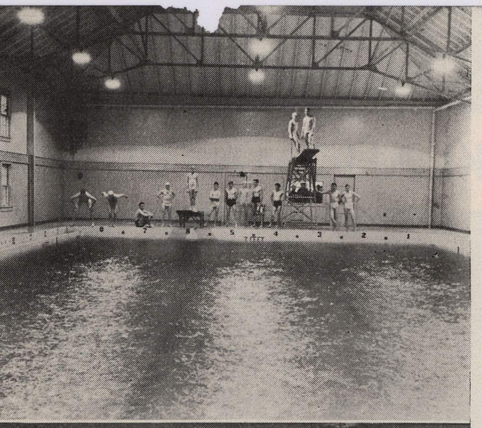
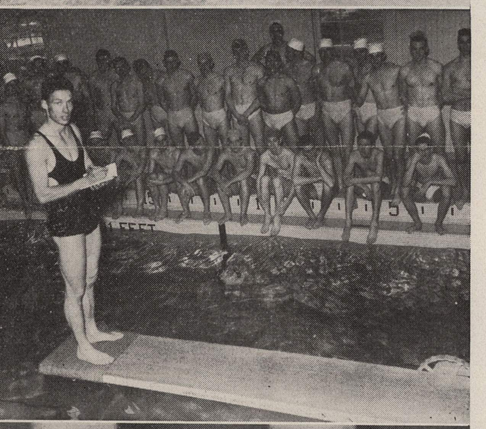
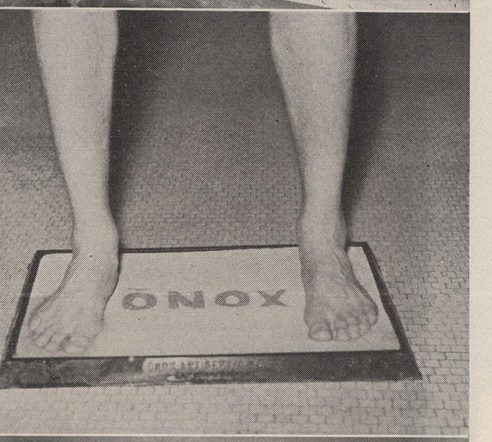
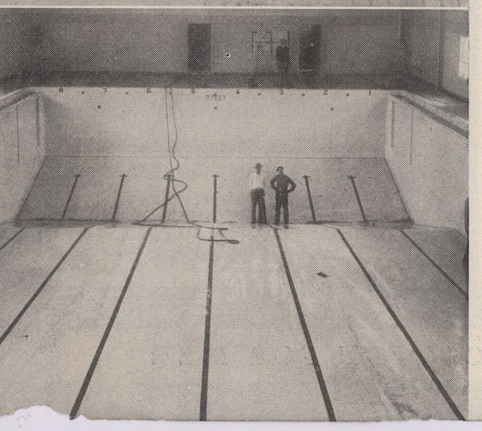








YOU'LL ENJOY SWIMMING IN A POOL EQUIPPED AS MODERNLY AS THIS ONE

25 Yards Long, 8 Lanes Wide

THE new Sooner pool is *regulation size*. On page 122 of the Spalding Swimming guide for 1936, rule 8 declares that "Preference shall be given to swimming pools that are 75 feet in length, 35 feet or more in width, and at least 10 feet in depth at the deep end for fancy diving.' The Sooner pool more than conforms. It is 75 feet long, 40 feet wide and 11 feet deep below the diving boards.

Brandsten Steel Diving Boards

Noiseless "whip up" *Brandsten Intercollegiate and International diving boards,* that can be adjusted to the diver's weight assure divers equipment that conforms exactly with specifications of the N. C. A. A. and the National A. A. U. Both the high and low boards are covered with mats of strip cocoa. The ladder leading to the steel platform of the high board is equipped with hardwood safety treads.

Seats Built for 500 Spectators

Seats for 500 *spectators* have been built at the north end of the pool. Every seat affords a splendid close-up view.

