**FROSH GIRLS ESCAPE SLIME PARADE PERIL**

There was once an innocent little Freshman girl who knew not good from bad; but then occurred the Slime Parade, and now this girl has had her heart-broken.

Last Friday night the Freshmen boys had an opportunity to release all their pent-up emotions and frustrations, and (those pent-up boys sure must have been frustrated) in the traditional free-for-all known as the Slime Parade. It began around 9 o'clock, and seven, while the gaggling, nervy Blues of the female variety climbed cautiously into the campus halls with bottles containing the thin slime which was to become the principal path of destruction. The slide was set, the coast was clear. 

The hall committee met with the freshmen and constructively suggested that they refrain from making too many public gestures at the Service Center. Then, at about 10:30, the parade moved into the streets. The route was a simple one, the parade winding around the campus and ending in the Rice-Reynolds dormitory area, where it took a break for some refreshments.

**Election Rules Are Announced**

Election-time is here again. The following is the calendar of events this month concerning the deadlines and how to vote.

October 14: Petitions must be before 9:00 for the Homecoming Royalty and Assistant Business Managers of the Campanile and Thresher.

October 21: Petitions are due before 9:00 for the Homecoming Royalty and Assistant Business Managers of the Campanile and Thresher.

October 24: Elections will take place for the Class B Student Council Representative, Junior Honor Council Representative, and the Assistant Editors of the Campanile and Thresher.

October 31: Run-offs.

November 1: Election of Homecoming Royalty, Assistant Business Managers of the Campanile and Thresher.

**REPAIRED SAMMY STOLEN FROM ROOST**

Only last week undergraduates were advised to repair Sammy from his injuries sustained in the LSU game; (see photo at right) and finally told by all sorts of ad- jective and offensive products some nobbys was visualized.

All was not to no avail however, for Wednesday night at about 11:00 Sammy was stolen! The man who performed the trick came to the library and informed the janitors that the large Owl was needed for a Pep Rally, and purportedly has bought him over.

An announcement on a local radio station soon brought men from the doors to check on the empty spot in the library where he used to stand. At the time of this writing no reliable information as to the identity of the culprits was available, but the radio had stated that there would be a pep rally at Texas and Malcom midnight to night.

**SPECIAL TO THE RICE**

The Owl has been stolen from the library.

**DEADLINE**

By Walt Silvus

Surprises and entertainment surprises are promised and if all rumors are true the Follies of '56 will long be remembered.

Audition date will be Sunday, (Continued on Page 2)

**OWLS OPEN CONFERENCE AGAINST SMU TOMORROW**

The always outstanding musical extravaganzas of our talented seniors will be here before you know it! Dates for the Senior Follies have been set for Fri.

December 10th and Sat-

December 11th, and the big-

first attendance ever is antici-

ated. Jack Crowfield and Gorn Pratt are co-directors and John Wolda is business manager.

Director of music is Phil Shanon and Kay Lynch is in charge of publicity. Concluding will be billed by Nancy Aronov, and Jo O'Brien, assisted by Phil Shanon and Jack Mccullum will be in charge of set designs. Ticket sales will be in charge of Fines Martin.

We hear that Jonny Jones, thetrimmer from the west road, has worked up a whirlwind and bug-

Yes, it will be highly devot-

and Rosene Fyans is having his troubles as producer.

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Two

Frosh Girls... 
all yelling "Rice Is Nice"
at the top of their lungs. 

At the Ranch 
Meanwhile, back at the ranch, 
Sime's of the male section 
boarded private buses and traveled 
down Main Street, shouting 
optences at passing pedestrians. 

Eventually, without serious mishap or catastrophe, the convoy made it to the 
blocks from the Rice Hotel. The boys scrambled down from the 
, followed by the Rice Band and the converts filled with 
and began trudging in a traditional 
Sime March through downtown 
ton to the site of the 
Pep Rally. There was, however, a 
a slight detour. It must have been quite a shock for the audience 
at the Kirkie Theatre when a mass of green beanies and red 
suspenders swept across the 
with so easily. Undaunted, they 
more boys with ulterior motives, 
nice they could yell for Rice. 

in front of the Hotel, the girls 
and zoomed back to the campus 
get what they missed downtown. 
has it that a Sophomore girl 

Eventually, without serious 

Rally Club Selects 
14 New Members 
At last it can be announced! 
Newly-elected members of the 
Club are Fred Woods, Joe 
Guerrer, C. A. Van Wart, Phil 
Hugh, Lee Ballard, George 
Mora, George Brightwell, Bob 
Woolbright, Harold Hemley, 
Dick Allen, Jack Holland, 
and Marshall Crawford. 

