about us where branch banking and chain stores have demonstrated their astonishing efficiency and strength.

In the United States we are obliged to consider the state the unit of operation. The state therefore must be the self contained compartment in which these library operations must be carried on. Today the state too often dissipates its efforts through several conflicting and competitive channels. It should consolidate its commissions and offices, and the funds and offices of others where it can be spared, and to this end there must be federal, state and local cooperation. In small cities, however, the state should not attempt to operate, but should give to local interested citizens the knowledge and opportunities to operate.

It is in the case of the smaller towns and cities and especially of the country people that the greatest opportunity lies. Here without system, service will not be given, or if given will be secured at an unwarranted expense. If anything worthwhile is to be accomplished we must forget village boundaries and the unit becomes county wide or bi-county wide, or any other great area up to the point where we accumulate a tax roll sufficient to produce, at an easily to be borne rate, a fund to give us a trained personnel and sufficient books, of the character service will use more or less constantly.

In the case of service and of books and boards are we need more or less constantly, of the game—I would be even more insistent for a plan which would exclude from executive, and professional men all persons who had not only made preparation for the service, but had, previous to appointment not after, demonstrated their fitness by suitable tests and examinations. This properly trained and experienced individual with a competent supporting staff will assure the success of the library as an instrument of public service to the people fully meriting the expense required in its support.

By forming contact with the system designed to provide books for the public, the smaller schools gain a kind and quality of service which is otherwise impossible to be had except at an unwarranted expense. And under this plan, which offers the definite idea that, with the past twenty years, the pupils not only receive the immediate help and inspiration so stimulating in the class room but they also form a contact with the library to be carried over into the post text book period of their lives. In states where the system is in working order the teachers are sufficiently impressed with the advantages of this library contact as to be willing to accept less salary with it rather than more without it.

Full recognition has not yet been given to the library which meets the complete needs of everyone whether he live in town or country as an instrument in the work properly spoken of public education. No other agency can so readily and satisfactorily be employed by the average citizen to give him the information necessary to sane living in this modern world, and to inspire him to keep on learning while his faculties are normal. With better teaching, with teaching directed toward what will make the student's education of the most joyous part of his learning program. He will have both the desire and the facility to let his mind grow rusty, and he will get the fun out of mental exercise that golf now affords him in the keeping of a healthy body. Here perhaps is the field in which librarians can find some of their greatest satisfaction. To reap the harvest before us, however, we must establish a library system which is modern in the sense that our adding machines, our automobiles, our business organizations are modern, adjusted to the needs of a new and complicated age.

NOTE: Professor Adams' speech will be published next month.

Here and there with Sooners

News of the breadwinners by classes

MARRIAGES
McHenry-Beltz: Miss Maude McHenry, '18 arts-sc. (26 M. A.) and J. C. Beltz on June 25, 1930, of a teacher in a teacher's college, Columbus, Ohio. Home, 71 Winthrop Road.


Lillard-Glenn: Miss Maxine Lillard, Gamma Phi Beta, '29, and Harlan Glenn, on January 27, 1930. Home, Wewoka, where Mr. Glenn is superintendent of the Sinclair Oil Co.

Chapman-Axton: Miss Dorothy Hazel Chapman, '30 bus., and Jack F. Austin, '30 bus., on March 14, 1929.


LONG-GUTHRIE: Miss Ruth Long, ex '27, and Charles O. Guthrie, on September 21, 1929, of a teacher in the public school, Wewoka, Oklahoma. Home, 803 West 30th street, Austin, Texas.

DEATHS
John A. Rinehart
John A. Rinehart of Guthrie, '31 law, died at Norman from blood poisoning Tuesday March 11. The poison started from a small infection on his upper lip. Mr. Rinehart was a cadet in the university in his freshman year, since freshmen were eligible during the war year. Leaving school for a while, he returned in 1922 to take up pre-medic work. Later, he left for Tulane.

Mr. Lawrence was with a group of Tulane students in a sight-seeing bus. On one of the streets they encountered a fight in progress between persons dressed as sailors and negroes. Several of the Tulane group, including Mr. Lawrence, joined in the fray. Mr. Lawrence was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity. He was twenty-nine years old.

BIRTHS
To Dave McKown, '21 arts-sc., and Mrs. McKown (Florence Monnet, '22 arts-sc.), a daughter, December 24, at Oklahoma City, named Helen Orton McKown.

Fred M. Bullard, '22 geol., and Mrs. Bess Mills Bullard, '21, announce the birth of a daughter, Margaret Rhea, born Feb. 8, 1930. Home, 803 West 38th street, Austin, Texas.

