Fund campaign fulfilling its goals; possible drive completion in June

By JIM DENNEY

The Rice $33 Million Campaign is "on schedule" after its first two years, according to Director Richard Dini. Collections have been at the $35 million mark with another major thrust of the fund drive now under way.

The campaign, begun in 1965 to finance the Ten Year Plan for expansion of the University, was originally planned to reach $33 million by December of the current year.

Dini said there is some hope of completing the drive in time for announcement at the June commencement. The early goal would require collection of a million dollars per month, however, and "that," said Dini, "is a lot of work."

No Professors

Some $18 million of the total amount is earmarked for construction of new buildings and additions. Allen Center and the biology building were built during this period. Allen Center and the various departments.

The University Administration feel that one of the most important benefits of the fund drive has been the reversal of the trend toward deficit spending.

Last year Rice went nearly $3 million in the red because of rising operating costs. Enough unspecified gifts have been made to defray those annual costs without tampering with the endowment.

Over the next few years until 1975, over $3 million has been earmarked for such purposes until returns from new endowments are available. Somewhere over one-third of the $31 million is to be added to the present Rice endowment of $84 million.

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**Math, science... ... a woeful inadequacy**

By TOM HYLDEN

Holmes, a senior engineering student in Will Rice, the Rice Thresher, in his editorial for continuing freshman "fun and games." The Christmas story once again peals out upon a world where the presence of God is felt in the daily lives of people. This love story is given a new dimension by the Way of a Loving Lord, who is also the creator of the universe. The Christmas story is a reminder of the love that God has for humanity. It is a story of hope and redemption, which is why we celebrate Christmas. The story of Jesus' birth is often overshadowed by the materialism of the modern Christmas season, but it is important to remember the true meaning of Christmas. The message of the Christmas story is that God loves us and wants us to have a relationship with him. This is why we celebrate Christmas and remember the birth of Jesus. It is a time to reflect on the love of God and the hope that he brings into our lives.
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Rice versus Dayton: not a dream?

By JACK MURRAY

Thresher Sports Editor

The casual observer, familiar with Rice basket-
ball fortunes of recent years, may find him-
self in a big surprise over the holidays when in
the course of flipping through the sports
pages he finds the Owls lined up opposite such
powers as Dayton, Davidson, Miami of Ohio,
Temple and Canisius.

Though the present Rice team cannot be
expected to compile much of a record against
such an array of opponents, the athletic de-
partment must be congratulated for having
found the courage to schedule superior teams.

Basketball has never been one of Rice's stron-
ger sports. Indeed, in view of former recruit-
ing policies, it is somewhat remarkable that we
have even been able to put a team on the floor.
The football-crazed Southwest is not widely regarded as a reservoir of court talent. Basketball players
come from the Midwest, and from the big cities
of the east.

Yet basketball is one sport in which Rice
could, with a little patience and persistence, field a team that could compete with the best. Most of the time and money devoted to athletic recruitment has gone toward building a football team. But a school of Rice's size can no long-
er hope to field a real gridiron power. Wishes of ambition to the contrary, this is the sad truth: we
cannot afford to compete with the other great football factories of the Southwest.

Basketball is another story. While it may take
several years to see the successful culmination
of his ventures, Coach Don Knodel is on the
right track. Only ten players are needed . . . but
the present Rice team starts three seniors and a re-
server guard from the Midwest. None of them is
great, but all of the best players go to the
"name" basketball schools.

Rice will get very few All-America types until it
is a part of the list of the elite. This process is slow,
by no means impossible.

Exposure is the key to eventual success. The
trip to Dayton, Charlotte and Buffalo within the
next two weeks will, if nothing else, expose potential recruits to the Owl brand of court play.
Perhaps the team will impress some high school
coach enough that he will induce one of his
players to look into the possibilities of coming to
Rice.

No one seriously thinks that we will beat
Dayton Saturday, except perhaps the team, and
they must think that way if they are to come through with a respectable showing.

Those who saw Donnie May almost single-
handedly whip favored North Carolina in last
year's NCAA playoffs, naturally seize at the
thought of watching any one or even any two
of our players attempt to guard the Dayton All-
American.

Someone has to do it, possibly Larry Miller
or the greatly-improved Farrar Stockton. May
score 40 points, but the rejuvenated Rice
Owls will never quit. Win or lose, they will im-
prove all the doubts that this basketball
cannot make it here.

Are you wondering what to give that extra-special man on your list? Shop wondering. Give him that extra-special gift combination. Persagel, the super-stick antibiotic, and Burma Shave. Each gift is accompanied by this charming poem:

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Yuletide is almost upon us. Let's stop wasting time in
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Jones, Brown ask unrestricted off-campus living for Rice girls

Jones and Brown cabinets recently proposed removing age and class restrictions for women living off-campus, in a letter to Dean M. V. McEnany and the Committee on Undergraduate Affairs.

Rationale for the proposed change, suggested for the 1968-69 school year, differed in Jones and Brown.

Brown feels that, although it is important for freshmen and sophomores to live in the college, overcrowded conditions force the change in the rule to prevent the college from becoming freshmen-sophomore dormitories. They propose the rule change only when the college is filled over capacity and Brown.

Jones supports the change on a matter of principle, noting that "University policy should be broad as possible, leaving that "University policy should be broad as possible, leaving potential leadership out of the college."

The change will allow freshmen and sophomores who may not live in the college to move off-campus with parental permission. As the rule stands now, only juniors and seniors or girls over 21 have this privilege.

Dean McEnany said the committee will consider the proposal and the overcrowded conditions following Christmas.

Campus calendar

**thursday, december 14**
10 am "Klip" Music Hall

**friday, december 16**
12 pm "Music" Clubs Lee Hall
4 pm "The Slabbed Room" Ast Lib
6 pm "Of Mice and Men"

**saturday, december 16**
12 noon "Xmas" Ast Lib
1 pm "Drives through"
6 pm "Drives through"

**sunday, december 17**
11:30 am "Christmas at Rice" KTRC-TV
3 pm "Anatomy of a Marriage" Jewish Center Caf.

**monday, december 18**
basketball Charlotte Invitational
9 am "Lowrey" Winter Owls
1 pm "Athletic" and "One by One" Baker Gym

**tuesday, december 19**
basketball Charlotte Invitational
10 am "No Man Is Born" Ast Lib
1 pm "The S-Shaped Room" And Lib

**wednesday, january 3**
8 am "Cleaner" Rice vs. Dayton

**thursday, january 4**
4 pm "The Theater" Johnathan Miller Fond Lec Lounge

**friday, january 5**
10 am "Hawaii Comm" Cen.
4 pm "The Theater" Johnathan Miller Fond Lec Lounge
8 pm "Anatomy of a Marriage" Jewish Comm Cen.

**saturday, january 6**
4 pm "Tiger" and "One by One" Baker Gym
1 pm "Klop" Hamman Hall
8 pm "My Name Is Ivan" And Lib

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