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P R E F A C E

The purpose of this work is to indicate the possibilities for research in the field of local history. We present here some of the selected brief biographies of living Oklahomans who have contributed to the progress and development of the State in such a way as to identify themselves as material contributors to that progress and development.

This thesis presents the basic plan for an improvement in a biographical work which has already been tried in a beginning fashion under the title, "Who is Who In Oklahoma", and which has been accepted by literary critics as a new step in the preservation of historical data, valuable as a source contribution for the study and understanding of the State's history.

The fact that this work is a research in current history and is largely factual, though interspersed with some interpretation, increases its value as a source for interpretative historical work that may be done at a time removed from the current period with its unquestionable exactness, current facts, and current events, many details of which are lost or clouded with doubt by the elapse of time and the departure of incident.

The significant factor in this work is that it is a current research into current events and contemporary personalities.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF LIVING
OKLAHOMA WRITERS AND ARTISTS

Chapter I

AARON, MAY TODD, Artist. Married William Hubert Aaron and has two children. Lives in Pawhuska and is very active in art. She is discovering graphic yet untrained work of some negro artists. Two of her water colors are now being shown in the annual show of the National Association of Women Painters and Sculptors in New York City.

Home: Pawhuska.

ADAMS, EDNA (Aunt Susan), Journalist. Born Mt. Vernon, Missouri. Daughter of A. J. and Annice Vance. Married Mart Adams, 1915. Educated at Oklahoma A. and M. and Boston, Mass. Writes daily features on cooking and recipes for the Daily Oklahoman. Conducts cooking schools and directs furnishings of model kitchens. Home: Oklahoma City.

AXELSON, MARY McDOUGAL, Author. Daughter of D. A. and Myrtle (Archer) McDougal. Married Mr. Axelson, 1923. Educated at Sapulpa high school; Liberty College, Liberty, Missouri; Kidd-Key, Sherman, Texas; and Oklahoma University. Her Poem "O Woman's Song" won the prize in the national lyric contest of the General Federation of Women's Clubs in which Jessie Rittenhouse was a judge. Three of her poems, "To an Invalid", "Song of the Sea", and "It Cannot be a Strange Countree", have been set to music by Walter Golde and Pepper (C. C. Birchard and Company, Boston). Her most important contributions to literature have been her plays. "Life Begins" was presented on Broadway and is now in sound pictures. "Birth" is the setting for a Warner Bros. production and was first produced by the Morningside players at

Columbia University. She determined, when her daughter, Yvonne, was born to write a play about people she had known in the maternity hospital. "Last day" was a success at Spring Lake, a suburb of Ashbury Park, New Jersey. Her third play is to deal with old age, "Life Comes to This." She contributes to the following: Literary Digest, The Independent, Harper's Weekly, Current Opinion, The Delineator, The Ladies Home Journal, Pictorial Review, New York Times, New York Sun, New York Herald, New York Call, Double Dealer, The Masses, The Stratford Journal, The New York Post, New York Tribune, San Francisco Call, Lyric West. Home: Sapulpa.

AYDELOTTE, DORA, Author. Born January 10, 1878, Altamont, Illinois. Daughter of John Patten and Caroline (Fox) Aydelotte. Education: Public school Noweagua, Illinois; Chicago Art Institute; and Woman's College, Richard, Virginia. Won the Tanner Art Medal for portrait painting. Methodist. Democrat. National League of Am. Pen Women. Oklahoma Writers Club, Blue Pencil Club, Hospitality Club. First published effort was temperance essay, setting forth her twelve-year old views on the subject. Later she wrote juvenile stories for Sunday School publications. Went into business and put the dream of creative writing aside. Wrote business letters when she longed to be writing stories. The depression left her jobless, but with a burning desire to write. After usual heart-breaking disappointments, finally sold a short story to Forum Magazine. Later sold eight more to same magazine. Her first novel "Long Furrows", was accepted by the first publisher who read the manuscript, the Appleton-Century Company, January 24, 1935. She is at work upon her second novel now. "My handicap is partial deafness which may be somewhat of a blessing to a

writer, as it makes for greater concentration." Likes to live in the city but keeps a small town soul. Her best known poems are: "To One Beloved" and "Treasure." Her best known short stories are "Harvest Time", "Visiting in the Deeps", and "Protracted Meeting." Nickname: "Dodo", "Ayde". Hobby: Making and keeping friends. Home: Oklahoma City.

BOTKIN, B. A., Author. Born in 1901, Boston, Mass. B. A., Harvard; M. A., Columbia; Ph. D., Nebraska University. Professor at Oklahoma University at present. Phi Beta Kappa. President Oklahoma Folklore Society. Member of Committee for Am. Folklore and National Folk Festival. Expert consultant National committee of Folk Arts of United States Editor and Publisher of "Folksay", a miscellany, and of a monthly magazine "Space". Contributes poetry to American Mercury, American Speech, The Frontier, Poetry, Prairie Schooner, Folk and Folklore and many others. Home: Norman.

GIBBS, HENRY PHILLIP, Poet. Born April 17, 1863, Okanville, Illinois. Son of Phillip and Mary Ann (Morrow) Gibbs. Married Hannah Elizabeth Davison, Okanville, Illinois, 1888. Children: two. Education: Nashville, Illinois, High School and McKendree University. He has taught school 17 years. Editor 5 years. Farmer 33 years. Was admitted to the bar in Illinois. Former Town Clerk. Baptist. Republican. He is the author of "Poems of John Yaller Cat", "Aqua Vitae", and other poems. He is also the author of many musical compositions including, "Sow Good Seeds", and "Washington Waltz". He has written many short stories. Pseudonym: "John Yaller Cat". Hobby: music, voice and violin. Home: Berwyn, Illinois.

HARRISON, LUTHER, Journalist. Born Nov. 21, 1877, Blue Mountain, Miss. Son of Thomas Caldwell and Kittie (Stewart) Harrison. Married Leona Sharp, West Plains, Missouri, 1910. Children: one. Education: Student Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas, 1900-'01; Erskin College, Due West, S. C., 1902-'04. Reporter Russellville Courier-Democrat, 1904; Editor and publisher Higgins Pilot, Texas, 1907-'08; Wetumka Gazette, 1910-'11; Newoka Democrat, 1912-'13, and Holdenville Democrat, 1921-'23. Engaged as chief editorial writer Daily Oklahoman, Oklahoma City, since 1923. Recognized as one of the greatest orators of Southwest. Democrat. Served as Mayor of Wetumka, 1911; member Oklahoma House of Representatives, 1915-'16; and State Senate, 1919-'23. Home: Oklahoma City.

