Deadline Set
For January 15

The deadline for receiving applications for direct commissions in the Women's Army Corps has been set for January 15, 1961. The Department of the Army has announced that a representative of the Department will be on the Rice campus soon after Christmas to discuss the program with any interested women.

The annual procurement program is open to college graduates or prospective graduating seniors, meeting the following qualifications:
- Between the ages of 21 and 27 on September 1: the year in which appointed; unmarried; a citizen of the United States; no dependents under 16 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age; physically fit, good moral background; never under 18 years of age.

Applications may be made through any U. S. Army and U. S. Air Force recruiting station, by writing to the chief military district of the state in which residence is held, or to the Commanding General, Fourth Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Successful applicants receive reserve commission with the opportunity to qualify for a regular Army commission later. Women are offered a wide range of good jobs in the Army, and may advance through the grades of colonel. The starting pay of a second lieutenant is $121.70 per month.

Further information on applications may be obtained from Miss Jean Block, Business Office, Rice University, Houston, Texas.
**Christmastime**

The Thresher staff feels that this article which was printed in 1948 Christmas issue of the paper serves as a fitting tribute to Mr. H. B. McGee, who so ably held the position of editor last year, and who will join Army taps next month. In reviewing his comments we can't help wondering what Eugene O'Neill would say if he "I want a Television Christmas"... which currently leasing from radio airwaves.

By Bennett McEvoy

Christmas is here. The Spirit of St. Nick is once more pontificating around our tables. People are talking about Christmas. They'll stop writing speeches for two weeks, perhaps, and perhaps do a little thinking. The Russians won't have to say "No" to the Western Powers. The Western Powers won't be saying "Yes." It will be a little different this Christmas. The Chinamen won't be fighting, but they're healthful and don't believe in the Spirit of Christmas. The Russians might even think of our Spirit of Christmas a little silly, almost pitiful.

But we'll celebrate Christmas our own way, shoving each other and our families through crowds, stepping on people who do not earn praiseworthy prices for useless objects, and prosperity paying for the less fortunate.

It's get in there behind the good old team and fight.
Swedish Government To Offer Three Fellowships For 1951-52

The Swedish Government, through the Swedish-American Foundation, has made available three fellowships to American students for graduate study in Sweden during the academic year 1951-52. These fellowships are offered for study at the Universities of Gothenburg, Lund, Stockholm and Uppsala and at other approved institutions.

Both men and women, preferably under 35 years of age, are eligible to apply. Each fellowship carries a cash stipend of 3,800 kroner, and most of the funds of their own to pay the cost of passage to and from Sweden, travel and vacations in Europe, as well as incidental expenses. A married candidate who plans to take his or her family must have adequate funds to cover travel and maintenance for dependents.

Preference will be given to those students of recognized standing (or meet this requirement by the summer of 1951), an adequate knowledge of Swedish, good academic record and capacity for independent study, good moral character, personality and adaptability, and good health.

In certain scientific fields and in the Graduate Courses for English Speaking Students at the University of Stockholm, a knowledge of Swedish is not necessary but it is preferable in all cases.

Applications on forms to be secured from the Institute for International Education, 2 West 45th Street, New York 10, N. Y., must be filed with all supporting documents not later than February 1, 1951.

Charity Drive Will Support Six Orphans

By Dewey Consonnial

Rice Institute is now the foster parent of six war children, Bob Varty, chairman of the 1950 Charity Drive, announced Tuesday. Upon hearing that Bob had acquired approximately $100 in their charity drive for 1950, the Foster Parents' Plan for War Children, Inc. assigned — six war children to Rice Institute.

The six children come from six different countries; there are three boys and three girls of varying ages. First there is Antonello Galardo, a 13-year-old Italian girl. Her mother and father were both killed in late 1943 and early 1944. She is now living with her grandfather but he is unable to support her. Thrus the benefits of the Foster Parents' Plan for aid, however, she will now lead the only kind of normal life new parents' can give.

