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The 1943 Memory is dedicated to Billy Mitchell, who has seen more of life at Oxford than any other employee of the school. Beginning a lifetime of service to Emory when Bishop James Dickey was President, Billy recalls his boyhood days when he tended to the chapel. Today he is still active on the Oxford campus where he serves as chief caretaker.

From the fireside of his home, Billy told Memory's reporter interesting experiences of present-day leading citizens when they were college students.

After a big football game at Oxford the Emory boys placed Professor Peed's buggy on top of the chapel. Mr. Dooley, the famous Emory skeleton, sat in the buggy smoking a cigar. Billy hinted that a student who is now one of the professors at the University was responsible for placing a dray-man's mule and wagon in the gymnasium during an initiation. Another student, now connected with the State Department of Education, spent the night among the bell ropes of Seney Hall to avoid a crowd of fun-seeking sophomores. Billy told of the time when new fraternity men painted a professor's cow and tied the calf's tail to the bell rope of the old church.

Hard work has marked Billy's stay at Oxford. To him has fallen a large share of the responsibility of caring for the plant. Despite the many routine jobs which keep him occupied, good-natured Billy always has time to help solve the problems of the many people who call on him for assistance every day