HOLMQUIST, AGNES (Sigrid Arne), Journalist and Author. Born May 9, 1905, New York, N. Y., daughter of Magnus and Hulda (Larson) Holmquist. B. A., Michigan University. Reporter and writer since 1926. Lived in Oklahoma City three years, and during that time exposed "Baby Farms" by buying a baby for \$50 (and had a death sentence commuted to life imprisonment for an Oklahoman). Now stationed at Washington, D. C., with Associated Press. Has had poems published from time to time. Plays a violin. Hobby: good conversation, music, theatre, art and boats. Home: Washington, D. C.

HOPE, WELBORN TOM, Author. Born 1903, Ada, Oklahoma. Son of Tom and Minnie Gazelle (Welborn) Hope. Educated at East Central State Teachers College, Ada. His poems have appeared in Harriet Monroe's "Poetry Magazine" and William Roxe Benet's "Saturday Review of Literature". Some of his most important contributions are: "Autumn Love", "In Indian Territory", "The Squatter". Macmillan will soon publish an

epic of the Santa Fe Trail. Home: Ada.

KAUFMAN, KENNETH CARYLE, Author. Born April 30, 1887, Leon, Kansas. Son of John and Grace Estelle (Moore) Kaufman. Married Pearl Yates, Booneville, Arkansas, 1911. Children: two. He received his education in Southwestern State Teachers College, Weatherford; Oklahoma University, and Harvard; B. A., and M. A. degrees. Republican. Mason, 32nd. Knight Templar. Acacia. Phi Beta Kappa. He is co-editor of Books Abroad (quarterly foreign book review magazine). Literary editor for the Daily Oklahoman. Contributor of verse, articles, book reviews, etc., to Southwest Review, The Golden Book, Dallas News, Poetry (A Magazine of Verse), Christian Science Monitor, and others. Editor (with R. T. House) Tamayo y Baus' Un Drama Nuevo (Allyn and Bacon). Editor (with Patricio Gimeno) of Mariano Jose de Larra's No Mas Mastrador (D. C. Heath). Former President of the Oklahoma Writers League, former Chairman of the Modern Language section of the O. E. A. Hobby: Hunting, fishing, cooking, gardening. Home: Norman.

LA HAY, WAUHILLAU (Cherokee). Born July 14, 1906, Claremore. Daughter of Joseph Martin and Ann (Russell) LaHay. Graduated from Muskogee High School and attended Oklahoma A. and M. College. Reporter and feature writer for several newspapers. Presbyterian. Democrat. Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority, Queen of the Society of Oklahoma Indians, 1927. Home: Oklahoma City.

LORTON, OTIS, Journalist. Born Oct. 22, 1864, Middletown, Mo. Son of Robert Riley and Ellen E. (White) Lorton. Married Lela J. Wright, Medicine Lodge, Kansas, 1888. Children: one. Educated in the common schools of Missouri, Texas, and Kansas. Came to Sapulpa

in 1906, moved to Tulsa same year, Muskogee in 1908 and back to Tulsa in 1918 where he has been since. Writes editorials and the column, "Oklahoma Outbursts", for Tulsa World. Prior to his joining the Tulsa World he served as Deputy United States Court Clerk, Chief Clerk United States Circuit Court, and postmaster of Tulsa. Has keen insight into public affairs, philosophy and humor is evidenced by certain characteristic statements: When asked what his politics were he replied, "I don't know"; his occupational history is summed up in his words, "picking buffalo bones for groceries, milking cows for board, printing and newspaper work"; He is one of Oklahoma's best known journalists. Hobby: fishing, croquet and "pitch". Home: Tulsa.

MUELLER, HAROLD L. (Art Gum), Journalist. Born Jan. 14, 1901, Minneapolis, Miss. Son of D. J. and Amy W. Mueller. Married Madora Greathouse, 1927. Children: none. Educated at Oklahoma Baptist University and Oklahoma University. Staff writer for Oklahoma Times since 1919. "So lzy", 1923 and "Chains, Menances or Blessings", 1930, are popular publications of Mueller's. Home: Oklahoma City.

NEWLAND, JOHN LYNNE, Publisher. Born Oct. 16, 1874, Chillicothe, Missouri. Son of John G. and Mary Lynne (Landford) Newland. Married Temple Broadus, Chillicothe, Missouri, 1897. Children: two. Reporter, publisher and editor for 44 years. Publishes Frederick Leader at present. For years this was only paper in seventh Congressional District. Only publisher to issue morning and evening editions of daily paper in a town of size of Frederick in United States. Personally writes editorials and a poem each day. Democrat. Christian Science Church, active leader in Sunday School. Director of C. of C. since it was organized. Lion. State Board of Education. Mason.

Nickname: "Jack". Home: Frederick.

OLIVER, JENNIE HARRIS, Author. Born in Lowell, Michigan. Her father was an evangelist in the Baptist Church. Came to Oklahoma thirty odd years ago and with her mother settled at Shiloh. Taught school for a time. Married Mr. Oliver and settled at Fallis. She sold her first short story in 1908 to the Munsey Live Wire for \$10. Her "Roxy Malone" stories are of local favor. Awarded a prize by the Gammadian for her short story, "The House of Light". Some of the stories of the series about Mokey have been purchased by Metro Goldwyn Mayer. Her "The House Behind the Dogwood" was changed by the publisher to "The Home that Jim Built". She is also a poet, having written, besides many others, "Red Earth", "The Unfit", "Moon Picture", "Moon Trail", "Moon After Moon", "So Hot, So Still", and "Rain and Rain and Rain". John Cowper Powys says of "Moon Trail", "It is one of the finest American poems I have read." She has contributed a host of short stories to Delineator, Good Housekeeping, Hollands, Household and other periodicals. One of the Oklahoma's nationally known writers of poetry and fiction. Home: Fallis.

RASCOE, ARTHUR BURTON, Author. Born Oct. 22, 1892, Fulton, Ky. Son of Matthew Lafayette and Elizabeth (Burton) Rascoe. Married Hazel Luke, Chicago, 1913. Children: two. Educated in the Shawnee public schools and the University of Chicago. He pays high tribute to the Shawnee Public Library as his benefactor when he was assistant to Mrs. Trimmier Sloane Funk. Contributor to Shawnee Herald, 1908-'11; Literary Editor and dramatic critic, Chicago Herald-Tribune, 1912-'20; Associate editor McCall's Magazine, 1921-'22; Literary editor New York Tribune 1922-'24; Editor Johnson Features Inc., 1924-'27; Editor of

the Bookman, 1927-'28; Member Editorial Board Literary Guild of America, 1928; Literary critic Arts and Decorations Magazine and Associate Editor of Plain Talk, 1929-'30; Literary critic Esquire Magazine since 1930. He anathematized Oklahoma in an article on the Klan as a bunch of land sharks in the Nation, July 11, 1923, which brought criticism for this state. He has regained the state's respect.

