Association Progress

Plans Mapped for University Awards and Citation System

Pursuant to a motion at the annual Homecoming meeting of the Alumni executive board held November 10, a special commission was appointed by President George Hann, '36eo, to consider the establishment of an "awards and citations" system for outstanding state citizens and O. U. alumni. This system is to be jointly sponsored and administered by the University administration and the executive board of the Alumni Association.

The commission was composed of Kenneth Harris, '39ba, associate director; Stewart Harral, '36ma, Norman; Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37wa, Norman; Joe McBride, '28ba, Anadarko; and R. L. McLain, '38ma, Oklahoma City. On November 29th, the commission met at the call of the chairman in the studios of radio station KOMA, Oklahoma City. At this initial organizational meeting they transacted several items of business. By unanimous action it was determined that the certificates to be issued would be known as Distinguished Service Citations. It was determined that the Distinguished Service Citations certificates would be imposed upon diploma vellum paper and to contain the following information:

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATION
BY THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA ASSOCIATION AND THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
Presented to (name of person)
In Appreciation for
(Text of the Distinguished Service Rendered)

Presented this _day of _____ , 19__

President, University of Oklahoma Association
Executive Secretary Manager, University of Oklahoma Association
Given at the Annual Commencement of the University of Oklahoma
President, University of Oklahoma Association
Secretary, University of Oklahoma Association

The commission further determined that a secret committee of five be appointed to select the honorees for the Distinguished Service Citations, appointments to become effective January 1, 1946. Three members of the committee shall be appointed by the executive board of the University of Oklahoma Association and two by the president of the University. The terms of appointment will run from one to five years. In establishing the original committee, the Alumni board shall make appointments for one, three and five years, and the president of the University shall make appointments for two and four years. The retiring committee member shall be designated as chairman and no member may succeed himself. A new member shall be appointed each year to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of the senior member.

It was decided that the maximum number of honorees to be cited each year shall not exceed seven. The majority of those chosen shall be alumni of the University of Oklahoma.

The commission ruled that the following considerations for selection of those to receive citations be placed into effect:

(1) Nominations may be made by anyone to the committee through the office of the executive-secretary-manager of the University of Oklahoma Association and by the committee itself.

(2) Selection of persons to be cited shall be made and reported to the executive秘书-manager of the University of Oklahoma Association at least sixty days before the spring commencement at the University of Oklahoma.

(3) The citation should be based upon good citizenship and distinguished service to an Oklahoma community, the state or the nation.

(4) The selection committee should consider the following: (a) humanitarian, cultural, intellectual or scientific contributions; (b) unfish service and leadership over an extended period of years in these fields; (c) distinguishing itself in these fields and thereby opening new ideas and opportunities for development; (d) research that contributes to the public welfare; (e) distinguished achievement in a chosen profession.

After making these decisions, the commission then adjourned to a later date. Before the next meeting other plans will be studied, and expressions of opinion sought. The commission then will draft the proposal in final form for presentation to the Alumni Association and the Board of Regents.

O. U. War II Man Wins Point at Chicago

Another mark was added to O. U. veterans' accomplishments when Woodrow Hardy, of the O. U. American Legion Post Number 303, took the floor at the national convention in behalf of a measure and pushed it through to adoption by the convention of the Legion.

A resolution had been presented to the convention urging the securing of more adequate housing for veterans attending colleges and universities. Mr. Hardy received recognition from the chair and proposed that the resolution be amended to recommend that military installations near colleges and universities, having housing facilities, have such housing transferred to the use of veterans enrolled at said colleges through executive order of the president, thus eliminating delay and red tape. Mr. Hardy's accomplishment was the first of its kind ever made by a World War II man.

Left to Right: Kenneth Harris, director of publicity for radio station KOMA, Oklahoma City, chairman of the planning commission for awards and citations, members of this special commission, R. L. McLain, superintendent of schools, Anadarko; Joe McBride, editor and publisher of the Anadarko Daily News and a member of the O. U. Board of Regents; Boyd Gunning, assistant director, University Extension Division, University of Oklahoma, and Stewart Harral, director of School of Journalism and press relations, University of Oklahoma.

Dean McIntosh Dies

R. K. McIntosh, '22ba, '30ma, Tahlequah, dean and registrar of Northeastern State College since 1923, died at his home December 6 following a heart attack.

Dean McIntosh had served as superintendent of schools at Broken Bow, Bennington and Platter, and as county superintendent of Bryan county. He also taught during the summer months at Southwestern State College before going to Tahlequah.

In addition to his widow, Dean McIntosh is survived by a son, Capt. R. K. McIntosh, '37med, AAF, Chanute Field, Rantoul, Illinois; a grandson, R. K. McIntosh, III; and three brothers and one sister.

McBride Reelected Board Member

Joe W. McBride, '28ba, editor of the Anadarko Daily News and a member of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma, was reelected a member of the executive board of the National Association of Governing Boards of State Universities and Allied Institutions at the annual meeting held in Columbus, Ohio, November 15 to 17.

Mr. McBride, who presided at one of the general sessions, will serve again this year as one of the seven members of the board. Fifty-three member institutions were represented at the meeting. Visitors were guests at the Ohio State-Illinois football game November 17. Mrs. McBride accompanied Mr. McBride to the meeting.