Suddenly it seemed as if all a young man had to do if he wanted to rise in the world of finance was to be graduated from O. U. Within the last year and a half three O. U. graduates, one of them only 36 years old, were named presidents of important banks (see photos); a fourth graduate became president of Tri-Continental Corporation, the largest closed-end investment firm in the nation.

Despite this spectacular ladder-climbing, O. U.'s business school, with unjustifiable conservatism, is still making no promises to its new students and former graduates about their becoming similarly positioned in financial institutions.