

ROLL CALL

of Alumni Newsmakers

Phi Beta Kappas

Four University of Oklahoma alumni have been elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa. The Alumni Office annually receives nominations of outstanding graduates of more than 10 years who are in turn considered by the local Phi Beta Kappa chapter for membership.

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GOLDEN DAYS—These two coeds were half of a well-known team on the campus in 1937. If you can identify them drop us a line. For February's man-behind-the-peace-pipe, turn to page 16.

a series of brief news stories of events shaping the lives of the alumni family

1900-15

Horace A. Sommers, '00ph.c, is now retired and living in Perry.

C. W. Davis, '05pharm, is now in retirement at his home in Shawnee. He and his wife have two daughters, three grandsons and five greatgranddaughters.

S. J. Bradfield, '15med, is a general practitioner in Tulsa.

DEATH: Charles Armstrong, '10ba, died April 11 in Oakwood, Oklahoma.

1916-17

William E. Corkill, '16ba, is now living in San Antonio, Texas. He retired in 1945 as an Army colonel after his return from overseas.

Marvin S. McMurtrey, '16ba, Lincoln, Nebraska, has retired after 25 years with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He is now working for the State of Nebraska making a survey of that state's water resources.

Fred Lyman Tibbitts, '16ba, '19ma, San Luis Obispo, California, recently retired as counseling psychologist for the Veterans Administration and is now employed at the California State Polytechnic College as a counselor. He and his wife, Lucile, '24ba, recently took a seven month tour around the world.

T. D. D. Quaid, '17ba, '21ma, '37ph.d, is now retired and living in Enid. Before his retirement he had taught school for 57 years.

1920-21

Joseph H. Benton, '20ba, '21fa, '41ma, will compete 21 years as a vocal music professor at O.U. in June. He was recently made a fellow in the American Institute of Vocal Pedagogy, a high echelon in the National Association of the Teachers of Singing.

Lee Laird, '20ba, has retired after 40 years with Standard Oil Company of San Francisco, California. He and his wife (Zelva Compton), both natives of Texas, now live in Dallas.

Ulrich Rische Beeson, '21ba, '25ma, and Mrs. Beeson now live in Little Rock, Arkansas. They have a son, Dr. Charles R. Beeson, a heart specialist in Albuquerque, New Mexico. At O.U. Beeson taught several courses under Dr. W. W. Phelan, then head of the department of education and psychology.

Louis G. Hurst, '21ba, has retired from his business and is living in Chandler.

Reverend John K. Montgomery, '21ba, presently pastor of the First Methodist Church in Northampton, Massachusetts, is in his 39th year as a Methodist minister. His wife is the former Pearl Schafer, '19, and they have three children.

1923-25

Clarel B. Mapes, '23ba, '26eng, has given up his position of general secretary and treasurer of the General Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association because of illness. He has been with Mid-Continent for 35 years and was one of the company's early leaders. In 1954 Mapes was listed in Who's Who in Engineering. His wife is the former Elizabeth Celeste Barner of Tulsa and they have one son, Clarel Bowman, II.

F. Bert Grubb, '24Law, '26ba, Oklahoma City, is professor of law on the Oklahoma City University law school faculty. He and his wife, Doris K., have a son, Berton, Jr., and a daughter, Denise.

Ann B. Cottingham, '25ba, '26ma, of Ada, will move to Tulsa June 1 to become a history teacher in Will Rogers High School.

Grace Comstock Mills, '25ba, '28ma, Oklahoma City, has been re-elected president of the Oklahoma City Federation of Women's Clubs. DEATH: R. Jack Christy, '21-'24, Waukomis, died April I following a heart attack. Christy, with his son, Jack, Jr., published the Oklahoma Hornet and the Vance Air Force Base Airscoop. Christy has also edited the Sayre Daily Headlight-Journal, Woodward Daily Press and the El Reno American. In 1949 he was editor of the Enid Events, weekly publication of U.S. Senator Robert S. Kerr. Survivors include his wife, Esther, son Jack, both of Waukomis, and a brother, Barney of Weatherford.

1926

Mahlon L. Banks, '26bs, Seattle, Washington, is senior engineer with Boeing Airplane Company's "Minute Man" missile program. His twin sons, Mahlon, Jr., and Merwin, are now attending the University of Washington.

Hale V. Davis, Sr., '26ma, Denver, Colorado, is division sales manager for Cape Coral Properties of Florida.

Cecil L. Hunt, '26Law, is employed as general counsel and a director of Service Pipe Line Company in Tulsa.

Gertrude Hacker Kennedy, '26ed, Oklahoma City, recently served as president of the Oklahoma Art Center and is now president of the women's committee of the Oklahoma City Symphony Orchestra. She is also on the National Board of Planned Parenthood.

H. W. Maris, '26geol, Pecos, Texas, is retired from the Gulf Oil Company and is now doing part-time work as a surveyor for soil conservation.

Dorothy Mayes, '26fa, is teaching art in the Capitol Hill Junior High School, Oklahoma City. In addition to her degree from O.U., she has her master's degree from Columbia University.

Ruby L. Smith, '26ba, '38ma, has been teaching in El Paso, Texas, since 1947. She teaches the sixth grade.

1927-30

Lewis M. Poe, '28Law, and his wife (Melda Howard, '31ba) live in Colorado Springs, Colorado, where Poe is secretary of the Colorado Interstate Gas Company. They have a daughter who is 22.

