Lt. Com. A. R. Boilhun
New Dental Officer
Was Rice Man

Lt. Com. A. R. Boilhun, new dental officer for the Rice Institute Naval Unit, feels quite at home on the Institute campus. Lt. Com. Boilhun is a former Rice student and Houston dentist, having spent thirty-six years in Houston.

Dr. Boilhun was born in Galveston, but soon moved to Houston. He went to high school here and then came to Rice to take his pre-medical courses. After completing his undergraduate work, he went to Texas Dental School and graduated in the class of ’21. He then set up his practice in Houston in the Medical Arts Building, and practiced for fifteen years as a civilian dentist.

Voluteer for Service
Before being elected, Lt. Com. Boilhun volunteered for service in the Navy. That was in September of 1939. He was accepted in June of 1942 and was commissioned as Lieutenant. He was selected for Lt. Com. on 17 October, and received his commission last week.

Ribbons adorn the dentist’s blouses, testifying to his many experiences in action. He wears the American Theater, the Asiatic-Pacific Theater, and various invasion ribbons. He served for nineteen months aboard the U.S.S. Nevada. While on that ship, he was at the Atka Islands, in the North Pacific; at Normandy, Cherbourg, Toulon, Marseilles, and Troyes. His only other shore duty was at Algiers, New Orleans, for a short while as the base dentist.

Rover Boys Claim Title of School’s Most Active Group

By D. C. Redgrave

The active and high-spirited Rover Boys at a meeting last Monday outlined their future activities for the remainder of the term. Led by the junior and senior wardens, Tau Beta Pi, Jo Pe Anthony, the Rover Boys are becoming the most ambitious and efficient organization on the campus.

The most immediate of the Rover activities is an invitational party at the Polo Wares Ion, 23 January, between 1830 and 2030. This will permit everyone to attend the basketball game and the Girls’ Club dance afterwards. The cost will be approximately twenty-five cents a couple.

On 14 February the men of the Central Presbyterian Church, the sponsors of the Rover Boys here at Rice, are giving a dance at the church. The program will be in the hands of the Rover Boys themselves and will consist of a series of acts presented by the various crews. Included in those acts are a prospective radio show to be put on the air waves directly from the church. Plans for an unusual musical extravaganza are also in the making.

Other plans for the future center around an inspection trip of the Brown shipsyard, an overnight cruise to a Coast Guard vessel, and a big weekend-end at the Houston Yacht Club. All the minute details will be announced at Major Anthony’s left meeting. It is definite that some service on the boat is to be purchased will be forthcoming, and that the interest that has been shown by new as well as old members and the continued cooperation of all hands is assured.

Free Navy Dance
For All Students; Navy and Civilian

Navy Orchestra to Play from 9 to 11
At City Auditorium Saturday; U. of H. Varsity Teams to Entertain

The Navy Dance, an annual affair sponsored by the Rice Naval Welfare Fund, will be held Saturday, 13 January, at the City Auditorium from 9:30 to 11:00. This annual dance is given for the benefit of Rice naval trainees, and has formerly attracted a large attendance.

"We cordially invite all Rice students, civilian and Navy, and their dates," Lt. Com. Boilhun, Welfare Officer, stated Tuesday. "Students are requested to bring their blanket taxes to identify themselves for admission." The dance will be semi-formal.

Invitations have also been extended to all members of the faculty, all of the ship’s company, Naval students and faculties of Baylor Medical School, Texas University School of Dentistry, Texas University Medical School in Galveston, and members of the visiting TCU basketball team.

Navy Orchestra to Play
D. C. Redgrave and Frank Lawrick (paid advertisement) announce that the Navy Orchesta will supply dance music, the Navy Glee Club will give their rendition of "Anchors Aweigh," and the chambers and chambermaids of the old auditorium will be decked with Navy flags and pennants.

The floor show promises to be all professional.