Author: "Theodore Dreiser", 1925; "A Bookman's Daybook", 1929; "Titans of Literature", 1930; "Prometheans", 1933; "The Bookman Anthology of Essays" (collaborator), 1923; and collaborated on many other publications. Has contributed a host of articles and stories to magazines and his syndicated feature "The Daybook of a New Yorker", in the Herald-Tribune 1924-'28 appeared in 400 papers and selections republished in 1929, in "A Bookman's Daybook", Isabel Paterson in Books (N. Y. Herald-Tribune) remarks of this volume: "He is, I venture to assert, the most gifted journalist of his generation. He treats every topic as news. Here in the Daybook you will see him discovering Jane Austen and T. S. Eliot with the same happy surprise. Both of them have just happened to him." Home: New York.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS
IMPORTANT TO CURRENT POLITICAL AND SOCIAL
HISTORY OF OKLAHOMA

Chapter II

ANGLIN, TOM, Lawyer. Born June 13, 1883, Osage, Virginia. Son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Anglin. Married Claude Reid, Allen, 1907. Children: One. Education: Martinsville High School and Military Academy; B. S., Milligan College, Tenn.; L.L.B, University of Virginia. Practiced law at Allen 1905-'07; Calvin 1906-'14, and at Holdenville since 1914. Christian. Elk. Democrat. Democratic County Chairman 1912-'18. House of Representatives 1918-'20. Senate 1920-'32. House of Representatives 1932-'34. Fourth district delegate to Democratic National Convention, San Francisco, 1920. Delegate at large, Democratic National Convention, 1932, Chicago. Active in governmental affairs of Oklahoma since locating at Allen, I. T., 18 miles from Ry. in 1905. Pres. Pro. Temp. of Senate and acted as governor. Speaker of the House (considered one of the ablest ever to fill these posts). Has written a very large portion of the laws for the State including the first weak school bill and the fifteen mill limit on advaloren taxes. Candidate for Governor in 1934, but withdrew. Knows Oklahoma Government and politics as few men know them, having served in positions which afforded that opportunity and possessing astute ability to become master of them. One of the accepted leaders in Oklahoma for many years and an authority on statutory laws. Staunch believer in public education and the right of every man to earn a living. Believes in assiduous application to the job and long hours (practices this philosophy) of hard work. Always proud of the other man's success and never jealous. Hobby: His work. Home: Holdenville.

GORE, THOMAS PRYOR, Former United States Senator. Born Dec. 10, 1870, Webster Co., Miss. Son of Tom M. and Carrie E. (Wingate) Gore. Married Nina Kay, Palestine, Texas, 1900. LL.B., LL.D., Cumberland, University. Taught school, practiced law in Miss., Texas, and removed to Oklahoma, 1901. One term in Territorial Senate; Delegate to National Democratic Convention at Baltimore 1912 and Houston 1928; member Rural Credit Commission under Wilson 1913; Elected U. S. Senate by Legislature 1907, short term; re-elected 1909 and 1914; again elected 1930. K. P. Moose. Elk. Woodman. Lost one eye at age 8 by being struck by stick by playmate. Lost other eye by arrow from cross bow at age 11. Home: Oklahoma City.

JENKINS, WILLIAM M., Retired. Born April 25, 1856, Alliance, Ohio. Married Delphina White. Children: six. Education: Damascus Academy and Mount Union College, Alliance, Ohio. Lawyer. Former Gov. of Okla. Terr. Appointed Indian allotting agent by President Harrison, 1891. Appointed Secretary of Oklahoma Terr. in 1897 by President McKinley. City Clerk. Commander for Northern Fed. Dist. of Okla. 1925-'29. Delegate to National Convention, Chicago. Delegate to State, District and County Convention numerous times. Presbyterian. Republican. Mason. He is one of the finest characters and thinkers in Oklahoma. Hobby: Reading. Home: Sapulpa.

MARLAND, EARNEST WHITWORTH, Governor. Born May 8, 1874, Pittsburgh, Pa. Son of Alfred and Sarah (MacCleod) Marland. Married Mary Virginia Collins, Philadelphia, 1903. Married again to Lydie Miller Roberts, 1928, Ponca City. LL.B., University of Michigan. Practiced law in Pittsburgh. Interested in coal and brought the first gas well in West Va., supplied potteries and went broke when they closed down.

Came to Oklahoma 1908, and developed the first field around Ponca City, Newkirk, Blackwell, Garber and many others. Organized the Marland Oil Companies and became immensely wealthy. Developed Ponca City, built a beautiful home, and donated "Pioneer Woman" statue. Had financial reverses and lost control of his oil properties. Elected United States Congressman from eighth district in 1932. Nominated and elected Governor of Oklahoma on Democrat ticket 1934. He is at present Gov. and his chief policies are based on his program of what is termed "The New Deal". As a youth, Marland was accustomed to have everything he wanted, being of a wealthy family. However, upon graduation from college his father lost his money and Marland underwent a time of economic stress. Marland's father served in the Crimean War (English Army), was wounded and was nursed by Florence Nightingale. Home: Oklahoma City.

MURRAY, WILLIAM HENRY, Statesman. Born Nov. 21, 1869, Spring Creek, Texas. Son of Uriah and Bertha Elizabeth (Jones) Murray. Married Mary Alice Hearrell, 1899, Chickasaw Nation. Miss Hearrell was a niece of Governor Johnston of the Chickasaws and a teacher at Bloomfield Academy. By this marriage Murray became a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation. Children: five. Educated principally by self-directed studies. Taught school in Navarro Co., Texas. Ran for state senator against O. B. Colquett and was defeated. He and his brother published a newspaper at Corsicana. He studied at nights and was admitted to the Texas Bar, then moved to Ft. Worth to enter practice of law. Moved to I. T. in 1898 and opened offices at Tishomingo. Drafted all laws under Atoka agreement, attorney for Governor Johnston, and practiced in tribal courts with M. V. Cheadle. Retired, 1903, to

his farm and studied government. Member sequoyah convention in 1905 and later President of the Constitutional Convention. Speaker of first Oklahoma Legislature, was defeated for Governor by Lee Cruce in 1910, elected Congressman at large in 1912 and in 4th District in 1914 and defeated in 1916. Traveled in South America and finally settled a colony on a grant from Bolivia, 1924. Revolution caused the confiscation of his property and he returned to Oklahoma 1929, broke. Ran for governor in 1930 and was elected by overwhelming majority - largest ever polled in the state. Served as Governor until 1935 when he was succeeded by E. W. Marland. A pioneer in Oklahoma, a builder of the State, a historian, an expert on constitutional law, a fearless executive and always a leader. Known as the "Sage of Tishomingo." Nickname: "Alfalfa Bill" by his friends and "Cockle Burr Bill" by his enemies. Home: Tishomingo.

