OKLAHOMA OKLAHOMANS AT HOME AND ABROAD

CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER

November 1. Beyond the Horizon, a play by Eugene O'Neill, Playhouse, University auditorium.

November 1. Delta Upsilon dance, College Shop.

November 2. Iowa State versus University of Oklahoma. Dad's Day.

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November 4. Hearing by state corporation commission on application of city of Norman to ban inter-city buses from certain Norman streets and so prevent competition with the "jitney" lines.

November 5. Christianity and Self Expression, lecture by E. Nicholas Comfort, Oklahoma School of Religion.

November 5. Lyceum number, Hallelujah quartet, university auditorium.

November 6. Three studio plays, Playhouse.

November 8. Pi Kappa Alpha dance, College Shop.

November 9. University of Kansas versus University of Oklahoma. HOME-COMING.

November 12. Christianity and the Search for Truth, lecture by E. Nicholas Comfort, Oklahoma School of Religion.

November 15. Kappa Sigma dance, College Shop.

November 15. Acacia dance, house.

November 15. The Guardsman, a play by Ferenc Molnar, Playhouse, University auditorium.

November 15. Monthly faculty club dinner.

November 15. Final day for submitting original dramas in Playhouse competition. Address Prof. Ray E. Holcombe, Director, Playhouse, Norman, Oklahoma.

November 16. The Guardsman, a play by Ferenc Molnar, Playhouse, University auditorium.

November 16. Freshman game, University of Nebraska versus University of Oklahoma.

November 16. Sigma Chi dance, house.

November 16. Kappa Alpha dance, College Shop.

November 18. Dr. John Murray, University college, Exeter, England, Chapel at 11 o'clock.

November 20. Three studio plays, Playhouse.

November 22. Delta Chi dance, house.

November 22. Alpha Tau Omega dance, house.

November 22. Delta Chi dance, house.

November 22-23. Annual stunt nite, auditorium.

November 23. Phi Delta Theta dance, house.

November 23. Phi Kappa Psi dance, house.

November 23. Alpha Sigma Phi dance, Teepee.


November 27. Studio play, Playhouse.

November 28. Oklahoma Academy of Science, Oklahoma City.

November 27. Thanksgiving recess.

November 29. Oklahoma Academy of Science, Oklahoma City.

WITH PRESIDENT BIZZELL

President Bizzell attended the junior-senior high school conference which was held in Tulsa October 10-12. On the evening of the eleventh he spoke at the dinner held for the members of the conference on "Financing High School Education." Friday morning he spoke at the morning assembly of Central high school and attended the noon luncheon of the Tulsa chamber of commerce.

Our Changing Varsity

NOLL: AN APPRECIATION

By Prof. Charles F. Giard

Josef Noll passed away August 25, 1929. He was thirty-four years of age. A relapse following an operation for acute appendicitis caused his death.

Josef Noll was born in Sweden. He came to this country with his parents when he was a young boy. His parents located in Philadelphia and it was there that he began his studies in music in the Combs conservatory. After graduating from that institution he taught piano in Philadelphia for a few years.

A young man of twenty-six years when he came to the University of Oklahoma, Josef Noll immediately began to make for himself an enviable reputation as a pianist, as teacher, as friend. Widely known throughout the state he had a host of friends, for in knowing him one became his friend.

True artist that he was he realized that success is achieved only by continuous hard toil. Josef Noll worked hard all the time. He took his sabbatical leave of absence in 1927-28 and spent the year in Paris studying with the great masters in his field of work. He returned to the university prepared to give all that he had and also with the ambition to grow in his work that he might have more to give. That he did give, his friends and his pupils can attest.

His passing away has left many an empty place. His wife and his son, Josef, jr., have lost what is most precious to them. The university has lost a valuable member of its faculty. We have lost a dear friend and associate. We grieve at his departure. We wish that he were still here with us.

FACULTY

Dr. Ralph Bird, assistant professor of zoology, and Miss Lois Gould, '29 arts-sc., were married August 3 at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Chas. N. Gould, Norman. The honeymoon was spent in Colorado and at Birtle, Manitoba, home of Doctor Bird's parents.

