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recently and found her highly organized for the annual cancer drive, which she has chaired for publicity for many years, being on their board of directors.

My fine friend, Olive Downing Casey, '28a, formerly of Oklahoma City, has likewise become a dyed in the wool Virginian, living at Williamsburg, which helps to help her former Oklahomans tour. Her husband is a native and on the delightful tour of Duke of Gloucester Street, one may see yet the Casey Incorporated store as that family ran it for many years. She has three sons.

We enjoy the Sooner Magazine greatly. With all good wishes for the Alumni Association and for you personally.


Dear Ted:

Just arrived back from a fast trip to Indianapolis where the junior and senior pharmacy students were guests of the Eli Lilly and Company, large pharmaceutical manufacturing concern.

Surely had a wonderful time in Indianapolis and was the delight to help several prominent O. U. alumni to convey greetings from you and the University.

Among those called were:

Robert Marr, '46, National Headquarters, The American Legion, Indianapolis. "Bob" was pretty busy and proud too, as they had just announced a new arrival in the Marr household. Bob was interested in forming an Indianapolis O. U. Alumni Club.

Dr. Grace Browning, '25ba, 122 East Michigan, and Mrs. Frank M. Wickizer, '20ba, wife of Rev. W. F. Wickizer, '20ba, were also enthusiastic about organizing an O. U. Alumni Club in Indianapolis. They all were hoping to see you on your trip to Indianapolis and sent their regards and best wishes to you and the University.

Sincerely, A. Marion Smith, '27ba, '48ba, Secretary, Senior Committee, '48.

L. A. Club Is Entertained

Los Angeles, California

Dear Ted:

Rather early in May, the Los Angeles Alumni Club had a fine meeting here at the Chancellor Hotel. After a short business session, we had a party and a little informal singing—some of those old University songs, you know. A number of those who have not been out with us before were at this meeting.

At this point, two very special introductions were made. Ralph E. Brand, '33ba, '38ma, and Mrs. Brand were introduced as the newest parents in the group. They left a little one month old son at home with "Grandma" and came in from Riverside to be with us. Ralph is, as you do not know, a professor in Riverside College. He is our Area Representative in the Riverside and San Bernadino section.

The second introduction of special interest was that of our Secretary, Hawaitha Ettes, '40aeng, and his very attractive bride, Jeanne Price Ettes. They were married in April. She is a California girl and a very fine one. We have them on the platform and sang "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." Hi came through with the appropriate gestures to the delight of all.

A highlight of our meeting was the presentation of a group of beautiful musical numbers by Byrne Gerhardt, '21-24, and Mrs. Gerhardt. They are both former students of the University of Oklahoma and active members of our Alumni Club. Byrne hangs from Snyder and Ruby will be remembered by many as Ruby Washburn, '28-29, afterward in "The Sooner" at Oklahoma City. After leaving the University, the Gerhardts made a real place for themselves in the musical circles in Oklahoma City. However, the "Pied Piper"" Los Angeles, sured them on to the Wray where they are going right on up in their chosen field.

"The officers of the San Antonio (Texas) O. U. Alumni Club has been signed, sealed and delivered. Some 150 Sooner met for a picnic, a swim and to hear the amazing story of O. U.'s growth and development in recent years, on "Charter Night," May 17, 1948.

"Indeed, I got out of Texas without being tried for treason! Since I was there only a few hours, I did not have a chance to visit the Alamo, and therefore, expected to be intercepted by the Lone Ranger up until the time I re-crossed Red River."

"Colonel J. V. Collier, '34ba, and Mrs. Collier were gracious hosts and made this trip a pleasant experience that I will remember for many years to come. The Colliers are kind of a family that makes you proud to be a Sooner. Their son Ted is now with the Ist Cavalry Division in Japan, and plans to enter the University next fall; Bill is attending the University now, making straight A's, and won an award as the most outstanding student in R.O.T.C. this year; Tom is a junior in high school, plays football, plans to enter the University in a couple of years, and is concerned right now with life-guarding this summer."

