ROLL CALL
of Alumni Newsmakers

a series of brief news stories of events that shaped the lives of the alumni family

1908-20
Paul A. Walker, '12Law, recently moved to Norman from Washington, D. C. Now retired, he served several years as an Oklahoma official, then for 20 years as a member of the Federal Communications Commission. He was one of the original members of the F. C. C. when it was organized in 1934.

Dr. Roy A. Morter, '13med, Kalamazoo, Michigan, received an honorary degree June 15 from Western Michigan University at the school's commencement services. Morter, psychiatrist and for 27 years director of the Kalamazoo State Hospital, was designated Doctor of Science. In all, he has been with the hospital 41 years, but he retired in 1956 to devote full time to the private practice of psychiatry.

Miss Grace E. Ray, '20ba, '23ma, contributed an article entitled "Oklahoma Marks 50th Birthday to the June 9 issue of the New York Herald Tribune. She is an O. U. professor of journalism. DEATHS: Guy W. Wilcox, '89pharm., Oklahoma City, died recently in Wesley Hospital where he had undergone surgery a month previously. Wilcox was a retired insurance man and former pharmacist. He was 74.

Mrs. Earl Sneed (the former Nellie Johnson, '10), Tulsa, died July 5 in Genoa, Italy, while on a tour of Europe. She was the widow of Earl Sneed, Sr., former attorney, newspaperman and oilman, and mother of Earl Sneed, Jr., dean of O. U.'s College of Law. Mrs. Sneed was a pioneer resident of the Norman area. She was 68 and a charter member of the University's chapter of Pi Beta Phi sorority.


1921-30
Boyd P. Koepke, '21chem, Tulsa, recently presented the University's Bizzell Library a valuable collection of 688 books and documents. The gift was originally part of the library of the late Pierce Larkin, '29geo, Tulsa oil man. Koepke works as a research organization representative.

The Rev. Vernon T. Sudleth, '23ba, has returned to the active ministry and is located at the First Presbyterian Church in Connell, Washington. I. L. Cook, Jr., '20ba, and Mrs. Cook have sold their home at the Army Medical Service School, Fort Sam Houston.

Benjamin Anderson McElvey, '27ba, '36ms, Holland, has been chosen Father of the Year by the Oklahoma City Friday Morning Rotary Club. McElvey is publisher of the Clinton Daily News, Executive Meeting

The Executive Board of the University of Oklahoma Alumni Association met June 8 for the annual commencement meeting in the Union Building. Rhys Evans, '36ba, '39Law, president, presided.

Highlight of the meeting was election of officers. Milt Phillips, '22, Seminole publisher, was named president, and O. T. McCall, '40bas, Norman businessman, was elected vice president.

Four new members of the Executive Board, all members-at-large, were formally seated. The four were elected as the result of the Spring mail election. They are Ross W. Cole, Jr., '47eng., Ardmore; Charles Dowell, '50ba, Oklahoma City; Clee Fitzgerald, '49ba, '51Law, Stillwater, and Don Walker, '15ba, Tulsa. All will serve three-year terms.

Business brought before the Board included the budget for the Association, and the annual President's Report of alumni activities during the past year. Following the meeting, Executive Board members attended a dinner to hear O. U. speakers outline University policy to Board members.

1931-35
Lient. Col. William H. Witz, '22ba, now is assigned as officer in charge of the Pacific Start and Security Daily newspaper for the U. S. security forces in the Far East. Witz formerly worked for the Tulsa World, Daily Oklahoman, Oklahoma City Times, Norman Transcript, Oklahoma News and Columbus (Ohio) Citizen. Also, he served as a contributing editor of Sooner Magazine and as publicity director of O. U.'s Extension Division and radio station WNAD.

R. E. McPhail, '33geo, was promoted to southeast regional manager in Phillips Petroleum Company's land and geological department in June. His offices will be in Bartlesville. McPhail, who has been with Phillips since 1938, formerly was assistant manager and regional geologist for the southeast region which includes parts of Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi.

Charles E. Engelkame, '33ba, Clinton, was elected president of the Oklahoma Association June 15 at the organization's annual spring meet at Sequoyah State Park. He succeeded George B. Hill, publisher of the Coolige Record-Register. Engelkame is publisher of the Clinton Daily News, and president of the Foss Reservoir Conservancy district board of governors. He has been president of both the Clinton Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club.

E. G. McCurtain, '35ba, '36ma, will become chairman of the department of sociology and a professor at the University of Oklahoma, September 1. McCurtain has been teaching sociology at Drury College, Springfield, Missouri.

