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**Athletic Hall of Fame Event Set**

Two players from Southwestern State University’s great undefeated 1933 football team are among four former Bulldogs scheduled for induction into their alma mater’s Athletic Hall of Fame on Friday, Oct. 5.

Gordon Kaiser of Napa, Calif., and M. M. Cotton Vickers, Midwest City, were members of that legendary squad. Admitted along with them to the select group of Hall of Famers will be the late Smith (Smitty) Williams, from the 1936-40 era, and Dr. Bill Davis of Ruston, La., from the 1950’s.

Williams’ widow, Jessie of Norman, will represent her husband at the ceremonies.

Tickets for the Induction Banquet, set for 7 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom, are $4 and must be purchased by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 3, from the Southwestern Business Office.

Mail orders will be accepted. However, any tickets ordered after Sept. 28 will be held for pickup at the Ballroom door just prior to the banquet.

Photographs of the four honorees are on page 24.

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Alumni Pay up Dues in SW Association

Dues have been collected from a host of Southwestern alumni since the last publication of Echoes from The Hill. Included are:

ADAMS, Gaylon; 6101 Norwich Court, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73132

ALEXANDER, Mona (paid for two years); 3209 Stone, Topokea, Kan. 66614

ALLEN, Virginia; 16828 Glaston Rd., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73105

BRADY, Edgar; 3308 Glenn Oaks, Midwest City, Okla. 73122

BERRY, Mrs. Clarence; Box 213, Granite, Okla. 73547

BERNHARDT, Dr. William (Bill); 2301 Easterby Dr., Fresno, Calif. 93727

ALLEN, Virginia; 16828 Glaston Rd., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73105

ADAMS, Gaylon; 6101 Norwich Ave., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73107

EASTERBY, Dr. John; 401 Hill Dr., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73159

CURLESS, Dr. John; 401 Hill Dr., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73159

COBB, Linnie (paid for three years); 5703 Trinity, Greenville, Tex. 75451

COFMAN, Harlan and Lois (paid for three years); 2226 W. Hefner Rd., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73120

COFFMAN, Harlem and Lois (paid for three years); 3209 Stone, Topeka, Kan. 66614

CLOWDUS, Judy; 2800 S.W. 84th, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73159

COBLE, Jeannette L. Fetters; 1910 Fuller, Winfield, Kan. 67156

COTTIN, Henna Zacharias (paid for three years); 4227 Holiday Pl., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73112

CROWLEY, Mrs. Carol; 110 S. 19th, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73109

CURLESS, Dr. John; 401 Hill Dr., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73120

DANIEL, Don; 30th, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73132

DICKERSON, Garland; 3814 N.E. 23rd, Amaro, Tex. 79001

DUNCAN, Mrs. Margaret; 2620 Berkshire Way, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73107

DUNCAN, Mrs. Jesse; 1106 N. Caddo, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

DUNN, Carl; 504 N. Custer, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

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ESTES, Winnie Carnahan; 1300 Redbud, Apt. 103, Yukon, Okla. 73099

FAIRCILD, Charles; Rt. 1, Box 35, Camargo, Okla. 73835

FARRAR, Ruth; 804 Krest Dr., Weatherford, Okla. 73096

FLAMING, Sandra; 1501 E. Chestnut, Apt. 3, Garden City, Kan. 67846

FLINT, Cort and Irene (paid for three years); Box 708, Meadows of Dan, Va. 24120

FRANS, Steve; 5406 Lodge Creek Dr., Weatherford, Okla. 73096

FRY, Betty Wright (paid for three years); 300 S. 25th, Clinton, Okla. 73601

GARRISON, Mr. and Mrs. Ray­ mond; 699 Walnut, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

GARLICK, Mrs. F. H.; 702 E. Arlington; Weatherford, Okla. 73096

GILMORE, Gladys; 530 S. 12th, Clinton, Okla. 73601

GORDON, Paris L.; Box 923, Pauls Valley, Okla. 73075

GREEN, Mrs. M. L.; 441 N. 5th, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

GREENER, Dr. Evangeline (Peewee); 2616 W. Hefner Rd., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73120

GRIFFIN, Margaret; 908 F. J. Krouti Dr., Yukon, Okla. 73099

GRIFFIN, Pat; 725 Cheyenne Dr., Fort Collins, Colo. 80521

GRIFFIN, W. N. (Bud) (paid for two years); 2820 Berkshire Way, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73122

HANEX, Vida Gay; 524 N. 8th, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

HARTLWICK, Ralph W. (paid for six years); 4400 Pennsylvania Ave., Oklahoma City, Okla. 73107

HARTMAN, Ralph W. (paid for two years); 1016 Calhoun, Port Townsend, Wash. 98368

HIBLER, Dr. Joe Anna; 419 N. Nevada, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

HILL, Dr. Benny; 410 N. Bryan, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

HILL, James T.; 804 Meadowgreen, Midwest City, Okla. 73110

HILL, S. F.; 804 Vine Lane, De­ troit, Okla. 73533

HOKE, Sheila; 817 N. Kansas, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

HOLCOMB, E. M.; 1409 Wisteria, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73120

HOTZ, Jack (paid for three years); 420 Fairview, Richardson, Tex. 75080

HUFFMAN, Jack; 3401 Belaire, Midwest City, Okla. 73110

HUTTO, Carl; 215 E. University, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

HUTTO, Mary Nei; 611 N. Custer, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

JACQUES, Mrs. E. R. Lane; see Hall; Box 327, Canton, Okla. 73272

JONES, Mrs. Marjorie M.; 414 W. Eula, Hollis, Okla. 73850

JONES, Perry K.; 711 N. 5th, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

KARLIN, Almeda; Hydro, Okla. 73048

KELLER, Isie; (paid for two years); Putnam, Okla. 73069

KELLEY, Dona; 601 N. Custer, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

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KIPPMENGER, Catherine Per­ ring; 801 W. 5th, Guymon, Okla. 79342

KNIGHT, Kenneth and Ruth; 1308 E. North Ave., Lompoc, Calif. 93436

KOBAN, Andrew; 1721 Walnut, Woodward, Okla. 73801

LITTLE, Dan (paid for four years); Box 1145, Genaiville, Tex. 76240

LONG, Peggy Elledge; 6233 N. Hammond, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73122

LOWRY, George (paid for five years); Box 592, Clinton, Okla. 73061

LUCHAU, Walter; 820 Oak, Weather­ ford, Okla. 73096

MABRY, Harry C. (paid for two years); 2226 N. New Hampshire Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. 90007

MARSHALL, V. B.; 227 W. Arriba Dr., Hobbs, N.M. 88240

MARTIN, T. Robert; 4848 S. 6th Ave., Tulsa, Okla. 74145

MCCLAIN, O. G.; 2806 S. 9th, Hardy Springs Rd., McAlester, Okla. 73501

MCCELLAN, Mrs. Maude Groves; Box 155, Gruber, Tex. 79040

MOUSE, Mark; Rt. 2, Weatherford, Okla. 73096

MYERS, T. J.; 109 Florence, Cor­ dell, Okla. 73048

NAIL, Dawson (Tack) (paid for six years); 6509 Orland St., Falls Church, Va. 22043

NICKEL, Mr. and Mrs. Carl (paid for three years); 2021 Laurel Ln., Allison Park, Pa. 15101

NIX, Mark; Rt. 2, Weather­ ford, Okla. 73096

NELSON, Maisie; Arapahoe, Okla. 73048

NIXON, Mrs. Fern; Box 185, 1325 S.W. 71st Cir­ cle, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73122

OAKLEY, Mrs. Margaret; 2620 Berkshire Way, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73107

PARKER, Lela Mosburg; Rt. 2, Box 708, Meadows of Dan, Va. 24120

PATTON, Orin C.; Box 321, Leedey, Okla. 73754
Gov. Nigh Names Opal Kardokus To State Board

Opal Kardokus, a 1948 graduate of Southwestern, in July was appointed by Gov. George Nigh to the Oklahoma Department of Libraries Board.

Mrs. Kardokus taught in Anadarko for 18 years before moving to Apache and teaching in the Lawton Public Schools for 10 years. She was Caddo County “Teacher of the Year” in 1964, and also was married to James M. Kardokus, state representative from Apache that same year.

Kardokus died in early 1979. She also has been president of the Oklahoma State Textbook Commission, treasurer of the Southwestern Oklahoma Education Association, president of the Caddo County OEA, president of the Anadarko Business and Professional Women’s Club.

In 1972 she received national recognition when she was named “Outstanding Elementary Teacher” of America.

Dr. Rollin Reimer On Rail Advisory Council

Appointed in June to serve on the Oklahoma State Rail Advisory Council was Dr. Rollin Reimer of Cheyenne, state representative from District 59 in the Oklahoma Legislature.

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Originally from Colony, Dr. Kutch is a graduate of Southwestern and earned a master’s degree from the University of Oklahoma and a doctor of education degree from Oklahoma State University.

He has served as elementary principal and high school coach in Colony; high school principal, coach and superintendent at Freedom, and superintendent at Helena.

He has been at Woodward since 1971.

Admissions Director’s Job Goes to Rawdon

Sam C. Rawdon, a native of Weatherford, is currently admissions director at Marymount College, Kan.

Prior to moving to Marymount at the beginning of 1979, Rawdon had been director of admissions at Coffeyville, Kan., Community College since 1976. He had been a speech and debate instructor at Coffeyville from 1974 to 1976.

After receiving his bachelor’s degree from Southwestern and a master’s degree from Wichita State University, Rawdon taught at Ulysses, Kan., High School from 1968 to 1970 and at Wichita Heights High School from 1970-74 before moving to Coffeyville.

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Spring and summer 1979 brought retirement to five well-known administrators and faculty and staff members at Southwest ern.

They are:
Dr. Louis Morris, vice-president for academic affairs; Dr. Walter Dickison, dean of the School of Pharmacy, Nursing and Allied Health; Dr. Harold Massey, dean of the Graduate School; Dr. Ruby Drinkwater Gartrell, professor and chairman of the Department of Counselor Education and Educational Psychology, School of Education, and Virgil Downing, Memorial Student Center manager.

Among the five, Dr. Morris had been associated with SWSU the longest period of time. A 1931 graduate of Southwestern, he returned to the campus in 1938 as supervisor for student teachers in the Weatherford public schools, and he had been here ever since.

In 1947 he became a professor in the Department of Mathematics and in 1956 was appointed chairman of the Department of Education. He was promoted to Dean of instruction in 1960, and the title was changed in 1978 to vice-president for academic affairs.

Every member of Dr. Morris' family has earned a degree from SWSU. His wife, VaNita, holds bachelor and master degrees.

Two of their children are on the university faculty. Daughter Margaret Savage is an instructor in the Art Department, and a son, Dr. Robert, is an associate professor of mathematics.

Dr. Richard, a medical doctor, is on the teaching staff of the University of Georgia Medical School; Dr. Kent is a mathematics professor at Cameron University, and Don is a research chemist for Eastman Kodak in Longview, Tex.

Dr. Dickison arrived on the SWSU campus in 1957 as a professor in the School of Pharmacy, and he was promoted to dean in 1965. The school was expanded to include the nursing and allied health programs under an administrative reorganization completed in 1978.

Dr. and Mrs. (Virginia) Dickison's son, Jim, manages a large department store in Milwaukee, Wis., and daughter, Jane Long, lives in Dayton, Ohio, where her husband is an Air Force officer assigned to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base.

Dr. Massey had been graduate dean since 1963. He and wife Alzada are the parents of two children—Bill, former running back for Montreal of the Canadian Football League and now employed by a construction firm while studying toward an engineering degree at the University of Michigan, and Marilyn, a senior English education major at Southwestern.

Dr. Gartrell first joined the SWSU staff in 1956 as dean of women but resigned that position in 1967 to accept a teaching assignment in the School of Education.

All three of her children are graduates of the university—David Drinkwater, a Newport Beach, Calif., businessman; Marilyn McIntosh, who with her husband, James, raise and train race horses in Paola, Kan., and Nancy Morris, a teacher in the Shawnee public schools.

Dr. Gartrell's husband, Everett, retired in 1972 after 27 years as Southwestern's business manager and is currently serving his third three-year term as mayor of Weatherford.

The Student Center manager since 1960, Downing received his bachelor's degree from SWSU in 1949.

He and wife Dortha have a son and a daughter—Charles, who earned his bachelor's degree in medical technology at Southwestern and now operates a recreation area and fish hatchery in Creede, Colo., and Treva Hayes of Weatherford.

Dr. Earl Reynolds, former dean of the School of Education, has succeeded Dr. Morris as vice-president for academic affairs; Dr. H. F. Timmons, School of Pharmacy, Nursing and Allied Health associate dean, is serving as acting dean; Dr. Robert Brown, dean of men at SWSU from 1967 to 1970 and since then an assistant professor at the University of Oklahoma, has returned to become graduate dean, and Jack Watson, former athletic director at Western Heights in Oklahoma City, is the new Memorial Student Center manager.

Mike Mathews, who completed his bachelor's degree in music education at Southwestern in December 1978, became band director and music teacher for the Carnegie Schools in January.
'Prof of Month' Honors to Four Grads at Altus

Three Southwestern graduates who are now on the staff of Western Oklahoma State College at Altus received “Professor of the Month” honors from the Altus Noon Lions Club during the 1978-79 school year.

Last October Walter Hoehne Jr., dean of student services for WOSC, received the monthly honor. Hoehne, a native of Blair, received his bachelor's degree from Southwestern in 1958. He also completed a master's degree at SWSU in 1964 in addition to other graduate work at the University of Oklahoma and Western State College of Colorado.

His career in education has included teaching at Mountain Park and serving as principal of Altus’ Rivers Elementary School from 1962-73 before joining the staff of WOSC.

Honored by the Noon Lions in December was Larry Duffy, WOSC music instructor, who received an associate arts degree from the Altus school in 1970 before attending Southwestern where he received a bachelor’s degree in music education.

