Delegations from the schools in the TBSA District VIII visited the meeting of the BC last Tuesday night. A district meeting was held shortly after the BC's regular season. A communication was received from the next executive meeting of TBSA would be held there in February. Sam Houston State University stating that a talent show is going to be given during the annual Senior Follies has been announced as a formal success. According to Wayne Barnett, senior class treasurer, there were 1447 paid admissions for the two-night stand. After tax, admissions brought $1467. Total expenses have been estimated as approximately $400. Including the $25 profit from the soft drink concession and sale of program ads, the Follies netted about $100.

The money will go into the senior class treasury and will be applied toward the senior class dinner and dance at the end of the school year.

Five Initiated Into Tau Beta Pi This Month

The Rice Institute chapter of Tau Beta Pi, national engineering honor society, recently initiated five new members. Those selected were Bob Duggan, electrical engineering, and Don Nelms, mechanical engineering, and Stanley Ewing, chemical engineering. All the new members are students in the 65th year class except the exception of Miles Julian, who is a senior.

The requirements for admission to Tau Beta Pi include distinguished scholarship, integrity, breadth of interest, adaptability, and unusual activity.

On December 15 the Honor Council filled a freshmen student accused of violation of the Honor System. He was found not guilty.

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Five Dollar Days

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Library To Be Open Over Christmas Holidays

The Fenserd Library will remain open during the holidays. For the use of town students and those dormitory students remaining at school through the holidays. For the week preceding Christmas, the library will be open on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday only from 8 to 12. After Christmas, it will be open on weekdays and 8-12 on Saturdays.

Major General Hayden L. Boatner, Deputy Commander of the Fourth Army, will present Rice's Army ROTC Corps of Engineers with their battle colors at a review in his honor this afternoon at 3 PM, announces Lt. Col. Edward H. Dillon, professor of Military Science.

Prized in red, the unit's colors feature the seal of the Rice Institute in blue and white on a grey field. In red letters across the flag are the words Reserve Officers Training Corps Rice Institute.

General Boatner is a former Professor of Military Science and Tactics of Texas A&M College. Upon leaving A&M, he became Assistant Division Commander of the Second Infantry Division. In World War II, he was recently in charge of the prison roll break out. General Boatner was given the task of clearing out the prison and getting them under control.

Rice has one of our very few military experts on the Orient. He is a member of the Association of the East.

Knowing those invited to attend the review as honor guests are:

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
From The Top Of The Lamp Post
By AMTC

The long awaited Rice Engineer met its public bravely Wednesday and in our opinion John Blakemore and staff have produced a work as good as any "Engineering" as do all Rice publications, labor under the necessity of breaking even financially and is forced to be heavily weighted with advertisements. Two articles that appeared in the first issue seemed to our untrained mind both stimulating and use-

The magazine has its full quota of good cuts and is enforced by the excellent two pages of cuts on steel etchings, lithographs, wood engravings and proofs in the same classification as well as the slim volume of a book produced the Rice Players this week.

This is the fourth Literary Score Book of the year and we point to the following achievements listed hereinafter in the paper. To us at least it seems that the lights have made a start in the right direction. More power to them...the year is still young.

The cuts with an asterisk by their names are the ones whose contributions definitely amaze us to consider them a literary meeting a month.

The idea of a liberal education is to acquaint them with the world, to stimulate them to be exposed to everything that a college or university can offer in the way of nontechnical interests. We hope through this medium that the students may become acquainted with the problems and interests of the Engineering School.

The PALS have shown their literary qualities by sponsoring the program of five plays. Special appreciation and thanks are due to the following members of the Staff: Sally Binger for tickets, Thelma Arnold for the program, and to all the PALS who ushered, served coffee, and helped make the evening successful. Jules Picton may well be proud of the organization of which he is a part, that he knows the Rice Players as well as those who are read for the Anthology drawer in 230 Anderson Hall. This Anthology represents you and your work. The PALS have shown their literary qualities by sponsoring the program of five plays.

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Rounded Education Needed
By Academs and Engineers

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in a series of Engineering columns which Mr. Bonn has graciously consented to write for the Thresher. While on engineering topics, we hope that they will be noted to interest all the students.

By GEORGE BONN

For a good many years now, engineering educators and those who are trying to educate engineers in some of the humanities or in the social sciences have been very much concerned with the apparent fact that engineers are not very strong in political science, history, philosophy, the arts, and others of the amenities of modern living. The American Society of Engineering Education even has a humanistic-social division to foster such interests among the country's engineering educators.

Lack?

But I am a little bit tired of hearing how "un-humanistic" or "socialistic" engineers are, or other scientists for that matter. I am a little bit tired, too, of all of the talk of "the lack of social consciousness" or of their "unwillingness to understand the small ails of atomic energy." For instance, as if the present state of the world affairs is entirely the fault of scientists and engineers. To judge the matter by the history of the automobile industry, one would be astonished at the amount of the fault of the automobile industry on the depression. To judge the matter by my own experience, it seems to me that it is high time that our "social-scientists," our historians, philosophers, and other non-technical people become a little bit "humanistically" or "socialistically" oriented. There certainly is no reason for this in the world why the academics, for instance, should know nothing of what engineers and other scientists are doing for mankind, or are trying to do. I don't mean that every philosophy major should take a course in thermodynamics. But I do mean that every philosophy major should have some concept of the history and of the current problems and applications and potentials of technicalities.

