AT THE STUDENT SENATE . . .

Invocation Is Upheld; Queen Race Changed

By REED MARTIN

Major Senate business Wednesday night revolved around particulars concerning the coming football season.

The Religious Council introduced their resolution to abolish the invocation which traditionally precedes Rice football games. Their consensus is that the majority of attendants at a game come for the soul purpose of witnessing an athletic contest. It would then be a violation of their secular rights to force them to listen to an invocation.

DISCUSSION developed that the athletic department considered a pre-game prayer an integral part of the program parallel to the National Anthem, and that the football team, although unable to hear the invocation, adheres to the concept of invoking guidance before a game.

The Senate decided to pass on the resolution of the Religious Council, adding a tally of their vote approving and recommending continuance of the invocation.

AS USUAL, Freshmen will be required to attend home games

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and will be marched from their respective colleges to the stadium. The colleges, in alphabetical order, will carry Sammy to and from the game.

The entire student section will again participate in a card section beginning with the Georgia Tech game.

The Senate announced it will sponsor a dance in Dallas the Saturday night of the S.M.U. game October 15. Present plans include use of the roof garden of the Adolphus Hotel with details to be decided and disclosed later.

LARRY MOORE was approved as chairman of Parent's Orientation Day, which will be October 29. A reception for Freshmen and their parents is scheduled at the Student Center following the Texas Tech day game.

Homecoming plans include a new method for electing our Queen. Rather than continuing the usual all-school petition parade, proponents of extending this function into the realm of the college system proposed that each men's college nominate five girls.

The top four candidates in an all-school election will be presented at the game as princesses representing the college which nominated them. The girl with the most all-school votes, already a princess, will be crowned Queen.

THE BASIC sentiment behind this proposal was that a greater honor will be conferred on the candidates as they have been nominated by a majority of one of the men's colleges. The bonded Senate election committee will handle all tabulations to lend the usual aura of mystery to the results.

Further plans involve an extension of Jones' curfew until 3 am the night of Homecoming to allow time for travel from the Galveston dance site.