Alice L. Marriott, '35ba, was speaker at O. U.'s annual professional writing short course June 10-12. A total of 310 writers heard Miss Marriott speak on "Waste Not, Want Not, or You Never Know When It Will Come in Handy." A noted author and anthropologist, she has written Ten Grandmothers, Maria, Hell on Horses and Women, and several other books.

DEATHS: Mrs. Annice Bettis (the former Annice Fornelle Parnell, '27ec, '28m.n.nc), Oklahoma City, died June 10 in University Hospital. She was an instructor in nutrition for O. U.'s School of Medicine. She was 46. The family requested that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the cancer fund.

1936-40
Stewart Harral, '36ma, was a principal speaker at the 69th annual spring meet of the Oklahoma Association June 15 at Sequoyah State Park. Harral, who is an O. U. professor of journalism, spoke against newspaper "gueswork" as to reader interests. He is author of Keys to Successful Interviewing and several other books.

Dr. Jack E. Douglas, '36ba, Norman, will speak at Ayers Laboratories' annual invitationals sales assembly on communications in the pharmacy profession August 21 at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City. He and Mrs. Douglas will be guests for three days of the biological and pharmaceutical company. Douglas is an associate professor of speech at O. U.

Lient. Col. William LaFon, '37med, completed a course in management of mass casualties June 7 at the Army Medical Service School, Fort Sam

DEATHS: Mrs. L. C. Summers (the former Katherine Tatum, '23ba, '26ma) was killed January 14 in an automobile accident near Norman. Mrs. Summers was 64. She is survived by Mr. Summers, a resident of Oklahoma City.

John T. Skelton, '30ba, '31Lib.sci, died January 9 in Missouri after a year's illness. He had served as first librarian of Jackson County (Missouri), as assistant librarian of Kansas City Public Library, on the staff of the University of Missouri Libraries, and in many other capacities. He was 74. Survivors include his wife, Mattilee Skelton, '30h.ec, '37Lib.sci, circulation librarian of the University of Kansas City libraries; a son, Jon, and brother, Alan C. Skelton, '33-34, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

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Kiowa, is an attorney in the office of Governor representative of the Equitable Life Assurance Society. The nation qualified for it this year. Robinett is one of the highest citations in the life insurance business. The award came to Robinett at a meeting of the Springfield Association of Life Underwriters.

George Terry Guess, '40m.Ed, Lexington, Kentucky, received his doctor of education degree May 31 from George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tennessee.

1941-45

The Rev. F. Grover Fullkerston, '41a, '46ma, Norman, has resigned as executive secretary of the Department of Social Welfare to become director of the Department of Christian Social Relations for the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago, Illinois. He is a former faculty member of the University of Oklahoma, served with the Church World Service's European refugee program in Munich, Germany, from 1949 to 1950.

Harold R. Rubin, '41journ, Auburn, California, recently was awarded a Fulbright Fellowship to teach English and American history in Groningen, Holland. Rubin, at present an instructor of journalism at Sierra College, will depart from New York on August 13. He is a former reporter for the San Antonio (Texas) Evening News.

Charles M. Cole, Jr., '42eng, Tulsa, was named chief engineer for Tulsa Gas Products Company in June. The firm is a nationwide marketer of liquefied petroleum gas products. Cole's position is newly created and involves supervising construction and operation of product storage installations, truck terminals and other supply facilities.

Norman E. Glasscock, '49s, '53ms, received a cash award of $200 accompanied the certificate citation now consolidates all newspapers in the city. The latter paper will be published on Thursdays and the former two, merged under the title of the Bristow Record-Citizen, on Sundays. Seller of the two newspapers was I. L. Cook, Jr., '26a, and Mrs. Cook (see above, 1926).

Charles R. Smith, '49mg, Tulsa, and their sons, Harold and Frank, has moved to Wichita Falls, Texas. Smith is district engineer with Continental Oil Company there.

Robert H. Peterson, '49journ, '51ma, Norman, has left O.U.'s public relations staff to become managing editor of the Daily Duke Democrat and Daily Weekly News. His father, Robert V. Peterson, professor of journalism at O.U., recently purchased the two newspapers and the Durant radio station KSEO; he will retain his teaching position and turn the operation of the enterprises to his two sons, Robert and Richard. The latter has been working with the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's public relations staff in Oklahoma City. Charles L. Ward, '49journ, who has been managing editor of the Durant publications for the past two years, has been promoted to general manager of the three properties.

Norman D. Glasscock, '49s, '53ms, received a doctor of dental surgery degree June 2 at the University of Kansas City's 22nd annual commencement.