Duffy returned to Southwestern in 1976 to work on his master’s degree in music education, which he completed in 1978 before joining the WOSC staff. In addition to his music instruction, Duffy works with the dean of students in recruitment and assists the Drama Department in musical productions. He is originally from Frederick.

Third staff member to be honored by the Altus Noon Lions was Mrs. Jan Shera, director of WOSC’s child development program. She was named “Professor of the Month” in January.

Mrs. Shera earned a master’s degree in education from Southwestern in 1976 after receiving an associate degree from Odessa, Tex., Junior College and completing a bachelor’s degree at Texas Tech University.

She is a consultant for the Department of Economic and Community Affairs and she has served as supervisor for Headstart Program teacher certification for a 10-county area of southwestern Oklahoma.

Mrs. Shera joined the WOSC faculty in 1976.

KATHY L. CORLEY [BS, '78] has joined the staff of Continental Oil Co.’s controller’s department at Ponca City as a professional accountant. The Mustang native participates in Conoco’s worldwide program of corporate administration. She resides at 301 W. Hartford, Ponca City.

Ronald P. Kenner (BA, '64) has received a promotion to the rank of major in the U.S. Air Force. He is an air weapons director assigned to Clark Air Force Base, Philippines, with a unit of the Pacific Air Forces.

A $750 check has been presented to the School of Pharmacy revolving loan fund in the name of John E. Benge of Lovington, N.M. Benge, who earned his BSPh degree from Southwestern, was one of 156 winners in the Burroughs Wellcome Co. Pharmacy Education Program.

Navy Lieutenant Craig E. Vance (BS, '73) graduated in July with a master of science degree from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif. Formerly from Enid, Lt. Vance entered the Navy in August 1973.

Alumni Harry C. Mabry of Los Angeles, Calif., is attempting to locate two persons who were his classmates at Southwestern in 1916.

They are Leon Demming and Fay Hendrix.

Two former Southwestern students are asked to contact Mabry, whose address is 2226 N. New Hampshire Ave., Los Angeles, Calif. 90027.

After 11 years as business and office instructor at the Caddo-Kiowa Vocational-Technical Center at Fort Cobb, Southwestern grad Mrs. Judith Quickie has joined the administrative staff of the school.

Mrs. Quickie's duties, which began July 1, include guidance and counseling, curriculum development, program supervision and testing.

Southwestern State University School of Pharmacy graduates Jimmy and Debbie Gage have been employed by the Craighead Pharmacy of Woodward since April 1.

Gage is originally from Pampa, Tex., and his wife, the former Debbie Marshall, is from Woodward.
MEMBERS OF THE Southwestern coaching staff show off the 1978-79 Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference All-Sports Trophy received for the second year in a row. From left are Bob Maze, head football coach; Otis Delaporte, athletic director; George Hauser, head basketball coach, and Larry Geurkink, head baseball coach. The trophy is awarded annually to the OIC school that has the best year overall in athletics. Points are awarded according to a team’s finish in each of the varsity sports. During the 1978-79 year Southwestern won first in the conference in basketball, golf and track, tied for third in football and finished third in tennis and baseball.

Bankers Move, Get Promotions

Within the past year, several former Southwestern students employed by a variety of banks and other financial institutions have either been promoted or have left one bank to join the staff of another.

Robert Boeckman, a 1972 Southwestern graduate from Okeene, was promoted to vice-president of the First National Bank of Okeene in January. Boeckman has been employed by the bank for almost seven years. His wife, Sandy, a 1973 SWSU graduate, is a teacher in the Okeene school system.

Steve L. Jones, an employee of the Federal Land Bank Association of Woodward, was selected by the Federal Land Bank of Wichita, Kan., to serve as a land bank apprentice last summer.

After an orientation in the Wichita bank headquarters, Jones began a 12-week training program in Woodward. He holds a bachelor’s degree in math and economics from Southwestern.

New president of the First State Bank of Watonga is Gene Cobb. Cobb, originally from the Cheyenne area, was graduated from SWSU in 1971 and had served as a bank officer in Vici, Woodward, Alva and Guymon.

He was executive vice-president of the Farmers State Bank in Protection, Kan., prior to taking the post in Watonga.

Another new bank president is Glenn Randolph at the Bank of Hydro. Randolph, who took the post in May, had been executive vice-president of the bank since February of 1976.

A graduate of Greenfield High School, Randolph earned a bachelor’s degree in math and business at Southwestern before attending Eastern New Mexico University, where he received a master’s degree in administration.

Randolph moved to the Hydro area in 1976 after 14 years as a teacher, coach and assistant principal in Clovis, N.M.

James L. Treadaway Jr., a 1978 graduate of Southwestern, was elected an officer of the Woodward Savings and Loan Association in November. Treadaway, who is manager of the Cordell branch of the association, was elected assistant secretary by the board of directors.

After 16 years with the Liberty National Bank in Oklahoma City, Ron G. Leavell resigned to become vice-president of the Security Bank and Trust Co. of Blackwell in February.

A native of Clinton, Leavell attended Southwestern before attending the Graduate School of Banking at Madison, Wis. He was a senior vice-president in the correspondent banking department of the Liberty National Bank at the time of his resignation.

Jim Waites, who received a bachelor’s degree from SWSU in 1969 and a master’s degree in 1971, was elected vice-president and loan officer at Security State Bank of Weatherford in July.

Before joining the staff of the bank in July 1974, Waites had taught and coached in the Colby, Kan., school system for five years.

The Bank of Western Oklahoma in Elk City hired Mike Ryles in July to serve as an auditor. Ryles is a graduate of Ada High School and attended Southwestern in the early 1970s.

Before joining the staff of the Elk City bank, Ryles worked with the Southwest Oklahoma Development Authority as an administrative assistant in the CETA program.
NEWLY ELECTED Distinguished Alumni James Dawson [left] and Carl Bogdahn [third from left] are introduced during halftime ceremonies at Southwestern’s 1978 Homecoming football game. Dr. Leonard Campbell, SWSU president, presented bronze and walnut plaques to the honorees. With Bogdahn is his son, Steve. Dawson, who lives in Edmond, graduated from Southwestern in 1955, and Bogdahn, from Woodward, in 1950.

Coaches Move, Get Recognition

Four former Southwestern basketball players who are now in the coaching ranks either moved from one school to another or received special recognition at the end of the 1978-79 school year.

Jim Callen, who had been head coach of the boys team at Elk City the past two seasons, resigned to become head basketball coach at Chickasha High School.

An all-state player at Reed in 1968, Callen played four years at Southwestern under Jerry Jobe. After receiving his bachelor’s degree in 1972, Callen’s first coaching job was at Fort Supply. He then went to Mustang as an assistant coach for two years before becoming head coach at Cement where teams had not had a winning season in 15 years.

In the two seasons Callen was at Cement, his teams posted 18-9 and 26-4 records before he moved to Elk City where his teams’ record was 28-23.

Replacing Callen at Elk City is another former standout with the Bulldogs, Gary Abercrombie. A native of Hollis, Abercrombie came to Southwestern in 1960, and when he completed his bachelor’s degree in 1964 he also had earned a total of 12 varsity letters in football, basketball and track.

He still holds Southwestern’s career scoring record in basketball with 1,856 points.

Abercrombie moved to Elk City from Pampa, Tex., High School where he had coached for two years.

In addition to serving as a freshman coach at Southwestern one season while he studied for his master’s degree, Abercrombie also has coached at Lacrosse, Kan.; Abernathy, Tex.; Clinton; Liberal, Kan., and Amarillo, Tex. His career record is 213-114 in 15 coaching seasons.

New head basketball coach at Weatherford High School is Jack Coody. Coody, a native of Cache and a 1976 graduate of Southwestern, made the move to Weatherford after one season as head coach at Sentinel High School.

The Sentinel Bulldogs posted a 14-10 record under Coody and played in the first round of the Class A boys regional tournament in the 1978-79 season.

Matt Bush, who is head coach at Cement, guided his basketball team to a 4-1 record in the conference in 1978-79 and was named “Coach of the Year” in the Washita Valley Conference.

Bush played two years at Southwestern. He was a standout guard on the 1977 team that was the NAIA District 9 champion and played in the National Tournament.

Southwestern Awarded $450 Through Kodak Aid Program

Southwestern has received $450 in an employee/alumni grant through Eastman Kodak Co.’s 1978 Educational Aid Program. The award was made on behalf of Dr. Don L. Morris, who received the bachelor of science degree in chemistry from Southwestern in 1966. He is employed in chemical research at the Kodak facility in Longview, Tex.

In recognition of the contributions made by college and university graduates in the company’s business success, the grants go to accredited institutions in the amount of $150 for each year completed by those who graduate and join Kodak within five years of their graduation.

The awards are made to the educational institutions during the graduates’ fifth year of employment. Recipient schools are requested to distribute the grant dollars to the department indicated by an individual’s degree.

Dr. Morris, a graduate of Weatherford High School, earned the doctor of philosophy degree in chemistry from Kansas State University and has done post-doctoral research at Oklahoma State University.

His parents are Dr. and Mrs. Louis Morris of Weatherford. Dr. Louis Morris retired last summer as vice-president for academic affairs at SWSU.
Ex-Bulldog Honors Joe Bailey

A 1954 Little All-American football player at Southwestern has honored his former coach by establishing the $10,000 Joe Bailey Metcalf Football Scholarship Fund.

Truman Smith, who lives in Frederick, in presenting the contribution to his alma mater directed that the money be invested in an interest-bearing instrument and the interest earned be used to help pay a football scholarship for a boy or boys from Oklahoma.

President of Truco Properties, Inc., of Wichita Falls, Tex., Smith played football under Metcalf from the time he was a fifth-grade student in Hollis until he graduated from Southwestern in 1955 with a bachelor's degree in physical education and history.

After finishing high school at Hollis in 1951, Smith enrolled at the University of Oklahoma. When Metcalf was named head football coach at Southwestern in 1952, Smith transferred to the Weatherford college.

An outstanding tackle on the Bulldog squad the next three years, he was selected to the All-Oklahoma Collegiate Athletic Conference teams each of those years and, as a senior, received the additional recognition as a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics All-American.

During a visit to the SWSU campus at the 1978 Homecoming celebration Smith was asked if he played offensive or defensive tackle.

"In those days we played both," he recalled. "He (referring to Metcalf) took me out of a game only one time that I can remember."

And Metcalf was quick to explain why Smith was permitted off the field then: "It was announced over the public address that his wife had just had a son, and he was jumping around all over the field, so I took him out."

In appreciation to and in admiration for his coach, Smith named the baby Joe.

Smith and his wife, the former Jane Duty of Gotebo, who is associated in business with his father; Dana, a student at Oklahoma State University, and Lee, a 1979 Frederick High School graduate. An outstanding student at Southwestern, Mrs. Smith received a bachelor's degree in elementary education and speech in 1953.

Smith's Truco Properties, Inc., owns 10 nursing homes, two Dairy Queens and a number of racing quarterhorses and thoroughbreds. He has been on the board of directors of the Parker Square Bank in Wichita Falls since 1967.

Metcalf served as football coach at SWSU from 1952 through 1957 before returning to Hollis as superintendent of schools, a position he held until his retirement 10 years later.

In his first year as Southwestern coach, Metcalf's Bulldogs won three and lost six games. Two seasons later they improved the record to read 7-2 and tied Central State University for the conference championship.

The following season, the team was 6-3 and tied with Central and Northeastern State University for the title.

Metcalf was inducted into Southwestern's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1970. He was the recipient of a Certificate of Meritorious Service from the Oklahoma Secondary Activities Association and

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Cameron Taps Holmes For Dean's Position

In June, Burl Holmes, who earned a master's degree in education at Southwestern, was named associate dean of student services at Cameron University. Holmes moved into the associate dean position after four years as Cameron's assistant business manager.

For six years prior to joining the Cameron staff, Holmes was a teacher and administrator in the Lawton public schools.
Law Library Named For Fred E. LaRue

Dedication ceremonies for the Fred E. LaRue Memorial Law Library, named in honor of an early-day Southwestern student, were held on Aug. 20 at the Custer County Courthouse in Arapaho. LaRue, who died in 1975 at the age of 89, first entered Southwestern Normal in 1907, and he maintained close ties with the school the remainder of his life. An outstanding athlete, he played left end regularly and most other positions occasionally on the SWN football team. In early day Southwestern, he was the remainder of his life. An outstanding athlete, he played left end regularly and most other positions occasionally on the SWN football team. In 1909 he won first place in the 440-yard run at the state collegiate championships in triangular round-robin debates against the state's other two normal schools, Central and Northwestern.

After graduating from Southwestern in 1913 he taught in the Hackberry rural school and served as principal and superintendent at Hydro before being elected Custer County Superintendent of Schools. LaRue completed one term and was re-elected to another, then in 1918 resigned to enter the University of Oklahoma Law School. With his new law degree in hand, he returned to Clinton as a practicing attorney. He was elected county attorney of Custer County three different times—the first in 1935—and served a total of 17 years in that capacity.

From 1958 until two years before his death LaRue was Clinton municipal judge, performing his duties despite a crippling stroke suffered in 1957. While at Southwestern Normal he met and married a coed from Thomas, Jessie Burt. The marriage lasted 57 years—from Sept. 17, 1911, until Mrs. LaRue's death in 1968.

Four of the couple's seven children attended Southwestern—Mrs. Lois Powers of Clinton; Leon, an FBI agent in Los Angeles; Mrs. Helen Roberts, Hot Springs, Ark., and Mrs. Alice Boileau, St. Paul, Minn.

The three other sons are Jack, Thousand Oaks, Calif.; Bob, Tustin, Calif., and Jim, Libertyville, III.

LARRY HUDGINS, former Southwestern student who now maintains a private gallery in Santa Fe, N.M., shows off one of his colored pencil drawings on exhibit last spring in the SWSU Art Department. Formerly of Cordell, Hudgins participated in shows in Oklahoma City, western Oklahoma and northern Texas before moving to Santa Fe. He earned both bachelor of science and bachelor of arts degrees from SWSU.

