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# OUACHITA! OUACHITA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY ALUMNI BULLETIN . ARKADELPHIA, ARK. . MAY 1978 . VOL. CVII. NO. 2

# Spring Commencement to honor alumni







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# 1978 Commencement Speakers

## 1978 Commencement Schedule

Friday, May 12

7:00 p.m.

4:30 p.m. Senior Commencement Rehearsal - A.U. Williams Field

5:30- 7:30 p.m. Picnic Supper for Graduates - Dr. & Mrs. Daniel Grant, 904 N. 26th Reunion Buffet - Birkett Williams Private Dining Room Classes of 1923, 1928, 1933, 1938, and friends, by reservation, \$4.00

Saturday, May 13

8:30-12:00 9:30- 3:00 10:00 a.m. Several administration offices open; bookstore - morning and 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Registration - Evans Student Center Continental Breakfast and campus tour for Classes of '13, '18, '23, '28, '33, and '38 - Flenniken

**Drawing Room** 10:30 a.m.

Baccalaureate - Mitchell Hall, Speaker - Rev. Andrew Mac Rae, Secretary-Superintendant,

12:00 noon

**Baptist Union of Scotland** FSA Commencement Luncheon & Annual Meeting, Evans Student Center, by reservation, \$3.25 Former Students, Reunion Classes, Class of '78, Friends '3 and '8 year reunion classes sit

together - Distinguished Alumni Awards - Dr. Emmett Fields, '48 Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Moise Seligman, '41

2:00 p.m. 2:30- 3:30 p.m. Campus Open House Class Coffees for '13, '18, '23, '28, '33, and '38 - Evans Student Center

3:00 p.m. 3:30 p.m.

ROTC Pinning Ceremony - Mabee Fine Arts Recital Hall FSA-ROTC Tea - Mabee Fine Arts Gallery - Everyone welcome

Commencement - A.U. Williams Field 5:00 p.m. Honorary Degrees - Miss Martha Hairston Rev. James Hampton

> Speakers - Miss Dena Hall, '78 Jim Ranchino, Faculty

Four alumni are being honored at Commencement on Saturday, May 13, two to receive honorary degrees, and two to be named as Distinguished Alumni of Ouachita Baptist University. The ceremony will be held at 5 p.m. at A.U. Williams Field.

Miss Martha Hairston, President of the Seminary for Christian Educators in Recife, Brazil and Rev. James Hampton, Field Representative for Eastern Africa, both appointees of the Foreign Mission Board, will receive the Doctor of Letters and Doctor of Divinity degrees respectively.

Dr. Emmett Fields, President of Vanderbilt University, and Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Moise Seligman, Executive Vice President of Consolidated Marketing, Inc. have been nominated by the Former Students Association and approved by the Board of Trustees as Distinguished Alumni.

Rev. Andrew Mac Rae, Secretary-Superintendent of the Baptist Union of Scotland, will speak at the Baccalaureate Service at 10 a.m. in Mitchell Hall.

#### Senior Class Speakers

The Senior Class, following a practice of the past several years of choosing a faculty representative and a member of the Senior Class to deliver short commencement addresses, have selected Jim Ranchino, Associate Professor of History and Political Science from the faculty, and Miss Dena Hall of Clinton as their class speaker.

The Former Students Association luncheon and annual meeting will be held at 12:00 noon in Evans Student Center banquet room, at which time the Distinguished Alumni awards will be presented by President Daniel R. Grant and Mrs. Rosie Glover Dunham, FSA President.

The classes ending in '3 and '8, from 1908-1938, will be observing reunions during the weekend, beginning with a Reunion Buffet in the newly-redecorated Private Dining Room in Birkett Williams Cafeteria on Friday evening, May 12, at 7:00 p.m.

The seniors will be honored that same evening with a picnic supper at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Grant, from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

#### Reunion Breakfast at 10

There will be a Continental Breakfast in Flenniken Drawing Room for the reunion classes at 10:00 a.m. Saturday morning, followed by a bus tour of the campus.

Following the luncheon, during which reunion groups will be seated at designated tables and will be recognized, there will be Class Coffees in private rooms in Evans Student Center.

The ROTC pinning ceremony will be held at 3:00 p.m. in Mabee Fine Arts Recital Hall, followed by a FSA-ROTC tea in the Mabee gallery, open to everyone.

The Reunion Buffet on Friday evening and the FSA Luncheon Saturday noon are by reservation.

### PRESIDENT'S CORNER



#### The importance of 'keeping up'

By: ROSIE DUNHAM F.S.A. President

How gratifying to hear, "Rosie, I saw you and read you in the Ouachita Alumni Bulletin." Those comments tell me that you are reading about and keeping up with Ouachita and I commend you for it. That old "Tiger Spirit" just keeps on keeping on and so Ouachita remains the Queen of the College World because of your continued interest and support. That interest and support will assure Ouachita of as bright a future as the past has been.

Speaking of the past and the future, an old friend of mine, Abraham Lincoln, is reported to have once said "The light of the future is the lamp of the past.". As a former student or alumni, I hope you will hold up your Ouachita lamp of the past and let it

light up the future for todays student - and tomorrow's student - with continued support both financial and by enthusiastic words and actions.

It is exciting to know that academic and Christian excellence is still alive and well at Ouachita. Come see for yourself. You can have a part in that Excellence.

A recent comment concerning reading this Bulletin was, "I'm just a friend of Ouachita as I didn't go there but I receive the Bulletin and read it." I commended my friend on her selection of reading material but scolded her on saying she was "just" a friend of Ouachita. Friends, former students, alumni together can form a strong circle of support for the present and the future of Ouachita.

#### BRIEFS

#### Above national average

Data based on the 1977 Ouachita freshmen class ACT scores show the new students to be above the national average for the second straight year.

In addition, the frehsmen class is above the national norm in high school grade point average. Incoming students in August had a combined grade point average of 3.02 against the national figure of 2.95 on a 4.0 (straight A) system.

#### Spring enrollment 1,570

Enrollment for the spring semester at Ouachita is 1,570 students, an increase of 12 students over the enrollment period last year, with an almost 50-50 ratio of male to female students.

Class breakdowns include 447 freshmen, 283 sophomores, 274 juniors,

372 seniors, 109 graduate students, and 85 post-graduate and special students.

There are 316 students from 33 states other than Arkansas and 44 students representing 21 foreign countries enrolled at OBU.

#### Get-together June 13

Ouachitonians and friends of Ouachita who attend the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlanta, Ga. June 13-15, 1978, are invited to a Get-Together Tuesday night, June 13, at 9:30 p.m. in the Peachtree Plaza Hotel, a short walk from the Convention complex, following the evening session.

There will be a brief film presentation of the latest compus improvements and activities, and a time of fellowship within the Ouachita family will highlight the social hour.



WILLS FOR OUACHITA—Four Ouachita officials are leading the "1978-Wills for Ouachita" year which is headed by Rev. Lloyd Cloud (r), director of planned giving at the University. The officials are (I to r) Dr. Ben M. Elrod, senior vice president and director of development; Dr. Daniel R. Grant, OBU president; and Jay Freeman of Little Rock, chairman of the development committee of the Board of Trustees.

# 1978 is designated as 'Wills for Ouachita' year

Entering the celebration of its Centennial Decade, Ouachita, founded in 1886, has designated 1978 as "Wills for Ouachita" year.

Rev. Lloyd Cloud, new Director of Planned Giving and former pastor of Hot Springs First Baptist Church, is heading the program.

