five outstanding Sooners when the University Board of Regents and the Alumni Association jointly sponsor the fourth Achievement Day.

Distinguished Service Citations are made each year to Oklahomans and former O.U. students who have made unusual contributions to an Oklahoma community, the state, the United States or the United Nations. The honorees are selected by a secret committee appointed by the president of the University and the president of the Alumni Association. The achievement Day dinner will be held in the McFarlin Memorial Methodist Church in Norman. Tickets are available by sending $1.50 per plate to the Alumni Office, University of Oklahoma, Norman.

John Wagoner, '51, Sooner feature editor, received a special commendation in February. Before a Journalism Day dinner gathering February 16, John received the Sigma Delta Chi award as the outstanding senior man in journalism. The award will probably not surprise alumni who have read much of the printed work John has produced since he joined the Sooner staff in January 1950.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Wagoner of Claremore where he attended high school. Following a brief hitch of duty in the navy he enrolled at Northeastern A&M College at Miami in 1946 where he served as editor of the school paper. He matriculated at O.U. the following fall and spent a year here before accepting a job as news editor of the Claremore Progress. In January 1950 he returned to complete his degree requirements.

Paul Andres, '50, who preceded John as editorial assistant and feature editor, also received recognition for his work in February. Andres, an employee of Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. in Oklahoma City, is serving as editor of the Jaycee Builder, house organ for the Oklahoma City Junior Chamber of Commerce. That organization awarded him their "Key Man" award for his work as editor and service to the group.

A Pox on Generalizations!

In a recent issue of Sooner State Press, weekly journal of things journalistic, reference was made to a letter submitted to Oklahoma Editors by the chairman of the legislative committee of the Oklahoma Press Association. The letter suggested that editors of Oklahoma refrain from a blanket criticism of the state legislature when only a few individual members of the legislature are at fault.

The letter carries an excellent suggestion. It should be apparent that the suggestion is the only way to open to maintain the ethics and honesty of the press.

A similar letter should be submitted to the people for their consideration, and finally written into a personal constitution for everyone. For the hasty generalization is not a device used solely by publishers and editors. It appears in quotable form every day and the author may be in any field of endeavor.

Alumni become directly involved because they, like every large organization, are easily spoken of as a group. It is difficult to pinpoint segments. A few recent news stories have helped demonstrate how easy it is to make silly generalizations. The stories in point were quotes concerning gambling among alumni. The inference was that all alumni are gamblers. It would be just as accurate to say all alumni are bigamists.

A little thought will prevent broad, sweeping verbal gestures. Then the components of any large group will be partially free from the criticism meant for a segment of the whole.

David Burr