Robert E. Wood, '30ba, '31ma, has been named sales engineer by the De Laval Separator Company of Poughkeepsie, New York, for its Denver district. His previous experience includes sales to the oil and related industries in the Rocky Mountain area.

MARRIAGE: Lois Nethery, '27fa, '41ma, '45 Lib.sci, and John H. Gallegly were married November 25 in Tucumcari, New Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. Gallegly make their home in Artesia, New Mexico, where Mrs. Gallegly is in her 16th year as Artesia High School librarian.

1931

Louise Early, '31ba, '50m.ed, is the journalism teacher in the new Waltrip Senior High School, Houston, Texas. Mrs. Early, formerly journalism teacher at John H. Reagan High School, Houston, was recently elected faculty adviser to the Gulf Coast High School Press Association. Her daughter, Sharley Early, is studying professional psychiatric-nursing at John Sealy Hospital, Galveston, Texas.

Benton Ferguson, '31ba, president of Ferguson-Miller Associates, one of the state's largest public

February's Photo ID

That Ruf Nek with Edd Riddle's paddle in the February Sooner is really Lewis Thompson, '48. In February, 1947, Thompson smoked the ceremonial tomahawk peacepipe which the Ruf Neks received from the University of Missouri's Mystic Seven pep club. The pipe was a prize for the Sooner victory over the Tigers at the Homecoming game in 1946.

Thompson, then a sophomore in arts and sciences, was originally from Sacramento, California. He served as president of the Ruf Neks and editor of O.U.'s late humor magazine *The Covered Wagon*. In 1947 he married Ellen Cain, and they moved to San Francisco, California, to continue their studies at the University of California at Berkeley. Thompson worked with an advertising agency there. He served in World War II.



Lewis Thompson

relations and advertising firms, was recently elected to a three-year term on the advisory board of the Salvation Army of Tulsa. He is also on the board of Planned Parenthood of Tulsa.

Worth B. McCruley, '31Law, Longview, Texas, is general counsel for Trice Production Company which has operations in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, New Mexico and Colorado.

Lee B. Park, '31bs, '33m.geol, since 1941 has lived in Midland, Texas, where he is an employee of the Atlantic Refining Company. He and his wife, Alice, have two daughters, Jane, in graduate school at the University of Illinois, and Susan, a sophomore in high school.

James N. Russell, '31eng, Arcadia, California, recently left for Germany where he is directing the preparation and initial operation of a new petro-chemical plant.

1932-34

Samuel H. Minsky, '32ba, '34Law, of Tulsa, is now serving as secretary and general counsel for Oklahoma Tire and Supply Company. He and his wife have two daughters, ages 13 and 19.

Sidney M. Wolf, '32Law, former special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has begun his private law practice in Hollywood, California, associated with Fink, Danoff and Thaler.

E. Jack Handley, '33eng, senior vice president and director of Midwestern Instruments, Incorporated, Tulsa, has been appointed director of engineering for the company. Handley was one of the company's organizers in 1950.

Edward M. Rauh, '34eng, Tulsa, is with the American Machine and Foundry Company working on the construction of military missile launching sites.

1936

Earle E. Garrison, '36bus, has resigned after 21 years with the Oklahoma Natural Gas Company to become president of the Great Falls, Montana, Gas Company, His oldest son, David, will graduate from O.U. in June with an electrical engineering degree and his other son, Stuart, is a sophomore at O.U.

Henry L. McConnell, '36ba, '39Law, is now living in Tulsa.

J. Claude Whittle, '36bus, formerly owner and operator of Whittle Insurance Agency in Oklahoma City, organized the Whittle Insurance Agency in 1955 in St. Petersburg, Florida. He is now president of the St. Petersburg Lions Club and manager of the highway and bridges committee of the St. Petersburg Chamber of Commerce.

1939-40

Daniel B. Pearson; '39bs, '41med, is in his last year of study in neuro-psychiatry at the Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas. He was formerly in private practice in Perryton, Texas, from 1946 until April, 1959:

Jac Landman Goldstucker, '40bus, was awarded his doctor of philosophy degree March 16 at the University of Minnesota commencement exercises.

Martin E. League, '56m.ed, and J. W. "Choctaw" Smith, '40ed, '51m.ed, are in Drain, Oregon, where League is principal of the Drain High School and Smith is head football coach.

Mrs. Jean Foster Reiss, '40ba, '47m.ed, is assistant principal at the Horton Watkins High School, St. Louis, Missouri. Her daughter is a junior at Northfield School for Girls, Northfield, Massachusetts, and her son will attend Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, next fall.

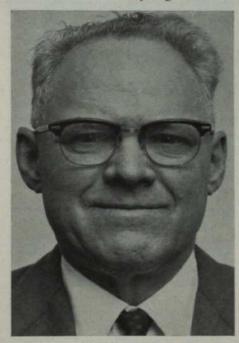
1941

Adin H. Hall, '41eng, employee in Shell Pipe

Bennie Schultz Retires

Benjamin F. Shultz, '18eng, '18ms, will retire July 1 after 43 years of service to the University.

"Bennie" joined the O.U. faculty in 1918, teaching in the electrical engineering school of the College of Engineering. He held this position until 1921. He also served as a member of the petroleum engineering school faculty from 1929 to 1936; university electrician, 1920–25; chief engineer, 1925–36; supervisor of light and power, 1936–43; assistant director of the physical plant, 1943–56, and university engineer.