Moving Just across the 
Rhine, we 
the German Club abroad and 
oping with plans for 
ayride and Christmas party in the 
coming semester. This 
quad evening at 7 p.m. in the 
Library Lounge will be 
shown two excellent travel films 
Austria. There will be 
English subtitles. Donations for the mov- 
ies is only twenty-five cents. 

will see you there. 

Dickie Stephens of the 
reports that the men in khalij 
have completed plans for a dance 
ay 20 to the 
Field Officers' Club. Ed 
Sulli- 
vans Orchestra will play. For 
Homecoming, Chestenians plan to 
open house and will have a 
frat at half-time. The Corpus 

in the larger among the 
campus-paying members. 

with blonde hair was accidental- 
lly mistaken for a Freshman 
Accident or Sophomore slump. 

Clever girls escaped the on- 
slaught by hiding under and be- 
hind parked cars. Those who 
didn't quite get away are petition- 
ting the school for new pinas- 
forest. 

"Oh, well," as one cheerful lit- 
tile girl put it, "it wasn't too 
bad, I felt much better after I 
went home and gargled." 

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HONOR SYSTEM EXAMS

FRESHMAN CLASS TAKES HONOR SYSTEM EXAMS

Thursday and Friday of last week in the English 100 class freshmen were tested on their knowledge of the Honor System. The points covered in this test are a minimum of necessary information about the Honor System. For the benefit of any up-to-date freshmen were tested on their knowledge of the Honor System.

The formation about the Honor System are a basic information about the system and how it may be carried out. In case you're not quite sure of the answers: sophomore class—5 members, junior—4, senior—4, and I, a junior and a junior. The names of Honor Councilmen are posted in the Owl directory. Only personal reason is allowed as a ground reason for a considerable protection for an accused.

Both accused and accuser are protected by a closed trial, and the accused is further assured of just treatment by the necessity of a unanimous vote of the Council to convict of guilt. The examination rules are: books at the Stadium.

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"Nothing in excess" were the words carved on the Oracle at Delphi ... the Athenians for an ideal; they called it the Golden Mean ... moderation was the keynote of that era.

... In 1955 a dynamite land of excitement, excess, and extremes; modern is the ideal of another time and age.

Boys will be boys; even our freshest boys will be boys, and freshman year is for that reason. A Great Rice tradition has been abolished; gone is the happy, hectic climax of the annual slime parade. Some say the girls liked this tradition as much as, or maybe even more than, the boys. In the past, happy, sympathetic smiles of spectators proved that they enjoyed the climax.

Frowdly, mischeif, and borsaply are a part of the great Ameri
can tradition called "undergraduates." Rice used to be a part of the South and the South used to break through the phony facade of school-
room quiet at least twice a year ... at the annual slime parade with its
traditional climax and during the happy days of Hall Week in the
spring. Hall Week has almost disappeared; the climax of the slime
parade has been abolished; will the slime parade be abolished next?

We posit the administration to reconsider its abolition of this long
standing tradition; we believe that with a reconsideration there will
come a restoration of the rightfl climax of the slime parade ...

There has been a lot of conversation here in the off-
cise lately about the changing character of Rice traditions.

Many claim that they are fast disappearing, and to coun-
teract this movement, a staff member recently turned in the
news editoral.

We feel that although the article is a protest against
something which we are in sympathy with, the approach
is significantly wrong. Moderation didn't die with the Great
Civilization, nor should it be lost to us in American
today. To the contrary, "Nothing in Excess" should be our
goal, not only the students, but as citizens, even in our dy-
namic land of excitement.

Yet, those traditions persist without the excesses which
have imperiled them, and they should be reinstated.

The first place in between our two campus customs is
"grab" and "brawl," and the difference lies in the con-
cept of moderation which is just as important today as it
was in Periclean Athens. Rather than disregard the prin-
ciples which have been demonstrated a few times in
their activities ...

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If the administration prefers to reconsider for somphoes in-
stead of shoes.

These traditions are fun when carried on "in moder-
ation." Even an undergraduates are governed by rules of
society, and though we can transgress these rules and
parade through town in our pajamas or sleep in the Sham-
rock, we are still limited. There can't be the flagrant abuse
of this phase of the event. Hell Week wasn't curtailed be-
cause the class presidents were held captive, but because
his identity is being concealed to save him embarrass-
ment and future postulants.

This boy is cithered in "Ber-
mosha Shorts." Contrary to popu-
lar superstition, this apparel did
not originate with the landed
nerarchy and vanity.