NEWS OF THE BREADWINNERS BY CLASSES
1909
Robert P. Calvert, '09 arts-sc., (M. A. '10) chef chemist for Van Schack Chemical Co., of Chicago, has recently published a book on Diatomaceous Earth.

1912
Sooners living in Atlanta, Georgia, who get together two or three times a year and talk over old times are: Mrs. Bes Biever McConnell, ex '12, Joe McConnell, ex '12, former general secretary of Y. M. C. A. and Clarence I. Cowden, '14 law.

1913
R. L. Brown, ex '13, former football star, is now with the Massachusetts Protective Association in the northern part of Oklahoma. Home, 1723 W. Easton Court, Tulsa.

Owen Owen, ex '13, of Tulsa, was named late in March by Governor Holloway to be district judge in Tulsa county, to fill out the unexpired term of the late Luther James. Judge Owen was not an applicant for the position, for which several hundred persons in Tulsa county applied.

1915
E. Bruce Geyer, '15 arts-sc., is employed by the Continental Oil Co., of Texas. Home, Borger, Texas.

Ruth W. Brown, '15 arts-sc., of Barstville has been elected president of the Oklahoma Library association for this year.

Walter O. Crall, '15 arts-sc., M. A. '25, is on sabbatical leave this year working for his Ph. D. degree at the University of Minnesota. Address, 26 Sidney Place, S. E. Minneapolis, Minnesota.
Bruce R. Pruet, '16 arts-sc., '18 law, is a member of the legal department of the Continental Oil Co. Address, 522 Virginia avenue, Ponca City.

John Cullen, '16 arts-sc., M. A. '17, is teaching a course in federal income tax under the auspices of the extension department of the University of Oklahoma in addition to his work as valuation engineer in the tax department of the Continental Oil Co. Address, 526 Virginia avenue, Ponca City.

William G. Cullen, '16 arts-sc., is an engineer conference with the special advisory committee of the bureau of internal revenue in Washington. Cullen received the LL. B. degree from George Washington university last year and has since been admitted to practice before the supreme court and the court of appeals of the District of Columbia.

1917

J. W. Tyler, M. A. '17, has been for the past two years director of rural education at Peru, Nebraska.

R. L. Huntington, '17 arts-sc., and Mrs Ruth Williams Huntington, '18 arts-sc., are living at 1724 South Cincinnati, Tulsa.

James G. Buckley, '17 med., is instructor in the University of Oklahoma school of medicine, Oklahoma City. In April, 1927, he was elected as long term city councilman in Oklahoma City, as assistant regional attorney.

Roy C. Mitchell, '15 arts-sc., '18 chem. eng., has joined the operating department of Calco Chemical Co., on process development work at Keyport, New Jersey. His home is at 106 Third street Keyport, New Jersey.

1918

Oliver K. Garrettson, '18 arts-sc., who is assistant professor of secondary education at Oklahoma A. & M. college at Stillwater, received his Ph. D. degree from Columbia last June.

I. Thad Baker, ex '18, was recently transferred from the central office of the United States veterans bureau to the regional office of the bureau in Oklahoma City, as assistant regional attorney.

Joseph Benton (Giuseppe Bentonelli), '20 arts-sc., '21 voice, has sung one hundred and twenty-six performances of eleven different operas in twenty-four different Italian cities during the past twenty-two months. Address, Amexco, Piazzale Parine 2, Milan, Italy.

1919

Leonard B. Calbertson, ex '19 is drilling contractor for I. T. I. O. Co. Address, Box 329, Maud, Oklahoma.

Katie May Geyer, '19 arts-sc., is teaching English in the Ponca City junior high school. Address, 416 S. Fourth street, Ponca City.

Lieutenant Albert M. Pigg, signal corps, U. S. A., '17 sc., is now on duty at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. He is attached to the radio research laboratory.

H. Elaine Boylan, '19 arts-sc., is a student in the school of library service, Columbia university, taking work toward a M. A. degree in library science. Address, 519 West 121, Apartment 6 G, New York City.

1920

The address of Wallace C. Thompson, '20 sc., is 520 S. Fannin street, Tyler, Texas.

Robert Bosworth, ex '20, has been promoted to assistant auditor of the Continental Oil Co. at Ponca City.

A group of Sooners teaching in the Harding Christian college, Morrilton, Arkansas are: G. W. Kieffer, '20 arts-sc., S. A. Bell, ex '20, L. C. Sears, '19 arts-sc., and B F. Rhodes, M. A. '20.

H. W. Houghton, '20 arts-sc., who has been connected with the Panhandle Agricultural and Mechanical college at Goodwell since 1922, has been transferred from professor of science to experiment station chemist. Home, Goodwell, Oklahoma.

