Sooner roll call

MARRIAGES


Sigmon-Finch: Miss Ella Mae Sigmon, '29, of Poteau, and Paul James Fincher (Arkansas), August 6 at Poteau. Alpha Omicron Pi-Sigma Phi Epsilon. Home, Heavener.

Ross-McCallister: Miss Fern Ross and Orville C. McCallister, ex '33, both of Oklahoma City, September 14 at Oklahoma City. Home in Oklahoma City.

Robinet-Wolff: Miss Marie Robinett of Tulsa and Eugene Gilmer Wolff, '23 arts-sc., also of Tulsa, September 23 in Tulsa. Phi Gamma Delta. Home, Oklahoma City, where Mr. Wolff will enter the medical school.

Davidson-Diaz: Miss Eva Davidson, of Oklahoma City, and Dr. Charles J. H. Diaz, M. D. '29, of Oklahoma City, September 13. He is a member of Kappa Alpha and an instructor of surgical anatomy at the University hospital.

Torbet-Parker: Miss Roseanna Torbet (Northwestern) and Roy Byron Parker, '30 eng., both of Oklahoma City, September 17 at Oklahoma City. Home, 2828 West Eighteenth street, Oklahoma City.

Gee-Williams: Miss Merle Gee, ex '29, and Tom V. Williams, Jr. (Oklahoma A. & M.), both of Oklahoma City, September 21 in Oklahoma City. Home, 1140 West Thirty-fourth street, Oklahoma City.

Maxey-Holleman: Miss Maxine Maxey, ex '26, of Tulsa and Wilbur J. Holleman, '18 arts-sc., '20 law, of Oklahoma City, October 8 at Tulsa. Kappa Kappa Gamma-Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Home, Oklahoma City. Mr. Holleman was the Oklahoma Rhodes scholar for 1920.

Spencer-Taylor: Miss Maxine Spencer, ex '29, and Edgar T. Taylor, '30 eng., both of Oklahoma City, at Oklahoma City on September 21. Home, 645 East Twenty-fourth street, Oklahoma City.


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**Owen-McWilliams:** Miss Gertrude Owen, '30 arts-sc., and Harry T. McWilliams, August 12. Gamma Phi Beta, Home, Oklahoma City.


**Richardson-Klopfenstein:** Miss Elizabeth Harris, and Edward James Klopfenstein, '30 eng., June 7. Pi Kappa Alpha. Home, Oklahoma City.

**Towend-Taylor:** Miss Sara Ellen Towend, ex '25, and Heiny Albert Taylor, August 9 in El Reno. Home, 516 West Thirteenth, Tulsa.

**Meeker-Richardson:** Miss Lena Pearl Meeker, '31 fine arts, and Hugh Thomas Richardson, '30 pharm., August 10. Home, Oklahoma City.


**Fischer-Connolly:** Miss Bertha Valencia, '23 home ec., and John L. Connolly, September 11. Home, San Francisco, California.

**Smith-Hansen:** Miss Elizabeth Smith, '26 arts-sc., and Arthur F. Hansen, '25 med., June 6 in Amarillo, Texas. Alpha Chi Omega-Phi Chi. Home, Boher, Texas.

**Dowd-Davis:** Miss Elizabeth Davis Dissoway, ex '25, and Elva Winfield Davis, '27 arts-sc., September 19 in Dallas. Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Home, Gainesville, Texas.


**Embry-Boyle:** Miss Ruth Embry, and Calvin Peyton Boyle, '25 law., September 21 in Oklahoma City. Home, 100 West Thirty First street, Oklahoma City.

**Zipper-Robinson:** Miss Viola Pouncy, and James Matthew Robertson, '25 arts-sc., August 31. Home, Oklahoma City.

**McBride-Martins:** Miss Helen Edwards, and Virgil O. Martin, '25 law, August 21 in Noble. Acacia, Home, Maud.

**Bash-Ballantine:** Miss Maszelle Cobb, and Horace Ballantine, '31 law, August 31 in Stillwater. Sigma Chi. Home, Norman.