Bennie Shultz

During his years with the University, Shultz has masterminded several engineering projects which have increased efficiency in the operation of campus facilities. One of his more important contributions concerned boilers being used in the power plant. Shultz came up with an air preheater for natural gas, that could be used without fans for induced or forced draft. Three boilers were equipped with this type of air preheater, resulting in the saving of thousands of dollars in fuel bills.

Shultz and his wife (Audrey Flitch, '17ba, '18ma) have also established a perpetual scholarship fund with the University of Oklahoma Foundation to provide assistance for deserving upperclass students in mechanical engineering. The Bennie and Audrey Shultz Scholarship was established in 1955. The \$5,000 deposited in the fund is invested and the earnings used each year to finance an award. The exact value of the scholarship varies each year with the earnings, but the amount is usually about \$200.

Three of the Shultz children hold degrees from the University, Evalee Shultz Homan, '40ba; Ruth Shultz Stanley, '42ba, '43ma, and Bennie Shultz, Jr., '53eng, '56m.eng. Another daughter, Marie Shultz Hatch, holds two degrees from the University of Virginia. Shultz is a member of the council on planning and development at the University, the Norman Chamber of Commerce, and is a 32nd Degree Mason.

1943-44

H. Norman Chandler, '43ba, '46med, is practicing pediatrics in partnership at Dallas, Texas. He is also instructor of pediatrics at Southwestern Medical School and Children's Medical Center.

John W. Lesch, '43eng, is in his fifteenth year with Warken Petroleum Corporation, Tulsa. He is presently sales manager in charge of domestic and industrial sales in the liquefied petroleum gas division. He and his wife, Sadie, have three children, Laurie, 13; Mike, 10, and John, 8.

Ted Taylor, '44, has been appointed an editor of the McGraw-Hill Book Company's college division. Taylor joined McGraw-Hill as a salesman in 1956, was made field manager in the southwest in 1959 and in 1960 became the first district manager of the new southwest district.

BIRTHS: James Bayouth and Mrs. Bayouth (Julia Naifeh, '44soc.wk), Wichita, Kansas, have chosen the name Kathleen Marie for their daughter born December 30. Bayouth owns the Bayouth Printing Company in Wichita. They have two other children, Michael, 11, and Patrice, 9.

Line Corporation's head office in Houston, Texas, was chairman of the papers sessions of the April 26-28 American Petroleum Institute Annual Pipeline Conference held in St. Louis, Missouri.

Don R. Pounds, '41m.ed, and Mrs. Pounds, now live in Enid where Pounds is in the wholesale-retail oil business. They have one son, John Pounds, '60.

John Luke Shibley, '41bs, is professor of biology and chairman of the department of science at La Grange College, La Grange, Georgia. He attended a National Science Foundation institute in the history of science at American University, Washington, D.C., last summer. The Shibley's four children are Marianna, 11; Joe, 10; Becky, 6, and Sue Beth, 4.

Lt. Colonel Byron P. Spears, '41eng, Littleton, Colorado, is the U.S. Air Force ballistic missile division representative at 'The Martin Company's "Titan" plant in Denver.

Dick Stith, '41bus, Wichita Falls, Texas, is now associated with the United Fidelity Life Insurance Company. Dr. Leonard N. Devonshire, '49bs, '51ms, '54 ph.d, and his wife (Peggy Cantrell, '44geol, '49m. geol) have chosen the name Eric Towne for their son born February 4 in St. John's Hospital, Tulsa. Dr. Devonshire is associate professor of chemistry at the University of Tulsa.

1946

C. Buck Caviness, '46bus, formerly with the U.S. Treasury Department and Social Security Administration, is now self employed as an accountant and tax consultant in Anthony, on the border of Texas and New Mexico.

Ross L. Doyle, '46eng, '51eng, is now maintenance supervisor in the toilet articles plant of Colgate-Palmolive Company, Kansas City, Kansas. He and his wife (Jo De Doyle, '51ba) have one daughter, Ann Stuart, 2½.

Marian Marie Montgomery, '46ba, is now living in San Francisco, California.

Huffman Walker, '46bus, has accepted the position of vice president of Ashmore Pontiac, Incorporated, and General Finance Corporation in Kansas City, Kansas, after resigning as assistant zone manager for the Pontiac Motor Division of General Motors Corporation in Oklahoma City. Walker became associated with General Motors in 1948 after a year as special agent for the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland. Walker is also a class representative for the O.U. Alumni Development Fund.

BIRTH: Robert J. Filgas, '49eng, and Mrs. Filgas (Betty Elois Black, '46bus), Tulsa, have chosen the name David Michael for their son born February 17. Filgas is employed with the U. S. Corps of Engineers as a structural engineer. The couple has two other children, Cathy Sue, 9, and Robert, Jr., 5.

1947-50

Julian B. Stephenson, '47m.ed, has been promoted to assistant principal of the Horace Mann Junior High School, Tulsa.

Clyde Davis, '48ba, assistant news director of

KWTV, Oklahoma City, was the only state newsman chosen for a month-long tour of Europe under the sponsorship of the U.S. Army. Davis, one of 18 chosen, left McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey, April 10 for France, Germany, Italy and England to visit Army and Air Force installations. On his return he will report on the condition of the U.S. defenses in Europe over KWTV.

John E. Martin, '48m.ed, Clovis, California, is employed as assistant professor of education at Fresno State College.

