Chicagonians Hold All-Star Confab

A general reception was held for visiting alumni at the Electric Club in the Civic Opera Building by the Chicago alumni club on the afternoon of August 12 prior to the All-Star game in the Windy City.

Alumni from several sections of the United States were in attendance. The Chicago committee handling the reception included Dick Mason, '29bs, '31bs, '32eng, Verne Alden, '1bs, Jack Marks, '40, Willis Martin, '46bs, Homer Heck, '35, and others.

Among those present were President George L. Cross, Executive Vice President Carl Mason Franklin, Regent T. R. Benedum, '28Law, and several other University staff members. The alumni attended the All-Star game as a group to watch O.U.'s Bud Wilkinson coach the All-Stars and see Sooner players, Jack Mitchell, Merle Greathouse, and Buddy Burris in action.
Washington—Party and Resume

The July Garden party of the Washington Alumni was a success in spite of hazards of the much publicized “summer climate.” Originally scheduled to be held at Lt. Col Walter Beets’, 28-31, Alexandria home, the rains came and forced a postponement of a couple of weeks. With the locale shifted to Major John F. Taylor’s ‘36ba, ‘39Law, in Arlington, and with Beets as co-hosts, the party was scheduled “rain or shine” on the most delightfully cool day of the month, July 31st, the clan gathered.

Colonel Beets writes, “we were especially glad to see the folks from Baltimore, Drs. G. S. Ingalls, ‘36bs, ‘36med, and S. G. Sullivan, ‘33bs, ‘35med, and wives; our distinguished Federal Judge Royce Savage, ‘23ba, ‘27Law, from Tusla; and Carl, ‘10-’12, and Mrs. Brown (Peach Rogers, ‘12).”

This was one of a series of parties being held by the Washington Alumni. Plans are being made now for a fall picnic.

(Ed’s Note—Quoted below is a letter received in the Sooner Magazine office concerning the activities of the Washington group for the first six months of 1949. The type of parties and the method of financing may be of interest to other alumni clubs.)

“This past winter and summer many of the O.U. Alumni of Washington and vicinity have enjoyed the gatherings that have been held each month. For the benefit of those who have not been able to attend these functions, I would like to record here a resume of the past activities.

“The idea to gather each month, born during inaugural week and nurtured by the generosity and O.U. spirit of the Alumni, has now grown to healthy childhood through the following stages of development. Elizabeth Bascom ‘22-’24 was the first hostess to the group. A good time was had and at this meeting it was voted to increase the annual dues to two dollars in order to carry out our program of frequent parties.

“Webster Wilder, ‘33ba, ‘33Law, asked that he be the host to the next party, and we had a swell time. Perhaps you saw some of the pictures in the Sooner. At this meeting Ken Markwell, ‘20eng, announced that we should elect new officers, and it was decided to do so at the following meeting.

“John Embry, ‘27Law and Carter Todd, ‘31Law, asked for the March party, and it didn’t take long for another month to roll around. Here again good O.U. fellows got together and the party was a complete success. New officers were elected (first and only order of business) and your humble servant was given the dollar sign to wear for the ensuing year.

“The Sugar-Bowl Football Dinner at the Airport was the next event (nuf said).

“When it was announced at Embry’s that the club paid for the cheese crackers, peanuts, chips, etc., for the parties, Bryan Rakestraw, ‘33ba, ‘39Law, exclaimed “What a deal” and asked to be host at the next party. Under colored lights and to the strains of soft music (including the periodic singing of the neighbors’ dogs), we gathered and had a delightful evening. . . .”

The above letter was written by Lt. Col. Walter O. Beets, ‘28-‘31, and was sent to alumni in the Washington, D. C., area.
Bay Group Selects Officers

New officers have been elected by the Bay Area Alumni Club. George Penney, '28-30, was chosen president; Emily Smith, '31ma, was selected vice president; Paul Lee, '37-41, was named treasurer, and Josephine Paxton, '39ma, '52Lib,scl, was elected secretary.

A business meeting was held August 3 at the home of Pearl Paxton Morris. Another business session is scheduled prior to the first activity of the club this fall.