**Anderson-Fenner:** Miss E. Marie Anderson, '14 arts-sc., and W. R. Fenner, August 29, Kappa Kappa Gamma. Home, 1125 North Robinson, Oklahoma City.

**Eagle-Fredericks:** Miss Olive Eagles of Yale, and Walter B. Enery, ex '28, August 24, Home, Norman.


**Mee-Riney:** Miss Bernice Elizabeth Mee, '23 arts-sc., and Milton W. Riney, September 19 in Oklahoma City. Kappa Alpha Theta. Home, Houston, Texas.

**Saunders-Davy:** Miss Effie Saunders, and Emmett A. Darby '28 bus., September 2. Home, Read House, Stillwater.

**Davenport-Stroud:** Mrs. Marion Billings Davenport, '24 arts-sc., and George H. Stroud, ex '28, September 16 in Oklahoma City. Beta Theta Pi-Pi Beta Phi. Home, Peoria, Illinois.

The Sooner Magazine

November

1901

U. S. Stone, ex '01, representative of the fifth district in Oklahoma, recently proposed the creation of a $100,000,000 loan fund for farmers in drought stricken districts. He will introduce a bill to this effect when congress convenes in December. A collection of old and treasured pictures of the university and Sooner athletic teams, belonging to C. C. Roberts, '01 arts-sc., Oklahoma City, were recently returned to him. The pictures, in a bundle, were stolen about four months ago and it is apparent that the thief, disappointed that the contents were not of commercial value, tossed them into the ditch where they were found.

1912

Earl Foster, '12 arts-sc., '13 law, member of the state supreme court commission, has resigned his position to enter private practice of law. Mr Foster has formed a partnership with Paul Dorough, '13 arts-sc., Oklahoma City, were recently returned to him. The pictures, in a bundle, were stolen about four months ago and it is apparent that the thief, disappointed that the contents were not of commercial value, tossed them into the ditch where they were found.

1918

Dr John I. Burton, '18 arts-sc., '21 med., formerly with Parmley-Ogden clinic at Electra, Texas is now located in Oklahoma City at 1200 North Walker.

Roy Elam, ex '18, of Enid, had a narrow escape from death when Mrs Dolle Deothith, Enid widow, fired at the United States commissioner during a hearing at Enid. Mr Elam was an attorney representing interests in the case.

1920

Miss Lucille Searcy, '20 arts-sc., M. A. '30, has been appointed instructor in English in the University of Oklahoma.

C. T. O'Neal, '20 law, of Lawton, was named September 25 to be United States commissioner at Lawton. Mr. O'Neal has been municipal judge of Lawton.

Dr. A. Lincheid, M. A. '20, president of East Central State Teachers' College, Ada, was the speaker at the Oklahoma City Kiwanis club luncheon in the Sharon, recently. His subject was "The Goose and the Golden Egg."

1922

Frances Blackmer, ex '22, has been appointed reference librarian in the state library commission, Oklahoma City.

1923

Miss Martha B. Dodson, '23 law, is living for an indefinite time in Honolulu, Territory of...
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Hawaii. She is in the land and legal department of Libby-McNeal-Libby Company.

Miss Genevieve Courtright, '23 ed., has accepted the position of supervisor of music and mathematics in the public schools at Custer City.

E. H. Skinner, '23 arts-sc., of Ponca City has recently been promoted by the Continental Oil company to the position of manager of Continental Pipe Line company.

1924

Miss Anna Mae Dearden, '24 arts-sc., is in New York City attending Columbia university. Her address is 419 west one hundred and nineteenth, Apartment 5-B.

1925

Lee B. Thompson, '25 arts-sc., '27 law, of Oklahoma City, realized a boyhood dream recently and profited by having cherished the dream through boyhood days to manhood. When a youngster he idolized Connie Mack, baseball tycoon, and wrote him a letter which apparently hit its mark. Mack answered the letter and the two have exchanged letters each year since then. After Mack's team went into the world series this year with triumph he wired Thompson to meet him in St. Louis and be his guest at the Saturday game. Thompson flew to St. Louis by plane and saw for the first time the man whom he has so long admired.

