Rice To Build New Student Center

Campus Buildings Show Generosity Of Rice Founder

by Larry McMurtry

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Lovett's Tour

Dr. Lovett, first president of the Rice Institute, was greatly concerned with the plans that were being made for a tour of the world universities, which consumed over a year and ranged from England to Japan to observe the very best. Architect Charles Eames had accepted, the plan approved. The architecture itself contained the most pleasing features of that of Italy, Spain, and France.

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GALA WEEKEND SET FOR '55 HOMECOMING

Homecoming activities will get underway on Friday with a pep rally and bonfire in conjunction with the film "Through the Sallyport." Homecoming weekend activities will begin at 7:45 PM after the bonfire at 6:45.

The Queen

The identity of the queen and the two princesses will be kept secret until half-time at the Rice-Mississippi game on Saturday.

Some unofficial visitors paid their respects to William Rice's statue by dumping a bucket of yellow paint over it Wednesday night. They also painted "AGGIES" and "TAMC" on the Dorr of the Southport, across Lovett Hall, and in front of the Chemistry building. Extra police protection will be provided during the homecoming weekend.

same Saturday, when the crown is draped by Dr. Hussey, assisted by alumni president Jack Shanman and Student Association president Burs McMurtry. During the half the fluids built by the literary societies and the four classes honoring coach Jess Neely will add a colorful touch to the ceremonies.

Tickets

Tickets to the homecoming dance Saturday night in the Shamrock-Hilton's Emerald and Green Room are on sale inside the Student Association office in the lounge. Only 400 tickets will be sold this year, says homecoming chairman John Honeyman, because of a limited crowd of conditions of last year's dance.

R.S.S. GUNARWARDENE

Mr. Gunarwardene has been the Ceylon ambassador in Washington since March, 1954. His visit to Rice comes after an extensive tour of college campuses throughout the nation. He has spoken at the University of California, Stanford, Cornell, John Hopkins, and Pennsylvania University.

Educated at Colombo in Ceylon

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WELCOME HOME ALUMNI

November 5 has been proclaimed Jess Neely Day by Mayor Roy Hofheinz. For details see page 5.
Dorms To Have Face Lifting As Part Of College System

With the completion of Rice's proposed building program additions are to be made to the existing dormitory facilities so that each of the existing halls will be converted into a residential college accommodating 220 men.

Residential colleges were planned for Rice in the beginning but were never established. The projected "college system" has been worked out after a thorough study of similar facilities in operation on other college campuses by the Committee on Student Housing (a student faculty group) to bring this original plan to fruition.

The colleges are to be separate entities. Each will have its own student government, dining and lounge facilities, and counselor or Master. The Master will be the head of the college and will reside with his family in the immediate proximity of the college.

Alternatives

Alternatives as follows will be made to the present halls: WIESS HALL, which already accommodates 220 students, will gain a dining hall which will be attached to the present lounge extending toward the library.

EAST HALL will have another wing added to increase its present capacity to the desired 220. The present common and similar facilities will be remodelled for dining and lounge facilities for East College.

WINSTON HALL and WESLEY HALLS each gain a dining hall, lounge facilities and an additional residential kitchen.

Kitchen

The four college dining halls will be served by a central kitchen remodelled from the present common kitchen.

Masters' residences will be built along the streets between the present dormitories, paired two at each end, and adequate parking facilities are planned near each of the colleges.

2 Story New Dorm Has Lounge Area

The administration has advanced to the press a preview of the long-awaited girls dormitories.

The preview consisted of architectural blue-prints of the interior of the dorms.

The dorms will be two-story and each dorm will house approximately 31 girls, plus a house mother. They will open to an adjacent dining hall.

Students will not room on the ground floor. On this floor there will be a spacious lounge, and a large recreation room. Adjoining to these will be four date rooms, a small kitchen, a small desk, a quiet room, plus living and sleeping quarters for the housemother.

The second floor will have dormitory rooms and singles. These will be on opposite sides of the hall. There will also be a lounge, a small kitchen and laundry, and a large central toilet.

The exterior of the dorms is open to conjecture as no perspective was available.

WINSTON TASTES GOOD!

College smokers all over the country are welcoming Winston with open arms! This king-size filter cigarette gives you real tobacco flavor. The full, rich flavor really comes through to you because the exclusive Winston filter works so effectively. In short: Winston tastes good — like a cigarette should!
**Future Looking Up**

The future looks bright. In the near future the Thresher may be able to use its files for newspapers and not as storage space for playing cards of the inhabitants of our future. To the best every time our resources are being used to the full. In addition, the Academic Quadrangle will near completion.