Next there is an 11-year-old British girl, Margaret Whiteman; she lives at a Plan-supported colony for war children and is well provided for, although it will take years to heal the wounds caused by insecurity and war. Then there is 14-year-old French girl, hasn't heard from her since 1941. She and her parents were deported to a concentration camp in Germany because of their belief in God. It is assumed that they have perished, no Denise must rely now on the Foster Parents' Plan for aid, and particularly on Rice Institute for the next year.

Then there is 14-year-old Polish boy, 15, who has, during his brief time on earth, suffered from influenza of the brain, paralysis, malaria and a speech disorder. Yet, thru this he has remained uncomplaining — asking only for a chance to live and develop the few talents he has.

Wilhelm Hieroich de Bruno, a 13-year-old Dutch boy, lost his father in the German air raid of 1944. His mother is unable to support him so he continues to live a normal life only thru the Foster Parents' Plan, and next year thru Rice Institute.

Finally, there is 11-year-old Norwegian boy, who is supported only by his aged mother on a farm. He hasn't learned to smile yet because of the horror he has seen — only thru careful treatment and food and clothing can he acquire a bright outlook on life.

In addition, six children whose parents have been annihilated by the war and who have nowhere, if ever, known peace and contentment will, thru the generosity of the 1,100 students at Rice Institute, acquire the very existence that comes with good food, good clothing, and good care and education.

No Dead Week

The recommendation for a Dead Week before the January and June finals has been returned to the Student Council for reconsideration by the Student Activities Committee. Action since 1944's recommendation is not possible before the January finals. However the recommendation will be given further thought.

MERRY CHRISTMAS from THE CO-OP

P.S. WE CAN HELP YOU SOLVE SOME OF YOUR XMAS SHOPPING PROBLEMS. COME IN AND SEE WHAT WE HAVE.
Oslo University Announces Plans For Summer School For Americans

The annual Summer School for American students at the University of Oslo, in Norway has been announced by University authorities. The 1951 session will be the fifth consecutive one, and will be held in Oslo from June 23 to August 4. Once again all arrangements will be handled by an American committee, and a limited number of entrance can be secured from the Oslo Summer School Admissions Office at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota.

As in past years, some 200 American students will be admitted. All applicants must have completed at least two college years by June of 1951. Applications must be received at the Admissions Office not later than April 1. Notification of action on the application will be mailed shortly after that date.

The University of Oslo will provide lecturers and guarantee the educational standards of the courses, which will be conducted in English. The main emphasis this summer will be on courses pertaining to Norwegian culture: geography, history, language, literature, music, and art. There will also be courses offered in the social, economic, and political situation in the Scandinavian countries. Numerous courses will be offered from which the students can choose, with a 5-weeks orientation course. The General Survey of Norwegian Culture, required of all students.

The faculty for the session contains the names of many prominent men, known not only in Norway, but recognized throughout the entire world. Many of the leading lecturers from the regular sessions of the University are included as well as prominent men in the Norwegian government, Halvard Lange, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hasson Lien, Secretary of the Norwegian Labor Party, Dr. Karl Evang, Surgeon-General of Public Health, Christiansen, N. Offred, Editor-in-Chief of the "Aftenposten" and Dr. Fruens Ball, Professor of Scandinavian Literature at the University are but a few of the many that will be on the Summer School staff.

Six semester credits may be earned during the six-weeks' course. The University of Oslo will award a certificate in economics to students who satisfactorily complete the Summer School course. Prospective students who wish to transfer credits from Norway are urged to confer with their faculty adviser or registrar. The University will issue official transcripts of student's records showing the number of hours devoted to lectures, laboratory and field work, and the results of examinations taken.

A limited number of scholarships will be awarded. The Summer School session has been approved by the United States Veterans' Administration. American veterans may therefore receive subsistence of $75 per month if single; $130 if married, and $180 if married and with additional dependents. In addition to the above, the Veterans Administration will pay the tuition fee and probably the student fee. Classroom and laboratory activities of the Summer School will be conducted in the new Science Building of Oslo University. Located at Blindern, ten minutes by electric car from the center of Oslo, this building has pleasant natural surroundings and commands a sweeping view over the Oslo fjord and the hills around the city.

