Seniors To Make Dance-Banquet Reservations

The senior class banquet and formal dance will be held June 6 at 6:00 PM in the University of Houston Country Club. Mr. J.E. Hodges, professor of economics, will be the banquet speaker. The banquet will be followed by the dance at 8:00 PM, music by Ed Sheeran and his orchestra. Dinner and dances will cost $5.00 per couple. Reservations must be made next week by all seniors who plan to attend. Lists will be posted in the Student Lounge, Abercornie Hall and M.L. Building and every senior planning to attend should sign one of these lists before Saturday, May 24 at noon. By signing one of these lists the senior will place a reservation for himself and his date. Tickets will be sold at the last meeting of the Council.

Rice NROTC On 1951 Cruises

5100 Midshipmen To Take Cruises

5100 Midshipmen from the Naval Academy and NROTC Units will participate in cruises this summer getting practical training in supplement classroom studies in engineering, navigation, communication, and tactics. First cruise for Senior and Sophomore Regular NROTC students will sail from Norfolk, Va., on June 9 and return 5 August. It will visit battleships Missouri and Wisconsin, Cruisers Pittsburgh, Des Moines, Carrier Belleau Wood, 10 destroyers, 4 mineweepers, and 3 high-speed transports. It will visit ports in Northern Europe and British Isles and return via Caribbean Sea for gunnery exercises and visit to Guantamano Bay, Cuba. Cruise for Senior Contract students leaves Norfolk on 15 August and returns 8 September. It will visit Guantanamo Bay, Cuba for gunnery exercise, and sail via Caribbean Sea to Guantamano Bay, Cuba. Cruise for Junior Contract students will visit battleships Missouri and Wisconsin, Cruisers Pittsburgh, Des Moines, Carrier Belleau Wood, 10 destroyers, 4 mineweepers, and a high-speed transport. It will visit Caribbean ports and train off Guantamano Bay, Cuba.

DULL AND QUIET YEAR

Miniment--A Re-Hash of the Year's Events

By JERRY NIEMER

Another year is almost over, another year in the fine old tradition of the Rice Institute in its attitude toward the students, if that has to be explained. It has had its hectic moments, and far too many of its peaceful moments. Yes, for the most part, it has been a rather 'dull' year. The Rally Club has not been in session all year. It has been a year marked by a stand pat administration attitude in matters concerning the improvement of the student's lot, such as the parking problem. It has been another year in which the Administration has successfully dodged the matter of dormitory food, which has, following its traditional trend, gotten worse as the same time more expensive. All this has left room for George Baker, Davis And George Miron to succeed Helen Chillman in the running of the University of Houston in blood and bone.

Blanket tax pictures for next year will be taken from 8-10 on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of next week. All returning students must have their pictures taken. If you don't want to be double fisted, says McDiarmid, the pictures will be taken in the old UH office. The students will deliver them to the Lounge from the Library.

COMMEMERATION

Dr. Douglas Soutthall Freeman To Give Seniors Farewell Message

Douglas Southall Freeman, author, editor, and perennial student, will deliver the commencement address to the Rice 1952 graduating class. The commencement exercises will be held on the parking lot in front of Lovett Hall at 6:30 PM on June 6.

Houston To Hand Diplomas On June 6 To Graduates

Dr. William V. Houston, will award the thirty-sixth graduating class of the Rice Institute in the Lovett Hall parking area at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, June 6, 1952; approximately 350 diplomas, graduate and undergraduate, will be conferred.

Dr. J.E. Bray, noted historian and author, will make the commencement address. Reverend W.E. Moulton, trustee of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, will speak the invocation and benediction.

The baccalaureate service planned for June 5, will also be held in the Lovett Hall parking area. Dr. Edwin E. Aubrey, Professor of Religious Thought at the University of Pennsylvania, is to deliver the sermon.

Seniors will receive their diplomas in the Fondren Library and march across the quadrangle through the Sallyport at the commencement exercises. Dr. J.E. Bray of the Mathematics Department will read each graduate's name as President Houston presents the diplomas.

Graduates participating in the Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps program will receive their commissions at the commencement ceremony.

