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Oklahomans at home and abroad

JUNE CALENDAR

- June 6. Semester examinations end.
- June 7. Baccalaureate services. 11 a. m.
- June 8. Commencement concert, 8 p. m.
- June 10. Registration for summer session.
- June 11. Class work for summer session begins, 7:10 a. m.
- June 12. President's reception, 8 p. m.
- June 14. President Bizzell's talk at First Presbyterian church, Tulsa.
- June 16. Concert of university band, under direction of Prof. William R. Wehrend.
- June 17. Lectures on "The Junior High School," by Dr Herbert Bruner of Columbia University, New York City.
- June 19. Lecture of Dr Margaret Fuller Boos on "Wild Lives in Wild Places."
- June 22. Lecture on "The Senior High School," by Dr Calvin O. Davis of the University of Michigan.
- June 23. Concert of university band.
- June 24. Community Motion Picture in Engineering auditorium.
- June 26. Lecture of Dr E. K. Fretwell of Columbia University, New York City.
- June 30. Concert of university band.



ASSOCIATION PROGRESS

Forward, Oklahomal

Not since the days of the world war has there been such a stirring class "meet-in" on the campus as that which marked the annual luncheon given by the University of Oklahoma Association to the members of the senior class, held May 6 in the Oklahoma Union ball room.

President W. B. Bizzell received a tremendous and standing ovation when he declared that the University of Okla-

homa was still a sound and great school, with a great future ahead of it, and that he hoped to share in the development of that future.

Association President Luther H. White, '14 arts-sc., roundly applauded after his able address, urged unanimous participation of seniors in the work of the Association and declared that the future ahead of the class of '31 was brighter than that of any class in the past decade, for it entered into the affairs of community, state and nation at a time when new values are being created.

Twenty-nine seniors joined the Association as life members, the largest number from any recent graduating class. The first member to join from the class of '31 was the son of a Sooner, Benton Ferguson, '31 arts-sc., of Tulsa, son of Walter Ferguson, ex '07, and Mrs Lucia Loomis Ferguson, '07 mus., of Tulsa.

Grady Fox, president of the class of '31, announced the results of the elections for class marshals. Clyde Watts, '31 law, of Wagoner, was elected marshal for the men, and Lois Johnson, '31 arts-sc., of Norman, marshal for the women.

Association Secretary Frank Cleckler, '21 bus., who arranged the dinner and worked with the senior class committee in making the program, declared that the new alumni should be interested in the welfare of their university. "Athletics are important, it is true," he said, "and you should try to get good athletes for the school, but, more important is that which I want to impress on you, that we want the good students to come to this university."

"We have with us today the official representative of this Association, a graduate of the class of '14, a man who has rendered great service to the University of Oklahoma, to the furtherance of higher education in Oklahoma, and to the schools of his own city, who will tell you something of our aims. I take pleasure in introducing to you Luther White, whose business is that of chief geologist for the

J. A. Hull Oil Co., but whose avocation is the University of Oklahoma."

Mr White declared in part:

I'm just the kind of an alumnus that will answer when the school calls, if I can be of any service to it in my humble way. I'd like to tell you the kind of alumnus I'd like to see you make—I'd like to see this class be of service to your city, to your state, and to your nation.

Be a good citizen. And you cannot be a good citizen unless you are a good alumnus. It is a trite saying, and I could preach you a good sermon on it, even though I am not a preacher, that "By their fruits shall ye know them." But I must perforce discard such a platitude in talking to you. You are a near mid-century group. You are modern.

It is not enough to say that you are a good example. The obligation is far deeper than that. Whether you take your obligations seriously answers the question, have the funds of this state been spent well. You are here because of the generosity of some one else, of your parents, of your state that has provided this free education for you.

You cannot write a check for the bill you owe. The only way you can repay is to be good citizens. You must take your obligations seriously. We wonder sometimes, we hear it asked, whether democracy is sound, when we see the voters of the nation sending people to power who are not endowed with respect for its institutions, who use their offices to serve their own selfish ends, who make of our educational institutions political footballs.

But it is because the people in our communities are not occupied with the responsibility of citizenship. It is not enough to be a well wisher. That counts for nought, unless that well wishing is transformed into galvanic action. It is only then that you will drive the dirty politicians from office.

There are only three things with which you as citizens should be concerned: Our government; our churches; our schools. . . . In times of depression government is purified. The nation is waiting with outstretched arms for new leaders. That is one reason why you seniors are facing a life filled with golden opportunities.

Mr White urged members of the class of '31 to enter fully into the activities of the Association. "For the past ten or fifteen years the graduates of this school have in the main not been alumni. They haven't joined the Association, they haven't taken its bulletin.