"Two other well-liked former University R.O.T.C. Instructors now stationed in San Antonio are Colonels George Hayman and W. F. Corkill, '16ba. Colonel Hayman was unable to attend the picnic, but Colonel and Mrs. Corkill were there, and had as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Hudson. I shouldn't mention this, but I think Mrs. Corkill became a little nervous at so many bald-headed Sooner recalling the days when they took R.O.T.C. training from the Colonel. On the surface, it looked as though that must have been many years ago!"

"The officers of the San Antonio Chapter really did a fine job getting so many people out for the
picnic. Bill Tucker, '43 CEE, is president. Harriet Ann (Mrs. Tucker) said that this was the first outing for their new center, aged three months. I would say that attending an O.U. picnic is getting her daughter started out right. The vice-president is Doyle Crain, '51 BIS, who hails from Isabel, and the secretary-treasurer is Lt. Tommy J. Duncan, '42 JOUR, who is a specialist in occupational therapy (Regular Army) in the Brooke General Hospital. Lieutenant Duncan came to the University from Hugo.

"Ab D. Walker, '33 phsy. ed., and Mrs. Walker were there with their little boy now 2 years old. Ab was a fast running, sharp tackling quarterback on O.U.'s football team in the early thirties. He is a retired lieutenant colonel in the Army and plans to make his home in San Antonio.

"Another good Phi Delt from about that time, E. (Gene) Nolen, '35, was on hand with Mrs. Nolen. If my memory serves me correctly, Ab and Gene both majored in Spanish II under Miss Gladys Barnes (at least, I remember very well that they worked hard at it). Gene is now a geophysicist with the Portable Seismograph Co.

"Riley P. Boren, '39med., and his fine family were on hand. Riley recently organized the Texas Scientific Co., and from the amount of travel he has been doing, I imagine he is serving most of the schools in southern Texas through his company.

"Another old friend of yours, enjoying the fried chicken, was Robert Duncan, '30 BIS, who was there with his family.

"Major Herbert Van Zandt, '39 JOUR, and Margaret Van Zandt, '39, were there with their two children, Judith, 6 years old, and Richard Sidney, 5 years old.

"Leach (31 eng) and Mrs. Snow were there. Guy and Mary Elizabeth Warren Hughes '24; C. W. and Mary F. Hughes Hamilton, '41-'45; Luatine Spencer, '31 BIS; Robert W. ('39med) and Adelaide Carter, '42, were there with their fine family, Robert Carter, age 5, and Freda Adelaide, age 2. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Smith, with their children, Jean Ann, age 15, and Gall, age 11; Gordon Kirby, '39; Loula W. Roberts, '36 eng; with Mrs. Roberts and son Weldon; Travis (Ace)Hintin, '35 BIS; and Doris Dall Hinson, '38 BIS, with their children Jack and Joy, Sam B. Johnson, '37 eng, who deserted geology for ranching was there with Mrs. Johnson, Margaret Howe, '36 BIS, whose home was formerly in Weatherford. The Johnsons live at Pearsall and have two children, Virginia, 6, and Linda, 3.

"Walter M. Sartain, Jr., '38, and Mrs. Sartain, with their three children, Robert Everett; their sons, Walter III, age 12, and James Rhea, age 10, led the cheering for the O.U. touchdowns in the Missouri game of last fall, which was shown.

"Joe E. Grant, '29 BIS, '30 law, and Mrs. Grant were both much in evidence. Joe is general counsel for the Slick Airways in San Antonio.

"I had a good visit with an old friend of mine of the Class of '35, Eugene Gilly, '35 BIS, who was unable to attend the picnic because he was in the process of moving into a new home.

"There were a lot of other people there whose names I was unable to get, but I will probably be recalling them for the next several weeks. The San Antonio Sooners are really a 'live wire' bunch—a lot of fine Sooners who are still very much interested in the University of Oklahoma. I predict that you will be hearing a lot more from them in the future and I know for a fact that Bill Cross can expect to hear from many of them about this 'on to Dallas movement' come next fall. For the sake of our Texas Sooners, we sure need to win that one."

Business and industrial firms in Oklahoma were issued 112 charters in March, the University of Oklahoma Bureau of Business Research reports. The figures represented an increase of nearly 50 percent. Total charters issued for the first three months of 1938 were 5 percent greater than for the same period last year, and 15 percent above the comparable time in 1946.