"Setting aside in your will some portion of your estate for Ouachita is an investment that has long reaching effects," Cloud said, adding that gifts made today will shape lives that can in turn shape more lives in positive ways.

Several factors contributed to the establishment of the "Wills for Ouachita" program. One was the assumption that most graduates and friends of Ouachita who have supported the institution during life will want their estates to furnish some continued support. Another factor was the feeling that persons who cannot afford to give significant lifetime contributions can and will make provisions for Ouachita in their wills.

"Also, through this will program, all graduates and friends can, as a mini-

mum participation, provide for a bequest to OBU, contingent upon certain stated conditions," Cloud pointed out.

A final concept in establishing this type of deferred giving program is that some graduates and friends of OBU need a worthy cause to support by means of their estates, Cloud said.

Specific objectives of the program, according to Cloud, are: (1) to provide, in wills for a minimum of \$20,000,000 for endowment; (2) to encourage each of Ouachita's graduates, friends, faculty, and staff members to create a will and to consider a provision for Ouachita; (3) to provide adequate information concerning ways to make bequests to Ouachita; and (4) to provide aid to lawyers of Ouachita constituents who wish to prepare for a bequest to the University.

Anyone interested in the "Wills for Ouachita" program may write Rev. Lloyd Cloud, Director of Planned Giving, Ouachita Baptist University, P.O. Box 754, Arkadelphia, Arkansas 71923 or call 246-4531, ext. 169.

## Two OBU coeds in Nassau with Mission Service Corps

In early January, two Ouachita Baptist University sophomores quietly packed their bags and instead of returning to the academic world of Ouachita, headed for a six-month visit to Nassau, in the Bahamas.

The two coeds, Chere Sneed of North Little Rock, and Beth Patterson of Searcy, are pioneers.

Together they are among the first participants in a newly-conceived Mission Service Corps, which the 12-million-member-plus Southern Baptist Convention (SBC) has begun.

The corps is a means of providing mission-minded laypeople with opportunities to use their expertise on the mission fields for up to two years on a volunteer basis. At Ouachita, Chere is a political science major while Beth's area of concentration is chemistry.

President Jimmy Carter was a catalytic agent for this new SBC mission thrust when he challenged fellow Baptists at last year's annual meeting in Kansas City to strengthen the short-term volunteer missionary phase of its already initiated "Bold Mission Plan."

In response to the challenge, a goal of enlisting 5,000 short-term volunteer missionaries by 1982 was set, with finances to be supplied for the effort through individual and church support.

For Chere and Beth, Mrs. Marie Smallwood Thomas, a retired educator-musician in Russellville, is making the mission excursion possible as a memorial to her late husband, John Thomas of Magnolia.

While in the field, Chere and Beth will be performing whatever duties deemed suitable and necessary to assist



MISSION SERVICE CORPS—Ouachita students Beth Patterson (I) and Chere Sneed describe to a church audience their roles in a newly conceived Mission Service Corps, which the 12-million-member-plus Southern Baptist Convention has begun. The Corps is a means of providing mission-minded laypeople with opportunities to use their expertise on the mission fields for up to two years on a volunteer basis.

the growth of the Baptist work there. One of the first decisions the girls had to make was whether they would use a car in the field.

In the summer mission-program, students are placed somewhere in the United States where they can minister in whatever ways are needed. Travel expenses and a modest salary are provided volunteers.

According to Dr. Daniel R. Grant, president of OBU, the girls decided to use the mass transit system while in Nassau, since that is the form of transportation most of the native citizens use.

"We, speaking for the University, are very pleased to already have two of our students in this program," Grant stated, adding that he hopes Ouachita

can make some special contributions to the program, realizing "the tremendous opportunity OBU has as a Baptistsupported institution."

This is not the first mission efforts Ouachita has participated in. For several years this Arkadelphia college has sent among the highest number of student summer missions volunteers of any university in the country.

Besides these mission efforts, the SBC sponsors a Missionary Journeyman program where laymen can serve for up to two years on a foreign mission field and a US-2 program, which is similar, only the volunteers are sent to a locality in the United States.

If the SBC already had such programs, why start the Mission Service Corps? There seem to be two main reasons:

In order to get more laymen involved in missions.

Finances.

Other SBC mission programs are financed through a cooperative program of the convention, whereas this program will be funded through individuals or churches voluntarily supporting a particular layperson in a particular field for a certain time. This, SBC hopes, will increase the farreaching abilities of the mission efforts.

The Mission Service Corps is preparing to process an expected flood of applications for the new program. Laymen in all areas of labor, from carpentry to zoology, are anticipated to join the Corps. This, again, is where Ouachita can come in on the "cutting edge of the program," as Grant put it.

"Faculty members could take a leave of absence to work with the Mission Service Corps as well as students, and then as the Ouachita community becomes more and more aware of the opportunities the program offers, word can spread to laymen all across the state," Grant said.

The Corps is presently operating through the Home Mission and Foreign Mission Boards of SBC. Dr. R.H. Dorris, director of missions for the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, is heading the program for Arkansas, Grant said.

"Obviously the program will encounter problems, especially with a tendency to get bogged down in red tape," Grant said, "but it is vitally important that we as a Christian people continue to add new dimensions to the concepts of missions."

# Student wants to be somebody besides 'that Indian'

He doesn't wear moccasins, doesn't carry a tomahawk in his back pocket and you won't find war paint on his cheekbones. And if you call him "Indian" he'll smile at you and say, "Who, me?"

Steve Blatchford, a Ouachita freshman, is a Navajo Indian.

He is from Gallup, New Mexico. His life, like that of most Indians today, has been a silent battle between two cultures. "I haven't rejected or really accepted either culture," he says. "I try to remain unbiased."

But it's hard. Outside of Gallup there is an Indian reservation. In Gallup "prejudice" means Indians and whites.

Steve learned about this prejudice the hard way.

"When I was in the fifth grade," he tells, "I was in the safety patrol. We were trying to raise some money to buy some belts and badges. So, we had decided to sell candy.

"I was in a wealthy area trying to sell my amount of candy. I went up to this house and a 'white' lady answered the door."

"I was all set to begin my sales pitch and she started yelling, 'Get out of here you dirty little Indian."

"I couldn't get out of the neighborhood fast enough. I was hurt but I didn't tell anyone about it at the time.

I just kept it to myself and let it blow over."

This conflict between the "white man's world" and the "Indian" ways is deeper than the bows and arrows of the past.

"They (the Indians) go out, learn English and the 'white' way of life but when they go home everyday they speak Navajo. They go into the white world but their background is still Navajo."

The reservation is not a wealthy one. The Indians who stay on the reservation live mainly off of government subsidized funds and proceeds received from admission charges to crafts fairs and Indian dance exhibitions. For the ones who go off the reservation the outlook is usually not any better.

It's these things that are creating a big problem among Navajos today, Steve says. "The pressure of trying to house the two societies within themselves is too great," he says. "A large percentage of the Indians on the reservation become alcoholics. They can't cope with the struggle of the two societies within them, especially when neither of them are willing to give."

There are those who can, though. Those like Steve's father. He's the vice-president of Albuquerque, New Mexico for the National Indian Youth Council. "He's adjusted," Steve says.



STEVE BLATCHFORD

"He knows what he wants out of being an Indian. And he's helping others with the transition between the two worlds."

Steve knows what he wants, too. Or rather what he doesn't want.