PHILLIPS, LEON C., Governor-Elect. Born Dec. 9, 1890, near Grant City, Mo. Son of Rufus P. and Bertha (Bressler) Phillips. Married Myrtle Ellenberger, Norman, 1916. Children: Lois Ann and Robert Rowe. His father built the first schoolhouse in the Cheyenne Arapaho country and it was in that schoolhouse Leon first attended school. Graduated from high school Arapaho, attended Epworth University, Oklahoma City; LL.B., O. U., 1916. Taught school 1908-'09. Elected best "all 'round" student his first year. "Gold Medal" man on all victorious football squad, 1915, Pres. Jr. Class and member "Checkmate", O. U. Sigma Nu. Phi Delta Phi. Order of the Coif. Opened law office at Okemah, 1916 which he still occupies. Served as a special member of the Supreme Court on the request of Gov. Johnston. Representative in 14th legislature, re-elected in 1934 and served as

speaker during the turbulent session of the Marland "New Deal". Recognized for his ability as an independent thinker and leader. Member publications Board. Nickname: Red. U. S. Army during War. Past Co. Commander Legion. Master Masonic Lodge. Commander of Commandery. 32nd degree, with rank of K. C. C. H. First pres. Okemah Kiwanis Club. Past School Board member. Past Election Board member. Member Board of Directors, Okemah. C. of C. Member of Methodist Church since 1907. He is Governor-Elect of Oklahoma on Democrat ticket, 1938. Home: Okemah.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF THE CONTEMPORARY
BUSINESS AND ECONOMICAL LEADERS IN
OKLAHOMA

Chapter III

BUTTRAM, FRANK, Oil. Born April 2, 1886. Chickasaw Nation. Son of Abe and Almira (Starrit) Buttram. Married Merle E. Newby, Norman, 1914. Children: five. B.S. and M.A., Oklahoma University. Pitcher on varsity team two yrs; organizer and dir. Lambda Chi; and active in college Y. M. C. A. After graduation he worked geology and wrote bulletins. Became associated with Fortuna Oil Co., became financially independent and is owner and president of the Buttram Petroleum Corporation which operates mainly in Oklahoma and Texas. Chairman Board of regents Oklahoma University and intensely interested in it. Candidate for Governor 1930. Responsible for institution of City Manager plan in Oklahoma City. Democrat. Active in politics. First Christian and chairman International Christian Church. 32nd degree Mason. Shriner. Sigma Chi. Izaak Walton League. Served as pres. 1 yr. of Ark-Red River Conservation and Flood Control Assn., 1 yr. as Chairman of the Oklahoma branch of the Federal Reserve Bank system and was elected as Oklahoma City's most useful citizen in 1926. Loves travel and has toured the world with his family. Recently featuring in newspapers for large fish caught by Mrs. Buttram. Home: Oklahoma City.

CROMWELL, JOSEPH IRWIN, Oil. Born Aug. 11, 1873. Son of Samuel Thompson and Winnie Elizabeth (Banks) Cromwell. Married Mable York, Topeka, Kan. 1898. Children: one. Education: Business College, Topeka, Kan.; International Correspondence School at Scranton, Pa. He

started as a collector and stenographer for the Topeka Gas Co. He was working for Trautman and Stone, Lawyers, when he accepted, in 1902, a chance to join the U. S. Indian Service. During the year to follow he became Assistant Postmaster at Muskogee. In 1906 he began to buy and sell leases. Six yrs. later he sunk a well. It was a success. He opened fields in Hughes, Okfuskee, and Seminole Co. Of the seven fields opened by him since 1916, the Cromwell Pool, which bears his name, is the greatest, and at that time was the heaviest producing field in the United States. He believes strongly in the conservation of oil. He is pres. of the York Petroleum Co., formed in 1923. With a friend, Wirt Franklin, he started the Cromwell-Franklin Oil Co. in 1926, and the Capital Drilling Co., in 1928. He is director of the First National Bank and Trust Company in Tulsa. Baptist, deacon. Oklahoma Club and Okla. Gold and Country Club. Member of the National Council for Boy Scouts 1921. His geological library is one of the finest in the country. Hobby: Horseback riding, fishing, hunting; he is skillful devotee of amateur photography. Home: Muskogee.

HALES, WILLIAM TAYLOR, Financier. Born Dec. 8, 1877, near Neosho, Mo. Son of Jesse A. and Martha Jane (Beasley) Hales. Married Oneta Cornelius Burnsides. Children: five. Educated in the McDonald Co. schools, Mo. Came to Oklahoma 1890 and at an early age began the business of buying and selling mules. He furnished the U. S. and foreign countries with thousands of mules during the World War. He serves as Pres. of the following: Hales Bldg. and Investment Co., Harbour Longwire Furniture Co., Local Bldg. and Loan Assn., and Greater City Corporation and Linwood Place Development Co., The Am. First Trust Co., and the Oklahoma Hotel Bldg. Co. He is one of the

most extensive property owners in Oklahoma City and his home is the largest private dwelling in the city. He is a member of the C. of C., Okla. Club, Masons (32nd degree Scottish Rite India Temple Shrine), Men's Dinner Club, Pacific Coast Club, and the Long Beach Club. Home: Oklahoma City.

KROUTIL, JOHN FRANCIS, Business. Born Prague, Bohemia, 1885. Married. Children: two. Education: Public schools. Came to America and settled at Wahoo, Neb., 1882. Came to Yukon, 1890. Worked on farm and in grain business. First Pres. of Okla. Millers' Assn.; pres. Southwestern Millers' Assn. Outstanding success in his line of business. He knows the milling business, from experience, from the time the wheat is planted until it is baked into bread. Home: Yukon.

MARLOW, GEORGE, Business. Born Feb. 20, 1886, near Goodland, I. T. Son of Crawford and Etta (Anthony) Marlow. Married Grace Loafman, Bolivar, Mo., 1909. Children: one. Education: Graduated from Jones Academy (Choctaw Tribal school), 1905; attended Texas A. and M.; operated bus lines between Lehigh and Coalgate 1909. Worked in coal mines, 1910; ran a wagon yard and livery stable in Atoka 1910-'12. Real estate business 1913; deputy county clerk 1914; county clerk, 1915-'18. Served as volunteer U. S. Army 1918. Abstract and real estate business at Atoka 1919-'20. At McAlester, 1920-'24 in real estate, banking and theatre business. Opened M. and P. store at Shawnee 1927 and has built up the M. and P. Stores to a total of 15 operating throughout Oklahoma. He built the business from one store to a quarter of a million company. Democrat. Leader in Democrat party. Baptist. Mason. Am. Legion. Known as the friend of the young man. Has devoted a great deal of his time and fortune to aiding deserving

young people. A man who makes no parade of his charities and benefactions but whose help is known to the many whom he has aided. Widely known as a successful business man. Home: Shawnee.