John S. Redfield, '26 geol., John A. McCutchin, and Don Gould were mem-
bers of the field conference of the Kansas Geological Society in Kansas, Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado early in September.

Maurice Halperin, of the department of modern languages, and Mrs Halperin are spending the year in Paris, studying at the University of Paris.

C. L. Cooper, '23 geol., and J. R. McGehee, newly appointed paleontologist of the Oklahoma geological survey, are planning an extended trip in the months of October and November for the purpose of studying the Mississippian formations in the states of Oklahoma, Arkansas, Missouri, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee. This work is being done in connection with a thesis for the doctorate which Mr Cooper is writing on certain formations of Mississippian age in the Arbuckle mountains. Mr McGehee is also engaged in the preparation of a master collection of the fossils of Oklahoma.

N. E. Wolfard, associate professor of civil engineering, was recently elected president of the Oklahoma City chapter of the American association of engineers.

Dr. Chas. N. Gould, director of the Oklahoma geological survey, is preparing for publication a textbook on the geology of Oklahoma.

Miss May Frank, '22 arts-sc., instructor in the school of journalism, is beginning her fourth year as literary editor of the *Daily Oklahoman*, Oklahoma City.

Dr. Maurice G. Smith comes to the university this year as acting head of the department of anthropology to take the place of Dr. Leslie Spier who is doing research work in the southern Pacific islands. Doctor Smith holds degrees from the University of Nebraska and the Brooking school, Washington, D. C. He has served on the faculties of the Universities of Nebraska, Minnesota and Colorado.

Dr. Charles N. Gould, Dr. V. E. Monnett and Dr. C. E. Decker attended the annual meeting of the American association of state geologists recently held at Ardmore, Oklahoma, and Denison, Texas. They also attended the International Petroleum exposition at Tulsa.

Dr. Adrian S. Foster, of the department of botany, has been elected general secretary of the general section, Botanical Society of America. During the past summer Doctor Foster visited the University of Leeds, England, where he continued investigations which he had previously conducted while holding an educational board fellowship for two years at Leeds. He has recently published in the *American Journal of Botany* the first part of a series of studies on the development of leaf-like organs.

Prof. F. W. Padgett, of the school of petroleum engineering, returned to the university September 10 after a four months' trip to the Russian oil fields and oil refineries, made at the invitation of the Soviet government. Professor Padgett also gave a series of lectures on petroleum refining at Moscow.

The program for the state conference of high school superintendents and principals held in Tulsa, October 10 to 12, included addresses by President Bizzell, Dean Collings, Dr. F. A. Balyeat and Prof. J. W. Shepherd.

Dr. J. S. Buchanan, vice-president of the university, is one of the four chosen by the Oklahoma memorial association to be honored November 16 at the celebration of statehood day for their services to the state. The others selected are Miss Alice Robertson, Col. R. A. Sneed and Charles Colcord.

Miss Mary DeBardeleben, instructor here for seven years, has been appointed to fill the newly created chair of the Bible at the Texas Technological college at Lubbock, Texas. Miss DeBardeleben has been in Boston for the past year taking graduate work in Bible training.

H. C. George, director of the school of petroleum engineering, spent the three summer months with the United States Bureau of Mines, in a trip through the Gulf coast, mid continent and Rocky Mountain oil fields.

Ralph Records, '22 arts-sc. (M. A. '23), is now assistant professor of history in the university.

Three universities have already adopted the new Spanish grammar written by Patricio Gimeno and Stephen Scatori, members of the modern language staff. The book was released by the publishers September 16.

Josh Lee, '17 arts-sc., head of the department of public speaking, was the principal speaker at the banquet of employees of the Southwest Utility Ice Co. held recently in Oklahoma City. Sherwood Lahman, ex-'22, of Tulsa, is an executive in the company, of which his father, C. E. Lahman, of Tulsa, is president.

**FACULTY RESEARCH**

Charles M. Perry: An investigation of the St. Louis movement of philosophy.

M. O. Wilson: Sensory cues in maze learning in the white rat; effects of methods of learning upon retention in the white rat.