He doesn't want to be like most of the Indians his age and spend his life in Gallup, New Mexico making Indian blankets or hanging around the streets. He wants to be somebody. Somebody

besides "that Indian."

That's why he's at Ouachita Baptist University majoring in music.

He met a pastor from Benton this summer who offered to help him with a college education. Steve agreed and plans were made for him to go to the University of New Mexico.

A few weeks before school started the pastor called and asked Steve if he'd consider coming to Quachita.

"It sounded like a good idea," Steve said. "So I came. I don't really know how I like it yet, but I'm not in Gallup."

Steve's feelings about his Indian ancestry are simple. "I don't think much about the fact that I'm an Indian. I'm just a person just like you're a person. I'd be the same if I were yellow or green. My friends are just people, too, of all kinds. Being an Indian means something to me but it's not my life."

That's why when you call Steve Blatchford "Indian", he'll smile and say, "Who, me?"

# Dr. McBeth commissioned by All-Japan Bandmasters

MaBeth, professor of music, resident composer, chairman of the Theory-Composition Department at Ouachita Baptist University, and Composer Laureate of Arkansas has been commissioned by the All-Japan Bandmasters Association to compose the 1978 National Contest Music for

Contacted by the Association's executive secretary, Toshio Akiyama, McBeth's work will be one of two required numbers to be performed by each high school band in Japan for the 1978 contest.

Three years ago, McBeth, who has been a member of Ouachita's faculty since 1957, traveled to Japan and conducted clinics and concerts for the Yamaha Company in the cities of Tokyo, Nagoya, Sendia, Sapporo, Osaka, Fukuoka and the Yamaha Music Camp.

As a composer, he has consistently been in the top group of the most performed American symphonic wind composers the past 12 years, and as a conductor, he travels nine months of the year and has conducted in 33 of the 50 states and Canada. As a player, McBeth has performed in Germany, France, Italy, England and Iceland. He averages 40 concerts a year.

McBeth has been named the recipient of the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP) award for the past 12 years.

Besides the ASCAP award, the most outstanding of McBeth's awards have been the Presley Award at Hardin-Simmons University and the Howard Hanson Prize at the Eastman School of Music for his Third Symphony in

He was conductor of the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra in Little Rock for many years until his retirement in 1973, whereupon he was elected Conductor Emeritus in honor of his work with this professional orchestra.

In 1973 he was chosen by a national music periodical, "The School Musician," in their list of the top 10 music educators in the United States and



DR. McBETH

Canada. In January, 1975, McBeth was appointed Composer Laureate of the State of Arkansas by the governor.

Harriet Elizabeth Pryor Ministerial Scholarship of \$1,500 will be available this fall to Ouachita Ministerial students who have been accepted for admission or are currently enrolled. It will be renewed provided the student has maintained nonprobationary academic standing and has proven to be a good citizen of the Ouachita campus.

The scholarship fund was created by the will of Miss Pearl Pryor of Hot Springs, a 1913 graduate of Ouachita. She directed that 100 shares of Lee Dry Goods Company stock be placed in trust and the dividends be paid over to Ouachita to be used to help a deserving but needy ministerial student obtain his or her degree in theology.

Scholarship funds in the amount of \$1,500 per year are expected.

Miss Pryor taught in Shreveport, Louisiana for many years before retiring in Hot Springs where she lived until her death in 1976.

According to Dr. Ben Elrod, senior vice president and director of development, "Miss Pryor set an example for the rest of us by preparing a will which reflected her Christian commitment. Ouachita will become much stronger in the future as many of us follow her

## Memorial Contributions

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by Miss Ruth Robinson



# Christian Poetry Journal published at Ouachita may be one of a kind

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The Journal is composed entirely of poetry that contains some allusion or reference to the Christian faith and is this month celebrating its two-year anniversary.

A two year anniversary adds another unique aspect to the Journal that few other literary magazines can claim. The average life of a literary journal of any kind, according to Morris, is less than two years. He commented that this coming year would be a critical one for the publication.

"The Journal began three years and in my mind when I realized that no other magazine known to me specialized in Christian poetry," Morris said. From that beginning, talks with the administration of Ouachita led to allotting an anonymous donation for the purpose of founding the "Christian Poetry Journal."

Today, under the authority of the University, the Journal is self-supporting with a subscription list of approximately 400. Morris commented that this is a fairly large circulation for any type of special-interest, literary journal such as this.

Part of these subscribers came from the subscription lists of another Christian poetry journal founded in Minnesota. Known as "Gates," this publication went out of business and turned their circulation lists over to Ouachita.

As to the actual mechanics of editing the Journal, Morris said it has turned out to be much more work in reality than he had envisioned it in his mind.

He and Wink read through the stacks of poetry that they receive from subscribers, college students, and others who have either heard of or read about the Journal.

"At the beginning of publication we placed advertisements in various denominational newsmagazines and sent notices to colleges to encourage

writers to send their work," Morris

Determining which material to use and which to diseard had proven to be an interesting balancing of opinions between Wink, who leans towards contemporary poetry, and Morris, who prefers a more traditional, rhymed, rhythmical poetry.

Trying to agree has not been nearly as much of a problem though as one might think due to the fact that both view much of the "poetry" they receive as unworthy of that title.

"We are overwhelmed with material that has solid theological basis and good sentiment, but very little poetical quality," Morris explained. It is this phenomena that can prove particularly touchy when one is dealing with "Christian" poetry.

"One of the biggest obstacles in this endeavor is how to tell people who say 'the Lord gave me this poem' that the poem is terrible technically," Morris said. "It seems to make rejection much harder to give and accept."

The "Christian Poetry Journal" is mailed to people all accross the nation and receives possible material from the same wide variety of persons.

Nuns, overall, tend to write the best poetry, according to Morris. After much deliberation over this observation, Wink and Morris have come to the conclusion that nuns are more given to meditative thought than most of the 20th-century human race and therefore are better equipped to pen reflective, poetic thoughts.

One of the best poets the Journal has discovered, according to Morris, is Dr. Winford Emmons, a professor of English at Lamar Tech University in Louisiana. A former English department chairman at OBU, Emmons has had much of his work published in the "Christian Poetry Journal."

In his two years of editing the Journal, Morris said he has received very little obscene or extremely "farout" poetry. That type of work had been one of the major concerns of the University when they were discussing whether or not to support the Journal. Fortunately, it has not proven to be a problem.

"What we would like to see now is much more material from college stu-



CHECKING SUBMISSIONS—Dr. John Wink (I) and Dr. Gilbert Morris consider a poem that has been submitted for the next issue of the Christian Poetry Journal.

dents, especially Ouachita students," Morris said. If the magazine is to continue and to grow, more and more new, fresh Christian poetry of high quality will be needed, he added, and much of that could come from college ranks if students would allow it to.

Subscriptions will also need to remain high if the Journal remains in operation. Poetry in itself is not an overwhelming hot item on the American market, Morris pointed out. To support this theory he cited this example:

Recently the Arkansas legislature had to respond to the accusations from a group of people in the state that tax-

payers money was being wasted because inmates in one of the prisons were being taught to read, appreciate and write poetry.

As editor of a poetry journal, Morris closed with these words:

"It hurts to have to sit and read 42 bad poems people have written because they haven't been exposed to or taught what good poetry is. Robert Frost explained it this way . . . 'Considering the market, there are more poems produced than any other thing. No wonder poets sometimes have to seem to be much more business-like than businessmen — their wares are so much harder to get rid of."

