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DECEMBER, 1948

Correspondence . . .

Mrs. Jack B. Wilcox
Seattle, Washington

Dear Mrs. Wilcox:

Ted Baizd has sent me a copy of your recent note to him in which you indicated concern over the welfare of the School of Home Economics.

You will be interested to know that during the 1947-48 fiscal year, the School of Home Economics was given a budget large enough to permit it to spend $6,285.00 for new equipment. Only four of the nearly sixty academic departments of the University spent larger amounts than this for new equipment for the last year. The University, in addition to the amount spent on new equipment, spent a little more than $2,000.00 on building alterations and improvements to provide better laboratory facilities for the School of Home Economics.

I certainly do not mean to imply that the School of Home Economics has received all of the money it needs, but I believe the facts will show that the School of Home Economics has not been overlooked in the allotments of the funds available to the University.

With respect to the new building for the School of Home Economics, the Regents included this building as one of eight new buildings requested for the next biennium. This list is as follows: Completion of Geology Building, Graduate Education and Classroom Building, Law Library Addition, Journalism, General Library Addition, Home Economics, Plant Sciences Addition to Biological Sciences Building, and Chemistry. Journalism appears in this list only because of the fact that the Oklahoma Press Association is conducting an intensive campaign to raise $100,000.00 or more to supplement State funds to construct a Journalism Building. Different groups of alumni naturally have different ideas as to the relative importance of different projects in the building program. The Board of Regents has a difficult task in attempting to determine priority.

Sincerely yours, Roxane Cate, Financial Vice-President, 26th u.

Tryon, North Carolina

Dear Ted:

I have tried to fill out the pink form but it was difficult—I have been away from Norman for many years and so much has happened that I could not begin to explain on the form.

I have been twice happily married, the first was while my father was acting President of O.U., to Frank B. Toombs of Chicago, father of my two children, who died in 1929. I was married in 1933 to E. Screen Bond of Jacksonville, Florida and six weeks ago, September 24th, he passed away. I am here in Tryon, North Carolina resting for a few weeks.

I wish I could give you some information about O.U. students. The only late news I have is from my cousin Tom J. Galbraith, ’79a, who is living now at 1900 Broadway, San Francisco, California, who tells me there are 300 O.U. alumni in the Bay region—and that Mrs. Fantine Samuel Paxton, ’03a, is house mother at one of the fraternity houses in Berkeley. This is probably old news to you.

Enclosed is my check for the Sooner Magazine. Am I correct in the amount? I am ashamed that I have let my subscription lapse. Negligent as I am I love O.U. and hope to visit there some time in the not too distant future.

When I can get a photograph that flatters me I will send it.

Give my love to Mr. Keats, ’18, and my best wishes to all my other old friends.

Sincerely yours, Frances Buchanan Bond, ’18bm.

Anadarko, Oklahoma

Dear Ted:

We came home yesterday and both Mrs. Hume and I thank you very much for the invitations extended by you for the 1948 Homecoming activities while at Oklahoma City and Norman Friday through Sunday (November 5-7).

After we went to the Biltmore Hotel room Friday night we decided that if we could get a room we would return to the city Saturday and hear Dr. Alexander and his choir at the First Christian Church.

When we checked out last evening we found that you had paid for the room on Friday night. We feel that this is imposing too much on your hospitality and would like to refund you for this expense. We thank you very much for all that you did.

We were especially happy at the reception following the game to see Mary Alice Boyd, ’07a, Glendale, California, Mrs. Blanche (Morgan) Webb, ’05a, Chicago, Illinois, and the other guests of Mrs. Bennie Owens (Nina Besent, ’10), who were enrolled while we were there and some of whom I have not seen for fifty years.

I had two suggestions that I would have made to the Alumni Executive Board last Saturday (November 6) in their annual Homecoming meeting but they were busy, so I make them in attached suggestions. Again we thank you and wish you success in all of this work.

I expect to go to Los Angeles in December and if that club meets while we are there I will try to attend.


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Correspondence

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Dear Ted:

Knowing that you have worked closely with Dr. Ned Barleson, '26ba, '29bs, '31med, in the general Alumni Association for years, I think you will be interested in reading this letter dealing with the University of Oklahoma Development Fund, received today.

Sincerely yours, R. Boyd Gunning, '37ba, '37law.

Mr. Ted Beaird and Boyd Gunning
Prague, Oklahoma

University of Oklahoma

Gentlemen:

Included are contributions from me and my wife. Send us a statement each year for as long as we live. Each member of the P.E.O. organization pays just $1 per year toward a fund which is used to send girls to school. They now have over $1 million in that fund.

What would we do if all of the alumni of O.U. would give $24 per year to this fund? I don't believe that there is a single graduate of O.U. living who cannot well afford to do that.

