EX-BOY SCOUTS TO ELECT APO OFFICERS
next Monday night at the Student Council meeting in Anderson Hall 104.

Pierre Girard Translates Play
For Houston Little Theatre

IT IS not the usual thing, generally speaking, when a professor does a class play the high light of his scholarly, academic field. And it's even rarer when a professor translates, co-directs and arranges for the premiere of a modern play.

Pierre Girard, assistant professor of French at Rice, is such an individual. The American premiere of the 20th century French play, "Sylvie and the Ghost," is to be given at the Houston Little Theatre on May 24. Because of the wishes of the author, a friend of M. Girard's, "Sylvie and the Ghost" may be seen only in Houston.

Alfred Adam, the author, has refused offers from Hollywood and London to produce the play "cultural" by an American movie. He has refused its production of Broadway, or anywhere else outside of France.

"Sylvie," said M. Girard, "rose over 600 straight performances in Paris. After it opened in 1942 and was such a success, every amateur group in France wanted to try it. But only in 12, performances and for no admission.

Nonetheless, the translation was extremely difficult, M. Girard said. He had to be a good teacher, Joseph Petigour, to help him put it into American "If we translated word for word, it would have sounded "sounding," Girard said. "Part of the dialogues is in French, part in slang. We had to try and keep the same ideas in English. Of course, the fund was impossible. Petigour and I had to think up jokes to fill it. "Sylvie is a fantasy, and careful translation was necessary to preserve its whimsy in English and still keep its French touch.

It was first staged in 1942 during the German occupation of Paris. "Escapist plays, fantasies, were the only kind allowed by the Germans. They had the idea that such things at the theatre would keep our minds from intervention prevented..." (Continued on Page 2)

FENCERS PARTICIPATE IN DIVISIONAL FINALS

Last Saturday and Sunday, May 7 and 8 at the state divisional finals, Frank Lever and Ric (Rice) finished third in the Women's novice foil. Lever and Homer Platt (Rice) took respectively fourth and fifth place in the men's novice foil.

In the team competition, Rice was second place in both events and being edged out by teams from John Tarleton. A&M took first place in the full team matches. Sunday morning, the winning team school farms the winners of the matches with the Brunettes of Galveston winning in all three weapons.

LUMIS WILL COMPETE IN SAILING CONTEST

The Rice Sailing Association will be represented by the Intercollegiate Sailing Foundation. Rice will race to be held at the Corinthian Sailing Club in Galveston on May 29 and 30. The racers will include a crew of two sailors, "the two sailors will bring their own sails, to practice and to race with the other members of the club. The club will remain open the entire month of May for practice for those who wish to sail, and the club will have some sailboats available for rent.

ROOST CLOSES MAY 30

The Roost will be closed on the last night of May for the annual picnic at the University of Houston's Lake Creek. A lively dance will be held at the Roost Club at the University of Houston, and Texas Tech will compete.
Petition Is Significant

Open and free discussion has always been the best way for any group of individuals to solve a controversial issue. But in a large group, some sort of voting procedure is necessary to determine the majority resolution. If the new Student Council thinks it proper, the meeting calling for a referendum vote on the recently passed Friedman Extension Law will afford the student body opportunity to express its majority decision on this question.

More than 75% of the members of Student Senate signed the petition in protest of the former Council's refusal to incorporate clauses specifying voluntary participation and outlawing physical abuse or honorable conduct. This move is based on the belief that the By-Laws do not have police powers, which they feel necessary for enforcement of such amendments. There is a likeness in both those arguments since they base participation on force or threat; both are untenable in a democratic society.

The first argument may be refuted by pointing out that the Friedman Guidance program is a healthy and interesting one, students will want to take part in it; there should, however, be a guarantee to the right of voluntary participation.

The second argument is answered by an examination of the Student Association constitution (Article V, Section 1 A, "Trespass and Removal from Office") and the Guidance By-Law. Two of the members of the Guidance Committee are class officers and automatically under the jurisdiction of this article. The other is subject to the jurisdical powers of the Student Council. The Friedman Guidance program must be approved by the Student Council and any violations of it or unauthorized additions to it would be the responsibility of the Committee which in turn is subject to the jurisdical powers of the Council. This simply means that the Council already has the necessary powers to see that its approval program is carried out by its approved committee. If the committee does not perform its duty, it can be removed through existing means.

Lits By-pass Council

Our By-Law in the proposed Literary Council constitution warrants the attention of the student body as a whole because it removes "nothing" rules from the majority control. Specific reference has been made to Article III, Section 1 A (to be followed by the Literary Societies for the taking in of new members) shall be approved by the Dean of Women, the Dean of Students, and the Student Activities Committee. This is a significant absence of the phrase: "and the Student Council".

