma City, were married January 28 in Muskogee. Mrs. Cain was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority at O.U. Cain graduated from Culver Military Academy in Indiana. The couple has made a home in Oklahoma City.

BIRTHS: Dr. James G. Billingsley, '52bs, '55med, and Mrs. Billingsley (the former Nancy Matlock, '52ed), have chosen the nome James Allen Billingsley for their son born February 18 in Phoenix, Arizona.

Jack Foster, '52journ, and Mrs. Foster, Abilene, Texas, announced the birth of a son, Kelly Freeman, November 10.

Martin Tanzer, '52pharm, and Mrs. Tanzer (the former Peggy Hollis, '51journ), Butler, New

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The in-coming president, Irving S. Higbee, '42bus, receives some tips from out-going president, Leo L. Baker, '38eng, when new officers were elected recently for the Oklahoma University Club of Dallas, Texas. Baker is also the alumni representative on the O.U. Athletic Council.

Jersey, announced the birth of a daughter, Kim Michel, their first, November 12.

John M. Holladay, jr., '52eng, and Mrs. Holladay (the former Sue Mayes, '52ed) selected the name Sherry Lynn Holladay for their daughter born last July 26 in Ponca City. Holladay is an engineer with the Kewanee Oil Company in Shidler.

1953

Richard C. Alden, jr., '53eng, is studying for his master's degree in engineering at the University of Michigan. He and Mrs. Alden are living in Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Miss Dorothy Frances Reynolds, '53-'54, Fort Worth, is now a stewardess with Delta Air Lines and is based in Atlanta, Georgia.

Robert Ellsworth Anderson, '53bus, is living in Miami, Oklahoma, where he is concerned with the real estate and insurance business.

Lieut. Warren K. Jordan, '52journ, is serving as a public information officer with the 15th quartermaster battalion in Germany.

Miss Laura Sanders, '53journ, is touring Europe after joining her mother, Mrs. Anna Belle Nations, in Bremerhaven, Germany. Miss Sanders was formerly a society reporter for the Wichita Falls (Tex.) *Times.*

Jim L. Litton, '53bus, and Mrs. Litton (the former Rita McDowell, '53bs) are living in Oklahoma City after returning recently from Germany, where Litton spent $1\frac{1}{2}$ years stationed with the Army near Munich.

Edwin R. Harris, '53bs, Lawton, was recently awarded the \$1,500 per year American Heart Foundation Chemistry Fellowship. Harris, a graduate student in chemistry, is currently exploring the presence of vanadium in the bodies of marine animals.

Lieut. Bobby J. L. Fox, '53-'54, Hominy, was recently commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army after graduating from the Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Lieutenant Fox was in the artillery and guided missile division.

Walter D. Jenkins, '53eng, is now junior petroleum engineer in the Stanolind Oil and Gas Company's Greggton, Texas, office.

William Curtis Blaylock, '53ba, Poteau, has been granted a scholarship to study in Mexico by the Institute of International Education in New York City. Blaylock, a Phi Beta Kappa, attended Stanford and the University of California before graduating from O.U. BIRTHS: James S. Owen and Mrs. Owen (the former Pat Parker, '53ed), Strawn, Texas, have selected the name Robin Gwen for their daughter born January 18. The couple was married last March and have made a home in Strawn, just outside of Fort Worth, where Owen is employed as a pharmacist.

Dennis Berend, '55-'56, and Mrs. Berend (the former Nelva Templeton, '53bfa, '54mfa, Altus), Norman, have selected the name Cynthia Renee Berend for their daughter born January 26 at Altus.

Lieut. Don O. Clark, '53ba, and Mrs. Clark have chosen the name Steven Brandon Clark for their son born January 26 in Lawton. Lieutenant Clark is stationed with the Army at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and his wife is living in Lawton with her parents.

1954

Coleman "Buck" McPhail, '50-'54, former All-American fullback at O.U., has signed a professional football contract with the Baltimore Colts. McPhail was voted the most valuable player in Army football last year while playing for Fort Sill. In his senior year with the Sooners, the fullback was the third best runner in the nation with 1,018 yards gained.

Lt. Col. Nolan C. Hatcher, '54m.ed, and Mrs. Hatcher are now living in Maryland, where he is with the Headquarters of the Military Air Transport Service at Andrews Air Force Base. Colonel Hatcher is a former assistant professor of Air Science at O.U.