"If the officers of this Association are debauching the Association, if they are

SUMMER SESSION CENTER

This will be the center of attraction during the summer session starting June 10. The college of education occupies the old library building built by Andrew Carnegie in 1904. The building was completely remodeled in 1920 for the college of education. Hundreds of teachers from southwestern states come to the summer session of the university to continue their education and research



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failing to do their duty, if they are not working for the best interests of the University of Oklahoma, then don't subscribe for its bulletin, don't become members of the Association."

President Bizzell spoke informally. He said that this was the last address he would make officially to the members of the graduating class:

Sometimes we think that the former students of the university do not care what happens to their school. Then there comes a crisis in the affairs of the university like the present one when they come spontaneously to the aid of their school. Sometimes it does take a crisis for us to appreciate the strength of friendship and loyalty. I shall never forget the service the alumni of this university rendered their school. I doubt if any of you here know the grave crisis through which your university has passed. I have always admired Luther White but never so much as when he took over the leadership in this crisis.

While the legislature was in session a man told me that he favored a tuition for students at this university. "The state does so much and the student so little," this man, a well informed man, told me. There are many people, I am afraid, who feel as this man does, that the students at the university are not properly appreciative of what the state is doing for them.

And though I hate to face the fact, I cannot refrain from predicting that the time isn't far away when the students who come here for their education will pay a high tuition for it. And if it comes, it will be because people believe that students do not take advantage of the opportunities the state provides.

I know that there are many students here who could not have financed their education had such a tuition been charged them.

This is the last occasion when I can address you as a class. There are almost eleven hundred of you to graduate. I want to tell you something about the commencement program. The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by Bishop Thomas Casady, a most intelligent and brilliant minister. If you could visit his home, you would see the fine, home-like atmosphere there, the air

of culture and refinement as evidenced in the fine books, the tasteful rugs and furniture, that characterizes his home. The commencement address will be delivered by the Honorable Pat Neff, former governor of Texas. I have known this man for the past thirty-two years; we were classmates together at Baylor. He is a former member of the commission of conciliation and at present a member of the Texas highway commission. He is one of the most brilliant and forceful speakers I have ever heard; and I know that you will treasure the address he will deliver you.

There is but one thing in the world more precious to an individual, and that is the institution that has educated him. There is only one thing in the world whose good name I prize more highly than my own, and that is the good name of the institution I serve. Nothing in my lifetime has so affected me as the unfavorable publicity that the university has had in recent weeks.

It is your duty from tomorrow and every day of your life to uphold the ideals of this institution, to tell your parents and friends at home that this university is a wholesome place, where the welfare of its students are safeguarded as well as in any university in this nation.

We as administrators have had much criticism because of the rules we have laid down and adhered to to safeguard your welfare, rules that are the strictest in this land. And the students of this university are not worse than they are at any other university; there is probably less irregularity here than elsewhere. This university deserves a good name, because its students and faculty have done nothing to give it a bad name. There probably will not be found in the nation any university or college whose moral atmosphere is better than our own university.

I'm going to defend the good name of this university all over the land.

Your university has been hurt. We can't deny it. It didn't solve the problem that we laid our souls bare before an investigating committee and that the committee exonerated the university. The report of the exoneration will never overtake the original stories.

There isn't a better place in this nation for a boy or girl to come to school than this university. Conditions are above reproach. It's your university. Defend its good name, all of you,

at home, wherever you go. Tell your friends that I said that the administrators and the faculty of this university intend to continue to give the university the same clean, honest service they have in the past, that I said the students of this university are co-operating in observing the rules and regulations, that they are as moral as the students of any university in this land.

I was amused when the investigation began at the question, repeatedly asked me, whether I intended to resign as a result of the investigation being made. Of course not. (Here the president received a standing ovation lasting three minutes).

This university is going to grow. It cannot help growing. This state is going to continue growing and the university is going to grow with the state. I should like to stay here until I have seen the campus stretch east to the railway tracks, with ten thousand students.

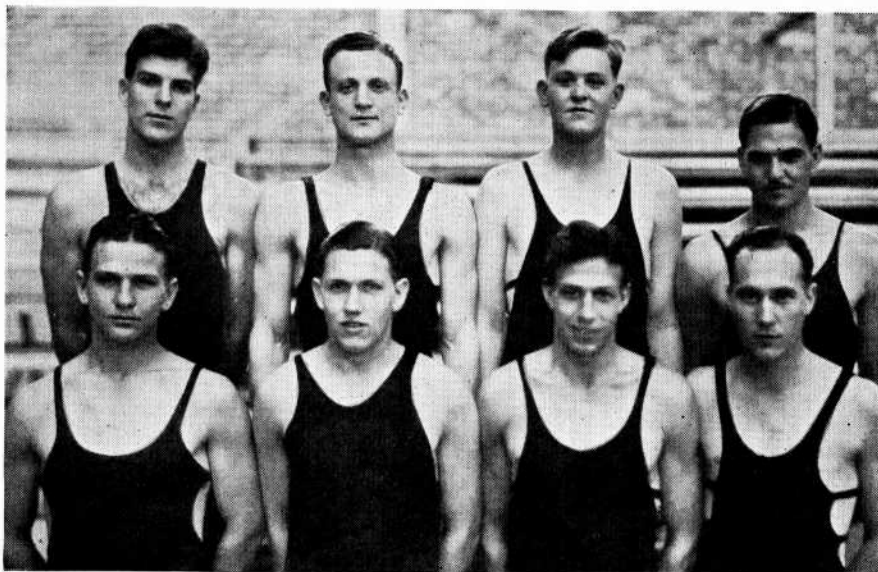
Nothing can destroy the state of Oklahoma. Don't you take a small view of the growth of this university. In the days to come when you come back to your campus, like Luther White today, and see the school as it will then be, you will get the same thrill of surprise that Mr White must have on seeing the school of today and comparing it mentally with the university of 1914. Don't lose faith in your university. I stand at the breach, where I can look backward and forward. And I see ahead of us sound and solid growth in keeping with the growth of Oklahoma into one of the greatest states of the Union.

