"Hello, come on in," says Alpha Tau Omega president John Westervelt to Bill and Tom Alley as the boys arrive for their first rush date.

Back to School with a Rush

After an unseasonal cool spell, the day started with a sun which raised temperatures to a sticky swelter. Buses, trains and private autos unloaded their cargos of rushers complete with from one to five suitcases.

It was Labor Day. Most of the University had taken a day-long vacation. But around the Union, noise, confusion and activity replaced the supposed calm. The reason? Fraternity rush had started with a vengeance.

Tom Alley arrived with some friends in mid-morning. Bill Alley drove down from Tulsa with his parents four hours later. Both brothers had looked forward to rush with varying degrees of expectancy.

According to their mother, Mrs. W. H. Alley, Tulsa, one of the boys had his heart set on being pledged, the other, although definitely interested, was reserving judgment.

Tom is a black haired, 5-feet-8-inch, 18-year-old Tulsa Central graduate of last year. Bill, blond, 19 years old, and two inches taller than his brother, was the outstanding student of Northeastern A&M College, Miami, Oklahoma, last year. Both boys had records which made them naturals for most fraternities.

They had accepted six dates, the maximum for any rusher. Three were together, three were separate. Most people expected them to pledge the same fraternity.

The Sooner photographer, John Nesom, '43bus, recorded some of the highlights of their swirl. Not recorded was the astonished expression on the faces of Mr. and Mrs. Alley when bid house arrived. They had only an inkling that their sons had not pledged the same fraternity.

When they learned the outcome, they were surprised but decided that whatever the boys wanted was all right. A friend asked them, "What'll you do about the special occasions such as Dad's Day and Mom's Day?" Said Mrs. Alley, "I hadn't thought of that."
The preferential breakfast at the Beta Theta Pi house was really something. Steaks, potatoes, tomato juice and such. This was the first Rush week activity for the Alleys. Tom liked so much he came back to stay following bid night.

Pictured between Tom and Bill is Lloyd Lynd, rush chairman of the Beta's.

Next came the general assembly and question and answer period. Here are the Alleys, second from left is Bill and far right is Tom, both on the front row, as they listen to the counselors clear up some of the many questions.

The rush dates followed. First was the date picture on opposite page. When all the dates had been fulfilled, Bill decided to join Phi Kappa Sigma seen below welcoming him to their ranks. Tom went Beta. Rush was over for another year.

The Alleys were among the 442 men who were pledged. The others by fraternities were:

ACACIA: L. A. Johnston, Holdenville; George McDonald, Burbank, California; Woodson Pickens, Hollis; Donald Holley, Mangum; Kenneth R. White, Allen Fowler, Robert Larson, Milton Laird and Dwight Hilton, all of Oklahoma City; William T. Riley, Beaver, and Don Collinna, Waynoka.

ALPHA TAU OMEGA: Gail McGhee, John R. Shogren, Wesley Whitlock and Bill Roberts, all of Oklahoma City; Randolph Samer, Kerrville, Texas; Loye Don Williams, Duncan; John J. Underwood, Hobart; Fred B. Groves, Hollis; John Reid, Muskogee; Frank Hart, Hennessey; Jim Burkley, Hennessey; Hart Albright, Dallas; Charles Fuller, Ada; Joe McBride, Anadarko; Joe Ed Tallington, Anadarko; Dave Raup, Paul Valley; William C. Callahan, Bartlesville, and Jack Brooks, Guthrie.

ALPHA SIGMA PHI: Roger Bob Clay, David Darby, Robert W. Ferrin, David Riggs, Jimmy Robertson, Danny Cosgrove, George Lane, Clarice Strange, Richard Reed, David Johnston, Owen Chaffin, Ted Dickey, Jerome Myles, L. F. Tucker, Jim Butler, Neely Harper, Bill Amend and Robert F. Lucey, all of Oklahoma City; Bruce Flippin, El Reno; Roy Don Henry Tabah; William T. Gordon, Jr., Tulsa; Jerry Hines, Seminole; Frank Blackwell, Midland, Texas; Leslie Pierce, Shawnee; Gene Watts, Gainesville, Texas; Dick Alden, Bartlesville; Harold Titus, Great Bend, Kansas; Elbert E. Harris, Houston, Texas; Robert P. Tharp, Ponca City and Ivan Oden, Freeport, Texas.

