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Students To Vote On Senate

STUDENT COUNCIL PASSES NEW SA CONSTITUTION

By DAVID HACKETT

AT A STORMY three hour session last Sunday afternoon, the Student Association adopted the new Constitution with only slight changes. The principal issue under debate was the representation on the new Council.

THE NEW Constitution must now be approved by all of the college governments and 3/4 of the voting members of the student body. The general election will be held Saturday. Many of the colleges are planning College Nights to discuss the new Constitution before the college governments vote on the issue.

REPRESENTATION under the new Constitution will be entirely by colleges. It provides for a Student Senate of 21 members, composed as follows: president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, councilman-at-large, freshman representative, and three representatives from each college. The college representatives will be the president of the college, a representative from the combined sophomore and junior classes, and a councilman-at-large for the college.

Ashworth Will Speak At Jones

Mrs. Mary Wells Ashworth, who helped to finish Douglas Southall Freeman's Pulitzer Prizewinning biography of George Washington, will speak at Jones College Monday, March 23, at College Night. Her topic will be "The Man and the Making of the Book."

STUDENT COUNCIL COMMITTEE TO DECIDE ON WEEKDAY SOCIAL EVENTS

By LESLIE ARNOLD

WITH THE NEW constitution already approved by the Student Council and by the College cabinets, and ready to be submitted to the student body this Saturday, the Council's biggest problem was out of the way. However, there were a few minor changes to be made in the wording of the constitution. No radical changes were introduced.

IT WAS provided that the Councilman at Large (the one who is the SA officer, not the one from the colleges) be in charge of the Annual Homecoming celebration. It was provided that the President of the SA be chairman of the Executive Committee. These duties would have been filled by the same people anyway (but it was felt that the duties were important enough to be mentioned in the constitution.)

college. It was later amended to state specifically that the freshman representative would be the freshman president.

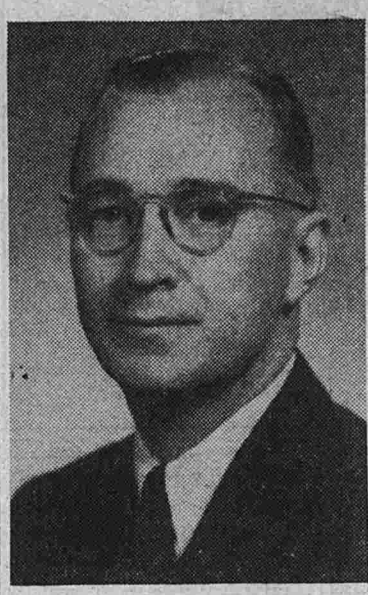
PETE HUFF read the new Constitution on behalf of the Student Government Committee, which had prepared it. This committee was composed of four members from the Student Association and four members from the Inter-College Council. Huff outlined the changes specifically and opened the meeting to discussion of the Constitution.

THE BY-LAWS, as planned, will give more power to committees of the Student Senate, Huff explained. An Executive Committee is envisioned to assume some of the detail work. It was also pointed out that there would be no Student Center Committee or Manager, since the Student Association now has only an advisory status. A Student Property Committee is also planned.

IN RESPONSE to a suggestion that college representatives be designated by class, Huff stated that the Committee felt the suggested arrangement would provide for more competition and create a better council. Since the college presidents are required to be seniors this assures them five representatives. Huff felt certain that the other two classes would get fair representation on the council.

IT WAS THEN pointed out that it was possible to have a Student Senate entirely without sophomores, or entirely without juniors, or without non-residents.

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DR. ALBERT C. OUTLER
Easter Speaker

Outler To Give 3 Easter Talks

Dr. Albert C. Outler, Professor at the Perkins School of Theology at SMU, will speak at three pre-Easter services March 23, 24, and 25 in the Rice Memorial Chapel. These three services will last from 12:35 to 1 pm and will take the place of the former long all-school Easter services.

Dr. Outler, the baccalaureate speaker at Rice Commencement last year, is one of the nation's leading religious figures. Formerly a professor at Duke, Yale, and the Union Theological Seminary, he is a graduate of Wofford College, Emory University, and received his doctorate at Yale.

He is a member of many professional societies, including the American Theological Society, the American Society of Church History, and the National Council of Religion in Higher Education. A former president of the Texas Gamma chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, he has also been a delegate to the Third World Conference on Faith in 1952, a member of the Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches, chairman of the North American section of the FOC Theological Study Commission.



PALMS IN "HOONYAHAA?" Posing for the PALS Burlesque are (left to right) Frank Dent, Ann Bartlett, Don Coney, Joan Whitten, Judy Cole, Mike Reynolds, and Fran Murphy.

Special Student Election To Be Held on Saturday

A special all-school election will be held this Saturday to give the Rice student body a chance to vote on the constitution of a new system of student government proposed by a Student Council-Inter-College Council committee.