Beckham county club

Beckham county Sooners organized a Sooner club Saturday night, May 9, after a dinner given by alumni, in co-operation with the western Oklahoma chamber of commerce in honor of W. J. Milburn, recently appointed a member of the university board of regents. President W. B. Bizzell and Association Secretary Cleckler were guests of honor at the dinner, which was attended by fifty

O. U. SWIMMERS

Here are the members of the university's second swimming team: Front row, left to right: Charlie Johnson, Murray McDonald, Shelby Marr, Gene Hemry; back row: Dick Carpenter, Leon Fisher, Jack Frederickson and Gerald Bilyeu



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Sooners and more than a hundred and fifty other western Oklahoma citizens.

Officers of the new club are:

Dr V. C. Tisdale, of Elk City, president; H. C. Ivester, '27 law, of Sayre, vice-president; Joe McBride, '28 bus., of Elk City, secretary-treasurer.



OUR CHANGING VARSITY

Mother's day

Mother's Day at the university this year was a beautiful one. No rain came to mar the event. The day brought an usually large number of mothers to Norman, which was evidenced by the registration of 270 on Saturday. Many who came on Saturday did not register and those who did not arrive until Sunday had no chance to register.

A program was planned to occupy every moment of the two day entertainment. After registration Saturday morning in the Union a water pageant was given at the women's building by the Duck's club. At noon a special luncheon was given in the Union, at which the Mothers club elected officers next year. Mrs Inez Ballard, president for the past year, presided at the luncheon. The only speeches were short talks by Louise Hohl, president of W. S. G. A., and George Miskovsky, president of men's council, explaining the purposes of their organizations. Officers elected for the coming year are Mrs J. H. Culp, Norman, president, Mrs J. A. Woods, Tulsa, vice-president, Mrs V. G. Early, Oklahoma City, second vice-president, Mrs R. M. Cavett, Chickasha, re-elected secretary, and Mrs F. J. Engleman, Tulsa, Texas, treasurer.

A tea for the mothers was held in the afternoon in the Women's building, where wives of university deans were in the receiving line. A horse show was given at

3 o'clock by the Polo and Riding association, and Saturday night mothers attended a special showing of *Black Jack Davey*, this year's prize-winning Playhouse drama, written by Richard Mansfield Dickinson, ex '30, of Tulsa.

Special dinners were given at fraternity houses Saturday night and Sunday morning services at all Norman churches were arranged specially for Mother's Day. A concert by the university band, under the direction of Professor William R. Wehrend, was given at 3 o'clock in the Fine Arts auditorium.

On the student committee on arrangements were Marie Irelan, Charles Teel, Caroline Mason, Betty Evans, Selma Hugins, and Herman Zeimer.



Survey abolished

The Oklahoma Geological Survey, established in 1908, was killed by Governor Murray when the state's chief vetoed the appropriation items for its salaries and maintenance. While officials of the survey and employees had worked since March without pay, they continued with their work, still without pay, until it was completed.

"The Geological Survey bears the same relationship to the mineral industry of Oklahoma as the department of agriculture does to the farming industry," declared Dr Charles N. Gould, director.

Doctor Gould will probably continue to make Norman his residence, while he completes a book on geology on which he is working.



Interscholastic meet

More than 2,500 Oklahoma high school students were in Norman on the week-end of April 29, 30 and May 1 for the

27th annual interscholastic meet. Tulsa high school's team ran away with the track meet honors, repeating their victory of last year.

Curricular and fine arts contests brought many students from schools that did not participate in the track and field events. Chickasha won first place with eleven firsts, five seconds and seven thirds. Ardmore was second and Stillwater was third. 46 high schools were represented in the contests.

Miami high school's wonder debate team was victorious, winning in the final from Sulphur high school. The Miami team has won nearly a hundred debates this season.

The number of students competing in curricular events was smaller this year because of district eliminations held previous to the state contests.



