Riding the Sooner Range

By Ted Beaird

TWO items in the life of an alumni "hired hand" come more regularly than meals—namely, first of the month bills and the regular thirty-day panning of the Sooner Magazine—namely, first of the month bills and the regular thirty-day panning of the Sooner Magazine. The editor on 'shoot your material in, fellow, for Riding the Sooner Range.' It is possible to slip quietly away from the bills once in a while, but not from that editor until the "squib" is safely in his hands and "put to bed." (How's that for growing journalistic—it's absorbed by daily contact!)

These spring months! Year after year they grow more intense! Activities stacked upon activities for Oklahoma.

PANAMA CANAL ZONE

HONOLULU, T. H.

Lieut. Perry B. Hackett, chairman.

May, 1939
—we sent him a receipt for $3.00 as a renewed annual member.

HELEN HADLEY, '38, of New York City (assigned to Oklahoma City on special Federal Court reporting work) in to visit with us—and whata girl that Helen! IRENE SHAUL, '33, in to tell us she is away from her position in Boston next year to do graduate work, and for us to send a Sooner to take her place! We will and we did!

JOHN F. WILKINSON, '23, of St. Louis, passing long enough to tell us, “You know, some of the ‘mad men’ of Europe are makin’ it tough on bond sales!” BILL CRAM, '30, formerly attorney at law, St. Louis, now of Hartford, Connecticut, dropping us a note to tell us of the fine Sooner alumni organization in ole St. Louis!

CHARLES H. MEMMINGER, '14, '35aw, growing suddenly ill while on special alumni work and being “administered to and for” by DR. BEN COOLEY, '21med, of Norman.

HICKS EPTON, '32aw, of Wewoka, Oklahoma, in to tell us about his new daughter. E. H. SKINNER, '23, of Kansas City, voin’ like any good Sooner.

JOSEPH BENTONELLI (JOE BENTON, '20, '21fa), telling us he will try to skip special contracts and be with us June 4 to help with the alumni program.

SENATOR JOSH LEE, '17, REPRESENTATIVES MIKE MONRONEY, '24, WILBURN CARTWRIGHT, '20aw, WILL ROGERS, '30 fa, and JED JOHNSON, '15ex, giving us one of those long distance pannings because we must have class reunions on Sunday, June 4—before Congress adjourns, etc., etc., etc. Still—some of those boys were instrumental in sending CLARENCE MUSSEY, '34, to Atlanta, Georgia, last week in a fine Federal position—so all’s well.

JULIAN ROTHBAUM, '36, '38aw, adding a rose where there had been only thorns by telling us he is happy in his work in Oklahoma City—and that is some reward.

NORMAN BRILLHART, '17, Madill, JUDGE HARRY L. S. HALLEY, '15, '17aw, Tulsa; COLEMAN HAYES, '24, '26aw, Oklahoma City; CHARLES B. MEMMINGER, '14, '35aw, Atoka; HICKS EPTON, '32aw, Wewoka; State Representative OWEN TOWNSEND, '39, and BILL SELVIDGE, '38, along with C. O. HUNT, '39, W. W. HEFINER, '33, Chickasha; B. S. “CHEBIE” GRAHAM, '34, Oklahoma City; RAYMOND TOLBERT, '12, '13aw, Oklahoma City; LEE B. THOMPSON, '25, '27aw, Oklahoma City; ELMER FRAKER, '20, '38aw, Chickasha; TOM CAREY, '05, Oklahoma City; CHARLES W. HAXEL, '26, Ponca City; CY ELLINGER, '26, Purcell; and JIM ROBINSON, '12, '18aw, Tableaquah, all on L. D. with the office in less than two hours this April 14, leads us to believe—“business is good.”

Yes, business is good—so good in fact we will (providing five hours of sleep will do the trick) drive early in the morning to Oklahoma A and M. College for all day and evening work with 20 other Sooner grads in from the four corners of the ole Sooner Commonwealth—so we’ll be off to Ride the Sooner Range!

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In South America

Frank and Morgan Bell, both '38 engineering graduates, are now employed by the Engineers Limited in Barranquilla, Colombia, South America.

The two men, both of Salina, Kansas, arrived in South America in December, and are now preparing for the time they will spend up the river, where the South American Gulf Oil Company is laying 260 miles of pipe to bring the oil from the Barco concession, said to be the most important oil area outside the United States.

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made it possible for several hundred students to stay on the University payroll the remainder of the present semester. Working as student assistants, they received from $10 to $15 a month . . . George Charon, Wetzunka, is winner of the annual Spanish contest.

. . . Margaret Davis, Norman, has been elected president of the Associated Women Students, formerly the Women’s Self Governing Association . . . Robert Stone, Tulsa, heads the Y.M.C.A. for the next year . . . The University Celebrity Series faced a deficit at the end of the year’s schedule, and University officials said that financial difficulties threaten to force the abandonment of the series.

. . . Paul Cummings, Enid, won first place in public discussion in the national tournament of Delta Sigma Rho at Madison, Wisconsin. Ed Edmundson, Muskogee, won first place in men’s oratory . . . Two seniors from each high school entering the annual Interscholastic Meet were entertained by the Men’s Council of the University April 28.

W. N. Elledge, pioneer Oklahoman who was instrumental in selection of Norman as the site of the University, died in late March at Houston, Texas. He was 83 years old. Mr. Elledge was a merchant in Norman in early days.

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Lewis family sets record

W. C. Lewis, '18ex, Mrs. Lewis, and their son, W. C. Lewis, Jr., '35aw, are believed to be the first family ever to have all of its members admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court.

Mr. Lewis appeared before the court last month at Washington, D. C., and requested that Mrs. Lewis and their son be admitted to practice in the highest tribunal. He had been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court in 1923.