Fun and Football

Here's the Latest Schedule
On What Is Planned for You
During Homecoming Weekend,
Which Is November 7 and 8

The University of Oklahoma, now on the eve of its fiftieth birthday, will welcome its graduates and former students at the annual Homecoming Celebration November 8, the date of the Sooner-Iowa State football game. There'll be both fun and football for all those Sooners who can come back to Norman to enjoy the entertainment planned for them, and to visit with their O. U. friends and acquaintances.

It will be the first O. U. Homecoming at which alumni could be greeted by a president, an all-alumnus coach staff, an alumnus dean of the Law School, and an alumnus men's counselor.

According to custom of recent years, the Homecoming festivities, will start with a large and lively dinner-dance Friday night, November 7, in Oklahoma City under the sponsorship of the Oklahoma City Alumni Club, and will wind up with an open house for all alumni and friends and O. U. faculty members in the Memorial Union immediately after the football game.

Mike Monroney, '24ba, of Oklahoma City, congressman from the fifth district, has accepted an invitation to preside at the dinner program Friday night, which will be in the Silver Glade room of the Skirvin Tower Hotel in Oklahoma City. The program will be devoted chiefly to football and the prospects for the game next day. Speeches, if the committees in charge can exert their influence, will be short and snappy.

The occasion probably will give many alumni their first opportunity to see the University's new president—Joseph A. Brandt, '21ba, who plans to be present along with Mrs. Brandt.

One feature of the program will be to give special recognition to the football team of ten years ago—the 1931 Sooner lettermen. For a number of years it has been customary to honor members of some particular football team of the past at the Homecoming dinner.

Members of the 1931 squad are as follows: Smith Watkins, Anadarko; Orville Corey, Calumet; Charles Teel; Paul Young, Ardmore; Dr. Charles Wilson, Oklahoma City; Gordon Graalman, Oklahoma City; Edsel Curnutt, Mountain View; Bob Dunlap, Chicago, Illinois; Marvin Ellstrom, Tonkawa; Pete Maloney; Mike Massad, Fort Bliss, Texas; Ellis Bashara, Houston, Texas; Claude "Jiggs" Whittington, Haskell; Henry Haag; Hardie Lewis, Duncan; Pete Grimmert, Paul Valley; Bill Pansze, Oklahoma City; Claude Chambers, Seminole; Fred Cherry, Arp, Texas; Bo Robinson, Oklahoma City; Orin Borah, Jena, Louisiana; Charles Stogner, Norman; Guy Warren, Norman; Ervin Snell, Russell, Kansas; Grady Jackson, Altus, and Ab Walker, Oklahoma City.

Bonnie Spencer's orchestra will play for the dance.

Price for the dinner-dance tickets is $1.50, which was as low as the officers of the Oklahoma City club could keep it and still provide the kind of food and entertainment desired by the Homecoming crowd. Of this price, $1.25 is for the dinner, 20 cents is for entertainment, and 5 cents is for state and federal taxes.

Mrs. Kitty Shanklin Rountree, '24ba, is president of the Oklahoma City Alumni Club and therefore in charge of general arrangements for the dinner-dance. Other officers of the club are Kermit Hardwick, '29bus, first vice president; T. J. Woodmansee, '22ba, second vice president; Louis V. Woodruff, '33ba, '35law, secretary, and Vernon Cook, '26ba, treasurer.

Mr. Woodruff is chairman of ticket sales, with Mrs. Bernice Ford Price, '25, as co-chairman. Mr. Hardwick is publicity chairman and Mr. Cook is chairman of program arrangements.

The dinner-dance this year will be the fifteenth annual pre-Homecoming rally staged by Sooner alumni. The first party of this kind was held in 1925, when a few O. U. alumni got together at the Oklahoma Club in Oklahoma City the night before Homecoming Day and held a pep rally and dance.

Everyone had such a fine time it was agreed that it ought to be repeated the next year. The idea caught on, and each year the attendance increased. The pep rally and dance graduated into a dinner-dance, and became the big social event of the annual Homecoming celebration.

Attendance in recent years has ranged from five to eight hundred persons.

The crowd generally includes most of the members of the University Board of Regents, members of the executive board of the Alumni Association, University officials, and faculty members, Sooner alumni dignitaries from the State Capitol, and alumni representing practically all classes from the latest one to those "way back when."

Homecoming activities will move to Norman Saturday morning, November 8, with all alumni visitors invited to register at headquarters in the lobby of the Memorial Union Building, beginning at 9 o'clock. Herbert H. Scott, '26ba, '26ma, director of the University Extension Division, is chairman of the registration
Annual Homecoming meeting of the executive board of the Alumni Association is scheduled at 10:30 o'clock that morning, in Room 120 of the Union. O. F. Muldown, '23, of Ardmore, president of the association, will preside.

President Brandt has been invited to make his first appearance before the alumni executive board at this meeting, to discuss ways in which the association can cooperate with the University.

A reunion meeting of President's Honor Class alumni is scheduled at 11 a.m. in Room 106 of the Union, to be followed by luncheon at 12:30 o'clock in the same room. The first reunion of this kind was held last year, and the group decided to have on Homecoming Day each year, a reunion of the five and ten-year alumni of the Honor Classes, the members of other classes to attend also if possible.

The Law Class of '30 will hold its annual reunion luncheon at 12:45 p.m. in Room 108 Union Building. Leonard Sibel, Oklahoma City attorney, is president of the class, which usually has about fifty persons present for the annual meeting.

Kickoff of the Oklahoma-Iowa State football game, which will be the climax of Homecoming events, will be at 2:30 p.m. The Iowa State game will mark the mid-way point in the Sooner's Big Six Conference schedule, coming after the Kansas State and Kansas games, and before the Missouri and Nebraska battles.

Final entertainment on the schedule for Homecomers is the openhouse for all alumni and friends and University faculty members, to be held in the Union Building immediately after the football game.

Mrs. Katherine Barr Hill, '16, of Norman, is general chairman of arrangements for the openhouse. This informal party, at which coffee and tea will be served to revive football-weary Homecomers, gives the visitors a chance to meet friends and say hello to faculty members before departing from Norman for their homes.

The openhouse will be held this year in the main lounge and adjoining rooms on the main floor of the Union. University faculty members and many Norman alumni will be present to greet the campus visitors informally. Attendance at this after-game event has been increasing each year, and Mrs. Hill and her committee members are preparing to take care of a capacity crowd this year.