It is difficult to even attempt to imagine the changes that this expansion plan will have on the students. Any attempt to visualize the campus without the library, Abercrombie Laboratory, Belz Hall, and Anderson Hall means with little success, for these buildings and facilities are today so much a part of the campus that they seem indispensable. Yet, the new building program will probably effect the campus as much as did the '47 construction.

We can't say what the Rice campus will be like with a student center and chapel, new academic buildings, girls' dorms, and the college system, but we feel certain that it will be better. We don't have any scientific basis for prediction, but our faith in the actions of the Governors and our observations on the planning of the Institute lead us to this conclusion. At Rice, when a building is erected, it not only indicates change, but also progress.

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**A Live Sammy?**

Sammy is really quite an owl. His six foot plus height makes him one of the tallest owls in the world. He is highly prized by the examiners every time they have to round out the athletic field or court score, and he's probably the most ferocious owl in existence. At any rate he is definitely the most grasped owl in existence. Of course, his existence is sometimes questioned; and most sports covers carry the notation that the Sammy mascot is mythical.

Mythical or not, Sammy returned to the Rice campus. A new Sammy presents a favorable comparison with other school mascots, but while our six foot Sammy compares with wild cats, tigers, horses, bears, and other more savage forms of wild life, a bird even with a six foot wing spread would present quite a spectacle flying around the field with attendants running along holding a rope attached to his foot.

The owl to be purchased might be shrewd, but we wonder about those who want to purchase him.

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**The Rice THRESHER**

### Threshing-It-Out

#### To The Student Body:

This Homecoming activities promise to be even better than ever. First we have the privileges of honoring Coach Nees; second, we have a tough game in store for us; third, we have extraordinary plans for halftime entertainment; fourth, we have the bonfire which will be bigger than ever since it is the last Rice game before the holidays; fifth, we have our annual television broadcast which will be televised all night and not only indicates change, but also progress.

The plans have been built up on the assumption that the Student Body will participate actively. This year the success of the Homecoming will be totally dependent on this cooperation. I am sure it will be given where it is needed.

Burt McMurtry

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**Religious Activities**

#### Newman Club

The Newman Club will hold an Inauguration Mass and an Ecumenical and non-Catholics at Saint Mary's, 11:00-12:15. Professor Mansfield of the French Dept. will discuss the "Disruption Europae," as reviewed by Professor Lester Mansfield, as the M.M. meeting next Thursday, Nov. 10th.

The Student Government has expanded to fill five floors and a basement to capacity. By now all the proposed buildings are near completion, and several more added. Some well meaning alumni have donated a hives on enon building which is located inconveniently close to the corner of the campus.

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**Millling Around**

Notices of the week:

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By now the parking problem has been virtually eliminated. People can enter the building on any day. The main entrance and exit keep all cars off campus. A new menace threatens the Administra-
By BARBARA VEYON and ALICE COWAN

Introducing our two distinguished guest columnists, HEDA HART and VANESSA VAN.

November 4, 1965

The Azalea Room at the Shamrock was but a stage and all the bums were actors at the rally Club's annual Ban's Reel to end all Ban's Reels. Some of the actors showing their assets were Dick Stept, Ann Farmer, George More, Rango Snyder, Pat Wolfe, and Jim Wilson. Several noted personalities observed the action from a more comfortable position, but for a small fee their names have been withheld.

Better luck next time to Fibby Palmer in his attempt to clear the trash from the Shamrock's 10 meter diving board. In case anyone is disturbed by such a mer—

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Queen Election Results Will Be Told Tomorrow

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Shep Fields’ Band Tops

Does “Rippling Rhythm” sound familiar? It ought to, for it is the trademark of the foremost figure in music today, a trademark that was won by sweat and blood and hard work on the horn.

The story begins with a young boy who couldn’t qualify for the school orchestra, but it fit the blood and hard work on the road. The famed Palmer House in Chicago, where he was booked for forty weeks. It was during this engagement that the bandleader introduced his modern style of “Rippling Rhythm” that has ranked his name at the top of the musical ladder.

Institute Gives
137 Scholarships

It is well known, though not always appreciated, by Rice students that while they are attending the Institute they are receiving the benefits of a program that under the more common American college situation would cost them about $1200 a year.

A probably less known situation is that 137 students receive scholarships a year by or through The Rice Institute. The Committee on Examinations and Standings aids in the selection of recipients of all but 28 of these scholarships, the 28 being those awarded to incoming freshmen by Committee on Admissions.

These scholarships have a total value of $30,175.

Qualifications

Two qualifications must be fulfilled to receive one of these grants of money. The first qualification is scholarship. Dean Fletcher, member of the Committee on Examinations and Standings, pointed out that they are not given to students on “pros.”