The university appropriation

Governor Murray signed the university appropriation bill April 22. The total appropriation was \$1,431,562.27, divided as follows: \$1,122,876.67 for salaries, \$308,694.60 for maintenance.

The bill necessitates a complete readjustment of the university's budget, for it includes a ten per cent cut in maintenance and a seven and a half per cent cut in salaries.

The board of regents of the university, which has to approve the readjusted budget, was not expected to meet until the latter part of May.

Mr Murray, in approving the university's budget, stated:

The appropriations in which bill have been lumped together, so it is impossible to veto many appropriations that should have been vetoed. It is my intention to see to it that the board of education, controlling the teachers' colleges, the board of public affairs that control the eleemosynary and other institutions, the board of regents

of the university, and the board of agriculture that controls the agricultural schools shall audit the revolving fund and contingent expenses. I feel there is little evil in making too great an appropriation if the money is audited, because it will result in turning back to the treasury some money from practically all of these institutions.

«Splendid»

"President Bizzell, with the co-operation of the fine faculty and magnificent student body of the University of Oklahoma, is doing a piece of educational work that is attracting the attention and praise of the entire nation," declared Dr C. C. Seleckman, president of Southern Methodist university, in an address May 10 in the McFarlin Memorial church.

Outstanding pharmacists

A committee of state druggists has named as the three graduates of the school of pharmacy who have done the most outstanding work since graduation: Dr Lloyd E. Harris, '22 pharm., M. S. '24, professor of pharmacy in the university; C. B. Nichols, '15 pharm., of Anadarko, president of the Oklahoma Pharmaceutical association; and J. Braden Black, '13 pharm., of Oklahoma City.

Iris specialist

Dr A. E. Waller, associate professor of botany at Ohio State university, gave a series of three lectures April 16 and 17 under the auspices of the botany department and of Phi Sigma, honorary biological fraternity. His lecture subjects were: an illustrated talk on the rubber industry; crop ecology on land utilization; and on the iris, the latter address under the auspices of the Norman Garden club. Doctor Waller is the technical adviser of the American Iris society, and is the chairman of the committee on land utilization of the Ecological Society of America, of which Dr A. O. Weese, professor of zoology in the University of Oklahoma, is president.

Federal probe

Roy St. Lewis, ex '13, United States attorney for the western district of Oklahoma, announced April 21 that he was making an investigation into the circulation of a questionnaire mailed by M. A. Floyd, formerly a member of the university faculty, and now leader of the Norman group seeking to oust Miss McDaniel, to determine whether the questionnaire violated the federal postal laws. Mr Floyd admitted during the senate investigation, that he had sent the circular letter, which was not signed except with the superscription "Friends of the Oklahoma University," to various house mothers of Norman, asking various questions con-

cerning Miss Edna McDaniel, dean of women. The envelopes for return were marked in such a way that the identity of the person replying would be known, although it was stated in the circular letter itself that the person replying did not need to sign the questionnaire.

Gilkey on religion

"Religion is not an intellectual answer to any problem; it is a creative force which produces people who will work personally and collectively toward the solution of problems," Dr Charles Gilkey, chaplain of the University of Chicago, declared in an address at the religious forum sponsored by the Oklahoma School of Religion April 26 at Norman.

"Religion takes creative abilities and carries them into the sunlight where they will grow. Cynicism is a paralyzing force, which stifles accomplishments.

"I suspect that one of the fundamental reasons back of the average student's cynicism is the overemphasis which has been placed on the natural sciences. The scientific courses are valuable, but they are not yet balanced with enough study of the social sciences."

Faculty

Hugh V. McDermott, coach of basketball, has been appointed by the national basketball coaches association to represent the sixth district on the national basketball rules committee.

Dr F. W. Warburton, assistant professor of physics, and J. W. Todd, '29 sc., M. S. '30, are the authors of a paper appearing in the March *Physical Review* entitled "The Relation between Hall Effect and Resistance."

Dr A. B. Adams, dean of the college of business administration, addressed the meeting of the Oklahoma Wholesale Credit Men's association at Oklahoma City April 13.

Joseph E. Smay, director of the school of architectural engineering, attended the sixty-fourth annual convention of the American Institute of Architects and the convention of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture, which met in San Antonio, Texas, April 16.

Regents meeting

The university board of regents was to meet Thursday, May 21, probably in Oklahoma City, to arrange the budget for the ensuing year.

In Phi Beta Kappa

University of South Carolina chapter of Phi Beta Kappa has elected to alumni membership its distinguished graduate, Dr A. B. Adams, dean of the college of business administration of the University

of Oklahoma. There was no chapter of the fraternity at South Carolina when the dean was a student there. During his first two years in school, he "loafed" but when a professor "flunked" him, Doctor Adams decided to work. He finished the last two years in 1910 with high honors. Notification of his election came from the professor who gave him his solitary "F."