NICHOLS, G. A., Financier. Born Sept. 24, 1876, Owensville, O. Married Alma M. Johnson, Guthrie, 1898. Children: three. Educated in the public schools of O., Kansas and Oklahoma, the Louisville Medical College, and the Kansas City Dental College. Practiced dentistry in Cashion 1902-'04, and Oklahoma City 1904-'08. Since then he has been interested in developing Oklahoma City. He has developed Winans, Military Park, Central Park, University Place, Gatewood, Harndale, Lincoln Terrace, Nicoma Park, and Nichols Hills. He was named Oklahoma City's most useful citizen in 1929. He is President of G. A. Nichols Inc. Home: Oklahoma City.

SIPES, JASPER, Business. Born Batavia, Iowa. Son of L. J. and Lucinda Sipes. Married Anna E. Johnston. Children: two. Education: Public schools, Va. City, Mont. Ranches; rode cattle; placer gold mining; organized Jasper Sipes Co. (dealers in school equipment) which he owns and operates; Dir. of the Am. First National Bank, Oklahoma City; During the early history of Oklahoma, owner and publisher of "Oklahoma School Herald." Democrat. Mason; Rotary; Pres. Carnegie Library Board, Oklahoma City; Oklahoma Historical Society, pres. fifteen years; C. of C., Oklahoma City; Chairman Territorial Central Committee. Home: Oklahoma City.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL LEADERS

Chapter IV

ADAMS, FELIX M., Physician. Born Jan. 31, 1884, Celeste, Texas. Married Mamie Butler. Children: three. Education: Baylor U., B.A.; Barnes Medical College, St. Louis, M.D.; Neurlogical Institute, N.Y., post grad. Pres. Bank of Big Cabin. Partner in Big Cabin Lumber Co. Farm owner. Methodist. Democrat. Rotarian. C. of C. Am. Med. Assn. Sec'y. Craig Co. Medical Assn. 32nd degree Mason. McAlester Consistory. Tulsa Shrine. I.O.O.F. K.P. W.O.W. M.W.A. Home Vinita.

BAYLESS, WAYNE W., Jurist. Born Aug. 27, 1895, Casville, Mo. Son of John M. and (Stubblefield) Bayless. Married Miss Dirickson, Claremore, 1915. Children: one. LL.B., O. U. Lawyer, Member of State Legislature, District Judge and at present Supreme Court Justice. Democrat. Mason, Akdar Shrine. Baptist. Member, Claremore County, Rotary, C. of C., clubs. Served as delegate to State and Nat'l Democratic Conventions. Hobby: hunting, fishing, golf. Home: Claremore.

BLESCH, ABRAHAM LINCOLN, Surgeon. Born 1866. Married. Education: John Hopkins U.; Northwestern U., Normal, Holton, Kan.; Internship at Vienna, Post-graduate study Nat'l. Hospital, Austria. Served at Ft. Sam Houston, chief surgical dept. during World War. Okla. Territory Medical Assn., pres.; help to fuse the Indian Territory and the Okla. Territory Medical Assns. Helped create the Epworth School of Medicine. One of the founders, organizers, and governors of the Am. College of Surgeons; only member in Okla. of Western Surgical Assn.; Organizer and head of the Okla. City Clinic. Home: Oklahoma City.

BURNS, ROBT., Lawyer. Born Aug. 13, 1874, Arkansas. Married Effie May Harber, Arkansas. Children: eight. Education: LL. B., Nashville Law School. Took an active part in all Red Cross work during World War. Christian. Democrat. Mason (32^o). K. of P. Rotarian. C. of C. Legislator in Oregon 1904-'05. Co. Att'y, Stephens Co., Okla. 1907-'11. State Senator Canadian Co. 1917-'18; Co. Att'y., Oklahoma Co. 1919-'20. Lieut. Governor of Okla. 1931-'35. Candidate for Governor, 1934. Now practicing law in Okla. City. Was first president of Lions Club, Seminole. Home: Okla. City.

CRUMP, GEORGE C., Jurist. Born March 30, 1875, Quincy, Mo. Son of Edward Coke and Angeline (Childers) Crump. Married Olive Bernard, Dec. 30, 1899. Graduated Urbana (Mo.) High School and admitted to bar at Harrison, Ark., 1897. Practiced law at Harrison, Ark., Wewoka, and Holdenville. District Judge 14th Okla. Dist. 1915-'35. Son of a tenant farmer who had ten children and had to work way through school as an Okla. pioneer. Defended more men and women for murder than any man of his age. Widely known for keen and brilliant mind. Has given away much wealth. Never permitted a man's home to be foreclosed, if the man made an effort to keep it. Educated many boys and girls. Loves children, though childless. Home: Holdenville.

FARRELL, GLENDA, Actress. Born in Enid, daughter of an Enid grocer. Educated in St. Joseph's Institute, Enid. Moved to Oregon at age seven. Her mother was always ambitious for Glenda to become an actress. She has memories of Okla. as a land of cyclones, taxes and poverty. She has always had a fear of cyclones. Many relatives live in Okla. She is under contract with Warner Brothers, and her last picture was "Traveling Saleslady". Never wants to come back to

Okla. Home: Hollywood.

HARBER, DR. J. N., Physician. Born Calico, Ark. Son of Richard and Rhoda (Deshazo) Harber. Married Mary Hunter, Shawnee, 1905. Education: Rural schools of Ark., Melbourne Academy, U. of Ark., Barnes Medical College. Polyclinic of N. Y. City, Stanford U.; B.S., M.D. Practiced Medicine Bakersfield, Mo., 1904, Seminole, Okla. 1905. Opened Harber Clinic, Seminole, 1927, Built Harber Hospital, Seminole, 1927. Okla. Med. Ass'n., Am. Med. Assn., County and Tri-County Med. Assn's. Democrat. Lion. Mason, 32nd. I.O.O.F. Rotary. W.O.W. Shriner. Appointed Mayor of Seminole by Gov. Johnston when Seminole became a city and now serving his 4th elective term. Believes that the hope for civilization lies in eugenics and birth control assisted by better environment. Hobby: Civil Service (has given major part of time for eight yrs. to community). Home: Seminole.