BETA THETA PI: John Mathias, William Wendt, Albert Welsh, Lee Thompson and Jim Snow, all of Oklahoma City; Pete Barnwell, Burlington, North Carolina; Richard B. Hughes, Pampa, Texas; Louis E. Harlan, Bartlesville; Byron Schiff, Shreveport; Dan Overton, Muskogee; Harry L. Brown, Jr., Ardmore; Dwayne Gosche, Roger Clark, Tom Alley, Dugas Morgan and John W. Rogers, all of Tulsa; John Mike Hallen, Piarow; William W. Busby, McAlester; Hal Savage, McAlester; Bob McCue, Eufaula, Kansas; Warren K. Jordan, Humiston; Reed McAlester, Ponca City; Garland McKinney, Henryetta; Hugh Roff, Wesoka; Richard Shute, El Reno; Jim
Ewart, Shawnee; Jim Turner, Shawnee; Al Smith, Muskogee; Roy L. Adams, Maysville; Bill Davis, Muskogee.

DELTA THETA DELTA: Margaret Gates, Oklahoma City; Roberta Reid, Oklahoma City; Betty Grimes, Oklahoma City; Dr. A. H. Smith, Oklahoma City; Mrs. H. H. Bradfield, Oklahoma City; Mrs. D. W. McFarland, Oklahoma City.

LAMDA CHI ALPHA: Edna C. Stidham, Oklahoma City; Miss H. M. Hollister, Oklahoma City; Mrs. J. M. Crowell, Oklahoma City; Mrs. W. H. Bradfield, Oklahoma City.

PHI GAMMA DELTA: John Rankin, Oklahoma City; Dr. W. H. Bradfield, Oklahoma City; Dr. J. M. Crowell, Oklahoma City; Mrs. W. H. Bradfield, Oklahoma City.

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McAlester; Coleen Cockcrill, Mooreland; Jacklyn Carole Williams, Woodward; Barbara McKinnis, son, all of Oklahoma City; Marie Haves and Mad Janicc Payne, Betty Sizemore, and Virginia John Barrick, Norman; Suzanne Bonaparte, Beverly Plains, New York; Barbara Scruggs, Britten; Pat McLean, Anadarko; Doris Lyeria, Tulsa; Lu Ann Larkins and Nancy Gambill, Oklahoma City.

ALPHA PHI: Celeste Brennan and Barbara Barrow, Bartlesville; Posie Bonaparte, Bartlesville; Joy Chane, Margaret Hanly, Donna Mann, Suzanne Skinner, Marilyn Dott, Dorothy Miller, Pat Nance, Janice Payne, Betty Sizemore and Virginia Johnson, all of Oklahoma City; Marie Hayes and Made- elyn Wyrick, both of Duncan; Willie Jean Sherron, Ponca City; Sue Stepphenson, Carole Williams, Woodward; Barbara McKinnis, McAlester; Coleen Cockerill, Mooreland; Jackie Faulkner, Paris, Texas; Irene Kinmel, Yukon; Charlotte Rice, Chickasha; Mary Ann Roberts, Stillwater, and Joan Whisler, Britten.

ALPHA XI DELTA: Patricia Lawson, Mar- ietta; Barbara Wisdom and Ann Williams, both of Oklahoma City.

CHI OMEGA: Norma Jean Bivens, Pawhuska; Martha Frances Evans, Ada; Ellen Finley, Musko- gee; Jean Robinson, Quanah, Texas; Pat Self, Am- arillo, Texas; Jane Wahlmenier, Sapulpa, Okla.; Angelina Teves,13, Roland, Oklahoma; Wash Carter, Webster Groves, Missouri; Nancy Logsdon, Wichita, Kansas; Julia Anne Max- well and Hope Cleary, both of Ponca City; Arlene Mitchell, and Annette Tait, both of Enid; Edith Ramsay and Rachel Stockton, Tulsa; Phyllis Cur- nutt, Hugo; Cynthia Baker, Houston, Texas; Geneva Horstescue, Barbara Kruger and Mary Beth Kruger, Oklahoma City; Martha Ann Ben- ning, Mary Sue Butler, Marilyn Ideno, Pat Mc- Clure, Mary Ann Rupe and Harriet Rudigeld, all of Norman; Amelia Brown, Wewoka; Charlotte Copeland, Ada; Martha Den Adel, Bartlesville and Jo Ellen McRae, Oklahoma City.

