

WALTER NEAL

Men's Service – Charter Member 1978



Walt Neal has been in the Oklahoma City area since 1921 and has done it all. He is described as having a top grade personality, proven leadership skills and years of dedicated service in promoting bowling of the very best qualities – in service and skill – to all the sports minded public. Some of his accomplishments:

- Started bowling in the early 1920's

- Was a charter member of the Oklahoma City Bowling Association

- Helped organize and was a charter member of most of the early leagues such as (City), (Commercial), (Federal), (Industrial), (Major-Classic)

- Was Secretary of City League 1939-40 & VP of same league (1949-50)

- Always supported the major Tournaments and many of the others

- Attended 25 ABC Tournaments and Delegate for OKC many years

- Had bowled in every OKC Singles Classic since 1933, Runner-up twice

- Attended most Oklahoma State Tournaments & Director for many years

- Elected as Life Member of the Oklahoma State Bowling Association

- Served as President of OKC Bowling Association 1953-1959

- Elected Secretary of OKC Bowling Association 1957 and served until retirement in 1971 (14 years)

- Was elected a Life Member of Oklahoma City Bowling Association

- Led group that founded the Annual Association Yearbook

- Driving force in purchase of Association office building

- Elected Charter Member of Oklahoma State Bowling Hall of Fame 1968

In addition to his service, he was a Class A bowler and was in the "Top 20" average for 25 years. For these reasons the Oklahoma City Bowling Council inducts Walter L. Neal into its Hall of Fame.