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SUGAR-COATING THE PILLS.

A retrospective survey of Rice's 1923 football season reveals at least one fault that cannot be laid at door of either the coach or the "insufficient" material. Rice has had this one fault so long that she has become famous for it. It looks up every year, in football, basketball and even in track. It has caused the Blue and Gray more humiliation than any other thing. It is the Thresher's opinion that more effort to correct this one fault should be made than to bring about any other improvement.

Some persons call it over-confidence. At Rice it amounts to unadulterated cockiness.

We, too loudly of what we can do. Half the school then apparently thinks a deed has been performed and in reality it is somebody else's business.

Members of the football team are known to have predicted 20 to 0 victory over Southwest Texas Normal, and a 26 to 0 victory over T. C. U. And God knows what they based their predictions on; certainly the team's past record showed little to merit such optimism.

The Thresher doesn't blame any individual or group. The Thresher itself has been a leader in the school of thought which has for its motto, "Horror for us, all the time." Thresher files show unlimited headlines about what Rice is preparing to do ready to do, able to do. With all due credit to Rice's athletic record over the past 12 years of its existence, the school is developing into an all-club sport.

"Round! Buy your hammer! Buy your hammer!" They're at the Chamber of Commerce最大限度. But as sure as you blow your horn in front of a football fan's head, someone will walk away without its owner can't carry it down the football field. Athletes worship is the most insufferable institution in American college today, insomuch as that sounds. Rice has just closed, ignominiously, her 1923 football season. A proud percentage of 200; three games won out of eight played.

But the school's first step after Thanksgiving is to predict an basketball championship. Apparently the only thing sincere about basketball is Coach Askari himself. After saying that Rice has highest of all for the court penchant, the Thresher investigated and now is prepared to agree with Mr. Askari when he says that we have only fighting chances for a cretain success.

This old bank of sugar-coating every pill only to have the sugar washed off before swallowing it must come to an abrupt end. If Rice is to take its rightful place in the collegiate sport world.

COMPETITIVE MUSIC.

One feature of student support for athletic teams noticeable at Rice this year has been the marked improvement in the Orch band.

Inquiry reveals that the band has been placed on a competitive basis, that is, that members work for positions just as athletes work for positions on the teams.

The band members also are rewarded just as athletes are. The Student Council has appropriated money to buy each musician who meets certain requirements a high grade white woolen sweater to be the official "R" and "Lynne" band emblem in blue.

The Thresher congratulates Director Ander and President Valentine on the success of the band this season. It has taken a high place among college musical organizations, and the new system is destined to boost it even more.

The Thresher places its hearty approval on the proposal to issue another R Book. The First R Book was one of the most attractive pieces of advertising Rice has ever issued and subsequent numbers should be published at least every two years.

How about the 1924 Intercollegiate Track Meet? Thresher says we can find nobody who knows whether it will be staged or not. Is the meet to be annual, biennial, or occasional? Would it be possible to combine it ever two years with the Engineering Show?

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**WINTER-SPRING, 1924**

**BASKETBALL**

Jan. 5-6
T. C. U. at Houston
14-15
Baylor at Waco
15-16
Texas A. & M. at College Station
Feb. 16-17
Baylor at Houston
16-17
Texas A. & M. at Houston
17-18
A. & M. at College Station
Mar. 1-2
20 Games, all conference.

**TRACK**

Mar. 29
Baylor at Waco
Apr. 5
Texas A. & M. at San Antonio
31
Barnesville U. at College Station
31
Texas A. & M. at College Station
Apr. 3-5
T. C. U. at Houston

**BASEBALL**

Mar. 7-8
Texas A. & M. at College Station
Apr. 2-3
Texas U. at Austin
7-8
Baylor at Houston
14-15
Baylor at Waco
May 3-4
Texas A. & M. at Houston
10-11
Baylor at Waco

Rice made 13 first downs. T. C. U. had only four.

The season witnessed the contest. Mud made 0. The T. C. U. backs could not get the ball.

Four times Rice advanced the ball to within the 20 yard line and each second quarter when Cherry scooped impossible. The usual Saturday night dance was held at Asty House with music by the day Spenders. We make no apologies for Mrs. and Mrs. Campbell chaperoned.

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Lavoisier showed the errors of the theory of phlogiston—that hypothetical, material substance which was believed to be an element of all combustible compounds and to produce fire when liberated. He proved fire to be the union of other elements with a gas which he named oxygen.

Lavoisier's work goes on. In the Research Laboratories of the General Electric Company the determination of the effects of atmospheric air on lamp filaments, on metals and on delicate instruments is possible because of the discoveries of Lavoisier and his contemporaries.
SOCIETIES WELCOME ALUMNAE

The Elizabeth Baldwin Literary Society entertained its alumna members with a breakfast in the restaurant.

The program consisted of a violin solo and piano duet, Miss Laura Low Berry at the piano and Miss Bertha Horner, with Miss Mary Louise Hardtner singing "The Best" of O. C. R. E., a parody on the "Newhearth of Sigma Chi," written especially for the occasion.

At the close of the breakfast the president gave a talk, welcoming the alumna members, and telling them about the activities of the society during the year. Miss Adele Waggoner and Miss Vera Burton, charter members of the society, both told of the activities of the club in its first year.

Miss George B. Johnson proposed that the alumna members entertain the society. It was then decided by the vote of the amount of the entertainment should be the second Tuesday in January.

Alumna members of the United Alumni Literary Society were entertained by student members at a breakfast at the Brown Hotel Thursday morning at 8 a.m.

Dellas were made by Miss Roberta Shirley, Margaret Beckwith, Betty Lowery, Miss Mildred Gardner who announced the program, Miss Eleanor Taylor at the piano and presented to the society by Mrs. James A. Baker, Jr., representative member of the society.

Miss Lula Reinhardt entertained a visitor who accompanied by Miss Jean B. Hutto.

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