Turkish Women Enjoy Freedom

The Turkish women now enjoy a degree of freedom and ability to participate in national affairs never offered them under the old Ottoman empire says Ahmet Rejik Oral, 49, of Istanbul.

In a copyrighted article by Sybelle Butler, 36, in the Norman Transcript, Oral states that the women of his country now wear American clothes, serve on the national assembly, attend college and want modern electrical appliances. He also explained their marriage customs:

"First the boy and girl decide to get married. Then his mother goes to see her mother to make arrangements. The girl's mother never consents at first until investigations are made."

"An appointment is made for an engagement party, which may be given at a private salon with orchestra music, wines, etc., depending on the richness of the families.

"Then the boy and girl go to Nikah (a government bureau) and exchange rings, and the girl belongs legally to the man. She doesn't go into the bridegroom's home yet, it is only after the wedding party several days later that he takes her to his home.”

Oral is 26 years old and a graduate of the University of Istanbul. He was sent to the United States by his parents, His father is a carpet and rug merchant at Isfara.

Oral will now spend two years working in factories and large industries in the United States. Upon returning to Turkey he will teach part of the time in a college and serve in the army. Every man in Turkey must serve in the army from one to three years upon reaching their twenty-first birthday. They are given permission by the government to attend school until they finish.

Turkish recreation includes theatres, operas, picture shows, swimming pools, beer joints, liquor stores, etc. Their national sport is wrestling but Oral says soccer and basketball are also played in the schools.

The Moral religion was also explained by Oral. He said he does not eat pork or beef and has found it difficult to find lamb here.

"We Moslems go to the Mosque five times a day if we can, and the Mezis sings my people to the mosque five times each day. The most important time to go to the mosque is Friday noon."
New Regents Are Named

On June 24, Kent W. Shartel, Oklahoma City attorney, and Dave J. Morgan, Blackwell drilling contractor, were appointed members of the University of Oklahoma's board of regents.

Shartel succeeded Lloyd Noble, '23, oil man of Ardmore, and Morgan succeeded Erl E. Deacon, '21b, Avery.

Shartel was born in Winfield, Kansas, and attended highschool in Oklahoma. He attended Kansas State University, the University of Michigan and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He received his law degree from Michigan University in 1913. He has practiced law in Oklahoma City since 1918. His regent's term will expire March 29, 1955.

Morgan is a graduate of Central State Teachers College, Edmond. He has been a resident of Blackwell for 19 years. He is married and has one son, Dave, Jr., a student at the University. In Blackwell, Morgan is director of the Chamber of Commerce and is director of the Country Club.

Mr. Evans was appointed to the board of regents in 1942 by Governor Phillips. During his tenure at the University he was a stellar athlete. He was picked in 1919 for the All Southwestern conference team and All-Oklahoma team and was picked by the Outing Magazine as one of the seven best guards in the U. S. for 1919.

Lloyd Noble served for 14 years as a member of the board of regents. He was first appointed to the board in 1934 by Governor Murray and reappointed by Governor Phillips. During his second term as a regent, Noble was elected president of that body in 1947. Noble organized the Noble Drilling Company in Ardmore.

Kirkhuffs May Hold Record

The Kirkhuff family of Oklahoma City solidly endorses the University-out of eight children, seven attended the University of Oklahoma.

In 1935 the first representative of the Ralph and Katharine Kirkhuff family graduated, Virginia Rose, '35ed. But it was in 1939 that the Kirkhuff family really demonstrated their O.U. sports preference by having three in the graduating class. They were Betty Lucy, '39ed, Katherine Rebecca, '39ed and John Gerald, '39eng. Last June, William Ralph, '49fa, joined the Kirkhuff graduating ranks and Rosemary Lynne is currently attending the University in the fine arts school. Ralph Gregg attended the University in 1949 leaving only June Caroline, the youngest child, as the only member of the family not having attended the University.

In a letter to Mr. and Mrs. Kirkhuff, President Cross said, "How fine it is that you have made it possible for your children to enjoy the benefits of a higher education. You may be certain that your encouragement and sacrifices for them will bring many satisfactions in the years ahead."

Ed's note: Sonner Magazine believes that the Kirkhuffs have set a family record. If any other family has more than seven children who have attended or are attending the University, we would appreciate full information for publication.

Oil Company Gives Scholarships

Two engineering scholarships have been established at the University of Oklahoma by the Socony-Vacuum Oil Company, Dr. George L. Cross, O.U. president, has announced. The $750 scholarships are open to junior students interested in the field of natural gas engineering and seniors majoring in petroleum production engineering.

New Collection Springs Up

Something new in collections! Helen B. Burton, professor of home economics, is directing a drive to collect dresses worn by the wives of the governors of Oklahoma for the University school of home economics.