Religious Activities
By Polly Benoit

Spirit and enthusiasm will be added to the B.U.B.'s as they
tavel to Waco by way of a chartered bus! Dorr stu-
dents will be visiting Ma Hardy's "Ripper's" to get and the town
students will be filing their
own. This is a life time in or-
dr to shake the first meeting
will be held at 7:00 P.M. at
Ber
d and James Baptist Church
in Waco. Bus loading time will
be  2:15 P.M. (planning lot of Antey House). Students are urged to
time on the bus.

The Newman Club will hold its first general meeting at the
new site of "Mary's" at the Center at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, Oct-
29th. There will be a visiting speaker for this meeting, the first of a monthly series fea-
turings various activities.

Last week saw the publication of the first issue of St. Mary's News. Bill Manger, its editor, an-
nounced that it will be a weekly paper written, edited and pub-
lised by students and devoted to activities of the club, the cen-
ter, and Catholic students.

Paty, Bots the newly elected secretary of the Newman Club, will hold a position on the ex-
cutive committee of the club in addition to her work on the
new club paper.

At the beginning of each new school year fresh new approaches
are made to the students' life and goals. On Wednesday, October
19, Mr. Pie Poe From Second Presbyterian Church will speak to
the B.U.B. on the topic of "What Your Goal in College
Should Be."

Recently, the members of P. S. A. began their study cell
groups again. On Thursday, Oc-
tober 27, there will be a talk about "The Cnls Griefs At Aus-
in College" by Dr. Robert
Bulluck, formerly Professor of Bi-
ble at Austin College in Sher-
man and at Hardin-Simmons.
Pastor at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church.

Philip Pierce of Ellington

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Shhthing-It-Out

To the Editor:

A wonders Mr. Benner,
means by outsiders. Perhaps it is that Supreme Court-that un-
precedented one under the Constitution. We believe that ruled the Negro
is equal in fact if not in emotional-
ly equal, before the law. Not all the resistance, as he would have us believe, however, comes from
up North.

Perhaps the reason no Negroes in Mississippi still want to reform is
because they fear those back-
woods farmers and their threats of death. Negroes do not go to school,
why? It is against the law. They do not vote, why? Be-
cause, as happened on May 7, 1956, and August 15, 1955, when
they try, they do not live long.

They do not vote because there is a moral law of life and death.
and the vote, and that is life itself.

Mississippi's solution to the problem of registration is not to let things work themselves out under the law, but, to actually, literally, legislate the maintenance of segregation,
and if that does not work, to
murder. Everybody is entitled to his own opinion—this is mine.

Walter Sutton

HOMO DEGENERATA INVADE CAMPUS

We wish to express moral in-
dignation. Pictured at the right is a freshman boy. This is of
the species Homo Degenerata, a species which is slowly invading our
country, our nation, and fin-
ally our own conservative cam-
s.

This is a more basic need in 
life than the love of one's
self or the desire to be loved.
Essentially, life is a contest for
self expression regardless of
what that expression may be.

Mississippian (or is it foreign?)
students have treated this affair
as an extremely unfair attitude.

Yes, there is a moral lesson in the Burn's Rush which may be
denied to innocent freshmen be-
cause of the selfishness of local
dorm hall managers. Just be-
cause this lesson involves the
breakage of doors, windows, ta-
bles, chairs, bottles, glasses,
stairs, washbasins, jars and
all the rest of the things that they have denied us the use of
their facilities. We think thi

is an extremely unfair attitude.

Evidently, they don't under-
stand that the end justifies the
means, that the periodical re-
lease of inhibitions is a normal
mechanistic desire and enables Rice students to return to their stud-
ies full of high spirits. What
will become of the Tori's now.
Perhaps the reason no under-
graduates come to meet our
temporary facilities out of bond-
fire wood. When breaking and braw-
ling becomes old stuff, burn it,
while the fiddler plays.
To the Printer—One more faux pas like last iweek's indiscretely invaded during Forrestry 100.

The campus these days, initials J. P. and P. M. They have been her Aggie; Jean Chambers and Rod Poudreaux; Jane Warner and Terwhite, Jimmy Middleton, Elizabeth Todd, Pat Wilson, Lin Davis.

SPORTS EVENTS: The World Series Tuesday was attended by a large gathering around the T.V. set in our lounge. Enthusiasts included Jim Beaver, "Blue Blax" Manger, Jack Sweeney, Vic Kercher, and Dr. Forrester. The Clemens game was heralded for a mild Norther which made weather comfortable for the festivities.

Friday Night, and Phyllis Phair and Joan Busby for freshman societies. The fact that the room of a certain resident, who will remain nameless, was left was not always so. Believe it or not, literary societies continued to be exactly what they are.

