Staff Council

Elections Set; Sammly Must Be Put Away

BY ERLENE HURBY

The meeting was appropriately opened, and a number of members were absent, in form. There was no Holrand (our new president) read a telegram from Carolyn Dear-

mord, who is representing old Bi at the Berkeley Football Program, and Miss America, but still put-

ting in a plug (1) for the old Bi...

Wes Pffnman then read a letter from Holrand, criticizing the use of the job of union janitor for the coming year. (I'm serious.) Anyone else interested in said job (i.e. janitor, but we had to use this term,) should let someone on the council know the job pays $10 a week... Bob Fri., chairman of the Elections Committee, named the faculty to serve for Homecoming Queen plus two (Oct. 15); for the assistant editors for The Riceite (Oct. 15); to elect the Business Managers of said publications (Oct. 22); and to fill the vacancies on the soph., honor council, and the Class B vice-

president (Oct. 20) ... a report bill was approved for a chair that burned in the lounge...

Hollrand was named editor, thoroughly. No big name band was available for the dance, and as a "little name"-eye-richer band was approved.

The dances were held in the coliseum, Friday, the 28th of Oct. and ex. The tickets will be $4.00; the council is trying to keep the dance a non-profit af-

fair.

The bonfire was held for Thurs-

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DR. HOUSTON SPEAKS AT MATRICULATION

Saturday, September 15, Presi-

dent Houston followed one of the oldest customs we have, wel-

coming the freshmen to the campus and speaking to them of the ideals of the Rice Insti-

tute. He said he hoped they might join the students as they wish it.

Dr. Houston discussed the place of the university in the university. He emphasized, however, that the im-

portance of the university is not quite different. "Those of you who have taken up your profes-

sions say that you have come here to get an education." Dr. Houston said that the main purpose of the subjects for debate was "Rad-

ical thinking. All students should guarantee a college education that is as good as you wish it. Neither the federal government, nor anyone else can guarantee an education to any-

one of you. The education is your own activity. The education is what happens to you; it is what you do, and that is largely inde-

pendent of the surroundings in which you spent your time."

Religious Ideas Expand

"The endeavor of enlarging your point of view and your range of understanding is often a painful one. Often this is true of religious points of view. You will come in contact with some in the student body, with some in the faculty, and you will come in contact with some in the religious leaders. Please take notice."

Refreshed and enthused, the bands followed this stop for relax-

ation and cleanliness, the bands

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ALABAMA'S 'TIDE' COMES ROLLING IN

BY JAMES RAGSDALE

Alabama's famous Tide comes on the doorstep of Rice Owls' campus, and will be a formidable opponent for the Rice Owls in tomorrow's season opener at 8 p.m. in Rice Stadium—last season's results notwithstanding.

Bama lost ten straight in 1965 and has won in its last 16 starts, a tremendous decline from the Rose Bowl-

ing day of old. But the 1965 edition of the Tide may be due in change things for the better.

Rice, the lightest team in the Southwest Conference, will be outweighed 20 pounds per man by the Bama line which averages

210 pounds and is featured fast on defense.

Crimsons Rebuilding

Although the Crimson is re-

building, as is Bama, the Deep

South squad is not as dominated by sophomores as are the Owls. The only sophomores that may start are cents Charles Grady and Will-

Beck and quarterback Charles

Neilsen, who has been playing be-

hind veteran Clay Walls.

The backfields, Nebraska trans-

fers Dan Cottom and Jim Lat-

ton, are big (200 plus) and fast.

Coach J. E. "Kicks" Whitcomb has a solid defense, with vari-

ations, including a touch of the Chicago Bear Y.

Third Time The Charm?
The Alabama crew will be out for its first win over the Owls in three tries. Rice's 1953 South-

west Conference champs went 28-9, in the 1954 Cotton Bowl, and the Tide in last season's opener, 20-14, for one of the Owl's two 1956 victories.

