Riding the Sooner Range

By TED BEAIRD

WITH the mid-November temperature skidding on down toward zero—the Oklahoma breezes grow particularly cold! Not so with these steamed-up Sooners because the past thirty days and the taking of a series of hours for the nucleus of warm activities!

Thanks to you newcomers—those Sooners who have in the past few hours affiliated for the first time—as members of the Alumni Association, you are making the office machinery run smoothly! You will make the gaiaping a little easier! Even then, we will be reluctantly able to ride the Sooner Range many more miles because of your active participation and your "jium" up, we still like the "shower of gold!"

Among the guests attending the O. U. Alumni meeting on November 8th were on Central High School of Oklahoma City—thence, to the long-horn territory; DR. T. WILLARD PRATT, ’37ma, ’38ed, the close associate and friend of our long standing Western Oklahoma "Lifer," LUTHER W. KITCHENS, ’16ba and friend of our Yankee representatives as a new member of the Alumni Association; Mrs. Hazel Herd Crosby, and Alumni Executive Secretary Ted Beaird.

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The Annual Alumni Breakfast in the city of Dallas on the morning of the Texas-O. U. football game is always an interesting affair. Again this year, as always, they returned from many sections, and among those that the hired hand was privileged to meet and greet after Riding the Sooner Range, Dallas-ward was the Fort Worth Advisory Council chairman, FRITZ L. AURIN, '14ba, '15ma; Lawyer-Legislator DENIS RUSHBYHEAD, '29law, Claremore, Oklahoma; WILLIAM G. CULLEN, '16ba, the technical staff man for the Internal Revenue Department of the Southwest Headquarters of the Government; LELA GIBBINS, '28, Durant, Oklahoma—how many pleasant hours we spent with this youngster when she was in school as more or less an adopted daughter in the beard household, coming to us from Wauka, later to complete her work at the University of Missouri; WILDA GRIFFIN, '27ba, '33laa, O. U. voice faculty member and one of the hard working gals in the alumni activities, night or day; rain or shine was displayed to Dallas the smile of WEAVER E. HOLLAND, '13eng, and MRS. HOLLAND, Dallas, others were we were privileged to visit with and exchange greetings from their family next door to us in Norman. BETTY TEMPLE HOWELL, former O. U. campus secretary, was there to meet and greet many of her old friends made while a citizen of O. U.ville. A. O. JOHNSON, '30ba, '33law, browsing in from Tucson, Arizona, added a high-light to that Dallas morning breakfast party. GRACE KARCHER, '16ba—and we did have a chance to visit with him a few minutes after the breakfast was over. CARL H. KUNSE-MULLER, '20ba, another G-man over Muskogee, Oklahoma way—indeed, that boy Carl never misses an alumni function in the Southwest, and we appreciate having him with us. ELIZABETH KEE, '20, Presy Bizzell's secretary, was there, enjoyed old and new friends, and complained to the hired hand that she was not called on to make a speech—what an orator this Elizabeth! Again we were privileged to visit briefly with another O. U. friend, now of Dallas, Texas, GEORGE C. MCGHEE, '35ba, WILLIAM C. MCGLOTHIN, '16, along with MRS. MCGLOTHIN, was up from Corsicana way for the Dallas breakfast and swapped yarns with PAUL REED, '16, from Sulphur and many other former Shawnee, Oklahoma friends. Indeed, it was nice to see Mac again and to exchange yarns about the early 20's. As usual—and as always—the efficient and charming...