Grant Foreman, famous Oklahoma historian, of Muskogee, was the principal speaker at the Norman chapter initiation of Phi Beta Kappa April 27. Charles E. Rogers, '14 arts-sc., professor of journalism at Kansas State Agricultural college, was also a speaker.

GRADUATES IN EMBRYO

Honormen

University honor societies pledged Senior day, May 6. Those announced are:

Mortar Board, senior woman's leadership group, Jane Burton, Oklahoma City; Marguerite Chambless, Norman; Antoinette Halko, Tulsa; Patty Lee Smith, Oklahoma City; Zelma Patchin, Hobart; Marie Irelan, Sapulpa; Elizabeth Morely, Oklahoma City; Marjorie English, Fort Sill; Louise Hohl, Sand Springs; Muriel Monsell, Sand Springs, Selma Huggins, Norman; Caroline Mason, Oklahoma City and Ollibel Collins, Norman.

Toga, which picks representatives from professional schools: Evans Talley, Oklahoma City; Homer Van Landingham, Oklahoma City; Harold Skinner, Holdenville; Reuben Sparks, Woodward; Cecil Armstrong, Oklahoma City; Frank Ittner, Oklahoma City; Bernard Doud, Muskogee; R. B. Hollingsworth, Madill; Andrew Larson, Norman, and Walter Wood, Chandler.

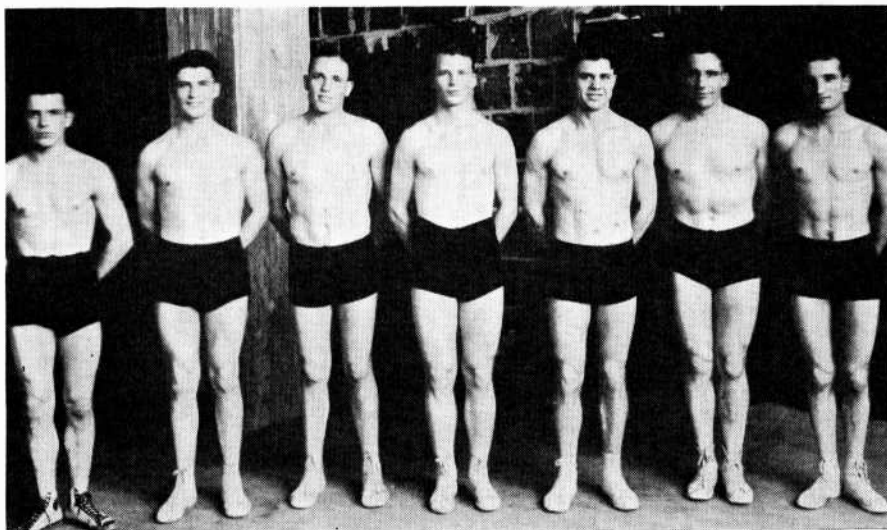
Pe-et, honorary junior society: Ludwig Webber, Bartlesville; Harry Pines, Tulsa; Cecil Armstrong, Oklahoma City; Gerald Bilyeu, Tulsa; Dean Wooldridge, Oklahoma City, and Warren Moore, Oklahoma City.

Blue Key, leadership: Joe Barnhill, Oklahoma City; Scott Hammonds, Oklahoma City; Lloyd Holston, Long Branch, N. J.; Frank Ittner, Oklahoma City; George Masey, Oklahoma City; Alvin Muldrow, Norman; Harold Skinner, Holdenville; Ludwig Webber, Bartlesville; and Walter Wood, Chandler.

Model league of nations

Twelve universities were represented in the model League of Nations held at the University of Oklahoma April 17 and 18. They were: Louisiana State university; Northeastern State Teachers college of Tahlequah; Phillips university; Texas Christian university; University of Wichita; Southern Methodist uni-

Sigma Mu
Sigma fraternity almost established a monopoly on Paul Keen's wrestling team this year. Out of their seven wrestlers, five are varsity men, and one is a freshman, while the other is such keen competition for one of his brothers that it's six of one and a half dozen of the other. From left to right, the huskies are: Thompson, freshman; Gunter, varsity 145 pounder; Eubanks, varsity 165; Musgrave, 155 contender; Turner, varsity 155; Hasbrook, varsity 175; White, varsity 126



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versity; University of Tulsa; University of Arkansas; College of Industrial Arts of Denton, Texas; Central State Teachers college of Edmond; Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical college; and the University of Oklahoma. Thirty-five student delegates were accredited. The model League considers the actual problems confronting the nations which they represent.

Order of the Coif

The Order of the Coif, legal honorary fraternity, announces the election of eight undergraduates: K. H. Abernathy of Shawnee; H. D. Ballaine of Norman; Miss Bernice Berry of Enid; Miss Elizabeth Cox of Norman; R. B. Holtzen-dorff of Claremore; Ross G. Hume of Anadarko (son of Ross Hume, '98 arts-sc., M. A. '00); L. W. McKnight of Enid; and Harry D. Turner of Oklahoma City.

