These towering young gentlemen are members of the Phillips basketball team. Looking rather dwarfed are Bud Baer, ’47, and Mrs. Baer, the former Emily Ann Frew, ’49. The Baers were on hand in Dayton, Ohio, January 29 to greet the four members of the Phillips team who are O.U. alumni and to console the one stray from Broken Men—His Business

Paul Darrough, ’13, ’15 Law, knows all his cases have one thing in common—their’s always a broke man involved.

Darrough is the only bankruptcy referee in the western federal district of Oklahoma and has refereed thousands of cases. Most of the cases appearing before him are “no asset” cases. Darrough explains that these are wage-earners who have gotten themselves over their ears in debt. Then some-one starts garnisheeing their wages.

In his office on the twenty-first floor of the Apco Tower in Oklahoma City, Darrough listens to the cases of businesses and individuals who have their finances in the red. He says the number of bankruptcy cases are on the increase and he takes this as a mirror of the nation’s economy.

“I get quite a few businesses now and the number seems to be increasing. During the war prosperity years our cases fell off. We just didn’t have any bankruptcy business at all,” Darrough explains.

Darrough, who has been bankruptcy referee for 20 years, has a theory on what causes people to go bankrupt.

“It’s mostly just over-extension of his credit. He buys more than he can pay for. Then he gets to borrowing money from finance companies to pay his other debts. Pretty soon he can’t pay the finance company.”

Ray Proves Consistent

How’s this for consistency? Miss Grace Ray, ’20, ’23, University professor of journalism, has averaged selling an article a month for the past 13 years. That’s in addition to handling a fulltime teaching job. Her features have appeared in national and many metropolitan dailies. Appropriately, one of her specialties is teaching feature writing.

Broken Men—His Business

Paul Darrough, ’13, ’15 Law, knows all his cases have one thing in common—their’s always a broke man involved.

Darrough is the only bankruptcy referee in the western federal district of Oklahoma and has refereed thousands of cases. Most of the cases appearing before him are “no asset” cases. Darrough explains that these are wage-earners who have gotten themselves over their ears in debt. Then some-one starts garnisheeing their wages.

In his office on the twenty-first floor of the Apco Tower in Oklahoma City, Darrough listens to the cases of businesses and individuals who have their finances in the red. He says the number of bankruptcy cases are on the increase and he takes this as a mirror of the nation’s economy.

“I get quite a few businesses now and the number seems to be increasing. During the war prosperity years our cases fell off. We just didn’t have any bankruptcy business at all,” Darrough explains.

Darrough, who has been bankruptcy referee for 20 years, has a theory on what causes people to go bankrupt.

“It’s mostly just over-extension of his credit. He buys more than he can pay for. Then he gets to borrowing money from finance companies to pay his other debts. Pretty soon he can’t pay the finance company.”

Ray Proves Consistent

How’s this for consistency? Miss Grace Ray, ’20, ’23, University professor of journalism, has averaged selling an article a month for the past 13 years. That’s in addition to handling a fulltime teaching job. Her features have appeared in national and many metropolitan dailies. Appropriately, one of her specialties is teaching feature writing.