A Blue Cement Pool

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Philadelphia. After a very hot week in June, when thunderstorms threatened but failed to come with relief, the Sunday for the June meeting (June 29) rolled around... Nineteen alumni, alumnae and members of their families and guests gathered at the (Paul) Barton's place...

Pleasant relief from the heat was promptly found in the beautiful blue cement pool of the Barton's (Paul, '19bs, and Mrs. Rosetta Briegel Barton, '15ba, '16ma) located just above a natural pool in a small valley surrounded by fields and distant wooded ridges...

Afterwards appetites of all were satisfied with salads and baked beans, hot dogs and rolls, pop and milk, cake, ice cream and watermelon, etc., eaten out on the lawn. A particular dish was presented by each family and certain food was supplied and paid for.

When supper was finished, members of the Alumni club gathered in a circle for the business meeting. The president, Dr. Elden Magaw, '28ba, '31Law, opened the meeting... (after preliminary remarks by Dr. Magaw and a reading of the minutes) the fall business meeting, which the by-laws designate should be held the last Sunday in October, was planned... Mrs. Margaret Goodrich Henson, '33fa... offered her house for an afternoon tea to start at 3 o'clock and this invitation was gratefully accepted...

(The following report was submitted by Washington, D.C., Alumni club reporter Don A. Eaton, '47-'49).


Other new officers are Lt. Col. William R. "Bob" Clark, '36journ, vice president; Mrs. Beverly Yuttal Miller, '48ba, secretary, and Edmund B. Clark '50ba, treasurer.

New members elected to the club's Executive Board include retiring President Bascom, Lynden Mannen, '27ba, '38ma, and Col. Carter Todd, '31Law. Holdover members are Charles E. Brodersen, '29ba, '31Law, Mrs. Mary Ryle Gittinger, '38h.ec, William R. High, '31ba, and FCC Chairman Paul A. Walker, '12Law.

The annual election and installation of officers took place at the May 9 spring banquet of the organization, held in the Cloud Room of the National Airport. Over 100 O.U. Sooners gathered to hear U. S. Senator A. S. Mike Monroney, '24ba, deliver the principal address.

A former Perry resident, Chapin has been active in Oklahoma circles in the National Capital since his arrival in Washington. Vice president of the O.U. club last year, he has served also as secretary of the alumni association group.

After practicing law in Perry where he was a member of the Lions Club and the Knights of Pythias Lodge, Chapin joined the Washington staff of a member of Congress, later becoming associated with the Veterans Affairs section of the Claims Division of the Department of Justice, his present post...

Chapin was a member of Phi Delta Phi at O.U. While in the O.U. Law School he was a research assistant. During World War II he saw service with the Army Air Force. Married, he is active in the National City Christian Church.

Colonel Clark, former Norman resident who is new vice president, was club treasurer last year. On active duty with the Army Joint Chiefs of Staff and stationed in the Pentagon, he resides with his family at Falls Church, Virginia.

Mrs. Miller, formerly of Oklahoma City..., is married to Dan M. Miller of the Petroleum Administration for defense. They have three children and live in Hyattsville, Maryland.

New treasurer is Edmund B. Clark,
DENVER, COLORADO, Alumni met July 19 at the Elich Gardens for an informal chicken dinner. Four of those present are pictured as they stopped by the “guess your weight” booth. Mrs. Mary West Kniseley, '35ba, receives assistance of Club President Robert B. McWilliams, '40journ, in confusing weight-guessers H. B. "Doc" Kniseley, '26ba, '29ma, and Mrs. McWilliams.

Oklahoma City, attorney for the appellate section of the Lands Division of the Department of Justice.

Denver. The Denver, Colorado Alumni club met July 19 for an informal chicken dinner at the Elich amusement park in Denver. Robert B. McWilliams, '40journ, president, served as master of ceremonies.

Members of the club attending the meeting stood, introduced themselves and named their graduation year. Congressman Byron G. Rogers, '22, was invited to make a brief, informal talk to the diners. Winifred Robey, '13ba, a tall, handsome woman, was asked to make any remarks she cared to about the University. She commented that it had been many years since she had been back to the campus but recalled some of the impressions she had as an undergraduate. She indicated that she planned to attend her class' 40th Reunion in June, 1953.

Mrs. Roberta Garlinghouse Congdon, '44 h.e.c, social chairman of the group, was in charge of the party arrangements. Out-of-the-area guests were Guy Brown, '42ba, '48ma, assistant executive secretary of the Alumni association, and David Burr, Editor, Sooner Magazine.

Dr. Peterson . . .

Usually to a junior history major. Alumni and former students who wish to participate in the memorial scholarship program should send their checks to Dr. Alfred B. Sears, chairman of the Department of History.

Faculty Changes

Appointed. James G. Harlow, '31ba, '33 ms, assistant dean of the University College, has been named dean of the College of Arts and Sciences under an interim appointment. He was named by the Board of Regents to fill the post after the death of Dr. E. D. Meacham, '14ba. President George L. Cross said a permanent dean will be chosen within the year by the faculty of the college.

Dr. William E. Ham, '38bs, '39ms, assistant head of the Oklahoma Geological Survey for the past year, has been named acting director for the Survey.

Dr. William M. Shanner has been named head of the University of Oklahoma Bureau of Extension Research to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Verne H. Schnee. Schnee, vice president in charge of development and Research Institute executive director, resigned in February in order to take a post in Washington. Dr. Shanner was also appointed assistant director of the University’s organized research under Dean Laurence H. Snyder.

The Medical School had acquired two new professors for the fall term. They are Dr. Stewart G. Wolf, Jr., M. D., who was appointed as a full-time professor and head of the Department of Medicine at the school. He formerly taught at Cornell's Medical College. Dr. Robert M. Bird, M. D., was appointed as an associate professor of medicine. He will assist Dr. Wolf. He also taught at Cornell.

Six faculty members were raised to full professorships by action of the Board of Regents in early summer. The six are Carl Mason Franklin, executive vice president of O.U. and member of law faculty; John O’Neil, '36ba, '39ms, chairman of the School of Art; Earl T. Warren, '36ba, '38 Law, College of Law, of John E. Metes, Jr., '35bm, chairman of the Department of Marketing; Leonard H. Haug, director of University bands, and Dr. Paul R. David, director of the Institute of Human Studies, department of zoology.

Resigned. Dr. E. Harold Hinman, director of the O.U. School of Public Health the last four years, has resigned to become dean of the Medical School at the University of Puerto Rico.

Helen T. Clark, assistant professor of home economics, has resigned to accept a position as director of home economics and family life education in the Wichita public schools.

Mrs. Helen Lauterer, associate professor of drama, has resigned to take a position on the staff of Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, N. Y. She had served eight years on the faculty of the School of Drama.

Selected. Dr. John Paul Duncan, associate professor of government, has been awarded a Fulbright lectureship to Ibrahim Pasha University in Cairo, Egypt, for 1952-53. He will serve as a special lecturer in political science for the current school year and will return to O.U. in the fall of 1953. He is the recipient of the first Fulbright lectureship to be awarded a University professor.

R. Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37Law, executive Secretary of the Alumni Association, was elected governor of District 181 of Rotary International at that organizations annual convention in Mexico City in late May. He will serve for the 1952-53 fiscal year.

Dean Mark Everett of the School of Medicine was selected for a 2-month cruise with the navy. Dr. Everett represented the O.U. faculty on the annual summer cruise for 5,100 ROTC midshipmen.