You Can Run Without Falling On Non-Slip Tile

The *Non-slip Ceramic tile* that covers the new Sooner pool and also all floor space adjacent to it is a new safety feature. A swimmer can race barefooted over it without danger of slipping and sustaining a serious injury from a bad fall.

Water is Purified Constantly, Never Goes Stale

The water in the pool is continuously being purified by the *Everson Re-Circulating system.* The water is always germ-free and crystal clear. With this system it is not necessary to shut down the pool every few days for cleaning, and replentishing with heated water. Motor driven pumps draw the water from the pool through the outlet fittings and strainer. At this point the sterilization solution is fed through the line. The pump then forces the sterile water through the filters and heater back through the inlet fittings. The temperature of the water is constantly kept between 72 and 75 degrees Fahrenheit.

Dear Mr. Owen:

The University of Oklahoma is to be congratulated on the completion of its standard-size swimming pool. A natatorium of such excellence is important in every major institution of learning. It should be very popular among Oklahoma students and faculty members and should bring to your campus competitive sports of the highest calibre.

Very truly yours,
Edward T. Kennedy,
Columbia university,
New York City

Note: Mr. Kennedy is editor of Spaldings' Official Intercollegiate Swimming guide.

Dear Mr. Owen:

Swimming and acquatic sports have long been recognized as among the most valuable activities in the physical education program. The University of Oklahoma has now provided, for the use of its students, one of the finest acqatic plants to be found anywhere. We are happy indeed to felicitate the university on such an addition to their Physical Education facilities and to congratulate the students and faculty on your department.

Cordially yours,
L. W. St. John,
Director of Athletics,
Ohio State university

Dear Mr. Owen:

When I enrolled at the University of Oklahoma in the fall of 1932, Prosperity and the Men's Swimming pool were always just around the corner. Meanwhile we swam wherever we coul find water—at Crystal Lake, the women's pool and even the 18-inch deep lily pond across from the Fieldhouse Now you have built a swell men's pool and I am counting the days until I can swim in it. Congratulations.

Jack Davis.

Note: Jack Davis, now a Hutchinson, Kans. lumberman, is the greatest swimmer of the university's history.

Suction Pool Cleaner Eliminates Dust

SEDIMENT which settles on the floor and walls of the pool overnight is removed by the *Suction Pool Cleaner* which contains a hair and lint catcher and operates much like the ordinary domestic vacuum cleaner except that the dirt-carrying agency is water instead of air. This provides the final step in keeping the pool absolutely clean and glistening.

New Showers and Toilets Adjacent

Brand *new showers and toilet rooms,* each floored and walled with ceramic tile, complete the equipment.

Heater Regulates Water Temperature

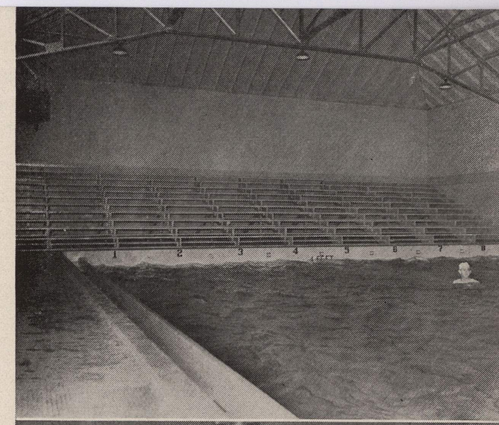
Water in the pool is kept at the desired temperature by the *Instantaneous Type Steam Operated Swimming Pool Heater* which has a capacity of 12,000 g. p. h. from 40 to 80 degrees Fahrenheit when supplied with steam at atmospheric pressure.

