Mr. George Brown Heads Rice Board

George B. Brown, vice president of Brown & Root, Inc., and once a student at Rice Institute, has been named chairman of the board of trustees of Rice.

Mr. Brown, who had been vice chairman, succeeds Harry C. Hansen, oil man who resigned last week.

"It is an awful big responsibility," Mr. Brown said Sunday, "to take the place of Harry Hansen. I don't see how anybody can do for Rice what he has done in the past eight years."

Mr. Brown brings to the board a long record of leadership in industry and commerce.

He is a director of the First National Bank, the Southward Paper Mills and the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation. He is chairman of the board of the Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation.

Mr. Brown is vice president of the Highland Oil Company, the Empire-Canyon Company and the Texas Railway Equipment Company.

He was a general partner in the Brown Shipbuilding Company during World War II. This firm's contributions to the war effort were such that the members of the company were decorated by the government.

Mr. Brown is married, has three children, and is a member of the Highland Oil Company, the Empire-Canyon Company and the Texas Railway Equipment Company.

Everyone Urged To Attend Rice Religious Emphasis Week Services; Various Clubs Schedule Observances

by Farrell Fulton

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A Fable

Once upon a time the animals decided they must do something heroic to meet the problems of a "new world." So they organized a school.

They adopted an activity curriculum consisting of running, climbing, swimming, and flying. To make it easier to administer the curriculum, ALL the animals took ALL the subjects.

This was wonderful in swimming, but the fact is, better than his instructor but he made only passing grades in flying and was very poor in running. Since he was so slow in running, he had to stay after school and also drop swimming in order to practice running. This was kept up until his web feet were badly worn, so then he was only average in swimming. But average was acceptable in school, so he went along about the same.

The rabbit started at the top of the class in running, but he had a nervous break-down because of so much make-up work in swimming.

The squirrel was excellent in climbing until he developed frustration in the flying class, where his teacher made him start from the ground up instead of the treetop down. He also developed "chattering" from over-exertion and was valedictorian.

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The prairie dogs stayed out of school and bought the tax levy because they thought they could not add digging and burrowing to the curriculum. They apprenticed their child to a badger and later joined the ground hogs and the gophers in order to start a successful banking business in the city.

DOES THIS FABLE HAVE A MORAL?

The next year the animals were so discouraged by their grades and bored with the classes that they didn't go back to school. Instead, each one continued in his own pattern of life, doing the things he liked best in the old way.

Then one day the rabbit fell in the pond and was drowned because he didn't swim very well. He hadn't paid much attention to his swimming lessons.

About a week later, the duck was swimming himself in a meadow about fifty yards from his favorite pond when he saw a wildcat creeping towards him with a very hungry look in his eye. The duck pulled himself together and started for the pond. Now, ducks have a tendency to meet the problems of a "new world." So they organized the school and then got C in climbing and D in running.

Almost wrote out his last three symphonies, the 39th, 40th, and 45th, in three weeks of the summer of 1896. The 39th, "Scottish," is, in the last popular of the three, but is still one of his masterpieces.

Unfortunately for the low-beans among us, no, for instance, there is no record of a student from the score of Rachmaninoff's Second Symphony. He died from the chance of signing softly to himself, the audience will undoubtedly become restless during this work, particularly because the Symphony is not outstandingly fine. The music to "The Magic Flute" was written at the insistence of the librettist, Schikaneder, who took the story from a fairy tale called "A猪turtledove". It is usual in this sort of history, Schikaneder made a goodly pile out of the right and wrong of the whole thing. Later, when he built his final theatre, Schikaneder adorned the roof with a statue of himself as Pagenpoz, the Bird-Man, the part he played in the "Flute." Such is the effect of fame.

The Overture has been described as "reflecting the time of the whole opera; if so, you may expect a piece of judicious in the extreme, full of much passions of every degree. You think, I'm kidding? Then here is a resume of the first few minutes of the opera: A young prince, Tamino by name, while upon his travels, be- comes separated from his follow- ers; and, as a Appeals to the high- fassed, is attacked by a huge ser- pent. In its struggle to gain the low-brows have. It is, in our hero has several minutes in which to call for help before he is overcome by terror and fatigue. Then three women, attendants of the Queen of the Night, fly out of their cave and settle the serpent with their serpent javelins.