Winston Weathers, '50ba, '51m.fa, University of Tulsa English instructor, has been named recipient of a Danforth Foundation grant allowing him a year's study at O.U. towards his doctor's degree. He was one of 65 college professors in the nation selected to receive such a grant.

DEATH: Kenneth A. Clem, '49bus, died January 18 in Norman. He had worked for Scott, Foresman Publishing Company for 13 years. Survivors are his wife, Pat, and son, Joe Lee, a freshman at O.U.

1951

Bill M. Baird, '51geol, and Mrs. Baird (Eileen Wegener, '44h.ec) live in Wichita Falls, Texas, where Baird is a goelogist for Fleming Oil Company of Fort Worth. They have two children, Diane, 9, and Randy, 6.

Lawrence R. Bannister, '5 leng, and Mrs. Bannister (Margaret Trimble, '45journ) live in Florissant, Missouri, a suburb of St. Louis, where Bannister is general superintendent of underground gas storage for Laclede Gas Company of St. Louis. He was recently re-elected as officer and director of the Harbor Point Yacht Club to serve as fleet captain of the power boat division. The couple has

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phi beta kappa Dr. Kenneth H. Hansen

An author, speaker and teacher has now become a Phi Beta Kappa member. Dr. Kenneth Harvey Hansen, '38 ba, '40m.ed, director of the School of Education at Western State College of Colorado, Gunnison, was among those honored by the O.U. chapter this spring.

Hansen is the author of three books on education — Public Education in American Society, High School Teaching and Philosophy for American Education. He also is co-author of the book Elementary School Administration.

Besides his writing Hansen has been



Dr. Kenneth H. Hansen

a frequent speaker, consultant and workshop leader in Colorado for lay and professional organizations. He has worked with the state public school systems and foundations such as Kellogg and Ford and the American Social Health Association.

His professional affiliations include chairman of the state department of education advisory committee on administrative certification; he is a member of the state department advisory committee on accreditation, the board of directors of the Colorado Education Association, and he has served as editorial consultant for national book publishing companies.

Hansen is not only an O.U. alumnus, but a veteran of its faculty. In 1938 he served as a graduate assistant in education. After a year's teaching in the Maysville (Oklahoma) High School, he returned to O.U. in the summer of 1941 to serve as a special instructor in education.

Since that time he has served as associate professor of English at Westminster College, Fulton, Missouri, for three years, visiting professor at Johns Hopkins University in the summer of 1953, visiting professor at the University of Southern California in the summer of 1957 and lecturer on the international teacher development program at U.S.C. from September through December, 1959.

He has been on the faculty of Western State College since 1949. three children, Karen, 7; Barbara Jean, 4, and Sally Ann, 1.

Tom Birbilis, '51eng, has opened a new office in Tulsa as a consulting engineer in mechanical design. He and his wife, Delma, have two children, Jean Marie, 5, and Ted, 3.

Jo Ann Carlson, '51fa, '56m.ed, is teaching vocal music at Kerr Junior High School in Oklahoma City. She is also director of the Tinker chapel choir and sings with a band.

William E. Clark, '51bus, Ardmore, was recently named district landman for the Sun Oil Company.

Lloyd E. Cole, Jr., '51Law, Stilwell, recently completed a three-year term on the executive council of the Oklahoma Bar Association.

William O. Coleman, Jr., '51bus, Overland Park, Kansas, is division sales manager for the Clorox Company, a subsidiary of Procter and Gamble. His wife is the former Mildred Wade, graduate of Texas Technological College, Lubbock, Texas. They have four sons.

Mary Ellen Glines, '51fa, is now living in Mc-Lean, Virginia, while her husband, Lt. Col. C. V. Glines, '52bus, '54ma, is stationed at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

P. R. Godshalk, '51eng, Fulton, Texas, has been made superintendent of the Tennessee Gas Company's K. G. Pearche processing plant located on Copona Bay near Corpus Christi, Texas.

Sumner W. Kesselman, '51bus, Stoughton, Massachusetts, is assistant manager of the Rhode Island branch of the Grossman Lumber Company. His two sons are ages 11 and 7.

George A. Krahn, '51eng, is employed by Standard Oil Company of Texas. He makes his home in Corpus Christi.

Neal W. Mercer, '51eng, is area safety engineer for Humble Oil and Refining Company in Houston, Texas. He and his wife have three children.

Roy Rehm, '51bus, and Mrs. Rehm (Wylma Anderson, '54ed) have recently moved from Denver, Colorado, to Dallas, Texas, where Rehm is manager of the Charles Bruning Company's Dallas operations. He had been with Bruning for five years in Denver. The Rehms' have four children, Gary, 9; Bob, 7; Mary, 5, and Carolyn, 3.

Kenneth D. Roberson, '51eng, Tulsa, was recently appointed director of quality control analysis for American Airlines. He has been with American since 1954 in their industrial engineering and quality control departments. He is married to the former Mary Jo Cloud, '51ed, and they have three children, Mark, 5; Alan, 4, and Dana, 2.

Lloyd E. Speulda, '51bus, was recently promoted to assistant to the chief accountant of the Dowell division of the Dow Chemical Company, Tulsa.

C. Pleas Stringer, '51bs, '53geol, '56ms, formerly with Pure Oil Company, is now a consulting geologist in Denver. His wife is the former Nancy Jo Tomlinson, '52h.ec. They have three sons, Jeff, 6; Dan, 4, and Curt, 2.

