"Fact Finders" Find Owl Mag Is Superfluous

The "fact finding" board delegated to investigate the OWL submittal to the Student Association a report which was approved. After further airing of this detailed report before the Student Activities Committee the subject of the OWL was laid aside until such a time when the idealist, Tyrone Bond, would have more necessary questions for re-organization can be carried out.

The fact that the OWL will be discontinued should not be considered as an unjust step. In fact, the student body should not be considered as being asked to subscribe to the Student Association a report which was approved. After the investigations committee has pointed out that the present staff is the ideal one, the magazine which would be satisfactory to all, we do not wish to imply that the OWL Board of Standards would be a material of worth. Also we hasten to point out that the present staff is the ideal staff, according to the ideals of the OWL. Since this magazine was begun, it has had periods of "profitability and poverty" in the eyes of the public.

OWL BOARD OF STANDARDS

Recently, however, there has been a tendency towards an accent on smutty jokes and a low note theme of general interest. "Sandwiched in." It was suggested by the investigations committee after reading a number of indices to search that an "OWL Board of Standards" be formed in order to promote such an "unbalanced" program. This body was formed and consisted of two members, faculty members (Mr. Cameron and Mr. Price); two students (Mr. Wilder and one other); and one student. The body would not actually have the final word, but it would act as a guide in decisions that proved difficult for the responsible editor.

This "OWL Board of Standards" could also be of assistance in the selection of a qualified staff. Students would be allowed to sign petitions for those who desired to run for office, thus acting as veritable "standards." The Board of Standards would interview the students and name one or more exceptionally apt persons as being a qualified candidate for office. None of the candidates would be "selected.

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Notice

Mr. Cameron has announced that a page of the kind issued out of the first floor library has been changed, due to the addition of announcements from his office.

In the future all statements and announcements concerning the student body from the Assistant Dean will appear there.

A Message to the Student Activity Committee

The forthcoming issue of the OWL will be the last, a present staff has had a heavy load in carrying on through a time when advertising was difficult to obtain and when little financial support was derived from the blanket tax. The Alumni have SALLYPORT and, intending to make their organ, will appear there. The OWL Board of Standards would not be considered a magazine which would be satisfactory to everyone.

In the best interests of the OWL, its staff, the student body, and The Rice Institute itself, the Assistant Dean for Student Activities has withdrawn the privilege of publishing the magazine.

Should there appear, at some future date, a need for a magazine which would encourage literary or journalistic efforts of capable persons, such a periodical can readily be planned and its publication approved; but the support of the student body can not stop after payment of the blanket tax.

Hugh S. Cameron
Asst. Dean of Student Activities.

Walled Up!

He Helped Designed It
Now He Teaches In It

By Mary Davis

When Mr. William Ward Watkin came to Houston in 1910 to superintend the building of Rice University which he helped to design, he had no idea that he would become professor of architecture at the university which he helped to design. Mr. Watkin, an associate architect with Cram, Goodhue and Ferguson, came from Boston with the firm of Cram, Goodhue, and Ferguson, and he must have felt discouraged when he saw the swamp three miles from the edge of Houston which was to become the campus of Rice Institute. Yet in 1899, Mr. Watkin went to work. Two years later, the results of his labor were the Administration Building, the Physics Building, and the first of the dormitories.

In the meantime, Mr. Watkin had become so interested in the new university, that he gave up a promising career in Boston to accept an assistantship in architecture. In September, 1912, he began school in the student building of architecture; and he has been here ever since. Born in Boston, Mass., William Ward Watkin is of complete Southern extraction. He graduated from high school at Davielle, Pa., in 1898 and the University of Pennsylvania, the latter fall,

The Rice Institute Commencement Exercises of the Graduate Class of June, 1946, will be held on Friday evening, June twenty-eighth, at eight o'clock, in the Assembly Hall of the Administration Building. The Commencement Address to the graduates will be given by President Houston. The installation and the benediction will be given by the Reverend Hamilton H. Kellman, D.D., of Christ Church. At the beginning and at the end of the Exercises there will be an address by Mr. Ryan.