The above is undoubtedly the most complete of the entire opera; a whole thing is enough to make a strong man ill. If you feel vigorous, read the account of it in the Victor OPERA Guide; even that last volume cannot cover the drive that Schikaneder put into the libretto.

Above, I made a somewhat slight- ing allusion to the "revelry" of the overtures of the 39th and 40th. I don't mean to put his statue on his theatre. News has reached me that this sort of thing is not as common as it might be. It seems that Mr. Kurz spent the evening in Poe's, autographing his records and listening to them repeatedly. This Narcissus complex must be peculiar to artists, like Bentley hunting at his own stories, writing his own poems on records.

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Several objections to the plan have been made, but the fact is that it will eliminate the "uneventful" as- pect of music education. If Mr. Lucy Mary Parker, SLLS repre- sentative to the council, had this to say: "We have not been able to make sure of our intentions yet. I believe that strict election of mem- bers promises. It amounts to nothing as an as- set in artists. I don't know whether this idea is as un- popular as any of the others." Another equally important element in the construction forbids Con- gress to pass a law on anything by legislative fiat. This class is intended to circumvent an abuse in the English system whereby someone could be denounced before and con- demned afterwards by the operation of a legal trial. Congressional investigating committees and the 39th and 40th Symphony have been notably less in the observation of the spirit of this part of the Con- stitution.

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CASTING PEARLS... by Bill Hobbs

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Long Mine Dispute Nears Climax

By Finis Cowan

In the next few days the nation should see the culmination of one of the most significant and certainly one of the longest labor disputes in our history. Last June the contract between the mine operators and John L. Lewis U.M.W. expired. Few of the observers who had been plagued with three-day work weeks, hunger, and reproach, and now a complete and at least partially spontaneous walk-out.

During the entire ten month dispute the demands of the U.M.W. have never, up to the last few days, been explicit, but, everybody knew what the patriarchal, seventy-year old miners' chief wanted. His workers' welfare fund, initially gained at the court of the American labor was in financial trouble.

Eleven million dollars had been paid out of the fund in a period when six million had been contributed. The operators kicked to the fund was evidently insufficient and that must be remedied. In addition, a demand for higher wages is always in order, so that too is now among the demands.

The operators have been unyielding. At the beginning of the dispute they offered to extend last year's contract but as time passed they came to demand concessions from the workers. They demand that the clause in the contract providing that miners work when they are "able and willing" gives leave on illegal power to violate any existing contract without the sixty day notice required by the Taft-Hartley Act. Operators claimed, probably with complete justice, that any increase in labor costs would prevent coal from competing with other fuels, chiefly oil.

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An injunction has been issued, and as yet the miners are still taking to the streets. The contract of Mr. Lewis is to go back to work. The miners' lawyers have been ordered into court next Monday to show reason why a fine should not be levied. Few observers believed that the miners were determined enough to defy the court order and the orders of their union President, but they under-stood the almost fanatical faith which the miners have in their union. Few realized the vast improvement which the union has brought in miners' welfare.

If you are single, between the ages of 20 and 25% with at least two years of college, consider the many career opportunities as a pilot or navigator in the U.S. Air Force. Procurement Teams are visiting many colleges and universities to explain these career opportunities to you. Write for the details at your nearest Air Force Base or by writing to the Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force, Attn: Aviation Cadet Branch 111, D. C.

Major Bill Reynolds, Oregon '40
Pilot-Professor, U. S. Air Force!

Bill was an all-round athlete. He chose football as his favorite sport, under the university teams at Pomona Junior College and also at the University of Oregon.

A Theta Chi, Bill enjoyed campus social life. He has been a member of the varsity tennis team, Pomona Tennis Club, and was an All Western conference athlete and played on the All Tournament team.

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The Squaderved to Panama, then to the Pacific. Bill advanced from pilot to operations officer to squadron commander. He came home a Major and qualified for a Regular Commission.

Recently commissioned for overseas work—organizing and improving instruction techniques—Major Reynolds, a "Pilot-Professor," looks forward to a long and gainful career in the U. S. Air Force.