The polls will open at 8 a.m. Students must present their blanket taxes to vote. A 3/4 majority of the votes will be necessary to put into effect the new plan, which is based on a 21-member Student Senate, and does away with the present Student Council and the Inter-College Council. If it gains the approval of the student body, the new system of government will go into effect next fall.

Spring elections will be held April 6, and petitions will be due Thursday, March 26. The slate of offices will be determined by the results of Saturday's vote.

The Student Senate plan has been approved by the Student Council and the Inter-College Council, and the individual college cabinets this week. A special Forum was held Thursday night to give students an opportunity to air their views concerning the plan.

Members of the committee which wrote the new constitution are Jack Wertheimer, Pete Huff, Jerry Dell Watts, Jack Hollon, Les Greenberg, Bob Contois, Hardee Kilgore, and Harvey Hoffman.

'HOONYAHAA' IS TONIGHT

"Hoonyahaa," this year's PALS Burlesque, will have its last performance tonight at 8 pm in Hamman Hall. Tickets for this "romp through the borough of Brutin" may be bought at the door for 75 cents. (A review of the show is on page 5.)

LAST DAY TO GIVE TO ALSbrook CANCER FUND

Riceites will have their last chance today to contribute to the G. F. Alsbrook memorial charity drive, proceeds from which will be donated to the M. D. Anderson cancer research program.

A dollar per student is the request of the charity drive committee, composed of members of the senior class.

Classroom collections will be taken up in the 9 and 10 o'clock classes today as was done Thursday, according to Noel Willis, who is in charge of classroom collections.

The entire fund collected will be presented to the M. D. Anderson foundation in the form of a Beckmann spectrophotometer, an instrument used in analyzing cell chemicals in basic cancer research.

According to Jack Pietri, chairman of the drive, the spectrophotometer will cost about \$2,000. Over \$1,500 was realized in Rice's 1958 charity drive.

Letters were sent to all students earlier in the week urging their participation in the drive. Instructors were also written to obtain permission for the classroom collections, Pietri said.

Organizations on campus are being solicited for contributions under direction of George Griffith.

Seniors have named the 1959 campaign in memory of their fellow student and outstanding athlete at Rice who died of cancer last fall.

'Gold Losses' On TV This Sunday

"U. S. Gold Losses in 1958" will be the subject for discussion on this Sunday's Rice TV program.

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Obviously this is a very doubtful possibility, a member pointed out, but he stated that the junior would have a great advantage over a sophomore in a college election, since he would be better known. The non-resident, who is generally not active in college affairs, would not stand a very great chance of being elected.

AT THIS POINT Hardee Kilgore introduced two proposed amendments, which he had prepared as a minority report of the Student Government Committee. He proposed that the Student Senate consist of 32 members, as follows: the five officers provided for as in the original section, five representatives from each of the five colleges, and two freshman representatives. The five college representatives should include an officer of the college, a junior, a sophomore, and a non-resident.

KILGORE SOUGHT to clarify the powers of the Student Senate over the subordinate organizations. Disputes between two or more student organizations (including colleges) would be settled by the Student Senate. An Inter-College Committee was provided

to handle these matters.

KILGORE CALLED the Committee's plan for the Senate a "discussion group," feeling that it was too small to give adequate representation to all groups. He also objected to the lack of a binding authority over the colleges in the Student Senate. College officers should agree to abide by the decisions of the Student Senate, he stated.

HUFF REPLIED that Kilgore's plan had the same duality that exists under the present government between the Student Council and the Inter College Council. The Committee decided that 21 members was the ideal size for the best possible council. They didn't want the council to be big enough so that anyone who wanted to run could have a place. Others stated that the colleges might refuse to obey the decisions of the Student Senate, and there would be no way to force them.

LES GREENBERG emphasized the importance of having the college president on the Senate. He stated that non-residents were specifically required from each college, since there might not be enough competition for this office. He called Kilgore's plan a "three-ring circus."

A QUESTION arose concerning the influence of the College Masters over the new Senate. Huff replied that they would have only an advisory capacity.

DICK VIEBIG declared that three groups were not adequately represented under the new Constitution — the freshmen, sophomores, and the non-residents. He pointed out that there are 600 non-residents and that they would probably be poorly represented. Defenders of the Constitution said that the non-residents are not interested in the government, but if they were they command over 100 votes in each college. This should be enough to assure them of political strength in the colleges.

THE CONSENSUS of the Council seemed to be that the non residents were the biggest problem. They are seldom active in college life and they have little reason to be. Some colleges have had difficulty in getting even one candidate for non-resident representative, it was stated. Others pointed out that the non-residents furnish four out of the six officers of the Student Council. In reply to this it was stated that these officers were not affected by the college system. Under the college system the separation between residents and non residents is greater.