#### Excerpts from Christian Poetry Journal

#### **SNOWFALL**

White, holy petals drifting dubiously downward,

floating, falling hesitantly from heaven's benevolent realm

to cover in quiet affection this sordid, slumbering earth.

-L.D. Kennedy

#### **GRAY-FLANNEL MOMENTS**

When you least expect it,
Rain clouds plump up shriveled peppers,
Frosty mornings turn green apples red,
A letter will arrive from Madge
(The kids are fine, but Paul
Stepped on a rusty nail),
And glory turns the shades;
A ray, a taste leaks through
And blisters the heart with hope.

-Dana Lord Huntley



BIRKETT WILLIAMS RETURNS—Back on campus in March for the start of a lecture series he endowed recently, Birkett Williams (\*10) talks with Sen. Dale Bumpers of Arkansas (I), the inaugural speaker. Listening in are Dr. Ben Elrod, senior vice president and director of development, and Dr. Daniel R. Grant (r), OBU president. Williams has given more money to Ouachita than any other living person.

Men's Home Economics

# OBU males scramble to enroll in course

Twelve years ago approximately half a dozen college men viewed the spacious, yellow brick home economics house at Ouachita Baptist University as an unknown, rather threatening building.

Until that first day of classes a dozen years ago, the he-men of the campus world had been successful in avoiding this women-dominated house. Now six of them stood nervously outside that fateful front screen door wondering why they'd ever signed up for the new "Men's Home Economics" course.

Unobserved in an upstairs window stood Mrs. Frances Elledge, the instructor who would take on the challenge of shaping and molding a class in domestic skills for men. She recalled the conversation that first day outside the Hobgood House:

"Have you got the guts to go in there?"

"I guess I can if you can."

"All I hope is that nobody's watching — hurry up and let's get in!"

And that is how the "Home Economics for Men" course began at Ouachita. As a pioneer in the area of home ec. for men, Ouachita was one of the first universities to begin a men's home ec. class. For 21 years, consistently under the direction of Mrs. Elledge, assistant professor of home economics at OBU, the men's home ec. class has gained momentum.

"At first the course was viewed as a class for sissies, but that image didn't last very long as the male students quickly began to realize how practical the course was, especially for those intending to 'batch it' for awhile," Mrs. Elledge explained.

And it wasn't long before the course was attracting national attention. In the February, 1965 issue of a national home economics magazine, Ouachita's home economics department was featured as a pioneer college in the area of men's home ec.

On the front page of the story was a large, clear picture of two OBU basketball stars, David Kossover and Leon Clements, in nice, little aprons slaving over a stove. Since that course in men's home ec., Clements has been named to the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Basketball Hall of Fame.

"The course caught on quickly and the ideas my father had had about men in the kitchen began to fade," Mrs. Elledge explained, elaborating that the only time her father had come in the kitchen was to "flirt with my mother."

Today the course at Ouachita is an elective and there are always more students wanting to take it than there are openings in the class. Usually around 25 students are enrolled in the class each semester since that is the



"NO BIG DEAL"—Ricky Trimble takes the casual, masculine approach to cooking, determined to keep it relaxed and enjoyable. largest number of men that the kitchens of the old Hobgood House can comfortably hold.

"My uncle built this house," Mrs. Elledge explained as she walked through the now refurnished rooms, "and the three kitchen areas have a way of shrinking considerably when you try to put 25 football players in them."

One year Mrs. Elledge tried teaching two sessions of "Home Economics for Men" but discovered that with 25 college males you just had to be spontaneously fresh to teach a domestic skills course that would stay interesting.

The structure of the course has evolved over the years into an informal organization of study units, including "Social Usage," "The Well-Dressed



**BOYCE, THE BAKER**—Boyce Miller discovers that handling a pie crust takes a sure, light touch, with a trace of artistry.

Mrs. Elledge said, "and they are always hungry at 10 a.m."

The course this semester meets three times a week at 10 a.m. and this particular class has chosen to study "Social Usage," a study in manners and proper etiquette, "Foods," and "The Well-Dressed Man," a study of men's clothing and how to shop wisely for a wardrobe.

"The students really teach themselves," Mrs. Elledge commented. "One day I had a young man informally deliver a terrific lecture on nutrition and the class probably got much more out of it than if I had said the same things. Peer teaching is very effective."

Terry Glover, a senior business administration major from Winsboro, Texas, who is taking the course this semester commented that he likes the contribute on this topic.

Tommy Wasson, a senior physical education major from Arkadelphia, one of the married students, took the course because his brother who graduated in 1973 told him that he had learned more in Men's Home Economics than in any other course of his college career.

Carl Harrington, a senior religion major from Lake Providence, Louisiana, took the course because he knew he'd be graduating in May and having to "do a lot of cooking on my own."

Most of the men in the class already know each other since the course is open only to junior and senior students who've usually already been at Ouachita three or four years.

"It's a different kind of class because we're all males and Mrs. Elledge gives us a freedom to be creative in our own way," according to Charlie Martin, a senior political science major from Jonesboro.

Mrs. Elledge's philosophy is to "try and make it their own course" and the philosophy seems to have paid off. After 12 years of teaching Men's Home Ec., Mrs. Elledge has received quite a bit of feedback about the effects of the class.

"One young man went into the Army and a superior officer began to tease him about having taken a home ec. course in college. That officer got straightened out very quickly when the young man related to him all he'd learned in that course the officer was calling 'sissy" Mrs. Elledge said.

There are now more men than ever in all the home economics classes of the University.

"Students take the Men's Home Ec. class and become aware of careers and areas open to them that they've never thought about before; then they enroll in another Home Ec. class to learn more," Mrs. Elledge said.

Personal rewards for Mrs. Elledge include the rapport she develops with her students and seeing them reach out to something they've never been allowed to delve into before.

"One young man came to me after taking the course just to say thanks for letting him come into the kitchen without griping at him about making a mess," she said, adding that, "so many young men have talents and interests in this area that they've never been allowed to develop."

Mrs. Elledge enjoys the men's class but rumor has it according to John Carter that she only likes the Men's Home Ec. class because, "boys ask the dumbest questions."

Nevertheless, it is common knowledge around OBU that "Mrs. Elledge loves her men" and no one seems to mind.

#### "I enjoy teaching my men to cook because they're not afraid to tackle something and amazingly enough, they're great about cleaning up." Mrs. Frances Elledge

Man," "Foods," "Child Care and Family Life," "Home Decoration," "Landscaping," or any other topic of interest related to home economics. The students themselves decide each semester which areas they would like to study.

Of the choices available for study, the most popular by far over the years has been the Foods unit. Mrs. Elledge commented:

"I enjoy teaching my men to cook because they're not afraid to tackle something and amazingly enough, they're great about cleaning up."

Through the past 12 years Mrs. Elledge has never had a major catastrophe or complete failure in the Foods unit of her men's home ec. class.

"The men's classes work well together as a team in the kitchens,"

informal atmosphere and the fact that Mrs. Elledge makes the course an "up-to-date class."

The class this semester just concluded a unit on Social Usage which may seem rather surprising when you consider that a class of 25 "cool" college men elected to study about the proper way to treat a lady and how to conduct themselves in a formal situation.

"I'm not a very formal person," related John Carter, a senior history and political science major from Keo, "but it's nice to know that if I ever did go some place that used 18 forks and 29 spoons I'd know how to act."