Bridge tourney winners

Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity won the annual bridge tournament sponsored by the *Oklahoma Daily*, defeating Sigma Nu.

On the air

When you tune in on WKY of Oklahoma City during the Oklahoma Gas & Electric Co's program, you may hear a talented Sooner girl sing. She will be known to you of the radio audience as Sylvia Moronoff. To Registrar George Wadsack, however, she is Sylvia Moran, '31 fine arts, of Tulsa. She is a native of Latvia and for the past six years has been a resident of America. Her real

name is Sylvia Moronoff, but she found that people over here had some difficulty saying that, so she changed the name to Moran. Now, however, since she is meeting a larger musical audience, she is on her way to fame under her own real name.

Daily managers

Jack Fischer, '32 journ., of Amarillo, Texas, Phi Beta Kappa journalist, has been elected editor of the *Oklahoma Daily* for 1932. George Massey, '33 law, of Oklahoma City, was named business manager.

Fraternity sing

Beta Theta Pi fraternity won the interfraternity sing Senior day, May 6. Delta Upsilon placed second, and third and fourth places went to Phi Gamma Delta and Delta Tau Delta respectively. The sing was held on the lawn of the president's home.

Editors initiated

Three editors were initiated by Sigma Delta Chi April 19. They are Victor F. Barnett, managing editor of the *Tulsa Tribune*, L. M. Nichols, editor of the *Bristow Record*, and Walter M. Mills, editorial writer and columnist of the *Oklahoma City Times*.

A helping hand

Two hundred and seventeen students borrowed a total of \$45,665.50 from the Lew Wentz student loan fund this year, according to Emil R. Kraettli. Eighty-five students borrowed from the student

loan fund a total of \$8,284.50. This latter fund is composed of the Mary E. Brewer, Marian Edwards Cheadle, the Class of 1913 and the Roy Temple House funds.

The Porto Ricans

The Porto Rico debate team which visited the university in March won all but three of thirty-one debates it held in the country, and at Tulane and New Mexico won debates in Spanish as well as in English.

Kappa burglar

A scream.

A flight.

That ended the forage of a burglar in the Kappa house Sunday morning, April 26.

Presidents

Victor Eckler, '33 law, of Norman, was elected president of the university chapter of the Oklahoma League of Young Democrats.

George Miskovsky, '32 arts-sc., of Oklahoma City, was elected president of the men's council.

Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity has elected Paul Reed, '32 eng., of Tulsa, as president for next year.

F. S. Crawford, grad., of Madison, Kansas, was chosen president of Sigma Pi Sigma, national honorary physics fraternity.

Sigma Delta Chi, journalistic fraternity, has elected Ernest Hill, '32 journ., of Norman, president.

Delta Sigma Pi, national business fraternity, has elected George Smith, '32

bus., of Miami, president of the Norman chapter.

Delta Tau Delta fraternity has elected Ray Bannister, '32 law, of El Reno, as president for 1932.

Frank Ittner, '32 eng., of Oklahoma City, was elected president of the Engineers club.

Harry Pines, '31 law, of Tulsa, was elected president of the Menorah society.

Scott Hammonds, '32 eng., of Oklahoma City, was chosen president of Tau Beta Pi, honorary engineering fraternity.

Charles Stewart, '32 arts-sc., of Oklahoma City, was named president of the university band.

Bernice Alexander, '31 arts-sc., of Jacksonville, Texas, was installed president of the pan hellenic association April 12. She is a member of Alpha Omicron Pi fraternity.

Ollibel Collins, '32 journ., of Norman, was elected president of Theta Sigma Phi, national journalistic fraternity recently.

C. L. Caldwell, M. S. '25, instructor in education in the college of education, was re-elected president of Phi Delta Kappa, national education fraternity.



SOONER TO SOONER

Alumni must help

Jefferson City, Missouri, March 31—I am enclosing a draft for three dollars as the amount due the alumni association. It takes such a kind of notice to wake some of our alumni up. With the present condition existing at O. U., its lack of sufficient funds with little likelihood of appropriations that are really due to such a university, it is evident that the graduates and former students of the university must help in its support. Luck to you.

EDWARD GERKEY, JR., '30



Intelligent

Paris, France, March 19—Mrs Oliver H. P. Belmont of the above address has just received a copy of the March issue of *The Sooner Magazine* in which you published Miss Muna Lee's article relating to Mrs Belmont's activities.

Mrs Belmont wishes me to thank you for sending her this article. She thinks your magazine a most intelligent one and appreciates your having sent it to her.

M. R. YOUNG, secretary.



Less expensive

College Station, Texas, April 7—I am enclosing a copy of our *Texas Aggie* which is published by Mr E. E. McQuillen of College Station. I'm sure that you have a copy of this publication on your files, but would be interested in receiving it after

you hear Mr McQuillen's interesting statement concerning it.

