Her Wonderful Week

When Donna Sue Cason left the campus in early September she took with her the titles of Homecoming Queen and Miss O. U. When she returned a week later, she was Miss Football of 1956. Her win was in the best Sooner tradition. She succeeds another Oklahoma winner.

The University of Oklahoma's growing football dynasty received another type of official recognition this September in Berkeley, California, when Donna Sue Cason, a junior from Vinita, was crowned Miss Football to reign over the national college gridiron scene.

O. U.'s Ann Campbell won the contest last year and so when Donna Sue's lavish float led the coronation parade through the downtown streets of Berkeley before 100,000, it was the first time in the contest's 11-year history for any university to win twice.

The event, which is sponsored by the Berkeley Junior Chamber of Commerce and supported financially by city civic groups, lasted eight days for Donna Sue. She flew to Dallas, then to Los Angeles where she met the other 14 contestants and Berkeley representatives for a two-day tour of movie studios and points of interest in Hollywood.

The scene then shifted to Berkeley where six days of luncheons, press receptions, swimming parties and interviews determined the winner. "It was about the most wonderful week I've ever spent," Donna Sue said, and added that she was quite surprised by her selection. However, her success was undoubtedly more of a shock to her than to those who know her at the University and saw her elected Homecoming Queen last October.

She arrived in Norman on Monday morning, September 24, exactly a week after school started. A bit breathless and more than a bit beautiful, she stepped easily into the normal student's routine and began studying in an attempt to make up for the lost week.
As North Carolina suffers below, Donna Sue's face shows the effects of the stadium sun.

Miss Football Watches Game
And Enjoys a Sunday Letdown

Charm, that quality that pleases and attracts other human beings, was Donna Sue's secret weapon in the Miss Football contest. She herself said there were others with more physical beauty and more talent. But the judges seemed to find Donna Sue the closest approximation to the mythical "typical college girl." Do not align the meaning of typical along with that of "average" in connection with O. U.'s Miss Football. She has a freshness, a vivacity, and a tasteful modesty which places her above the norm. In addition to physical beauty and the poise that her environment has provided, Donna Sue has somewhere acquired the elusive formula that so many women spend a lifetime searching for. The crown awarded her on the coast is a fitting sanction to her unusual charm.
A sudden lull in the rout gives Donna Sue a chance to rest her eyes. She is the daughter of the Frank Casons of Vinita, and a junior majoring in fashion design.

Excited and her hair in slight disarray, she still has the refreshing naturalness that the contest judges wanted.

Two happy people enjoy themselves in the cool darkness of a campus corner movie, a refreshing climax to another weekend in life of Miss Football.