The Literary Societies are the centers of social activities on and off the campus, yet they have persisted in their efforts to side-step and evade the jurisdiction of the Student Council, and in this sense the Literary Societies are a far cry from the early churches in Milan and Pavia. The evolution of these rich doorways is a great deal of the early mosaics. The fact that one type was pure design, without figures, while the other is a decorative pattern with no artistic attempt to harmonize with the architecture of the surrounding building is characteristic of the beautiful mosaic work which reached its height in the Lombard school of architecture.

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1949 Softball Intramural Finals To Begin Wednesday

R.A.N., Draft Dodgers in Playoffs
Other Conferences Decided Tuesday

by Dewey Consoliun

At Monday noon in a secluded corner of the Field House, the drawings to see which team played which in the 1949 softball intramural playoffs were held. The teams were drawn on slips of paper and the Thresher intramural reporter picked out the opposing teams. Wednesday afternoon the playoffs will begin with the following teams playing:

1:00—Draft Dodgers (Friday conference champs) vs. the winners of the Sea Hawks-Archi-Sharpes game.

1:30—R.A.N.'s (Monday conference champs) vs. the winners of the Hitless Wonders-Donkeys game.

Saturday: 2:00—Finals
All games will go seven inning with no time limit.

Rally Club Wins First Game
Thursday afternoon the Rally Club broke into the win column by edging the Chemistry Staff in the championship game. Rally Club scored their 10 runs in the first four innings while the Chemistry Staff were chalking up their four runs and thereafter the Chemistry Staff were making the touchdowns. Bill Malasek was the winning pitcher while Doc, Smith and Merrifield were the losing hurlers.

Dispute Game Replayed
Thursday afternoon the Hitless Wonders and Donkeys playing the game to be played over Tuesday, May 10, due to a dispute in the third inning. The score was 3-2 when the catcher for the Hitless Wonders took a foul tip-off and when the runner who led off, the throw was wild and landed in the field while the runner scored. Later the Hitless Wonders scored a run in the 6th inning to even things up. However, the game will be played over starting at the third inning.

Draft Dodgers Blank N.H.I.T.S.
Friday the Draft Dodgers put away the N.H.I.T.S. in short order, scoring 2 runs in the first inning and 11 in the third to blank them 13-0. Gall Mount, who pitched for the winners, faced 10 men and struck out the first six in succession. He allowed one hit and struck out one more. At bat Joe Hugger led off with 3 for 3, one of them being a homer. Tipton, Daily, and Sullivan each got one for two.

Manchestor was the only man to hit for the N.H.I.T.S. and he died on second base. Bob Boyett pitched for the losers and walked four.

Super 9 Wins Overtime
In the other game Friday it was a close decision with the Super Nine scoring one run in the ninth inning to end the ball game 8 to 7. Jacob Geller pitched for the Nine and struck out four while walking six. Garner Miller also pitched for the winners, striking out four and walking eight. Sanders batted 2 for 3 and Ayers 2 for 4 for the Super Nine.

For the losers Dexter McCoy pitched five strikeouts and walked nine. He was sosticed at the bat by Pitcher who got a double for one time at bat and Jack Durkee who hit 2 for 3. The Slimes had 4 errors in the field while the Nine played a flawless game.

Dodgers Win Conference
Saturday at 3:30 two games were redol to determine the champion plots of the Friday League. In the main event the Draft Dodgers chalked up four runs in the first inning and then held the Slippery Slimes to 2 runs to win 4-2.

Pudgy Harmon, pitching for the winners, pitched seven strikeouts and walked out. He allowed only four hits and led the Dodger batting department with 2 for 3. He was ably assisted by Jim Daily who batted 2 for 4. Only once did Harmon get in the hole. In the last of the seventh the Slimes got a man on first with no one out. Then Durkee batted into a beautiful double play with Harmon striking out the next man to end the game and win the conference title for the Dodgers.

The next four hits of the Slimes were scattered among Wishon, Berry, Davis, and Ingalls while Langworthy and Wishon scored the Slimes' only runs. Greg Davis pitched for the losers, striking out one and walking three. He did a very admirable job in place of Dexter McCoy, the Slimes main pitcher who was absent.

Nhits End in Cellar
In the other game Saturday the Super Nine banged the N.H.I.T.S. 12-4 to wind up in second place in the Friday conference. Although the Ninhs only made 6 hits they turned them into 6 runs while the Nine (Continued on Page 4)

Campus Fashions
at Sears
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Wayside at Harrisburg

Two things every college man should know!

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BELL TELEPHONE SYSTEM
Freshmen Will Picnic At Lyndale Saturday

The Freshman Class will hold its annual picnic this Saturday at Lyndale Park. It will be held at Ballyport at 1:30 p.m., to take the participants to the park where they will have lunch, bathe, swim, dance, etc. The charge will be $1.75 per person. Tickets will be sold through Thursday.

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by Norris Keeler

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