Laurence J. Webb, '51bus, is the owner and operator of "The Webb" shoe store in Norman.

BIRTH: A. J. Hankinson, Jr., '51eng, and Mrs. Hankinson (Caroline Robison) are the parents of a daughter, Laura Kay, born July 13, 1960. They have three other children, Jim, Steve and Mike.

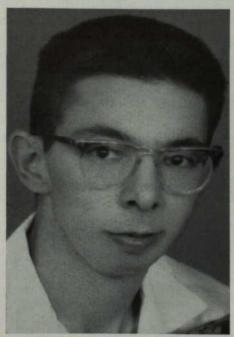
DEATH: Pearl Hamon Turner, '51m.ed, Oklahoma City grade school teacher, died April 11 in the Baptist Hospital in Oklahoma City. Mrs. Turner had taught 13 years at Madison School, previously teaching five years at Herronville. Survivors include her husband, J. C.; a son, Joe, of the home; a daughter, Mrs. Richard Ericson, Shreveport, Louisiana; a sister and two brothers.

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Dr. George W. Rucker

Distinguished economist and holder of three degrees from the University of Oklahoma, Dr. George W. Rucker has been selected for membership in Phi Beta Kappa at his alma mater.

Rucker, who is administrative assistant to Congressman Al Ullman from Oregon, received his BA in 1951, MA



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in 1953, and Ph.D in economics in 1960.

As a student, Rucker served in the Student Senate, was president of the Students for Democratic Action and was a graduate assistant in the department of government. He was appointed research associate for the National Association of Rural Electric Cooperatives, serving for one year, and with other staff members, was responsible for a publication on rural electrification.

He has specialized in the economics of Pakistan and has published several works on this subject. He is the author of "Functional Concepts of Resources in a Developing Economy of Pakistan," Basic Data on the Economy of Pakistan and Workbook in Economics. His doctoral dissertation was titled Forward Trading on the Karachi Stock Exchange.

In September of 1957, Rucker was appointed a member of the economics department at the University of Pennsylvania. He served in the Pennsylvaniasponsored program at the University of Karachi, Pakistan, under the auspices of the International Cooperation Administration. During the years 1957–59 he was adviser in economics at the University of Karachi with the Institute of Public and Business Administration.

1957

George F. Dana, '52geol, '54ms, accepted the job of chief of ground water development for the State of Wyoming on November 1. He is also working on the Wyoming natural resource board.

Lee Jenkins, '52ba, '56Law, his wife, Sylvia, '54ba, and daughter Amy, Midland, Texas, have recently returned from a year in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Jenkins is vice president and general counsel for White Eagle International, Inc.

William J. Rea, Jr., '52bus, Tulsa, is in his sixth year as account executive with Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith.

A. T. Stair, Jr., '52bs, '56ph.d, and Mrs. Stair (Michelee Morgan) now live in Lexington, Massachusetts, where Stair is project scientist in the thermal radiation laboratory, geophysics research directorate, of the Air Force Cambridge Research Laboratories, Bedford, Massachusetts. Mr. and Mrs. Stair were married January 31, 1959, and have a son, Gilbert Taylor, born May 20, 1960.

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1953-54

William F. Harrah, '53bus, has joined the

Wichita Falls, Texas, staff of Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith, Incorporated. He was formerly order credit manager for Ralston-Purina Mills in Sioux City, Iowa. He and his wife (Joanne Youngblood, '53fa) and son, Casey, have established a home in Wichita Falls.

Thomas L. Wolfe, '53Law, '54ma, has become a member of the firm of Shutts, Bowen, Simmons, Prevatt and Boureau, attorneys and counselors at law in Miami, Florida.

Robert Lewis Kramer, '53bs, '56med, is in the private practice of ophthalmology in Tulsa. He has been on the University of Oklahoma medical school faculty as a clinical assistant in ophthalmology. He and his wife (Norma Mattox, '52ba) have two children, Kimberly and Matthew David.

BIRTH: C. Taylor Yoakam, '54bus, and his wife, Joni, have announced the birth of their first child, a girl, Teri Michele, born February 5. They are now living in Amarillo, Texas, where Yoakam is a landman with Cities Service Petroleum.

DEATH: Peter F. Vessels, father of Billy Vessels, '54ed, former O.U. football player, died March 30 in his Oklahoma City home. He was a retired employee of Tinker Air Force Base. Survivors are his wife (Veo Turner), three sons, two sisters, and his mother, Mrs. Flora Shipman.

E. John Eagleton, '55bus, '56Law, Metairie, Louisiana, with the office of regional counsel, Internal Revenue Service since 1957, was recently transferred to New Orleans, Louisiana, to handle trial work before the tax court of the United States.

John C. Kinard, '55geol, '56ms, Billings, Montana, has resigned as geologist for Phillips Petroleum Company and has opened consulting offices in Billings.

MARRIAGE: Irene Elizabeth Brown of Tulsa and Edward L. Apple, '55bus, were married March 20. Apple is now managing the Golden Drumstick Restaurant in Tulsa in partnership with his father, L. W. Apple.

BIRTH: Rufus V. Schmidt, '55bus, and Kay Bundy Schmidt, Houston, Texas, have chosen the name, Carl Bundy, for their son born December 23. Schmidt is an accountant with Tenneco Oil Company, Houston, a subsidiary of Tennessee Gas Transmission Company.

