Oklahomans at home and abroad

The New Cover

For the past fifty-one issues—five years and one extra month—The Sooner Magazine has been dressed in the same cover. It was a good cover—distinctive, attractive and suggestive of things Oklahoma. It was designed some five years ago by Miss Dorothy Kirk, '23, a member of the University of Oklahoma art faculty.

And for her outstanding contribution to the appearance of the magazine, the appreciation of the association is again offered as it was at the time the new cover was adopted.

However, with this issue The Sooner Magazine comes to you dressed in a new fall outfit. The chief value of the change, it is felt, is that familiar scenes may be brought to you on the cover.

This issue, for instance, gives that old familiar scene of the varsity corner pep meeting—bringing back memories of football days. The pictures, of course, will be changed for each issue to keep up with the seasons of the year and the events of the day.

After all, even Scribner's changed its cover design not so long ago.

Soonerland in brief

And speaking of things magazine, The Covered Wagon, successor to The Whirlwind, is an improvement on campus humor magazines that most colleges and universities always plan but seldom realize. John Runyan, junior student from Oklahoma City, deserves and is getting credit for a happy rejuvenation of a publication that has seen days of despair. The first issue was attractively put together. It combined articles with humor and was pleasingly short on “exchange” jokes. It had a Sooner campus flavor. And what is more has an editor who has ideas and the initiative to work them out.

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The Educational Conference

Dr. Thomas A. Williams, pastor of the First Methodist church, Norman; and Rev. Herbert Cockerill, pastor of the First Methodist church, Norman; and Rev. John P. Lewis, pastor of the Church of Christ, Norman.

Helen Gregory, instructor in women's physical education dancing classes and director of Orchesis, spent an exciting and interesting summer in Europe. She studied dancing in Austria and visited France, Italy and other countries on the continent. She was close to the pre-war excitement and gained a valuable insight into the various European attitudes toward the impending conflict.

The University's new nine-hole golf course, which is being laid out on the forty-acre tract of land southeast of the campus, will be opened with a tournament May 4. Ben G. Owen, director of intramural athletics, has announced. Four of the grass greens already are in shape and grass has been trimmed several times. A squad of forty WPA workers is conditioning the forty acres for intramural sports competition, a picnic ground and the golf course. Traps, bunkers and roughs are being added to the landscape.

"Native Oklahomans" will be the theme for the 1936 Sooner yearbook, Charles Follansbee, Eufaula, editor, has decided. The annual will carry pictures of various state beauty spots and places of interest. Allan Engleman, Tulia, Texas, is business manager, and Stewart Mark, Oklahoma City, circulation manager.

The Sooner football team took with it sixty gallons of Norman water for drinking purposes when it made the trip to Dallas to play the Texas Longhorns. Mimeographed schedules informing the squadmen where they should be from the time they left until they returned were given out by Captain Lawrence "Biff" Jones when the team left.
Floyd Lochner, national intercollegiate two-mile champion from Agra, underwent a tonsil operation early in the fall but recovered in time to continue his training for the fall two-mile racing season. Lochner, who beat all of the best collegiate two-milers at the California meet late in the summer, will attempt to round into his best condition by next summer in an effort to make the United States Olympic team.

The memorial to the 1935 graduating class has been completed and placed between the Oklahoma Union and Monnet hall. Walks have been constructed leading to the pool and fountain. Four rock benches have been placed on each side of the fountain.

John Clark Caldwell, junior lawyer from Arkansas, has taken a campus position as secretary to Julien Monnet, dean of the law school. Caldwell, for several years, was secretary to Frank S. Cleckler, alumni secretary. His place was taken in the alumni organization by William Beaty, junior business student, McAlester.

Clarence “Binder” Davis, who withdrew from school three years ago to become a Tulsa insurance man, has returned to the campus this fall to complete pre-medic courses. Davis’ home is in Bixby.

Yates On Pittsburgh Staff

The announcement that George Latham Yates, ’34 eng, ’35 M.S., has been appointed to the teaching staff of the engineering college at the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is some of the best news his classmates have received.

Because everyone in the ’34 and ’35 classes has been struck by the manner in which Mr. Yates overcame a serious handicap that became his during his junior year. Both of his hands were blown off when Old Trusty, sacred cannon of the L. K. O. T. organization, exploded during a secret initiation on the Canadian river.

He continued with his school work and earned his first degree. Then, he engaged in graduate work and produced a fine piece of research as a graduate student. His home was formerly in Bartlesville. Mr. Yates is a member of numerous honorary and professional engineering organizations. During his early under-graduate days, he was a fine wrestler.

Dunlap, Stacy Turn Pro

A pair of former Sooner football stars are playing professional football in the north this fall.

