VICTORY FINAL GOAL: PRESIDENT DECLARES

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President Edgar Odell Lovett, speaking to an audience of more than 450 students and faculty members in the Physics Amphitheatre Wednesday night, announced that the class of 1943 may become the first class in the Institute's history, and urged them to consider victory in the war their first and final goal.

"For nine months," he stated firmly, "I have had no other conviction than that the United Nations will win the war."

President Lovett entered the amphitheater and began his annual matriculation address without introduction, as has always been his custom. He greeted the incoming freshmen with an off-hand comment, "There are none of you that have all taken their places at the Institute and asserted that "these, these, these," are yours to have and to hold with us."

Illustrating his address with references to Alexander the Great, Bishop Newton, and Francis Bacon, Dr. Lovett emphasized that great accomplishment was a combination of genius with common sense, and that members of the Class of '43 should initiate their own example: "They all worked hard, kept hoping high, and did well what they did."

As to the war, President Lovett said, the issue is one between humanity and inhumanity, and our duty is clearly to be stated in terms of the same issue. He assured his audience that the truth and universality of science and science were attempting to hold a mild dispassionate farewell of those who are present, and to take up the challenge of the people of the world to a solution of the same issue. He assured his audience that the truth and universality of science and science were attempting to hold a mild dispassionate farewell of those who are present, and to take up the challenge of the people of the world to a solution of the same issue.

The current of their lives, though never material, has been predefined in the hearts of many students in the four quarters of the earth and the twelve winds of heaven. These businesses of the trustees and faculty were begun in times of peace, only to be overshadowed by a little later in war, thereafter to be continued under new conditions of peace, and now again to be carried on and forward in war. Their first class of new materials, a hardened lot of hardy, climbing freshmen, arrived in the autumn of 1912, for graduation in 1916 and for unanticipated enrolment in the armed forces of the country in '17 and '18.

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Concerning the Council

The Student Council, the organ of student government at the Institute and the duly elected representative body of the Student Association, will hold its first meeting within the week.

It is pertinent, therefore, that we call attention to the ruling of two seasons back by which all meetings of that body, unless otherwise pronounced by the president, are rendered open and public to attendance by students. Very little advantage was taken of the privilege awarded the student body at large by such a provision. That failure is indeed lamentable.

Student government here at the Institute has been rather ineffectively struggling along for several years. It is an important and powerful thing—a mockery of what it might and should be. For years it has reached into muckraking, but has very little gone out of the body which has routinely gone out of the execution of routine functions.

This should not be. The Council should be legislative, active, formative. It should be a powerful factor in the administration of the Institute. The makeup of the body and recent tendencies give promise of some such development, of some such assumption of dormant authority.

All that is lacking is the student stimulus.

It is up to you, therefore, to make your student government a serious, active, a potent force. Attend the meetings, talk to your representatives, make suggestions as to possible actions, improvements, or renovations. Make of the term "student association" a real instrument in the direction of this school.

This year take some interest in the Council.

Freshmen Take Note

It will be a superfluous bit of advice to some, but the Thresher may be due for the new arrivals a favor by indicating the urgent necessity for getting into some reserve unit of the Army, Navy, or Marines, and of doing so now. Many if you have perhaps already made plans for joining the Navy’s V-1 or the Army’s E. R. C., but congress is beginning to try seriously with the 16-year draft, and the miracle of a new law before elections may not occur. Whatever you do, proceedings are going to be stopped indeed, and the man who is not safely enlisted in a college reserve unit may count upon imminent military service, be he half-blind, past lame, or semi-consumptive.

A hint to the simple one: do something—even before your draft board does, for there are few things so irrevocable as an induction order.

Conversely, every first-year man, if you have come to Rice to work and make yourselves ready for a responsible job in the world during and after your college days, this will be a happy time since that visit from Louis Girard. D. A. Smith has not only loudly burned out the "incendiary blende," but he has had a personal encounter with another male has been led astray—Billy Chappell, that is. He says, but seems like he came back last year and said the same thing. We sometimes wonder.

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Picnic Is Good Idea

The Student Council’s action to continue the all-school picnic, which was first undertaken last year, is commendable.

The Student Council should continue the picnic, and the association should support the effort, and everyone should make an earnest effort to attend.

Club News

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Owl track and tennis stars, paced by lanky Ray Gladman and timber-topper Bill Cummins, toured the circuit of summer meets in competition with some of the best athletes of the nation and emerged with a very creditable record. Cummins, conference hurdle champion, was undoubtedly the Owls’ brightest star as at the national A.A.U. meet in Lincoln, Neb., on June 20, he held Ohio State’s Bob Wright and Arkansas’ colored star, Joe Battiste, in the 110-meter high hurdle championship. The meet was held previously by another Institute great, Freddie Woobert. He also held a class second in the 400-meter hurdle event.

A week later, at the National Intercollegiate meet in New York, Cummins found Wright a little too strong as the Buckeyes’ flash moosed him out in the 110-yard high hurdle championship. Cummins wound up his summer activities by running off with high point honors in the annual Corpus Christi meet, held late in July.