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A.I.E.E. Banquet
At Wingate’s;
Dance, A-House

On Saturday, 20 January, 1945, the Rice Student Branch of the A.I.E.E. is holding what they hope will be the start of a tradition. A banquet and dance for all members and dates is planned.

The banquet will be held in the private dining room of Wingate’s Mexican-American Restaurant, with J. L. Vibig as toastmaster. The dance will be held afterwards at Astyr House.

Supperhouse, Junior, and Senior EE students who have not been attending the meetings are also welcome. All who plan to come, please sign the list posted on the bulletin board in the M. L. building.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK
THURSDAY, 11 January: ASME Meeting, Chemistry Lecture Hall, 7:30 P. M.
FRIDAY, 12 January: Rice R. M. U. Basketball, High School Gym, 8:15 P. M.
SATURDAY, 13 January: Rice-T. C. U. Basketball, High School Gym, 8:15 P. M.

U. of H. Navy Recreational Dance, City Auditorium, 9:00 to 1:00
Last Saturday night, at the "Engineer," the ban on corsages at Rice dances went into effect—or rather, almost into effect. It was, to judge on the whole, 99% successful—in uniform enforcement and in bringing about the desired results. Those results were a larger attendance at the dances, and a higher ratio of dates to stags. That these were accomplishments of the executive body of the Student Y.P.U. Our officers, who have worked for these things at Rice dances, Saturday night was highly gratifying, and it points to more successful dances in the future.

It points to something else, too. It demonstrates a condition we suspect has long existed. That is, that new men at Rice will go to their dances, with dates, if they can afford it. Afford it does not mean pay for it by skimping—but rather fitting it comfortably into a rather limited budget, making the expenditure consistent with other expenditures. In other words, if we make a dance worth $2.75 (as we can), almost every one will go. If we try to make it worth $6.00 (as we cannot), a few will bother. By encouraging new, out-of-town men, to come to the dances, we solidify the school, build up a spirit notably lacking in the dismal year of 1943-44. It is an opportunity well worth a trial.

There were, of course, some few who refused to cooperate. There are "those in any community. After all, isn't it a fine fellow who can do something no one else can do, who can break the rules and get away with it? And a fine girl who has an orchid when no one else has anything at all. This spirit of egotistic selfishness flourishes everywhere—will, we are afraid, always be those who sacrifice group benefit for personal desire.

In this connection, the Dance Committee deserves a great deal of credit for performing an odious duty of policing. They made a decision and they had the strength of conviction to enforce it. Only a few very astute Ferguson did they relax the rules, and then under the strongest protest.

To sum up, we fail to see wherein the "Engineer" proved to be a less entertaining dance than any on the campus.

All the old arguments against a ban just did not seem to hold Saturday night. That, together with the powerful influence toward school unity that will result from the social mixing of ALL Rice students, new and old, is enough, we think, to make the sacrifice of a corsage worthwhile—even for those who set themselves on the peaks of our social pyramid.

Lt. Commander and Mrs. Donald Alas—Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smith, who represent their daughter, Pauley, to Leon V. Manry, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon V. Manry.

Society

Staff

The B. B. L. S have planned a "clumber party" for January 20th. It will be at the home of Eliza Ann Zaremba.

Miss Mary Hay entertained 8 January from 7:00 to 8:30 at her house with an open house which proceeded "The Engineer." Members of the house included Martha Nunn, Jane Farnworth, Mary Simpson, Alice Craig, and Betty Scott Hamon.

The P.A.S. have been visiting and entertainingcrippled children at the Unrest Home.

The R.B.S. entertained 10 January at the home of Mrs. Robert Bryar with a tea and book review.

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Henry Scores Student Council for Absences

An important notice to all Student Council members was made by Bill Henry Tuesday. No meeting was held at that time due to lack of quorum. This has happened for a second time this year. The occurrence of such a state should be avoided. Hence, members are served with the notice that there will be no meeting, definitely, next Tuesday.