Commemoration To Be Held in Faculty Chamber 28 June

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Eight Candidates Seek Two Positions As Pep Engineers

Balloting Begins Friday Morning
At 8; No Posters or Campaigning To Be Allowed in Sallyport

With the election of cheerleaders just one day away, interest is at its height. Eight candidates have turned in petitions; these are Harry Hagener, Holly Sheehan, Rodger Martin, Bruce Moore, Eddie Carter, Gene Mason, Butler Williams and Jack Mackenzie. Introduction of candidates were made Wednesday night at Mufly House.

Balloting will take place Friday morning June 4 from 8 until 1 o'clock. Candidates are reminded that there can be no posters or campaigning near Sallyport during election time. All expense accounts must be signed and turned in before 8 o'clock Friday morning. The ballots will be counted Friday afternoon and the results will be announced Saturday.

Of the eight candidates running only one, Gene Mason, was cheer leader last year. Harry Hagener, Rodger Martin, Eddie Carter, and Butler Williams are all sophomores; who entered Rice last July. Jack Mackenzie and Bruce Moore are veterans who have recently returned to Rice.

In Friday's election only two cheerleaders, both men, will be elected. Next year in the October election these two will be supplemented by one or two three more candidates. The number to be determined by the Student Council.

These are the first regularly elected officers of the new Pre-Med organization whose sole aim was to give a good dance and whose dry-fogging was planned to be large enough to make the Society as prominent in the campus as the Pre-Med Society promises to be one of the most outstanding organizations of the Institute.

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Lloyd Shagae and Elizabeth Shagae were engaged recently. They were named during the Engineering Group's meeting at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday. The couple, both students, plan to marry next spring.

**Staff**

**Clubs and Society**

By Betty Sleazy Shape

Mrs. William F. Thompson announced the engagement of her daughter, Catherine Fordham, to Ensign Robert F. Shuman, USNR, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Shuman of Amarillo. The wedding will be in Amarillo on April 15. Beth Kaye and Bob are Rice graduates. Kaye was a member of the PALO, and Bob was president of the Student Association, and was a member of the R.F.C. Club.

Among the many hospitalities being extended Miss Marion Holland, a prospective bride, was a crystal shower morning evening given by Miss Mary Frances Harris and Miss Mary Vinton. Miss Joan Vinton will honor Marion with a bridge party.

**OBSERVATION**

—Bromo Joe.

Bill Broyles has been in quite a lull after his first words. It seems like he's catching a good book. It seems like he's catching a good book.

**Sports Editor**

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**McKENZIE**

Graham had a good time going fishing after the Thresher picnic Sunday. Why doesn't someone give Mr. Graham a good tip, so he can catch a lot of fish?

**Let the Old Man Lead the Crowd**

Bruce (Baldy) Moore for Cheerleader

We feel that it is high time that Mary Lou Schmeracher and her navy boy quit selfgrooming on the stage in the library.

Reddy Quiby and Eleanor Charles

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The Christian Science Organization will have a meeting tonight at 7:00 at Antry House. All students interested in Christian Science are invited to attend.

There will be a Veterans' Club meeting Friday night at 8:00 p.m. in Senior Commons. The last meeting of the year—and discussion will take place for a clashing party.

The Chess Club will sing at A-House, June 16, at 8:30. The last meeting of the Chess Club will be Tuesday, June 16. All members please come.

June 16, all members and their dates are invited to come to the Chatter's Party at the Gaston's bay home. Everyone is to meet at A-House at 8:30.

**FLYING AND SPRING TIME PARTY**

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**GOOD OLD DAYS**

**THE VETERAN**

The veteran returning to the campus has assimilated himself remarkably well. He finds things changed, yes, but not too changed. He finds something that will hard to get his mind functioning properly. A phrase or word will start him on a thought-cycle of things that happened to him during the war; his friends, and him.

Usually the veteran on the campus knows what he wants in the way of education. And he's going to do his best to achieve his goal. Being a bit older than the other students, he's in a hurry to finish the education he started before the war.

**W.O.B.**

Would make a fine Cheerleader.

**THE THRESHER**

FATHER'S DAY

Who is he? What has he done for us? Why are we honoring him? He is the unusual hero who goes about his daily duties silently and uncomplainingly day after day and many times far into the night in an effort to establish and maintain a comfortable home. A home where all can feel free; where everyone's rights are respected; where all can worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences.

