

SA Reprimands Thresher's News

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The Senate voted to express publicly its "concern" over the handling of the student newspaper, the Rice Thresher, at its Tuesday night meeting.

The Senate did not specify whether its concern was favorable or unfavorable, and did not cite any grounds for its action, but accepted verbatim Ron Green's motion which read, "Not meaning to involve itself in setting editorial policy for the Thresher, the SA nevertheless expresses concern over recent evidences of sensationalism in supposed news reporting."

Resolution Questioned

Considerable opposition to the resolution was raised by some of the Senate members who questioned the idea of censuring the Editor. Student Association President Bill Timme explained that the resolution was not to have the effect of a censure.

John Behrman, Will Rice senior and proxy for Will Rice President Tom Schunior, was leading spokesman for the opposition. He argued that the motion would be interpreted as a censure and might affect the spring election for the next editor.

Such an action does involve editorial policy, he argued. He added that the Senate has already divorced itself from the recent Thresher Extra in a letter to University President K. S. Pitzer.

Abstainers Vote

When the resolution was called to a vote the Senate tied seven for and seven against. Chairman Timme decided the vote in favor of the motion. The opposition called for a roll call

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