AFTER THIS LONG discussion Hardee Kilgore's two amendments were voted on. Both amendments failed by a large majority. Several compromise amendments were then introduced.

JAY SMITH proposed a Senate of 27 members (the present number) to be composed as follows: the five officers, two freshmen and four representatives from each college. The college representatives would include a non resident, a sophomore, a junior, and the college president. This amendment also failed.

DICK VIEBIG then proposed that three non residents be elected from the school at large. This also failed. Walter Moore introduced an amendment providing for one non resident to be elected by the student body as a whole. Moore stated that this guarantees at least some representation for the non residents. After some discussion this amendment was voted down.

THE COUNCIL then voted to consider the Constitution article (Continued on Page 6)

THINKLISH

English: SLOW-WITTED BASEBALL PLAYER

Thinklish translation: The guys who patrol the fences on this man's team include a slugger (*cloutfielder*), a braggart (*shoutfielder*) and a sorehead (*poutfielder*)—reading from left field to right. The clod in question—a *loutfielder*—rarely breaks into the line-up. He thinks RBI is the second line of an eye chart. But he's no *doubtfielder* when it comes to smoking. He goes all out for the honest taste of fine tobacco ... the unforgettable taste of a Lucky Strike!



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LEY, UNDERWOOD NAMED TO BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Wendel D. Ley and Milton R. Underwood have been named to the board of governors of Rice Institute, board chairman George R. Brown announced Saturday.

They will serve terms running through August, 1962.

The board is made up of seven life members, known as trustees, and eight term members.

Underwood is president of Underwood, Neuhaus & Co. and is a member of the New York

Stock Exchange. He is married to the former Miss Catherine Fondren, who is a graduate of Rice.

Ley, a graduate of the Rice class of 1932, is prominent in Houston business. He is a past president of the Assn. of Rice Alumni and is president of the Houston Y.M.C.A.

He is married to the former Miss Audrey Moody, also a Rice Graduate.

LAST PROSE OF SUMMERS

Rice To Keep On Creating Alumni

By ED SUMMERS

More graduate students, more buildings and equipment, more and higher-paid faculty members, and—reassuringly—more alumni—these are some of the changes which some members of the Administration to whom we have talked during the past week feel may come to Rice during the next twenty-five years. We spoke to these persons on an informal and unofficial basis to get their impressions and feelings about the future of the Rice Institute; therefore all this information is speculative.

The Right Direction

There was a general feeling that Rice is at present headed in the proper direction educationally, and is achieving its intended objective of giving the best possible education to the best possible students. Therefore, there will be no great alterations in either the aims or the methods of the Rice Institute. This does not rule out "educational experiments," such as the Philosophy 100 course that was taught freshman engineers on a selective basis.

Move Difficult

The entrance requirements to Rice will become more and more difficult to meet—not because of any conscious effort to make them so, but because applicants will, as the fame of Rice is spread, be competing with a group whose average intelligence increases from year to year. However, the flunk-out rate will drop as the Administration and the Admissions Committee become more skillful at spotting the top applicants.

For Grad Students

Graduate facilities will doubtless be expanded as the number of graduate students, especially the number of postdoctorate fellows, increases. There is a possibility that separate on-campus housing will be provided for them. Good guesses as to additional research equipment might include a bigger Van deGraaf machine, a chemical engineering building, a classroom building, and various improvements on the library.

Fringe Parking

There are different theories on parking. Assuming that people still use cars in 1984, there will probably be "fringe" parking space around the major buildings. At least one Administration official would like to see full and adequate parking facilities made available everywhere on campus; another is in favor of a walking campus. Take your choice!

Same In Sports

Rice's relative position in sports is unlikely to change in the future. We will in 1984 still

be in the Southwest Conference, the University of Houston will still be out of it, and Jess Neely will still be coaching football. No new expenditures on athletic plant are contemplated.

Colleges Will Be Here

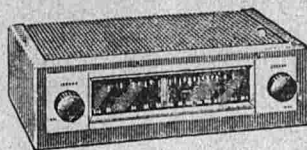
The Administration has no fixed impressions on the college system after two years of operation, except that it is better than the

"rabbit hutches" the Institute operated before the changeover. No new undergraduate living facilities are planned, but the Administration would like to find some way of extending college system benefits to town students. On the whole, the colleges are to be free to find their own place on the campus.

More Alumni

So long as the Institute has students, it will add to its alumni. By 1984 there will be about 27,000 active alumni, compared with 10,000 now. Against a certain percentage of these the complaint that is as old as Rice will certainly be lodged: they do fine work, but they are so snooty they don't get along with their co-workers!

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GERALD A. PARSONS received his B.A. in 1950 and his M.B.A. one year later, both from Cornell University. He joined General Electric in 1954 and is presently Specialist-Marketing Administration in the company's Large Steam Turbine-Generator Department.



