Voigt and McKinley Place at AIEE Meet

by Robert Schwartz

The Southwest District Meeting of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers was held in Dallas last Tuesday through Thursday. At this meeting, in which both junior and senior members of the AIEE participated, an estimated 325 students from 15 schools in Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, and Missouri attended the student sessions.

Sixteen students from Rice, including five seniors, eleven juniors, and accompanied Mr. J. S. Waters to the convention.

Mr. Everett L. Lee, national president of the AIEE, opened the meeting with an address Tuesday morning. During the rest of the convention, papers were presented in district competition, and inspection trips to the Pioneer Manufacturing Co., to the plant of the Dallas News, The Cathedral of Learning, and the University Hospital.

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Mr. J. H. Voigt and R. E. Rust McHinley of A&M mentioned "A Method of Measuring the Variable Magnetic Properties of Iron" which won first place in both the Branch and District competitions. The Branch competition was $10 with expenses paid to the district meeting. Second place was taken by Robert W. Hearn from TCU for his work on "The Constitution of the Associative Library." Both of these limited (500 copies) printings were rated also. Two of the sets are limited in the original material journals.

The committee also has "The Britain" volume, which has been issued regularly since 1849-1849. These are year-book historical monographs which cover extensively British naval history. In the scientific field the library has lately received "The Bessington" and "The Besson" which is a reply review journal which lists and abstracts literature in the field of genetics. It is published in Holland.

In the third panel group, which was the "Institute of Mechanical Engineers," the official publication of the British society with a complete collection of the proceedings was rather meager. The judges "went by the book" which is easier for a camel to go through the desert than it is for a camel to go through the desert. They were told that these sets of volumes are not necessarily required in the library but are among the most important sets recently added. It would be next to impossible to classify them by subject and volume and importance with any degree of accuracy.

In the second panel group, the "Rice Review" will undertake its first intercollegiate debate May 11 in Anderson Hall. The club will pit a team against one from A&M on the question of federal grants to education in two debates, one here and one at College Station.

The Rice Review has just added to its staff a new member, Bruce Smith, on the members of the Review's staff, but eliminate debates are planned. The first debate is slated for Sunday at 9:00 in Anderson Hall, Raymond Lashley, Jack Lapin, and Tom Vita will be the speakers tonight, while those for the following week have not been announced. Mr. March lashed out at the Texas A&M administration in the "in the very best way, and also that the "The Constitution of the Associative Library." Both of these limited (500 copies) printings were rated also. Two of the sets are limited in the original material journals. The session also chose Baylor as its "A&M Here may Well." The Rice Review will undertake its first intercollegiate debate May 11 in Anderson Hall. The club will pit a team against one from A&M on the question of federal grants to education in two debates, one here and one at College Station.

The debate with A&M will open an intercollegiate activity which has been active since before the war. Arrangements for the debate are being handled by Mr. W. H. Miehle, the circulation director, and Mr. J. H. Smith, the special assistant, and Jack Lapin. All programs are open to the public.

APO Group Approves Constitution Saturday

The proposed constitution and By-laws of a campus chapter of APO were submitted to the Student Council for consideration Saturday, approved by a group of the council's members at a meeting at Saturday evening. The constitution and By-laws will be submitted to the Constitutional Committee of the Student Council for further action, according to Bill Madoc, chairman of the APO group. Committee. Another meeting has been called to meet at 9:00 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, in order to make an intelligent decision.
Texas Colleges Meet At Denton College

To the majority of Rice students the convention in Denton last Saturday has little meaning, but eventually they will have to decide whether or not they will become members of the organization which was born there. Actually, the Texas Intercollegiate Student Association (TISA) and will not unless 16 or more of the schools which sent delegations to the convention ratify the constitution which was the product of hard and earnest work by about 130 student representatives.

What does this organization hope to accomplish? No one really knows yet for it is not even legally in existence and the issues with which it will be concerned are not clearly defined.

The preamble to the constitution begins: “We, the students of the Texas Intercollegiate Student Association hereby affirm our will and purpose to the establishment and maintenance of a structural organization among Texas colleges and universities, which will provide a political pressure on national or state governments. Rather, these student associations which are their purpose to “encourage and promote active student governments, foster intelligent interest in all phases of college citizenship and to act as a laboratory for the exchange of ideas.”

There might be some question of the necessity of an organization to accomplish these purposes, and the question would be valid if it could be shown that these purposes were already accomplished by other organizations. This, however, has not been the case, and the TISA has done a great deal of good work.

The purpose of the TISA is to train professional actors in speaking, direct, dancing, costing, and set producing. The other branch is the Repertory Theater whose purpose is to present professional plays in Texas.

Mr. Gona stated that although he could easily get New York capital to back the Texas State and Broadway actors to come to Houston, that he would not do this because they would be doing a public service by trying to establish a Texas movement backed by Texas talent and Texas money and he emphasized that the Texas Stage would be strictly professional.

He came to Houston to develop a new cultural center. It is called the Texas Stage and is under the directorship of Mr. Gona, whose new authors, composers, directors, actors, singers, dancers, and stage technicians collectively work under one banner to create a unique cultural art theater in the South.

At this time the Texas Stage is casting for its third season, and they are also putting together the Student Lounge. The lounge will be used by the students for study and relaxation, and it will also have a cinema and a library. The lounge will be located in the Fondren Library and will be open from 8:00 AM to 11:00 PM, seven days a week.