1921

Forest K. Harris, '21 arts-sc., is an electrical engineer, bureau of standards, Washington, D. C. Address, Garrett Park, Maryland.

Noel Evans, '21 geol., resigned his position as geologist with the Marland Co. last May and is now with the Gypsy Oil Co., located at Woodward.


Ulrich R. Beeson, '21 arts-sc., is president of the Oklahoma Christian college at Cordell. Beeson was formerly head of the department of education Harding college, Morrilton, Arkansas.

1922

A. M. Patterson, M. D. '29 is now located in Miami, Texas, Box 768.

C. Paul Brown, '22 law, is practicing law in Tulsa. Address, 1239 South Atlanta.

Amos Preston Bennett, '22 ed., is head of the department of science in Okemah high school.

Carl E. Reistle, jr., '22 chem., has been transferred to the United States bureau of mines, Batteleville.

Mrs Russel Grow, formerly Dorah Engel, ex '22, will receive her B. A. degree this summer from the Northeastern State Teachers college at Tahlequah.

George Freeman, ex '22, and his orchestra, formerly George Freeman's "Sooner Serenaders" are now playing at the La Monica ballroom in Santa Monica, California.

Charles E. Waite, jr., '22 sc., and Mrs Amendia Seran Waite, ex '21, are living at 14 Market Roading, California. Mrs Waite is with the California state highway commission.

Mrs Fern H. Sizer, '22 arts-sc., is principal of Jackson county normal school and is working on her M. A. degree at the University of Michigan. Address, Box 193, Michigan Center, Michigan.

Earl M. Stilley, '22 geol., president of Grayback Development Co. of Wichita Falls, Texas, has made one of the most outstanding financial successes of the young business men in that city.

A group of Sooners living in El Paso, Texas, are: Dorrance Roderick, '22 arts-sc., and Mrs Olga Burnett Roderick, ex '22, Wallace Perry, '17 arts-sc., Mrs Frances Rosser Brown, ex '23, Clifton Mackey, '17, and Mrs Alice Hurley Mackey, '16 arts-sc.
Marguerite Van Dyke, '26 arts-sc., is teaching English in the state industrial school for girls at Tecumseh, Oklahoma. Address, Box 397, Tecumseh.


1927

James Ledbetter, '27 law, is county judge of Noble county, Perry.

Esther C. Thompson, '27 educ., is now teaching in the mathematics department of the high school at Noble, Oklahoma.

Buffington B. Burris, '27 arts-sc., and Mrs Burris have moved to Clinton, where Mr Burris is publisher of the Clinton Daily News.

James W. Dow, ex '27, is doing graduate work in the University of Chicago. Address, 5540 North Beachwood Avenue, Hyde Park, Chicago.

Helen Maystrick, '27 arts-sc., M. A., '28, is doing graduate work in the University of Chicago. Her address is 6030 Greenwood Avenue, Chicago.

Ralph E. Chase, M. A., '27, is assistant professor in zoology at the University of Illinois and also doing graduate work on his Ph. D. degree. Address, 601 West California street, Urbana, Illinois.

Among the former students and alumni associated with oil companies in the south Oklahoma City oil fields are: J. Lynn Overlees, jr., '27 arts-sc., Herbert Beardsmore, '25 sc., Eugene Ames, '27 law, Cliff Wright, ex '24, Hardy Buff, ex '28, and Francis Irwin, ex '13.

1928

Julian W. Smith, '28 geol., is now chief geologist for the Enson Oil Co., at Enid.

Louise E. Perkins, '28 home ec., is teaching in Leadville, Colorado, high school, Address, 144 West Ninth.

Hubert H. Thompson, '28 sc., is chief chemist for the Dixie Oil Co., Inc. Address, Box 548, Vivian, Louisiana.

James Burrill Moore, '28 ed., teacher in Sapulpa high school, is also head of boys and director of vocational guidance.

Raymond Ford, '28 arts-sc., is now with Arkansas City Milling Co., working out of Topeka office. Address, Majestic Building, Topeka, Kansas.

Helen Eades, '28 home ec., is now teaching design and clothing in the department of home economics at Texas State Teachers college, Denton, Texas.

Ellen Posey, '28 geol., graduate assistant in the geology department of the University of Oklahoma, has accepted a position with the Empire Oil and Gas Co., of Bartlesville.

Two Sooner students who are working for the Oklahoma state medical school, Eula Gene Smith, '28 home ec., and Lacle E. Brown, '28 arts-sc., are living at 725 East Fourteenth street, Oklahoma City.