The second qualification is financial need. If a student would like to receive the honor of being awarded a scholarship but does not feel that he needs the financial aid, he can be awarded the scholarship without being granted any of the money. The award of a scholarship will be placed on his academic record and the scholarship will be “awarded” again to another student.

Many graduates receive scholarships to other schools, but most of these are handled by the department in which the particular student majored. Students desiring to apply for the scholarships mentioned in this article can find additional information in the General Announcements, a Rice Institute pamphlet, available at the Registrar’s Office.

ENGINES, SCIENCE MAJORS

A representative of the Du Pont Company will be on this campus NOVEMBER 14, 15, 16 to interview Bachelor and Master degree candidates majoring in Chemistry & Physics, Industrial Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Metallurgical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Safety Engineering.

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Goodyear representative will be here on NOVEMBER 18

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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Jess Neely, athletic director and head football coach of The Rice Institute, is this year rounding out his 38th year in the coaching profession, his 25th year as head coach of a major college team, and his 15th year in the Southwest Conference, and

WHEREAS, Jess Neely, during his nearly one-third of a century as a football coach, has set a most worthy example of sportsmanship and leadership for the youth of America, and

WHEREAS, Jess Neely, throughout his distinguished career, has exemplified all the finer qualities of fair play and clean but rugged competition, and

WHEREAS, the students and alumni of The Rice Institute have dedicated their 1955 homecoming to Jess Neely, NOW THEREFORE, I, Roy Hofheinz, Mayor of the City of Houston, do hereby declare the day of November 3, 1955, to be

JESS NEELY DAY

and do direct the attention of our citizens to the many excellent contributions made by Jess Neely and other members of the football coaching profession to the proper upbringing of our youth, to the development of better citizenship, and to the maintenance of our traditional ideals of self-reliance and spirited competition.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Houston to be affixed this day of , A.D., 1955.

ROY HOFHEINZ
Mayor of the City of Houston

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thrust from Texas to destroy the bonfire the tradition of alums guarding the bonfire was established. The reception at the dorms, Homecoming dinner in the Commons and Alumni Coffins kept the returning alumni and their friends entertained and the dance was a long-to-be-remembered one which took place on the beautiful Rice Terrace. A wreath was placed on Rice’s tomb and all students attended the impressive ceremony.

The War!

In 1940 the Thresher printed an ominous column "The World at War" end of the usual Homecoming history and plans. Despite this an overflow crowd attended the Owls-Lone Star game, and enthusiasm was high. The following year Homecoming honored the first graduating class and President Emeritus Edgar Odell Lovett.

During the war years Homecoming was appropriately confined to the Memorial Service at the tomb of William Marsh Rice and the annual business meetings and attendance at the game, but in 1945 the old festivities were re-established. War had left its effect, however, and it was not until 1947 that Homecoming again came into its own. For the first time since the dedication of Cohen House in 1937, Rice Institute had a new building, Anderson Hall. A special dinner was held honoring Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Abercrombie and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wills for their generous donations toward the new, new familiar, Abercrombie Laboratory and Wills Hall. The following year Abercrombie Laboratory was dedicated, Fondren Library was in the process of being built, and the plan for a Homecoming Queen was defeated by the Student Council because of the lack of time in which to make arrangements.

New Stadium

The new Stadium! In 1950 Homecoming was an outstanding event as Rice played Texas for the first time in our beautiful, nationally famous, stadium. A sell out crowd of 70,000 marked the day. The election of a queen and four princesses took place, and the Fondren Library was a cherished and familiar sight. The following year Homecoming was officially become a two day celebration. The Homecoming bonfire was initiated and the showing of football movies became the vogue. In the year 1932 the old stadium was proudly dedicated and hope was briefly revived for the Alumni Memorial Building. For the first time Rice played Texas at its own stadium, and lost.

The Outside Angle

Aggie Bandmen Composed After Playing TU’s Song

by Nancy Angell

Last week the A&M Batallion reported disciplinary measures taken by the Commandant’s office; "Seventeen sophomore in the Aggie Band were Campused until the end of the semester and were placed on probation for the remainder of the year for marching down the quadrangle of the East Arena at 3 A.M. playing the "Aggie Warning." I wonder if they went to Bun’s Rush?

But now that Bun’s Rush is over (thank goodness) we can look forward to coming dances, the Homecoming and the Engineer. Since some of you freshman girls have been warned about "Engineers who pass as ah expert on the basis of being good looking" don’t let your paths cross the Engineers. We plagiarize this definition from the Kentucky Engineer: "An engineer is a person who passes as an expert on the basis of his good looking able to turn with out probity for an infinite series of incomprehensible formulas calculated with micrometric precision from vague assumptions based on debatable figures taken from innumerate experiments carried out with instruments of problematic accuracy by persons of dubious character and question- mentalty for the avowed purpose of annoying and confusing a hopeless commercial group of eager fans referred to all too frequently as "Practical Engineers."