"The biggest challenge a man has to face is himself"

"Men and businesses are alike in one respect," says Gerald A. Parsons, 30-year-old marketing and personnel development specialist. "Their success depends to a great extent on how well they respond to challenge. And I've found that the biggest challenge a man has to face on his job is not the competition of others—but the far more important one of developing himself to his fullest capabilities."

"During my four years with General Electric, I've had plenty of opportunity for self-development. Challenging training assignments at five different locations within the company have given me a broader understanding of my career area. In my present job I have the benefit of working with experts, both in establishing long-range goals and in helping to achieve them. I've found that working toward future potential is vital in the development of successful businesses—and successful men."

Young men such as Gerry Parsons are important to the future of companies like General Electric and to the growth of America's dynamic, competitive-enterprise economy. Our nation's progress will depend more and more upon those forward-looking individuals who continue to develop to their fullest capabilities during their lifetime.

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GENERAL  ELECTRIC

Needed: 1600 Thinking People

This Saturday Rice students will be asked to approve a new student government. The new Constitution is a great improvement over the one now in effect. It involves two major changes designed to simplify the workings of student affairs. At present we operate under a system which simply does not take the Colleges into consideration. It was written when the Colleges did not exist. Times have changed and a revision is necessary.

The new Constitution proposes a Student Senate composed of twenty-one members. These members will be chosen entirely from the colleges. Each college will elect a delegate at large, and a delegate from the sophomore or junior class. These people, along with the college president, will represent the college at the Student Senate. In this way, each of the classes and each of the colleges will be adequately represented. However, the Senate will be able to discuss inter-college matters and the old ICC versus the Student Council problem will be eliminated. There will no longer be a need for the ICC and it will cease to exist.

The Student Senate will have no real binding power over the colleges. In fact, regardless of what any constitution says, no one has any power over the colleges except the Administration. The new Constitution has a better solution to the problem. It encourages the colleges to bring their problems voluntarily to, and settle them at, the Student Senate. Order and cooperation will replace misunderstanding and confusion.

It should be pointed out that this new Constitution was drawn up by a committee of whom the majority are seniors who have had a great deal of experience in student government. They were well acquainted with the problems to be faced and have come up with a realistic and workable solution. The student body owes them a vote of thanks for many hours of thought and work.

An Answer For Non-Residents

One of the most frequently raised questions concerning the proposed new student government has been that of non-resident representation. Much of the objection has been based on the assumption that the off-campus student will be excluded from participation in student government. A closer look at the situation reveals the fallacy of this assumption.

The truly interested non-resident will be elected. Of the 21 members of the Student Senate only five must be residents: the college presidents. An off-campus candidate can be elected to either of the other two vacancies.

One effect of the proposed government would be to more effectively identify the interested non-resident with his college. This problem certainly exists, and is presently one of the real challenges facing the college governments. If the problem of the non-resident is to be solved, it must be done by the colleges. Placing an individual on the Senate to represent the non-residents would defeat the objective of including the off-campus members in the college activities.

In looking to the future as well as examining the present, the Student Government committee has presented the plan which it feels will most effectively serve the Rice student community as a whole and the Rice student as an individual. The proposed government would be unified, efficient, and effective in representing non-residents as well as residents.

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THRESHING - IT - OUT

Wants Bats in Chem Belfry

TO THE EDITOR:

AT LAST the amazing truth about the Rice Institute has been revealed. Its function as a university is merely secondary; the primary service which it performs is that of a wildlife refuge. Sadly to relate, however, a number of the honored guests are seriously inconveniencing students.

THE FORMER can be seen blackening the skies at dusk, settling in whining swarms upon any unfortunate not wearing protective netting. It is realized that mosquitoes must live too, and enduring their depredations is good for the character, and furthermore, the healthful benefits of a daily bleeding are not to be denied.

HOWEVER, PROGRESS marches on, and the sad realization has come. The mosquito, long a mainstay of civilization at Rice, has become obsolete. The mosquitoes will be retired with full honors, and sand fleas are to be substituted to carry on their noble work.

IT IS THE humble purpose of this communication to suggest a manner in which the noble mosquito at Rice can be persuaded to cease the performance of his duties. Obviously, the stagnant pools around the campus cannot be covered with oil, as it would destroy their simple beauty, and kill the grass besides.

SIMILARLY, poison gas cannot be sprayed about the campus, for such an action would result in the annihilation of many song-birds, squirrels, and freshman P.E. classes.

INSTEAD, THE Institute should purchase a colony of bats and permit them to roost in the chemistry tower. In addition to wiping out the mosquitoes, the bats would add to the unique charm of the Rice campus, and would be a most appropriate addition to the chemistry department. The deposits of guano in the tower could be harvested yearly, thus permitting the bat colony to be maintained on a self-supporting basis.

