The Association

Thunderbirds Organize Club

The fall weather did more than transform summer's greenery into a riot of color, craftily deploying fallen leaves over well-kept lawns, and sardining people into football stadiums on Saturday afternoons; it also flashed on the green light for Alumni Club meetings.

Taking the cake for Alumni chapters in far away places goes to a group of O.U. graduates now serving with the 45th Infantry Division in Hokkaido, Japan. This makes the University's second Alumni Club in the Orient. (The other Sooner group in Asia holds their club functions in Tokyo. Over 100 graduates or former students belong to the Oklahoma national guard division. The chief purpose of the new organization will be to buy color films of all O.U. football games played this season. It is intended that the movies will be shown throughout the division as quickly after the games are played as possible. The first meeting of the "Big Red" fans was scheduled for early September. Ramroding the membership drive are Major Dwain Box, division assistant military government officer from Oklahoma City, and Major Thomas Brett, '40bus, '48Law, plans and training officer of the 120th Medical Battalion of Norman.

Mayes County Club. A large group of young graduates attended the meeting held September 10 in Pryor Community building. Alumni office representative George Cummings, '49bus, showed the movie, O.U. Album, to the group. Plans were laid for a meeting in October to choose a definite project for club work.

Tyler Texas Club. O.U. Alumni of the East Texas area met in Tyler, August 18, and completed an application for a charter in the University Alumni Association. Dee Andros, '50ed, assistant Sooner football coach attended the meeting and showed the film of last year's O.U.-Texas A&M game. The Tyler alumni also completed arrangements for attending this season's Sooner-Texas Aggie game to be played at College Station, Texas, October 6. The club has chartered a bus and will attend as a group.

Abilene, Texas, alumni received a club charter for their newly formed group, September 15, at a dinner-dance at the Abilene Country Club. Dean Thurman White, '41ms, and Alumni Secretary Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37Law, attended from the University. Part of the 150 people who attended are shown above. They are (seated clockwise) Mrs. Turner Armstrong, Armstrong, '40eng, Mrs. L. W. Dorbandt, L. W. Dorbandt, '43 eng, Mrs. Forrest Blackstock, Forrest Blackstock, Mrs. C. S. Noland, J. H. Daniels, Mrs. Daniels (Margaret Bradbury, '23h.ec), and C. S. Noland, '28geol, all of Abilene.