Put It In

A certain Baylor alum carried this efficiency business too far. (An Engineer?) He wrote the Baylor Round-Up, yearbook, requesting two annuals—one for himself and one for his wife, also an ex. Enclosed was a self-addressed, stamped envelope. He must not have looked at the size of the Baylor Yearbook for some- thing.

In 1942, 7,500 pedestrians were killed in U.S. traffic accidents.
The Rice fencing team is open to anyone, and the Owls won second in team foil, and seconds in team epee and saber. Captain Fred Sklaar, a well-known sports broadcaster, will be able to see the Owls in a meet at the University of Houston December 3, and at Rice December 10. There is also a freshman team, and boys wishing to try out are welcome.

In spite of losing some fifty of its regular freshmen members to the Homecoming Parade, the flash card section will follow Saturday, and Coach Neely, the Homecoming Queen, the alum, and Arkansas will be honored by the participants in the halftime activities. The card section will present five designs in co-ordination with the band's performance. As the band honors the alumni, the card section will follow with a large X's design. While Coach Neely is honored by the parade and the band, the section will boast him with a bolting champions cocktail. The Homecoming Queen will be honored as she is crowned by a golden heart and her name, not in lights, but in the card section. Finally, the section will give a tribute to the visiting team with a typical Arkansas hillbilly gig.

Due to the fact that about fifty freshman boys will be needed to carry the parade flares, the section has been cut down accordingly. More students than just the freshmen section will be asked to participate and we hope that this perfectly pure show will result.

Student-conducted tours of the campus will also be from 11:00 to 12:00, along with shows and set of ends signs have been chosen accordingly. More students than just the freshmen section will be asked to participate and we hope that this perfectly pure show will result.

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Presents... are welcome.

Champion Crown

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TICKER LEADS TALL SIX IN BASKETBALL

By Tim Stevens

In a league in which every team has its spots, basketball coach Don Suman can only promise, "We will be a young ball club in there scrapings."

The Owls, practicing since Tuesday, are led by Temple Tucker, former All State at Bowie High School, a sophomore who broke Fresh scoring records last year averting 50 points per game. Tucker, at 6'11", will be the tallest man in the league. Four lettermen return from last year, 6'7" senior Joe Durrnberger, junior Fred Woods, Glen Fields, and Dave Costrell, and squadmen Billy Ar-...
SLLS Offering Nov. 9 - 10

No matter what you do on a rainy night in Rice, be sure to watch "Drizzle" in A-House on Wednesday and Thursday November 9 and 10, at 8 p.m. Written by Fred Woods and his water-proof pen and coordinated by Ginger Williams and her dripping whip, "Drizzle" is the fun filled SLL parody on "Rain." A group of stranded voyagers; Miss Phair, a resident of a South Pacific Island, plays hostess to a group of stranded voyagers; Miss Sadie Thompson, played by Florence Gray, Bysshe Mange, a Mrs. Gangrene, played by Pat Sides, Miss Bet-tie St. John, a secretary as English as Angela Jones can be, and Launcelot, alias Ann Page, Sadie's sailer suitor. When Gangrene, an artist played by Eve Everett, asks if he can paint Sadie, she assents, not knowing the full implications of the agreement. The picture is painted, but complications set in as Sadie is threatened with deportation by the governor. Sadie and sailors, sailors and sailors romp across the A-House stage in a native-filled show well worth the 75c admission.

Use of the transistor in Bell telephones

Shown here are the parts of the shrill amplifying unit in Western Electric's new Volume Control Telephone. Because of the use of a transistor (shown above, extreme left on index finger) this amplifying unit is no larger than an ice cube and can fit inside the housing of a standard telephone. Manufacturing of transistors on a commercial basis represents a solid engineering achievement... for it means volume production of an item that must be made under rigidly controlled laboratory conditions. For example, harmful impurity atoms in the germanium must be reduced to less than 1 for every 10,000,000,000 germanium atoms and then helpful impurity atoms added until there is approximately 1 for every 50,000,000,000 germanium atoms. Western Electric has been making transistors since 1951 when our engineers set up the first commercial production line. This history-making achievement is representative of the way we work as the manufacturing unit of the Bell System... translating Bell System designs and inventions into the many things—from tiny semi-conductors to huge switching systems—we used in the nationwide Bell telephone network. It's a job that presents an unending challenge to our engineering staff.