The Rip Institute did not have the fellowship among their members. It seems that "literary study" is a way to benefit boys through the dorms.

RINGS 'N THINGS: Three prospective matches have evolved: Bob Taylor and Rice grad, Carl Hutchison; Leslie Neal and Tom Olcott; Pat Cunningham and Thad Marsh. We need more of the Shamrock-Hilton after the game Saturday. Celebrating the victory were Maureen Polly, Ted Richardon, Sonny Schiwat, Marshall Crawford, Rida Richardson and Marilyn Barbe.

THAWTED TRADITION: At the annual Sime Parade, sophomores, juniors, seniors, boys, Producer Dean McBride, managed to transfer a posterior to the campus. Some painting Slimes, riding in the parade, and adding to the general merriment were Conrad Scretel, Sannie O'Kitty, Julie Johnson, Jim Scurry, Gene Pratt, Jimmy Wychech, Chuck Berghane and Ron Bailey.

PEP PARTIES: After a rousing pep rally Friday night, "all the wheels" (almost all, that is) rallied around to a party at the home of the Fair-Haired Five. Living it up were Tommy Evans, Carolyn Sater, Jimmy McDannal, Elizabeth Talley, Pat Wilson, Lin Davis and Bobby Roth. The Rally Club took over the Ming Room of the Shamrock-Hilton after the game Saturday. Celebrating the victory were Maureen Polly, Ted Richardson, Sonny Schiwat, Marshall Crawford, Rida Richardson and Marilyn Barbe.

RISKING 'INI TOSSES: Three prospective matches have evolved: Bob Taylor and Rice grad, Carl Hutchison; Leslie Neal and Tom Olcott; Pat Cunningham and Thad March. We need more of this sort of thing; it's good copy. No foolin', though, congratulations.

RICE IN BERMUDA SHORTS: A newswise newcomer is Greece. The campus these days, initials J. P. and P. M. They have been her Aggie; Jean Chambers and Rod Poudreaux; Jane Warner and Terwhite, Jimmy Middleton, Elizabeth Todd, Pat Wilson, Lin Davis.

The Transition Society, a new group was formed by students interested in "literary" matters. The Rice Institute was first opened for classes in the fall of 1910. Later that fall Woodrow Wilson was elected president when "Bull" Roosevelt split the Republican Party wide open. Two years later, war broke out in Europe, but Europe in those days was far away. Girls at the Institute did not have the fellowship with other girls that was offered to the boys through the dorms. There was a current tradition that a girl in the literary society was transplanted to the Rice campus in 1914 to solve this problem.

Rice's first society was named after Elizabeth Baldwin. Its purposes were to benefit girls through their literary pursuits. Literary societies used to be exactly what the name implies—literary. The Rice Institute was first opened for classes in the fall of 1910. Later that fall Woodrow Wilson was elected president when "Bull" Roosevelt split the Republican Party wide open. Two years later, war broke out in Europe, but Europe in those days was far away. Girls at the Institute did not have the fellowship with other girls that was offered to the boys through the dorms. There was a current tradition that a girl in the literary society was transplanted to the Rice campus in 1914 to solve this problem.

First Lit Ritual was held on October 29, 1924. The men took up the tradition of the literary society—was traditional program included scholarly papers offered by the boys. With competition, rush has been long and hectic. Rush is still by invitation only. Four lira were not enough for all the girls. The panaeum was to form four new lira as that would have been seen, something twice per day, quaffing coffee in the lounge. Innmates of Collin's Kindergarten were swiftly repulsed by the rush of the lovely ladies. The grand traditions have been severed between Banks Apartments' own Mrs. Dunns and freshman Slimes. This unfortunate state of affairs was due to the fact that the room of a certain resident, who will remain nameless, was inappropriately invaded during fall term. EVERYONE IS TALKING ABOUT: A certain PAL (A. F.) who already has a date in the Engineer Ball... How Coby Caldwell, Carmen Carver and the ladies of Theta Xi were obviously interested in freshman girls Friday Night, and Phyllis Phair and Joan Busby for freshman boys.

A WORD—To the Printer—One more time yes you the last week's column, and we shall part company.

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Rice Literary... (Continued from Page 5)

**Lucky Dime* SAYS RICE TO DEFEAT SMU**

By ALAN RINGOLD

As the SWC teams enter their first week-end of conference play, we find this is a good time to assess the Rice strengths and weaknesses of the teams and make some revisions in pre-season predictions of the standings for the conference. With three to four games left in their belts, the SWC teams have shown many unexpected factors which should be important in determining the outcome of the conference.