Bob Dunlap, ’35 as, is with the Chicago Bears and James “Red” Stacy, ’35 ex, is with the Detroit professional team. Dunlap is one of the two first-string quarterbacks and Stacy who played a guard as a Sooner, has been shifted to a tackle position. He weighs 210 pounds this season.

Fischer Returns From Oxford

Jack Fischer, who has been a Rhodes scholar at Oxford University for the past two years, has returned to this country to take a position with the Federal Housing Administration at Washington, D. C.

He deferred his third year at Oxford and may return to complete his scholarship term at a later date.

While he is working in Washington, Fischer will act as foreign correspondent for the British New Statesman. He recently sold a second article to Harper’s magazine in this country.

Fischer left the United States during the summer of President Roosevelt’s first administration. He had been working for the Daily Oklahoman since he was graduated from the University in 1932.

The rush of events in the United States following his arrival at Oxford University interested Fischer to such an extent that in letters to Oklahoma friends he expressed the belief that he was missing one of the greatest eras in American history.

Sooners On Mitchell’s Staff

John G. Mitchell, ’19 M.A., superintendent of Seminole city schools has thirty-four University alumni working this year on his teaching staff.

His staff includes eighty-five teachers this year. Thus, exactly forty per cent of the Seminole teaching group is comprised of former Sooner students.

This, perhaps, is one of the reasons why the Seminole school system is regarded as one of the best in the state. A number of new teachers who identified themselves in other Oklahoma schools were brought to Seminole this year.
Here are three Alumni association officials who will play important parts in directing the Homecoming celebration. On the opposite page are Earl Foster,'21,law,president of the general alumni association, and Frank S. Cleckler,'21,surrogate of the association. On this page is Almer S. "Mike" Monrommy,'24, president of the Oklahoma City Alumni club.

Greek Orders Pledge 368

Fraternity and sorority pledge lists, released following the regular rushing period, revealed that 368 students had become affiliated with campus organizations. Fraternities pledged 194 men students, and sororities pledged 174 women students.

The lists announced at the close of rush follow:

**SORORITIES**

Alpha Chi Omega—Lucile Hess, Bristow; Bobbie Pendleton, Norman; Mary Elizabeth McFerran, Kathleen Blair and Elizabeth Patton, all of Oklahoma City; Eloise Drake, Ardmore; Billy Martin, El Reno; Ruth Armstrong, Okmulgee, and Gene Channell, Binger.

Alpha Gamma Delta—Vida Aline Gilchrist, Asheville, N.C.; Betty1 Brown, Bartlesville; Lucile Hess, Bartlesville; Margaret Plumlee, Oklahoma City; Helen Boggs, Florence Fuller, Lucinda Mae Furman, Bartlesville; Genevieve Williams, Bristow; Beatrice Herron, Perry, Okmulgee; and Cheryl Hardin, Norman.

Delta Gamma—Lucile Wheeler and Lucile Mohrley, both of Clinton; Dorothy Cehstum, Joe Wade Thornton, Helen Marie Jennings, Katherine McMahon, Ava McWilliams, and Mayra Walsh, all of Oklahoma City; Jo Ann Templeman, Mary Jo Brockman, Paula Morris, June Myers, and Sally Seaman, all of Tulsa; Louise Hill, Marlow; Beatrice Burke and Anne McGrove, both of Nework; Doris Masselon, Seminole and Bessie Jane Gray, Bartlesville.

Gamma Phi Beta—Mary Frances Carpenter, Seminole; Anna Mable Brown, Blackwell; Diana Cook, Ardmore; Mary Ann Watters and Jo Nell Watters, all of Norman; Charlotte Hendricks, Weleetka; Mary Stike, Okemah; Donnie Ogumule, Jane Ogumule, Jane Boone, Clinton; Clara Heins, Claremore, and Grettie Rae Owen, Tulsa.

Kappa Alpha Theta—Eleanor Burton, Mary Ramsey, Betty Larimore, Barbara Harrison, Dorothy Kinchew, and Kathryn Riggan, all of Oklahoma City; Janie Hestand, Geraldine Sneddon, and Ruth Ferguson, both of Tulsa; Jewell Corbin, Chickasha; Ruth Ann McSandal, Nowata; Martha Edwards, and Deanne Lomax, both of Blackwell; Barbara Stewart, and Alice Douglas, both of Okmulgee; Sallie Landt, and June Evans, both of Oklahoma City; Everline Morgan, Mary Ann Watters and Jo Nell Watters, all of Norman; Charlotte Hendricks, Weleetka; Mary Stike, Okemah; Diana Cook, Ardmore; Diana Ogumule, Jane Boone, Clinton; Clara Heins, Claremore, and Grettie Rae Owen, Tulsa.

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The Playhouse

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