W. S. Campbell: Research among the Dakota Indians in North Dakota and South Dakota, during September, 1929.

**NEW PRESS BUILDING**

Walter Kraft, superintendent of university utilities, engineer and master builder, signed with relief the second week in October. Builder Kraft is a wizard in many things but he faced one of the biggest tasks in his career when he engaged to build for $30,000 a wing to the University Press building and for $25,000 a laboratory building for the school of petroleum engineering, when normally this cost would have been much more.

His sigh of relief came when sound of electric hammers ceased in the new wing of the Press building and his workmen left as the presses, linotypes and monotype began humming for the Press. With one crew of men, with requests for changes in the original plan that multiplied the costs, Builder Kraft nevertheless completed both buildings in record time. Delay in arrival of materials held up completion of the building until one week after the university had convened.

The Press building, fronting on Asp avenue, and facing the Oklahoma Union building, consists of two wings, joined by an office and hall corridor. Eventually designed to house only the University Press, at present the building not only takes care of the Press but of the school of journalism, the *Oklahoma Daily*, and the biological sciences as well. The *Daily* has now its own separate mechanical equipment.

It was the third move for veteran Samuel S. Crawford, for twenty-one years mechanical superintendent of the Press. He worked on the first university bulletin and when he came to the university he himself set by hand the general catalog of the university. One woman assisted him in the bindery. In 1917 the wooden building to the west of the administration building was fired by a student in university high school who thought he could escape school that way. The "print shop" as it was then known, was moved to the engineering building (now the engineering laboratory building). Here a linotype machine was added to the equipment and then another. A cylinder press was purchased and on the completion of the first wing of the present Press building, Mr Crawford moved again. Last year the Press was formally constituted with the object of doing book publishing. New equipment added to the Press includes a monotype keyboard and caster.

The petroleum engineering laboratory is situated east of the Press building. It is a two-story building equipped for laboratories. Beside it stands the only refinery at any university in America. Director H. C.-George, though badly in need of more space for his rapidly growing school, at least has a place now where his students can do thorough work.

The work all done, Builder Kraft retired from the contracting profession to listen to the more prosaic requests of professors for desks and whatnots.

**WNAD**

WNAD, the university broadcasting station, will present programs every Wednesday and Thursday night this year. On Wednesday the program will begin at 7:15, when Sooner radiograms, which include news items from the campus, will
be given. From 7:35 to 7:55 two ten minute lectures will be given by faculty members, and from then on until 9 o'clock varied musical and special programs will be presented. The schedule for Thursday nights includes concerts by the WNA. All music will be on the program.

PLAYHOUSE PROGRAM

By Prof. Ray E. Holcombe

The Playhouse opens its season with Beyond the Horizon by Eugene O'Neill. This production is undoubtedly one of the most pretentious undertakings attempted by Oklahoma student actors. The play will be given on November 1 as an opener and then on November 2 a Dad's day performance is to be given as the feature number on the Dad's day program for this year. Complimentary tickets are to be issued to all Dads who wish to attend. Dads who attend will surely want to go backstage after the performance to meet little Lessie Byrd Dunn the three year old actress featured in this production.

On November 15, the second production of the season will be given, The Guardsman, by Molnar. The rest of the year's schedule follows: December 6, Candida, by Bernard Shaw; February 14, the prize winning play in the Playhouse Playwriting Contest; and on March 21, R. U. R., by Carl Capek.

The Playhouse studio productions given in the little theater in the engineering building will consist of five full length productions, The Magistrate, by Pinero; Justice, by Galsworthy; East Lynne, a revival, Wappin Wharf, a pirate play, and Eloise, a medieval romance. In addition to the full length productions the program includes thirty one-act plays of varied types. The studio productions are to be directed and staged by student directors and managers of the school of dramatic art. The actors for these productions are to be drawn from the Studio Players, a newly formed organization of freshman and sophomore students.

The Playhouse is now at work on plans for participation in the first annual fine arts week at the University of Oklahoma and on plans for its own state play tournament.

NO BOOK STORE

The celebrated Mr. Ripley would be inclined to place this in his "Believe it or not" cartoons: Norman, seat of the state university, has not a single book store where the current literature of the day may be purchased.