Lieut. Ron B. Blue, '54bus, Wellington, Kansas, is a member of the Fort Sill Army basketball team this season. Blue, who entered the Army in October, 1955, was a starter on the O.U. basketball team at forward.

Lieut. Carl D. McGee, jr., '54bus, is stationed in Munich, Germany, with the Army paratroops. He was joined by Mrs. McGee (the former Patti Black, '51-'53) and their daughter, Marci Anne McGee, 2 months, late in February in Munich.

MARRIAGES: Mrs. Harriet Herring and Ranel Hanson, '54Law, both of Oklahoma City, were married February 18. They have established a home in Oklahoma City.

Miss Mary Kathryn Graham, '54ed, Blackwell, and John Earnest Thompson, Ponca City, were married February 18 in Ponca City. Mrs. Thompson was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority at O.U., and Thompson, who attended both O.U. and Colorado University, was affiliated with Kappa Sigma fraternity. They are living in Blackwell.

Miss Shirley Jean McFarland, Oklahoma City, and William Dawson Ansley, '54bus, Ardmore, were married February 3 in Oklahoma City. Mrs. Ansley is a graduate of Northern Illinois State Teachers' College.



When the Penncol Development Corporation was formed last summer, two O.U. graduates were named to top positions. They're pictured with the corporation president. They are George H. Reneau, '42p.eng, Denver, vice president; Robert Wylie, president; and William A. Hessin, '42p.eng, Denver, secretary-treasurer of the newly formed oil property management group.

Miss Lucy Ann Griffin and Marshal Dale Bateman, '54bus, both of Oklahoma City, were married January 27. Mrs. Bateman graduated from Oklahoma A&M where she was a member of Chi Omega sorority. Bateman, who attended Shawnee High School, was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at O.U. They are living in Oklahoma City.

1955

Lieut. George P. Haley, jr., '55ba, Norman, has entered the Navy's School of Justice after completing his Marine basic training at Quantico, Virginia. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity at O.U.

Richard Sonnenfeld, '55ms, Oklahoma City, recently visited the Eastman Kodak laboratories in Rochester, New York, as part of his Eastman fellowship program. Sonnenfeld receives \$2,100 and the University \$1,000 under terms of the fellowship. He is doing research work in the field of organic chemistry.

Lieut. Carl A. White, '55bus, recently completed the Navy's basic officers' course at Quantico and was assigned to duty. Lieutenant White is from Chandler.

Miss Carolyn Way, '55ed, has been appointed to the faculty of the University of Arkansas. She will teach physical education and direct a dance group.

Kuyk Logan, '55journ, recently resigned as manager of the *Daily Oklahoman* and *Times* bureau in Norman to take a job as wire editor of the San Angelo (Tex.) *Standard-Times*. Logan, former editor of the *Oklahoma Daily*, had been a member of the bureau staff since 1953.

Raymond D. Powers, '55bs, is currently working toward a master of science degree at the California Institute of Technology under the Hughes Aircraft Company's cooperative fellowship program. He attends classes on a half-time schedule and is employed in the Hughes laboratory work the rest of the time.

Lieut. Duan P. Whelan, '55eng, is stationed at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida. He is a project engineer at the Air Force armament center.

MARRIAGE: Miss Dominique Stasinos, Paris, France, and Lieut. Gary E. McCalla, '55journ, Chickasha, were married December 16 in Paris. At the time of the marriage, Lieutenant McCalla was stationed with the Army at Verdun.

Mrs. Barbara Montgomery, Boise City, and James Allen Holdomb, '55pharm, Ukia, California, were married recently in Oklahoma City. They have made a home in Oklahoma City.

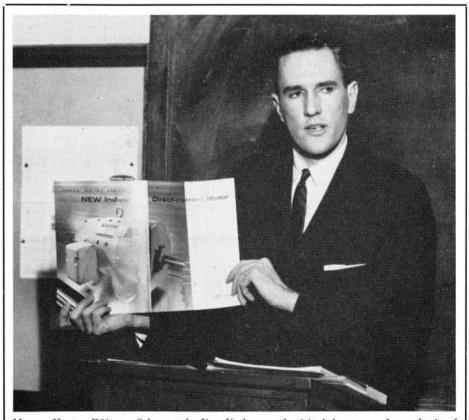
Miss Connie Ann Caswell, Tulsa, and Lieut. James Edward Kelm, '55eng, Oklahoma City, were married in late February in Tulsa. Kelm was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity at O.U. The couple is living in Winter Haven, Florida, where he is stationed with the Air Force.