A big part of the Social Usage unit consisted of studying the traditions of the American wedding. There are three men in the class this semester who are married and they had much to

## Class Notes

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"O.B.U. News Editor: Please, may I

"O.B.U. News Editor: Please, may I request a correction.
In your Feb. 1978 edition, you pay me a very nice tribute, but say I am retired.
Far from it. I come to work every day and am president of Monarch-Leasing Co. Our financial statement as of Jan. 78 is attached. I do not own it, as I gave it to my daughter in 1965. But I built it, and run it. Cordially, Birkett (Williams)"

#### '27

Rev. and Mrs. Lloyd A. Sparkman (he, also '28) celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on March 12, in Little Rock where he serves nearby churches as supply and interim pastor.

The Sparkmans have pastored churches in Arkansas and Mississippi. While he was at South Side Church, Pine Bluff, he served two terms as president of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention. He has served, further, on the Foreign Mission Board, and the boards of trustees of Blue Mountain College Ms. and Midwestern Theological Seminary, Kansas City, Mo.

#### '28

Mrs. R.T. Baker (Ruth Keeling, f.s.), widowed in 1970 after 38 years of married life, in Albuquerque, NM, writes of her fond memories of Ouashita when she was a cheerander and the football team was Number I. she pays tribute, to a "tim wonderful teacher." Her husband, also a former stumnt, was also manager of a life insurance firm.

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The intervening year have been filled with hild colons, three forms a local WMU midwart, 18 years on the state WMU midwart in NM state convention; 8 years of the Children's the utive board of he Children's Home, and four years on the Boys' Ranch Board; Itate President of Itatiness Women, Adult Sunday School worker; approved intermediate Training Union Worker; assistant editor of the "Baptist New Mexican" for 10 years, and weekly columnist. columnist.

She has had over 500 articles published, including travel reports for state papers, mildious processed and the familia World Cilianos. following continents. her trips to all five major

After her years of denominational service, Mrs. Baker became State Director of the Luxury Tax Division; an auditor with the Bureau of Revenue; and then administrative specialist in acturial research with the State Employment Commission, Department of Labor from which she retired in ment of Labor, from which she retired in

Her parents, Rev. and Mrs. L.M. Keeling, and brothers and sisters, Charles Arthur, L.M., Jr., Mary Jo Egli, Lois Draper and Nancy Boren, all attended Ouachita.

#### '37

Mrs. Cloyd Willis (Leydel Johnson, f.s.), a business teacher in Pine Bluff, and mother of four children, has published "Today-Book Two of a Poetry Trilogy," a new addition to the other books of poetry she has authored, as well as works appearing in several literary magazines.

#### **'39**

The late Hattie B. Strother, dean of women at Ouachita in 1938-39, and dean of women at Louisiana College in Pineville, La., where she remained until her death in 1948, has been honored in the naming of Louisiana College's rebuilt dining hall for her, as an expression of love and appreciation for her many services to the college. Her niece, Katherine M. Sumerlin, OBU periodicals librarian, attended the February 18 ceremony honoring her aunt.

#### '40

Sam Jones (f.s.) of Little Rock, is seeking his 13th term as State Land Commissioner. He owns and operates a lumber and timber business.

#### '41

James O. Ross (f.s.), of Arkansas City, has announced for re-election for his seventh term as Desha County Tax Assessor.

#### '43

Or. Nell Mondy, Professor of organic and food chemistry at Cornell University, who counts a NATO Award, naming her as one

of seven representatives from the United States to attend a food seminar in Scotland in 1960, and the Second International Food Science Congress in Warsaw, Poland in 1966, among her numerous honors, experienced new adventures in 1977. As chairman of the Site Selection Committee of the Potato Association of America, she received royal treatment at Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick. She was named chairman of the Northeast Regional Research Conference at its October meeting in Rhode Island, the first woman in this position, representing 14 states. Other conferences have taken her to Niagara Falls in January (where she found the falls even more spectacular in the ice), Philadelphia, Long Island and Orono, Me. of seven representatives from the United

#### '44

Rev. Lehman and Virginia Bryant (f.s.) Webb have returned from seven years of pastoring the International Baptist Church in Singapore, and are in Little Rock where he is Field Missionary for Church Extension, jointly appointed by the Home Mission Board and Arkansas Baptist State Convention. He is available to associations, churches, and pastors for counsel and assistance in starting new mission sites.

#### '48

Rev. Alex and Charleta Biendorf ('45) Garner, Roger, Cynthia and Becky, formerly missionaries to Argentina and Panama, and former residents of OBU Missionary House, are stationed now in Paraguay.

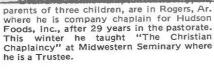
Melody Mosley, daughter of Ernest and Vivian Bachman ('50) Mosley, is 1977 President of Girls Nation and a senior at McGavock High School in Nashville, There experiences in Washington, D.C., visiting with Senators and Representatives on Capitol Hill and with Vice President Mondale at the White House "had more impact on her life than she would ever have imagined possible."

Rev. Alfred Roy and Sarah Myatt Major are pastoring in Elaine, Ar. after wideranging missionary and pastoral experiences in Brazil, Juneau, Ak., Rhode Island, and Gumberland, Md. He has taught Bible at Alleghany Community College, and seminary extension courses for Southern Seminary. Mrs. Major worked with the State Department of Social Jervices in Child Care for 10 years in Maryland. They have a daughter and a son.

#### '49

#### '50

A.C. and Imogene Cagle ('57) Grigson have returned to Arkansas and are living in Texarkana where he is an accountant, after 13 years in San Angelo, Tx. A.C. has filed as a candidate for the U.S. Senate. He has a doctorate from the University of









MISSIONARY RESIDENTS-Dr. and Mrs. Orlynn Reece Evans, Southern Baptist missionaries to Liberia, are missionaries-in-residence at Ouachita. (bottom left) Mona Rowe, 22, a senior secondary education major from Hope, was selected "Miss Ouachita Baptist University" during the 12th annual pageant held April 22.

"Miss Ouachita Baptist University" during the 12th annual pageant held April 22. (bottom right) Winners in the First Annual Ouachita Baptist University Invitational Golf Tournament held Saturday April 29 hold their trophies which were presented that evening at a banquet on the Ouachita campus. They are (I to r) Phil Rickels, OBU team championship trophy; Kilor Bowling, first place in first flight; Homer Kasserman, second place, second flight; B.F. Stroope, winner of the second flight; Gary Gross, winner of the championship flight; Ralph Williams, second place in the championship flight; Mike Smith, second place tie with Homer Mantooth (far right) in the first flight. The tournament was held at the DeGray State Park course, north of Arkadelphia.







TIGER TRAKS HIGHLIGHTS—Cliff Harris (top left), the All-Pro defensive free safety for the Dallas Cowboys and a 1970 Ouachita graduate, was "roasted" by coach Tom Landry, and a host of other football and academic notables this year. The women's tournament trike race was again a crowd-pleaser along with the men's bike races. Also featured in the weekend was a celebrity tennis match with Ron Ely and a concert presented by Gene Cotton and Grady Nutt. Called "Arkansas' most exciting college weekend," the Ouachita Student Foundation-sponsored Tiger Traks raised money for 30 scholarships which are awarded to OBU students.

Texas, is a graduate of SMU Southwestern Graduate School of Banking, has a master's degree in administration from East Texas State, and bachelor's degrees in mathmatics and business and bus administration from Ouachita.

Rev. Preston and Doris Jean Bowers Taylor, Preston, Jr. and Marsha Kay, former missionaries to Argentina, are pastoring First Baptist Church, Carrizo Springs, Tx. He has authored a second book, "Exodus: Escape From Evil."