The lower rates established last year will again prevail. The tuition for the six weeks term is $80; the student fee which includes health insurance is $10; and the segregated fee, $20.

Two hundred books in Tourist Class are reserved for the Oslo Summer School students on the Norwegian American Line's SS Stavangerfjord, sailing from New York on June 13. The round trip fare in this class is $350. Other means of transportation are somewhat higher.

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Allyce Tinsley On Magazine Board

Allyce M. Tinsley has been appointed by "Mademoiselle" to represent Rice on the magazine's College Board. She is one of 700 appointees who competed this year with students from colleges all over the country for positions on the Board, according to "Mademoiselle."

As a College Board member, she will report to "Mademoiselle" on campus news, fads, fashions during the college year. She will also complete three magazine assignments in a competition for one of twenty Guest Editorships, to be awarded by the magazine next June.

Directories

Student Directories will be distributed today in the Lounge for the last time to those who have receipts. All directories which are not given out today will be sold Monday morning.

Student Describes German Universities...

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... turned; this the student can determine whether he has fully understood the subject.

There are no tests during the semester. The student's grades are determined by 3-5 hour examinations held at the end of the semester. Since he is not compelled to attend lectures, the German student may obtain his information from the tests from books only. This system, called "academic freedom," has caused the failure of many students. On the other hand, it has a great advantage: only good students with a great deal of energy will succeed. For the average student it requires a great deal of determination in order because he is forced to earn a large amount of his expenses. Besides holding part-time jobs during the school year, most of the students work in their vacations.

Some of the more fortunate students can afford to take part in the "International Course," held during the summer vacation. Having lectures, dances and trips to other countries, the student can afford to take part in the American student probably would be surprised that there are not very many school dances. The reason is that there are no societies and clubs at a German University. There are fraternities which hold regular beer brawls. Each University usually has only one big all-school dance per semester.

Besides dormitories, tests and clubs, there are two other things an American student will miss: the colorful attires of the freshmen, and the football teams. Some Universities have tennis, swimming or soccer teams; but there is not such a thing as an organized schedule. The only things that are exactly alike in America and over there are the night-long study, the disappointments over a bad grade and the proud joy of a good one.
Millions of Fruit Flies
Can't Be Wrong

By James Longino

Elephants are handy things to have, but not in a Radiation Genetics laboratory. Dr. Edgar Altenburg prefers fruit flies—they have shorter life cycles and take up much less room. Both of these factors are pretty important when working in genetics.

Altenburg has about a dozen students working with him right now—not most of them undergraduates. Their particular particular problem is tracing a mutation produced by subjecting a fruit fly egg to ultra-violet light through succeeding generations of a fly. Sometimes this study has been carried through succeeding generations, "but we usually have to stop at 30," Altenburg said.

Fruit flies are those tiny little creatures you see flying around banana stalls. These are ordinary fruit flies; not to be confused with Dr. Altenburg's which eat only moths and moths. His would probably rather eat bananas, but Dr. Altenburg is not willing to oblige. "Bananas are too expensive," he said.

The course is open to all juniors and seniors who have completed two years of biology. For official purposes Biology 311 is listed as having two hours of lab a week—actually you never know.

"It all depends on the fruit flies," Altenburg said. "When they start hatching out, they need plenty of water—alipt other times there may be ten or twelve day hills with nothing to do. In this business you can never be really sure of anything, not even when you have to come to school."

Soph Architects
To Hold Christmas Party Today

The annual Christmas party of the Rice Architecture Department will be held this after noon at 4:00 p.m. in the basement of Fondren Library. The party, given by the Sophomore architecture class, is put in charge of giving the party. Besides the responsibility of obtaining refreshments, it is their duty to provide a Christmas tree. Every year, the sophs try to outdo the class of the preceding year in being original. Last year's tree consisted of one of the female members of their class decked out as a tree complete with ornaments and a crowning wreath. There is every indication that this year's tree will be equally fascinating.

In keeping with the old Christmas spirit of a visit from St. Nick, "Don't know how you never know."