J. C. Peterson, '49Law, was promoted to divisional industrial relations superintendent for Pan American Petroleum Corporation's Canadian division on July 1. Peterson has been with Pan American in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, for the past two years and will remain there in the newly-created position. He is a native of Oklahoma.

John S. Chapplear, '50s, now works as a physicist with Shell Oil Company in Bellaire, Texas. He received his doctorate degree in 1954 from Indiana University and until recently lived in Houston, Texas.

John G. Johnson, '50journ, began work with Shell Oil Company's Shell News June 24 in New York City, New York. Johnson, a writer, works with two other O.U. alumni employed by Shell, John E. Heaney and Conley Higdon, both '50journ. Johnson and Heaney are former employees of United Press in Oklahoma City, and Higdon served as editor of the 45th Division News in Korea and as feature editor of Future magazine.

Robert Meyers, '51ma, received his doctor of philosophy degree June 12 from Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, at that institution's 96th annual commencement.

Alvin N. Feldzamen, '50s, New York City, was awarded the Stanburough Cook Prize in poetry in May at Yale University Graduate School. The prize is given to a student regularly enrolled at Yale for the best unpublished poem or group of poems. Feldzamen is a candidate for the doctor of philosophy degree.

Dr. Frank G. Gatchell, '48med, has completed a fellowship in surgery at the Massachusetts General Hospital for one of the highest citations in the field of classification and wage administration. Laett, James W. Smith, '51b, New York City, participated in "Operation Big Shot," a three-week target practice conducted by the Army in late June and early July at Fort Niagara, New York. Smith was a teacher and coach at Tennessee Military Institute, before entering service in 1953.

MARRIAGE: Miss Mary Antoinette King, Kingfisher, and Jack Munn, '51ed, San Angelo, Texas, were married in June in Duncan, where they will make their home. She is a graduate of Central State College.

DEATH: William Farron Winn, '51eng, West Long Branch, New Jersey, died May 12. He was 60.

1952

Mrs. Ruth Langston, '52m.ed, was appointed visitor and supervising teacher of the Oklahoma County schools superintendent's staff in June. Mrs. Langston also serves as president of the Oklahoma Speech Association.

MARRIAGE: Miss Jacqueline Marcia Hitson, '52b, and Willard Robert Goulter, '52b, both of Miami, Oklahoma, were married June 22 in Miami. She is also a graduate of Stanford University. He has just completed service with the Navy. They have made their home in Fresno, California.

BIRTH: John J. Kaufman, '52mg, and Mrs. Kaufman (the former Joan Bader, '50a), South
Los Angeles Group Meets for Election

"I'm from Oklahoma, too," the headwaitress told her staff, "and I want you to give these people first-class service."

And first-class service it was. To the passersby, the dining room scene must have looked like only another fine chicken dinner for 60 at Knott's Berry Farm, near Los Angeles, California. To the 60 persons at table, it meant more—the first get-together in a year for the Los Angeles Alumni Club.

After the meal, President Dewey Rowland, '22ba, Glendale, introduced the guests:

Carl M. Franklin, former vice president of O. U., and Mrs. Franklin, Los Angeles; Dr. Dale Vliet, O. U. David Ross Boyd professor of law and visiting professor at the University of Southern California for the summer; Mrs. Vliet (the former Genevieve Kern, '37ba, '42ma); R. Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37law, executive secretary of the Alumni Association, Norman, Oklahoma; Guy Brown, '42ba, '48ma, field director of Alumni Relations, Norman; David Burr, '32ba, assistant to the president at O. U.; Miss Myrtle Waltonson, Sapulpa, Oklahoma; Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Watson, Ada, Oklahoma, and Bill Fryday, '57ba, editor of the Sooner Magazine, Norman.

Vliet, Gunning, Brown and Burr each spoke briefly to the group on University matters, and a movie, "Football Highlights of 1956," was shown. Then new club officers were chosen and installed.

Elected by acclamation were, president, W. A. "Bill" Smith, Jr., '44eng, Long Beach (former vice president); vice president, Floyd Norris, '35law, Los Angeles (former secretary); secretary, Mrs. Pearl Henry, '22, North Hollywood (former treasurer), and treasurer, O. W. Davidson, '49led, Los Angeles. Davidson holds office for the first time.

