Riding the Sooner Range
By TED BEARD

IT'S not always Riding the Sooner Range that's interesting in alumni work. At times the "hired hand" via memory land plus the office chance to look up some family at the office! Today in the routine of the calls coming across the desk, it is necessary that we pull from the files certain class lists over a series of years and check on graduate details.

Did you ever creep up to the "cole attic," dig out the musty boxes in which the treasures of years and years ago have been stored? Well, that's similar to the run of the range today in making this survey for one of our clients in the East, and before me, with the class list of the class of 1906, flashed in review a series of names from this 34-year book of graduates in whom I know you are interested and about whom I have been privileged, through a series of years which I spent together over the range, to learn some intimate details.

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During the week and month after month to the development of a greater University of Oklahoma.

THOMAS BUCHANAN MATTHEWS, "06, Tom"—now of Tulsa—how often as a youngster in the village of Norman have I watched long, tall Tom hustle around in his real estate business when he was here in Norman covering a series of years starting ten years ago. And as the bottom of this 34-year list, classified in alphabetical order, GUY ANDELL WILLIAMS, '06, '10, ma, today the distinguished professor and head of the Department of Chemistry at the University of Oklahoma—then the "alert, athletic, boun-cin' high Guy Y," the chap you will remember in those days as being one of the cast of clowns with little cars, and no mean cowhand in twirlin' a rope.

The '07 list flashes in review. The name of FLOYD LEE SWANK, '07, '08, Norman, appears as bold type as one of that year's graduates. This morning I saw him accompanying his young daughter (who works in the Book Exchange in the Union) to her place of duty. In the past nine years it has been my privilege to be intimately associated with him, and today in memory's review I think of those long nights spent at the University Club, when he was ranking officer in the Masonic Order and carting his Masonic team from one spot in Oklahoma to another to confer degrees. And too, I see him as Norman postmaster years ago, but today he is back at his chosen field of work in the field of chemistry as an official in charge of one of the divisions of Chemistry Department on the University campus.

ERRETT R. NEWBY, '07, '08, now of Oklahoma City, has contributed year after year to his class of 1907—and to his state, as a successful public school system critic, whose name stands prominently on this list. I remember him as registrar of the University over a series of years, and in recent years remember him more distinctly as a trustee of the Life Membership Trust Fund of the Alumni Association, and a trustee of the Oklahoma Memorial Union.

SAMUEL G. AMBRISTER, '08, still holds down his Norman assignment, and I see him quite often, and often he mentions old cronies of his in the Norman, I cannot answer, but he is privileged to hail him on the streets of Norman. Just in our building on the campus, and I am privileged to hail him on the streets of Norman. Just in memory's review I think of those long nights spent at the University Club, when he was ranking officer in the Masonic Order and carting his Masonic team from one spot in Oklahoma to another to confer degrees. And too, I see him as Norman postmaster years ago, but today he is back at his chosen field of work in the field of chemistry as an official in charge of one of the divisions of Chemistry Department on the University campus.

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