Hats Off to--

Charles Ransom Barrick, '26 M.A., because he is president of Montezuma college, Montezuma, New Mexico, because he is one of America's younger college presidents, and because he has overcome financial handicaps and a transition period to build a strong college organization. Mr. Barrick was born in the county of Dallas, Missouri, March 16, 1894. Most of his life was spent in Oklahoma. He attended Cherokee high school, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, and Oklahoma Baptist university. He received his Th.M. degree from Southwestern in 1919 and his A.B. degree from O.B.U. in 1922. Mr. Barrick was sent to Africa as a missionary, remaining there eighteen months as superintendent of the boys' school and of missions and schools, in Abeokuta, Nigeria, West Africa. He also taught one summer session in the college and seminary in Ogbomoso, Nigeria. In 1924, Mr. Barrick became professor of philosophy and religious education in Montezuma. During the summer of 1925, and in the spring of 1926, he worked on his master's degree at the University of Oklahoma. In December, 1926, Mr. Barrick was elected president of Montezuma college. He took charge of the school at a time when financial stringency was so severe that it was thought the school would have to close. Under his presidency, however, Montezuma has overcome many of its financial worries.

Carl Hastings Milam, '07 arts-sc., because he is secretary of the American Library association, an organization composed of 11,000 members, and because of his notable record in library work and organization in the United States. Mr. Milam was born October 22, 1884 in Harper county, Kansas. During his attendance at the university, he was assistant university librarian from 1904 to 1907, and a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity. During 1908 he attended the New York State Library school and the following year was librarian of Purdue university. From 1909 to 1913 he was secretary and state organizer of the public library commission of Indiana. He has served as director of the Birmingham (Alabama) public library, as assistant to the director, acting director, and assistant general director, of the American Library association war service (from 1917 to 1920), and since 1920, he has been secretary of the association. From 1912 to 1913, he was president of the League of Library Commissions. He is a member of the executive board of the American Association for Adult Education. During this summer he is in Europe, first as the official guest of the Italian government at the International Library and Bibliographical congress in Rome, and later as a delegate to the Federation of Education Associations in Geneva and the World Association for Adult Education in Cambridge, England.

Hutton Bellah, '23 journ., because he is owner of the Altus Publishing Co., publishers of the Altus Times-Democrat, of which he is editor, and because of the signal public service he has rendered his section of Oklahoma. Mr. Bellah was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Alpha Tau, Sigma Delta Chi and Kappa Sigma fraternities while in the university, and was a member of the staffs of the Oklahoma Daily and the University of Oklahoma Magazine. He was assistant professor of journalism from 1923 until 1924, and was director of publicity for the university from 1921 until 1924. Mr. Bellah was publicity director for the stadium-union campaign from its beginning until 1924. He purchased the Altus Publishing Co., and became editor of the Times-Democrat, then a semi-weekly, which he converted into a daily newspaper in 1927. He established the Harmon County Democrat at Hollis in 1927. He is a vice-president of the Oklahoma Press association. An aggressive editor, Mr. Bellah performed a notable service (which received the press association cup for greatest community service in 1926) in giving Altus one of the best water systems of the state by putting over the Layett dam. He has won a state-wide reputation for his progressive attitude towards public affairs. His wife is an alumna of the university, see Miss Lillian Neely, '22 arts-sc.