To be a successful father a man should possess the wisdom of Solomon, the judgment of Noah, the eloquence of Paul and the patience of Job. He should be fair and impartial in all his dealings in the family circle. He is often called upon to settle arguments that put him in a most unpopular position, enough so that he is sometimes likened to an owl by other members of the family.

Dad can always be depended upon in times of illness. If serious illness arises, see who walks the floor. Dad can be depended upon in times of trouble. He will stand up for you whether you deserve it or not. It is he who wears old clothes that you might have new ones. He asks nothing in return except a minimum amount of devotion and consideration.

He is often far wiser than he is thought to be. He can save us a great deal of anxiety and many headaches if we would only consult him and ask his advice.

Be thankful close down to your big tosh that you have a Dad. Get closer to him, Buddy. He's a swell guy—that's why we're honoring him. —TMS.
The two mighty miles of the Rizzetta range, which is the greatest tennis team in the state, will meet two weeks from today in San Antonio for regional honors.

Rizzetta, a team of two, is composed of the two best players in the state, and is considered the best team in the country.

The team consists of Jack Rizzetta, the top player in the state, and John Schmitt, the second best player in the state.

The match will be held at the Rizzetta Club, and is expected to be a close one.

The game will be played on Wednesday, June 14, at 2:00 p.m.

The match will be a best-of-three sets match, with no tiebreakers.

The winner will advance to the national championships in San Diego, California, on June 21.

The match is expected to be played on a hard court, with a net height of 3.5 feet.

The match will be played in front of a capacity crowd of 2,500 spectators.

The winner will receive a trophy and a cash prize of $1,000.

The loser will receive a participation prize of $500.

The match will be broadcast live on national television.

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Hits and Highlights

By Robert Flagg

It is said over and over again that women comprise 82% of our population and control 68% of the nation's purchasing power. But, twice, one woman does hold a very, very strong, entrenched position. Only when they go out on strike, and times bend with the prospect of either getting a job or getting a man—do women begin to question why life should be like this for them everywhere.

"McCall's" magazine maintains the foregoing statistics. "Even the man must say is: their weirdness for a good while."

"For the wine, and Groucho's love of a North African hotel in

evidence that woman's actual role in her various spheres of activity


is often tactically short of the ideal."

Well, we haven't space to dissertate upon the statistics. And, too, we'd rather not. All we can say is, don't miss the fine, fine "McCall's", and if you must express yourself, stick YOUR nose out.

AFTER hearing London's celebrated Old Vic company over the air on two occasions, we are more convinced than ever that we'd have when we go to see "Henry V" whenever it gets to Houston. This picture, produced by Old Vic star Laurence Olivier, has been receiving rave notices everywhere where it has played.

Sunday a week ago we heard the Old Vic company in "Hamlet."

Never have we appraised Shakespeare so thoroughly. We'd say, for that hearing a few more Shakespearean performances like that, we would crack up and sign up for courses in Shakespeare.

"Peer Gynt" was presented last Sunday by the Old Vic. Price of admission was twenty-five cents. We thought this would be too expensive to see, but the audience inside the theater was even more ten thousand dollars than we had anticipated.

A Night in Consulantes' restored the Marx Brothers to the screen, which has been on the program of their kindness for a good while. Groosher is the name of a New African hotel in which the Natives have exchanged French art treasures, since a party of camels, and Harpo is valiant to the Nazi villain.

Next hits have to do with the crowning of more and more talent onto the floor of an already crowded dance floor, the extraction of a rock so large that there is no room for the wine, and Groucho's love of the underclass when they move from room to room.

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Could anyone explain or define an anti-strike bill? For the Case bill is taking labor on strike. From wages? Why not pass an anti-union bill for the Case bill is taking labor on strike? From wages? People living in an industrial society have discovered that without such rights they cannot exist. I think the key to the whole problem lies in the factors (if not the exact words) of Benjamin Franklin. "There is too much perspicacity and not enough common sense." Regardless of who is in the right of wrong we are intelligent enough to know that other nations are jealous of our way of life and are waiting for us to "fumble the ball." It is our duty to make both management and labor realize that their present feud is definitely crippling our future chances for prosperity and security.

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