DELTA DELTA DELTA: Paula Boren and Elaine Suttie, both of San Antonio, Texas; Nancy Hyde, Durant; Mary Wallace, Tulsa; Monte Hopper, and Nancy Puryear, both of McAlester; Barbara Hopper and Pat Johnson, both of Bartlesville; Ann Janet Cox, Pauls Valley, Jerre Johnson, Norman; Mary Frances McCasland, Duncan; Emma Lou Rooley, Edmond; Gloria Walters, Cushing; Kaye Kichi, Carolyn Rucker, Pat Wallace, Joan Dear- dorff, Martha Ann Hood and Margaret Mary West, all of Oklahoma City.

SIGMA DELTA TAU: Rose Dritch, Enid; Doris Cohen, Altus; Surette Love, Dallas, Texas; Karla Samuelson and Charlotte Pack, both of Kansas City, Mo.; Iris Kahn, Bernadine Horowitz and Lois Jeanne Herrmann, '44bm, are bright. Oklahoma ranks third in the number of alumni chapters. On August 15 a meeting was held in the home of Colonel Searle. Miss Dorothy Shepard and Mrs. Robert Lewis are making arrangements for the old-fashioned barbecue at the Park. Among the other people present were: Dorothy M. Shepherd, '48hec, Sara K. Garnett, '37ba, Lt. Robert B. Lewis, '40-43, and Mrs. Lewis, Lr. James L. Patterson, '47med, and Col. Victor C. Searle, '28ba, '29ma.

The next meeting is slated for September 17 in the home of Colonel Searle. Miss Dorothy Shepard and Mrs. Robert Lewis are making arrangements for the old-fashioned barbecue at the Park. Among the other people present were: Dorothy M. Shepherd, '48hec, Sara K. Garnett, '37ba, Lt. Robert B. Lewis, '40-43, and Mrs. Lewis, Lr. James L. Patterson, '47med, and Col. Victor C. Searle, '28ba, '29ma.

"This volume of signatures of distinguished Oklahomans is a valuable addition to the Archives," said Dr. Garnet Litten, '38ba, '40ma, University archivist. It is one of the many types of materials being assembled.

In accepting the gift, Dr. Litten said he hoped one day every signer of Jackson's book will be represented at the University by a separate collection comprising diaries, correspondence, photographs and other items.

Hobby Becomes Valuable Addition

Collecting autographs was just a hobby to Robert E. Jackson when he served as a page at Oklahoma's first constitutional convention. But it has resulted in a valuable addition to the University of Oklahoma collection of manuscripts.

Jackson, then a 15-year-old from Sallisaw, secured autographs of all territorial leaders while serving the 112 delegates assembled. He recently presented the book to the University for the Archives.

Jackson is now a colonel in the U. S. army.

"Safety Is Record of School"

Flying is just about the safest thing in the world. That is if you consider the record of the University's flight school. They boast 17,000 hours without an accident resulting in an injury to a student.

The flight school now plans to offer two new courses in the fall term. One is secondary flight training for vones, yellow pigments found in plants. Dr. Simon Searle, '28ba, '29ma, has presented at the University by a separate collection comprising diaries, correspondence, photographs and other items.

Searle.'28ba, '29ma.

THE DIARY TELEPHONES Replace Old

The manual switching board system of the University has been replaced by a private dial branch exchange system. On August 27 the girls with the friendly voice bowed out to the mechanical suc- cessor.

A total of 575 campus telephones, including ex- tensions, are served by the new mechanical switch- ing system. Eight sets connect the dial tele- phone system with the downtown Norman central office.