J. Fred Miller, former general secretary of the University Y.M.C.A., is a minister of education of the University Christian Church in Seattle, Washington.

> Martin S. Shockley, associate professor of English, and Mrs. Shockley are the parents of a baby son John Staples Shockley born January 14 in Oklahoma City. The couple also have a daughter Ellen.

> Lt. Orville Tuttle, Sooner line coach on leave of absence for duty with the Marines, was stationed at San Diego to assist in training and conditioning marines for combat duty.

> Rupel J. Jones, director of the School of Drama, was chosen by the National Theater Conference to judge plays written by servicemen in a nationwide contest. Winners will be awarded scholarships to outstanding universities and Little Theaters to be valid when they are released from the armed services.


> Word was received of the safe arrival on a South Pacific island of Maj. C. T. Almquist, former engineering professor at the University. An Ordinance officer, Major Almquist was previously stationed at the Des Moines Ordnance plant in Iowa.

> Joseph H. Marshburn, chairman of the department of English, has returned from Washington, D.C., where he did research in the Folger Shakespearean Library on murder incidents during the Elizabethan period. Doctor Marshburn began research on the project while on leave of absence from the University in 1936-37. He is making a study of popular literature of the time which utilized the murder incidents.

> Arthur N. Bragg, assistant professor of animal biology, was awarded $50 to continue his research on the common toad by the Oklahoma Academy of Science through the American Association for the Advancement of Science. The award was made for outstanding research in the state for 1943. Dr. Bragg's research is of special importance to Oklahoma farmers because the toad eats bugs, worms and beetles, and other crop destroyers.

> Lucille Doris, O.U. professor of French, has been named an honorary colonel by Gov. Robert S. Kerr, '16.


> Russia Through the Ages, written by Stuart R. Tompkins, associate professor of history, will be published in Portuguese translation by the Empresa Leitura of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The history was described by one of its reviewers as the most ambitious study of Russian history ever made by an American. In order to gather material for the book, Dr. Tompkins did research in libraries all over the country and spent some time in Russia.

> Roger J. Goeck, music supervisor of radio station WNAD, has resigned in order to complete work on a symphony before he is called for Army duty.

> William H. Carson, dean of the College of Engineering, has been reappointed a member of the engineering committee of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission. Andrew F. Schoeppe, governor of Kansas and chairman of the Commission, made the appointment and commended Dean Carson for his services of the previous year.

> Milton Hopkins, University botanist, has prepared a booklet on gardening for the 150 garden clubs and the many individual victory and flower gardeners in Oklahoma.

> Two articles by Ralph Bienfang, professor of pharmacy, have been accepted for publication. "Six Ways to Practice Pharmacy" was scheduled to appear in the February issue of the American Druggist national pharmacy magazine. "Pharmacist's Ring" was accepted for the February issue of the Arkansas Druggist.

> Letters Every College Should Write, a book by William H. Butterfield, associate professor of business communication, will be released soon by Harper and Brothers, New York publishers. The book contains 250 specimen letter examples of effective letters in building stronger institutional relations for colleges and universities.

> A two-volume work called Oklahoma Municipal Government and Administration has been completed by H. V. Thornton, University government professor, mayor of Norman and an authority on municipal government. Dr. Thornton has expressed the desire to see Norman become a model in city manager form of government and postwar municipal planning.

> Philosophy and the War, a new book by Gustav Mueller, chairman of the department of philosophy, has been published by the Harvard Publishing Company in Oklahoma City. He is also the author of two articles and a poem which have been accepted for publication. An article, "Pascal's Dialectical Philosophy and His Discovery of Liberalism," will appear in the Journal of the History of Ideas, published in New York City. Another article, "The One and the Many," was published in the January issue of the New Philosophy Review. The poem, "You Yourself," appeared in the December 22 issue of the American Swiss newspaper published in New York.