Miss Sylvia Jo DeFrange and Robert A. Stizza, '55bus, both of Krebs, were married February 11. The couple is living in Muskogee.

Miss Helen Joan Zellers, '55ba, Houston, and Lieut. Richard M. Gache, Rockville Center, New York, were married recently in Houston. Mrs. Gache was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority at O.U. The couple is living in Miami, Florida, where Lieutenant Gache, a graduate of Colgate University, is stationed with the Air Force.

Miss Mary Ruth Huffman, Clinton, and Lieut. Howard E. O'Neal, '55bus, Norman, were married January 24 in Norman. Lieutenant O'Neal entered the Army in October. The couple is living in Auburn, Washington.

Miss Patti Patton, '55ba, Duncan, and John A. Brett, '55, Oklahoma City, were married January 28 in Duncan. Mrs. Brett was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority at O.U. and was selected for mem-



Morgan Hunter, '53journ, Schenectady, New York, recently visited the campus for professional purposes. He is a copywriter in industry advertising for the General Electric Company. He was at O.U. to interview journalism seniors for possible employment by his company. Hunter joined General Electric immediately after his graduation. He is married and has a son.

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Miss Barbara Hudson, Pawhuska, and Guido E. Delgado, '55eng, La Paz, Bolivia, were married January 28 in Pawhuska. At O.U. Delgado was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and Mrs. Delgado was associated with Alpha Delta Pi sorority.

Miss Jane Harris, '55journ, and Richard Milner Van Cleef, '51bus, both of Oklahoma City, were married February 7. Mrs. Van Cleef was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority at O.U. and Van Cleef, a veteran of two years service with the Army, was associated with Phi Gamma Delta fraternity. They are living in Oklahoma City. Miss Marian Graye Chambers, Oklahoma City, and Dr. James Clyde Beavers, '55med, Garber, were married February 3 in Oklahoma City. Mrs. Beavers is clinical instructor at the Mercy Hospital School of Nursing. They have established a home in Oklahoma City.

Mortar Board Rewards Outstanding O.U. Coeds

"I tap you for Mortar Board."

The words, spoken by a girl wearing a black cap and gown, cause a murmur to sweep the classroom.

The procession files out, and the pro-

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Through her mind march three years of making posters and writing letters, doing committee work and holding offices. She has served her college well through the activities of its campus. Yet, somehow, in each busy day she has found time for the concentrated study that put her near the top of her class scholastically. Today she has been rewarded.

Each spring this little drama is repeated on the O.U. campus when new members are chosen for Mortar Board, honorary society for senior women. It is the only group on the campus which uses both scholarship and campus activities as basis for membership. The standards for membership, as stated by Mortar Board, are scholarship, leadership and service.

Any Junior girl with at least a 3.00 overall grade average may make application for membership. The members screen and eliminate, using an affirmative method of voting. There is no quota on new members. The chapter takes in as many girls as are regarded as having fulfilled the ideals of Mortar Board. The number each year ranges from 10 to 15.

The history of O.U.'s Mortar Board chapter dates back to 1925. In that year, a local petitioning group received its charter as Owl and Triangle chapter of Mortar Board.

At O.U., the traditions of Mortar Board are mainly service projects. Perhaps the best known of these is the Mortar Board Walkout held early in the school year. It is especially for new students, but any woman student may attend. The crowd gathers in front of the Administration Building and forms a procession led by Mortar Board members in caps and gowns. Members of Alpha Lambda Delta, honorary organization for freshman women, are spaced at intervals in the procession. They light the way with Chinese lanterns. The procession winds to the mirror pool in front of the stadium where they hear several songs by the Women's Glee Club. The next stop is behind the library. Here a program is presented by Orchesis, women's modern dance club. The procession ends at one of the auditoriums on the campus where several presentations are made.

Awards are given the sorority houses, dormitories and pledge classes who had the highest grade averages during the preceding semester. Then, the ten most outstanding freshman women from the preceding year are announced.