#### '51

Dr. Thomas J. Landers, Professor of Education and director of programs in administration and supervision, Department of Education, The American University, Washington, D.C., is guest professor at the University of Heidelberg during a sabbatical

year in Europe. He has contributed his latest book, "Essentials of School Management," to the Ouachita author's shelf in Riley Library

#### **'52**

In the interest of the Christian home in which we firmly believe, let us correct the cut-line which appeared under the Class of '52 Homecoming reunion picture in the February bulletin. Dr. Bill Cook (f.s.) and Rachel Quattlebaum should have been listed as "Dr. and Mrs. Bill Cook (formerly Rachel Quattlebaum)."

#### '53

Charles and Carolyn Meador (f.s.) Ragland, their two sons and two daughters, are in Jacksonville, Fl. where he has been ammed Director of the Brotherhood Dept. of the Florida Baptist Convention. He has been associate director in the Florida Church Training Department since 1964 Training Department since 1964.

H. Kenneth and Gloria West (f.s.) Reed, and Stephen are in Pine Bluff where he is vice president and loan officer for First Federal Savings & Loan Assn., and is seeking re-election as Justice of the Peace. He is a re-election as Justice of the Peace. He is a former Army Captain and liason pilot, past chairman of the Pine Bluff Planning Commission, and is one of the Tigers in Downtown Lion's Club.

#### '54

Rev. Al and Bobbie Stephens (f.s.) Sparkman, are pastoring First Baptist Church, Crossett, Ar., after 12 years at Levy Baptist Church, North Little Rock Daughter Susan (Mrs. Victor Bradford) of North Little Rock, is a former student, and son Stephen is a Ouachita freshman. Al is a former FSA President, and Arkansas president of Southern Seminary Alumnia Bobbo dent of Southern Seminary alumni. Bobbie has been employed in the Little Rock Ouachita Office.

James B. and Dorothy J. West (f.s.) Ragland, parents of four sons, are in Little Rock where he is Farm Management Specialist with the U. of A. Cooperative Extension Service. She has taught nine years at Bryant High, but is staying home now with 8-month old Jimmy. Gerald is in the Coast Guard, Darrell is a freshman at UALR, and Joe Bryan is in the 10th grade at Bryant High.

#### '57

Rev. Charles Ray Edwards has retired as Major from the U.S. Army and is situated permanently in Joplin, Mo. where he pastors Warren's Branch Baptist Church, in Seneca.

Dr. Walter and Barbara Kay Brake, Todd, Scott, and Lynn, are in Hurst, Txx where he is Director of Personnel at Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is Vice-Chairman of Chapparal District and a Roundtable Commissioner of Boy Scouts of

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America, and is Cubmaster, Longhorn

Marjerie Witherington Crump
Mobile, Al. where he is an engineer
International Paper Co. and she is a
Mobile Public

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Dwight and Ann Salter Clark the call March 1 to Calvary Baptist hurth, Independence, Mo. (not far from the larry 8. Truman Museum and Library), following seven years with the Foreign Mission Board in Nassau, Bahamas.

#### '60

Earl and Martha Ann Wilson (f.s.) Jones, Jr., Kevin, Alan, and "Chip" are in Tex-arkana where he is occupied with department stores, insurance, motels, and invest-ments. Earl received the C.E. Palmer award as Outstanding Citizen of Texarkana at the annual Chamber of Commerce banquet in February. His list of accomplishments "ran for almost five minutes," according to the local paper, and included: president of the Texarkana Civic Music Assn.; chairman, Community Chest; OBU Trustee; SAU Trustee; Deacon, Beech Street Baptist Church; vice president, Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce; Boss of the Year, 1964; State Representative; and sponsor of an anti-obscenity and anti-pornography act.

Henry and Betty Krudwig Whitlow, Jason, Emily, and their ward, Todd Welsh, have moved from the Baptist Seminary in Mexico where he has been librarian and she, registar, to California Baptist College in Riverside, where he is Library Director and she is secretary to the vice president for estate planning.

They have served 12 years as missionaries in Hong Kong and Mexico.

Winston Bryant, present Secretary of State for Arkansas, is a candidate for Congress. He has served as Legislative Assistant to the late Senator John L. McClellan, as Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in Hot Springs County, two terms in the Arkansas General Assembly, and has taught part-time at Ouachita and Henderson. He is married to the former Carolyn Davidson, and they have one son, John David.

#### '61

Clyde and Martha Court Brinley, Scott and Steve, are in Cedar Hill, Mo. where he owns Stawart Enterprises, Inc., and Sesame, Inc., land development projects, Tel-Tronics, Inc., a retail store, and Quetern Video

Clif and Devona Meeks (f.s.) Hardaway, Rowena, Jane, and Billy are in Camden, Ar. where she teaches elementary art and he has a TV repair shop.

Larry Ray and Carole Cummings (f.s.) Mashburn and their three children are in Ozark, Ar. where he is president of the bank. She received her R.N. from Baptist Hospital

#### '62

James and Margaret Ann McKenzie Hertzfeld, James Andrew and Holly Ann, are in Benton, Ar. where he is co-owner of Herzfeld Insurance Agency. After a stint in the army and as a research chemist with Reynolds Metals, he joined his father in the insurance business. He is a deacon at First Baptist Church, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, a Rotarian, and running for a position on the school board. James and Margaret Ann McKenzie

Rev. Bailey and Sandy Elliff ('63) Smith, Scott, Steven, and Josh, are in Del City, Ok. where he pastors First Baptist Church. In their four years there, the membership has grown from 6,600 to near 10,000. Bailey is president of the SBC Pastor's Conference, has had his sermon, "Is Going To Church Worthwhile" included in the book, "Preaching People to People," and stays on the go in revivals, evangelism conferences, retreats, and conventions.

Otis and Linda Lee Grabowski Estes, Jr., Lori, Jolie and Mary Elizabeth, are in Texico, II. where he is sales engineer in oilfield chemicals. with Petrolite Corp., Tretolite Division.

#### '63

Harley and Patricia Halbert Brinkley are in Stillwater, Ok., where he is a consultant with Financial Planning Corp. of America and she is an elementary teacher.

Winston and Judy Biddy Hile, and their children are in Shawnee Mission, Ks. where he is Personnel Director with Saudi Arabian Airlines. They had an exciting time winding up their work with Snelling & Snelling in Longmont, Co. and discovering the advantages of Kansas City with its schools, conventions, etc. The transition included a flying trip to Jiddah for Winston. Hoping that friends will make contact, Judy writes that they are 5 minutes from the expressway, they can get to the airport in a flash, and Winston is downtown in Crown Center.

Thomas A. and Sherry Mann Kennedy (f.s.) are in Fort Myers, Fl., where he is biological control manager with Ohio Medical Products Co., and she is secretary to the plant manager of Industrial Hydro.

Dr. Wayne and Virginia Smith are in Arkadelphia where she is speech therapist at the Arkadelphia Children's Colony and he Is principal of Sparkman High School and pastor of the First Baptist Church. Both are former faculty and staff members of Ouachita.

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James D. and Kaye Milholen Foshee are in Mt. Ida where he is elementary principal and basketball coach, and she teaches.