ONLY THE BEST CAN BE AVIATION CADETS!
Sachar Speaks At Hillel Installation

Capacity Crowd Hears Brandeis University Head; Dr. Houston At Temple Emanuel El Services

by Jerry Sobel

"We must not be fatalists if we hope to solve the maze of complex problems facing our civilization today. We must not accept the future as inevitable. Once we realize that to a certain extent our problems are man-made and that they can be solved by man, we are on the way toward overcoming the present world difficulties."

This was the essence of the message delivered by Dr. Abram L. Sachar to an almost-capacity crowd gathered in Temple Emanuel El to witness the formal installation of the Hillel chapter into the family of Rice student religious organizations. It was significant that people of various denominations were present so close to National Brotherhood Week, for it is such a part of the regular Sab- bath evening religious service. Jack Lapin, who acted very ably as master of ceremonies, took time to express the gratitude of all the Hillel members to those who were instrumental in the formation of the chapter. Harry Wishbow, president of the University of Houston chapter of Hillel, pledged the cooperation of that unit and extended his best wishes to the new Hillel chapter, which was welcomed into the Rice Student Religious Council by Jim Butler, president of that group.

Dr. W. Y. Houston gave a warm welcome to the new organization, expressing the hope that the group would foster better relations and understanding between the various campus religious organizations, which, while not a part of the school proper, and an integral part of school life. He emphasized the fact that Rice was not a sectarian school and consequently accepted students of all denominations, encouraging them to share in the benefits of their various student religious organizations. Dr. Houston maintained that an enlightened perspective into religious ideas shows us that the similarities of the separate sectarian ideologies are more outstanding than are their differences. Perhaps through organizations like Hillel, which promotes religious self-education and interfaith activities, such a perspective can be at least partially acquired.

Larry Katz, president of the Hillel chapter, accepted the welcome extended to the chapter, expressing his appreciation for the continued support to the aims of Hillel, he introduced the guest speaker, Dr. Sachar.

Dr. Sachar, who was present at the scene of the first Hillel organization over twenty-six years ago, is now president of the first Jewish-endowed American University which admits students of all faiths, the Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts.

The Hillel organization was begun at the insistence of a non-Jewish professor at the University of Illinois, who was appalled at the apparent ignorance of their extensive religious heritage that many of his Jewish students exhibited. In addressing a group of rabbis, this professor pointed out that most of the other religious schools and their Hillel organizations at the university which were not actually a part of the university, and which served as a cultural, religious, and fraternal center of activity for the many students.

Wadsworth, a National Jewish lodge with both cultural and charitable aims, responded to the stimulus and began the establishment of Hillel chapter at numerous colleges, Rice being the 281st campus to have such an organization.

Dr. Sachar served as national director of these Hillel chapters until he was appointed president of the Brandeis University.

After giving the brief history of the development of the Hill Foun- dation, Dr. Sachar expanded the role of religion and education play in the lives today. "It is not difficult to see that the world is faced with an international crisis," he told.

"The slow progress of the U.N., the aggressive Communitistic factors, the threat of the H-Bomb—all these make many believe that a war is inevitable. Such a fatalistic attitude is detrimental to the solution of the important problems which exist today. None of us think we can solve the world's problems by returning to normal—our good old days of our grandparents, who lived with a strong religious fervor in a world with problems mild in comparison to ours today.

Such thought is fallacious according to Dr. Sachar, for we can no more return to the past than we can jump into the future. He believes that we must deal with the problems themselves, which to many appear so great as to defy human solution.

As an educator, Dr. Sachar is familiar with the ways of thinking students exhibit. Many of us think that the economic forces in operation and the gargantuan problems of international relations are too big for us to handle. What is to happen will happen—it is inevi- table. Dr. Sachar's point is that once we realize that the problems that exist are to a great extent man-made, and as such are solv- able by human minds, we are well on the way toward overcoming the difficulties which seem insur- mountable.

This attitude will provide us with the assurance that all is not in- evitable—far as we create new problems, so can we solve them, if we attack them in time. Since religion is a faith in the orderliness of the universe and in the ability of man to determine his destiny; and since education gives us the equipment to solve any problems, the two are indispensable to us if we are not to become fatalists and defeatists.