New Faculty is Announced

Three internationally known

scholars are among the 20 ad-

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New Adviser to Men

Dr. Guy Johnson, Jr., Rice, Texas, who has accepted the position of New Adviser to Men, has an- 

nounced his decision to hold the position of New Adviser to Men. He will be in his office on the second floor of Lovett Hall each afternoon, Monday through Friday, for counseling with men stu-

dents.

"My task is primarily to be available for advising and encou-

raging problems with the stu-

dents," Dr. Johnson said. "The benefits of the new counseling pro-

gram, he feels, can be as great as the students wish to make it.

A statement from Dr. Houston issued earlier this week, read: "By creating this new position, the

university is recognizing the growing need for counseling on the college campus."

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In its first meeting at the 1956-57 school year the Honor Council chose Dr. Jurg Waser of the Chemistry Department as its sponsor for the next two years. Dr. Waser succeeds Dr. Phillips of the history department who has served as Honor Council sponsor for the last two years. The Council would like to take this opportunity to express publicly its gratitude to Dr. Phillips for his generous contributions of interest, effort, and time, and would like to welcome Dr. Waser as its new sponsor.

The Council sponsor serves as a link between the faculty and the Honor Council so that the actions of the faculty may be brought to the Honor Council meetings, and that the Council can more easily communicate its problems and ideas to the faculty. The sponsor serves in an advisory capacity, and although the sponsor is not a member of the voting body, his suggestions and proposals are given the utmost consideration.

The Council also discussed the freshmen orientation for the year. The orientation will be essentially the same as it was last year. The Honor Councilmen will contact the Freshmen in individual conferences to explain the Honor System to them.

The incoming Freshmen will receive an examination on the Honor System. These tests will be given in the Math 100, Economics 100, and Philosophy 100 classes this year. The exam is being given for the second time in the history of the school and will in all probability become a permanent part of the Freshman orientation. The sponsor serves to acquaint the Freshman with the workings, spirit, and meaning of the Honor System, and lets him know exactly what is expected of him by the Honor System, as well as what he should expect from the System.

WASER IS NEW SPONSOR FOR THE HONOR COUNCIL

THE RICE ENGINEER TO BEGIN PUBLICATION

Rice's own technical journal the Rice Engineer, is beginning publication for the 1956-57 school year. The first issue will appear in late November, at the usual price of twenty-five cents.

The staff of the Engineer for 1956-57 includes Jack Conklin, editor; Charles Koberg, assistant editor; and Mike Horwitz, feature editor.

Subsequent issues of the Engineer will appear in January, March, and May. These issues are free to members of the Engineering Society.

The articles found in the Engineer, excluding the traditional page of distinctive humor, are of a technical and semi-technical nature. Each copy contains from five to seven articles, the final number being dependent upon the length of the papers.

Anyone wishing to write for a technical journal, or desiring a paper published, is asked to contact Mike Horwitz.

Freshmen and upperclassmen as well as everyone is invited to join the Glee Club, which meets every Monday night at 7:30 p.m. in Lovett Hall. Out-of-town trips and beer parties are included in the plans for the coming year.

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STUDENT RICKETS — Althouse has scheduled as its next New York actors, and the Playhouse will have a promising cast of Houston and the various concerts, tickets for the various concerts, plays, etc., and then make stab at reviewing them. STUDENT TICKETS — Although this year's prices for student tickets have not yet been announced, in the past the Houston Symphony and the Alley Theater and the Playhouse have offered good rates — so if you're interested in a season ticket to the Alley Theater, the Playhouse, and the Fine Arts have offered good rates — so if you're interested in a season ticket to the Symphony, which will be given in the Lecture Lounge sometime in late October. Dr. John Parish, of the Department of English is directing the cast and the play will be made up of old players. All freshmen and new students are urged by the group to come for tryouts for the one-act plays; tryouts will be held at the end of October. STEVENS RECORDS - RADIOS - TV Salsas and Service RALPH HELL 425 KIRBY JA 3-4669 Looking Ahead — The Alley Theater will open Sabrina, Pale around September 25, with a promising cast of Houston and New York actors, and the Playhouse has scheduled its next producethe SEVEN YEARITCH! Sorry, boys, no Marilyn Monroe—but from the pictures I've seen you won't be too disappointed.