Rebecca Fuller Smith, who has an M.S. in Social Agency Counselling from HSU, and is now enrolled in the School of Social Work at UALR, beginning work on an M.S.W., wrote a memorable column for the Arkadelphia "Daily Siftings Herald" after the December 12 OBU-HSU basketball game (won by Quachita by one point in the last three seconds). She and son, Don, are suffering from "loyalties trapped and diffused" after living through such a hardfortused" after living through such a hard-fought contest, seated a foot and a half away from the intense concentration of the players. When it was over, she felt sad, which she would have felt either way. Becky has been Psychologist Assistant at the Arkadelphia Children's Colony this past year, and writer of a weekly "Siftings" column, "Chapter One."

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Burton (Charlene Sampson Orton) are in Louisville, Ky., where he is with the Louisville School of Medicine.

Buford Leon and Marion Taylor Lowe are in Edinburgh, Scotland where he is an elementary teacher and she is a salesperson. They are contemplating a return to the States this summer after nine years in Britain.

#### '66

Bob and Linda Ann Ream Dawkins (he, f.s.), Drew Robert and Lisa Marie, are in Memphis where he is Trust Investment officer of the National Bank of Commerce. She is a homemaker, after receiving her master's degree in counseling from Memphis State. Bob is a deacon in Bellevue Baptist Church, chairman of the Adult Education Committee, and teaches the married young adult Sunday school class.

Joe Edward Gore (f.s.) received his Associate of Science Degree from Mary Grove College in Detroit, Mi., and is a physician assistant with the Orthopedic Association of Southgate, Mi.

#### '67

Len E. and Nancy Denton Blaylock, Jr., Len. E., III, and Jonathan, are in Clarksville where he is Executive Director of Johnson County Soil Conservation of Johnson County Soil Conservation Service, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture. He is chairman of the county Emergency Board, secretary of the Rural Development Committee, and a deacon in Nimrod First Conservation ulture. He is Captiet Church.

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Ouachite at the inaugural fe A A new president, representing us in academic festivities. Tom is in the Department of Chemistry, and Cathy (Ross, '70) is looking after Thomas Daniel.

Rev. Larry and Amy Lowery ('71) Heslip, Stephen and Elisabeth, are in Dallas, Tx. where he is Minister of Childhood Education at Wilshire Baptist Church, the same position he previously held at Park Hill, North Little Rock.

Rev. Jim and Camille Bishop Simmons, Mark and James David, are in missionary orientation at Pine Mountain, Ga., preparatory to being assigned to Okinawa in general evangelism. Jim is a native of Michigan, a graduate of Belmont College, Nashville, Tn., has served in the Air Force in Texas and Alaska, and has pastored at Turbha Ok and Broadmon Bartis Church Tushka, Ok. and Broadmoor Baptist Church, Brinkley, Ar.

John Hilliard is currently working on his John Hilliard is currently working on his doctorate in music composition at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. Recently he had the east coast premiere of his Concerto for Trumpet and Orchestra by the Richmond Symphony, 'gladdening the heart of his former professor, Francis McBeth. The reviews noted the work as "a highlight of the evening... broad in scope with sweeping waves of sound and bold orchestral strokes of tone color. Hilliard is a composer to of tone color. Hilliard is a composer to watch." He is currently working on a Trio for the Greenwich Trio of New York City.

John Taylor and Lana Strother (f.s.) Hampton are in Booneville where he is president of Cauthron Wholesale Lumber Co. and president of the Chamber of Commerce.

Lee and Charlotte Tolley ('70) Lowder, Ashley and Brent, are in Hot Springs where he is school psychologist with the Ouachita Mental Health and Counseling Center.

Claude Earl and Lynn Mann Lynch, Stephanie and Carter, are in Osceola, Ar. where he is an attorney. He received his J.D. degree from the University of Arkansas and served a short time as prosecutor for the City of Fayetteville before setting up practice in Osceola in 1971. He was attorney for the Osceola Urban Renewal Agency until 1975, and is a candidate now for City Attorney.

#### '70

Larry Chesser is a student at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

James and Vicky Watts Robertson, Jill and Julie, are in North Little Rock where he is a brakeman with Missouri Pacific R.R.

Roy and Donna Robertson (f.s.) Kincade, Jeff and Jason, are in Mountain Home, Ar. where he is practicing law, and has entered into partnership with Edward J. Cunningham. While he was in law school, Roy worked with the Arkansas Dept. of Corrections, Little Rock.



AFRICAN MISSIONARIES—Several Ouachita grads and former students who are now serving AFRICAN MISSIONARIES—Several Ouacnita grads and former students who are now serving as Southern Baptist missionaries in Francophone, West Africa, gathered for a conference last January in Ouagadougou, Upper Volta. Left front: Annette Perry ('69), serving in Senegal; Greta Pinkston (f.s. '56), Ivory Coast; Beverly Gallegly Coad ('64 & '69), Upper Volta; and Evelyn Robinson Bullington (f.s. '58), West Africa. Second row, left to right: Rex Holt, of Jonesboro, Togo; Edwin Pinkston ('56), Ivory Coast; Norman Coad ('63), Upper Volta; Billy Bullington ('57), Field Representative for Baptist Missions in West Africa.

Tom and Fran Jackson Fore, Michele and n, have just moved from Houston to llas, Tx. where Tom has been promoted oditrict manager for United Computing Systems. Fran will receive a master's in Home Economics in May and has been teaching in the vocational Home Ec Food Service program for handicapped and special ed students in the Alief schools.

Rev. Eddie and Helen Jackson Simpson, Kelli Jo and Amanda Michelle, are pastoring in Lonoke, Ar., following a pastorate at Bellaire Baptist Church, Dermott. Eddie received the Outstanding Young Man award by the Dermott Chamber of Commerce in 1975, and by the National Jaycees in 1976. He has been on the Executive Board of the Arkansas Baptist State Convention is on the Arkansas Baptist State Convention, is on the board of the Christian Civic Foundation, and in 1977, was listed in "Who's Who in Religion."

Rev. Jim and Cherri Loomis Willmoth, Geoffrey, Jonathan, and Jeremy, are in Little Rock where he is Associate Minister of Little Rock where he is Associate Minister of Education/Administration at Pulaski Heights Baptist Church. He previously served as Education Minister at Packard Road Baptist Church, Ann Arbor, Mi., and was adjunct professor of Christian Education at John Wesley College, Owosso, Mi. He received his M.R.E. degree from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and was named a trustee in 1976. trustee in 1976.

Washington Regional Medical Center in Fayetteville, Ar. can hold a small Ouachita reunion at every coffee break. Linda Clay is Patient Penresentative. Ted Pally (6c. (70))

and Mike Bullens of all the control with the control of the contro landy West (1) have the interpretative for the convention of there. Bob was employed for the with the Little Rock Convention enter, and then in advertising and promotion with Woods Brothers Agency.

Bobby and Charla Deese (f.s.) Cheatwood and Stacy, are in England, Ar. where he is Farm Bureau Insurance Agent after four years as head football coach at El Dorado

#### '72

Rev. James and Rita Justus ('72) Guthrie, who have pastored First Baptist Church, Curtis, Ar. since his student days, have accepted the pastorate of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Harrisburg.

Dr. Neal and Jane Cole Sumerlin, are in Lynchburg, Va., where he teaches Chemistry at Lynchburg College and she teaches in the seventh grade. Neal presented a research paper before the American Chemical Society meeting in California in March.

Steve and Casey Kerr Starkey, and Clay Brant, are in Mountain Home, Ar., where Steve is Commercial Manager with Yelcot Telephone Co., and Casey is a Speech Therapist.

