



Dale Miller (left) B.J. '30, chairman of the Johnson-Humphrey Inaugural Committee, shown with other M. U. alumni at a luncheon in his honor given by the Washington chapter. With him, from left, are Dr.

Martin Mayes, B.J. '29, of the U. S. Office of Education and president of the Washington alumni chapter; Rep. Richard Ichord, B.S. in B.A. '49, LL.B. '52; Rep. Paul Jones, B.J. '23; Rep. William Hungate, A.B. '43.

Alumnus Dale Miller serves as architect of inaugural

The man back of the planning for the inauguration of President Johnson and Vice-President Humphrey is a well known graduate of the University, Dale Miller, a 55-year-old Texan who is a long-time friend of the Lyndon B. Johnson family.

Working under Miller for the big event on January 20 were 100 paid staff and about 1,000 volunteers. For nearly three months they wrestled with myriad details and daily new problems connected with what Miller calls the "unbelievably intricate apparatus" of an inauguration. And their work wasn't finished after the ceremonies, for all the things that were carried to Washington had to be carried out again.

Miller, prominent Washington lobbyist, was appointed to his job three days after the November election. The New York Times describes him in this way: "The inaugural chairman is a placid man, bright-eyed behind his spectacles. His wavy gray hair is parted just off center, which gives him the old-fashioned air of a barbershop quartet warbler without handlebar mustache. With his trimmed-down cowboy hat, plunked on his head, he looks more like a Texas businessman."

Miller received a B.J. degree from the University in 1930. Last month he was guest of honor at a luncheon given by the University Alumni Association of Washington, D. C.

From Columbia he went on to the University of Texas to earn a master's degree. A schoolmate at Austin was Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson, then Claudia Alta Taylor. "She was my schoolmate, not classmate,"

Miller points out. "She was an attractive young freshman when the university was trying to evict me with a master's degree."

Miller was an editorial columnist for the Corpus Christi Caller and later worked for The Texas Weekly, a magazine of editorial comment on economic and political news. He took time out for a year to be press director of the Texas Centennial celebration of 1936, and then returned to the magazine. Twenty-four years ago the Dallas Chamber of Commerce sent Miller to Washington to represent its interests. He now also represents the Texas Gulf Sulphur Company, Intracoastal Canals Association and the Port of Corpus Christi.

Mrs. Miller is the former Virginia Treadwell of Dallas. She is an intimate friend of Mrs. Johnson and is known to everyone by her nickname, dating from childhood, of Scooter. The Millers' oldest child, Marta Ross Miller, 22, works in the White House office of Elizabeth Carpenter, Mrs. Johnson's press secretary and staff director. There are two other children, Dale Miller, Jr., 20, and Mead Miller, 17.

For the second straight year, the University of Missouri ranks 13th among 1,111 accredited universities and four-year colleges in the 50 states and Puerto Rico in the total enrollment of full-time resident students. Two years ago, before development of the four-campus University System, the University ranked 15th. Last semester the four campuses had a total of 27,418 students regularly enrolled.