—Respectfully,
BILL HUBBARD
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STEVE KIERGAN

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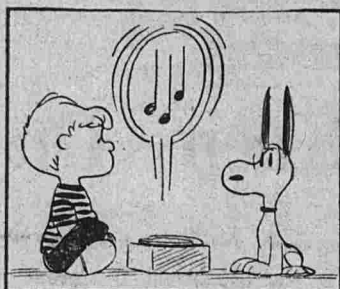
TO THE EDITOR:

There has been much discussion of the distribution of parking tickets. If the receipts were donated to the Rice Charity Drive a worthy purpose would be served in addition to taking a little of the bitterness out of paying the fines.

—Sincerely,
JOHN WILLINK

PEANUTS

(Peanuts is a regular feature of the Houston Press)



POLITICS

Experts Look At Berlin Problem

By PHIL BARBER and
BILL McGRATH

The Berlin crisis and our attending confused foreign policy, all the more confused because inflexible, represent deeper issues standing behind the immediate events. What will be our position as we go into the proposed summit conference? First, we will have openly acknowledged that at Berlin we can be and have been pushed to the verge of all-out nuclear war (!) But we will have also shown that our willingness to fight is based on a more relevant moral issue than was the case without support of certain island bandits.

No Small War

The unfortunate situation in which we cannot fight a small war in Germany is due to an extraordinary complex of causes: the political experiences of World War II, Acheson's containment policy, Eisenhower and Dulles' threats of massive retaliation, the constantly threatening preponderance of Soviet land forces, and the growing menace of Soviet missile-rattling as Khrushchev gains the strength to force us to higher stakes.

Of course, it is at spots like Berlin where the Western and Soviet forces are in strained contact where we can be pushed, but the Berlin situation is only a manifestation of the large European problems of unification, neutralization, and co-existence.

What To Discuss?

Bearing this in mind, what should be talked about at the conference if, mercifully, it should take place? The position of neither side is really quite so clear-cut as we have been led to believe. The Germans appear to want reunification, and a final peace treaty; the French perhaps would like to see Germany divided, weak and at least economically united to Western Europe.

Basically, the US seems to be entrenched in the somewhat unrealistic policy of wanting Germany united, armed, and firmly fixed in the Western camp. The Russian policy is to keep the Western nations divided by using East Germany and Berlin as a wedge to exploit the already considerable differences and con-

fusions of foreign policy.

Only Realistic Answers

The only realistic solution seems to be somewhat like the plan of Kaparki, the Polish Communist foreign minister: to pull back both Western and Soviet land and missile forces from Germany, Czechoslovakia, and Poland and thus to create a broad neutral buffer zone streaking from Sweden and Finland in the Baltic through central Europe, Austria, Switzerland, and Yugoslavia to the Adriatic. The possibility of getting ourselves into embarrassing situations like the Berlin crisis where we are threatened with nuclear warfare would be considerably reduced.

It should be pointed out, however, that the real source of the confusion in Western policy lies in the basic contradiction between the mutually incompatible but nonetheless openly avowed aims of European unification as well as German reunification.

One Germany?

Do we really want one Germany, or would we be willing to settle for two at the bargaining table? One Germany in one Europe is impossible. The Russians, because of their memories of World War II, simply would not allow this. Undoubtedly the French would have their objections.

On the other hand, a united and neutralized Germany outside either camp would probably fall into the old German role of playing off East against West, although it would provide an admirable buffer to prevent such explosive situations as we now have.

But if the West really wants Western Germany economically and militarily united into our camps, then it must reconcile itself to losing Berlin.

Editors Divided

On this point the Thresher political editors are divided. McGrath, covering his ears to the yell of "Francophile!" from the other half, prefers a divided Germany with Bonn integrated into the West. Barber, smiling at charges of being a Prussian militarist, prefers a united but militarily restricted Germany outside of either camp.

PALS' 'HOONYAHAA' HAS ENOUGH OF EVERYTHING

By CLAIRE PLUNGUAN

"Hoonyahaa," the annual PAL effort at terpsichorean prestidigitiation, blends pretty faces, good dancing (even the freshmen are good), and echoes of Dylan Thomas for a unified and sparkling show. It definitely shows the improvement in polish that moving to Hamman Hall gives a production.

Ann Bartlett as the local lady of ill-repute does a very good job on her songs. Her solo about her past lovers done without accompaniment is very touching. Frank Dent, full of poise, as usual, makes advances to a mop with a lovely leer. It's too bad he's not allowed to keep his double standard of being a proper Englishman to his wife, and quite another sort to Bartlett, for he sings about his various paradises with such obvious gusto. Judy Cole, the other vertex to the triangle, holds down her corner with the proper amount of ladylike behavior.

Sophistication, Plus

Joan Whitten chases Don Co-

ney with a little too much sophistication, but Coney makes up for this by his complete lack of it. He is completely abject in his number with the crew as he complains of his nasty captain. But he always says "Aye, Aye, sir," no matter what he's asked to do. The freshman chorus line in this number does one of the most well-coordinated dances I've seen on a Rice stage. Nancy Maxwell in the chorus is really a good comedienne.