L.T. Simes, II, is an attorney and member of the City Council in West Helena, Ar.

Bill Hatton has moved from Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Ky. to Chicago where he is teaching Latin

Ralph Beaty is administrator of Shoal Creek Hospital in Austin, Tx. He earned a master's degree in Hospital Administration the University Medical Center in Birmingham, Al. in 1976.

Rev. Phillip and Rita Sue Lentz Salmon are in Brechin, Angus, Scotland where he is pastoring Brechin Baptist Church.

Steve and Panny Glass Carter are in Little Rock where he is an accountant with Price Waterhouse and she is a speech therapist.

Joe and Robin McBride Robertson are in Dallas where he is managing Southern Lighting, a lighting and supply company, and she teaches second grade in Metropolitan Christian schools. and she teaches see Christian schools.

Don Elliott, Jr., scheduled to receive a law degree from the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, in May, has been named a CPA.

Dr. Stephen and Terrye Lee Carter Fincher are in Little Rock where he is with the University of Arkansas Med Center and she is teaching at Central Christian Academy.

#### '76

Ed Smith, US-2 missionary and assistant director of Lake Tahoe Resort Ministries, welcomed Dr. Daniel Grant ('45), and a group of other Baptist college presi-dents on a recent tour of the Western States and Canada sponsored by the Home Mission Board. Robert and Sara Biggs Wells ('45) serve in the Director of Missions post for this area, located in Reno,

David and Anne Crump Vaught Butcher, and David, are in Booneville, Ar. where he is in the R.N. program at Westark Community College in Fort Smith, and she is Home Economics instructor at the Booneville Unit of the Arkansas Children's Colony. He has a degree in Social Welfare and Psychology from the University of Ark from the University of Ark.

Rick Ashcraft is a graduate student at Rice University in Houston, following his year as a Fulbright scholar in Geissen, West Germany. While he was there he was active in the First Baptist Church, teaching a Sunday School class and singing in the choir. He and Jan Beacham (f.s.), are engaged.

Gary Reese (f.s.), who has been working in the men's department of the Boston Store, Fort Smith, is scheduled to report to the St. Louis football camp in Linwood, Mo.

Carl and Renee Yarborough Deaton, Jr. are in Denton, Tx. where he is completing work on his master's degree in accounting, with a teaching assistantship, at North Texas State University. He has been named a CPA

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Donna Funderburk, winner of the Miss Arkansas Universe Faugant in January competes this month at Hilton Head, in the Miss USA-Universe Pageant. She also won the Miss Photogenic award during the state competition. state competition.

## MARRIAGES

#### '37

Mrs. Thelma E. Parham to Rev. Ray Y. Langley, February 12, 1978, First Baptist Church, Eureka Springs, Ar., following the morning service conducted by the pastor, Bro. Langley.

#### '70

Dixie Ellen Day to Dr. David Mizell, June, 1977, Monrovia, Ca., living in Napier-ville, II.

Sharon Ashcraft Rush to Jerry Johnson, October 18, 1977, Little Rock.

Denise Beryl Chamberlin to William Twyman Garrett, Jr., June 26, 1976, Wake Forest, NC.

Rebecca Sutton ('76) to Dan Kirkpatrick.

Jan Rogers ('75) to James Eric Ketzscher, January 22, 1977, North Little Rock, Ar.

Dorothy Anne Mosteller to Harold

Becky Ford to Forrest Bohlen, December 31, 1977, Burlington, Ia.

Vicki Lynette Barrington to Daniel Gilliam Matthews, February 4, 1978, Benton, Ar.

Dawne Elizabeth Miller to Charles Brian Carroll, March 17, 1978, Little Rock, Ar.

Charlotte Ann Martin to Lewis Gust Cox, January 15, 1978, Arkadelphia, Ar.

Sally Hope Harvey ('76) to John Valton Prince, November 26, 1977, Sheridan, Ar.

Julia Diane Allen to Walter Louis (Bubba) Smith, April 1, 1978, Hot Springs,



McCLELLAN HALL DEDICATION—Dr. Ben Elrod, senior vice president and director of divisionment, speaks to a large crowd that gathered April 4 for the dedication of McClellan Hall. The \$1.5 million building houses the official papers and memorabilia of the late Sen. John L. McClellan along with the dward Maddox Public Affairs Center and several academic departments. The latery people was given by Sen. Kaneaster Hodges, who was appointed to McClellan responded on behalf of the family.

## BIRTHS

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The Install S. and Carolyn Timm Suilibra, Clanist bod, December 19, 1977, Centum, Ar. Mathan Is 8 and Androw is 4.

Dr. Joe and Charlotte Williams ('75) Jeffers, Teresa Renee, November 13, 1977, Arkadelphia.

Capt. Robert L. and Mary Catherine Fisk Webster, Jessica Lee, November 29, 1977, New Carrollton, Md.

Lt. John G. and Pamela Shipps ('67) Hall, Joe Meador, November 11, 1977, Greeley, Co.

Michael and Delores Rollins Showalter, Jennifer Louise, December 11, 1977, Washington, D.C.

Dennis and Melissa Merrick (f.s.) Schaefer, Matthew Alan, January 24, 1978, Jonesboro, Ar. Andrew is 5½.

Robert D. (f.s.) and Julianna Fawcett Harris, Jr., Justin Blake, May 3, 1977, Morrilton, Ar. Janna was born February 16, 1976.

Jim and Becky Steele (f.s.) Kuntz, James F., III, December 19, 1977, Arkadelphia.

Richard and Sheila Powell (f.s.) Strickland, Sandra Karen, February 19, 1978, College Station, Tx.

Randy (f.s.) and Kathy Crook Richardson, Shane Randall, April 1, 1978, Sutherland, Nb.

Dennis and Kathy Hall (f.s.) Wehmeier, James Richard, March 25, 1978, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

Boyce and Gail Dressler Miller, Britton Odell, February 22, 1978, Hot Springs, Ar.

Ken and Susan Stone (f.s.) Belflower, James Kenneth, August 27, 1977, Houston,

## **DEATHS**

Mrs. H.A. Nobies (Ruby Gray Hunter), Star City, An

Mrs. William Filliams (Arlene Tidwell), Misrch 17, 1974, Dannison, Til.

Benjamin Carl Huddleston, Sr., September 12, 1977, hearty, Ar.

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Mrs. Jesse Ridgeway (Ruby Rowe), March 1, 1973, Dodge Cfty, Ks.

Mrs. E.G. Ewing (Mary Sue Bledsoe), December, 1976, Atkins, Ar.

Mrs. Peter Curtin (Virginia Allison

Christian), Douglas, Wy. Jeff Raney, April 8, 1978, Little Rock,

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Mrs. George Peck (Betty Burton), March 25, 1978, Texarkana.

Rev. James Opie Eskridge, January 14, 1978, Avon, Ma.

John E. Brown, November 9, 1977, Carlsbad, NM.

Mrs. Seth Ward Holman (Cassie Wilkins), February, 1978, Las Cruces, NM.

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Rev. Joe Whitsel (f.s.), December 2, 1977, Millersville, Mo.

Joe F. Simmons, May 26, 1977, High Ridge, Mo.

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Steven Gill Epperson, El Dorado

Allen Brewer Wetherington, March 17,

Mrs. J.T. Harvill (Mary Catherine Crum), April, 1978.

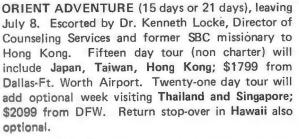
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