Others attending the meeting included the following:

Richard G. "Dick" Askew, '47eng, '48m.en, Pasadena; Russell E. Anthony, '46, and Mrs. Anthony, Anaheim; George Bloch, '44eng, and Mrs. Bloch, Burbank; James C. Caperton and Mrs. Caperton (the former Opal Noe, '24ba), Los Angeles; Mrs. O. W. Davidson, Los Angeles;


Jackie Ging, '54bus, and Mrs. Ging (the former Gretchen Graening, '51'55), Hollywood; Mrs. Wolf Goodman (the former Naomi Schaeffer, '43fa), North Hollywood; Ira A. Greenberg, '49journ, Los Angeles; R. H. Henry, North Hollywood; Arnold H. Ismach, '50journ, The Sun-Telegram, San Bernardino;

Dr. Paul Kouri, '45med, Lynwood; Olive Leeper, '11ba, Los Angeles; James S. Martindale, '49ba, '50ma, The Sun-Telegram, San Bernardino; Harry E. Moore, '34em, and Mrs. Moore (the former Allis Smith, '34, '36ma), Los Angeles; Beatrice H. Morrell, '50ed, Riverside;

Mrs. Floyd Norris, Los Angeles; John Donald Owens, '10, Los Angeles; K. E. Sharrock, '11phc, and Mrs. Sharrock, Santa Ana; Mrs. Wilson E. Smith (the former Gladys McLennan, '17), Glendale; Bob Talley, '56journ, and Mrs. Talley (the former Kay Smith, '56journ), La Crescenta;

Dr. F. L. Tibbitts, '16ba, '19ma, and Mrs. Tibbitts (the former Lucille Bull, '24ba), Los Angeles; T. J. Toma, '39bs, Bell; Lonnie T. Vandlever, '39em, and Mrs. Vandlever, Inglewood; Glenn R. Watson, '39law, and Mrs. Watson, La Canada, and O. C. White, '57eng, and Mrs. White, La Crescenta.

Bend, Indiana, have selected the name Richard William for their son born June 18.

1953

Wayne E. Mason, '53, has been promoted to the position of wire editor for the Lawton Constitution. Mason joined the newspaper's staff last September as sports writer. He is a former part-time sports writer for the Daily Oklahoman, Oklahoma City.

Sam A. Wilson, '53eng, Norman, has been hired by Fansteel Metallurgical Corporation as technical assistant to the vice president and manager of the company's metals and chemicals division. He will work in the firm's North Chicago, Illinois, plant for two years, then transfer to another plant at Muskegee.

Ed Carter, '53ba, recently joined the Associated Press Oklahoma City staff. He was cited last year as Oklahoma's outstanding young A.P. correspondent. Carter formerly was city editor for the Daily Ardmoreite, Ardmore.

Charles Lee Townend, '53bs, received his master of science degree June 15 from Iowa State College, Ames. The commencement was the 56th for Iowa State. Townend had majored in electrical engineering at O. U.

Major William C. Strong, '53eng, Edmond, completed a refresher course recently while on two weeks active duty at the infantry school, Fort Benning, Georgia. He is adjutant and personnel and administration officer in the 45th Infantry Division's 179th Regiment, an Oklahoma National Guard unit.

Richard H. Kamp, '53ba, was awarded a doctor of dental surgery degree June 2 at the annual commencement program of the University of Kansas City.

Lieu. Halbert J. Hopper, '53bs, Cisco, Texas, completed a 29-week hospital administration course on June 21 at the Army Medical Service School, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Hopper is an Air Force officer and has received orders assigning him to Maxwell Air Base, Montgomery, Alabama. He entered service in 1952.

1954

Shelby M. Edington, '54bs, geologist for Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, is being sent to Libya on a special assignment for an indefinite period. His new address will be P. O. Box 385, Tripoli, Libya.

Robert L. Lattimore, '54m.journ, has been separated from active duty with the Air Force and returned to Oklahoma. He served 30 months on Okinawa as an information services officer and several months in Tokyo, Japan, as a member of the Stars and Stripes newspaper staff. Lattimore is a former graduate assistant in public relations at O. U. and worked for a time as a reporter and news editor for the Sulphur Times-Democrat.

Dwight V. Swain, '54m.journ, Norman, spoke on "The Dominant Element" at O. U.'s 19th annual professional writing short course June 10-12. Swain is an assistant professor of journalism at the University, a contributor to several national magazines and scripter of the film Anger at Work, recently produced by the University's motion picture unit.

1955

Robert L. Bryson, Jr., '55journ, '56m.journ, Norman, was employed in June as assistant advertising manager of the Norman Transcript. He held an advertising internship with the Oklahoma Publishing Company in 1954 and served as assistant promotion manager of station KWTV, Oklahoma City, for the past year.
March 4, 1956
Marta Stephen, '56journ, has joined the Lawton Constitution and Morning Press advertising staff. For the past year she had been working for a Michigan newspaper.