5100 Rice Midshipmen--Dec. 5-6

Senior Follies--Dec. 5-6

Calendar of Events

Nov. 22--Engineer

Nov. 1--Homecoming

Dec. 5--Senior Follies

Jan. 17--Associate

Feb. 14--EBLS, SLLS, CRLS, OKLS

March 28--Arts Mar. 11--Symposium Freshman Day

May 2--Basketball

June 6, 1952; approximately 350 diplomas, graduate and undergraduate, will be conferred.

Dr. Freeman, who won the Pulitzer prize in 1934 for his biography of Robert E. Lee, has attended 26 colleges during his lifetime, beginning with Westminster College, in 1906, from which he received his B.A. degree, and ending with Harvard University, where he was registered in 1949. He is also the author of "Lee's Lieutenant" and is now writing a monumental biography of George Washington. He is taking time off from his work on the final release of the Washington biography to tally the 350 Rice graduates on "There We Stand." Baccalaureate services will be held at 6:30 PM June 5 at the same place. Edwin Ewart Aubrey, Ingersoll lecturer at Harvard University, will give the baccalaureate address.

O'Keefe, Millwee Head '52 Forum Activities

Jerry O'Keefe was elected chairman of the Forum committee at the last Forum meeting for this year, Tuesday, October 16. Millwee will serve as secretary to the group.

Dr. John Parish, English department, Dr. H.E. Bray, Mathe- matics department; and Mr. James F. Chamberlain, who has accepted as faculty members of the Forum Committee.

Next meeting of the committee will be held before school next year to map out a general schedule of Forums for the year.

Rolf Sinclair Again Heads Film Society

Rolf Sinclair was re-elected for the second time as president of the Rice Film Society at the last film this year. May 6 Joe Shimek will become Helen Chillman as secre- tuary-treasurer of the group.

Fred Preister, Robert Stavely, Leonard Batteff, and Jim Young were elected to the film selection committee.

Picton President Of WC: Ward, Veep

Owen C. Picton was named president of the Women's Council at the regular business meeting held last Friday. Owen C. Picton, treasurer, said he would be glad to work with the other officers.

"No, we don't know when the Campanile will be out," says the manager. "It will be ready in a few weeks. However, we can't be sure, as the weather is still very bad. We are working as fast as we can, and we hope to have the Campanile ready for the summer."
Army Proclaims Shepherd Rice's Cadet of the Year

William L. Shepherd received the Becker Award, a wreath
watched and presented by Col. Sam W. Becker, for being the
most outstanding candidate of the year. The Becker Award
was announced by the American Society of Naval Engi-
neers Award, presented by Capt. V. J. Hornak.

General Presents
brigadier General W. P. Heavey, Chairman of the Houston Port Com-
mission, presented the Houston Chamber of Commerce Military Af-
fairs Committee Award, a dollar pen,

President William V. Houston, presented the National Tribune Gold Medals to Sledge and Folweiler as the outstanding cadets in their

- 

Capt. Quillian is the wearer of the
the 1st Platoon of Company B. The award was presented
by Col. J. S. Waters, Pro-

awards ceremony Monday on the Rice Stadium parking lot.

Shedley top houses with high marks were Bobby L. Sledge and
Robert C. Folweiler, who were
selected as the outstanding cadets of the second and first class. Sledge was awarded the American Society of Naval Engineers Award, presented by Capt. V. J. Hornak.

NORTON Rifle Team

The highest rifle team score ever fired at Rice was this spring by a five men NORTC team sponsored by Major John Shepherd and coached by 1st Sgt. Robert C. Whatley, both Major Shepherd and Sgt. Whatley fought in the Pacific in the last year. The team made 948 out of a possible 1000 points with an individual average of 190 out of 200. This year, the team ranked six months out of 34 teams in the Hearst NORTC rifle matches. Rice's NORTC team won first place in this match in 1943 and placed second
in 1944. Scores in these matches have been improving each year, thus, while Rice's team is setting new records for Rice, a few other teams are setting even higher rec-

SHEPHERD'S REPLACEMENT

Rice Football-Ex Quillian

Appointed To Navy Staff

Capt. Boone W. Quillian, a Rice alumnus, is the new Assistant
Professor of Naval Science in charge of Marine Corps training. Capt. Quillian lettered in football four years and received his BS in physical education from Rice in 1943. The 1943 Campanile credits him with being one of the main cogs in the Owl team which came in second in the Southwest Con-
fERENCE that year.