1956

Le Roy Anderson, '56bus, Wayne, New Jersey, is now a staff accountant in New York City for the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

Dr. W. Kermit Baker, '56bs, '60med, is finishing his internship at the University of Kansas

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Medical Center, Kansas City, Kansas, and will begin his residency in general surgery July 1 at the Missouri University Medical Center. He and his wife, Coralie, have two daughters, Beth, 6, and Kathy, 21 months.

Jack H. Greer, '56eng, after receiving his discharge from the Air Force, has moved to Enid where he is an engineer with the Schlumberger

Well Surveying Corporation.

Robert R. Hillis, '56bs, '59med, is doing obstetrics and gynecology residency at the Hillcrest Medical Center in Tulsa. He and Mrs. Hillis have a seven-month-old son.

Frank A. Iddings, '56ms, '59ph.d, is presently in charge of the radioisotope laboratory at Esso Laboratories (Humble Oil and Refining Company), Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Mr. and Mrs. Iddings have two daughters, the youngest, Valerie, is 16 months old.

David Love and Mrs. Love (Paula Hargraves, '56journ) live in Tulsa. They have one daughter, Lauren, who was born September 13.

Richard J. McKown, '56bus, is working on his master of business administration degree at the University of Washington, Seattle, Washington.

W. Stanley Muenzler, '56bs, '60med, and Mrs. Muenzler (Virginia Nelson, '56bs) now live in Evanston, Illinois, where Muenzler is interning at

a Northwestern University Medical Center Hospital. He will begin his residency in ophthalmology on July 1. The couple has one daughter, Lynn

Marvin B. Porter, '56geol, '57eng, formerly a petroleum engineer with Pan American Petroleum Corporation in Sweeny, Texas, is now district gas lift engineer with the Otis Engineering Corporation of Victoria, Texas.

Charles Howard Skeen, '56ph.d, Canoga Park, California, has for the past year been supervisor of the subcritical experiments unit of the experimental physics group of Atomics International.

Dr. Richard A. Storts, '56ba, '59med, is now in orthopedic residency at University Hospital in Oklahoma City. He will complete his first year on July 1. He and his wife Shirley have two children. Ricky, 5, and Cheryl, 4.

Wayman J. Thompson, Jr., '56bs, '60med, is serving his internship at Highland-Alameda County Hospital in Oakland, California. After completing his internship in June, he will go on active duty with the Navy.

Nancy Carolyn Hayes, '56geol, is a geologist assistant for Shell Oil Company in Oklahoma City.

James Litton, Jr., '56bs, an engineer in the traveling-wave development department of Sperry Gyroscope Company, Great Neck, New York, is the co-author of the paper "Characteristic Features of a Broad Band Beam Parametric Amplifier." He recently presented the paper at the symposium on the application of low-noise receivers to radar and allied equipment held at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Lincoln Laboratory.

MARRIAGES: Wanda Joyce George, '56ed, '58m.ed, and Harold Farwell, Chicago, Illinois, were married February 10 in the First Christian Church, Des Moines, Iowa. Their home is in Des

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tific papers in his specialty, physics and chemistry research, has been selected for membership by the Phi Beta Kappa chapter at O.U.

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Dr. Donald Charles Smith, '40ms,

Smith is assistant director of research in Phillips Petroleum Company's research and development department,



Dr. Donald C. Smith

Bartlesville. He joined Phillips in 1951 as physics branch manager in that department, and was named to his present position in 1959.

A native of Leipsic, Ohio, he received his BS from Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio. After earning his master's at O.U., Smith was employed by the physics department of the University on an industrial research project which involved the initiation of infrared spectroscopy work in the state. It was work such as this which stimulated the later establishment of the University of Oklahoma Research Institute.

During World War II, Smith was employed by the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D. C., as a civilian scientist in charge of spectroscopic research in the chemistry division.

He is currently vice president of the O.U. Research Institute and an alternate member of the American Petroleum Institute's advisory committee for research on occurrence and recovery of petroleum. He is a member of the American Chemical Society, American Physical Society, American Optical Society, Sigma Xi, Coblentz Society and an associate member of the A.P.I.'s Atomic Industrial Forum.

Smith and his wife (Ruth Carolyn Irby, '39bs, '41ms) have four children.

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Moines where they both teach at Drake University.

Nancy Jane Steffens, Oklahoma City, and Darrel John Huddleston, '56, Muskogee, were married April 7 in Sharp Memorial Chapel, Tulsa. Their home is in Tulsa.

BIRTHS: Dr. Hal Belknap and Mrs. Belknap (Ann Boyle, '56h.ec, Oklahoma City) are the parents of a daughter, Jamie Lucille, born February 17. Dr. Belknap, graduate of Tulane Medical School, New Orleans, is interning in Nashville, Tennessee, but in September will enter internal medicine residency at Fitzsimmons Hospital, Denver, Colorado.

Jerry L. Cross, '56bus, and Mrs. Cross (Monta Smith, '55ed) are the parents of a daughter, Lauri Anne, born December 8. They live in Tulsa since Cross' transfer from Oklahoma City to be sales manager for Gardner-Denver Company. Their other daughter is Suzanne, 3.

Michael Livingston Green, '54journ, and Eleanor Green, '56, are the parents of a son, Robert Sherman, born December 5. They have a daughter, Anne Victoria, 2½.

Thomas E. Hartman, '57eng, '58ms, and Mrs. Hartman (Elinor Bynum, '56ed) announce the birth of a son, Timothy Elton, born January 8. They have a daughter, Jennifer, 2½. Hartman is a physicist for the research department of Texas Instruments, Incorporated.