Liberal Education

The idea of a liberal education for non-technical people should certainly include something about the effects of applied science on the history and development of our civilization just as the idea of a liberal education for engineers is supposed to include the effect of history and civilization on engineering.

There is every reason in the world for an engineering student to be exposed to everything that a college or university can offer in the way of nontechnical education. He should have the opportunity to study...
Statistics Back-up Southpaws
Gripes On Equipment Lack

By AL. HERMAN

Sixteen percent of the Students at Blake High have handed in a

impartial poll taken of 168 stu-

dents concern-

ing the lack of equip-

ment with Dr.

Arch Westen of the

school.

The poll takes the number of left handed people who are

misplaced with the total

of left handed equipment at the institution, and also a minority to

some ex-

tent, the student reactions to this occasion.

Most students are aware of the fact that there is a definite lack of

left handed equipment, and 16% feel that something to remedy this

situation should be done. The most vociferous, of course, are the

left handed students themselves, who feel that they are being neglected.

The group does constitute a minor-

ity at the school, but comprises over 3 in every 20 students, or about 300

in the school according to the data obtained from the poll.

NEEDED EQUIPMENT

The students were asked if they were right handed or left handed, and 21% were questioned as to their belief that there was no left handed equipment at the school. They were also asked if in their opinion such equipment should be provided. Three left handed persons surprisingly stated that they did not believe that left handed desks were at all necessary, but they were very much in the minority.

The answer given by most of the right handed students was a rather hesitant "yes" with the statement, "If the left handed people feel it is necessary," Bill Morgan, a freshman from Houston summed this up when he answered the poll by saying, "If left handed desks are necessary for some students, I think that they should be obtained, however, it does not affect me personally."

Diane Weiss, a junior who is also from Houston, expressed an opposing view when she stated that most of the left handed desks would probably be placed in the front ofclass rooms, causing an unnecessary inconvenience to right handed students, an at the same time the problem could be remedied in almost every instance.

Left Handed Door Knobs

Bill Payne, from New Mexico, was perhaps more cynical than most students when he stated, "Yes, I am quite aware that there is an agreement of left handed equipment. There should be at least 30,000 left handed door knobs ordered and installed immediately."

Young scholar, who was left handed himself, said that he thought that the problem could be solved by setting a vacant desk which was empty near the student but the feelings of most left handed people were summed up in the statement made by Dennis booth. "Oh, yes! I'm tired of being cut off!"

In general the Rice student body seems to be aware of the lack of left handed facilities, and although there are few who feel that the situation needs not remedy, most of the students feel that the excessive number of "southpaws" in our minds should be provided for with left handed desks.

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Summer Courses
For Americans Set By British Schools

Summer schools for overseas students will be held at four British universities beginning in July. They will open a few weeks after the Coronation, according to an announcement by the British Universities Summer Courses Committee.

The schools will be Stratford, Oxford, London, and Cambridge. Although many Americans are expected to attend, as they have in past years, since 1948, when British Universities organized their joint summer program, a total of 1,000 Americans have enrolled in these several sessions. Teachers, post-graduate students, college professors and students, and others with suitable qualifications, will be welcome. Each course is expected to be attended by a number of credits to count for undergraduate and graduate work. Oppurtunities to visit places of historic interest in the region will be provided.
The inspired Rice Owl cagers came from behind in the closing minutes to defeat the highly touted Kansas Jayhawks 54-51 in a breathtaking basketball game last Saturday evening.

The victory was very important for the hopeful Owl Squad. Kansas, though not up to its National Intercollegiate caliber last year, is one of the toughest opponents the Owls are scheduled to face this season. The confidence gained against Kansas might be put to good use in the Southwest Conference races.

The Owls are scheduled to face this season's first two games. Sehwinger was the first to go down with a sprained ankle, but should be back in the line-up within a week.

The Owls are only three men on the 18 man squad.

The big point makers are Maurice Teague, 5'11" senior letterman, and Gene Lambert, 6'-5" forward. Each scored 20 points in Arkansas' 102 to 71 conference win. The confidence gained in scoring with 15 points.

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Southwest Conference basketball enthusiasts will get a preview of the '53 season activity during the Southwest Conference pre-season basketball tournament which is to be staged between December 26 and 30 at the “Cotton Bowl Week.”

In the drawings for the first round games as announced last week, Rice is slated to meet Texas Christian in the second game of a double bill on the first night. The first game pits Texas against Baylor.

Last Year

Last year, the first game of the tournament, Rice faced TCU in the first round and was soundly defeated 69-57. TCU went on to claim the tournament title and the conference crown. This year the picture has changed considerably and the Owls will be a top contender for both berths.

The second round contests the following night have Southern Methodist, last year’s champions, opening against Texas A&M, while Arkansas meets Arizona, the only school, in the second game. The tournament title and the conference crown. This year the picture has changed considerably and the Owls will be a top contender for both berths.

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