President Hopkins of Dartmouth declared that the alumni are the college; and on that theory, which is a good one (being a restatement of the saying "By their deeds shall ye know them"), we would call attention of alumni of the University of Oklahoma to the analyses of building requirements presented in this issue. Each article has been especially prepared by the responsible department head.

Read these summaries carefully. Bear in mind, as you read them, that the university is twenty-third largest university in America; that enrollment in the past ten years has doubled but classroom facilities have not; that the standing of the university has kept pace with the physical growth, but that the university cannot hope indefinitely to retain that high ranking unless the state provides for the university as it should, or unless the state makes it possible to cut off a large part of the present enrollment.

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Even if enrollment is reduced by legislative enactment, adequate provision must be made for certain departments that require laboratory space. The need is inescapable; Oklahoma cannot postpone any longer taking care of the university's building needs without definitely harming the ranking of the school.

Because the condition is serious, we hope that alumni of the university will study this issue of the magazine carefully. If you have any questions, or any comments to make on the program, we would be glad to publish such questions or comments in the magazine.

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The death of Dr Maurice G. Smith, head of the department of anthropology as a result of typhoid fever, removes one of the most brilliant minds from the university faculty. In another way, too, Doctor Smith's loss will be felt; the possibility of making the university a national center for study of the Indian has always appealed to him. His work with the Indian attracted the attention of the federal bureau of ethology.

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How many books have you read this year?

Professor Pipkin of Columbia University says the average person can read forty books a year. But, he adds, you can train yourself to read rapidly, so much so that you could read 130 books in twelve months.

An inventory is part and parcel of any well established business organization. An inventory of your mental equipment might prove illuminating. I imagine that if you are an average man, you'd find that you did not read forty books last year.

I have heard many Sooner alumni lament the fact they did not find time to read books. I wonder if they failed to get the book reading habit in college? How many professors, I wonder, really try to give their students an insight into what Carlyle called the real university, a library of books?

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President Glenn Frank of Wisconsin deserves commendation. The D. A. R. sought to have him expel certain students thought Communists. But President Frank replied, that a person was entitled to his convictions, whether he be Democrat, Republican, Socialist, or what not. That was a signal statement in favor of academic freedom.

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The Buchanan Memorial Lectureship has been approved by the Association. The committee of which Paul A. Walker is chairman, has done a commendable work for Oklahoma, in selecting the Memorial Lectureship to commemorate James Shannon Buchanan's thirty-five years of service to the university and the state.

The more I think of the lecturership plan, the more enthusiastic for it I become. Thus will the service of Uncle Buck be kept alive perpetually, and in a manner that would meet his wholehearted approval, were he here today to see the esteem in which he is held by Soonerseverywhere.

Read the report of the committee in the Association Progress department of this issue, page 73. Then decide how much you can give to this worthy cause; and give promptly. The Association is undertaking the task of raising the fund without any extra finance. Your prompt giving will save time and expense in the central office.