In 1942 Capt. Quillian joined a Marine Pilot Leaders Class, and
upon graduation he was sent to the Marine Corps School at Quantico, Virginia. He participated in the landings on Guam in the Marianas and as an ensign he was sent to the island commander. He spent a month tour of duty in Paleliw as aide to General William H. Riley, chief military ad-

officer. He served nine months in this capacity and then served three
months as a company commander. After his tour of duty in Korea, Capt. Quillian spent six months
with the office of Naval Intelligence in the Pacific.

Capt. Quillian is the wearer of the Silver Star, the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, and various campaign ribbons.

He spent a month tour of duty in Paleliw as aide to General William H. Riley, chief military ad-

office. He served nine months in this capacity and then served three
months as a company commander. After his tour of duty in Korea, Capt. Quillian spent six months
with the office of Naval Intelligence in the Pacific.

Capt. Quillian is the wearer of the Silver Star, the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, and various campaign ribbons.

He spent a month tour of duty in Paleliw as aide to General William H. Riley, chief military ad-

office. He served nine months in this capacity and then served three
months as a company commander. After his tour of duty in Korea, Capt. Quillian spent six months
with the office of Naval Intelligence in the Pacific.

Capt. Quillian is the wearer of the Silver Star, the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, and various campaign ribbons.

He spent a month tour of duty in Paleliw as aide to General William H. Riley, chief military ad-

office. He served nine months in this capacity and then served three
months as a company commander. After his tour of duty in Korea, Capt. Quillian spent six months
with the office of Naval Intelligence in the Pacific.

Capt. Quillian is the wearer of the Silver Star, the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, and various campaign ribbons.

He spent a month tour of duty in Paleliw as aide to General William H. Riley, chief military ad-
I. Nothingness Leads Photosynzygical Life

By the Saint Claude Gospel Trio

When Invisibility of Nothingness was a small child, his father, King Unseen of Nothingness, died. This left little Invisibility an orphan, since his mother, Queen Aperture, had died two infinities ago. His only friend was his faithful old nurse, Absolutely Destitute. The scheming Chamberlain, Odorless Eclophec, decided this was his chance to take over the kingdom of Nothingness. He was going to have miraculous Invisibility bewitched so that he would become visible.

But little Invisibility's faithful old nurse, Absolutely Destitute, overheard the dastardly plot! So Absolutely, in the dead of night, spirited little Invisibility away. After traveling many Augurs, they finally reached Infinity, where Absolutely placed him in the care of the friendly Alpha and Beta particles.

Violently propelling herself through free space on her way home, Absolutely had a wreck and broke through free space on her way home, Overtaking vacuum, had grown up.

One day, when she was out picking rhinestones, under the reign of the schemer's twelfth moon.

The wicked Chamberlain Odorless captured the young couple. He dispelled Invisibility with a cyclotron, and he sent Transparent Quartz to shovel clorites in a Siberian Brine until there was nothing left of her but a fusion of Quartz Chloride.

It is from this heart-rending electron story that the infantile Greek philosopher Finagle got his famous saying: "Der gooders ist already dead, mit die beers. Der crimes let go payser."

Karl Doehner Honored By Texas Society Of Civil Engineers

Karl Doehner won the competition sponsored by the Texas Society of Civil Engineers, topping the SMU, A&M, Texas, U., and Tech Texas representatives with his paper entitled, "Applications of Prestressed Concrete." The Texas Society of CE's sent Doehner to read his paper at the National Convention, March 3, and to the Texas convention in Beaumont on April 15.

Doehner's paper was published in The Texas Engineer, April issue.

Bernardos sandals...
flirting flats
beautifully bare!

Vacations

OUT OF CELLAR; CREDIT DUE

Baseball Season Close With Rice Out of Collar; Credit Due

By NORRIS KEELER

It was this writer's plan to review the baseball season with an add pen if the Owl ballplayers finished in the cellar again this year. However, certain things must be noted in this resume, and although the Blue and Gray will not finish with a conference mark better than .400, their showing is a highly respectable one. The outstanding development of the spring has been the showing of Bucky Beets, pinch hitter, who will be announced about the middle of April, 1953. It is being announced at this time so that students will have an opportunity to work on their essays during the summer they wish. Detailed rules and instructions will be made available at the beginning of the fall term, and copies may be obtained at that time from the college administration office.