For years Norman people were accustomed to purchase such books from Venable's in Oklahoma City. Failure of the holding company closed Venable's. Sensing the lack, Charley Miles, '21 artsc., manager of the University Book exchange, placed the works of Sooner authors on sale. Brightly jacketed Dobie, Walls and Jack Sprat; attractive Folk-Say; green-backed "Fishes of Oklahoma," first of the Publications of the University of Oklahoma Biological Survey.

But the book store—the kind you browse in—is nonexistent in Norman. Mr Miles hasn't room for one. Several years ago there was a book store in Norman. It finally had to close its doors because of lack of customers. About all you can sell in Norman are paddles.

THE B'S HAVE IT

If grades were to vote in the university, the "B"s would cast the majority vote, a percentage grade summary for the spring semester of last year reveals. In the college of arts and sciences, there were 24.4 per cent of B grades awarded, 17.3 per cent of B minus grades, compared to 7.4 per cent A grades and 15.3 A minus grades. There were 14.1 per cent C, 8.7 per cent C minus, and 9.6 per cent F. Anthropology led the array of courses in A's with 30 per cent, followed by music in the college of fine arts with 19.5 per cent, public speaking 18.2 per cent and Greek with 17.9 per cent.

NORMAN'S NEW LIBRARY

Congratulations are due the city of Norman on the beautiful and adequate library building completed from the $25,000 bond issue voted by Norman citizens. The library—in a warm buff brick—is at the corner of Symmes street and Parsons avenue. It will be formally opened in the first week in November. Mrs A. J. Williams is chairman of the library board and Mrs Emma Englemann is librarian. A tile mantelpiece having an Indian motif was made for the library by Prof. John Frank of the university ceramics department.

JOURNALISM MOVES

Both the school of journalism and the University Press are now located in the new University Press building. In the past the Oklahoma Daily has used the equipment of the University Press, but it now has three Linotype machines of its own. For the last nine years the school of journalism has occupied a part of Science Hall. This old structure in its 25 years has housed classes in almost every subject offered by the university. The school of law was established there.

BUSINESS BULLETINS

A monthly summary of business conditions in Oklahoma called the Oklahoma Business Bulletin, is being published by the college of business administration. The bulletin gives information on such matters as the employment situation, the payroll volume of state industries, retail trade volume, building permits, and new companies chartered during the month.

ARCHITECTURAL EXHIBIT

Sixteen exhibits from the Beaux-Arts Institute, New York City, including the winners of the famous Paris prize competition of 1929, will be shown here, beginning January 31. Authorities consider this exhibit the best student work in architectural design in America during 1929.

Graduates In Embryo

GOOBER

The blue and blue of Kappa Kappa Gamma, nationally famous rival of Kappa Alpha Theta, almost became sponsor to a peanut-pushing contest October 15. Clyde Robinson, '30 law, employed in the Kappa kitchen, offered to push a peanut with his nose from the Kappa domicile to the administration building if the Kappa pledges would give him $10—the amount needed to pay his way to Dallas for Migration Day.

Kappa having more than forty pledges, the net investment in this form of patriotism (we must keep up our Sooner traditions, Sooers all!) would represent twenty-five cents a pledge. A box was set up in the kitchen to catch the Kappa quarters. About five dollars was contributed but on the day of the scheduled event Pusher-prospective Robinson announced he wouldn't push the goober. Another tradition in embryo gone smash! Our campus is simply going to pot since the Jazz Hounds and the Ruf Neks are no more.

WRITES OF RIGHTS

Vera Shidler having married, vivacious Inez Ballard, '30 jour., of Norman, has taken up the cudgel for women as woman's editor of the Oklahoma Daily. In her salutation to the world as said w. e., Edith Ball had bemoaned the fact that the shrewd, wily male sex somehow always seemed to be stealing women's thunder. Came the right to smoke, to cuss, and also, the privilege of paying half the tax fare. "Woman has taken her
place in the business world. But then man has the same privilege as woman, multiplied by four or five times. He can make love to his stenographer, can go anywhere any time, and feels perfectly free to get a divorce if his wife burns the biscuits once, or a new blonde moves to town." Women wore dainty, comfortable clothes—then mere males came along wearing pajamas. "Just what can woman start that man won't horn in and finish?" asks Champion Ballard with some disgust.  