In this feminine variation of the "shirt off your back" former governor's wives have been written requesting them to donate a dress worn while their husbands were governors. So far they have received one response, Mrs. J. B. A. Robertson has given the school of home economics the dress which she wore when her husband was inaugurated as governor.

Short Courses Highlight June

In late June two short courses, the Institute on Office Skills and the 10th annual Audio-Visual conference, were held on the North Campus of the University.

The Office Skill Institute was sponsored by the University department of business education. Dr. Hamden L. Fornker, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York City, led the discussion on "Ways and Means of Developing Office Skills," and Mrs. Gladys Johnson, Little Rock, Arkansas, high school, was the chairman. The group saw a preview of educational films and heard Dr. Robert N. Tarkington of the Gregg Publishing Company speak on "The New Gregg Shorthand Manual."

Other talks were given by Clyde I. Blanchard, professor of business education at the University of Tulsa and A. L. Congrove, chairman of the department of business communications at the University. Faculty chairman for the entire institute was Dr. Harry Huffman, associate professor of education at O.U.

The Audio-Visual conference for teachers, school administrators and adult leaders interested in the administration and utilization of audio-visual materials, met in pre-conference planning groups, general sessions and interest groups. W. R. Fulton, director of visual education, University extension division, served as conference chairman.

Labby Displays President's Pics

Six past O.U. president's portraits have been placed in the east lobby of the University's top administrative offices. These six presidents represent the guiding administrators of the University for a span of 57 years.

The first president was Dr. David Ross Boyd, head of O.U. from 1892 until 1908. Following him were Dr. A. Grant Evans, 1908-11; Dr. Stratton D. Brooks, 1912-23; Dr. James Buchanan, 1923-1925; Dr. William B. Bizzell, 1925-1941; and Joseph A. Brandt, 1941 until December, 1943.

Dr. George L. Cross, current O.U. president, took over the reins of the University on January 1, 1944.

Dr. Julian C. Monnet, dean emeritus of law, served as acting president from 1911 to 1912 between the tenures of Evans and Brooks.

Emil R. Kraettli, secretary of the University, also has added pictures of some of the presidents to his modern office in the Administration building. Adorning his wall are pictures of those presidents of the University under whom he has served since 1913.

They are Brooks, Buchanan, Bizzell, Brandt and Cross, representing a span of 36 years.

Enrollment Hits Peak

Last year's summer enrollment record was broken this summer as 5,090 students swamped the University. Last year's total was 4,994, including the August session.

The college of arts and sciences lead the field with 990 undergraduates enrolled. Second was the college of engineering with 811 students. The university college is third with 531.

The graduate college also has a record enrollment with 1,431. Of this number 765 are in the college of education and 460 are in the college of arts and sciences.

The enrollment figures for the remaining colleges and schools are:

College of business administration, 483; school of law, 246, school of pharmacy, 259; and the college of Education, 193. The breakdown of the graduate college is: the college of fine arts, 73; college of business administration, 68; college of engineering, 56; school of pharmacy, 8; and the school of law, 1.

Student Doctors Will Travel

The University of Oklahoma medical school will soon begin a new training program for general-practice doctors. This is made possible by a $120,000 grant from the W. R. Kellogg Foundation.

The school of medicine will hire six new faculty members to put the new program into operation. During the first year, at least 12 graduates are expected to enter this special two-year training program. Half of each year will be spent in one of the Oklahoma City hospitals and the other half in hospitals out of the state.

In charge of the program will be Dr. Cleve Beller, '43med, Oklahoma City. Beller said training in the outlying hospitals will stress general medicine, general surgery, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology. This will be the first time hospitals outside Oklahoma City and Tulsa have been included in a training program.

In making the announcement of the grant and the new program, Dr. Arthur A. Hellbaum, dean of graduate studies, said "Oklahoma has been significantly honored by this Kellogg grant. Only four other schools have received it—Michigan, New York, Colorado and Emory University (Atlanta, Georgia)."

Beller said the plan will decentralize medicine. "The big need is for men to go out and take care of a community. We want to give students enough training so they can go out and be good family doctors," he said.

Check Wrecks Honeymoon

University of Oklahoma Hallback George Brewe'r's wrecked honeymoon was a major case with the Oklahoma county attorney's office during June.

Brewer's trouble started when he sold his car for a $1,550 check to a Kansas City dealer. Brewer and his wife had started on their honeymoon only to be informed in New Mexico that the check bounced more than one of Brewer's punts.

Luckily, Brewer told his story to Assistant County Attorney Ben Head, '42bus, '48Law, who was getting married himself and could well appreciate the awkwardness of a disrupted honeymoon. Head promised to get the whole affair straightened out in a hurry.

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