Eugene M. Kerr, state newspaperman and politician and former president of the University Board of Regents, died at his home in Muskogee on June 16. Mr. Kerr was appointed to the Board by the late Gov. E. W. Marland and became president in 1938. A veteran of the first World War in which he served as a major, Mr. Kerr was in the newspaper business in Muskogee and Okmulgee, once served a term as state senator, and was at one time associated with the Riverside Oil and Gas Company and the Oklahoma Natural Gas Company.

W. B. Bizzell, president emeritus, has returned to his home in Norman from an Oklahoma City hospital, where he spent five weeks following a heart attack.

Mrs. Vivia V. Russell, '31d.ed, Oklahoma City, and D.B.R. Johnson, '18ma, dean of the School of Pharmacy, were married recently in Norman. Mrs. Johnson formerly taught school in Oklahoma City.

Recently added to the staff of Army officers at the University were Lt. Robert S. Hansen, an Infantry officer from Camp Robinson, Arkansas; Lt. Harley E. Weyde, with the Adjutant General's Department, from Denton, Texas; Lt. Odbert Westerman, Infantry reservist from Tulsa, and Lt. Ershel C. Redd, Quartermaster Corps officer transferred from Ruston, Louisiana.


Allen Belden, assistant professor of geography, left July 1 to accept a position with the Department of the Interior in Washington, D. C. Mr. Belden, who was granted a leave of absence for the duration, will do research on the Geographic Name Board of the Department.

Lt. E. Thayer Curry, assistant professor of speech on leave for Naval duty, was stationed at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Virge G. Wilhite, '21ba, '30ma, professor of economics, was associated this summer with the regional War Labor Board in Kansas City, Missouri. He expects to return to the campus this fall.

Hansford Martin, '42letters, former graduate assistant in the English Department, was appointed an instructor of English for Navy trainees at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to teach two sections. He also will take graduate work.

Thurman White, '41ms, director of the visual education department of the Extension Division and state war film co-ordinator, is the author of two articles on the use of films in war information work which appeared recently in Film News and The Educational Screen.

Leonard Good, '27fa, former art professor, is head photographer with the civilian training department at Tinker Field near Oklahoma City which prepares manuals to be used in airplane installation and repair work. Mr. Good makes free-hand sketches and takes photographs of instruments, tools and parts for illustrating the manuals.

Stewart Harral, '36ma, associate professor of journalism and director of University press relations, taught a course in public relations for churches at the annual Oklahoma Methodist Pastors' School held in Oklahoma City early in July. Mr. Harral also had an article, "The Clergy and Press Relations," in the June issue of The Pastor, a Methodist journal published in Nashville, Tennessee.

A meeting of research men from universities in Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Arkansas and Oklahoma, held in Kansas City, Missouri, in June was attended by Robert H. Dott and Albert L. Burwell, of the Oklahoma Geological Survey, W. H. Carson, dean of the College of Engineering, and R. L. Huntington, '17ba, professor of chemical engineering. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the trend of industrial development in this region.


Gustav Mueller, chairman of the Department of Philosophy, is the author of "Goethe's Faust and Hegel," in a recent issue of The Personalist.

Pierre Delattre, associate professor of modern languages, conducted a phonetics laboratory during the summer term at Middlebury College at Middlebury, Vermont. He will return to the campus this fall.

Among special guests at the conference of three outstanding inter-American organizations held on the campus of the University of Texas at Austin in June was Stephen Scatori, professor of Romance languages. The conference, sponsored by the University of Texas Institute of Latin-American Studies, the Southwestern Committee on Latin-America and the Associated Art Instructors of Texas, was attended by a large group of prominent South Americans and authorities on inter-American affairs.

Maj. Loyd E. Harris, '22pharm, '24ms, professor of chemistry on leave of absence for military service, was stationed at Loyola University in New Orleans following his return from an official trip to England.