Christopher living a Captain Harold Hall, conference quarter-mile champ and record holder, failed to live up to expectations when he did not place in either the AAU or the Intercollegiate meets. Broadjumping Captain-elect Billy Christopher of Baton Rouge was honored with a berth on the all-American team. This means that the Owls have been looking at the situation by becoming one of the most promising of Bill Wallace’s all-time with high point honors in the annual Corpus Christi meet, held late in July.

Gilman in Finals
Schoeder completely overlooked in the pre-tournament handicapping, went all the way to the finals where he too fell before the fast-tackling of the great Schoeder. Rodgers and Gladman fell in the doubles and won their way to the semifinals. But here again they ran into Schoeder and when it was all over they had dropped a tough five-set match to 8fh and his team-mate, Larry Dee.

The next week and found the pair in New Orleans where the National Intercollegiate championships were held. In the singles they met with little success, Gladman losing out in the first round and Rodgers falling before the championship unmask of the unconquerable Schoeder. In the doubles the duo also again fell short of the Stanford team in a tough first round match.

Rodgers quit the tour in the East but Gladman went on to the Southwestern championships. Later he competed in the Eastern grass courts championship at Rye where he played the new doubles partner, J. Greenborn, lost in the semifinals to the South American sensations Pancho Segura and Algeo Russell. From here Gladman moved over to Rhode Island for the Newport Open invitation and wound up the quarterfinals where he was eliminated by Stanford’s Ted Schoeder.

Schoeder has since gone on to take both the National Intercollegiate and National Amateur championships.

First Intramural Matches Are Set
Intramural activities for the year will get under way September 29. The schedule of singles and doubles tennis matches will begin. Entries for this division of the intramural program in the singles, doubles, and mixed doubles entries are now being taken by John Fox or Kenneth Krider. Entering parties are required to make a choice whether they are attached to a club or organization. Anyone who has had previous tennis experience is urged to participate.

All clubs and organizations on the campus are encouraged to enter representatives in each of the events, as there will be a certificate of achievement awarded at the end of the year to the organization compiling the best record for the year. A new plan has been decided upon this year whereby each organization or group sends its sports manager from its group to meet with the intramural board composed of a representative from each faculty, residence hall, and athletics director, Kenneth Krider, student representatives, and representatives from the athletic department.

In keeping with the physical training of the students, a more active program is being arranged by the intramural board. This year it will be a program that, while allowing students who are competing to enjoy himself, will also supply a well-rounded outdoor physical program.

There will be a booth set up in the Business Building until 12 noon on Mondays in order to register for the football starting September 29 and ending November 25. All teams interested in entering a touch football group should get in touch with Kenneth Krider, or go to the Athletic Dept. office to register before September 16. There will be a $5.00 registration fee which will supply all the necessary equipment to make up an interesting football team of 10 men. Price includes pants, helmet, and equipment.

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Our backfield may be a little weaker this year with Brumley and Zeider leaving us, but you’ll probably catch Ray Zimmerman, Clark Wells, Verne Prosser, and Jacob at tailback or fullback. We’ve got enough backs in the bunch in practice thus far, but it was disappointing to see Humble throw his pack. In the meantime, however, his pack is now being put to better use as a wingback.

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Believing that the war is in crescendo rather than diminished the immediate need for communication, Mr. Andre Bourgeois, instructor in French, has decided upon his new French grammar to facilitate the practical mastery of the elements of the language. His plan is to cover in a short time, all the while shaping and refining the grammar and conversational practice which may soon be useful to future officers of the army and navy.

The new book, to be used by freshmen class this fall, is transcribed sheets, pending publication,是他了 A Practical First Year French Grammar. Its author is especially hopeful that the of the temporary utility of the text will be made more easily accessible by its temporary utility of the text will be made more easily accessible by its.


dead line on partial payment receipts for Campaigna class pictures will be September 30, Editor Bache Taylor announced Thursday. Holders of receipts are requested to have their pictures taken as soon as possible at Maurice Studios, 301 South Main Street.

There will be a short meeting of all students interested in working on the Campaigna Today at 4 o'clock, Taylor also announced. The meeting will be held in room 308 of the Administration Building.

A large number of students are interested in working on the campaigna.

There is no doubt that a new ensemble probably someday.

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The annual picnic to the faculty is probably someday.

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Another little thing might possibly give you. I have never been able to see how I could live without hope that is not in a good reason for me. In my opinion, your good reason for invaluable hope is not only that our Cause is just, but also that we are ready and willing, every man and woman of us, willing and ready to die to the last one of us to win this war. Victory, therefore, is our final goal.

A Standing Invitation
One word more. My room has numerous windows on two fronts, east and west. They open on the campus and they overlook the years. Now and then I go to one window or another just to see the students coming and going, as they do every hour on the hour. Those moments that are always bright moments to me are always bright moments in the daily round, and I believe, those moments will be. I doubt not, to you.

The room has doors on two fronts, north and south. They bear no number, title, card, or name-plate. The room are always bright moments in the daily round, and the trust we place in you this way.

There may be other visitors, as a visitor may spare you an unendable wait, yet it might be worth the wait only to view the acres and the years from the windows of that room.

—Edgar Oliver Love.