1926

Roland L. Beck, M. A. '26, has accepted the position of head of the department of education at Union university at Jackson, Tennessee.

1927

Tom B. Turbyfill, '27 arts-sc., is principal of the high school and director of music at Orlando, Oklahoma.

Harry E. Smith, M. A. '27, has been appointed instructor in English in the University of Oklahoma. For some time Mr. Smith has been teaching extension classes in English conducted by the University extension division.

Training in the University of Oklahoma school of fine arts has meant the difference between being a public school music teacher or striking out for a career on the operatic stage for Dorothy Lee Patswald '27 fine arts, of El Reno, Bartlesville, Muskogee and Miami. Each of the four Oklahoma cities claims Dorothy Lee by virtue of having had her for a citizen at some time during her life. Her parents now reside in Bartlesville. When she came to the university she expected to study to become a public school teacher in music. Her voice was discovered by her instructors here and she was encouraged to specialize with it. She has studied at the Horner Institute in Kansas City and at the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago. She has studied with Madame Ernestine Schumann-Heink, who has encouraged her to seek a career on the operatic stage. Miss Patswald was given second place in the Marion Talley contest in Kansas in 1929. She is now on concert tour with the Parker-Widner service, starting October 1.

1928

Floyd P. Benson, '28 geol., is living at 515 East Oklahoma, Blackwell, Oklahoma. He was formerly at Cartagena, Colombia, South America.

Tully Watson, '28 arts-sc., M. A. '30, is graduate assistant in the department of physics at the University of Illinois.

Edgar D. Eaves, '28 sc., M. A. '30, has been appointed to the faculty of the University of Tennessee, at Knoxville, as instructor in mathematics.

Ross Morrison, '28 eng., of Durant, is now in Paris, France, where he will spend a year in study.
1939

Maurice Halperin, M. A. '29, instructor of French, is on a leave of absence from the University of Oklahoma working in Paris for the degree of Docteur Ét-letters.

John W. Todd, '29 sc., M. A. '30, has accepted a position as head of the department of physics and mathematics in Bethel college, Russellville, Kentucky.

1930

John Richards, '30 music, is supervisor of music in the public schools at Cleveland, Oklahoma this year.

Wesley Sperry, '30 arts-sc., has recently gone from Siloam Springs, Arkansas to Midland, Texas. Mr. Sperry is now connected with the Osborn Motor Company.

John B. Gordon, '30 arts-sc., has accepted the position of advertising manager on the Cushing Citizen at Cushing, Oklahoma.

Miss Mary A. White, '30 arts-sc., became associate business and industrial girls' secretary, of the Oklahoma City Y. W. C. A. late in September.

1931

Weldon "Spot" Gentry, ex '31 is well on his way to a career in professional football. Gentry is with the Providence, Rhode Island Steam Rollers.

Miss Hazel White, '31 fine arts, Shawnee, has been appointed by the national headquarters of the Y. W. C. A. to design the covers for the seven issues of L'Atome, official Y. W. C. A. southwest publication. The Southwest region includes Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma and Missouri.

The University of Porto Rico

(worked out in the sewing classes. Methods of making the island's typical and exquisite drawnwork and pillow lace have been scientifically simplified, and new patterns designed with native leaf, vine, and flower as motif. Bulletins embodying these and other features of the work of the department have been widely useful not only in Porto Rico, but have circled the tropic zone of the world, sent in answer to requests from a dozen countries.