After the services, there was a reception held in the Temple, at which time the public was invited to greet the speakers personally and inspect the new temple.

"Voice Of The Turtle" To Open Thursday

The Houston Little Theater will present "Voice of the Turtle," popular Broadway play, beginning March 2. The show will run until March 18, with no performances on Monday nights.

Neal Prince, president of the Little Theater, has announced that stu- dent tickets for the production will be available for Sunday nights at $3. Regular tickets are $5.00. Performances will begin at 8:15 at the Little Theater at 707 Chene.

The shirtwaist dress distinguished

by a puckered front. It is becomingly detailed in its Chinese sleeves and Johnny collar. . . the Spring cotton you will want at only $10.95, Fur- ey's Junior Shop, 3rd Floor.

New Members of Literary Societies Are Announced

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Linda, Shirley Armstrong, Carol Marshak, Carolyn Wilson, Barbara Howe, Florence White, Allyn Tins- ley, Mabel Lansden and Dorothy Kel- ley. A dinner party was given at the home of Helen Coddou.

ELLS: June Martin, Susanne Goodson, Elizabeth Benz, Nancy Ring, Janet Work, Harriet Minter, Jean Clatter, Pete Eski, Mary Ann Durham, Joan Morrow, Virginia Lee Smith, Louise Hagood, Marilyn Vepuda, Bonnie Gray, Dorothy Waterin, Phyllis McBride, Ino- gene Wright and Barbara Taylor. New numbers were honored with a luncheon yesterday at the Junior Laques.

PALE: Ermine Chambers, Sarah Faulkner, Julie Picket, Theros Ar- nold, Beverly Carter, Beverly Kemp, Elizabeth McIntyre and Challie Walsh. A party was held Thursday night at the home of Alive York.
Ezekiel Cullen Building
Now Open For Classes
by Julia Martin
The University of Houston began its second semester with a bang (not caused by a bomb) last week. An added note of excitement was contributed to the usual back to school confusion by the opening of the new Ezekiel Cullen building.

Although the construction of the building is not completed, eighteen of its classrooms were put into use with the beginning of the new semester.
The building, which was named in honor of J. Roy Cullen's grandfather, is an impressive, modernistic structure. The main portion of the building is four stories high. The entire first floor will be occupied by administration offices and the fourth floor will be devoted to faculty offices.

Both the second and third floors are classrooms. Besides Arts & Science classes the forty-four class rooms will also house the Extension Department until such time when they will have a building of their own.
The two additional stories present and the tower of the building will house the faculty club and the radio rooms, the fifth floor being given over to the faculty club and the sixth floor to the radio rooms.

The auditorium will supply classroom and offices for the Dramatics Department. The backstage area of the auditorium will furnish workshops for the stage crew and about seven dressing rooms for the use of the play casts.

The main entrance of the auditorium will be on the West side of the building leading into a spacious lobby, under which lies an attractive lounge.

The Music Department, which is also an addition, occupies the two-story space above the lobby.

Clubs Will Hold Special Observances

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Hilliard Society—every other Friday at home of member; next meeting, 2 o'clock, Sunday, March 5, home of Gail Lewis, 17th Parkwood.

Methodist Student Fellowship—noon, every Friday in the F.L. exam rooms.

Presbyterian Student Association—noon, every Wednesday, Assembly House.

Lutheran Student Association—meets at Lutheran Church on corner of Greenbrier and Rice Blvd., Sundays.

Students Compete in Bridge Tourney
Four student teams will compete in the mail round of the national bridge tournament, tonight in the Student Lounge, beginning at 7:15 PM.

The teams include: Harry Gambett and James Veale, Merrill Lott and Jim Jackson, McGinnis Clark and Lewis Lott, and Charles Wellen, Charles E. Johnson.

Runbomb Returns From Danube To Forum Meet
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John Rutledge—president of the Forum committee of 1919. It seems that Emmer had been lost for 24 years in an antediluvian swamp south of the Blue Danube. But true to the cause—the first thing he did upon being rescued from the swamp was to rush to the first Forum meeting he could locate—full of suggestions and comment.