The purpose of the National Council of Jewish Women is to encourage thoughtful exploration and forthright expression on the subject of academic freedom among the students themselves.

Baseball Season Close With Rice Out of Collar; Credit Due

1. Nothingness Leads Photosynzygical Life

By the Saint Claude Gospel Trio

When Invisibility of Nothingness was a small child, his father, King Unseen of Nothingness, died. This left little Invisibility an orphan, since his mother, Queen Aperture, had died two infinities ago. His only friend was his faithful old nurse, Absolutely Destitute. The scheming Chamberlain, Odorless Eclophec, decided this was his chance to take over the kingdom of Nothingness. He was going to have miraculous Invisibility bewitched so that he would become visible.

But little Invisibility's faithful old nurse, Absolutely Destitute, overheard the dastardly plot! So Absolutely, in the dead of night, spirited little Invisibility away. After traveling many Augurs, they finally reached Infinity, where Absolutely placed him in the care of the friendly Alpha and Beta particles.

Violently propelling herself through free space on her way home, Absolutely had a wreck and broke through free space on her way home, Overtaking vacuum, had grown up.

One day, when she was out picking rhinestones, under the reign of the schemer's twelfth moon.

The wicked Chamberlain Odorless captured the young couple. He dispelled Invisibility with a cyclotron, and he sent Transparent Quartz to shovel clorites in a Siberian Brine until there was nothing left of her but a fusion of Quartz Chloride.

It is from this heart-rending electron story that the infantile Greek philosopher Finagle got his famous saying: "Der gooders ist already dead, mit die beers. Der crimes let go payser."

Karl Doehner Honored By Texas Society Of Civil Engineers

Karl Doehner won the competition sponsored by the Texas Society of Civil Engineers, topping the SMU, A&M, Texas, U., and Tech Texas representatives with his paper entitled, "Applications of Prestressed Concrete." The Texas Society of CE's sent Doehner to read his paper at the National Convention, March 3, and to the Texas convention in Beaumont on April 15.

Doehner's paper was published in The Texas Engineer, April issue.

Bernardos sandals...
flirting flats
beautifully bare!

Vacations

OUT OF CELLAR; CREDIT DUE

Baseball Season Close With Rice Out of Collar; Credit Due

By NORRIS KEELER

It was this writer's plan to review the baseball season with an add pen if the Owl ballplayers finished in the cellar again this year. However, certain things must be noted in this resume, and although the Blue and Gray will not finish with a conference mark better than .400, their showing is a highly respectable one. The outstanding development of the spring has been the showing of Bucky Beets, pinch hitter, who will be announced about the middle of April, 1953. It is being announced at this time so that students will have an opportunity to work on their essays during the summer they wish. Detailed rules and instructions will be made available at the beginning of the fall term, and copies may be obtained at that time from the college administration office.

The purpose of the National Council of Jewish Women is to encourage thoughtful exploration and forthright expression on the subject of academic freedom among the students themselves.
Religious Council Officers Elected

BY JO ANN HICKMAN

Officers of the Religious Council for next year are Kneel Ball, president, and Bridget Rote, secretary-treasurer. The council decided that the president would appoint a chairman in charge of the Religious Emphasis Week during the summer or early fall. Activities will begin this summer in preparation for Religious Emphasis Week for next spring. Ball will present to the Student Activities Council plans including student participation in financing Religious Emphasis Week.

Members of the Religious Council for next year are Patil Ambrose, Kneel Ball, Betty Bass, Norman Eisenberg, David Holden, Al Jensen, Bridge Rote, Bill Lee, Dave Lewis, Dorothy McNeill, Dick Norton, Neal O'Brien, Robin Robbeman, Fred Roche, Norma Jean Stifel, Sunny Sundemeyer.

Thanks to the co-operation, hard work, and prayers of this year's members, the Religious Council will be able to accomplish a well-organized and active program next year. Under the leadership of Gene Langworthy, president, and Dorothy McNeill, secretary-treasurer, the group accomplished much this year. A few of these accomplishments were re-writing the Constitution, successful religious services for Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter, attendance at the A. & M. Religious Emphasis Week, and the beginning of plans for next year's Religious Emphasis Week at Rice. Old members of the council who helped with these activities were Kneel Ball, David Holden, Marion Boone, Al Jensen, John Ryan, Carolyn Douglas, Henry Yost, Le Yenter Moore, Curtis Lee, and Jack Lapin.