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Dr. Charles Gould Dies

The founder of the University of Oklahoma school of geology and the State Geological survey, Dr. Charles Newton Gould died August 13 in Norman.

Born in Ohio, he spent his youth on a farm there. His parents moved to Kansas when he was 19 years old and lived on a farm in the western part of the state, near Ninnescah.

Quick to learn, he soon was awarded a teaching certificate and taught at several rural schools in Pratt and Kingman counties. By 1892, he had earned enough money to enter Southwestern college at Winfield, Kansas. For seven years he studied at the college between periods of teaching and working on farms and won his way to a bachelor's degree in June, 1899.

In 1903, he married Nina Swan of Norman. Mrs. Gould died in 1935.

Traveling in a covered wagon, Dr. Gould took field trips each summer while at O.U. to look into Oklahoma's geological resources. What he learned he passed on to writing, lectures and campus conversations.

In 1911, Dr. Gould left the University to work 13 years as a consulting geologist. He was largely responsible for the discovery of several oil and gas fields, including the Panhandle and South Bend fields in Texas; the Poteau, Carter-Knox and Muskogee fields in Oklahoma, and the Augusta field in Kansas.

"Doe" Gould was known as "the daddy of Oklahoma geology." Intrepid in any way you prefer and it would seem fit to honor the man who spent most of his life tramping the section lines in Oklahoma and disseminating data which he dug out with his own hands and pick hammer.

Gould made one of the first extensive surveys of Oklahoma's geological resources. What he learned is the basis for the discovery of the oil and gas fields later to make this state one of the top oil-producing states of the nation. He became the first director of the Oklahoma Geological Survey in 1903.

Under his tutelage, the study of petroleum geology in Oklahoma became a major factor in national oil production, and the school that he founded became the most important in the nation. He built such good foundations that this school continues to be top rank.

"His fine personality will be greatly missed."

From the editorial page of the Oklahoma City Times came this fine tribute.

"Charles N. Gould, who died at the age of 81, had a unique reason to be proud of his life in this state, which began 49 years ago when he founded the school of geology at the University of Oklahoma, and eight years later established the Oklahoma State Geological Survey."

"Though the big oil men who made the most money out of Oklahoma oil became more famous, probably none of them performed so much service in the scientific phase of the oil business, which often furnished the basis for oil discoveries."

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by the Oklahoma Academy of Science. Dr. Charles Gould in his interesting biography, "Covered Wagon Geologist." He is survived by his son, Dr. Donald Gould, '28 geol, Colorado Springs, Colorado; his daughter, Mrs. Lois Gould Bird, '30ls, Manitoba, Canada; a sister, Mrs. John T. Hefley (Minnie Gould, '03ba), Norman, and five grandchildren.

Women's Dormitories Get Names

Women's names, prominent in Oklahoma's history, have been selected for units of the new University women's dormitories.

The board of regents approved the following Oklahoma historical figures and faculty members in whose honor the units were named: Jennie Harris, early Oklahoma writer, author of "Mokey" and "The Red Earth." Alice Brown Davis, only woman ever to act as chief of one of the five civilized tribes. She was one-time chief of the Seminoles.

Annette Ross Hume, missionary in Oklahoma and mother one of the first graduates of the University.

Robert Campbell Lawson, grand-daughter of Journey Cake, last chief of the Delawares.

Jane McCurtain, superintendent of Jones Academic school for boys and wife of Jackson McCurtain, Choctaw chief.

Cynthia Ann Parker, wife of a prominent Comanche chief.

Meta Chestnut Sager, founder of Elmholt College.

Minnie May Forbes, '10ba, '11ma, a University faculty member 10 years until her death in 1933.

Grace Emma Herrick, assistant professor of library science for six years before her death in 1935.

Grace Clara Holman, '29ba, a native of Wewoka, who was associated with the English department 24 years until her death in 1948.

Elizabeth Jordan, dean of women and longtime associate of English, who died in 1945.

Ida Z. Kirk, member of the dramatic art staff almost 30 years until her death in November.

