Nationally Distinguished Sooner Alumni

As the University of Oklahoma approaches its Semicentennial Anniversary in 1942, it is appropriate to survey the institution's accomplishments, particularly as they are manifest in the achievements of alumni and former students.

Although the University is now less than a half-century old, eighty-two of its alumni and former students have made national reputations sufficiently important to win listing in the 1938-39 volume of Who's Who in America. Nine Sooner lawyers, seven college presidents, five doctors, seven judges, nine editors and publishers, and Sooner in many other fields of human endeavor have earned this national recognition.

The list also includes fourteen college and university professors and other educators, a United States senator, three congressmen and two ex-congressmen, three writers, three librarians, five oil men and geologists, two psychologists, two members of the Federal Communications Commission, one opera singer, a consul, a clergyman, a home economist and child-welfare worker, a government statistician, a banker, and a state director of health.

Here is a record of substantial service in a great variety of fields. In this record is new evidence that the people of Oklahoma are getting results for the money they have invested in higher education.

The new volume of Who's Who lists two University faculty members not previously included. They are Wilbur F. Cloud, '25, '26ms, professor of petroleum engineering; and Joseph E. Smay, director of the School of Architecture, who is not an alumnus of O. U. A total of thirty-one University faculty members are listed.

Other alumni listed for the first time include Elgin Grosclose, '20; Thurman S. Hurst, '22aw; Robert S. Kerr, '16ex; Dr. Earl D. McRide, '12; George Milburn, '20ex; and A. P. Murrah, '27law.

The information contained in Who's Who in America is a strong refutation of the currently popular criticism of higher education. Of course there are a great many individual factors to be considered in deciding whether college is worth while for a particular individual, but cold analysis shows there are approximately seventy-five of each one hundred persons listed in Who's Who who are college graduates, and that eighty-six out of each hundred have attended college.

Because of the fact that some of the O. U. alumni in Who's Who are no longer living in Oklahoma, it is not possible to make a direct calculation of the percentage of distinguished Oklahomans who attended the University.

However, it is interesting to note that the number of O. U. alumni and former students in Who's Who is more than a fourth of the total for all Oklahoma residents listed in the current volume. Oklahoma's total is 296, and the Sooner alumni total is 82.

Following are the Sooner listed in the current Who's Who in America:

**College Presidents**


Mother Agnes Arvin, '31ex, president of Catholic College of Oklahoma, Guthrie, since 1927.

H. G. Bennett, '24ma, president of Oklahoma A. and M. College since 1928.


A. Linscheid, '20ma, president East Central State Teachers College, Ada, Oklahoma, since 1920.

M. A. Nash, '19, '27ma, president Oklahoma College for Women, Chickasha, Oklahoma, since 1927.

**Professors, Educators**

Wilbur Cloud, '25, '26ms, professor of petroleum engineering in the University, and author of technical publications.

E. E. Dale, '11, head of History Department at University of Oklahoma, and author.


Roy Gittinger, '02, dean of administration, University of Oklahoma. Author.


Kenneth C. Kaufman, '16, '19ma, professor of modern languages University of Oklahoma; literary critic.

Anna Lewis, professor of history, Oklahoma College for Women, Chickasha, since 1917. Author.

John G. Mitchell, '19ma, former president Central State Teachers College, Edmond, Oklahoma; now superintendent of schools at Seminole, Oklahoma.

W. B. Morrison, '25ma, professor of history Southeastern State Teachers College, Durant, Oklahoma, since 1922. Author.


A. C. Parsons, '02ex, former superintendent of schools at Oklahoma City; recently vice president Globe Fire Insurance Company. Home, Norman.


Charles Elkins Rogers, '14, professor and head of department of industrial journalism Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kansas, since 1925. Author.

John Samuel Vaughan, '23, '27ma, president Northeastern State Teachers College, Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

Guy Y. Williams, '06, '10ma, head of chemistry department, University of Oklahoma.

**Editors, Publishers**


Charles E. Marsh, '08, co-publisher and
editor in chief of Waco News-Tribune, Waco Times-Herald, Austin American, Austin Statesman and Port Arthur News (all of Texas) since 1916. Home, Austin, Texas.

Walter Morrow, '16ex, former editor of Akron Times-Press and recently editor-in-chief of the southwestern group of Scripps-Howard newspapers with headquarters in Denver, Colorado.

G. B. Parker, '08, former editor-in-chief of Scripps-Howard newspaper chain and recently a trustee for Scripps estate. Home, Washington, D.C.

John Wallace Perry, '07, editor of El Paso Herald-Post until recently.


Seward R. Sheldon, '15, former editor Fort Worth Press, and recently on editorial staff of Cleveland Press, Cleveland, Ohio.

Judges
Wayne W. Bayless, '20aw, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City.
Orel Bushy, '14law, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City.
Thurman S. Hurst, '12law, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma.
Alfred P. Murrah, '27law, federal district judge, Oklahoma City.
Monroe Osborn, '05ex, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City.
Fletcher S. Riley, '17, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
Samuel Earl Welch, '11ex, justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, Oklahoma City.

Lawyers

James F. Hatcher, '13, practicing attorney at Chickasha, Oklahoma, since 1926; former member State Board of Education; past state commander of American Legion.

Herbert K. Hyde, '18ex, former United States district attorney at Oklahoma City and later practicing attorney at Oklahoma City.

Roy St. Louis, '15law, former United States district attorney at Oklahoma City, former assistant attorney general of the United States, and now practicing attorney in Washington, D.C.

William C. Lewis, '18ex, former special assistant to the attorney general of the United States and former United States district attorney at Oklahoma City, Home, Oklahoma City.