ONE MAY BE LUCKY

One of the five men nominated by a faculty committee to contest for the university for the Rhodes scholarship may well have coveted honor December 7 when the state committee meets in Oklahoma City to choose from representatives of various Oklahoma colleges. Fourteen men from the university applied and these were selected for the final competition: Carl Albert, '31 arts-sc., of McAlester (winner of various national oratorical contests); Samuel Nathan Alexander, '30 arts-sc., of Oklahoma City; James Sam Binkley, '30 arts-sc., of Oklahoma City; Maurice Lynden Manne, '29 arts-sc., of Mountain View; and John C. Quilty, '30 law, of Oklahoma City. Five contestants have been named by the A. & M. college. W. S. Campbell, nationally known author and historian, is secretary of the Oklahoma committee. He was the first Rhodes scholar from the state of Oklahoma.

Scholarships are for three years and pay $2,000 per annum. Scholars (one from each state in the union) are selected on a basis of scholarship, leadership, and interest in athletics. Character and scholarship in recent years have been the determining factors in state selections.

THEY WORK

One-sixth of the women enrolled in the university are working their way through school, either wholly or in part. Occupations apart from school work that claim these young, ambitious women include housework, waiting on tables, stenography, telephone operating, caring for children, etc.

INJURED

Mrs A. B. Jarvis, housemother of Alpha Tau Omega, when struck October 2 by an automobile near Oklahoma City. The driver of the car striking Mrs Jarvis' auto was charged with driving while drunk. Mrs Jarvis was painfully, but not seriously, injured.

THE BAND

Fourteen new red uniforms have been added to the band equipment, making the total number of uniforms 106. Private lockers for the band men are also being purchased and the musical library is being increased considerably.

FRESH FRESHMEN

They were freshmen. Night of October 3 a group of these future leaders of Oklahoma paraded downtown, built a bonfire, invaded the Sooner theater, and took some cigars, etc., from several drug stores. Damage was not in excess of $100 and not more than 200 freshmen participated. But several business men sadly remarked that it all came about because the Ruf Neks and Jazz Hounds are no more. But about 5,000 students merely yawned and continued sleeping while the "riot" was in progress. It did make a story for the papers, however.

Expressed in the Press

SUFFERING

Edith Johnson, writing in the Daily Oklahoman for October 4 regarding an editorial in the Oklahoma Daily declares: "I wonder if my fine friend, Paul Kennedy ('30 jour., editor of the Daily), and students of the defunct Ruf Nek and Jazz Hound organizations who sympathize with his opinion that dissolution of the two pep societies means the destruction of college morale are not suffering from the inability to see another side of the problem despite their extreme youth, to which generally is attributed the maximum of intellectual flexibility.

May I not remind the defenders of the Jazz Hounds and the Ruf Neks that universities before the days of pep clubs managed to maintain a high morale on their campuses and to communicate their enthusiasm to contestants in athletics without the assistance of such organizations:

The high spirit and spontaneity of youth will be heard and felt at the University of Oklahoma and the student body will be hardly less articulate on occasions because the two societies have been disbanded:

A group made up mostly of middle-aged men furnish plenty of 'pep' at a baseball game, and there is no lack of demonstration at boxing matches and prize fights simply because enthusiasm has not been formally organized.

ESTEEMED

Harlow's Weekly comments on the increase in the enrollment of the university as follows:

Oklahoma University made a new record for enrollment, with 5,031 during the first week of the second semester, and it is expected that the number will reach 5,200. Increase is shown in all departments of the university but the gain in the freshman class is rather small, the upper classes showing a greater proportionate increase. This may indicate a tendency to take the first year work in junior colleges, or elsewhere, and also shows the high standing of the university as a school for advanced work. This reputation is due in part to the fact that more than 600 out-of-state students were enrolled in spite of the extra fee of twenty-five dollars per semester charged them.

The high esteem of the medical school is shown by the fact that 479 applications for admission to the first year class were received, while only seventy-six were taken. Out-of-state students were refused admission to this class. In addition to the 479 applications filed, more than 100 out-of-state prospective students were notified of this rule, on inquiry, and therefore did not file applications.

The school of geology is stowed around in the towns of the state. The school of engineering shows the largest increase in enrollment. There are now more than 600 major students in geology.