Winsome and Shy

Fran Murphy, as the outcast daughter of Bartlett, is amazingly winsome and shy at the beginning of the show (how much direction did that take?). Bue she soon moves into an affair with that dashing bouncer, Mike Reynolds, and regains her pertness.

If you care for highbrow poetry, clever songs, good dancing, sophisticated sets, or some sexy costumes, you'll find that the Burlesque has enough of everything in it to please all.

'Needle' Termed Sew-Sew

By JIM BERNHARD

Last Friday and Saturday nights The Rice Players treated their audiences to a seldom recognized rule of orthography: Renaissance farce is a four-letter word.

"Gammer Gurton's Needle," a play which quite obviously deems the scatological of more importance than the eschatological, impressed me as being really not quite worth the Herculean (or should I say Rabelaisian?) efforts which the Players applied to it.

Forewarned Is Forearmed

The audience should perhaps have been forewarned that the Players were confronted with a problem which, in retrospect, might be termed insoluble. It was to produce a play which would simultaneously entertain the Renaissance scholars visiting our campus and the general public. Those who are not familiar with the genre of Renaissance farce, an art form which is not noted for an abundance of works of merit, might understandably have been temporarily stunned by the frequent occurrence of dialogue ordinarily reserved for such places as alley walls.

Literary Significance

Nevertheless, the Players must be congratulated for a first-rate production of a typical farce of literary significance of the era which spawned, among others, such people as William Shakespeare.

The almost indiscernible plot is about a sweet little old lady named Gammer Gurton, who has lost her sewing needle. It is imperative that she find it, since her servant, Hodge, is wearing bottomless trousers.

Skulduggery

A half-wit named Diccon, described as a Bedlam, attempts to stir up animosity between sweet old Gammer and her neighbor Dame Chat by telling each of them the other suspects her of Skulduggery. The result is the expected amount of pandemonium.

Thomas R. Preston's direction resulted in a swift-moving farce,

which at times bordered on brilliant situation comedy.

"See, Now"

Joe Binford, as Hodge, was responsible for some of the funniest scenes I have ever witnessed on the stage. His superb "See now" speech should be filmed and put into somebody's archives.

It was also a good night for the Days. Linda Day, as Gammer Gurton, sustained a really wild character throughout the play with high humor. And Deanna Day, as Gammer's neighbor Dame Chat, was beautifully raucous. The uproarious fight scene between these two worthy dames was magnificent, no doubt.

Tongue-In-Cheek

Richard Briscoe, though he played the Bedlam Diccon with perhaps more sanity than was called for, performed his leading role with just the right amount of tongue in his cheek, as well as cheek in his tongue. His asides to the audience actually

made me feel that he was taking me into his confidence.

The others — Jim Kuttler as the magistrate, Arnold Victor as the priest, and Suzy Rhodes as the maid-servant — were suitably magisterial, sacerdotal, and charming, respectively.

They were a bit stiffer than we might have liked. But perhaps they were just a little embarrassed, appropriately enough, by the whole thing.

Delightful Madrigals

It should be remarked that the play was preceded by some delightful madrigal singing by some delightful madrigal singing by Phyllis Skaff, Ann Vickers, Joe Rider, and Fred Kracke. A chamber orchestra added to the festivity with some pleasant Renaissance airs. This orchestra was composed of David Miller, Mike Dyer, Carolyn Wilson, Franklin Baldwin and Phil Hughes.

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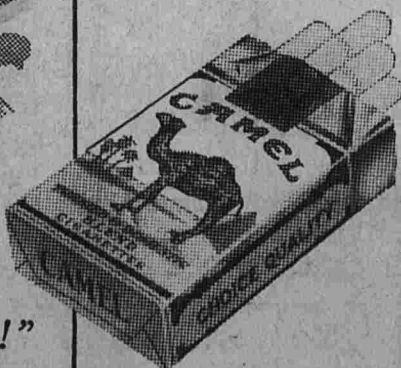


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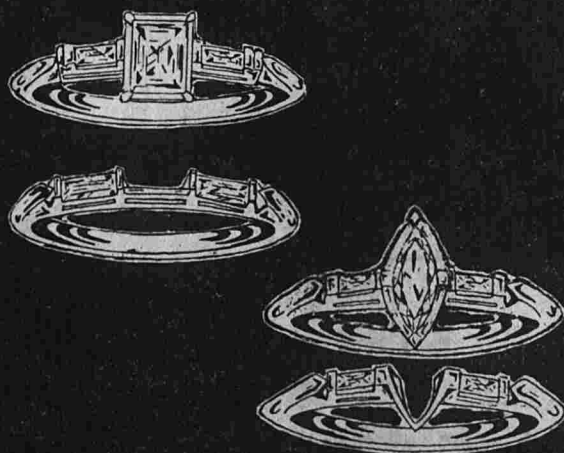
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CONSTITUTION

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by article. Article One was passed without opposition.