HUBBELL, CARL, Prof. Baseball. Born June 22, 1903, Carthage, Mo. Son of G. O. and Margaret (Upp) Hubbell. Married Lucille Harrington, McAlester, Okla. 1925. Graduated Meeker High School 1923. Prof. baseball player since 1923. Cushing State League, Western League, Detroit Amer. League, Ft. Worth, Tronto, Decatur, Beaumont, Clubs. N. Y. Giants since 1928. World famous (left hander) pitcher. Pitched in world series in 1933 when Giants won pennant. Led in run averages 1934-'5. Christian. Republican. Mason (32nd). Shriner. Kiwanis. Royal Court of Jesters. Nickname: "Hub". Hobby: Pecan grower. Home: Meeker. Signs on all highways leading to Meeker read, "Meeker, the Home of Carl Hubbell."

KRIEGER, M. W., Business. Educated in Carleton and Roanoke Colleges. Made letters in major sports. Ass't. dir. Sociological Survey, St. Louis. Electrical and combustion engineer. Executive in business organizations. Dir. Civic Opera Assn., and St. Louis Civic Glee and Chorus Clubs. Dir. Va. Military Band. Dir. Physical Education McKendree College, Lebanon. Contributed various articles to trade magazines. Director Music and physical Hygiene during World War. Home: Muskogee.

MARTIN, JOHNNIE LEONARD. Born Feb. 29, 1904, Temple, Okla. Son of Geo. W. and Celia Ann (Matney) Martin. Married Ruby A. Pope, Okla. City, 1927. Children: Two. Educated in public and high schools of Okla. City. Baseball player for 12 yrs. At present with the Cardinals of St. Louis. Has gained world fame and brought credit to the athletic world of Oklahoma by his brilliant playing and hitting. Mason. Baptist. Democrat. Honorary mayor of Alva, Okla. Nickname: "Pepper". Hobby: hunting. Home: Okla. City.

OWENS, JAMES FRANCIS, Public Utility Executive. Born Apr. 1, 1878, near Aurora, Ill. Son of Hugh and Sarah (Crane) Owens. Married Bessie Cloyd Turner, Macon, Mo., 1907. Children: three. Educated at Kan. State Normal, Emporia, and U. of Kan. Started career as New England school teacher. Connected with Deming Investment Co., Oswego. Became associated with the Caney River Gas Co., Muskogee, developers of the Hogshooter gas field, and while at Muskogee became identified with the Byllesby interests. While in this connection he installed natural gas systems in Enid, El Reno, and Yukon, and in 1918, came to Okla. City to take over the management of the Okla. Gas and Electric Co. This position he still holds. Democrat.

Director U. S. C. of C. Dir. State of Okla. C. of C. Knight of St. Gregory. K. C. Okla. University, Tulsa, Okla. Okla. City Golf and Country Clubs. Has sometimes been called the father of the modern public service idea in Okla. His ability, personality, and his love of justice, enabled him to lead the way in this line of business. Home: Okla. City.

ROBINSON, W. R. (Creek), Real Estate. Born near Stonewall, in the Chickasaw Nation, I. T. Feb. 26, 1865. Son of Wm. and Adeline (McClish) Robinson. Married Sallie Thomas, Quincy, Ill., 1886. Education: Creek Public Schools, near what is now Okemah; Eufaula Boarding School, Eufaula, I. T.; University of Ark.; Gem City Business College, Quincy, Ill. Engaged in Real estate business. Served as clerk and credit man, Muskogee. Farming and stock raising business. Oil Business. Nat'l tax collector for Creek Nation, 4 yrs. Appointed sheriff to fill unexpired term of elected sheriff for Muskogee County. Elected member council of nine to replace old Creek Tribal Council for the purpose of making contracts with the Creek Nat'l. attorney relative to claims against the U. S. Government. Christian. Democrat. C. of C. K. of P. and I.O.O.F. Okla. Historical Society of Okla. Indians. Home: Muskogee.

SINIPOULO, JOHN G., Business. Pres. Midwest Enterprise Co. Born Mar. 18, 1878, Sparta, Greece. Married Katherine De Lamontain. Brother to Prof. Constantine Sinopoulos, Sparta, Greece, noted linguist. Educated: Public schools, Sparta, Greece. Greek Orthodox. Democrat. Lion. C. of C. Builder of new Midwest Office Bldg. Hobby: flowers. Home: Oklahoma City.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF EDUCATIONAL,
RELIGIOUS, SOCIAL AND PHILOSOPHICAL
LEADERS IN OKLAHOMA

Chapter V

BENNETT, HENRY GARLAND, College President. Born Nevada Co., Ark., Dec. 14, 1886; Son of Thomas Jefferson and Mary Elizabeth (Bright) Bennett. Married Vera Connell of Durant, Okla., Jan. 29, 1913. Children: five. Education: A. B., Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Ark., 1907; A.M., University of Oklahoma, 1924; Ph.D. from Columbia University, 1926. Supt. schools Choctaw Co., Okla., 1909-'10; Supt. schools Hugo, Okla., 1910-'19; President Southeastern State Teachers College, 1919-'28; President of Okla. A. and M. College since 1928. Baptist. Democrat. Mason (Shriner), Odd Fellow, Rotarian, and C. of C. Hobby: Development of student self-help industries. Served as a voluntary member of most of the Agri. & Soil Conservation Committees, which directed planned programs essential to the Agri. development of Okla. Recognized by U. S. Dept. of Agri. as a leader in the agri. development of the Southwest. The late Dr. Bruce R. Payne, Pres. of the Peabody College, made the following statement, "I regard Dr. Bennett as the greatest college president west of the Mississippi river." Home: Stillwater, Okla.

BIZZELL, WILLIAM BENNETT, College President. Born Oct. 14, 1876, Independence, Texas. Son of George McDuffie and Sarah Elizabeth (Wade) Bizzell). Married Carrie Wray (Sangster), Navasota, Tex., 1900. Children: one. Education: B.S., LL.D., and Ph.B., Baylor U.; LL.M., and D.C.L., Ill. College of Law; M.A., University of Chicago; Ph.D., Columbia Univ. President College of Industrial Arts, Denton 1910-'14, Texas A. and M. and O. U. since 1925. Author: Austinean Theory of

Sovereignty, 1912; Judicial Interpretation of Political Theory, 1914; The Social Teaching of the Jewish Prophets, 1916; Farm Tenantry in U.S., 1921; Rural Texas, 1923; The Green Rising, 1927; and others. Baptist. Democrat. Fellow A.A.A.S. Royal Economic Society of England; member Am. Sociological Society; Am. Economic Ass'n.; Phi. Delta Kappa; Sigma Tau Delta; Phi Beta Kappa; Acacia; Mason. Knight Templars. Shrine. Noted speaker. While Pres. of the College of Denton Dr. Bizzell was invited to meet with the Board of Tex. A. & M. at which time the presidency was proffered. His wife encouraged him to accept for she felt that it was a challenge and for 11 yrs. he managed its affairs. He said upon coming to O. U. that he hoped to see a library of a million volumes before many years. Home: Norman, Okla.