New officers of the Presbyterian Westminster Fellowship are Sunny Sundemeyer, president; Ruth Tonn, secretary-treasurer; and Martha Parse, program chairman. Last Saturday and Sunday, the joint Westminster Fellowships of the University of Houston and Rice had a retreat at Camp Ross Sterling and planned their programs for the coming year. At a meeting Wednesday, Mr. Chapin, layman of the First Presbyterian Church and an employee of the Phoenix Insurance Company, talked on "How to Choose Your Vocation."
Texas A&M Mops Up in Dallas Meet

BY DICK KARO

Texas A&M captured their fifth track and field title in six years as four records were set during the thirty-sixth annual Southwest meet held last weekend at Dallas. The victory was not as cut-clear as expected, however, as the speedy Texas squad made a strong bid. The Aggies scored a total of 93 to the Longhorns' 70 points in the number two spot.

SMU surprised all as they amassed 84% marks for an all-time Mustang high. Arkansas, with a few surprises, edged Rice for the fourth position, 81 to 18, while Baylor and TCU finished in that order with 7 and 6% points. Individual honors belonged to Wally Davis, the senior Aggie high jumper. After having cleared what was thought to be a new world record of 7 feet 1/8 inch, he had to wait over an hour while a committee measured and finally decided that the leap was but 6 feet 10 inches. The jump was a new conference record, nevertheless, and was one of four set at the meet. Darrell Hooper, also of A&M, had his name placed in the record book for the second time. His discus toss of 270 feet was almost 7 feet better than the mark set by Jack Hughes of Texas in 1940. Hooper also holds the shot put standard.

The top Longhorn performance was turned in by the Owls mile relay team, as they finished second behind the Aggies. The Owls quartet, composed of John Joiner, James Heffin, Dan Dingwall, and Billy Ed Daniels, almost ended the A&M reign of supremacy in that event. Daniels ran a brilliant anchor leg only to be nudged out by inches at the tape by A&M's John DeWitt, who had previously won the individual 440 dash.

Before the Owls could reflect on this loss, a third unexpected factor entered into the picture. Both Daniels and Sherman of the A&M team, with their blazing legs, were entered in the 200 meter dash. Hearing the news, Daniels turned in a brilliant anchor leg and pulled out a victory of 20 feet 8 inches by Frank Delfares netted a broad jump and shot respectively. A fourth in that event. Beavers and TCU finished in that order with 7 and 6% points. Both Daniels and Daniels, almost ended the A&M reign of supremacy in that event. Daniels ran a brilliant anchor leg only to be nudged out by inches at the tape by A&M's John DeWitt, who had previously won the individual 440 dash.

The Rice 440 sprint relay combination of Provey Beavers, Ralph Daniels, and Heffin, picked up a third behind Texas and SMU. A javelin toss of 175 feet 5 inches by Frank Delfares netted a fourth in that event. Beavers and TCU finished in that order with 7 and 6% points. Both Daniels and Daniels, almost ended the A&M reign of supremacy in that event. Daniels ran a brilliant anchor leg only to be nudged out by inches at the tape by A&M's John DeWitt, who had previously won the individual 440 dash.

The Owls 400 yard relay quartet, composed of John Joiner, James Heffin, Dan Dingwall, and Billy Ed Daniels, almost ended the A&M reign of supremacy in that event. Daniels ran a brilliant anchor leg only to be nudged out by inches at the tape by A&M's John DeWitt, who had previously won the individual 440 dash.

The Owls 400 yard relay quartet, composed of John Joiner, James Heffin, Dan Dingwall, and Billy Ed Daniels, almost ended the A&M reign of supremacy in that event. Daniels ran a brilliant anchor leg only to be nudged out by inches at the tape by A&M's John DeWitt, who had previously won the individual 440 dash.