He says that such a paper is less expensive to operate than our *The Sooner Magazine* and is, at the same time, easily read and quite popular with the A. & M. ex student world. The elimination of all very small print and of all lengthy articles has made the paper more popular than ever.

I am also enclosing my check for three dollars for my annual alumni dues.

IDA PEGGY HOLT BELL, '21



SPORTS OF ALL SORTS

Baseball

A fanciful and fickle weather man has kept the baseball team from getting into its schedule of conference games, but in four games with the Central State Teachers college team from Edmond, unexpected strength was seen for Oklahoma. The Sooners won all four games, three of them by close scores and one by 17 to 1. For the test on Sooner strength Coach "Jap" Haskell watched his men easily handle the offerings of Central's Richards, called the equal of any Big Six pitcher.

Rain cancelled the scheduled season opener with Missouri. The Tigers came to Norman, found the diamond wet and waited two days for it to dry, but daily rainfall sent them back to Columbia with no Sooner games.

In the first conference game, Sooner Captain Glen Cannon went a ten-inning route, holding the Kansas Aggies to three runs. Smitty Watkins sent in the fourth Oklahoma run in the tenth. Rain took the next day's game from the schedule.

"Pearl" Young has risen to the position of moundsman No. 2, and is bearing some of the pitching load that rested on the captain when the season began. Young is new on the lot, and he has lots of steam. Joe Hess is another promising right-handed yearling. To support the trio of speed twirlers, Coach "Jap" has Dick Bell, who admits he can't throw hard enough to break a window pane, but his slow ball takes a count of ten on the way to the plate, where it breaks sharply to the right.

Peppy Johnny May guards third base and Otha Newman is at second. Newman was last season's first baseman, but he was shifted to make room for Cager Andy Beck at first. Eph Lobaugh is on his old shortstop job, continuing to gather in all that comes his way. He muffs only when he has too much time to field a chance.

"Chalky" (They call him Shires) Stogner admits he is pretty good in the outfield, and Haskell does too. Stogner started the season at second base, but he

became a gardener when Don Chapell's doctor told him to quit baseball or lose an eye. When the inning is a late one, Sooners are on bases and Oklahoma needs a run, Coach Haskell is always satisfied if Smith Watkins is coming to bat. Smitty has repeatedly delivered in needy times, so he works regularly in the outfield. Big Buster Mills, known on the west coast now as "3 point," has been covering more centerfield than any other man in the conference.

So the Sooners hold high hopes of another Big Six championship. Telling games are yet to be played, but the team has good hitters and its fielding record so far is nearly perfect.

Coach Haskell has been bothered with rheumatism, but there's no cramp in his strategy.



Promising sophomores

A powerful tennis team from the University of Texas, especially Mr Bruce Barnes, found some close-shaving opposition in the Sooner Fieldhouse in April. Closest of shaves for the Texans was Barnes' match with Charles Davis, a youthful sophomore who, at three times during the match had Barnes at match point, only to lose each time. One time he slipped, when any kind of return of the Barnes lob would have given him victory, victory over the seventh ranking player in the United States. Barnes holds victories over Junior Coen, the Kansas star, Big Bill Tilden's protege. Coen has been called one of the most promising players in the country.

For the doubles match Sophomore Davis paired with Emil Hastings, another sophomore, to extend the Texas team into the third set before yielding to them. John Thomas is the third sophomore on the team.

Oldster Crawford Bennett, team captain, has found his service most effective this year. He has aced his opponents time after time.

In the conference opener, Oklahoma beat Missouri 5 to 1. The Sooners have beaten Nebraska and lost to Kansas and S. M. U. Remaining matches are with Kansas Aggies and Iowa State.

Bruce Drake is coaching.



Conquests and contests

Glen Dawson was feeling fine at the Kansas relays April 18 at Lawrence. When Oklahoma's sturdy distance star toed the starting mark of the special 3,000 meter run, a flock of the country's best distance men were there with him. In 8 minutes, 53.5 seconds Dawson had finished the race and a new carnival record was his. A few minutes later Dawson anchored the medley relay team to

victory. On the medley team with Dawson were Fred Cherry, Cecil Ferce and Bus Moore.

Competition was stronger at the Drake relays at Des Moines the following week. Records show that it was the country's fastest meet this year. Oklahoma's medley relay team finished in third place, running behind Marquette University and Iowa State. The sprint relay team of Ike Tarver, Charley Potts, Jess Hill and Clifford Mell set the fastest time of the meet in the preliminary trials for their event, but next day they failed to place in the finals. It was won by Chamberlain of Michigan State in the fast time of 9:23.1, a new meet record.