Unfortunately brother Rutledge's 24 years absence had not impaired his enthusiasm. He gave soundings somewhat behind the times: After all, free silver and aeroplanes are here to stay! Emmer's place on the committee, as all his ideas, had been filled by his spiritual essence, Werner G. U. v. K. (philosophers are still trying to translate the dean's thoughts). But the strange story of Emmer Runbomb all goes to show the perseverance of Forum committee members and also the omnipresence of the Runbomb personality.

Now there are two types of discussion at a Forum Committee meeting: first, utter silence; second, complete noise. Neither period is of much help and the only really fruitful period of the discussion is that instantaneous split-second when the allemun period passes into the orderly period, or vice (If you'll pardon the expression) versa. It is during this electrical moment that Werner objects; 2. Flina laurels; 3. Werner objects; 4. Raymond gets mad; 5. Werner objects; 6. Dewey would like to clobber Werner with a blunt instrument; 7. and Dr. Ful- ton moves to adjourn.

When it comes to programs, we have two types: first, endless programs; second, dull programs. I couldn't really say which type predominates, but whichever it is, the ration of types is 4:1. I remember one program was 80 dull and sleepifying that the Retail com- pany tried for 2 months to dissolve the speaker, put him in a capsule form and sell him as a low grade sleeping tablet.

The Forum Committee has two types of series: the "What's Wrong with so and so"—series and the "I definitely Take My Stand. Mayby" series. Both have been unqualified successes, so far.

The variety of subjects covered by the Forum programs indicates the utterly cosmopolitan nature of the committee: government and politics, sex, religion, student politics (Bullet, Bulletin, and Bluebird), dramatics, music (Bach, Beethoven, but only Blozum), socialized medicine, education, what's wrong with the Republican party, students, and student publications, or "Is McGeeever really Funny?"

Negro University Prexy Speaks To Methodist Students

Dr. R. O. Lanier, president of the Texas State University for Negroes, spoke on "One World—One Brotherhood" to the Methodist Student Fellowship Wednesday, February 15.

Dr. Lanier, while U. S. minister to Liberia, was concerned with the increasing competitiveness that democratic Christianity had to face. He described the effective techniques used by Mohammedans and Communists to impress Liberals with their ideas.

The agents banded their appeal on the complete equality of race and color in their country or religion, said Dr. Lanier. The Mohammedans say that it doesn't matter if you are red, green, white, blue, or black because all who kneel to Allah are one, according to Dr. Lanier. The Communists insist that the state deals with all the same.

Both arguments carefully point out all the failings of American Christianity to do just that.

The progress of brotherhood has been slowest in religion while union and friendship are taking place greatly, according to Dr. Lanier. The convert, to him, is Judge Johnson and Joe Lewis are better received by the white man than Dr. Lanier.

Even the uncommercial social environment has contributed. A negro is more likely to be accepted at a Houston bar as a fellow diner than he is to be accepted at the communion table of St. Paul's Metho- dist church, said Dr. Lanier.

Senior Picnic To Be Held At Ranch May 7

The senior picnic will be held May 7 (Sunday), at the H and H Guest Ranch, 16 miles north of Houston. Cost will be $1.50 per person, which includes hot barbecue, beer and soft drinks will be extra.

Senior invitations must be ordered Monday and Tuesday, May 2-3, from Mr. Blaney. 25 cents from Miss Blaney. M. Blaney and members of the Engraving Company in the exam room next to the Student Lounge. 25 cents to cardboards and 75 cents for leather.

Med Society to Meet

There will be a meeting of the Medical Society at the Medical School next Tues- day evening, 2:30 PM in F.L. 212. The main topic of discussion will be "the Society's Review of Arts and Sciences; all biology and pre-med students are urged to attend and aid in the formulation of plans. Also the date of a picnic will be announced and the next month should attend and receive in- formation as to the initiation cer- mony.

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Owls Drop Ninth SWC Clash To Razorbacks, 61-38

Arkansas' Razorbacks protected their undefeated record in Fayetteville for this year as they used that terrific height advantage to close the Owls 61-38. Bob Ambler at 6 feet 7 inches and the three 6 feet 4 inches forwards—Hudspeth, Cathcart, and How—had too much height at one time for the Blue team to cope with.