For the first time in its not too brief history, the Rice Players did a summer production, Chekov's The Seagull. (They seem to have a real affinity for bird plays.) Mark Morris, an ex-Ballerina, and ex-player directed the show which was produced at the South Main Baptist Church. The actresses and actors included: JOAN FIELD, MARY LOU JACKSON, MARILYN BAETHELME, ELIZABETH BANNETT, HELEN MORRIS, JIM BERNARD, RICH MOORE, RAY LUCAS, ART MOORE, JAMES ALEXANDER, WALT SILVUS, and FRED RAYNIN.

EARLY START — The Players are already in the midst of preparation for a concert reading of Moliere's The Misanthrope, which will be given in the Lecture Lounge sometime in late October. Dr. John Parish, of the Department of English is directing the cast and the play will be made up of old players. All freshmen and new students are urged by the group to come for tryouts for the one-act plays; tryouts will be held at the end of October. Because of the limited half-time activities at the game, there will be no floats this year. There will be, however, campus decorations. As in the past, prizes will be presented for the best display.

Joe Belderman's orchestra will play at the annual Homecoming dance, to be held this year at the Coliseum. The dance is scheduled for Friday, October 26, at 8 pm preceding the Saturday night Texas game.

The Texas game, originally a big game, was set for Saturday evening by the coaches. No decision has been made concerning the Sunbluf, but our presidencies have been made to have either before the dance or else before the Alumni Barbecue yesterday evening. The Alumni have a business meeting scheduled for 7 pm, Friday. A Guide Service for the visitors will take place during the day, Saturday.

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FINE ARTS
Theaters Offer Special Prices To Colleglans

BY HELEN MORRIS
The Fine Arts column, as in the past, will cover a range of activities, from The Houston Symphony to the Fine Arts and Contemporary Arts Museums; the Alley Theater, the Playhouse, and Theater Inc., lectures and films on campus; the activities of the Rice Players (the extra-curricular drama group on campus), to the ballets and operas (both home grown and imported)—and anything else we feel will be of interest (and enlightenment) to the students and faculty.

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As with previous columns, who tell you what they are going to tell you, then tell you, and then tell you what they told you—this column attempts to keep you posted on the times, dates, and anything else we feel will be of interest (and enlightenment) to the students and faculty.

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THE THREESE

BY NAOMI ROBINS AND ESTELLE KESTENBERG

LAST FLINGs: Freshmen parties at Mary Claire Peden's house. Been living it up were Gary Hill, Frank Fulkerson, Dorothy Wilson, Carol Worthing, and Jim Meadows. For the Sophomores it was really the most Welcome guest was Edelweiss Beer served on a four-wheel-drive Landcrusier. Also seen were Ann Underfield, Bob Schumacher, Harvest Spencer, Randy Robinson, and Dick Bearden. Wedding bells tolled for Lincoln, Drexel and St. Jude Coops. Engaged are Rice Players' own Helen Mowry and Sandy Harmon, Carol VanDyke and Ring Eyering, Bill Fullerman and Jake Montgomery are also on the list of the engaged.

The Junior, having learned how to consume Miller beer, had some real shindigs. Due to the luscious burgers of the Junior class, stadium parties are now prohibited, and thus the Juniors met at Phyllis Phair's house. With a ratio of fifteen to one, the men had a great time. Surprising Davie Winters with a Happy Birthday song and cake were Tempie Tucker, Cody Caldwell, Jimmy Greenwood, Tom Cody, Penny Blackledge, and Frank Ryan. Sizzling from the trees was Handsome Jimmy Hendricks. The traditional class party for the Seniors was at David Gordon's. The most welcome guest was Eudibird Baran served on a four-wheel-drive Landcrusier. Also seen were Ann Underfield, Bob Schumacher, Harvest Spencer, Randy Robinson, and Dick Bearden. Wedding bells tolled for Lincoln, Drexel and St. Jude Coops. Engaged are Rice Players' own Helen Mowry and Sandy Harmon, Carol VanDyke and Ring Eyering, Bill Fullerman and Jake Montgomery are also on the list of the engaged.