Lewis L. Ferguson, '56journ, has been transferred to Fort Riley, Kansas, from Fort Benning, Georgia, where he had been engaged in basic infantry officer training. Ferguson will leave service in August, work briefly for the Phoenix City News, then report to O. U. in September to take up graduate study.

Lieut. Jerry W. Segroves, '56bus, and Richard N. Sorenson, Jr., '56ba, both reported to the U. S. Army's Armor School at Fort Knox, Kentucky, on June 24. They attended an armored officers' basic course, and while there they encountered several Oklahomans, among them Lieut. Mark Palmer, '55journ, '55ma, former staff member of O. U.'s Oklahoma Daily student newspaper.

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Likewise, Mrs. Sarah Jane Bell, '56nas, Oklahoma City, received the Grace E. Herrick Award for 1956-57 in Oklahoma City. The award was made by faculty members of the School of Library Science at O. U. Mrs. Bell is librarian of Douglass High School, Oklahoma City.

Pvt. Lynna E. Lott, '56eng, Memphis, Tennessee, has been assigned to the Army Engineers' reserve training support unit at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. His wife, Shirley, lives in Alexandria, Virginia.

MARRIAGE: Miss Betty Janelle Gibson, '55, and John Wayne McDaniel, both of Yukon, were married June 7 in Yukon and have made their home there.

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ment division at the Baytown, Texas, refinery. The job will last through the summer; he will return to the University in September to do graduate work.

Erik Lunde, '57, is working for the summer with Oklahoma City's United Press bureau. Lunde is from Oslo, Norway, and son of an editor of the Aftenposten there. He attended O. U. on a Fulbright scholarship the past year and will return to Oslo in September.

Roellen Estes, '57 phys.ed, Moore, was voted outstanding senior in the University's women's physical education school in June. The honor came in the form of the Silver Whistle Award. Miss Estes has participated in volleyball, badminton, softball, field hockey, swimming intramurals and swing clubs.

Thomas C. Henry, '57 ed, Oklahoma City, was scheduled to enter active duty at the Naval Preparatory School, Bainbridge, Maryland, on July 8. He joined the Navy ROTC unit at O. U. in 1954, attended reserve officer candidate school in the summers of 1955 and 1956 in Newport, Rhode Island, and was then commissioned at the University this year. Henry's tour of duty will be for three years.

Lieut. Ronald W. Summers, '57 geol, Seminole, has graduated from an officers basic course at Fort McClellan, Alabama. The schooling covered 12 weeks at the Army's Chemical Corps School.

Lieut. Thomas A. Keoh, '57 ba, New Orleans, Louisiana, has graduated from the field artillery officers basic course at Fort Sill's artillery and guided missile center in Lawton. He is an Army reserve officer.

Lieutenants Harold W. Powell, '57 ed, Wichita Falls, Texas, and Malcolm H. Wood, Jr., '57 bs, Cushing, recently were graduated from a 12-week orientation course under the Reserve Forces Act program at the Army Medical Service School, Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. The classes stressed medical service in combat. Powell's wife, Lois, lives in Temple, Oklahoma.

Morgan McCullar, '57 sa, recently was hired as advertising salesman for the Shawnee News-Star. McCullar has in the past worked for the Daily Ardmoreite and for a commercial photography studio.

Teiji "Ted" Shimizu, '57 journ, Tokyo, Japan, has completed a tour of U. S. eastern cities. The trip was made possible for him by Earnest Hoberecht, '41 journ, and served as Ted's graduation gift. (Hoberecht is stationed in Tokyo as United Press' vice president and general manager for Asia.) While on tour Ted helped Japanese correspondents cover their Prime Minister Nobusuke Kishi's conference with President Eisenhower in Washington, D. C.

MARRIAGES: Miss Aliph Avery, '57, Scarsdale, New York, and Loren Truman Moss, '57, Vinita, were married June 6 in Norman's Baptist Student Center. They have made their home in Norman, where he is a pre-law student at O. U.

Miss Arlene Colby, Huntington, Utah, and Ensign Steve R. Mires, '57 geol, Norman, were married June 15 in Huntington. He received his commission from O. U.'s Naval ROTC unit in early June. The couple has gone to Long Beach, California, where he boarded the aircraft carrier Princeton for a tour of duty.

Miss Virginia Grace Green, '57 ba, Oklahoma City, and George Norman Hoover, '57 arch, Shawnee, were married May 11 in Gainesville, Texas. She is a member of Alpha Chi Omega social sorority and he is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon social fraternity.

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