She Saw A Sweep of Color

Early in April, Margaret Ann Hamilton, '38, alighted from her plane at Roosevelt Field, Long Island, New York.

Photographer David Peskin snapped his camera's shutter and before Miss Hamilton could say "Collier's-The National Weekly," that magazine had put her picture on thousands of newsstands and into millions of homes as its covershot.

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For me there was never any end to America. There still isn't.

'T'm a flier. As a Wasp during the war, I flew just about everything they'd let a woman handle. I know what it is to sit in the sky feeling the thrill of power in your hands. By the time you read this, I'll be in Japan with the military government helping to get the idea of democracy across to people who were once our enemies.

For America, this job is something like sitting in the sky with tremendous power at your command. The U.S. could take advantage of its strength, but it doesn't—for all of us have grown up with respect for the liberties of groups and individuals. If there are going to be storms ahead, it will be our duty to stay on the beam, to keep our sights on basic human rights. If we do that, we'll continue to be what I call the best bunch of people under God's blue sky."

Miss Hamilton was employed as a student helper in the Alumni Association during 1938. After she left the University she worked for several years for the Pure Oil Company and for the Douglas Aircraft Company of Tulsa prior to her participation in World War II. During the war she served with the Ferrying Division of the Air Transport Command. She was discharged in 1944 after completing two year's service. She returned to the full time administrative assistantship with the Alumni Association.

In recent months Miss Hamilton has been connected with the Veterans Service Bureau of Columbia University but recently left for Tokyo where she is a member of General Douglas MacArthur's staff.

Prior to her entry in the University she spent three semesters at the Oklahoma College for Women, Chickasha. She is a member of Kappa Gamma Gamma Sorority.

Alumni Novel is Published

"Murder Is Dangerous", a murder mystery set in the oilfields of Texas, by Saul Levinson, '42ba, was released in March by Phoenix Publishing Co., New York City. Levinson is a former student of Walter S. Campbell and Foster Harris, directors of professional writing courses at the University and the book is dedicated to Mr. Campbell.

State high school seniors may make application next spring for the $150 Delta Tau Delta scholarship at the University of Oklahoma. Selection will be based on need, scholarship, citizenship, and activities without regard to interest in fraternities, Boyd Gunning, secretary of the O.U. Foundation Board, said. The first scholarship will be awarded for the 1949-50 term.