The Owls 400 yard relay quartet, composed of John Joiner, James Heffin, Dan Dingwall, and Billy Ed Daniels, almost ended the A&M reign of supremacy in that event. Daniels ran a brilliant anchor leg only to be nudged out by inches at the tape by A&M's John DeWitt, who had previously won the individual 440 dash.
Owlets Have Wings Clipped By Aggies

BY J. FEED DUCKERT

The Aggie Fish came to town with their hitting clothes on and defeated the Rice Owlets 8-4. Rice got the same number of hits as A&M, nine, but the Owlets bunched six of them in two innings to account for seven of their runs. However, the game’s outstanding batting star was Rice center fielder Landon Cox who collected five singles in five trips to the plate to raise his batting average from .885 to .794 (making him team batting leader). Fish batting leaders were catcher Jim Williams with five and Lee Byrd and Bob Yeagle with two each.

Norship Opens

The Fish opened up their game with three runs on three hits against Rice’s Dick Floyd in the first inning. Norship opened by drawing a walk, Parrish popped up to Rice’s third sacker Tom Pearce but Byrd, Yeagle, and Sam Roland singled in order, each batting in a run. Floyd didn’t allow another hit until the sixth inning when A&M scored once more on two singles and a sacrifice.

Bobleichaux

Rice threatened to score in the first when Rawl Rogers was safe on an error and went to second on Cox’s first hit. However, Cox was forced at third on Don Gare’s grounder to third. The Owlets broke the ice with two runs on one hit in the fifth. With one out, Monte Bobleichaux was safe on an error, went to third on Cox’s third hit, and scored as the former left fielder bobbled the ball. Cox went to third on the play and scored on Costa’s first hit to give Rice a 3-0 lead.

Mincemeat

(Continued from Page 1)

The Fish rallied in the seventh, as Bobleichaux led off with a single and Cox delivered again. Then Costa flew out but Garland “Albino” Fielder, the team’s catcher, made the hit safe on an error with Bobleichaux scoring. Pearce followed with a walk which sent the Aggies to pitch to Ed Hendrix to the showers in favor of left handed pitcher Floyd. Rice threatened again in the eighth with Rice’s Dick Floyd in favor of Sid Jones who stopped A&M with no further scoring.

The Owlets finish out their schedule this Thursday in Waco against the Baylor Bears who defeated them 7-6 in 15 innings in their last encounter.

The Manhattan Vericool!

A warm-weather wonder with thousands of tiny windows inviting every breeze, keeping you cool and collected.

The Only Show to See this Spring...The Parade!

November 25th at Nine...Plan to be in the Village.

The Plaza, The Colony, Rich’s, Neiman’s, Underwear, Pajamas, Beachea, Handkerchiefs

AND...

For a Complete Line of...

Manhattan

Shirts - Underwear - Pajamas
Ties - Handkerchiefs
• JANTZEN (Swim Wear)

The Perfect Stop For Graduation Gifts and Summertime Sportswear

ED. NIKKEN, B. A. ’37, invites you to shop at his

University

MEN’S & BOYS’ SHOP
2402 University Blvd. at Morningdale

IN THE VILLAGE"

— Open Thursday Evening Until 9 p.m.
BY HOWARD MARTIN

The Southwest Conference meeting this past week proved indeed to be in keeping with the high standards of intercollegiate athletics in this section of the country.

The points that have received the most emphasis in the local press are the decisions (1) not to admit any new members to the Conference at the meeting, and (2) to admit new members only after invitation by the Conference.

While those decisions set the conference above the level of politics, at least for this year, there were some other moves made of equal magnitude. The most important of these is the raising of the scholastic requirements of athletic participants. When coupled with the limited membership ruling, the Conference has set a pattern of favoring intersectional games, but on the basis of even higher scholastic standards. And that is a most encouraging pattern to set.

Bucky Rentz's impressive win over the Aggies gives further rise to the idea that the Owls may not wind up number six in the Conference baseball race. The Owls, after being derailed by Texas and TCU from their title aspirations, may yet avoid the dark, traditional caverns of the Conference cellar.

Four years ago this coming fall, this column had its start in the Thresher. A stream of copy has flowed from the typewriters of David Miller, Ted Lockhart, Nick Athis, and yours truly to fill up the weekly hole in the Thresher.

Next fall I hope that the column will continue under Dick Karig's pen. But dear, faithful Thresher readers, you have indeed had a treat this week. This column is the last one to be authored by the present incumbent, the gods of Rice Institute being willing.

Or, to quote Emmett McGeever's farewell editorial:

"Good-bye."