Perhaps the most striking example of the university's response to its environment, however, is presented by its department of Spanish studies. The recognition already accorded the young impoverished university, without friends a priori, and without the wealthy and influential alumni whose tangible benefits often make life possible to our modern universities; a school far from other educational centers, and struggling with the difficulties no less inherent than the advantages in its bi-lingual environment, is nothing short of amazing. Newspapers in a dozen countries—such periodicals as The New York Times, The New York World, The New York Herald-Tribune, La Prensa and La Nacion of Buenos Aires, El Diario de la Marina de Havana, and El Sol of Madrid, as well as leading papers in Colombia, Venezuela, Panama, Nicaragua and Brazil—have during the past two years commented editorially, at length and with marked appreciation, upon the importance, from the standpoint of international understanding, of the work being done by the University of Porto Rico, working resolutely without becoming disheartened by its material lack. Don Ramón Menéndez Pidal, president of the Royal Spanish Academy has commended its work and its program. Publicists and scholars in the two Americas, in Spain, in England, have expressed their interest in what the University of Porto Rico has already accomplished and their recognition of its importance as intellectual liaison officer between the two cultures which divide the western hemisphere, the Hispanic and the English. Geography, as we have seen, and history, as we can but remember, have given Porto Rico a unique strategic position. Four hundred years ago the Conquistadors recognized and set down in terse Castilian the military importance of the island; and, as the great Spanish daily, El Sol, remarked last year in an editorial on the university, the strategic advantage culturally is no less great for an institution whose predestined purpose would seem to be that of interpreter and mutual friend of the two Americas.

Italian Fascism

accept the legitimacy of criticism would admit the political fallibility and imperfection of the government.7 The Fascists are, much like the Pope, infallible. Hullinger records for us the argument of a leading Fascist in support of the theory. He argued that a schoolteacher—and the Fascists are the teachers of Italy—could scarcely hope for success if some one stood in the rear of the room and informed the student that the instructor knew nothing about that of which he spoke.9 Heckling is a lost art in Italy.

The duty of Parliament is to aid the government. There is no such thing as responsible government in Italy. A quick decision is necessary to political progress. The flood of futile talk in the Italian Chamber of Deputies from 1919 to 1922 was, to Mussolini, proof of the impotence of the government. The latter was without a mandate, for it had no way of discovering the real policy of the House, if indeed it had one. This impasse gave to the people an opportunity, as well as an example, for sloth and laziness.

But hold! says Nitti. "Democracy demands that all viewpoints be heard." "Democracy be damned," answers Mussolini and his Fascists. "It is the ghost of the XIX Century." Democracy has currency only in a population with little gods. It has no compelling, inspirational value. Chuck it! It has never existed, and never will. (Therein shows the influence of Pareto, one of his chief mentors, who taught at the University of Lille when Mussolini was on "his travels."10) What a travesty to assume that all adult males are capable of intelligent participation in government! And as for woman suffrage, it would only add more weaklings to the electorate. Woman caused man's fall from heaven. She must now make him forget it. Her proper place is in the home. Her noblest work is recreation, the production of the superman, who shall dignify Italy by worthy prowess. The only true function of the electorate in government is to approve the governmental policy; and the new reform of 1928 emphasizes that point. The guilds suggest men for the Chamber of Deputies, the Fascist Grand Council selects them, and the electorate approves the list submitted in the election. There is but one logical alternative to approval except non-voting.11

Such is something of the nature of Fascist philosophy. It defies mankind and indicates democracy and the idea of liberty. It marks a pragmatic revolt in politics, one that threatens to set a new value in political science. It is Machtpolitik to assume that Fascism has crushed democracy in Italy is, I believe, erroneous, for democracy, as France and the Anglo-Saxon nations understand it, has never existed in unified Italy. Giolitti was as much as almost a dictator as Mussolini, and all governments have exerted themselves, sometimes unduly, to remain in power.

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6 See especially Benito Mussolini, My Autobiography.

7 For a rather one-sided comparison see John Hearly, Pope or Mussolini, ch. I.

8 For control over local government, see Lester K. Born, "What is the Potential?" American Political Science Review, XXI, 863-872 (November, 1927); also Paolo Monelli, Testa Up.

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10 Francesco Nitti (The Younger), Escape, for an account of the suppression of anti-Fascist opinion.

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19 For an account of Fascist censorship, see George Solden, You Can't Print That.

20 Hullinger, Supra, 44.

21 Francesco Nitti, Bolchevism, Fascism and Democracy.


23 For a favorable account, see Henry R. Spencer, "Political Developments in Italy," American Political Science Review, XXI, 139-150, (February, 1929).