Dr. Dorothy Truex, associate professor of education and research director for the university community at OU, has been named president-elect of the National Association of Women Deans and Counselors (NAWDC).

Dr. Charles Bert is the new director of the University of Oklahoma School of Aerospace, Mechanical and Nuclear Engineering.

David Gardner has been appointed as project director of Upward Bound, a pre-college preparatory program sponsored by Oklahomans for Indian Opportunity (OIO) and the University.

The University of Oklahoma Press Building has been named Savoie Lottinville Hall in honor of long-time OU Press Director and Regents professor of history, Savoie Lottinville. Mildred Andrews, David Ross Boyd professor of music at the University of Oklahoma, was named "Oklahoma Musician of the Year" in ceremonies at the State Capitol.

Mrs. Frank L. (Nancy) Davies Jr. of Enid has become the first woman president of the University of Oklahoma Board of Regents.

Dr. Tim R. Covington, assistant professor of clinical pharmacy at OU, was recently appointed to the faculty of the National Drug Education Center, Oklahoma City.

Dr. George M. Sutton, George Lynn Cross research professor emeritus of zoology, has given the University a $20,000 endowment, to be known as the George Miksch Sutton Lecture Series.

**FACE LIFTING**

Alumni visitors to the Oklahoma Memorial Union the past two years have been pleasantly surprised by its physical changes — there is a new restaurant, a shopping mall, and the Will Rogers Cafeteria has been remodeled. Unfortunately, the early institutional decor of the Faculty Club remained the same — bleak, except for the visible signs of its leaky roof which were becoming more obvious.

Finally last fall the directors of the Alumni Development Fund voted financial assistance for complete renovation of the club, and by February 1 everything had changed except the location. The club remains on the mezzanine of the Union — across from the Alumni Office.

The ADF assistance amounted to $22,000 and was made possible through the bequest of Jasper P. Baldwin. (Baldwin, an alumnus, designated the University as recipient of a $200,000 bequest which was received three years ago.) In announcing the gift for renovation Bryan Arnn, chairman of the ADF, said, "Since faculty and staff members at OU are experiencing a no-raise policy this year, we felt this gift might benefit more of OU’s personnel that anything else we could do."

Club services, as such, had ceased to exist prior to the renovation. Now members can have morning coffee, lunch, cocktails (after 4 p.m.) and dinner in the new club. Instead of one big room with lots of possibilities, there are now three areas: a dining room, lounge and small dancing area, and a room which can be used by private groups. The decorative style is contemporary, and the basic color is red with accents of black, white and blue.

In addition to faculty and staff, membership is open to paid members of the Alumni Association. Cleveland County members pay $25 annually plus $5 per month for club privileges, and non-resident alumni pay $25 annually plus $2.50 per month.

**Feeling the Financial Crunch**

It didn’t come as a surprise to anyone, but as sine die adjournment approached for the 2nd session of the 33rd Oklahoma legislature, higher education began to feel the effects again of the state’s continuing financial pressures.

The State Regents, after accepting and whittling requests from individual institutions, had submitted a ’72-73 request of $110,418,000 for 25 colleges and universities in the state. Unfortunately, the legislators had few additional tax revenue dollars to work with, and the final appropriation came out at $81,720,533, short of the Regents' request by more than $28.5 million.

The total allocation this year is $2.4 million more than last year for the entire educational system, an amount which is about one-sixth of what the Regents requested for the University of Oklahoma and its Health Sciences Center alone.

The Regents have made their final allocations to each school, and OU received only $259,740 in new money. This compares to $1.5 million additional funds received by OU in ’71-72, a year when, because of the high rate of rising costs in higher education, programs were cut back and a no-raise policy went into effect for all faculty and staff. Obviously, this year’s increase will not come close to meeting the increasing costs in higher education.