Unfortunately—not like the Aggies—the Hogs站着 away from far out and also used the monster Ambler for an effective screen. The game was close for the largest part of the first half, until Hudspeth and Ambler began firing them in, Ambler making 13 of his 16 points in the initial canto. It remained for the Owls to supply the high scorer, however, as Joe McDermott sank 15 points before he fouled out at the beginning of the fourth quarter. McDermott was hit for four fouls during the first half. Ambler was good for 14, while Hudspeth's long shots netted 11. J. D. White was second high for the Owls with 7.

It appears that the fine floor game exhibited by the South Main Five in the Aggie game was just a passing fad as too many times did a Hog come up with a pass intended for a Rice cake. Also it seemed that, for college teams, the Owls and Razorbacks both were caught traveling too often.

Again the Institute back-courters were caught short at the end of the game with McDermott and Gehrhardt having been basted from play and Warren Swanzer working with four fouls on him. Cathcart of the Hogs fouled out, also.

Ambler drove first blood on a tip-in and soon followed with a foul toss and then a hook shot to run up a 5-0 lead. McDermott came up with a bucket and J.D. White canned a one-hand push shot and a free throw to tie the score. The Owls went ahead for the only time at 9-7 when

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Having things their own way

they didn't seem to worry too much about blocking, and evidently didn't have to back-peddle at top speed if McDowell chose'to break in.

Obviously, too, the officiating had caused the situation. The Aggies didn't seem to care very much that White had to. It seems that there's a little revoluation in this world, however: McDowell only made of it 5 free tosses for the night.

Gerhardt, DeWitt Star

The development of Jim Gerhardt as a star will help the Owls against Texas tomorrow night. His play against the Aggies was the feature of the game. Warren Swanzer hailed good—in fact, the squad played itself a ball game. Ralph Grawunder seems to be the essential sixth man the Owls have been looking for all season. Gerhardt is All-conference timber, no doubt. He's an excellent shot and inside player, making 13 of his 16 points from the line.

Basketball vs. Football

The most prevalent explanation of the lack of a single really high caliber basketball squad in the Southwest Conference this year has been that there is a decided lack of interest in the sport in the less southern section of the country.

If the crowd at the Rice-Texas A&M game was any indication, it isn't a lack of interest on the part of the fans. The Aggies, admittedly, traditionai rivals, and a squad that still had title aspirations, drew a full house into the High School Field House, and at prices approaching the football category. Rice might possibly have been a slight drawing card for the radically curious who wanted to see how a good team could lose and evidently didn't have to, at least to the extent that White had to. It seems that there's a little revolution in this world, however: McDowell only made of it 5 free tosses for the night.

Saturday night, the Rice student body enjoyed a very, very delightful evening seeing the Rice basketball team defeat the Texas Aggies. The game was marred from this highly prejudiced point of view by, of course, the refereeing. In this writer's humble opinion, the officials seemed to be overly impressed by Jewell McDowell's abilities to acquire foul shots. McDowell broke into the Owl defense on numerous occasions for crisp shots. This involved close contact with the Rice defender, and the calling of whether McDowell or White, the man guarding McDowell, was fouling (charging or blocking).