Dr. Alma Jessie Neill, physiology faculty member for 28 years, who died in 1948.

Dr. Winnie F. Sanger, once medical inspector for Oklahoma City school. She was also medical adviser to the University.

The new dormitories, to be ready in September, contain 16 units housing 52 girls each.
Red Red Rose Runs Riot

As the companion pictures will testify, the July 19 initiation of neophytes into the Red Red Rose was quite an occasion. The more than 600 brothers of the order in attendance were hard pressed to have a better time than the 100 plus neophytes.

Those receiving the initiation rites included: (in alphabetical order) Don Abernathy, Fairview; James R. Adair, Norman; Carl B. Anderson, Jr., Oklahoma City; B. S. Arwood, Norman; Elmer Ash, Norman; Robert L. Bailey, '49 Law, Norman; Billie M. Baird, Norman; Teddy D. Beavers, '42-'43, Marlow; J. W. Bell, '25b, Holdenville; A. C. Bernier; Norman; Benes L. Blackstock, Norman; A. N. Jack Boatman, '14ba, '16 Law, Okmulgee; Edgar R. Boatman, Okmulgee; Guy Brown, '42ba, '46ma, Norman; Tom Burns, '32, Oklahoma City, and David Burr, Miami.

Ralph T. Carter, Britton; R. E. Clement, '39-'42, Norman; Jim Cocanower, '40, Norman; William O. Coe, '28 Law, Oklahoma City; W. W. Cook, '29 pharm, Norman; Merl D. Creech, '29ba, '30ms, Norman; W. D. Daniel, '46m, Coyle; Tol Dickinson, Norman; Ralph W. Disney, '48 geol, Norman; Richard L. Disney, Jr., '39journ, Norman; Eugene Dodson, '336a, Norman; James L. Farver, '38eng, Norman; Doane R. Farr, Clinton; Jim Formby, Gilson; Leslie Guy Ferguson, Tulsa; Dwight Fries, Bartlesville; James W. Gallagher, Norman; Bill Gill, Oklahoma City; Garland Godfrey, Pryor; Les Goesslin, Oklahoma City; Lyle R. Grigsby, Norman; Ben W. Grigsby, Sapulpa; J. E...

1. Neophytes receiving the initiation "exercises" are Dean Laurence Snyder of the Graduate College; Dean John Rackley, '31ba, '35ma, of the College of Education complete with special collegiate hat; Laurence Hinman, Enid, district governor of Rotary International, and Justice Harry L. S. Hall, '15ba, '17 Law, State Supreme Court.

2. Representatives from 73 of the state's 77 counties were present to swell the members to 616 at the Red Red Rose annual dinner.

3. The Lord Grand High Mocus, Dr. Tom Houston of Southeastern State College, Durant, issues instructions to the near 100 lowly neophytes, while Dr. M. L. Wardell, '19b, David Ross Boyd professor of history and Lord High Examiner, and the Lord High chairman of the Inquisitorial Board, President Bruce G. Carter, '32ma, of Northeastern A. & M. College, Miami, take due notice thereof.

4. More neophytes taking "special tests" are Mayor Allen Street, Oklahoma City; Garland Godfrey, superintendent of schools, Pryor; William O. Coe, '28 Law, prominent Oklahoma City attorney; Dean Earl Sneed, '34b, '37 Law, O. U. Law School; O. D. Roberts, Counselor of Men; and in the rear can be seen Dean Rackley and hat. Among the prodders pictured to Mayor Street's left are Chief of Police "Dub" Wheeler, '30-36, Norman; Dr. Guy Y. Williams, '06ba, '10ma, professor of chemistry.