RECOMMENDED

Editor C. R. Bellatti, '12 law, of the Blackwell Morning Tribune commends Paul A. Walker, '12 law, for the state corporation commission in a front page editorial of October 2. Declares Mr Bellatti:

When matters of such far reaching importance (such as grain rates, freight rates, etc.) are to be decided, it is imperative that such decisions should rest with men especially well qualified by training, experience and general information to deal with them. And to those qualifications should be added another, that of sterling integrity, which is the test of this commission. Railway freight and grain rates may be mentioned as examples. Because of the many complications and difficulties arising, the interstate commerce commission has adopted a plan of co-operation with states through their corporation commissions. It is easy to understand the immense advantage possessed by states which have qualified commissioners to sit in with the interstate commerce commission in such matters.

In addition to its other responsibilities those growing out of the state corporation commission's responsibilities with the interstate commerce commission, which exercises general authority over many points with which the state body deals locally, is that for the state of Oklahoma. Railway freight and grain rates may be mentioned as examples. Because of the many complications and difficulties arising, the interstate commerce commission has adopted a plan of co-operation with states through their corporation commissions. It is easy to understand the immense advantage possessed by states which have qualified commissioners to sit in with the interstate commerce commission in such matters.

Paul A. Walker is eminently qualified to give Oklahoma all the advantages to be thus gained. He is an attorney of high standing. For four years he was the state corporation commissioner's attorney, going from that position to the supreme court as referee. As a member of that commission he would bring to that body all the legal knowledge and experience he gained as its attorney, and which gained for him state and national recognition. The interstate commerce commission knows Paul A. Walker, knows his qualifications and practical experience, his unblemished character and his unquestioned integrity, gained by twenty years personal acquaintance.

The Tribune suggests Paul A. Walker of Oklahoma City as a candidate for corporation commissioner.

Space permits mention here of but a few instances in which Mr Walker's services were of
great value to the people of Oklahoma. It was largely because of his work as chief counsel that Governor Walton's action in arbitrarily cutting down appropriations for the state university, and which resulted in the dismissal of a case brought before the interstate commerce commission by the railroads, in 1921, a victory which saved Okla-
oma ships from a year, according to the testimony of the roads, themselves. Later, through Mr. Walker's presentation of the case before the interstate commission, the corpora-
tions and its people, in general, realized that rate reductions amounting to about nine cents a bushel on Oklahoma wheat shipped to gulf ports, a reduction which has meant millions of dollars to the farmers of the state. On July 14 of this year, an order by the interstate com-
merce commission became effective. The order was the result of a seven years' fight started by Oklahoma, alone, but which was subsequently joined by Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Texas and some other states. The case was known as the "Class and Commodity Rate Case." Mr. Walker represented Oklahoma in the fight. The resultant order by the interstate commission will mean millions of dollars to Oklahoma industries, throughout the state in competition with industries of surrounding states. What has been accomplished since 1921 in the matter of freight rate adjustments, by which all the people of the state have benefited, directly or indirectly, largely due to Walker's services as special counsel for the state corporation commission.

It is because of his accomplishments as counsel for the state corporation commission that the Tribune believes that his services as a member of that body would be extremely valuable to the state and its people, and that, or in any other capacity, Paul A. Walker can be relied upon to do the right thing. He has always been, and now, and will continue to be, strictly "on the square." All his other qualifications would count for little with the Tribune if he lacked that one. We need "square" men on the state corporation commission.

Bellatti and Walker were classmates at the university.

NO FRONTIERS

In the Daily Oklahoman for Sunday, October 13, one reads an interesting inter-
view with Mrs Frank Buttram, '12 arts-sc., of Oklahoma City, wife of Re-
gent President Buttram, '10 arts-sc. The interview in part follows:

Women are ready and eager for their new free-
dom and children are the same the world over, observes Mrs Frank Buttram who recently re-
turned from a residence of fifteen months in Europe. Mrs Buttram would except the youth of Russia and Egypt in the latter statement. In these two countries the children sit and sit. They never seem to smile or wave their hands, she says.