A. P. Murrah, federal judge

George Milburn, author

J. D. Lydick, '98ex, former associate justice of Supreme Court of Oklahoma, practicing attorney at Oklahoma City.

K. Berry Peterson, '13, former attorney general of Arizona, and since 1933 assistant United States district attorney in Arizona.

Leslie E. Saltzer, '17law, former special assistant to the attorney general of the United States and later practicing attorney at Chicago, Illinois.

Mac Q. Williamson, '10ex, attorney general of Oklahoma since 1934.

Doctors
Ray Morton Balveat, '12, '16ms, '18 med, director Balveat Hay Fever and Asthma Clinic, Oklahoma City.

Floyd Jackson Boland, '01, former associate professor of medicine, University of Oklahoma School of Medicine, practicing physician in Oklahoma City, deputy chief surgeon A. E. F. for Italy, 1919, colonel United States Army (retired). Home, Washington, D.C. Home, Oklahoma City.

James Burnette Eskridge, Jr., '21ex, obstetrician, gynecologist at Oklahoma City.

LeRoy Downing Long, '17ex, surgeon in LeRoy Long Clinic, Oklahoma City, since 1924; assistant professor of surgery in University of Oklahoma Medical School 1929-31.

Wendell McLean Long, '22, attending gynecologist St. Anthony's Hospital, Oklahoma City, and gynecologist LeRoy Long Clinic, Oklahoma City, since 1924; associate professor of surgery in University of Oklahoma Medical School 1929-31.

Dr. Earl D. McBride, '12, Oklahoma City, orthopedic surgeon and director of McBride Clinic and Reconstruction Hospital.

Members of Congress
Willburn Cartwright, '20aw, congressman from Third Oklahoma District since 1927. Home, McAlester.


Joshua Bryan Lee, '17, former congressman from Fifth Oklahoma District and now United States Senator from Oklahoma. Home, Norman.

Will Rogers, '30ms, congressman-at-large from Oklahoma since 1933.


F. B. Swank, '99ex, congressman from Fifth Oklahoma District (1921-29 and 1931-35), attorney, Norman, Oklahoma.

Oil Men, Geologists
Frank Buttram, '10, '12ma, chemist and geologist and general manager Fortuna Oil Company 1914-20; organizer (please turn to page 36)
Tyler football rally

The East Texas Alumni Club met the night of October 6 in the Blackstone Hotel at Tyler, for the annual business meeting and a pep session in advance of the Sooner-Texas game at Dallas the following Saturday.

A. Clem Wright, '20, '21ma, president of the club, presided at the dinner meeting. Raymond Horton, '30, vice president during the last year, was advanced to the position of president; T. J. Johnson, '25, was elected vice president, and Pauline Heffler, '37journ, secretary-treasurer.

Ted Beaird, '21, alumni executive secretary, was principal speaker. Moving pictures of scenes on the University campus were shown.

Approximately fifty Sooner alumni and former students, and guests, attended the dinner.

Washington council at work

The Washington, D. C., Advisory Council of the Association met September 30 at the home of Paul A. Walker, '12law, chairman.

The council is working on a complete list of Sooners in Washington, and discussed methods of keeping in close touch with affairs at the University and of lending assistance and support to the University and its alumni.

The council plans a general meeting of Association members and friends in Washington at some time during the year when representatives of the University can be present.

Sooners in 'Who's Who'

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Everette Lee DeGolyer, '11, former president Amerada Corporation; former president Geophysical Research Corporation; president Felmont Corporation since 1934; associate editor Journal Economic Geology; technical adviser NRA oil code, 1933. Home, Dallas, Texas.

Robert S. Kerr, '16ex, Oklahoma City, member of Kerr-Lynn & Company, oil drilling.

Charles Townsend Kirk, '04, '05ma, former professor of geology; examinations of mining, petroleum and natural gas lands in Rocky Mountains, Mid-Continent and Spanish America, since 1909. Home, Tulsa, Oklahoma.


Writers

Mrs. Walter Ferguson (Lucia Loomis, '07), columnist for Scripps-Howard newspapers, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Luis Munoz-Marin (Muna Lee, '14ex), director of Bureau of International Relations, University of Puerto Rico, since 1927; poet and author. Home, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico.

George Milburn, '30ex, Pineville, Missouri, author.

Federal Communications Division

Irvin Stewart, '19ex, member of Federal Communications Division since 1934. Home, Washington, D. C., and Austin, Texas.


Psychologists

Lawrence W. Cole, '99, professor of psychology and education, University of Colorado, Boulder.

Fowler Dell Brooks, '15ma, head of departments of education and psychology DePauw University, Greencastle, Indiana, since 1930.

Librarians

Milton James Ferguson, '01, '06ma, chief librarian Brooklyn (N. Y.) Public Library since 1930.


Jesse Lee Rader, '08, '13ma, with University of Oklahoma library since 1904, librarian since 1909.

Other Occupations

Joseph Bentonelli, '20, '21, lyric tenor in Metropolitan Opera Company, New York; Chicago Grand Opera Company; concert stage; radio. Home, Norman, Oklahoma.

George A. Bucklin, '03, former counsel general at Wellington, New Zealand; now retired. Home, Berkeley, California.

Mrs. George E. Calvert (Maude Richman, '20ms), home economist, child welfare worker, civic leader, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Hale V. Davis, '26ma, Baptist minister at Oklahoma City.


Walter Ferguson, '07ex, banker and oil man, Tulsa (now deceased).


Robert Hickman Riley, '09, '13med, director of health and chairman State Board of Health, Maryland, since 1928; lecturer in School of Hygiene and Public Health, Johns Hopkins University, since 1928. Home, Baltimore, Maryland.