AT THE COUNCIL

‘Charlie’ Asks For a Pennant

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THE ADMINISTRATION has promised. The Memorial Center will be open after Christmas. Really, it will. They think.

The Administration has spoken. The Student Council has obeyed. The Student Center Committee has been changed to fit in with the present conditions. The Committee as it now stands is a pale copy of the original. Originally, the Committee was conceived of as a large group to exercise direct control over the affairs of the Student Center. But the Administration has now decided otherwise.

THE COMMITTEE is to be only an advisory group to the Governing Powers. The Center will be directly controlled by the Manager, acting under authority from the Administration. The operating budget will come from regular Institute Funds obtained from the students through the Center Fee. The Council adopted a good sensible by-law to set up this type of committee.

But, only one person made any mention of the fact that students have no real control over the Student Center. The general attitude was placid acceptance. The only problem the Council faced was, “How can we set up the Committee the way the Administration wants it?”

A LITTLE boy named Charlie wrote the Council and asked for a Rice pennant. Charlie is in grade school and wants the pennant to show his room at school. The Council voted to buy one and send it to him. This is all well and good. However, a few people objected to this trivial expense.

THESE SAME people calmly considered spending between $50 and $100 of the S.A.'s money for a luncheon for the TCU student Council before the TCU game. This would have been a private party paid for by stu

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dent funds. The only reason this did not take place was that it was not thought of in time. Surely people who were in favor of this couldn't object to giving a pennant to a little boy.

THE COUNCIL raised its voice in protest over a number of parking tickets given in November to a number of people who parked (their cars) on the shell along the edge of the asphalt near the University Blvd. exit. The only reason was that they failed to observe marked lines. The cars were not blocking traffic. The Student Council voted to protest this action as an injustice to the rights of Rice students.

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And in a lighter vein: There once was a prof named Kolenda, The Rice Owls philosophy vendor, who might have been lauded, And roundly applauded, But a walk was not on his agenda.