Students To Defend Rice's Honor Sunday

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For the first time, a Rice Institute team in a field other than athletics will make a bid Sunday via coast-to-coast television to bring the school greater recognition as one of the nation's top educational institutions.

Its endeavors will not be viewed in Houston, the progressive metropolis which boasts Rice as one of the Southwest's few great intellectual and cultural assets.

Dartmouth Target

The formidable target of Rice's "Quiz Kids" is Dartmouth College, currently the defending champion of General Electric's "College Bowl" series.

Eager to display the mental acumen of the Institute's student body are Neil Anderson, Sandy Grabiner, Joe Kruppa, and Mary Woodson, who are taking off Thursday and Friday for New York City at the show's expense.

"I think we're going to surprise everybody," stated Dr. Francis L. Loewenheim, assistant professor of history who has been coaching the team and who will accompany them to New York for the program.

Not On Local TV

"College Bowl," a game designed to test the ability of college students to recall facts from many fields of knowledge, goes out "live" over the CBS network every Sunday at 4:30 p.m., CST.

The local CBS-TV channel, KHOU-TV, has not carried the program in the past nor does it see fit to make exception for Rice's entry. Evidently, it prefers

the extra dollars of local sponsors to the desires of its Rice audience and many other friends of education in the area.

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tration to have the program presented on Khou-TV or Rice’s independent-ABC friend KTRK-TV have proved futile. The Thresher’s venerable Lovett Hall source admitted Wednesday that such prospects are dim.

Should Rice’s team defeat the Dartmouth team this Sunday, the Rice students will appear on the program on succeeding Sundays until defeated.

Dr. Loewenheim is proud of his team, which he feels is “well-balancer” and capable of recognition with such teams as Dartmouth, Cornell, and Purdue, who have appeared on the program in recent weeks. The four Riceites were selected at random by Dr. Loewenheim.

The remark about a “surprise” brought on the inevitable query about “payola,” but Dr. Loewenheim claims little worry about that. The assistant district attorney of New York is one of his Columbia fellow alumni.