Alumni Newsbits

Ann Maloy ('71) received a $2,500 scholarship at the 50th annual state meeting of Delta Kappa Gamma at the Lake Texoma Lodge in March. Mrs. Maloy, who resides in Burns Flat, is using the scholarship at Oklahoma State University, where she is studying for a doctorate.

Hershel Franklin, a native of Erick who received a master's degree in education from Southwestern before attending law school at Oklahoma City University, moved his law practice from Hydro to Elk City in March. Franklin completed his juris doctor degree in 1977 and had been in Hydro since then. In Elk City, Franklin became a partner with attorney James A. Brown.

Doug Ethel, a 1975 graduate of Southwestern's School of Pharmacy, has been selected as one of the "Outstanding Young Men of America" for 1979 and his biography will appear in the annual publication of the same name.

Ethel, who was graduated from Hydro High School before attending Southwestern, is currently pharmacy director for Franklin Memorial Hospital in Broken Arrow. He also is involved in consultation work with several Tulsa-area hospitals.

L'Roy Campbell, who holds a master's degree from Southwestern, is the new superintendent of schools at Broxton. Campbell moved to Broxton from Apache where he had served for 10 years. He was high school principal at Apache when he resigned to take the post at Broxton.

In addition to attending SWSU, Campbell has studied at Southeastern State University and the University of Science and Arts. He earned an administrator's certificate from the University of Oklahoma.
Dean Patton Is Picked to Receive National Award

Dr. Lucille W. Patton, dean of Central State University’s School of Special Arts and Sciences, has received the 1978 American Vocational Association Distributive Education division award at the AVA’s national convention in Dallas. The award was a tribute to Dr. Patton’s 29 years of service to DE and the Distributive Education Clubs of America.

In addition to the award, a scholarship in Dr. Patton’s name was set up for DECA students by Oklahoma DE delegates. The Oklahoma delegation honored Dr. Patton at a reception, and she was presented a bronze plaque engraved with the names of contributors to the scholarship.

Dr. Patton became a DE teacher-coordinator in 1949 at Hollis High School, where she taught for 12 years. While at Hollis, she had four students elected to national DECA offices and several others win state and national honors. In 1967, she started a full-time DE teacher education program at Oklahoma State University. Dr. Patton went to Central State in 1970 to implement a new vocational and technical education teacher education department.

She was named dean of the School of Special Arts and Sciences in 1977, becoming the first woman in the history of CSU to be named a dean. Originally from Erick, Dr. Patton received her bachelor’s degree in education from Southwestern in 1941.

‘65 Graduate Gets Degree in Dentistry

Ron Dirickson of Oklahoma City, a 1972 history and business graduate of SWSU, was awarded a law degree in May at the University of Oklahoma. Dirickson, whose hometown is Carnegie, and his wife, the former Pamela Jo Plaster of Fort Cobb, are the parents of a daughter, Melissa.

Continental Oil Co.’s Controller’s Department in Ponca City has employed Bill David Bailey (BS, ’78),formerly of Butler. He and wife Lynda and son Ryan reside in Meadowbrook Village, Ponca City.

SWSU graduate Marc Ray has been installed as president of the Woodward Jaycees. A native of Laverne, Ray is employed in a Woodward bank.

Tom Wood, former Greenfield Baptist Church pastor, has accepted the position of assistant vice-president of the Farmers Bank in his hometown of Carnegie. He holds a bachelor of science degree in mathematics from Southwestern. He and wife Peggy have three sons—Shalon, Tony and Billy.

Graduating last May from the Dallas Theological Seminary was Timothy Van Duerksen (BS, ’75) of Corn. ’Duerksen received a master of theology degree with honors for maintaining a grade-point average of 3.97 or higher. His master’s thesis was entitled “Bibliographic Research in Systematic Theology.”

Dr. Jimmy Fuchs attended Southwestern for two years before transferring to Oklahoma State University to continue his studies. After receiving his doctor of veterinary medicine degree in May, he returned to his hometown of Elk City to join the staff at Stockman’s Veterinary Hospital.

New superintendent of Dill City Schools is Larry Osborne (’71). A native of Olustee, Osborne was principal at Washington before taking the Dill City post.

Osborne, who also has been a teacher at Altus, completed a master’s degree in education at Southwestern in 1976 and has done other graduate study at the University of Oklahoma.

Stephen Adler, who attended Southwestern after he was graduated from Mooreland High School in 1972, was named manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. office in Woodward in March. Adler joined the company as a service representative in 1974 and was promoted to business office supervisor in 1976. He moved to Woodward from St. Louis, Mo., where he had worked in the company’s corporate headquarters.

The music program in the Cordell Schools is somewhat a family affair this year with Travis and Cynthia White Boyd having joined the staff for the 1979-80 academic year.

Boyd, a native of Cordell, was graduated from Southwestern in 1977. He served as Clinton Junior High School band director in the 1977-78 school year and was at Velma-Alma in 1978-79 before being named band director at Cordell.

Mrs. Boyd, who is originally from Weatherford, received her bachelor’s degree from Southwestern in 1978 and also taught at Velma-Alma the past year. She is high school and junior high vocal music director.

Jerry Benson, a Watonga native who was an assistant to former state attorney general Larry Derryberry, is now associated with the Tom Morgan law offices in Watonga.

Benson completed a bachelor’s degree in business administration at Southwestern in 1973 before attending the Oklahoma City University Law School.
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RICHARD WESTON
Richard Weston, 60, former Greer County resident, died Feb. 4 at Long Beach, Calif. Services and burial were held at Long Beach and at Cyprus, Calif., on Feb. 7.

Born near Russell March 29, 1918, he worked in the PMO office at Mangum. A graduate of Centralvile High School, he also attended Mangum Junior College and Cameron College at Lawton. He received a teaching degree from Southwestern.

He married Alma Ruth Casada of Duke in March 1944. That year they moved to Long Beach, where he was employed by Rockwell International for 31 years.

Survivors include his wife; one son, Joe of the home; two daughters, Carolyn of the home and Shirley Abramson, Long Beach; his mother, Mrs. Pearl Weston, Mangum; two sisters, Mildred Gable, Mangum, and Frances Shaw, Long Beach, and one grandson.

MRS. ETHEL THRASHER
Mrs. Ethel Thrasher, a retired elementary school teacher, died April 23 at age 85 at Clinton Regional Hospital. Services were held April 25 in the Kern-Schneider-Kiesau Memorial Chapel, Clinton, and burial was in the Masonic Cemetery at Temple.

Mrs. Thrasher, the former Ethel Waller, was born in Tyler, Tex., and moved to Clinton 60 years ago from Cotton County.

She graduated from Southwestern and received a master’s degree from the University of Oklahoma.

In 1919, she was married to Isaac Floy Thrasher, who preceded her in death in 1974. After moving to Clinton, she taught for 50 years in the local school district and was a member of the Retired Teachers Association as well as the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, O. A. of Liberty, Mo., and Dr. James D., Monroe, La.; four granddaughters; one great-grandchild; two brothers, Roy and Lee Waller, both of Temple, and one sister, Mrs. Della Whitley, Temple.

OSCAR MCGUIRE
Oscar McGuire, 76, of Cordell, died Oct. 14, 1978, at Presbyterian Hospital in Oklahoma City. Services were held Oct. 17 in the Cordell Methodist Church, and burial was in Lawnview Cemetery, Cordell.

McGuire was born near Madill on Feb. 16, 1902. He moved to Washita County with his family when he was about 4. He was educated at Fort and attended college at Southwestern.

He was a farmer and also taught school at UG-7 and in Jackson County.

A member of the Methodist Church, he was a 32nd Degree Mason and also president of the American Association of Retired Persons.

McGuire married Clara Knight on Oct. 8, 1926, at Taloga.

Survivors include his wife; one sister, Fruzie Hill, Cordell, and a brother, Marion of Prague.

BLUFORD G. GORDON
Funeral services for Bluford G. Gordon, 79, were held April 3 at the Pampa, Tex., First Christian Church. Graveside services were held in Fort Cobb Cemetery.

Gordon died at Highland General Hospital, Pampa, on March 31. He was born June 24, 1899, at Paris, Tex.

He graduated from Fort Cobb High School in 1921 and received a bachelor’s degree from Southwestern and master’s degree from West Texas State University. He taught school for a total of 47 years.

He was married to Nickie Bentley Aug. 17, 1925, at Anadarko. They moved to Pampa in 1929, and then to Coló, in 1965. They returned to Pampa in 1971.

He was a member and elder of the First Christian Church at Pampa. He was also a charter member of Builder’s Sunday School Class and of the Evening Lions Club. He was a member of the National Retired Teachers Association. His civic and church activities were all associated with young people.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. John Gill, Wea­ denshire, and Eugene B. of Cyril and Orvil Howard of Okla­ homa City; three sons, O. B. Howard Jr., Fredericks­ burg, Va., Gene Stephen Howard, Lake City; six brothers, George A. of Pampa, Ralph A. of Pampa, Maynard of Pampa, Joe J. of Pampa, and Richard T. of Pampa; and 17 grandchildren.

BART WOODS
Funeral services for Bart Woods were held Nov. 19 in the Taloga School Auditorium. Burial was in the Mound Cemetery, Taloga.


After attending Southwestern for two years, he taught school for one term at Crescent before ret­ turning to complete his degree in music. He taught at Anadarko and he was band director at Taloga, where he subsequently served as superintendent of Taloga schools for 13 years before retiring in 1946.

Woods married Lola Vesta Singleton in 1940. They farmed southeast of Taloga.

The late member of the First Methodist Church of Taloga is survived by his wife; two daughters, Marta Lynn, Lawton, and Judy Blanche, Tuttle; two sons, Glen Allen and Joe Bart, both of Norman; two sisters, Ruth Woods, Taloga, and Blanche Christopher Ryan, Bartlesville; one brother, Mart Woods, Oklahoma City, and four grandchildren.

BARROIS A. HOWARD
Barrois Augustus Howard Sr., 90, died May 1 at Deaconess Hospital after a long illness. Services were at Guardian West Funeral Home, with burial in Chapel Hill Cemetery, Oklahoma City.

A native of Alabama, Howard came to Oklahoma in 1899. He was a well-known pioneer resi­ dent, teacher and farmer. His home farm place was one mile west of Erick.

Howard earned his bachelor’s degree in mathematics at South­ western and completed his master’s degree in school administra­tion at the University of Oklah­ oma.

He served as principal and taught in the Erick schools for more than 25 years and continued to teach several more years at Miami High School.

Howard served as an elder of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and held many pastoral and adminis­ trative offices within the church.

Survivors include three sons, B. A. Howard Jr., Fredericks­ burg, Va., Gene Stephen Howard, Cheyenne, Wyo., and Merle Eugene Howard, Warrensburg, Mo.; two daughters, Mrs. Carol Am­ merman, Oklahoma City, and Mrs. Lilly Raye Butterworth, Chico, Calif.; a brother, L. W. “Doc” Howard, Olton, Tex.; three sisters, Mrs. Jessie Mae Wileman, Granite, Mrs. Lucille Eastham, Sayre, and Mrs. Cor­ inne Miles, Starkville, Miss.; 15 grandchildren, and 21 great­ grandchildren.

EUGENE HOWE
Eugene Mason Howe, 67, died Feb. 21 in Oklahoma City. Ser­ vices were Feb. 23 with interment in Weatherford Greenwood Cem­ etery.

Born in Weatherford, Howe at­ tended Southwestern and Oklah­ oma State University.

During World War I, he served with the Airborne Coordinating Group of the Navy and taught radar and electronics on the West Coast.

In 1948, he and his wife moved to Oklahoma City, where he worked with McEldowney and Sons. He later purchased the air­ conditioning section of the company which became Air Engineer­ ing Inc. and attained professional engineering status, planning the air-conditioning in numerous Oklahoma City buildings.

He is survived by his wife, Elsie; a son, Eugene; a daughter, Barbara McCormick; two sisters, Margaret Johnson, Oklahoma City, and Virginia Lucas, Hous­ ton, Tex., and two grandsons.

ALFRED R. BENNETT
Final rites for Alfred R. Ben­ nett of Dumas, Tex., were held in the Alfalfa Baptist Church. Ben­ nett died Oct. 29, 1978, while visiting his son in Salt Lake City.

Burial was in the Alfalfa Cem­ etery.

Born on Feb. 2, 1905, north­ west of Alfalfa, Bennett gradu­ ated from Carnegie High School and received his bachelor’s de­ gree from Southwestern and his master’s in education from Okla­ homa State University.

He taught school at Cobb Creek in Washita County, Cowden, Ailen and Carnegie. He also taught for 12 years in Vernon, Tex., before retiring in 1968.

Bennett married Sally Rue Passmore on May 29, 1920, and they lived near Weatherford until moving to Dumas in 1972. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Dumas.

Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Jack Thornton, Dumas; one son, Royce of Salt Lake City; six brothers, George W. of Carnegie, Ralph O. of Okla­ homa City, Joe W. of Tucumcari, N.M., Raymond of Bakersville, and Eugene B. of Cyril and Orvil Howard of Okla­ homa City.

He taught school at Cobb Creek in Washita County, Cowden, Ailen and Carnegie. He also taught for 12 years in Vernon, Tex., before retiring in 1968.

Bennett married Sally Rue Passmore on May 29, 1920, and they lived near Weatherford until moving to Dumas in 1972. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Dumas.

Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Jack Thornton, Dumas; one son, Royce of Salt Lake City; six brothers, George W. of Carnegie, Ralph O. of Okla­ homa City, Joe W. of Tucumcari, N.M., Raymond of Bakersville, and Eugene B. of Cyril and Orvil Howard of Okla­ homa City.
MISS VERLE JONES
Graveside services for Miss Verle Jones, former Southwestern English instructor, were held on June 23 in Hollis. She died on June 22 in a Wichita Falls, Tex., nursing home at the age of 79.