CRABLE, ALVIN LAWRENCE, State Supt. Schools. Born Nov. 27, 1889, Wolfe City, Tex. Son of J. M. and Martha (Craig) Crable. Married Claudia Mae Church. Children: Three. Educated at Austin College, Sherman, Tex., Texas U., and O. U. Has served as Prin of H. S. Marietta and Durant; Supt. of Schools, Marietta; H. S. Inspector; Dir. of Correspondence Study, Okla. A. and M. College; Elected State Supt. Public Instruction. War service at Camp Travis and Camp McArthur. Am. Legion. Past Commander of Post at Marietta; Past Commander Payne Co. Post 5th Dist. Americanism Chr., 1935. Baptist. Taught men's S.S. Classes. Democrat. Frontier Lodge No. 48, A.F. and A. M., Stillwater. Organized and developed graduate work at A. and M. College. Speaker of note and much loved citizen of Okla. Nickname: "Al". Hobby: Fishing and talking to friends. Home: Oklahoma City.

DAVIS, HALE V., Minister. Born Apr. 3, 1892, Lamar, Mo. Son of Arden V. and Florence (Viola) Davis. Married Bertha Cordelia Hawkins,

Okla. City, 1918. Children: three. Education: B.A., and D.D., O. B. U., M.A., O. U; Student Southwestern Baptist Theology Seminary, Ft. Worth. Started career as secretary to the Pres. of Okla. Railway, 1911-'13, and in collection dept. law office, 1913-'15. Was ordained Baptist minister and acted as pastor of the Exchange Avenue Church, Okla. City, 1918-'32. Is past Pres. of O. B. U. and at present time is minister, Okla. City. Chaplain of 38th Infantry, U. S. Army, World War, and Capt. Chaplain of Officers' Reserve Corps. Baptist. Independent Democrat. Director Okla. City C. of C. Member Sons of Am. Revolution, Am. Legion, Delta Kappa Phi, Pi Kappa Delta. Rotarian. Kiwanian. Home: Okla. City.

GITTINGER, ROY, Teacher. Born Jan. 12, 1878, Melrose, Iowa. Son of J. C. and Nancy (Applegate) Gittinger. Married Francis Price, Maryville, Mo., 1900. Children: three. Education: Simpson College, Iowa. B.A., Okla. U., M.A., Chicago U., Ph.D., Calif. U., LL.D. (hon.) Tulsa U. Has been a member of the Okla. U. faculty since 1902, Prof. of English History since 1905, Dean since 1915. Presbyterian. Democrat. Mason. O.E.A. Miss. Valley History Ass'n., American History Ass'n. Norman City Council 1906-'10. Chairman Cleveland Co. Council of Defense 1917-'18. Lion. Phi Beta Kappa. He is the author of "Formation of the State of Okla", and contributed to the Encyclopedia Brittanica. Home: Norman, Okla.

HUTCHINSON, FORNEY, Minister. Born Sept. 28, 1875, Center Point, Ark. Son of Augustus Simpson and Ozella (Hankins) Hutchinson. Married Bertie Anderson, Little Rock, Ark., 1908. Children: four. B.A. and D.D., Hendrix College, Conway, Ark.; B.D., Vanderbilt U.; LL.D., Okla. City U. Ordained minister M.E. Church South, 1900. Pastor: Little

Rock, Hot Springs, Texarkana, St. Lukes, Okla. City, Mt. Vernon Place Church (Wash. D.C.), and at present at Boston Ave., Tulsa. Mason. Democrat. Three times delegate to Nat'l Conference M.E. Church. Served as member State Board of Education in Arkansas and Oklahoma. Pres. Oklahoma Sunday School Convention 1929-'29. Trustee Southern Methodist U. During his 14 years at St. Luke's membership grew from 1200 to 3800. Expects to spend rest of life in Oklahoma. Home: Tulsa.

KELLEY, FRANCIS CLEMENT, Bishop. Born Oct. 23, 1870, Vernon River, P.E. I., Canada. Son of John and Mary (Murphy) Kelley. Education: Classics at St. Dunstan's College, Charlottetown, P.E. I., philosophy and theology at Nicolet Seminary; D.D., Laval U.; LL.D., Notre Dame; Ph.D., Litt. D., Louvain. Ordained R.C. priest 1893 and was pastor, Lapeer, Mich., 1893-1907. Founded Catholic Church Extension Society of U.S.A. 1905. This society established canonically by Pope Pious X, 1910, and he was appointed pres. to serve 5 yrs. and reappointed 1917. Founder, 1906, and many yrs. editor-in-chief of the Extension Magazine. Made prothonotary apostolic by Pope Benedict XV, 1915, and was consecrated bishop of Okla., 1924. Bishop of Okla. City and Tulsa, 1930. Capt. and chaplain 32nd Mich. Vol. Infantry during war with Spain; Capt. and chaplain Mich. National Guards, 6 yrs.; colonel on staff Commander-in-chief Spanish Am. War Vets.; vice-commander-general Military Order Foreign Wars of U.S. 5 yrs. University, Okla. Clubs. Author: The Last Battle of the Gods, 1907; The Flaming Cross, 1911; The City and the World; Letters to Jack, 1917; Charred Wood (novel), 1917; Dominus Vobiscum, 1922; The Story of Extension, 1922; When the Veil is Rent, 1929; The Forgotten God, 1932; Blood Drenched Altars, 1934. Home: Okla. City.

KENDALL, WILLMORE, Minister. Born Jan. 21, 1887, West Liberty, Ky. Son of W. C. and Jennie (Adams) Kendall. Married Pearl Garlick, Chicago, Ill., 1907. Children: two sons and one daughter. Ky. and Tex. schools for blind 1893-1903; Hargrove College 1903-'05; Northwestern University, Chicago, Ill., 1906-'07 and 1910-'12. B.A. and B.D. from Northwestern. Spent entire life in Methodist ministry in Okla. Pastor Centenary M.E. Church, Tulsa, Okla. at present M.E. South. Democrat. State Executive Board Okla. Democrat Fraternity. Lion. Sons of Confederate Veterans. Author of "The Aspiring Life", W. P. Dunn Co., Chicago, 1910. Historical and literary essays in various magazines. Blind since early life. Worked way through Northwestern. Recognized as one of Oklahoma's most brilliant orators and philosophers. Home: Tulsa.