So don't be bashful about this thing. The alumni will all think more of their school if they contribute a little to it every year and that added interest will be worth more to the school than the money they contribute.

Yours very truly, Ned Burleson, '26ba, '29bs, '31med.

Mr. Kaupke, as you would infer from his position, is a prominent engineer in this area. I understand that he has played a very important part in developing the water resources of the region. He is serving on a lay committee which I have appointed to counsel with the head of our engineering department with respect to our program for development of engineering curricula in this college.

Incidentally, we have a rapidly growing program in engineering which is destined to become one of the important divisions in this college.

Mr. Kaupke told me in our conversation that he is going to Oklahoma City to attend some engineer's convention in about a month and that he hopes to get down to Norman to visit his Alma Mater. He has not seen the campus for a number of years and is looking forward to the visit with much pleasure.

Harold Connally, '48eng, Norman, left recently to enroll at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor to work toward a Master's Degree in Chemical Engineering.

Joseph Morris, '48eng, is now employed as an engineer with the Magnolia Oil Company in Alice, Texas.

Russell Johnson, Jr., '48geol, is employed by the Mack Oil Company of Duncan as a junior geologist.

William R. Massey, '48bs, Kingston, has received a commission in the Regular Army as second lieutenant, field artillery. Massey, who was classified as a "distinguished military graduate of the University R.O.T.C. unit," reported to the ground general school at Fort Riley, Kansas.

L. E. Carol, '48geol, and Edward D. Clements, '48geol, are both employed as geologists with the Stanolind Oil and Gas Company in Sweetwater, Texas.
It occurred to me that you might like to write to Mr. Kaupke because I know you will wish to have him visit your office when he comes to the campus. It is particularly interesting, in my judgment, that he is the Engineering College's No. 1 graduate. I am enclosing two copies of this letter in case you wish to hand one to President Cross or Dean W. H. Carson.

Cordial yours, Arnold E. Joyal, President of Fresno State College.

Los Angeles, California

Dear Ted:

Mrs. Vernon Harold McCollum asked me to write you a note about Harold '34ba. Harold had a heart attack on Saturday night, November 13, 1948, and died Sunday at 7:00 p.m., November 14. You will recall that he graduated in the class of 1934. He is survived by his wife, Juanita, his mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Walter McCollum of Riverside, and a brother, Earl, Houston, Texas. Harold was 37 years of age.

Nadine and I have been very close to Harold and Juanita since they came to California in 1936. They were at our house on Friday, November 12. He was in his usual good humor and high spirits. In fact, he has never been ill at any time and had no warning of his real condition. Our hearts are heavy. He was overseas during the war, in the Pacific area, and returned with the rank of major. At the time of his death, he was managing a retail radio and service store.

Will you please telephone Mr. Kraettli and Bruce Wiley about the above at the request of Harold's father.

We have been following the O.U. football squad this season with great interest and pride. We read all the news that comes out through your office. I wish you would bill me for a year's subscription to the Sooner Magazine.

I have been with Edling, Hightower and Hunt, accountant and auditors, for several years as manager of the Los Angeles office. I do a lot of personal and contact work which is very much to my liking. I also do a great deal of conference work in taxes.

We have three children, Don, 7; Phil, 4, and Janet, 2; two dogs and two cats. There is never a dull moment for us. All we need is a farm to turn them loose on.

I was on the campus in July but you were not in. We had a great time at Riverside Farm on my parents' 50th anniversary on July 10.

We see Carl, '30bus, and Helen Craig often. They have a daughter, Janice, 7. They are well and enjoying life. Carl has a fine position as controller with a water company, but as when you knew him, he continues to worry over nothing.

When you come to Los Angeles again please telephone me.

Sincerely yours, H. C. Smith, '32bus.

**Did You Say Growing**

The University of Oklahoma's "School of the Air" is not only growing—it's booming! Since last spring enrollment has climbed from 6,000 to 29,000, Jesse E. Burkett, '47ed, director, reveals. Presented over WNAD, O.U. broadcasting service, the school has membership spread over 42 counties with other areas being added monthly. Most of the listeners are grade school children who hear regular broadcasts in the classroom.

**Artists Win**

Members of the University College of Fine Arts faculty and students won prizes in the 31st annual exhibition of the Association of Oklahoma Artists which was held in Oklahoma City. They are John O'Neil, '36fa, '39mfa, assistant professor of art, who won first prize in oils for an abstraction entitled "Bird Watcher." Robert Gardner, instructor in art, won first place in water colors for his "Early Autumn." Leonard Logen, Jr., '47ba, '48fa, Norman, won first place award in sculpture for a stone piece called "Boarhead." Mrs. Alice Fleming, '31fa, '32ed, Mrs. Ethel Grimes, '27ed, and Miss Deborah Haines, '13ba, all of Norman, had works chosen for the exhibition.

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