Masterson Attends
Historical Meeting

Dr. William Masterson was Rice's representative to the Convention of the Southern Historical Association, November 9-11, at Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia.

The purpose was to publish what all the universities and colleges were doing in the line of Southern History. Each delegate read papers concerning his own particular school's work in this field. The delegates put special emphasis on graduate work.

The noted historians, Dumas Malone and Clement Eaton were among those present at the convention. Clement Eaton is the author of the most recent book on Southern history, "Legacies of the Reconstruction." Masterson in his paper talked of the students' work in this field and the value of the exchange of ideas and discussions of problems confronting the student government.

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Owl Cagers Down SLE, Tulane
Tuesday night the rough-and-ready Owls won a 62-54 victory over the Southern Louisiana Institute Bulldogs from Lafayette, Louisiana. The Bulldoggs made a brave effort but were overtaken in the late stages of the game. The Owls led all the way with Jim Genhardt high point man of the evening, scoring 17. Moody of SLE who tallied 17 points was high scorer for the Bulldogs.

Students Invited To Bowl Dance
The students of Rice are invited to the Cotton Bowl dance, December 20, 8:30 until 12:30 in the ballroom of the SMU Student Union by Lloyd Hard, president of the Texas Student Association. Registration tables will be located near the entrance to the Union "where your students will be given name tags displaying the respective school colors."

Students are to present their blanket taxes at the door. No admission will be charged.

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Intramural basketball players are still breathing hard after an action-packed week that saw eleven games reeled off in the intramural basketball tournament.

Two league titles were decided and a third completed regular league play with a trio of teams tied for first place. The first title settled went to the sharp shooting MF’s who took the marbles in the Monday League and the second crown decided was in the Friday League where the methodical Carolinas Ones waltzed off with the honors.

Things really got jumbled up in the Wednesday League. Three teams tied for first place and a playoff was necessary to see who would represent that league in the championship playoff. The RE’s, the CR’s, and the LeBlanc Mullets ended up all square with two wins and one defeat apiece.

While the three tied teams will be playing to see who wins the Wednesday League, the Carolinas Ones and this afternoon with a game at 4:00 in Gym 2. The winner from this MF’s game will open playoff games Wednesday League will then play the winner of the Carolinas Ones-MF’s game tomorrow (Saturday) at 1:15 in Gym 3. This Saturday game will decide who will be the 1950 intramural basketball champion.

The Red Aces and the Manglers started the action packed week with a game in Gym 3. The Aces topped the contest 41-21. Then on Wednesday the CH.E’s beat Perrigo’s 28-16 and the LeBlanc’s Mullets upset the RE’s 33-32. John Justin 2568

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Tsetse Flies Edge Slimes, 26-22

(Continued from Page 1) Thursday saw LeBlanc's Mullets take the victory train again. This time it was against the expense of Perrigo's Slimes. The boys of Carl Cook eased in, having scored 20. LeBlanc's to 12 field goals, and set up many others in a hard fought battle. Collier's HOWLS, O'Donnell hit for 18 and Doyle Beard accounted for 13. Marion Froelich was a big factor. He hit for 6 points and set up many others with his ball hawking and sharp passing.

The 3 o'clock games saw the Tsetse Flies edge the Slimes 26-22. In a hard fought battle, Collum's and Walker's 10 led the scoring for the game. The Flies fired 16 shots. As in all of the Careless Ones games, the over-all play of Marion Froelich was a big factor. He hit for 6 points and set up many others with his ball hawking and sharp passing.

Friday's action started with a 62-36 win for the potent Careless Ones. Marion Froelich hit for six, John Suhdermeyer pumped in 16. Said the boys of Carl Cook eased in. Another Friday game was a 38-18 win over the Tsetse Flies edge the Slimes 26-22. Looking far from their usual high scoring rate the HOWLS concluded the big day for the winners. Marion Froelich hit for 18 to pace the winner's attack. With 62-36 win for the potent Careless Ones. Marion Froelich hit for six, John Suhdermeyer pumped in 16.