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A high school senior preparing for college can take yearbook, crafts, study hall, physical education, English, and civics—four light and two solid courses. We frankly question the value of such a high school education which allows so many "play courses" and so little preparation for college. Even a freshman entering Rice may have had only one science, while a year each of biology, chemistry, and physics is valuable to college students of any major. A freshman may be acquainted with no other history than American history. A knowledge of ancient and modern history will be required of all college students. A student may have taken two years of language, probably Spanish, in high school. Why shouldn't he take three, even four years of the language he will need—French, Latin, German? Why does the high school student have so many electives? Why are his requirements so slight?

The effects of poor public school education are evident. Many university classes which should cover college level material must begin with the basics which should have been learned in high school, thus retarding the exceptional student in the one place he should receive proper attention—college. Many students come to college with no knowledge of the all-important tools he will need there, such as the ability to take notes, to scan books, to write research papers.

The college student's growth as a critical scholar is stunted by the lack of critical thinking. Until he is acquainted with the "barest facts" of history, science, or language he is not prepared to read original sources, classics, and interpretations. Only when he has mastered the barest facts will he have the opportunity to do individual research, to form his opinions from numerous and conflicting sources, and to study the wealth of material on a subject with a critical eye.

The vicious circle may continue. The student who had to get his secondary education in the first two years of college may have to get his college education in the fourth year. The student won't have the opportunity to do individual research, to form his opinions from numerous and conflicting sources, and to study the wealth of material on a subject with a critical eye.

We may not be able to dictate the quality of teaching in high schools. But we can dictate the subjects taught. Only when the universities raise their entrance requirements will the high schools raise standards.

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**The Rice Thresher**

**The Heat Is On!**

A rare time it is that a student editorial is written for the benefit of rather than in derision of the faculty. A striking inactivity, however, has come to light in view of the sudden condition of the girls' dormitory and the Commons. Almost any day this hot fall one can wander up to a professor's office in Anderson Hall and find the room empty. Without the glare of his eminent face a handkerchief already soaked with perspiration. In his stuffy little office one may detect, as his little breeze fighting its way through a veritable fog of hot air to provide the pleasant, inspiring atmosphere which is fabled to surround scholarly men.

It is not possible or practical for all the professors to have offices in the Fondren Library which might furnish this aura of cool contemplation which is so obviously lacking. The faculty, furthermore, is frequently on the campus a forty hour week and an eleven or twelve month year. Few students are here much without spending most of their time in the Library or the Lounge.

This editorial is not entirely altruistic. On occasion students are also found in the association of professors. The atmosphere is most uninviting for discussing, congratulating, or whatever our mental business may be.

We hope, with the present plans to provide a central air-conditioning plant at Rice and the gradual realization that ten day the entire campus needs to be air-conditioned, that our very hot and sweating professors may be the first to be emancipated from the intemperate atmosphere.

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**What Are Main Issues In Race For President?**

**BY TOM CADY**

The Democratic themes for the Presidential campaign seem to show that the "President is not master in his own house," and "The President is not running the country under a part time presidency." Stevenson contends that the leadership of the country passed to Vice President Nixon. The central issue in the campaign, says Stevenson, is "whether America wants to be a dead and condemned in complacency and cynicism, or whether it wants once more to turn and look the American student.

Stevenson's usual catch phrases and slogans should be once accused Mr. Eisenhower of "struggling" in his re-election campaign. This same Administration has prospered in the campaign. The Democratic theme is that the Bush Administration will continue with the same policies, "the same results."