WALTER MOORE introduced an amendment to the second article which specifically stated that the freshman representative would be the freshman president. After a short discussion the amendment was passed, then Article Two was passed as amended. The remaining articles were passed with only detail changes.

IT WAS THEN suggested that more time should be allowed for consideration of the Constitution before the election, but the majority felt that the Constitution would be amply discussed in the Forum and in the College meetings. The meeting was then adjourned.

Society

By ANN BARTLETT And ANN HEBERT

DECKED OUT semi-formal style for a Roman Holiday at the Freshman Dance were Judy Cashen and Jerry Mattox, Sarah Winchester and Larry Turner, Jane Arnot and Bob Nasby, Mary Milbank and Les Greenberg, Patty and Kelly Runnels, Judy Norris and Keith Ebanks, Jean Kitchel and Buddy Herz, Clare Heldman and John Shamblin, Alice Waisman and Herby Lesser, Kay Hermann and Jack Nartucci.

OTHERS DANCING to the music of Bob Smith and his orchestra were Mary Ellen Kemmerer and Tom Waters, Kay Kellogg and Ron Sherman, Mary Anne Boone and Norman Reynolds, Judy Ley and Merve Moore, Flo Fisher and Jim Parker, Lillian Jungle and Phil Glynn, Franji Hensley and Les Arnold. HAL GOSNELL AND TOM McKEOWN were also present.

THE PALS Burlesque is being its usual crowd-catching success with the last performance tonight. Tomorrow night Will Rice and Hanszen Colleges are having their spring semi-formal dances.

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Seniors may also order graduation announcements and invitations Tuesday and Wednesday in the student lounge. Personal calling cards are \$4 per 100 including the engraving plate which can be used for later reprints. Invitations cost 25 cents each, paper-bound announcements are 45 cents, and leather-bound announcements are 90 cents each.

The invitations will be delivered about May 12. Senior president Eddie Garrett says that students are urged to order a sufficient number, to avoid delay in recording.

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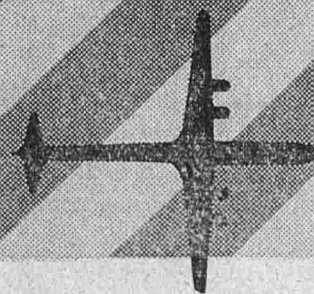
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Rice, LSU, A&M Meet

Still recovering from injuries at the Border Olympics in Laredo, coach Emmett Brunson's Rice track squad invades the swamp lands of Louisiana this Saturday for a triangular meet with LSU and A&M. LSU, who won the triangular meet last year by a sizeable margin, is favored to retain the team title for another year. The Tigers are led by sprinter, shot putter, broad jumper, sprint relay anchor man, and All-America footballer Billy Cannon.

Expected to return to action this week for the Owls after leg injuries at Laredo are quarter-

miler Leonard Faucett and hurdler Norman Charlton. Their return should boost Rice's point getting potential considerably.

The Owls' middle distance and distance runners, who have been disappointing thus far this season, should begin to show long awaited improvement this week and give Rice some valuable third and fourth place finishes.

The next action for coach Brunson's cinder squad will be next Thursday afternoon when they make their Houston debut by entertaining the Texas Longhorns in a dual meet at old Rice Stadium.

BULL SESSION

Freshmen Win Volleyball Tilt

By BUDDY HERZ

There is a nasty rumor around that the frosh won the class volleyball tourney. We looked into it and found it was true, and nobody can believe it. The frosh defeated the seniors 9-1, 12-9 after skimming by the sophs, 15-1, 12-2. The sophs scores may not be right, let's hope. Are you satisfied now Rene Lippman, Rene Rene Rene.

Other Fine Things

In other fine things, Lippmann defeated Dubuy, 21-12; 21-16; Engberg over Neuner, 22-20, 17-

OWL NINE HOSTS SMU

This Saturday at 2:30 Rice's baseball team opens its 1959 SWC baseball schedule intent on improving their third place finish of last season. The Owls' opponent Saturday will be the SMU Mustangs, who currently possess a season's record of 4-0.

If these pitchers can continue to improve over their last year's performances and the Owls get

the hitting which they lacked so often last season, coach Morgan's statement, that this could be the best team that he has had in six years as baseball coach at Rice, could easily come true this spring.

After Saturday's encounter with SMU, who has defeated TCU twice, 11-10 and 7-2, and Sul Ross twice, 7-5 and 9-7, the Owls will next take on TCU Tuesday in Fort Worth.