Delbert J. Metheny, '56bus, and Mrs. Metheny, Artesia, New Mexico, are the parents of a daughter, Diana Lee, born March 10.

George M. Parker, '50bus, and Mrs. Parker (Jane Hamilton, '56ed) have chosen the name Teresa for their daughter born April 1. Mr. and Mrs. Parker, Oklahoma City, have an older daughter, Mary Catherine, 2½.

1957

James P. Dixon, '57bus, Tulsa, is working with the First National Bank and Trust Company of Tulsa in its investment department while completing work toward his master of business administration degree from the University of Tulsa.

MARRIAGE: Susanna Talley of Oklahoma City and John Earl Wallis, '57eng, Tulsa, were married April 8 in the Central Christian Church, Oklahoma City. They have established residence in Oklahoma City.

BIRTH: Donald M. Curry, '58eng, and Mrs. Curry (Nancy Nelson, '57ed) became the parents of a daughter, Donna Carole, on February 4 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Curry is employed by Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory in Pittsburgh, part of the Westinghouse Electric Corporation, and is finishing work on his master's degree at the University of Pittsburgh.

1958

Rupert Ingram, '58bs, Winthrop, Massachusetts, has been made an editor in the college division of the McGraw-Hill Book Company. Ingram, working primarily in chemistry and molecular biology, joined McGraw-Hill in 1958 as a salesman and has covered territories in Louisiana and Indiana.

James H. Dearden, '58ms, Dallas, Texas, will receive his doctor of medicine degree June 8 from Southwestern Medical School of the University of Texas, Dallas. He will do his internship at the University Hospital, Oklahoma City. His wife is the former Mary E. Pannell, '56bus.

BIRTHS: Lt. John N. Hardy, '58ba, and Mrs. Hardy (Patsy Lawrence, '58bus), Wurzburg, Germany, have announced the birth of a son, Jeffrey Lawrence, born April 4. Their daughter, Elizabeth Ann, celebrated her second birthday the same day.

Never M. Fail, Jr., '58eng, and Mrs. Fail

phi beta kappa Dr. Norman Wright

A man considered by many scientists to be the leading pioneer in the application of infrared spectroscopy (study of physical systems by use of wave lengths of light) to analytical and structural chemistry has been honored by membership in Phi Beta Kappa.

Dr. Norman Wright, '29ms, '33ph.d, is director of the spectroscopy laboratory for Dow Chemical Company, Midland, Michigan. Wright has been with Dow



Dr. Norman Wright

since 1937, joining them as a physicist. He assumed his present position in 1940. As director of this laboratory, he has spearheaded the extensive use of physical methods of analysis in research, production control and directly to process stream control.

Wright received his BA from Phillips University, Enid, in 1927. He was an instructor of physics at the University of Oklahoma from 1928–29, and research associate in biophysics at the University of Michigan, 1934–37.

His professional achievements were previously recognized in 1955 when he delivered the Medallist address at the national meeting of the Society of Applied Spectroscopy in New York. At that time, he was honored with the fourth annual award of that society. In 1958 he received the Pittsburgh Spectroscopy Award in recognition of his contributions in the field of absorption spectroscopy. Presentation was made at the Pittsburgh Conference on Analytical Chemistry and Applied Spectroscopy.

He is a fellow of the American Physical Society and the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and a member of the American Chemical Society, the Optical Society of America, the Society for Applied Spectroscopy, the Coblentz Society and Sigma Xi. He and his wife have two children.

(Marilyn Bryant, '58ed), Tulsa, have announced the birth of a son, Brian Alan, born March 31. They have a daughter, Laura Elizabeth, 2.

1959

Nancy Holland, '59ed, member of the Tulsa Opera chorus and a teacher in Tulsa public schools, sang the role of Mamma Lucia in Tulsa Opera, Incorporated's March 16–18 presentation of the Italian opera Cavalleria Rusticana. She received special coaching for this role under the Tulsa Opera scholarship program from Maestro Moresco and Robert Lansing. At O.U. she studied with Eva Turner.

Robert M. Nerem, '59eng, received his master of science degree from Ohio State University on March 17.

1960

Army 2d Lt. Hial B. Gernert, Jr., '60bus, Casper, Wyoming, was assigned March 27 to the electronic warfare fire support unit at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. He was employed by the Wyoming National Bank before entering the Army last January. Sondra Sala Harris, '60ba, and William Har-

ris live in Tulsa where Harris is an accountant with Dowell, Incorporated. They have a son born in August of 1960.

Army Pvt. Philip R. Ratliff, '60bus, El Reno, completed the final phase of his six months active military training April 3 under the Reserve Forces Act program at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana.

MARRIAGES: Carolyn Carroll Garrett, Danbury, Texas, and Lt. John Henry Lollor, III, '60 geol, Houston, Texas, were married March 30 in Epiphany Catholic Church, Washington, D.C. The couple has established a home in Twentynine Palms, California.

Gail Andrea Wilkins, '60ba, Atlanta, Georgia, and Edward A. Johnston, Winchester, Massachusetts, were married December 11 in the Post Chapel, Fort McPherson, Georgia. Johnson is employed by the International Silver Company of Meriden, Connecticut. Their home is in Oklahoma City.

BIRTH: Robert Hume Brady, '60bus, and Mrs. Brady, Oklahoma City, have chosen the name James Gavin for their son born March 17.