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folks the Owls ran away with a
big 62-52 victory over the Aggies,
who flew into town expecting an-
other easy win over the feathered
flight. What they got, however, was
a stunning loss in which Jim Ger-
hardt played the game of his life
with his dough. The San Antonio Junior scored 17 points
before he fouled out with four min-
utes to go. Driving hard and often
plucking the ball off the backboards
in the face of the superior height
of 6-8 Walt Davis and 6-5 John
DeWitt.
Warren Switzer turned in another
defensive game as he held the
Aggie DeWitt to only four points.
Joe McDermott showed his fol-
owers that he could play outstand-
ingly on the defensive as well as
in the Baylor game. McDermott
hit the Blue team out of danger
and shot a close-in jump-shot to
tie the score, but McDowell retaliated
with a pair of free shots and the Owls
were never headed. White, Gerhardt
and McDowell hit for a total of eight, which was
the same total as Wally Mag. Bill
Turbow shot for 6.
After Turbow put the Aggies out
in front at 5-2, Gerhardt and Switz-
er each canned a bucket to put
the Owls ahead 4-6. McDowell hit
a free throw to tie up the score, but
McDermott retaliated with a pair
of free shots and the Owls were
never headed. White, Gerhardt and
McDermott ran it up to 22-14, and
then Tighe made it 24-15. The half
found the Owls leading by 31-27 as
Moon and McDowell brought the
Ags up close. Gerhardt then found
the range, and although McDowell
was hitting his strongest the Owls
kept their margin.
J. D. White heated up with 5:1
minutes remaining in the third quar-
ter as he had the rough job of
defending McDowell. Grawunder re-
placed him and promptly dashed
one to give the Rice squad a 41-32
lead. McDowell then hit three
straight and Moon put in a free
shot to lift the Aggies to 45-42.
Then Switzer laid in a free throw
and Grawunder came in for a crib,
following which Charlie Tighe
brought the ball straight down court
and shot a close-in jump-shot to
lift the Blue team out of danger
50-42.

Basketball Playoffs
Climax Season
With regular league play completed
and playoffs the next thing on
the docket, four of the original bi-
annual basketball teams swing
into action to determine the cham-
ion for 1949-50.
A single-elimination, sudden-death
playoff will be used and the arrange-
ment of games looks something like
this. The opening game will pit the
defending champions, the RAF,
against the Roaches, one of the
strongest teams seen this year.
Both teams are undefeated in
league play and the outcome of this
game could easily determine the
final champion. The Donkeys, who
have more than their share of wins
in every sport they try, will go
against the Might Five in the second
play-off game.
The RAF-Roaches game will be
played on Tuesday and the Donkey-
Mighty Five contest will hit the
boards on Wednesday. So by the
time you read this the two finalists
will have been determined. The fin-
als are scheduled to get under way
1:00 on Saturday afternoon in
gym number two.

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Deadline Set For Tourney Entries; Badminton Leads

Entries for the volleyball tournament have been heavy but those in handball doubles, table tennis doubles, badminton doubles, and mixed doubles in badminton have not been up to par. In order that everyone who cares to take part will have a chance, the entry deadline will be extended to Saturday, February 25. Sign up at the Field House on the Intramural Bulletin Board.

As far as badminton singles at Rice is concerned Willie Moreno is Mr. Badminton himself. Once again he has come through some tough competition to take the crown for the third straight year. This year he had most of his competition from Bill Bishop in the semi-finals and Bobby Gunn in the finals. He came through both matches with ease after being down one game in both contests.

Rules Announced For Tennis Courts

Men and women students are entitled to use of tennis courts but reservations must be made for all playing time. Reservations may be made by calling the physical education office before 1 PM on the day of play. After 1, the reservation sheet will be on the court area and all reservations should be made there. A court may be reserved for one hour only and must be relinquished at that time unless no other party is waiting for use. Students must be on the courts at the beginning of the hour to claim reservations or they forfeit the privilege of playing that hour.

Students are reminded that only regulation tennis shoes are to be worn at all times. The courts will be maintained in the best possible condition but students must be cognizant of the heavy use the courts receive. Due to this, the courts will not always be in perfect playing condition.

New RI Article Gives Poop On Facts Of Life

This month's RI carries an article in which the authority on sports gives us the latest poop on the facts of life with respect to the abilities of some of the players. The Thresher staff sincerely hopes that the aforementioned authority had his article written before the Aggie game. Just between us, birds 17 points is a pretty good night for anybody in this league—so Jim, don't feel too bad about being called a lousy shot. Maybe the authority saw some All-Americans playing for Lamar or something.

For gosh sakes, that is like saying Jim Hoff is a coward because he runs track or that Heaven forbid Lynn isn't beautiful.

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Snooks Defeat ED's in Basketball

Girls' basketball season came to a climax Wednesday night with the freshman team coming out victorious. The deciding game was between the ED's and the Snooks; the game came out 21-16 in favor of the Snooks.

Baseball tournaments will begin in March. Team captains should leave tournament entries with Mrs. Poindexter.

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