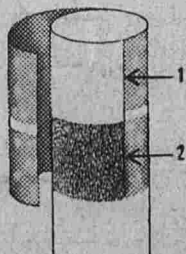
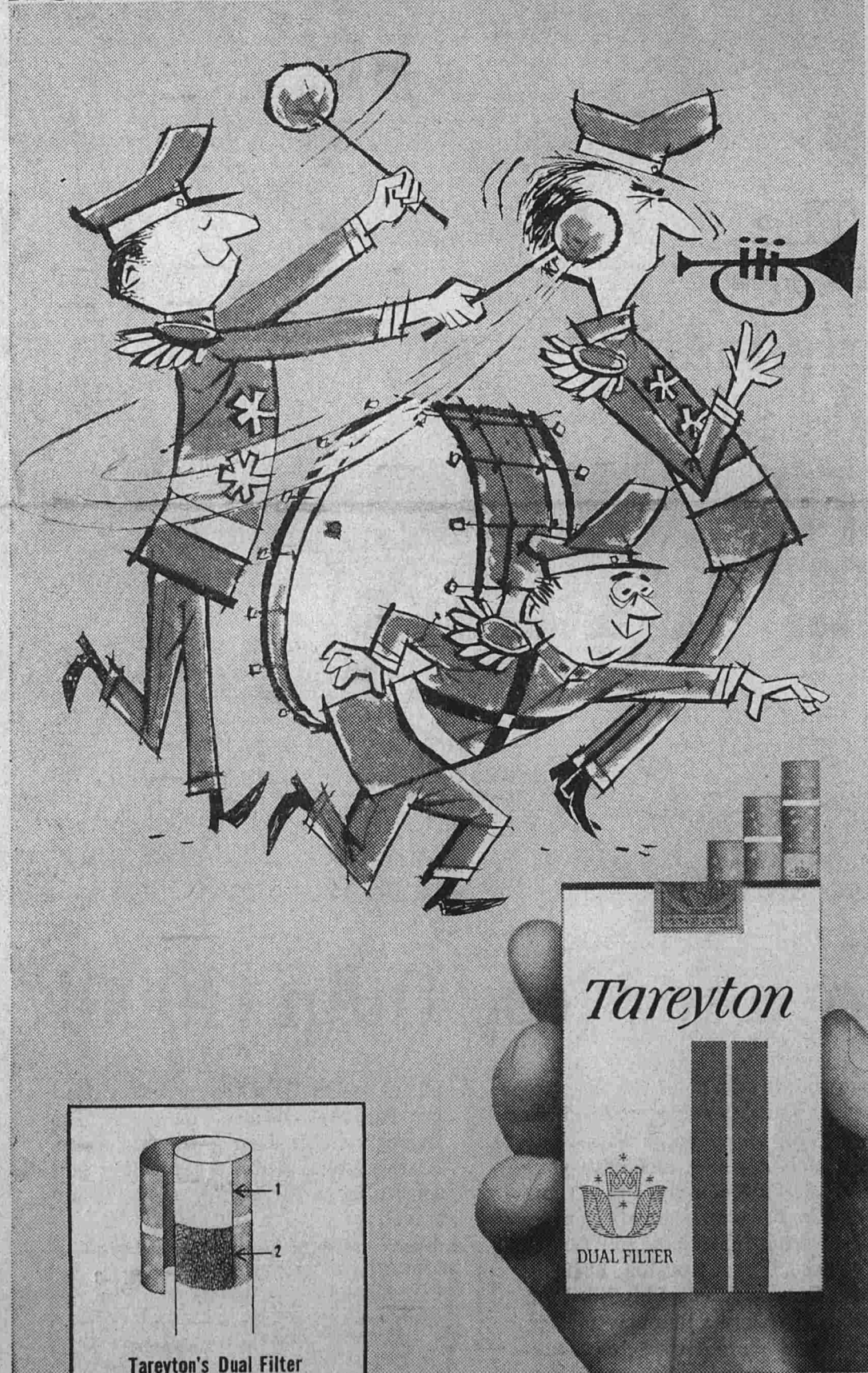
21, 21-16, and Giles over Dubuy, 21-13, 21-15—that's in ping pong. In volleywallballwallvolley the Pooped Pros defeated the OWLS, 15-3, 14-5 and the Jazzy Jets over Garnett's Gals, 15-2, 2-15, 15-8.

Tennis, Volleyball

In tennis Anthony Reso defeated George Milton 6-4, 6-3 and Gilbert and Rosenberg knocked off Andrews and Mayhew 21-18,

8-21, 11-10 in handball. Volleyball got something done done—Us over Movers 15-7, 15-11, Set Ups forfeited to Movers, Woohas over Us 12-15, 15-13, 17-15; House plus One over Blue Cats 15-5, 15-6 and Bruisers over Dean's Team 15-4, 15-3. Blue League champs Woohas to meet Gray League titlist Bruisers for title next week.

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