ANOTHER year of progress for our university is closing. Advances have been made in cultural and material things. Some of these are:

Dedication of our new library, the finest in the mid-continent and one of the most beautiful college libraries in America.

Establishment of a degree of doctor of education to be awarded for graduate work in the college of education.

Installation of a chapter of Sigma Xi, scientific honorary fraternity.

Publication of the first cloth bound book by the University of Oklahoma Press, marking the complete university.

Production by the Playhouse and publication by the University Press of the first completely 'Made in Oklahoma' play.

Recognition of the standing of our faculty through the award of numerous distinguished fellowships,both in America and abroad.

The international approval rendered Books Abroad, the quarterly review of foreign language literature.

The announcement by the university that athletics are important but not the dominant reason for the university's existence, and that coaches are employed to coach and will not be subject to removal if they have a bad season.

The opening of the school of art building, making it a cultural center of the mid-continent.

There are other important milestones, no doubt. Important to alumni is the work done by Secretary Cleckler, both in the association and in making the Oklahoma Union solvent. The latter work is in the nature of a miracle, but Mr Cleckler is doing it.

The most important single thing being done on our campus today is Books Abroad. It is doing about as much as any one thing to center the eyes of the intellectual public on the University of Oklahoma. That is important. Books Abroad could not be produced by barbarians. One issue of Books Abroad goes a long way to dissipate contemporary notions about America's "Inner Mongolia." The man who had the vision of this quarterly is Dr. Roy Temple House; he kept on when many thought of the magazine as the house organ for the modern languages department. Now, even the most skeptical can see that the magazine is the most important ambassador of the university.

The keystones of all this activity on the campus is President Bizzell. Oklahoma is extraordinarily fortunate in having at this crucial juncture—when the university is being transformed from a first class undergraduate school into a center of learning—a liberal intellectual has become university president. The president encourages by every means in his power this expression of the university's new mission-cultural leadership. If President Bizzell is able to do as much to advance the university in the next five years as he has in the past five, historians will call the period the Golden Decade in the university's history.

The enthusiasm with which the Buchanan memorial project was greeted at the annual meeting of the Association augurs well for the success of the project. The long service of James Shannon Buchanan to the university is unique; it should be commemorated perpetually.

This is the final news issue of the magazine for this volume. The July number will be the directory edition. It will be mailed to members about July 15, and will be correct as of June 15. The July number will contain also the index for the volume, for those who save their copies for binding.

There are many reasons why the directory should be published as a part of the magazine. The Sooner Magazine is the official publication of the Association, and therefore every thing pertinent to the welfare of the organization should be included in it. Mailing cost is reduced considerably, and that is an important item. The directory issue will be mailed only to paid up members of the Association and may be obtained by non-paid members at $3 a copy. It will be bound in heavier covers than the coated paper used for the usual monthly issue; hence it can be used independently by those who do not save their volumes bound. For those who bind their volumes, the directory will be available readily.