**How Do You Think The Suez Situation Could Lead to War?**

Williams: Yes, it's possible but not probable. If handled delicately the situation won't result in war.

Campbell: It would result in a small scale war, but nothing large. Russia and America are peeping & in check.

Carrington: There is no possibility this war could start. We've never been under a Republican Administration, They're willing to sell prestige down the river to keep the Arabs happy.

Wagner: War is not probable but if it starts it will be hard to keep localized. It could easily set off a general war. Most of national spirit.

Anthony Eden frequently compared Nasser to Hitler—is there any comparison?

Williams: No comparison whatever. Nasser has the idea of keeping the Arabs happy and he's not doing it for the sake of demagoguery.

Campbell: The comparison is only limited validity. Nasser is not an emotionalist as Hitler is. And he's only interested in strengthening Egypt's position, not in taking over the whole Near East. Nasser wouldn't consider the atrocities Hitler allowed either.

Carrington: I differ there. As a social force Nasser is almost equal to Hitler. In 1933 Hitler was trying to establish a national state in the chasm of the Weimar Republic. Both were dependent on the West and both were trying to unify the nations. In the British case, Nasser isn't an abstract nationalism. He's not an emotionalist.

Wagner: Yes, Nasser is definitely an emotionalist. His speeches were made primarily to maintain popularity. His book, "Philosophy of Revolution" expressed the belief that the Arabs are a united social power. There are definite motions of conquest such as the Israel situation.

Did Nasser have the right to take the Suez Canal?

Williams: Yes. The Suez is an Egyptian soil. The majority of people concerned are Egyptians. Against his seizure is the fact that he is behaving on the same scale as Britain and France, but for Egypt he's doing the right thing. He's getting rid of foreign pressure and getting himself a bargaining point between the East and West.

Campbell: No. The canal ought to be opened to all ships at all times and Egypt is not strong enough to maintain it. Only joint ownership can guarantee its remaining open.

Wagner: Concerning the territorial validity of international law, I don't know just what provisions there might be for nationalization. But Nasser has made at least minor violations in failing to compensate the owners and taking over the canal before the treaty ran out.

**Should the Suez be internationalized?**

Williams: No. It should definitely be kept open to all ships at all times but run by Egyptians. Nasser's plan seems more practical.

Campbell: It should be run in the manner that it was in the past, a private company stock owned by nations throughout the world who have an interest in it. Nasser could tax the corporation but if the canal is in the hands of that sort of group we can be assured it will stay open.

Wagner: Complicate in Egypt's hands itself ships are closed out. The international plan, though also difficult in working is better.

Williams: Yes. The canal should be taken over by Egypt and can't be trusted.

**What should the U.S. foreign policy be?**

Williams: One, kick out Porter.

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This week the conference races open. Nasser can't accept

The Texas A&M Team Experienced

At Lubbock — The Red Raiders

Arkansas already has been hit

Arkansas, and Rice are consider*

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1954

From The Slimes -- To the Ridiculous

by slimes pat packet and many powers

The introduction of the new cheerleading outfit in Rice was completed Saturday by the annual Frosh Picnic and Orientation Dance. Those who had found quite a reception had been planned for them.

After President Houston's welcoming address and the guiding of the cheers by several upperclassmen, busses took the students to the Rice Field and the Rice Gymnasium. The Frosh were also in on this hectic fun, but rumor has it, foolishly.

The Orientation Dance, held in the building, climaxed the evening and ended a very enjoyable and unforgettable day.

Wednesday, September 12 registration day, began the orientation program. At this time all slimes were introduced to two very necessary pieces of equipment—the Freshman and the corresponding name tag paths of which are very much in Vogue today. Thursday and Friday were reserved for Library and Home-City orientation.

Class Pictures To Be Taken By Campanile

On Monday, September 24, the Campanile staff will begin taking the class pictures for the 1954-55 year book. Students are requested to report to the dark room in the Cameron Library for the proper arrangement. Each student is expected to be present for his picture.