Mr. and Mrs. Buttram and their children Miss Merle, Myron, Dorsel, Donald and Harold, went abroad in the early summer of 1928. They took a residence in Lausanne, where the older chil-
dren, according to Mr. and Mrs. Buttram took trips to southern Germany, Egypt, Spain and Russia, Mr. Buttram returning home for a part of the time.

As in that, although the placing of children in a foreign school, Mrs Buttram specifies first that the only way to learn a language, particularly the English, is to live in it and not study it is spoken. The study of languages is very broadening. Children are interested in travel and if a child has a certain amount of travel before he is too advanced in history and liter-
ature, it gives him a broader comprehension of the studies, she points out.

With over 200 schools in the town of about 70,000 population, Lausanne is an educational center. Students from all over the world, Greece, India, Egypt, England, Japan and France, attend the boarding schools. For the most part the children are from twelve years up, but many youngsters of the lower grades are sent from the warm climates of Greece and India and from South America to the Swiss schools.

The Swiss seem to understand children, to love them, Mrs Buttram found. The students are happy and natural, although the regulations are rather strict. In the school which Dorsey attended the students slept outdoors, had breakfast in the open air. Only two tramps from November, had brisk walks daily, a regular rest period and daily outdoor games.

Last summer a year ago Mr. and Mrs But-
tram took a motor tour through southern Ger-
many, going by way of Austria and arriving in Beyruth in time for the Wagner festival. They attended Tristan and Isolde and Parsifal and enjoyed the orchestra as much as the singing.

Mrs Buttram describes the festival as perfection itself in the art of music.

The opera began at 7 o'clock in the evenings and had an intermission from 9 to 10 for dinner. Between the acts, every one took a brief stroll.

A sojourn to Cairo by train was the next trip enjoyed by Mr. and Mrs Buttram. "Going into the desert country over the road that Allen-
by built, we were rushed into a different world.

"Watching the people on the streets of Con-
stantinople is like having a glimpse of Paris. Veils have been done away with. Yet one can scarcely understand how women who for cen-
turies have lived behind veils could suddenly discard these and their long robes and appear with perfect naturalness and smartness in mod-
ern dress. It seems they must have quite ready to accept this new freedom. The women, however, are preserving some of the Turkish turban in a head-dress which they drape on their heads, forming a very smart looking hat, the inspiration of our chic turbans of today."

Sooner To Sooner

WHEN PADDLING IS NEEDED

New York, October 2.

Sir,

I am taking the liberty of writing you regarding one of your editorials in the April (1929) issue of The Sooner Maga-

zine.

While I graduated from the university in 1917, and have been a very loyal mem-
ber of your alumni association since that time, I cannot agree with you, or with your new president, regarding the policy of abolishing paddling of freshmen. Per-
haps I am a bit old fashioned in not agree-
ing with some of the more modern rulings of the university, but I am a firm believer in the old adage, "spare the rod and spoil the child." I believe that more good was accomplished during my four years at the university in developing real "men" by the use of the paddle, than any other method of instruction which our modern universities offer. I know of many raw-boned freshmen, fresh from the

sticks," who have developed into very successful businessmen because they were disciplined in their freshman year at college. I know of many youngsters who had never been disciplined in any way at home, and came to the university with an arrogant air that they had the world by the horns. If it had not been for the in-
fluence of the fraternities, they would have

continued their four years in college only to find in later life, through bitter ex-
perience, that the businessman would not tolerate a bully.

I regret very much that you are attempt-
ing to use your influence through the edi-
torial columns, in criticizing this method of discipline. I should very much like to have the reaction of other alumni who look back with a great deal of pleasure on their university career, and who can not truthfully think their upperclassmen have been unduly harsh in disciplining many of us during our freshman year.

Yours very truly,

I. G. Richardson, '17.

In the Educational Wonderland

PROGRESSIVISM

Jeanette Eaton in the Pictorial Review for November, describes Smith college, and quotes some of the ideas on educa-
tion held by Smith's president, William Allen Neilson. President Neilson speak-

ing:

Of course, when we talk in collegiate circles about progressivism we merely mean a willing-
ness to experiment. I doubt if anybody knows exactly what modern education for women should be. It must inform, but it should also tap individual gifts and interests. Mental dis-

cipline is essential, and, likewise, an awakening to every kind of beauty. The curriculum must

be a balanced ration. It has to be served in such a way that youthful choice has the bene-
fit of seasoned wisdom. In the same way our enthusiastic support of personal liberty for the younger generation has to be reconciled with ideals of good manners and of accomplishment.