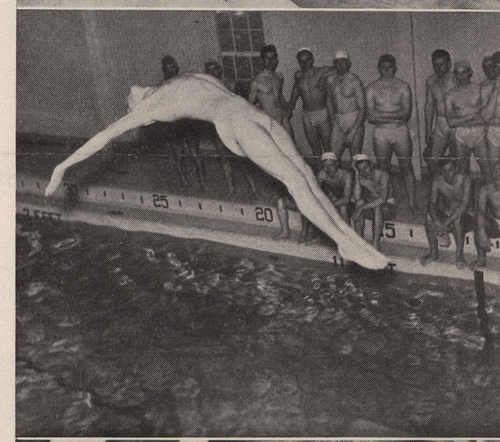
Antiseptic Foot Baths

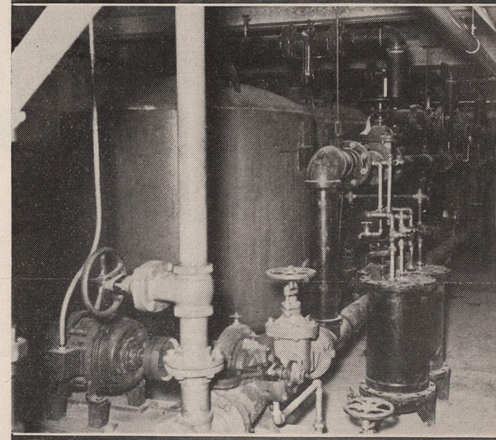
Onox antiseptic foot baths in which each swimmer is required to step before going into the pool, are stationed at the door of each shower room and prevent infection.

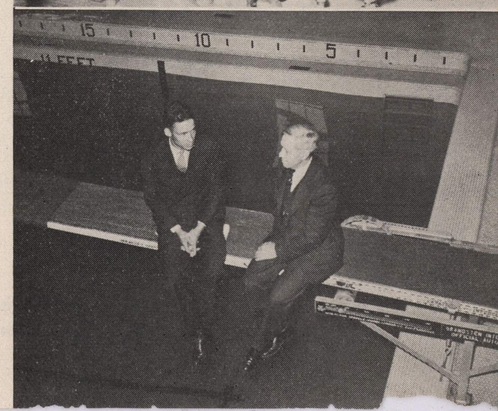
You Can Swim Faster in Aerated Water

Swimmers say the new Sooner pool is fast and predict that many new records will be set in it. Thanks to its *Filtering and Sterilizing system which assures fresh water running into the pool at all times* the water is constantly aerated (contains lots of bubbles and is consequently lighter and more bouyant) and any experienced swimmer knows you can whizz through aerated water. Another factor that will assure speed is the fact that the wide gutters with which the pool is equipped will cut down waves.









LEFT PANEL PHOTOGRAPHS

top view—the new Sooner pool at night, showing both high and low diving boards.

second view—Swimming instructor Bruce Drake calls the roll.

third view—Antiseptic foot baths prevent infection.

bottom view—view of new pool photographed during construction.

Swimming in Interscholastics This Year

AN official State High School swimming meet will be held in the new Sooner pool April 30 and May 1 as part of the 33rd annual Oklahoma Interscholastic meet. Preliminaries will start at 9 a. m. Friday, April 30 and the order of events will be 50 yards free style, 100 yards breast stroke, 200 yards free style, 100 yards back stroke, 100 yards free style, fancy diving off the low board, 150 yards medley race and 200 yards free style relay. Each man may enter three events inclusive of relays and diving. Points will be scored 5, 3 and 1 for the first three places in all events save the two relays in which the scoring will be 8, 6 and 1. Individual gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded in each event, a shield to the school winning the team championship and a gold medal to the all-round champion. Bruce Drake, Sooner swimming coach and instructor, will act as starter and referee.

RIGHT PANEL PHOTOGRAPHS

top view—seats for 500 *spectators built at one end.*

second view—Ernest Butler, of Woodward, does a back dive off the low board.

third view—engine room under pool, showing re-circulating system and steam-operated swimming pool heater.

bottom view—Instructor Drake and Director Owen talk it over from low diving board.