

Welcome

The University of Texas Longhorns come to town tonight. This is the first meeting between athletic teams of the two schools since the eventful October clash which resulted in the furor over sportsmanship and crowd conduct which was carried to the very discussion rooms of the Southwest Conference Sportsmanship Committee.

But times have changed since the fiery Thresher editorials lambasting the University for their "overenthusiastic" support of their football team. Differences have been resolved between the two schools and the Sportsmanship meeting was the setting.

Texas apologized for their crowd conduct, blaming it on "mob psychology" and accepting the full responsibility for student actions. Rice on the other hand was at fault concerning the ticket situation as not enough tickets were ordered during the summer. The Athletic Business Office had no rea-

son to believe that the Texas game would be the annual all-school holiday and more than the normal amount of tickets would be purchased. Thus when an additional order was sent in, Rice got what was left—end zone seats.

But that's why the Sportsmanship Committee exists—to better relations and sportsmanship between the conference schools.

This is a new year and once again there is a trophy up for grabs. We can be assured that Longhorn supporters will be looking extra hard to see what kind of sportsmanship Rice will exhibit to a Texas team.

Let's show Texas the same kind of sportsmanship we show every other team — the best sportsmanship. We were one of the schools plugging the hardest for the re-establishment of the Sportsmanship Trophy as an award. Let's therefore go out and win it.