We're quite convinced, for instance, that in order to do their best work even brilliant girls ought to be here in person. When week-end leaves came to be interpreted as extending from Friday until the next Wednesday we simply had to let down the portcullis. Of course, the new ruling was established by students and faculty together. The day is gone when college ad-

ministrators exercise arbitrary authority. In

the same way our administrators exercise arbitrary authority. In

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UNAPPRECIATED CHANCE

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William Howard Taft, former president and now chief justice of the United States supreme court, made some interesting observations about modern college education in an interview granted Frazier Hunt in the November Cosmopolitan magazine.

"They (the modern students) do not seem to appreciate at all the great chance for education that is given them, but instead are carried away by the lure of college athletics and other activities," Mr. Taft declared, referring to an address he had made last summer to the Psi Upsilon association. He continues:

"The more I think about it, the more I am convinced that there is something radically and fundamentally wrong with our whole college system today. The emphasis in college life is wrong. Scholarship has been pushed aside and dwarfed by a super-importance that has been given to athletics."

My deep concern is the danger that in the student's mind a college education no longer means scholarship. In his conception it means success and attainment in other things, mainly athletics and the social side of student life.

Everyone sincerely interested in educational problems and the future of our country feels deeply this overemphasis of athletics, and all are agreed that this condition constitutes a menace to our whole American educational system.

Athletics have assumed a tremendous business importance... There is a definite professional side to all this that is not in keeping with educational ideals and purposes. The stadium overshadows the classroom—athletics have a dollar sign in front of them.

College alumni are by no means free from their share of the blame that is attached to this condition. The Old Grad wants a winning football team, and his overemphasis of the importance of athletics, makes a willing disciple of the undergraduate.

"Not entirely. See extracts from President Bizzell's annual address published in the October number of The Sooner Magazine. President Hopkins of Darmouth also voiced a plea similar to President Bizzell's for more leisure for the men, for more emphasis on the intellectual side of college life. Presidents Bizzell and Hopkins have sounded an interesting challenge to modern colleges. A change is coming—and Oklahoma is among the leaders in the return to normalcy.

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Homecoming to attract largest crowd November 8-9

By Jack Fischer, '31

HOW to entertain the largest Homecoming crowd that ever invaded Norman was no small problem for Frank Cleckler, secretary of the University of Oklahoma Association. Students and Oklahoma City alumni joined with the athletic association in helping him solve it, completed plans for two busy days for the 10,000 homecoming Sooner expected to swarm the campus November 8 and 9.

Luncheons, banquets, and the annual pep jamboree in Oklahoma City Friday, a reception, pep rally, and for climax the Kansas-Oklahoma game in Norman Saturday will be highlights of the program. Twenty-five thousand people from all parts of Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas are expected to attend the game. The largest crowd ever ushered into the university stadium was 20,000, to witness the Nebraska-Oklahoma 44 to 0 debacle last Homecoming. This year Athletic Director Ben G. Owen predicts a better game, no debacle.

Throb of tom-toms in the annual Indian club coronation, tunes from the red-and-white clad Sooner band, bonfires lighted by freshmen will add color to the day's festivities. There may be no Homecoming parade this year. After a night-long ritual in the ceremonial teepee pitched in front of the library, Indian students will crown their queen and hold a procession of their own.

Parading in a giant snake dance between halves of the game, graduates and former students will unite once more in class organizations. Among the marchers will be thirteen of the seventeen members of Bennie Owen's first grid squad, the team of 1905, including Jim Monnette, '06 phar., Bill Cross, '09 arts-sc., and Key Wolf, '10 arts-sc., who captained Sooner teams in the three following years. Attendance of Byron McCreary, 1905 captain, and teammates Bob Severins, Harry Hughes, Frank Long, and Clarence Storm is yet uncertain. Other players, Owen Action, George Truesdale, Claude Pickard, Harry Price, Roy Waggner, Tom Mathews, Leonard Runbeck, Clarence Reed, and Floyd Swank are expected to be present.