Since Henry could not be present before the Council, he adjourned those present after reading a letter received from the Student Council which requests the plan for an All-Southwest meeting, to be held on 9 and 10 February. Each college may send any number of delegates desired on a first-come, first-served basis to send at least six. There are six in total groups organized so far, for the consideration of the delegates. These include academic freedom, student participation in school policy, school publications, student government, student social regulations and traditions (hazing), and the problem of hazing and traditionalism. The council will discuss the matter at the next quorum.

Navy Band Started With Few Members Now Has Fourteen

After many setbacks and mishaps, this term has seen the realization of Douglas Price's By (M) 1. The band is in the form of a Navy Band. Most difficult of all obstacles to overcome was getting the right distribution of instruments. From a beginning of four trumpets, a clarinet, drums and an accordion, the band now has a membership of fourteen. Although the band as a whole needs no introduction, the individual members should be given acknowledgment:

L. L. Price (Manager) — Accordion
F. C. Searl (Manager) — Trumpet
K. E. Barnett — Piano
C. R. Rose — Trumpet
J. D. Preston — Trombone
A. L. Head — Trombone
D. M. Perry — Saxophone
D. C. Holmgren — Saxophone
W. D. Atkinson — Saxophone
L. D. Wareham — Saxophone
A. H. Rodman — Saxophone
W. F. Barnett — Piano
J. I. Branch — Drums

Warren Babcock and Warren James are from the University of Houston, and Redman is from Blinn. F. C. Searl was formerly with Vaughn Monroe and easily distinctly the solo saxophone.

The band recently played for the Junior House dance, a Saturday night dance, the Engineer, and is to play for the Welfare Day Dance this Saturday. Plans have already been made to play for several Rice dances and Sunday matinee dances. Even though the band is not at its best, we do think it's a damn good band!

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Men In Service

By Ellen Plummer
Lt. (j.g.) Chester L. Palmer, class of '42, is still in the United States Navy. He is serving in the Philippine Islands, where he has been since he was sent back to the States after being wounded on "D" Day in France. Chet was an outstanding member of Coach Bostrom Brandon's championship basketball team; second baseman on Coach Grigsby's baseball team; and the winner of the Bob Quinn award at Rice. He went to sea in the Navy and after receiving his commission was assigned duty aboard a merchant ship. When the allies invaded the European continent he was shot in the leg and shortly afterwards transferred to Portsmouth where he has remained in the Naval hospital since then.

Lt. Robert A. Swasey, class of '44, is attending Pre-Midshipmen's School at Ansbury Park, N. J. He is awaiting his entrance to Midshipmen school which will probably be in the near future. Bob received his degree in chemical engineering from Rice in October last and left an outstanding record behind him at the Institute—among many other honors he was a member of Tau Beta Pi and Phi Lambda Upsilon Society.

Midshipman Francis J. Sherliches, class of '44, is at North Dakota in Indiana receiving his midshipman's training. Upon leaving Rice he joined the Naval Air Corps, but when his group was commissioned Frank was sent to Ansbury Park and then to New Haven. He expects to receive his commission around the first of March.

Pfc. Peter Paul Schiess, class of '46, is now at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, awaiting assignment in his training in the Marine Corp at Quantico. Entering the V-JII program, Pete was transferred with many other Rice boys to E. L. I. in Lafayette, La. Upon completion of his work there, he was sent to Parrish Island and then to Camp Lejeune. With Pete is his former team mate and class mate, Billy Willard, who is undergoing the same training at the Marine camp.

Pfc. Robert Allen, class of '46, is now back into active fighting after having been wounded in action in Italy. Bob has been overseas with the Infantry the last six or eight months and has seen much service in active combat.

A.I.E.E. Holds Business Meeting, Views Movies

The AIEE met in the Navy building on Monday, the 8th of January, for a business discussion and some movies. The subjects of the films included F. M., re-entrant cables, sun spots, communication news, and a comedy. The pictures were obtained from G. E. and Bell Telephone.

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