Two sensational little broad jumpers have made a bright spot in the track team this year. They are Clifford Mell and "Hap" Morris, and both of them have gone past the 24-foot mark consistently. Mell was the sensation of the entire season. Coach Jacobs put him on races to rest his shins from jumping so much and he was on races when the Shannon Douglas race was held at Kansas City at the K. C. A. C. meet. To Jacobs came the surprise and to Mell a cup when he won the 600-yard race. At the Texas relays at Austin he won the broad jump and he is fast developing a fine sprint that will rank him among the best dashers.

Morris is the stylist of the team this year. In the Rice relays at Houston he was first in the broad jump. Coach "Jake" has pronounced his "hitch kick" in the broad jump near perfect.

The conference outdoor meet will be held at Lincoln May 22 and 23. If the season performances up to now mean anything, Dawson should lead the field in the distance races, Bus Moore should win points in the half-mile, the broad jumpers should score, and Bus Mills may possibly place in the javelin throw. The Sooners have a chance to make points in everything except the weight events. This year's team is not the equal of some of Jacobs' teams in past years, but it has done well. For three years previous to last year, Oklahoma ruled the Big Six track.



Polo in fast company

Captain Jerome Waters' Sooner polo team will meet fast company this summer when they play at Cedar Hurst, Long Island, June 15 to June 20. The Oklahoma team is the only western team invited to the greatest of intercollegiate polo tournaments and will play against such teams as Princeton, Harvard, the Army and others of similar calibre. The Oklahomans are rated at a team handicap of ten goals.

«As we remember»

BY CHARLES «CHUCK» E. ROGERS

The quotation from Vergil ("Forsan et haec olim meminisse juvabit") set against my name in the program, the chairman of the committee wrote me, means "Perhaps we shall remember all this some day with pleasure."

The form letter sent to members and members-elect announced "One of the alumni also will speak."

As neither phrase exactly suits me, although there is merit in each, I propose a third, and then to speak from all three more or less. The third, then, is "There are some who may eat their cake and have it."

In this, you see, I refer to the alumni, for whom I also speak.

We do remember with pleasure this day those other days when our hair was auburn and cake was sweet—so sweet that we were sure we should never have it again, and didn't care. But the paradox is perfect, for tonight we have our cake again. Phi Beta Kappa, turned iconoclastic, has performed a miracle. Alumni who played football and took frats very seriously are among the elect. The golden football and the golden key dangle from the same chain. The pigskin and the sheepskin adorn the same study. If I may be so bold as to utter a phrase that recalls our undergraduate antics, tonight our cup runneth o'er.

Safe within the charmed circle, mind you, I myself do not approve the principle of eating your cake and having it. I am now reformed—a professor who earnestly declaims the doctrine of scholarship first. Yet, unlike some of the reformed who have conquered the devil within their own souls and set up prohibition for others because they still fear him, I find my recollections and my experiences cause me to remain tolerant of those who eat their cake. He was such a charming devil.

Twenty years ago, as this year, no doubt, the devil took the form of things that were more pleasant to do than the things that ought to be done. You could play end on a football team and everybody would know that you played end on a football team; but what if you did make "A" in Professor Paxton's Greek? You could be the editor of a magazine and get such a young genius as Jack

McClure to write pieces for you, and everybody would hail you as the discoverer of Jack McClure the literary genius; but nobody but Professor Brewer would discover you if you made "A" in Professor Brewer's course in Shakespeare. A fraternity was an easy and sure sesame to social prestige and dates with the inexperienced but irresistible freshmen girls. Who cared if you were high man in chemistry?

If Norman nights are as balmy now as then, if apple blossoms are as fragrant, if the lights of that wicked city to the north are as bright, I wonder that all of this chapter's membership in Phi Beta Kappa does not have to be recruited from the alumni of the university. This is a tribute to these undergraduate members whose ability to resist temptation surpasses my understanding. Perhaps the devilish enemies of scholarship are less attractive today than in 1914.

We even had an active DDMC—Deep Dark Mystery Club. I am sure I should have read Professor Dowd's assigned reference in Spencer and Lombroso with clearer head and greater understanding if I had spent more nights in bed and fewer painting ugly pictures of my teachers on the campus sidewalks. And library dates were allowed. We mixed—or tried to mix—our emotions with our intellects. A French verb got itself involved with a French perfume, and cephalic indexes were but lovely curves in a Tri Delt's head that were as full of nonsense as your own.

But even in those degenerate times were counter-attractions which saved us from utter scholastic ruin. How we would sweat and fuss to memorize 150 lines of Browning so we should not have Adelaide Loomis disappointed in us. Wouldn't we work all night to polish up a short story—very short it would be—just to get Becky Brooke to write those two dear words "very good" upon the paper? The rubbish one read to please Daddy Dowd was enough to cause a reference librarian to turn prematurely gray. In this, too, there was a kind of sweetness—cake that we liked and always had.

Perhaps we shall remember all this some day with pleasure.

Some who ate their cake and have it do.