LINSCHIED, ADOLPH, College President. Born Dec. 24, 1879, near Mannheim, Germany. Son of Phillip and Elizabeth (Ewy) Linschied. Married Hazel Audrey Thompson, Prague, Okla., 1906. Children: two. Graduated Springfield, Mo. Normal School, 1903; B.S., Fremont, Neb. College, 1912; M.A., Okla. University, 1920; Ph.D., Columbia U., 1928. Teacher in rural schools in Minn., 1896-'99. Supt. schools Prague, Okla., 1908-'09. Supt. Okemah, 1909-'10. Supt. Bristow, 1910-'11. Prof. English, Southeastern State Normal School, Durant, 1912-'19. Pres. East Central State Teachers College since 1920. Member Okla. Textbook Commission, 1925-'31. Chairman of same 1929-'31. Member Amer. Assn. of Teachers Colleges. O.E.A. pres. 1931-'32. Chairman Okla. Council of Presidents of Teachers Colleges 1929-'31. Democrat. 32nd degree Mason. Lion. C. of C. Lecturer. Author: "In-Service Improvement of the State Teachers College Faculty", 1928. Active in

religious work. Has taught men's Bible class continuously for 15 yrs. Recognized as the outstanding speaker for any occasion in the Southwest, and an accepted leader in educational thought. Home: Ada.

MARLOW, GRACE YOLAND, Born Dec. 31, 1888, Bolivar, Mo., daughter of Dr. James E. and Orpha Jane Loagman. Married George Marlow, 1908. Children: one. Graduated from Southwest Baptist College; post grad. work in music. Taught school at Hickory, Okla. 1907. Served as County Clerk 1918 to fill out term of her husband while he was in U. S. Army during World War. Democrat. Baptist. Eastern Star. Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, 1936-'37. Member Business and Professional Women's Club. Am. Legion Auxiliary. Hobby: Travel. Grandfather was one of the builders of Southwest Baptist College. Her father lectured in same school for 35 years. Home: Shawnee, Okla.

NASH, MELL ACHILLES, College President. Born July 20, 1890, Tryon, Tex. Son of Newton Achilles and Nancy Susan (Moody) Nash. Married Mae Clark, Henryetta, 1916. Children: four. Graduated from State Normal at Edmond, 1910; B.A. and M.A., O. U.; studied at U. of Mich.; LL.D., O. B. U., 1923. Taught in the rural schools, served as high school inspector, 1919-'20, and state supt. of public instruction 1923-'27, from which he resigned to accept the presidency of O.C.W., which position he still holds. He has served as editor of the Okla. Teacher and Pres. of the State Board of Education. He is a member of the N.E.A., O.E.A., Phi Delta Kappa, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Beta Kappa. Mason (Shriner), Democrat. Baptist. Home: Chickasha.

POSEY, H. V., College Professor. Born July 31, 1889, Grant Co., Ark. Married. Children: two. Education: Henderson-Brown College,

graduate; Okla. A. and M. College. O. U. Extension work. Methodist. Democrat. Lion. C. of C. Scout Master. Am. Legion. Red Red Rose. O.E.A. Member executive committee of S.E. District. State Athletic Assn. Served in U.S. Army during World War and is at present Capt. in Okla. Nat'l Guards. Principal and Supt. of Hugo High School. Director of Athletics S.E.S.T.C. At present business manager for athletics in Okla. A. and M. College. Hobby: Bird hunting. Home: Stillwater.

RALEY, JOHN WESLEY, College President. Born Aug. 15, _____ near Rosebud, Texas. Son of L. W. and Margaret (Duncan) Raley. Married Helen Thames, Smithville, Texas, 1929. A.B., Baylor University, Waco, Tex., 1923. Th.M., Southwestern Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., 1927. Th.D., Eastern Seminary, Philadelphia, Pa., 1931. Teacher. Minister. Baptist. Pres. O. B. U. Board Trustees, 1933. President O. B. U., Shawnee, Okla., since 1934. One of the youngest college presidents in America. Home: Shawnee.

REIFF, CECIL K., Educator. Born Oct. 23, 1886, North Manchester, Ind. Son of Jacob and Catherine (Baer) Reiff. Married Dorothy Ellen McCloud, Indianapolis, Ind., 1915. Children: three. Education: Manchester College, North Manchester; B.A., M.A., Ind. U.; graduate study, Columbia U. and U. of Chicago. Has been teacher rural schools, Wabash Co., Ind., 1907-'09; prin. High School, North Manchester, 1909-'13; Ass't. in Ind. U., 1913-'15; director dept. of commerce Central High School, Muskogee, 1915-'19; prin. and supt. of same, 1919-'31; Supt. Okla. City, since 1931. Teacher and lecturer in the summer schools of A. and M., O. U., Okla. City U., N.E.S.T.C., E.C.S.T.C., and S.E.S.T.C. Disciples of Christ church. Democrat. Member N.E.A., Horace Mann League, Am. Academy of Political and Social Sciences, Okla. Society for Cripple

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children, C. of C. Phi Delta Kappa, Lions International, K. of P.

Author: Curriculum in Arithmetic for the State of Oklahoma, Grades 1-8, 1930. Contributes to school publications. Home: Okla. City.

REYNOLDS, THOMAS HARRISON, College Professor. Born Aug. 22, 1888, Winchester Tenn. Son of B. B. and Marilda Reynolds. Married Mabel Bass Creech, Nashville, Tenn., 1916. Children: three. State honors in debate in Tenn., 1914. Fellow, Cal. U., 1922-'23. Instructor Geo. Peabody College, 1924-'26. B.A., Okla. University, 1920; M.A., California University; Ph. D., George Peabody College. Teacher 15 yrs. Head of History Dept. Okla. A. and M. College since 1926. Specialist in economic history. His thesis "Economic Aspects of the Monroe Doctrine" gained recognition as anew theory in gov. in relation to social and economic problems. Nickname: "Tom". Hobby: gardening. Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky., 1918. Presbyterian. Democrat. Am. Legion. Social Science, S.W. Okla. Academy of Science. Chairman History section O.E.A., 1933. From poverty in hills of Tenn. to position as distinguished educator in Okla. Home: Stillwater.

VAUGHN, JOHN SAMUEL, Former State Supt. Schools. Born Nov. 29, 1885, Knoxville, Tenn. Son of Edward Frederick and Alice (Kennedy) Vaughn. Married Eunice Lewis, Kingston, Okla., 1914. Children: one. B.A., and M.A., from O. U. Supt. Schools at Kingston and Wapanucka. Member State Senate 1917-'21. Dean, registrar and acting Pres. S.E.S. T.C., Durant. Elected State Supt. Schools 1927. Member Okla. State Board of Education. N.E.A. O.E.A. (Director). Baptist. Democrat. 32nd degree Mason. Shriner. K.D.D.H. Lion. Home: Okla. City.

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