Born on March 2, 1900, in Charity, Mo., Miss Jones joined the faculty at Southwestern in 1929 and resigned in September 1943 to teach in the war training program at the University of Montana in Bozeman.

She later accepted a teaching position at Cameron University in Lawton. Following her retirement from Cameron in 1965, Miss Jones remained in Lawton until last January when she moved to Wichita Falls.

She received her formal education at Hardin-Simmons University in Texas, Columbia University in New York, the University of Oklahoma and the University of Chicago.

Miss Jones is survived by one sister, Mrs. H. F. Charlton, Hollis; a sister-in-law, Mrs. J. E. Jones Jr., Wichita Falls; two nieces, Mrs. John Millsap, Clinton, and Mrs. Dan Rivkin, Wichita Falls; three nephews, Dr. Walter I. Giles, Arlington, Va., Coye Mac Jones, Clear Lake, Tex., and Dr. Jim Ed Jones III, Rochester, N.Y.

MRS. VELMA WITGOTT
Mrs. Velma Miller Withgott died Nov. 22 in the Woodward Hospital at the age of 83. Funeral services were on Nov. 25 at the Woodward Methodist Church, with burial in Woodward Cemetery.

Mrs. Withgott was born on June 10, 1895, in Cooper, Tex., and came with her family to Oklahoma in 1898, when they settled on a farm near Codwen. They moved to Cordell in 1919.

A school teacher in Waskita County for many years, she attended Southwestern and Okla-

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Miss Jones joined the faculty at Southwestern in 1915, when she entered the Normal School for two years. She had graduated in 1914 from Granite High School.

All three of his college degrees were from the University of Oklahoma, thelast—a doctor of education—awarded in 1940. He also attended the University of Colorado and George Peabody Teachers College.

Remembered by his former students as one of Southwestern's great teachers, Dr. Wild joined the school's faculty in 1929. He was dean of men from 1933 to 1942, while at the same time heading the National Youth Administration program for college students and serving as chairman of the college athletic committee and as faculty representative to the Oklahoma Collegiate Athletic Conference.

When most of the Southwestern students began entering the service in the spring of 1942, Dr. Wild followed, joining the Army Air Corps. After the war he returned to the Weatherford campus for a brief period as chief of a Veterans Administration Guidance Center and later saw service as an educational advisor in the Naval Training Station at Norman.

In 1956 he became education officer in charge of the Middle Management Training Program at Tinker Air Force Base, a position he held until he retired on Jan. 1, 1967.

Dr. Wild's wife, the former Minnie Davis, preceded him in death by three months. She was an earlyday student at Southwestern.

Survivors, in addition to his daughter, include one son, George Posey Jr. of Crown Point, Ind.; two sisters, Mrs. Vena Hogg, Granite, and Mrs. Thelma Underwood, Mangum; three brothers, Everett of Sayre, Dean of Bethany and Edwin of east Texas; six grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

DR. GEORGE POSEY WILD
Dr. George Posey Wild, former Southwestern history professor and dean of men, died of a heart attack July 29 while visiting his daughter, Mrs. Mary Ellen Woodhouse, in Coronado, Calif.

Memorial services were held Aug. 4 in the Putnam City Baptist Church. The body was cremated in California.

Dr. Wild's first association with Southwestern came in 1915, when he entered the Normal School for two years. He had graduated in 1914 from Granite High School.

ESTELLE E. RISINGER
Funeral services for Mrs. Estelle E. Risinger were conducted on Aug. 14 in the Weatherford Church of Christ. Burial was in the Weatherford Greenwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Risinger, who graduated from Southwestern in 1948, was 72 at the time of her death on Aug. 12.

Born on Dec. 4, 1906, in Sentinel, she graduated from Sentinel High School in 1926. She taught school for 30 years—at Bessie, Victory, Harmony and Washita Heights and in Dodson, Tex.—before retiring in 1969.

Mrs. Risinger was a member of the Church of Christ, Kappa Kappa Iota, Mothers Study Club and Custer-Dewey Oklahoma and National Retired Teachers Associations.

Mrs. Risinger's husband, Hurlsh H., whom she married in 1930, is a former long-time faculty member of Southwestern. He now is in the real estate business in Weatherford.

The family has suggested that contributions may be made in Mrs. Risinger's name to the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are one daughter, Mrs. Richard (Rose) Ratcliffe, Weatherford; three sons, Joe H. of Oklahoma City, Don of Weatherford and Phil of Fort Worth, Tex.; a brother, Floyd M. Wyatt, Sentinel; four grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

HOMER A. BROWN SR.
Long-time Marlow resident Homer A. Brown Sr. died Jan. 15 in the Marlow Hospital. Funeral services were Jan. 16 in Marlow.

Born Feb. 9, 1899, at Custer City, he attended Southwestern and served as principal and coach at Thomas before moving to Arapaho as superintendent of schools.

In 1930 he moved to Marlow and opened an electric shop, which he operated until his retirement in 1965.

Brown was married to Rosa Mattie Moler in Custer City on May 16, 1920.

He was an active member of the First Christian Church in Duncan and had served as a Boy Scout leader for many years.

Surviving are the widow; two daughters, Mrs. Veda Giezentaler, Norman, and Mrs. Connie Epperson, Pasadena, Tex.; one son, Homer A. Brown Jr., Norman; 17 grandchildren, and 12 great-grandchildren.

MILTON KEEN
Services for Milton Keen, who graduated from Southwestern in 1930 at the age of 19, were held on Aug. 14 in Trinity Baptist Church in Oklahoma City. He died on Aug. 12 at the age of 68.

A grandson of William J. Weatherford, the legendary lawmaker for whom the city of Weatherford was named, Keen had been an Oklahoma City attorney since 1950. He was a former state judge and was licensed to practice before the United States Supreme Court.

Before that he served as Custer County attorney and as Clinton municipal judge.

Keen was a top debater while attending Southwestern from 1927 to 1930. He also served as editor of the school's yearbook and on the campus newspaper staff.

After receiving his degree, Keen taught school for one year in a rural Canadian County School and then was grade school principal and high school coach at Cheyenne for another year.

He passed the state bar examination in 1931 and began his law practice in 1933 in Weatherford. A year later he opened a law office in Clinton.

Keen was married in 1935 to Mabel Whitlock of Butler, also a former Southwestern student.

During World War II he served two years in the Army.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Caroline J. Ogilvie and Mrs. Annabelle Jones, both of Oklahoma City, and three grandchildren.
In Memoriam

KENNETH WARREN BEALL
Kenneth Warren Beall, 50, of Woodward died Nov. 15, 1978, at Woodward. Services were held Nov. 18 at the First Baptist Church of Dill City, and burial was in Lawnview Cemetery, Cordell.

A graduate of Burns Flat High School, Beall also graduated from Southwestern and was a former teacher and coach. He had been employed with the Visual Rehabilitation Service at Woodward the past nine years.

Beall was born Feb. 14, 1928, at Alvord, Tex. He was married to Imogene Linn Aug. 25, 1948, in Canadian, Tex.

While in college, he was a member of the Southwestern football team and O-Club. He served two years in the Army during the Korean War. Prior to moving to Woodward, he coached at schools in Canton, Clearwater, Kan., Seiling, Wakita, Waynoka and Anadarko for 17 years.

Survivors include his wife; four daughters, Connie Jackson, Guymon, Linda Drake, Waynoka, and Terrie and Debbie of the home; one son, Kenny of the home; his grandmother, Mrs. Zadie Scarberry of Cleburne, Tex.; two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Mildred Webb, Marlow, and Mrs. Patsy Sue Brown, Weatherford, and four grandchildren.

MRS. PALMA BARKER
Memorial services for Mrs. Palma Barker were held Feb. 3 at the First Baptist Church in Clinton and were followed by burial in the Rest Haven Cemetery in Ponca City. Mrs. Barker died Feb. 1 at Clinton Regional Hospital after a long illness.

A native of Beaver County, Mrs. Barker attended high school at Panhandle A&M College in Goodwell and attended college at Southwestern.

She married Jas. Z. Barker, Clinton attorney, on Nov. 23, 1924, at Perryton, Tex., and they moved to Clinton in 1936.

She was a school teacher in the Oklahoma public schools for eight years, the last two at Sayre, and continued as a substitute teacher in the Clinton system for several years.

She served as worthy matron of the Eastern Star in 1942, as president of the Concord-Kiowa Baptist Women’s Missionary Union and as secretary of the adult department of the First Baptist Church Sunday School.

A member of the First Baptist Church since the age of 12, she was an active worker in the Clinton church since moving there in 1936.

Survivors include her husband; one daughter, Mrs. V. C. Merrifield, Ponca City; four grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

MRS. JEWEL ZIMMERMAN
Mrs. Jewel Zimmerman, 68, died June 3 at Jackson County Memorial Hospital in Altus following a long illness. Services were held June 6 at the Tims Chapel of Memories, Altus, and burial was in Restlawn Cemetery at Altus.

Born July 7, 1910, at Mansfield, Tex., she moved to Prairie Hill with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Wilson, in 1921.

She attended schools at Prairie Hill and Duke and was a graduate of the School of Nursing at Clinton. She also attended Southwestern and Oklahoma Baptist University.

Mrs. Zimmerman was a veteran of World War II, having served as a Navy nurse overseas. She was a nurse at Jackson County Memorial Hospital for seven years, served at Altus Air Force Base for 11 years and was supervisor of nursing at Woodward when one of the worst tornadoes of the area struck that city in 1950.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, T. C.; three sisters, Mrs. Orene Walker, Everman, Tex., Mrs. Mattie Wilson, Duke, and Mrs. Cleo McIntosh, Alton; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Evelyn Cook, Longdale; two grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

MRS. EILENE LEONARD
Services for Mrs. Eileen Leonard were July 2 in Weatherford. Burial was in Weatherford’s Greenwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Leonard died June 27 at her Weatherford home. She was 58.

Born in Thomas in 1920, Mrs. Leonard attended Pleasant Valley School before attending Weatherford High School where she was graduated as valedictorian in 1939. She later attended Southwestern.

After she was married to Roy Leonard in 1942, she worked for the rent control office of the Civil Service Department in Clinton during World War II. She had resided in Weatherford since 1945.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Stanley of Dallas, Tex., Steve of Weatherford, and Brian of Hammon; a daughter, Janice of Dallas; two sisters, Lorene Johnson, Morrison, Colo., and Udene Fults, Eureka, Calif., and five brothers, Carl Johnson, Weatherford, Harvey Johnson, Marietta, Danny Johnson, Muskogee, Clyde Johnson, Clovis, N.M., and Roy Johnson, Duke.

DR. EDWIN R. REINSCHMIEDT
Dr. Edwin R. Reinschmidt, chief of staff of the Clinton Veterans Center since 1974, died Christmas Day 1978 in an Oklahoma City hospital where he had undergone open heart surgery. He was 70.

Services for Dr. Reinschmidt were Dec. 27 in the Custer Avenue Baptist Church of Clinton. Burial was in the Hatchett Cemetery.

A native of Clinton, Dr. Reinschmidt was graduated from Clinton High School in 1948, before attending Southwestern, where he completed a bachelor’s degree in 1951. He then attended the University of Oklahoma Medical School where he was graduated in 1955.

After his internship at the Wesley Medical Center in Wichita, Kan., he entered the Navy and served aboard the aircraft carrier Cape Esperance for two years. When he left the Navy, he took an extensive around-the-world trip before moving to Flippen, Ark., where he resided until taking the post at the Clinton Veterans Center.

Survivors include a daughter, Kathy of Duncan; three sons, Tommy, David and Billy, all of Clinton; four sisters, Mrs. Rosie Gerner, Bessie, Mrs. Hulda Critser, Bellflower, Calif., and Mrs. Ella Moser and Mrs. Maggie Lenaburg, Clinton; three brothers, Edgar of Anaheim, Calif., and Leon and Menno, Clinton.

MRS. MURRELL B. SALTER
Services for Mrs. Murrell Bixler Salter, former Hydro area resident, were Oct. 3 in the First Baptist Church of Hydro. Burial was in the Hydro Masonic Cemetery.

Mrs. Salter died Sept. 27 in Midwest City. She was 82.

Born in Caton, Ill., she was about 5 when her family moved to a site north of Hydro in 1902. She attended Riverview country school and was graduated from Hydro High School before receiving degrees from Southwestern and the University of Oklahoma.

She was married to William Salter in June 1935 in Norman, and the couple moved to Washington in 1936. They returned to Hydro in 1966 and a year later moved to Del City where he died in 1970.

Mrs. Salter was a member of the Del City First Southern Baptist Church. She also was a member of the Order of Eastern Star and American Legion Auxiliary and was a charter member of the Northside Club of Hydro.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Leona Fullingim, Olympia, Wash., and three brothers, Claude, Bixler, Hydro, Charles Bixler, Napa, Calif., and James Bixler, Magnolia, Calif.

LEA CLONTS
Lea Clonts, a 1935 graduate of Southwestern, died Dec. 3 in Phoenix, Ariz. He was 67. Services were Dec. 5 in Phoenix.

A native of Eldorado, Clonts had lived in Arizona for more than 40 years. He was an electrical contractor.

Survivors include his widow, Aileen; two sons, Tom and Howard; two daughters, Judy Stiles and Carolyn Schuler, and five grandchildren.

MRS. LORENE ANN NEWMAN
Funeral services for Mrs. Lorene Ann Newman were held Jan. 19 at Glen Abbey Memorial Park Little Chapel of the Roses in Bonita, Calif. Entombment was in Glen Abbey Mausoleum.

A native of Hinton, Mrs. Newman was a graduate of Southwestern. She taught school for 43 years in El Reno, Rush Springs, Sapulpa, Tulsa and Cardiff, Calif.

She had retired two years ago and moved to Bonita, a suburb of San Diego.

Mrs. Newman was an active member of the United Methodist Church and Sunday School in Chula Vista, Calif.