5. The famous Mayor Street bow tie came in for special recognition during the course of the evening's initiation.
Gunning, Norman; Harry L. S. Halley, '15ba, '17
Law, Oklahoma City; Hered J. Harris, Maysville;
Robert H. Herry, '49Law, Ratson; George Hazel,
Purcell; Mike Hazel, Washington; John F. Heck-
ing, Norman; Clarkitherington, '42ba, Nor-
man; Johnson R. Higins, Norman; Laurence Hin-
man, Enid; Col. Russell Hoffsed, Oklahoma City;
Bob Hollis, Okmulgee; Paul E. Hopkins, Norman;
Harry Huffman, Norman; Oris Johnson, Norman;
Harry Kornbaum, '33, Oklahoma City; John W.
Keys, Norman; Don J. Kile, Tulsa; Robert L. Losh-
baugh, Alva; Grover Livingston, Oklahoma City,
and Morris Lyons, Oklahoma City.

Herbert W. Mackey, Norman; Vernon L. Mans-
field, Norman; Wes Marvin, Purcell; James L. May-
field, '37ba, '39med, Norman; Jack McGaughy, Fleming; Dewey Mc-
Kelley, '33ma, Norman; D. Y. McKinney, Lex-
ington; Merrill McMillan, '41ed, '41mus, Okmul-
gee; James O. Melton, '42eng, '42m.eng, Norman;
Jack C. Mitchell, '49, Blackwell; H. L. Mitchus-
son, '37med, Washington; J. P. Moomau, Nor-
man; Gage Moore, Norman; William Morgan, Nor-
man; Bill Murrell, Norman; Jesse Murrell, Norman;
Linwood O. Neal, Oklahoma City; Virgil C. Neal,
Helena; Charles M. O'Brien, Norman; A. I. Orten-
burger, Norman; Benn G. Palmer, Bartlesville; Art
Parduhn, Norman; Steve Pennington, Oklahoma
City; A. Francis Porta, El Reno; James L. Powell,
Jr., '38ba, Muskogee; Clifford Quaid, Norman;
John R. Rackley, '31ba, '35ma, Norman; Lloyd
Reeder, Cooperston; Lester A. Reynolds, '48Law,
Norman; G. W. Riley, Norman; O. D. Roberts, Nor-
man; Bud Robertson, Norman; William C. Robin-
son, '42mus, '47mus, Norman; Allan Rodger,
Norman; Charles E. Rogers, Kingfisher; Omer
Rowe, Ardmore; Tom Rocker, Oklahoma City;
Lloyd A. Schantz, Norman; Bill Sholer, Norman;
Adair Smith, '49journ, Enid; J. Eugene Smith, Fay;
Robert D. Smith, Norman; Earl Sneed, Jr., '49ba,
'37Law, Norman; Lawrence H. Snyder, Norman;
Paul C. Starks, '46ed, Clinton; E. F. Stephens,
Norman; Gene Stipe, McAlester; Hoy Nelson Stone,
'42geol, '42m.ed, Norman; Allen Street, Oklahoma
City; Colbert Swanson, Blanchard; Ben R. Tinkers-
ley, Norman; O. J. Testerman, Springer; Carl C.
Thompson, Clinton; Bob Thompson, Norman;

Boyce D. Timmons, '37Law, Norman; Herbert W.
Truett, '48ed, '49m.ed, Norman; Wayne Vernon,
'39journ, Oklahoma City; H. W. Wacker, Nor-
man; Dan M. Walker, Fairview; Charles Ward,
'49journ, Oklahoma City; Ralph A. Wasson, '41ma,
Ada; Guy W. Watson, '42-'43, Snyder; V. S. Wat-
son, Ardmore; Earl T. Warren, '36ba, '38Law, Nor-
man; Edward M. Webb, '46, Norman; J. W. Weber,
Norman; J. C. White, Oklahoma City; A. C. Wiem-
er, Drumright; Person E. Woodall, '27Law, Nor-
man; Joe B. Woodson, '49ba, Poteau; and O. M.
Woodson, '33bs, '33med, Norman.

New Journalism Award Reported
A new journalism award at the University honors
the late Gerald V. Underwood. Mrs. Anita Under-
wood Rousek, '44ba, of Fresno, California, daugh-
ter of the former publisher at Minco, Medford and
Fairview, has announced a $200 award which will
be made yearly to a journalism undergraduate on
the basis of scholarship and leadership. Mr. Under-
wood, a resident of Fresno at the time of his death,
died a year ago after a heart attack.