The lounge will be supervised by a committee of five students, and it will be open to all members of the university. The lounge will be run on a volunteer basis, and it will be supported by the students themselves.

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“Creative Art to Be Unlimited”; Workshop Sponsors Weekly Lectures

(Continued from Page 2) fifteen weeks of the first, and the remaining 18 weeks could be used for touring groups. Mr. Grona had in charge about six groups in charge of the Workshop's productions.

Grona found the Workshop so popular and famous that in 1947 it outgrew its quarters and moved to the President Theater on 48th Street. Later the Workshop became so famous and popular that it was housed in a building on Union Square.

Although the Workshop is one of the most active theatrical centers in the United States, its productions are not confined to Broadway theaters. The Workshop also produces a number of productions in other cities, including Houston, New York.

In 1933 Mr. Grona worked on the Dallas Stage and moved to the President Theater in New York. The Workshop will graduate about 20 students a year. Some of the most talented ones will remain on the staff of the Workshop in Houston and teach other students as well as acting in the Workshop's productions. Other graduates will be given scholarships to attend the Workshop.

After the present members of the Workshop have trained a sufficient number of students here in Houston, they will go elsewhere to teach other students.

Late Mr. Grona developed a similar plan with George Gershwin in New York under the auspices of the New York School of Dramatic Art. As a result the Dramatic Workshop was founded in 1944 with twelve members. Productions of a result the Dramatic Workshop shop became so popular and famous.

Mr. Grona said that a producer looking for a "practical" author has at least two months rehearsal time. Mr. H. G. Hrivnak, President of the University of Houston, will attend the meeting.

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In a short time a new and genuine art theater will grow in Houston.
Letters to the Editor

Writer Raps Officials

To the Editor:

Upon entering the lounge this morning, the first thing that struck my eye were several large "no smoking" signs stuck on the wall with tape. Incidentally, we have been informed that no signs are to be placed on the lounge wall because the tape will pull the paint off. We are informed that no signs are to be permanent. Upon inquiry in the Thresher office, I was informed that this was taken by Dean Cameron.

The reason for Dean Cameron's move apparently was that the students were using the coke bottles more than they should and not using cigarette butts out on the floor, and similar offenses, against Dean Cameron's aesthetic nature. If all of these years, the students have felt that they might be doing something wrong. All of this leads up to my main point, that is if this is our lounge, leave us alone, if it is not, and we are just being allowed, as a great favor, to use it, then deliver me from any more belabored gestures of the Administration.

It has been my understanding that the Student Council was to govern the running of the lounge. This is by no means, the way it has been conducted by the Student Council or in the form of threats. If this and that isn't done, the lounge will be closed, ad nauseum.

The student lounge is obviously intended for the students. If the students don't want to keep the lounge clean, it is their affair, and any action taken should originate in the Student Council, and the matter brought before the student body.

Among the students I have talked to on the recent developments, the main objection has been to the arbitrary nature of the rule. It seems to me that the whole function of the lounge, which is a place for the students to relax, is lost if such things as smoking etc. are prohibited.

Sincerely,

CARROLL CAMDEN, JR.

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Einstein Formula

A forward reporter asked Albert Einstein to give him the secret of something. Einstein replied, handed the reporter his answer on a piece of paper on which he had written a mathematical formula. It read: "A = E / (mc^2) + Y + plus Z". Of course the reporter did not understand the formula, and Einstein explained to him, "it's a guess, X is work, and Y is energy. A is 297." "And Z?" asked the reporter, "Z is the ability to remain silent," was Einstein's answer, (translated from "Bunster Nachrich-ten".)

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Y.M.C.A. Offers Job

The Y. M. C. A. Recruitment Committee has announced that it is interested in employing graduates who are interested in social, recreational, or religious work. Harold L. Nichols will be in A.H. 104 at noon, April 28, to interview students who feel that they might be interested in this type of work.

A Southwest Area recruitment conference will be held in Dallas, April 28-29 at which time additional conferences and aptitude tests will be given.

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Short Summary --- This Week's Sports

The sports copy this week could be adequately summed up in one word—rain. The monsoons have set in and both the baseball game and the track meet scheduled for Saturday were postponed to Monday, and then postponed indefinitely. The freshman, however, will hold their meet in Dallas this coming Saturday while the varsity travels north for the Drake Relays. The ball game will not be played.

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Jack Turpin Wins Two Cups At River Oaks Tournament

Jack Turpin, of the Rice tennis team, has won the two cups in the River Oaks Tennis Tournament last Sunday, the Junior Singles and co-winner of the Junior Doubles.

Winner of the Men's Singles was Ted Schroeder who because of his m. a. a. a. presence, was unofficially acclaimed the best all-around player of the tournament. In the Men's Doubles Schroeder and Bob Falkenburg lost to Billy Talbert and Richard Gonzales, who is National Champion in the Men's Singles.

Bobby Curtis, former of Rice, almost beat Gonzales in a three set match. After Gonzales beat Curtis, he was in turn defeated by Sam Mass, also formerly of Rice. Mass did some of the smoothest playing he has ever done in Texas until he met Billy Talbert who defeated him and then lost to Schroeder in the finals.

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