Surviving are her husband; one daughter, Betty Lu Harrison, and a son, Bill, Chula Vista; two sisters, Mrs. Lucille Freeman and Mrs. Nadine Kaiser, both of Weatherford, and seven grandchildren.
Lee Owen Widney

Services for Lee Owen Widney were held at the First United Methodist Church in Watonga Feb. 1 following his death Jan. 30 at age 76.

Born at Fay Aug. 19, 1902, Widney attended Southwestern Normal School and he received his Teacher's Certificate. He was a member of the college basketball team.


Widney married Ruth Gammon May 7, 1975. He was instrumental in bringing REA to Fay and served on the board of directors of Cimarron Electric Cooperative for almost 40 years. He also helped form the Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, which he served as a director for many years.

Widney moved to Watonga in 1970. He was a 32nd Degree Mason and received a 50-year pin in 1975. He was also active in the Order of the Eastern Star and was the recipient of a 25-year pin.


MRS. JEANIE GRIFFITH

Mrs. Jeanie Griffith, 29, died at her Clinton home the morning of June 19. Funeral services were June 21 at the First United Methodist Church in Arapaho. Burial was in the Cheyenne Cemetery.

Mrs. Griffith lived in Clinton eight years after moving from Cheyenne, where she grew up and attended school. She was salutatorian of her graduating class and a member of the Cheyenne United Methodist Church. She graduated from Southwestern in 1978.

Survivors are one son, Shaughn, of the home; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Moler, Arapaho, and one sister, Judy Pauline Dunlap, Mustang.

James W. Kinder

Services for James W. (Jim) Kinder, 51, were April 16 in the Fletcher Christian Church. Burial was in Cement Cemetery.

Kinder died April 14 in a Lawton hospital following a lengthy illness.

Born in Cushing Dec. 1, 1927, Kinder lived in Cordell until graduation from high school.

He served in the Army from 1946 to 1948, then attended the Southwestern School of Pharmacy, where he graduated in 1951. He worked as a pharmacist in Hereford, Tex., until he moved to Fletcher in 1971 and operated Kinder Drug. Early this year he retired due to ill health.

He was a member of the Fletcher Christian Church, Lions Club, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Oklahoma Pharmaceutical Association.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Betty Nowlin, Fort Cobb, and Mrs. Wanda Shultz, El Centro, Calif., and a brother, Don of Cement.

Mrs. Betty Mitchell

Funeral services were held April 23 at Reedly, Calif., for Mrs. Charles (Betty) Mitchell.

Mrs. Mitchell, who died at Reedly April 19, was a graduate of Southwestern and had taught in the Reedly schools for the past 12 years.

She is survived by her husband; two sons, Joe of San Francisco and Tony of Washington, D.C.; one daughter, Mary Pearl, Reedly; four sisters and a brother in Oklahoma, and two grandchildren at Sentinel.

Lloyd Murdock

Funeral services for Lloyd Murdock, retired agriculture instructor in the Hammon public schools and a director of the Bank of Western Oklahoma in Elk City, were Feb. 14 in the First Baptist Church of Hammon. Burial was in the Red Hill Cemetery at Hammon.

Murdock died Feb. 11 in Sayre. He was 70.

Born in Dardenelle, Ark., Murdock moved to Hollis with his family in 1911 and to Hammon in 1922.

After receiving a teaching certificate from Southwestern, Murdock taught in the Kiowa community before attending Oklahoma State University. He later moved to Texas where he was a teacher. While in Texas, he attended Texas A&I University at Kingsville, where he received a master's degree.

In 1943 he returned to Hammon as a vocational agriculture instructor and he served in that capacity until he retired in 1975.

Murdock was married to the former Nora Lee Linville in Enid in 1937. He was a long-time member of the Hammon First Baptist Church. He was a deacon and also served as a Sunday School director and teacher.

He was a Mason and a member of the Association of Retired Teachers and Hammon Lions Club. He also served on the boards of the Roger Mills County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee, OSU Alumni Association and the Bank of Western Oklahoma.

Survivors include his widow; a daughter, Linville Murdock, who is a physical education instructor at Southwestern; two sons, Lloyd Jr. of Princeton, Ky., and John of Hereford, Tex.; a sister, Mrs. Estelene Laramore, Canute, and two brothers, Carrell of Devine, Tex., and Otis of Achille.

James Richard Burke

Services for James Richard Burke, who died Dec. 22 in Orangeburg, S.C., were Dec. 26 at the Pentecostal Holiness Church of Hinton. Burial was in Cordell's Van Dyke Cemetery. Burke was 23.

Born in Oklahoma City in 1955, Burke moved to Hinton in 1961 to live with an aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Megli. He was graduated from Hinton High School in 1973 and attended Southwestern before moving in 1976 to Orangeburg, where he was employed by a ball bearing manufacturer.

Survivors include his mother, Ruth Burke, Norman; his father, Robert Burke, Oklahoma City, and two brothers, Robert of Oklahoma City and David of El Reno.

Pearson A. Wright

Pearson A. Wright, a teacher and principal in Kiowa County for 42 years, died June 28. He was
JOHN ALLEN KILLOUGH

John Allen Killough, retired Soil Conservation Service administrator, died Jan. 23 in Stillwater. He was 87.

Services were Jan. 26 in the Stillwater First United Methodist Church. Burial was in Stillwater's Fairlawn Cemetery.

Born in Aurora, Tex., Killough first attended Southwestern in 1910. He alternated years attending school and teaching in rural schools to finance his education. He left Southwestern in 1915.

In 1917 he entered the U.S. Army and served in France with the Sixth Division. After he was discharged from the Army, Killough moved to Thomas, where he taught in the high school. He later completed degrees at the University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State University.

He was married to Louise Bentley in August of 1913 at Stillwater. Two years later, he began his career in agriculture as a county agent in Stephens County. In 1936, he transferred to the SCS as manager of a research and demonstration project in Duncan before moving on to administrative work at Claremore and Sallisaw until his retirement in 1956.

Killough and his wife had been living in Stillwater since his retirement.

He was a Mason and a member of the American Legion, Order of Eastern Star and National Association of Retired Federal Employees.

In addition to his widow, Killough is survived by two sons, John Allen Jr. of Washington, Ill., and William Arthur of Muleshoe, Tex.; three daughters, Mrs. C. E. Cunningham, Brighton, Colo., Mrs. Joe W. Bowers, Grove, and Mrs. C. A. Bullock, Granite City, Ill., and two sisters, Mrs. Fulton Robinson, Winter Park, Fla., and Mrs. J. J. Mandell, Temple City, Calif.

JAMES FURMAN BARNES

Memorial services for James Furman Barnes, 4208 N.W. 31st Terrace, Oklahoma City, were held March 1. He died Feb. 27 after suffering an acute myocardial infarction last November.

Interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery, Oklahoma City.

Barnes was born May 3, 1924, in Shawnee and moved to Oklahoma City in August 1950. He attended Oklahoma University and was a graduate of the Southwestern School of Pharmacy. At the time of his death he was employed by Eckerd Drug Co., Oklahoma City.

Barnes was an active member of the Oklahoma County and Oklahoma State Pharmaceutical Associations, American and Oklahoma Public Health Associations, Oklahoma University Pharmacy Alumni and Southwestern Pharmacy Alumni Associations.

At the Oklahoma State Pharmaceutical Convention in June 1978 he received his 25-year Pharmacy Pin.

He was a life member of the Beta Tau Beta Fraternity and an active member in the Olivet Baptist Church. He was the recipient of the Purple Heart while serving on Iwo Jima with the Third Marine Division during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Arazell R. of the home; one brother, C. Fred of Oklahoma City, and his mother, Mrs. J. F. Barnes, Shawnee.

Memorials may be made to the James F. Barnes Memorial Fund at the Olivet Baptist Church or the Oklahoma County Pharmaceutical Association.

HERSCHEL EVANS

Funeral services for Herschel Evans, 58, were held Jan. 5 in the Ridgeview Methodist Church in Kansas City, Mo. Burial was in the Floral Hills Cemetery, Kansas City.

Evans, a former resident of Weatherford and a brother of retired Southwestern business instructor Hazel C. Evans of Clinton, died Jan. 2 in the Kansas City Research Medical Center.

Born Jan. 11, 1920, in Weatherford, he graduated from Weatherford High School; attended Southwestern State, where he was a member of the Marching Band for two years, and received an engineering degree from Oklahoma State University. He had lived in Kansas City since 1969.

Evans was married to the former Ruth Austin of Weatherford.

Surviving, in addition to Miss Evans, are his widow; three daughters, Mrs. Hersha Wardell, Blacksburg, Va., Mrs. Nancy Warren, Kansas City, Kan., and Mrs. Sheldon Jones, Tulsa; one other sister, Mrs. Gladys Fullbright, Portland, Ore., and a grandson.

JOE D. REYNOLDS

Funeral services for Joe DeKalb Reynolds, long-time Oklahoma school teacher, coach and administrator, were held June 2 in the Weatherford Church of Christ. Burial was in Gotebo Cemetery.

Reynolds died May 31 in Southwestern Memorial Hospital, Weatherford, at the age of 75.

Born in Alfalfa on April 25, 1904, he graduated from Weatherford High School. He was an outstanding athlete both in high school and at Southwestern, where he received a bachelor's degree in 1929. He won All-Conference football honors and held the state pole vault record several years.

He was awarded a master's degree in 1941 from Western State College in Gunnison, Colo.

Reynolds, who began his teaching career at Victory two years before graduating from Southwestern, served as teacher, coach or administrator at numerous state schools, including Gotebo, Granite, McLeod, Oklahoma City, Bethany, Rocky, Cloud Chief and Lake Valley.

In addition, he taught extension classes for Southwestern in 1939 and in 1934-35 was director of physical fitness at Douglas Aircraft, now Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City.

Reynolds was the first director of the Southwestern State University Upward Bound Program; a position he held from 1966 until his retirement in 1969.

He had extensive farming and ranching interests.

A lifetime member of the Church of Christ, he also was a member of the Gotebo Chamber of Commerce, Masonic Lodge and Lions Club and the Weatherford Kiwanis Club. He had recently been awarded a 30-year Masonic pin.

Surviving are his widow, the former Pauline Bills, whom he married in Gotebo on Sept. 28, 1930; two sons, Dr. Joe Bills Reynolds, Oklahoma City, and Randall Branson Reynolds, Boulder, Colo.; two sisters, Mrs. Grettle Schiller, Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Eva Hetherington, San Jose, Calif.; two half-brothers, Myrt Reynolds, Carnegie, and Al Wedel, Shafter, Colo., and five grandchildren.

MRS. GLADYS C. BURGESON

Mrs. Gladys Clements Burgeson, 75, died Jan. 15 in Ponca City, where she had been a resident since the late 1940's. Services were held Jan. 18 in the Hammon First United Methodist Church, and burial was in the Butler Cemetery.

The former Gladys Fancher, Mrs. Burgeson was born near Butler and attended Southwestern. She was married in 1925 to Jewell Clements, who died in 1962. In 1964, she married Carl Burgeson, who died in 1967.

She was a member of the Assembly Methodist Church, Ponca City.

Survivors include six sisters, Mrs. Edna McKee, Huntington, W.Va., Mrs. Mae Young, Bethany, Mrs. Lorena Golden, Butler, and Mrs. Lela Skaggs, Mrs. Ruby Madderra and Mrs. Lucille Fox, all of Ponca City.

FOREST D. HALL

Services for Forrest D. Hall, 49, were held Dec. 9 in the Fort Cobb First Baptist Church, and burial was in Fort Cobb Cemetery. He was a former student at Southwestern.

A native of Fort Cobb, Hall served as civil defense director and owned and operated a CB radio business. He was a law enforcement officer for several years.

Hall was a member of the American Legion, Sheriff and Peace Officers of Oklahoma and the First Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Betty; one son, Darrell of the home; a sister, Mrs. Gladys Stevens, Arleta, Calif.; one brother, Oscar of Fort Cobb, and his mother, Mrs. Ollie Hall, Fort Cobb.
RANKIN WILLIAMS

Rankin Williams...recognized and honored as one of the state’s and the nation’s great coaches...died in his sleep at his home in Weatherford on July 26.

Funeral services for the 83-year-old retired Southwestern coach and athletic director were held July 30 in the Weatherford First United Methodist Church, with interment in Greenwood Cemetery, Weatherford.

Officiating at the last rites was Rev. Keith Wiginton, a pastor of the Altus First Baptist Church and a member of Williams’ championship basketball and baseball teams of the 1950’s.

In retirement since 1954, Williams had continued to lead an active life, frequently taking fishing trips to the Texas Gulf Coast and visiting his sons and other relatives in California.

Always, he was accompanied by his wife Mary.

More than that of any other person ever, Rankin Williams’ life was interwoven with the story of Southwestern...from the day in 1911 he enrolled in the Normal School to his death. Retirement did not end his trips to the campus; he often visited friends at the university, and until recent years spent much time in the Library Southwestern Room researching information requested of him about former athletes.

The room contains many photographs from Williams’ collection, and the family has donated numerous old yearbooks, athletic scorebooks and other Southwestern publications to the university.

In addition, the late coach’s plaques and other awards have been given to the school, and plans are being made for a permanent display for these in the Rankin Williams Health and Physical Education Building.

An outstanding athlete in his own right, Williams was among the state’s best competitors in baseball, basketball and track. In one 1922 game alone, he scored 30 field goals and three free throws for 63 points.

In that same basketball season his point total was 14 more than the combined scoring of all Bulldog opponents. In 1920 and again in 1922 he was high-point man in the state collegiate track meet, and for several years he held the Oklahoma college record in the high and low hurdles.

But his ability as an athlete was often forgotten as his coaching fame grew.

The opportunity to coach was first thrust upon Williams’ shoulder...
ALLEN L. JONES

Allen L. Jones, 30, died Oct. 14, 1976, after several recurring bouts with cancer.