DEATH: Patsy Jane Malone, wife of Bill G. Malone, '60bus, Norman, died March 27 from injuries suffered in an auto accident in Norman.

New Books

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THE BIRDS AND THE BEASTS WERE THERE by Ken Kraft

Doubleday

Ken Kraft, '57, writes in the vein of the Jean Kerr school of homefront humor. His wit is neither as rapid fire nor as razor sharp as Mrs. Kerr's and his books haven't cracked the best seller barrier with such spectacular results, but Ken Kraft is great fun anyway and I for one hope he keeps the light but entertaining tales coming.

The Birds and the Beasts lacks even the loose story line which held his earlier Land of Milk and Omelets together, but if you liked that one (and I did) you will enjoy this one as well. Each chapter deals with one of the many "problem pets" that have complicated Kraft's life from youth to manhood. You have the feeling that Kraft is trying to convince you that he is a perfectly normal fellow who leads a fairly tranquil life-until contact with the animal world brings him disaster. Indeed each incident does have the air of the familiar about itas if something similar had happened to each of us but just didn't seem particularly funny at the time. Perhaps that's why it's doubly enjoyable to be able to laugh (or smile) at Kraft's misfortunes.

Kraft swears that he himself doesn't hate animals. I read the book—and if he doesn't, I can't help wondering why he doesn't.

-CJF

BOOTS AND SADDLES by Elizabeth B. Custer with introduction by Jane R. Stewart

University of Oklahoma Press

The terrible hardships, loneliness and pure wretchedness of life on an Army cavalry post in the Dakota territory is brought forth graphically in *Boots and Saddles or Life in the Dakotas with General Custer*. Written in 1885 by the widow of General George Armstrong Custer, the book is still one of the best on life in the days of the famous Indian wars.

Taken strictly for what it is—a description of everyday life on the bleak Army posts—Mrs. Custer's book is a fine piece of work. Her writing is colorful, interesting and genuine. Taken as a look at her husband, it is a biased (to say the least) account of "Yellow Hair." Jane Stewart's introduction is as interesting as the rest of the book,

and she does an excellent job of pointing out how Mrs. Custer dedicated her life to perpetuating a picture of her husband as the perfect man as well as the perfect soldier. All the controversial aspects of Custers' life are omitted from her writings. Even the disastrous "Last Stand" is scarcely mentioned. Miss Stewart explains that this one woman, more than any other single person or event, kept the Custer legend from becoming more tarnished than it is today.

Whether you believe that Custer was a bungler and blowhard, or are convinced that he is one of our country's great heroes, or if you are just a fan of his era of our history, you will enjoy this book.

-SRP

NEGLECTED AREAS IN FAMILY LIVING by Thomas Earl Sullenger Christopher Publishing House

Thomas Earl Sullenger, '20ba, '20ma, is a former instructor at the University, having taught community organization after receiving his O.U. degree. He also holds a Ph.D. in sociology from the University of Missouri. During World War I he served in the Navy medical corps and received national recognition for his work with the first Americans known to be suffering from the then newly-named "shell-shock."

Sullenger's latest work is, as the title implies, a look at some of the areas that he feels the average marriage or family relations course textbook misses. The book is a collection of writings taken from various sources, with Sullenger's instructions and comments on the different sections. Some of the selections are taken from such well-known writers as Vance Packard and Eric Johnston.

One of the most interesting parts is a chapter devoted to the family meal. Authored by Sol W. Ginsburg, this selection delves into "The Psychological Aspects of Eating." Ginsburg attempts to show that "personality traits such as timidity or aggressiveness, tidiness or sloppiness, stinginess or generosity" can be closely related to early eating experiences of the individual. He examines several different types of "eaters" and shows how their backgrounds are responsible for the way they eat.

If nothing else, this section can provide

you with an interesting guessing game for the next time you eat out. You may discover all sorts of fascinating facts about your dinner companions.

-SRP

THE LIFE OF JOHN WESLEY HAR-DIN, As Written by Himself, with introduction by Robert C. McCubbin University of Oklahoma Press

If you are tired of getting violence and murder via the television screen alone, try the brief but bloody autobiography of John Wesley Hardin, No. 16 in the O.U. Press' Western Frontier Library.

Certainly the life of John Wesley Hardin has its place in any series of Western Americana, for his name is foremost among the quick-draw, shoot-em-between-the-eyes heroes of the West who are so popular today. And Wes Hardin shot all his men right between the eyes, or in close proximity thereof, if his story can be taken as truth.

The most interesting thing about this work is the complete incredibility of it all. Scan the book's jacket and you see that in the 10 years between his first killing in 1868 at the age of 15, and his final capture and imprisonment, Hardin killed more than a score of men in personal combat. But after reading the book, you will swear that the number must be double that, since he seems to be giving vivid details of a new killing on every other page.

Hardin's numerous murders (and that is certainly what the great majority must be termed) were accomplished through a combination of a great dexterity with his pistols, and an amazing accuracy once he got them into action. His gun notches came both by way of mass killings and single encounters.

Hardin regards the taking of human life with a chilling calm. On page after page he tells of his killings with no more remorse than if he had just swatted a fly. If all contained is true, Hardin was quicker than a rattler, and his marksmanship made Annie Oakley look pale by comparison. A suspicion lingers that perhaps he was carried away with his own legend and that most of his victims died as did Hardin himself—shot in the back of the head.

-SRP