Texas A&M, the defending champ, has already been eliminated as a contender after dropping two conference games to Baylor and TCU. The Baylor game was a 27-13 thumping. The Bears are running out on the Porkers while they were on the Bear two yard line. Arkansas still should not be underestimated and is in a position to play the role of spoiler. Texas Tech has shown himself to be much weaker than expected, they have the talent but the trouble seems to be a need for better coaching. Right now the Longhorns are out of the running for the top spot but could rally enough to cause some trouble.

Baylor Baylor blows ulcerately hot and cold. One week they are much better and the next they are mediocre at best. Perhaps the reason is the absence of injured Doyle Traylor, and as soon as he regains his health, the Bears will be much stronger. However, it looks like they will not have more than Traylor to be a championship contender. We are still waiting for SMU to show the power expected of them. They have the potential but so far they have done a pretty good job of not using it. Their big Rice let's itself get pushed around and their pass defense is much better than they did last year. Four of its v111 greatness in the running of Mustekheen and Throck- horn. Pinky Nishke's running at times was the quarterback really good but turned to two of their T.D.'s. He also turned in some good and timely plays while King Hill, who started, threw away a good many poten- cials. Don Gillis anchored a fine Rice line.

Next Score

The first Rice score was set up early in the first quarter by a Tiger fumble on their own 24. In a fourth down situation on the 17 Hill threw to Peters for the T.D. Point after was good. A second quarter surprise came when Peters started on the 17. It was clinched by runs of 17 and 28 yards by Nishke and Mustekheen. Mutschink made the score and Nishke kicked the extra point.

The fourth quarter touchdown was sparked by a 21 yard Nick- mel. Throckhorn missed from the 9 for the score. The drive went for 49 yards and this time Throck- horn made the extra point good.

Mutschink was high roller for the Owls with 81 yards. Scoring was by Mutschink, Peters and Throckhorn. The Owls looked much better than they did in their outing against the Bengals from Louisiana. They are settling into the team we know them to be.

The Clemens game showed the Owls could go. If they show a little more consistency, we look to see them in the Cotton Bowl. With '54 games behind us, the best past games but the Clemens game gave good omens for the future.

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By BRUCE MONTGOMERY
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sion?

Communist China says it will now withdraw six divisions from North Korea. Soviet Russia has made a complete military evacua-
tion of all Soviet troops and arma-
ture. They have also announced the release of 900 political priso-

ners of war. These moves may have convinced a western statesman that the new Russi-

an is the so-called Spirit of Geo-

rge Kennan may not be the friendly old man they once called him.

Under the cover of the spirit of Geo-

The new Russian tactics have been to series of events; (3) Age 35 years or under; (4) Knowledge of the language of the country to which the candidate proposes to apply for awards under the Ful-

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lection of candidates for study within their borders. /F F

Student Follies...

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Senior Follies...

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October 16, 6:30 and 7:10 P.M.; Monday, October 17, 7:10 P.M.; Tuesday, October 18, 7:10 P.M.; Wednesday, October 19, 7:10 P.M.; Thursday, October 20, 7:10 P.M.; and Friday, October 21, 7:10 P.M. In case you lose your registration on campus and attend the dorm open house from 1:30 p.m. until 2 p.m.

The Arkansas game will be at Rice Stadium.

Shop Fields and his orchestra will play for the semi-formal homecoming dance at 9 p.m. Saturday, alumni will register on campus and attend the dorm open house from 1:30 p.m. until 2 p.m.

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The Owlets face SMU in season opener.

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In spite of the fact that Rice students frequent the Co-op and Roost constantly, there seems to be an appalling lack of information on these two student-owned enterprises. The financial statements which appear on this page were furnished by the management to help clarify their operations.

The Co-op serves not only as a convenience toshoppers and as a distributing agent for "Rice Items," but also as a sort of purchasing agent for many academic and administrative departments. Its profits, which run only about six and one-half per cent of sales, are used to subsidize the losses in the Roost and into a fund, which is deposited with Rice and earns 3 1/2 per cent interest compounded semi-annually. This fund, which since the Co-op's beginning in 1917 has built up to $231,938.36, is being accumulating for the construction of a new to distant student union building. This same fund furnished the money to provide the equipment for the present Co-op and Roost and to furnish and equip the present lounge and student officers.

The Rice Institute Co-Operative Store, as both the book store and restaurant are collectively titled, is administered by a Board of Directors composed of Dr. Houston, Mr. Simons, and Mr. McCann as permanent members, and Jack Holland and Bob Hartfield as student members. The student members serve two year terms, and a junior and a senior are always on the board.

The Board is anxious to administer this enterprise in accordance with student needs and wishes—so earnestly solicits constructive suggestions.