Born on Feb. 28, 1948, in Chickasha, Jones attended school in both Duncan and Weatherford. After graduating from Weatherford High School in 1966, he entered Southwestern where he met his future wife, Sharon Johnson of Cor.

They were married Dec. 28, 1967, in the Corn Mennonite Brethren Church. He graduated from Southwestern in 1970 and accepted employment with Sears as a management trainee. After a period of training in Tulsa, he was transferred to Oklahoma Neb., and began work as a division manager. Later he was promoted to the position of merchandise manager at another store in the Omaha area.

Jones transferred to Lincoln, Neb., in 1976 to work as a merchandise manager for Sears.

He was active in the Southern Hills United Presbyterian Church at Lincoln.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Hillary and Elizabeth of the home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Jones, Woodward; a sister, Mrs. Jean Canker, Hugo; of the home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Perry, Oklahoma City; two great-grandchildren; one brother, Clyde Stone, Sayre; five sisters, Mrs. Pauline Carney, Dill City, Mrs. Claude Calloway, Duncan, Mrs. Eddie Davis, Dumas, Tex., Mrs. Cliff Provost, El Cajon, Calif., and Mrs. Jim Scrivner, Elk City.

She was preceded in death by her husband and twin infant sons.

H. W. [IKE] PEACE

Herman Wilburn [Ike] Peace, four-year football letterman at Southwestern in the 1920's, died Aug. 23 in Elk City Community Hospital of complications from a heart attack. He was 77.

Funeral services were held Aug. 24 in the Elk City First Christian Church. Burial was in Fairlawn Cemetery, Elk City.

Born on March 19, 1902, at Boyse, Tex., Peace moved with his parents to Altus before Oklahoma became a state. He was a graduate of Altus High School, where he was an outstand­ing athlete.

He enlisted in 1927 after 44 years as a coach, teacher and school administrator at Henan, Custer City, Hobart, Brick, Davenport, Arnett, Hollis, Elk City and Brownfield, Tex.

Peace's Brownfield golf team was a state champion in 1947. He had been a resident of Elk City since 1957.

During World War II he served 3½ years in the Navy as a chief petty officer and as a physical therapist. He was named to the Jackson County Athletic Hall of Fame in 1976 for his football achievements.

Survivors are his widow, Ber­nice, whom he married on Nov. 1, 1930; one son, H. W. of Casper, Wyo.; a sister, Opal Johnson, Elk City; a brother, Oren Wither­spoon, Cadillac, Mich., and two grandchildren.

MRS. HERMA ANN W. BROWN

Services for Mrs. Herma Ann White Brown were Aug. 14 in Tucson, Ariz. Burial was in Tu­son's South Lawn Memorial Park.

Born in 1895 in Nebraska, she moved with her family to an Okla­homa homestead three miles west of Putnam in 1898. She attended elementary grades in a one-room rural school and after the eighth grade passed an examination for a teaching certificate.

She taught in a one-room school in Dewey County for several years while finishing her high school diploma by correspondence and attending summer school at Southwestern Nor­mal.

Mrs. Brown taught in Butler for eight years before joining the teaching staff in Clinton where she taught for 12 years. In 1936 she received a bachelor's degree from Southwestern which she also earned by taking correspondence courses and attending summer school and night classes.

She moved to Arizona in 1942 and taught in the Flowing Wells School in Tucson for 17 years before retiring in 1960. Mrs. Brown was active in the Catalina Methodist Church of Tuscon and was a member of retired teacher and senior citizen organizations.

In 1916 she was married to Arthur White. He died in 1948. She was married again in 1953 to Logla Brown who died in 1957.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Wilma S. Stoval, Galda, Colo.; a sister, Mrs. Myrtle Stans­ton, Patons; three grand­children, and one great grand­child.

ABBBIE HUCKABAY

Abbie Huckabay, former South­western Normal student, and her husband, Lloyd, were killed in an auto accident near Binger Jan. 27. Services were held Feb. 2 in the Oakdale Baptist Church of Eakly.

Mrs. Huckabay, 71, was born May 5, 1907, in Lookaba. She at­tended the Prairie Dale School and graduated from Sickles and attended Southwestern Normal School.

Lloyd Huckabay, also 71, was born in Cloud Chief. He grew up in the Lookeba-Sickles area and attended Lookeba schools.

The couple was married in Ana­arko Dec. 24, 1928. They later lived in Sickles and then in Colo­rado and California. They resided in Eakly for the past 34 years.

Survivors include two sons, Don of Weatherford and Herschel of Hydro; two daughters, Mrs.

Isbel Sears, of Lookeba, and Mrs. Donnie Lawless, Hydro; a sister, Mrs. Basil Gear, Valleyjo, Calif.; 11 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

RONALD L. BRADFORD

Ronald L. Bradford, 43, died Feb. 16 at his home in Clinton. Private graveside rites were held in the Hydro Cemetery.

Bradford was born at Clinton. He was in the Army 21 years and served in both Korea and Viet­nam before retiring in 1975. The next year he enrolled at South­western and attended classes through 1977.

Survivors include his wife, Mai; his mother, Mrs. Aba Jewell Bradford, Weleetka; two sons, Ronald Lee Jr. of Cordell and Donald Ray of Fort Smith, Ark.; three daughters, Mrs. Ralph Grinstead, Fayetteville, Ark., Mrs. Becky Mandrou, Florida, and Donna Kaye Bradford, Fort Smith, Ark.; two sisters, Mrs. Elwin Keil, Clinton, and Mrs. Betty Soberg, Duluth, Minn., and two grandchildren.

RAYMOND E. FORBES

Funeral services for Raymond E. Forbes, long-time Oklahoma newspaper publisher, were held on Jan. 15 in the First United Methodist Church of Hobart. Burial was in the Greenwood Cemetery at Weatherford.

Forbes, who died on Jan. 12 at Gotebo, had been publisher-editor of the Gotebo Record-Times since 1956 and before that had owned and published weekly newspapers in Terral, Mt. Park, Mt. View, Davidson, Roosevelt, Rocky and Hobart.

He was a member of the 50­Year Club of the Oklahoma Press Association.

Born at Corn on May 28, 1896, Forbes moved with his family to Weatherford in 1909. He worked part-time as a printer and in 1916 attended Southwestern Normal School, where he played football and was a member of both the band and orchestra.

It was at Jefferson that he met Edith Walker, who became his bride on Aug. 12, 1923. Mrs. Forbes continues to publish the Gotebo Record-Times.

He was a member of the United Methodist Church, Order of the Eastern Star and Kiwanis Club; served as the first president of the Gotebo Lions Club, and held a 50­year Masonic pin.

Surviving, in addition to his widow, are one brother, Charles E. Forbes, Long Beach, Calif., and a sister, Mrs. Glenn V. Carmichael, Weatherford.
By L. R. DENNIS
Publisher, The Hinton Record

On Tuesday, May 15, 1979, a long dedicated period of service to the children of this area came to an end when Mrs. Charles (Wilma) Tarrant served her last full day as third grade teacher in the Hinton schools.

Mrs. Tarrant, as she has been known to her students for 37 years, has announced her retirement.

"I would love to go on teaching, but my husband and I would like to travel and do some things while we still have our health," she said.

Chosen Hinton Teacher of the Year, Mrs. Tarrant, as candidate for Caddo County Teacher of the Year, made the following statement:

"I love children and love to work with them. When I see a child's eyes light up when he or she has accomplished a goal, I feel I have achieved my purpose. So my motto throughout my career has been 'Light Up a Light.'"

Her whole career has been spent teaching in the Hinton school system—quite an accomplishment in these nomadic days. She obtained her bachelor of science degree in 1934 and her master of teaching degree in 1964, both at Southwestern State University, Weatherford.

Throughout the years she attended many workshops in the areas of science, math and art and during the past year attended all county, district and state teachers meetings.

Mrs. Tarrant has also been a member of the Oklahoma and National Education Associations for as long as she has taught or they have existed.

Not limiting her involvement with the children in the classroom, Mrs. Tarrant also was active in other things—such as past chairman of the decorating committee for the Spring Festival, Open House chairman for National Education Week, keeping gates at ball games and in general just being available to do what was needed to be done so that the children would have every opportunity to learn how to fit into our society.

Also a member of the Hinton community in the truest sense of the word, Mrs. Tarrant has worked every year in some capacity for the Norman Smith Memorial Library Harvest Festival, as a member of the Eastern Star, the American Legion Auxiliary and the First United Methodist Church.

And she has served each one in various offices, committees and functions.

Lacy Promoted By Conoco at Houston

Lloyd Lacy ('69) has been promoted to assistant manager of Continental Oil Co.'s office and services department. Formerly supervisor in the department, he will continue to make his headquarters in Houston.

A native of East St. Louis, Ill., Lacy joined Conoco's purchasing department at Ponca City as a trainee in 1969 and was promoted to administrative analyst in 1971.

Moving to Oklahoma City as district sales representative in training in the marketing department in 1971, he became supervisor, office and services at Houston in 1975.
Echoes from The Hill

Echoes Bounced
Dear Millie:
I guess it’s time to get a change of address to you, since my last Echoes bounced around in the forwarding maze until a week after Homecoming.

Enclosed is a check for $4 for dues for both of us. Seems like I might still be behind. If so, let me know.

We’re both doing fine and enjoy Echoes. We pore over its pages looking for information about our classmates on the “Hill.” All too often any more, the information is in the “In Memoriam” section, but none of us get any younger, do we?

Best of everything to you and to Southwestern. It’s beginning to be difficult to tell whether the school or Millie is the landmark, but we love you both.

Sincerely yours,
T. W. McCown (BA, ’46)
Etta Maude (Hartronft) McCown (BA, ’46)
6712 Evergreen Canyon Rd.
Oklahoma City, Okla. 73132

Fine Newsletter
Dear Millie:
Enclosed is a check for my subscription to Echoes.

I truly enjoy the fine newsletter and appreciate the excellent job you are doing. The newsletter is by far the best source of information for keeping up with my many good friends who have attended Southwestern.

After spending 42 years in school business, my wife and I retired to a small ranch at the edge of Nordheim which we purchased. My wife passed away shortly after retiring. She was formerly Fairy Jewel McCain.

I keep busy caring for a small herd of cattle and my saddle horse. I also do some experimenting with both native and imported grasses. I did find time to serve a couple of terms as mayor of Nordheim and a couple of terms on the DeWitt County Soil and Water Conservation Board.

Here is hoping you and the entire staff of Echoes a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful 1979.

Sincerely yours,
James (Chet) Alvis
Fairyland Acres
P.O. Box 158
Nordheim, Tex. 76561

Traveling Lots
Dear Millie:
How nice it was to get the Echoes again—and, since I’ve missed a few payments over the years, enclosed is $20 for the issue of Echoes, and I enjoy catching up on all my friends and discovering that some of my new friends have come from SWSU.

My husband and I now own The Dixie Store in Erick, Okla., where we have lived for the past two years. My husband retired from the Air Force after 23 years and spending four years in the Pentagon as a colonel. While in Washington, D.C., I sold real estate and became a member of the Million Dollar Society.

Please change my mailing address to PO Box 1187 Erick, Okla. 73645.

Anniversary
Dear Sir:
Hello! On the eve of the first year’s anniversary of my graduation from your fine institution, I am compelled to write to you and thank you for some of the best years of my life.

However, I do have an ulterior motive in writing...and that motive is to ask you for a special Christmas present this year, that I am sure you really meant to give me last year: My diploma!

I am sure that it was simply my motive in writing...and that motiv is to ask you for a special Christmas present this year, that I am sure you really meant to give me last year: My diploma!

I am sure that it was simply omitted in the rush of December graduation proceedings, because I did receive from you notification (at that time) that all my fees were paid and everything was in order for my graduation in absentia.

As you know, I majored in English education at SWOSU, but am working at this radio station (KSLV). I tried teaching here in Monte Vista’s school system. The job I have is very satisfying for me, as I do have a big journalism background and do quite a bit of news and copywriting.

Sure do miss all my friends and associates at Southwestern. The time I spent there was truly some of the most enjoyable and rewarding in my life...

Best regards,
Cathy Ward
P.O. Box 850
Monte Vista, Colo. 81144

Wants Echoes
Dear Millie:
I don’t know how much alumni dues are now. Enclosed is check for $3. Don’t bother to send The Hill. It has no interest any more, but I certainly want Echoes.

The Mrs. and I are still active and of fairly sound mind, and grateful...

Garland Dickerson
3614 S.E. 30th
Amarillo, Tex. 79103

38 Grad
Dear Sirs:
I am a graduate in the year of 1938.

Enclosed is a check for $5 for which send me Echoes from The Hill.

My husband Reginald and I now live in Spanish Cove Teachers Retirement Home in Yukon.

Sincerely,
Winnie Carnahan Estes
1300 Redbud, Apt. 103
Yukon, Okla. 73099

From the ’50’s
Dear Millie:
We continue to enjoy Echoes from The Hill. Enclosed are two years’ dues for us and two years’ dues for Norma Williams, 2721 Hollywood Dr., Pueblo, Colo. 81005.

I have intended to get this in for sometime, and now due to being snowbound for about three days I have a little extra time.

Don and I would love to hear from any of the group we went through school with in the fifties. Sandra (Welch) and Don Sutters 3518 Brookfield Pueblo, Colo. 81005.

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Address __________________________
City _____________________________State ________ Zip ________
Year(s) Graduated From/Attended SWSU ________Degree ________

Mail to: Mrs. Millie Thomas, Treasurer Southwestern Alumni Association 724 N. Illinois
Weatherford, Okla. 73096
Echoes from The Hill

Icy Breath
Dear Millie:

Since Old Man Winter is blowing his icy breath in a furious manner this morning, I’m reminded of some earlier mornings when I battled my way to classes on the Hilltop. I’m also reminded that I haven’t paid my alumni dues. I’m enclosing a check for past, present, maybe future dues. (I’m not sure when I last paid.)

I do enjoy Echoes from The Hill, and I’m looking forward to receiving the next issue.