Tephi Ruby Polum, '28 arts-sc., is serving part time with the extension division of the university and the rest of the time is working for an M. A. degree. Her home is at 524 W. Euflania, Norman.

James G. Hazlip, ex '28, has resigned his position with the Safeway Airlines at Tulsa to accept a position as assistant to Jimmy Doolittle, test pilot for the Shell Petroleum Co. aviation department at St. Louis.


Edgar Bruce Wilson, '28, is a student in the Boston university school of theology. In conjunction with his school work he is director of boy's activities for the "City Missionary Society" of Boston, and associate director of "Camp Waldron" for boys in the White Mountains of New Hampshire during the summer months. His home is at 72 Mt. Vernon street, Boston, Mass.

1929

Wayman J. Thompson, '29 med., is a physician in Easton Hospital, Easton, Pennsylvania.

Mrs Ruth D. Sanger, '29 home ec., is teaching home economics in the high school at Chotaw, Oklahoma.

L. G. DeLuezer, '29, is enrolled in Northwestern university school of medicine. Address, 1138 Austin street, Chicago.

Phineas McCray Casady, '29 arts-sc., is studying at the general theological seminary for the ministry in the Episcopal church. Address, Chelsea Square, New York City.

James H. Hodges, '29, has been elected president of the Graduate club of the University of Oklahoma. Ruby Van Zand was elected vice-president and Ann Willhite, '28 arts-sc., secretary.

Guy C. Chambers, M. A., '29, who has been head of the foreign language department in Okmulgee high school for the past eight years is now instructor in the foreign language department at the A. & M. college, Stillwater. Address, 725 Jefferson street.

1930

Mildred Nicholson, '30, has gone to Fairfax, where she will teach English in the junior high school. She finished work for her B. A. at the end of the first semester.

Frank Crider, '30 arts-sc., captain of the varsity football team this year and letterman in football for the past three years, will coach athletes in Altus high school next year.

R. O. T. C. officers who graduated at mid-semester in '30 and received commissions in the field artillery are Marvin Balch, James A. Cowan, Stayton W. Hammer, jr., John Russell Simpson, jr., and Warren B. Trout. Fred Paul Schonwald received a commission in the infantry.

John Johnstone, '29 bus., is with the market research division of the Pullman Company, subsidiary of Phillips Petroleum Co., making surveys of economic conditions in the New England states with headquarters in the General Motors Building, Detroit, Michigan.

"Kiowa Art in Oklahoma" is the title of the leading article in Holland's, the Magazine of the South for April, written by Richard Caldwell, "26 jour., city editor of the Sapulpa Herald. The article is illustrated with reproductions of the paintings of Azah, Ho-ke-ah, Mopope and Tsa-to-kc.

YOUTH SPEAKS

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Sunday by Sunday, with some revivals in between, sermons have to be prepared, and in some cases ground out. As a result, many of them are illogical, manifesting little study or thought, and rather crudely put together. People listen to such addresses, not only the church members who could perhaps overlook one such poor attempt, but the strangers, who venture into the church to find out what it is all about.

Most any Christian is faced at some time with the proposition of making excuses for the pastor to his friends not in the church. Which is not as it should be. It seems to me that ministers should do their pastoral work, of course, and attend to other problems, but that they should realize that their sermons are like faces, the manifestation to the public of what is within.

If you're wondering upon what authority I speak so generally about ministers, I might explain, that every Monday morning I read sermons from practically every preacher in town and assemble them for publication. Some of them are excerpts, and many send the entire manuscripts of the talk. In any case, not a week goes by that I do not read at least one that, sympathetic as I am toward religious views, does not disgust me with its inconsistency, its poor grammar, or superfluous use of words. Someone will argue that it is not the English or the form but the sheer religion that matters, and I will admit that a man filled with sincerity of purpose and a clear thinker can sway an audience and achieve his aims whether he is grammatically correct or not. But think how vastly better his sermon, how much greater his influence would be if he spent as much time and work on his sermon as he might.

Religion deserves better handling than it always gets. No one would think of allowing a slovenly servant to handle a beautiful vase of priceless glass yet people allow men who are not always competent to preach the gospel which is their very life. Especially in small country churches there are men who are utterly unequipped, yet who have been duly ordained to the ministry. And not only in the small churches, but occasionally in a large church, will be found a man who is incapable of really preaching to his great audiences. I have heard church people say: "I am in the church in spite of preaching that I have heard and not because of it."

There is a need I think, in the ministry, as well as in many other professions, for higher standards of work, better preparation, far-reaching ideals, more continuous work. In the last analysis, how far according to what authority?