To hear from former teachers and classmates (sort of keeping in touch) rejuvenates mind and body. I especially enjoyed the letter from Bertha Casada Stanley. As my roommate (40 or so years ago), Bertha kept me amused and happy with her choice bits of wit and humor, and the many delightful surprises she presented.

I’m always happy to have some word from (or regarding) Miss Shoemaker, who was my favorite teacher at Southwestern. I enjoyed the letter from Margie Cooke Porteus and her reference to Miss Shoemaker. (Hi, Margie! Remember me?) I was in journalism class along with Tommy Summers and Marjorie--I don’t recall her last name--when you were typing for Elsie Irene.) Congratulations on your invitation to lecture during the workshop at the University of Wisconsin.

I liked the comments of Inez Smith regarding “old” teachers not ever being retired. (Inez and I were classmates in a rural one-room school-- Lone Star in Caddo County.)

I seem to be busier, if that’s possible, than when I was teaching. I’m involved in volunteer work in convalescent homes and Children’s Hospital, serve as treasurer and altruistic chairman of Tau Chapter Alpha Delta Kappa, and I’m taking oil painting at South Oklahoma City Community College. My two grand-children keep me busy much of the time—transporting them to drama classes at Oklahoma City University or to swimming and bowling classes.

My reminiscences must be a bit boring, so may I wish you a very good year in 1979.

Sincerely,

Evie Gibbs Duncan
1325 S.W. 71st Circle
Oklahoma City, Okla. 73159

P.S. Do you have Elgin Hardin Megli’s new address? She has moved from Wichita, Kan., to 1325* Laurel, Lakeside, Calif. 92040.

Another Year
Dear Millie:

Another year has passed, I trust you are well. I received the latest issue of Echoes and as usual enjoyed it; however, I was saddened to see some of my old friends had passed on.

I went to visit Elsie Shoemaker last week. She didn’t remember me, but we visited about some of the people she did remember, such as Karl Kitt, George Hanks, Jack Gott, et. al.

We stopped in Mesa, Ariz., last January on our way to California to see Karl and Katy Kitt. Spent three days with them. We really got caught up on our gossip.

I visited Hack WITHERSPOON here in Tulsa a few weeks ago.

I heard from Diz and Sybil Clark in Bowling Green, Ky. Diz had had a slight stroke but was recovering nicely.

You may not remember, but I retired 1-1-77 from Amoco Production Co. after 36½ years of service. I keep busy now with a part-time job selling office supplies, office furniture and printing. I work about four hours a day and then head for the golf course six days a week. I am really enjoying it.

Tell all my friends hello and that I sure would like to hear from them.

Sincerely yours,

Bob Martin
4848 S. 67th E. Ave.
Tulsa, Okla. 74145

Poetry Published

Echoes:

I graduated from Moorhead State University in 1965 with BA and BS degrees, and in 1969 I received a master of arts in English from the same university. I have been accepted into graduate school to work for the PhD in English at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks, where I am presently taking a course in Creative Expression.

I have three chapbooks of my own poetry written and published by me, and am now trying to write short stories.

Dr. Gladys Carmen Bellamy was my advisor and friend, and I owe a great deal to her for the time she spent with me at Southwestern. I have applied for a writing course at Bread Loaf School of English in Vermont for a six-week stint this summer...

Since leaving Weatherford, I have graduated, have taught in Wauban, Minn., on the Indian reservation for three years; taught at Moorhead while working on the master’s degree, and am currently teaching senior high English in Ulen, Minn., where I have been for the last seven years...

I remember writing a paper for Mrs. Della WHISENHEIM on Robert Frost when I was attending Southwestern. Just think: Now I may be going to a school where he was visiting lecturer for 42 years. His farm is a national historic site adjoining the Bread Loaf campus. It surely is a small world, isn’t it?

Sincerely yours,

Alice Taylor Hanson
212 2nd St. N.W.
Ulen, Minn. 56585

Echoes Brings Joy

Dear Millie:

How can we thank you and those who help to get Echoes from The Hill to so many of us? Words fail to adequately express our joy when we get our copy. They are priceless! I have them filed in order and read them over and over.

Before we left Oklahoma on May 31, 1978, and moved to Greenville, Sue DARNELL spent a week with us. We read every one, I think. If she isn’t getting Echoes from The Hill, please send it to her as a gift from us or extend her subscription. Enclosed check for $10 should pay for Sue Darnell (Mrs. G. W. Darnell), Box 186, Cedaredge, Colo. 81413.

Neither Sue nor we wish The Southwestern because we know no one there presently attending SSU...

Harlan and I are so glad we live here. We’ve had our first ice today, Dec. 8. Harlan has his 415 acres and I’m doing substitute teaching. There are seven elementary schools here. We are 48 miles from Dallas.

After Bertha Casada Stanley’s picture and writeup appeared in the last issue of Echoes, we’ve written her and renewed our “old-time religion.” Hope we can visit her sometime soon.

So glad we have you to keep Weatherford “holding together.”

Sincerely,

Mrs. Carl Nikkei
1026 Canterbury
Enid, Okla. 73701

Look Other Way

Dear Millie:

I have thought of you frequently; however, inertia has developed.

Pauline and I are in our second year of retirement and love it. The school bus goes by our home each day, and I quickly look the other way.

The “state welfare checks,” “food stamps” and “rent subsidy” keep us going.

My mother, Mrs. Forrest Madox, is in California and doing nicely. She will be 90 in March (1979). I usually communicate with my sister, Mrs. Carl Nikkel, in Europe, as she and Carl are most international. My brother, Tom, is still in the “trenches.” He is an administrator in California.

Much love,

Dan Little
Box 1145
Gainesville, Tex. 76240

September 1979

We love you, admire you and cherish every picture of you in The Weatherford News and what you do for so many. God bless you and keep you.

Happy holidays.

Harlan and Lois Coffman
5703 Trinity
Greenville, Tex. 75401

Final Tuition

Business Office:

Enclosed you will find our final tuition payment. We have been making tuition payments to your college since 1971.

We have had two daughters graduate from your college, and Kathy will graduate next spring (1979).

Melody Troop graduated in 1975. She is married to Jim McDermitt, a lawyer in Waxo, Tex., and she is director of the aged for the City of Texas. She promotes programs for the elderly.

Sally Troop is a graduate of 1976. She was listed in Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. She is married to Capt. John R. Hayes Jr., and they are stationed at Ramstein Air Force Base in Germany. They have two more years over there. She has a Civil Service job on the base with a rating of G-5.

We are very proud of Southwestern and want to thank everyone for being so good to our girls. We will miss having someone in your college.

Sincerely,

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Troop
1026 Canterbury
Enid, Okla. 73701
Echoes from The Hill

Memories

Dear Millie:

I just received my Echoes, and it brought back so many memories. Please accept my alumni dues so I'll keep receiving it. I am always on the go with the Air Force and occasionally run into an old Bulldog.

I recently walked into the Officers Club at Sheppard AFB, Wichita Falls, Tex., to have breakfast and there sat Pete Landrum (Bulldog football center in 1941) and Ed Threadgill, Student Council president in 1949. They had been assigned a project to work with a Col. Williams from California to put in a new squadron, and when old Bob turned out to be the "Col. Williams" we really had a happy meeting. I also had a happy reunion with Dick Moore recently at Travis AFB, Calif.

I am the chief of staff for logistics at Headquarters Fourth Air Force, McClellan AFB, Sacramento, Calif., and am still excited about the Air Force. I travel too much but enjoy it. I recently returned from a long trip to Guam; Clark Field (Philippines); Okinawa; and occasionally run into an old boy from Weatherford, Moore recently at Travis AFB, Tex., to have breakfast and there sat Pete Landrum (Bulldog football center in 1941) and Ed Threadgill, Student Council president in 1949.

We went to Mexico City,Hon­

ica; Oki­

a; China; Osan, Korea; Yokata, Japan, and Hickam, Hawai­

My job takes me into all parts of the world, which is exciting for an old boy from Weatherford. Last spring I was the Air Force representative on a diplomatic/working trip to Central America. We went to Mexico City, Honduras, Guatemala, Costa Rica, Grand Cayman and Jamaica.

I was trying to give a speech in Spanish at the University of Costa Rica and finally the professor asked me to speak English as they understood it better than I spoke Spanish. Now I know why I got a C in Spanish.

I was so pleased when they named the field house for my dad (Rankin Williams). He gave so much of himself to Southwestern, and now they have returned it. How wonderful.

I hope to be able to come back to a Homecoming soon. Would love to see you and other friends as well as the family.

Always,

Bob Williams (BS, '49)
2857 Westwood Lane
Carmichael, Calif. 95608

Seeking Contacts

Dear Millie:

Enclosed is my check for the Alumni Association. I do thoroughly enjoy and appreciate receiving the Echoes from The Hill—what wonderful memories it brings back!!

I would appreciate hearing from my college roommates and friends whom I have not heard from since our days at Southwestern.

My husband, Bob, a rancher, and I have two daughters—Gina, age 9, and Tara, age 6—both of whom we are very proud.

I have taught business education and physical education in Colorado since my graduation from Southwestern, and am presently a vocational business teacher in Kim High School, Kim, Colo., but still consider Oklahoma "my home."

Have a nice day,

Brenda (McDonald) Rose
(BS, '64; MT, '68)
P.O. Box 143
Kim, Colo. 81049

Having a Ball

Dear Millie:

I received the Echoes from The Hill yesterday. How glad I was to receive it.

You know, for all these years I have been taking the weekly Southwestern but never have I received the alumni newsletter. I am enclosing a check for my dues.

Could you please send me the addresses of James Duncan and Raymond Pettle? I am retired and having a ball.

Sincerely,

William G. Stovall ('37)
3131 Eldridge
San Antonio, Texas 78029

Florida Board

Dear Millie:

We would like to change our address as of Nov. 1 (1978). As you know, we live in our home in Crested Butte, Colo., from July 1 to Nov. 1. We are now heading for Florida to our winter home at 1848 Country Club Dr., Titusville, Fla.

We both stay busier retired than ever before. We travel a lot. Just returned from Europe visiting our youngest son, who is married to a Dane, and to see our first grandchild.

We enjoy Echoes so much and keeping up with all our old classmates. Enclosed is a check for the publication. Thank you again.

Jonie and Bill Renfro

56th Anniversary

Dear Millie:

At 76 we are still "hanging in there." Rita and I will observe our 56th anniversary on Nov. 9 (1978).

Enclosed is a check for five years' dues. I am sure I am in arrears.

Echoes is much appreciated and read with great interest. I re­

sponded to Claude Kezer's request for speech-theatre people's names.

I was never more proud to be a graduate of SWSU.

Our love and greetings to you and your family.

Sincerely,

Finley Reid
4631 E. Chambers
Phoenix, Ariz. 85040

Catching Up

Dear Millie:

I always look forward to receiving Echoes from The Hill and catching up on you and the alumni.

I'm enclosing a check for Irène's and my dues.

Our gratitude, admiration and love for our alma mater continues to grow as we get older. I will always be grateful to you for the personal interest you took in all of us and for you recommending me to Sayre, where I met my wife. You're truly one of the finest anywhere.

Our foundation (Flint Foundation, Inc.) rehabsilitates and educates youth.

God bless you.

Your friend,

Cort Flint
P.O. Box 708
Meadows of Dan, Va. 24120

Move to Texas

Dear Friends:

We have moved from San Clemente, Calif. to 4211 Havenville, San Antonio, Tex. 78228.

Will appreciate your changing our address. Enjoy Echoes so much. . .learning where so many of you are! So delighted over the growth of Southwestern.

Best wishes to Millie!

Sincerely,

G. S. and Zuma Sanders
(Mr. Sanders was president of Southwestern from 1942 to 1945.)

Class of '40

Millie:

You may or may not remember me. I was in the Class of 1940. Have just returned (Dec. 5, 1978) from the funeral of a dear friend, Lea Clonts. He was in the Class of 1935. Am sure you remember his wife Aleen.

We have three boys. The youngest 25 years of age. All three graduated from Arizona State University. One lives in California and the other two live in this area.

Sincerely,

Losey A. Witherspoon
8531 E. Pasadena Ave.
Scottsdale, Ariz. 85253

P.S. Karl Kitt lives in this area. I see him quite often.
Metcalf

A Distinguished Service Award from the Oklahoma Coaches Association

Since his death, several contributions have been received at Southwestern for the Joe Bailey Metcalf Memorial Scholarship Fund established last fall by Truman Smith (see article elsewhere in this issue). Persons desiring to add to the fund may leave their contributions at the university Business Office.

It also was announced shortly before Echoes went to press that a Joe Bailey Metcalf Outstanding Football Award will be presented each year to a Southwestern athlete. The recipient will be selected by the football squad.

Metcalf is survived by his wife, Iris; two daughters, Mrs. W. T. (Meredith) Cunningham, Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. Laverno (Marsha) Phillips, Woodward; two brothers, Ray and Hugh Metcalf, both of Hollis; three sisters, Mrs. Paul Flick, Clinton, Mrs. Frank Davis, Dallas, and Mrs. Orville Riley, Hollis, and five grandchildren.

Doyle Completes Doctorate

Jerry Wayne Doyle ('53), superintendent of Elk City schools, received his doctor’s degree in education from the University of Oklahoma in December.

Doyle was superintendent at Moore before taking the post at Elk City.

1979-80 Bulldog Schedules

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*Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference game

BASKETBALL

NOVEMBER

14-15 University of Science & Arts Festival...Chickasha
17 Arkansas Baptist College...Weatherford
19 Arkansas Baptist College...Weatherford
23-24 D. L. Ligon Classic...Wichita Falls, Tex.
27 Bethany Nazarene College...Bethany

DECEMBER

1 Phillips University...Enid
8 Central State University...Weatherford
10 Oklahoma Christian College...Weatherford
13 Bethany Nazarene College...Weatherford

JANUARY

4-5 Cameron Tournament...Lawton
12 Midwestern State University...Weatherford
14 University of Science & Arts...Weatherford
17 Oklahoma Christian College...Edmond
19 Northeastern State University...Tahlequah
23 Southeastern State University...Tahlequah
26 Phillips University...Weatherford
30 Northwestern State University...Alva

*Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference games

All home games begin at 7:30 p.m.

Conrad Family Takes Last Iranian Airliner

Dr. Rod Conrad (BS, '67) and family look back on their 1½-year stay in Iran as “pleasant and interesting,” but they are happy to be out of the turmoil.

An employe of the DuPont Co. now residing in Belle, W.Va., Dr. Conrad felt the time had come last December to evacuate the country when anti-Shah and anti-American activities were reaching the dangerous stage.

Technically, his responsibilities were to specify the process for manufacturing polyester fiber in a plant he had helped build in Esfahon. Before moving to Iran he had worked in a DuPont plant in West Germany for 2½ years.

“Esfahon was a pleasant and interesting place to live until the anti-American feelings became so obvious that it was no longer sensible to endanger the lives of my family by staying,” Dr. Conrad wrote to Echoes.

“Our travels have resulted in my oldest, Phillip, becoming fluent in three foreign languages: German, French and Farsi (language of Iran).”

The chemist, who received his doctor of philosophy degree in 1967 from the University of Southern California, had written to Donald Hamm, dean of the Southwestern School of Arts and Sciences, in December shortly after arriving in Rome, Italy, from Iran. He asked Dr. Hamm to share the letter with Echoes.

Dr. Conrad’s wife is the former Greer Sells, who also attended Southwestern. Their son, Phillip, is 14, and their other two children are Scott, 10, and Lisa, 8.

**Menasco Working On OU Doctoral Degree**

Gerald Menasco, Norman, has resigned after three years as Moore-Norman Vocational Technical School media director to complete work on his doctorate at the University of Oklahoma. He has accepted an assistantship in the Department of Education Technology.

After he was graduated from Fort Cobb High School in 1966, Menasco attended Southwestern, where he received his bachelor’s degree in 1970 and his master’s degree in education a year later.

**“We really enjoyed our life there (in Iran), since the treatment of us by the firm was really excellent,” Conrad wrote. “We had a huge beautiful new five-bedroom house with private garden and swimming pool, cars with drivers, etc., and the money was good--very good!”**

But then the difficulties began:

“Our life ceased to be good there in August when the first street battle occurred in Esfahon when the anti-government demonstrators first overran the police and killed them. Since August the town of Esfahon has been under very strict martial law with a curfew of 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and a heavy presence of tanks and armored personnel carriers with lowered, loaded machineguns at every intersection of streets.

“And the machineguns do chatter away into the crowds. Our children have gone to school through the streets in these conditions for three months.”

**When it was obvious that the military would lose control, the Conrads were evacuated.**

“We actually caught the last plane on the Iran Air airline before it was struck definitely by the workshops,” Dr. Conrad continued.

“As we left through the very scary and strange streets, the two factions were preparing for what is now happening--namely, street confrontations with apparently thousands killed daily.”

The Conrads’ children did not want to leave, because “they enjoyed the real excitement of a civil war all around them, power blackouts, no water, no gas, etc.”

Mrs. Conrad “was also reluctant to leave,” Dr. Conrad noted.

“My wife was on the street in several confrontations where the military and police were beating the crowds with clubs and shooting,” he wrote.

Some of our friends witnessed shootouts on the streets. It seems the military always ‘won’ in terms of body count—but the war is really psychological and the opposition is certainly winning that way.

“Who is in favor psychologically of consistently machinegunning crowds of demonstrators every day? And who is in favor of machinegunning gatherings in mosques (Moslem churches)?”
A Southwestern graduate who is now a well-known western artist has been named winner of the $500 grand award at the 34th annual American Artists Exhibition April 26-June 3 at Tulsa's Philbrook Art Center.

Brenda Kennedy Grummer, Yukon, took the top prize for her oil, "One Sunday at Shawnee," depicting several participants at the yearly Oklahoma Potawatomi pow wow. The award was donated by Mrs. John Steele Zink, Tulsa.

The painting also won a $950 purchase award which adds it to the museum's permanent collection, already containing two of the artist's prize-winning works from previous competitions. Acquisition donors were singing star Roy Clark, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Maxwell and NI-WO-DI-HI Galleries, Austin, Tex.

Philbrook, an Italian Renaissance villa, was built in 1926 by pioneer oilman Waite Phillips, who later deeded the mansion and 23 landscaped acres to the Southwestern Art Association, a corporation he formed to operate the museum.

The American Artists Exhibition is open to persons with any degree of Indian blood. Brenda Kennedy Grummer's grandparents on her father's side were of mixed French, Irish and Potawatomi ancestry.

Mrs. Grummer graduated Magna Cum Laude at age 19 with degrees in English, Spanish and journalism. She worked on The Southwestern, writing "The Hill" column, as well as feature articles.

Her husband Ken, also a Southwestern graduate, is now a pharmacist with the Veterans Administration Hospital in Oklahoma City.

Since becoming a full-time professional five years ago, the artist has won numerous top painting and graphics awards at juried museum shows throughout the Southwest, including recent merit and purchase awards from the Western Colorado Center for the Arts, Colorado Springs, and the Spiva Art Center, Joplin, Mo.

After capturing the grand award at the Fort Smith, Ark., Art Center's six-state competition in 1974, she was invited to hold her first solo show there. The exhibit was the most heavily attended event of its kind in the history of that institution.

Mrs. Grummer lived in Muskogee until recently moving to Yukon, during which time she was a nominee for the first annual Governor's Art Awards in 1976 because of her outstanding civic and artistic endeavors. She also received a special "patriot" award from local Muskogee government officials.

She was commissioned to design two limited edition sterling silver medallions marking the Muskogee Centennial and the Fort Gibson Sesquicentennial observances. The medals are in the permanent collections of the Smithsonian Institution, the Museum of the American Numismatic Association, the White House and the private collection of former President Richard M. Nixon.

The artist has illustrated a number of Oklahoma history books.

BRENDA KENNEDY GRUMMER was born in Muskogee.

National Group Elects Alaska Hospital Head

The American Academy of Medical Administrators has elected to membership Frank L. Sutton (BSPh, '71), administrative officer at the Native Hospital in Mount Edgecumbe, Alaska.

The honor is conferred upon those whose special qualifications in medical administration merit such recognition.

A 1966 graduate of Sweetwater High School, Sutton has been associated with the Alaska hospital since July 1971, when he went there as chief pharmacist. He was appointed administrative officer in 1978.

He is president of the Sitka Lions Club and a commissioned officer in the U.S. Public Health Service. His wife, Cathy, is a teacher in the Mount Edgecumbe Bureau of Indian Affairs High School.

Pharmacist Takes Award

The Army has awarded a Meritorious Service Medal to Captain Ethan E. Parrett for work he performed from 1975 to 1978 on the revision of a pharmacy instruction program for the Academy of Health Sciences at Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

Parrett, originally from Clinton, completed his pharmacy training at Southwestern.

Parrett is now stationed in West Berlin, where he is in charge of a hospital pharmacy.

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1943 to become a transport pilot.

Discharged from the service in August 1946 as a first-lieutenant, he returned to complete work on his degree. He taught school at Hammon for a year before accepting employment with the Certified Public Accountant firm of Belt, Burns and Co. in Ponca City.

Two years later he was hired by Conoco as an accountant. Since that time he has received several promotions, and he now is vice-president of the company’s tax department with offices in Stamford, Conn.

Alexander is a CPA and holds membership in the American Institute of CPA’s and the American Petroleum Institute. He is past chairman of the institute general committee on taxation.

In addition to the bachelor’s degree from SWSU, Alexander has done graduate study at the University of Oklahoma and attended Management Schools at the University of Pittsburgh and Indiana University.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander are the parents of four children: Mrs. Cathy Parks of Oklahoma City; Mrs. Saren Murray, Philadelphia, Pa.; John of Arzew, Algeria, and Ellen, a sophomore at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.

Both Cathy and her husband, William, are Southwestern graduates. Saren earned bachelor’s degree from Susquehanna University, Selingsgrove, Pa., and from the Thomas Jefferson School of Nursing, Philadelphia, Pa. John attended OU.

Hodge was born in Carnegie and attended a two-room country school outside of Mountain View through the eighth grade before moving to Amarillo, where he graduated in 1960 from Tascosa High School.

Following his graduation from the Southwestern School of Pharmacy, he purchased Maxor Drug Co., Inc., in Amarillo. He now serves as president and owner of the company and also as president of Devil Oil Co., Inc.

Hodge was first elected to the Amarillo City Commission in 1973 at the age of 30. After serving two terms on the commission, he filed his candidacy for and won the mayor’s position in 1977. The past spring he was re-elected by one of the largest votes ever in that Texas Panhandle city.

Last February Hodge was appointed chairman of the Mayors Advisory Committee to the Governor of Texas. In May, Gov. W. P. Clements Jr. named Hodge as his personal advisor on utilities and utility rates affecting consumers.

He is president of the Texas Municipal League Region II and on the Economic Advisory Committee of the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

Hodge serves on the Texas Municipal Retirement System Board of Directors and on the Amarillo Senior Citizens Association Board.

He is past president of the Texas Panhandle Pharmaceutical Association, a past director of the American Cancer Society, founder of the Amarillo Flag Football Association, charter member of the American Society of Consulting Pharmacists and a member of the Amarillo Executive Association and American Pharmaceutical Association.

The young mayor and his wife, Hope, have two sons, Heath, 12, and Ryan, 10, and a daughter, Sunny, 22 months.

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ored men are to be hung in the Athletic Hall of Fame, located in the Rankin Williams Health and Physical Education Building.

Weatherford native Gordon Kaiser earned 11 athletic letters while attending Southwestern in the years 1930-34. Four were in football, three each in basketball and tennis and one in track.

It was on the gridiron, though, that he excelled—at center and place-kicker.

“I think my outstanding achievement,” Kaiser recalls, “was to make the All-Oklahoma Team in 1933. This was chosen from the teachers colleges, University of Oklahoma and what was then Oklahoma A&M College (now Oklahoma State University).”

Receiving his bachelor’s degree in 1934, he played semi-pro basketball at Enid the next year, and June 14, 1935, was married to J. J. Williams, sister of longtime Southwestern Coach and Athletics Director Rankin Williams. J. J. had been the Pep Squad leader at Southwestern.

Kaiser’s teaching career took him to Sentinel and then to Fairfax, where he was high school principal and assistant football coach under Arnold (Swede) Umbach, also a member of SWSU’s Hall of Fame.

After three years in the Air Force, he went to Arapaho for six years as principal and coach before moving to Clinton as a principal in 1957 he accepted a mathematics teaching job at Napa’s Redwood Junior High, and it was from this position he retired in 1978 after 43 years in the field of education.

That undefeated 1933 season also was the last at Southwestern for M. M. Cotton Vickers, another 11-letter athlete who was awarded his degree the following spring. Retired since 1975, he spent 35 years in education, the last eight with the Oklahoma State Department of Education.

Kaiser never at Southwestern while attending Cooperston High School, but he performed well in the sport at Southwestern. A guard, he was named to the 1930 Oklahoma Collegiate Conference Team and the All-Oklahoma Team in 1931.

In basketball, he was captain of the Bulldogs’ 1932-33 team and was selected to that year’s All-Conference squad. He earned three football letters and four letters each as a guard in basketball and as an outfielder in baseball.

Vickers has taught, coached or been an administrator at New Liberty in Beckham County, Westumka, Clinton, Cordell, Lake Valley, Watonga, Fay, Snyder and Midwest City.

From 1940 to 1942 he was at Southwestern as a sociology teacher and an assistant football and basketball coach.

Mrs. Vickers, the former Irene Epler, has retired from teaching.

A 1940 Southwestern graduate, Smith Williams died on Aug. 8, 1976, while serving as director of grant programs in the State Department of Education.

Originally from Anadarko, he was an outstanding athlete, earning four letters as fullback in football and three each as a guard in basketball and a third baseman in baseball.

Described by sportswriters as a “human battering ram,” Williams was the Bulldogs’ top football scorer and passer during two seasons, 1938-39, and was an All-Conference selection in 1938. He declined a professional football contract offered by the Detroit Lions, but did play semi-pro baseball with Clovis, N. M., of the Texas-New Mexico Baseball League in the spring of 1940–his senior year at Southwestern.

As an educator, he was superintendent at Edmond and Meeker and coach and teacher at Sedan, Mountain View and Anadarko.

For several years he was employed by a textbook company before joining the State Department of Education staff.

Mrs. Williams, the former Jessie Ayres of Weatherford, was the 1939 football queen at Southwestern.

Among the greatest athletes ever at Southwestern, Dr. Bill Davis has been since 1966 a professor in the Department of Zoology at Louisiana Tech University. His sports and academic records while a student at SWSU are remarkable.

He was an All-Conference football end in 1951, 1952 and 1953; All-Conference basketball forward and conference high jump champion in 1953 and 1954, and was named to the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics All-American Basketball Team in 1954.

His conference high jump record of 6-4 1/2, set in 1954, stood for 10 years. That same year, he co-captained the basketball team, was elected president of the senior class and was selected for listing in the publication Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

In 1953 he was voted “Best Citizen at Southwestern” and throughout all four years on the campus he made the Dean’s List for maintaining high grades.

A 1950 graduate of Lone Wolf High School, Davis earned two degrees at Southwestern—the bachelor of science in biology in 1954 and the master of teaching, 1957. He received the doctor of philosophy degree from OSU in 1966.

From SWSU he went in 1954 to El Reno High School as assistant football and basketball coach and head track coach. In basketball, Davis worked under the late Jenks Simmons, one of the first former Bulldog athletes inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame.

Davis decided “on the spur of the moment” in 1962 to “get the terminal degree,” and he returned to school in 1963. Three years later he had earned the doctor of philosophy degree in zoology.