Hackerman pledges action, tells SA he recognizes Rice problems

BY CRAIG ROBERTS

Rice President Norman Hackerman set the tone for his contract with the student body Tuesday at the first Student Association meeting of the year. Hackerman, who officially took office Tuesday, said he recognized many problems and that he will act in accordance with the best interests of the academic community.

The past few years have been very disturbing to those involved with that community, Hackerman said. He added that he will attempt to reverse this trend during his tenure as president. SA President Bob Parks announced major changes made by Hackerman in the judicial system at Rice.

An Appeals Court, separate from the Undergraduate Affairs Committee, will be established, effective upon formal announcement and until Oct. 15.

The interim system will be composed of four faculty members, including a chairman, two undergraduates, and one graduate student. The seven-man court will have powers of subpoena and will present recommendations for Hackerman’s approval.

Included also in a directive that the president will “take direct action for the best interest of Rice University.”

The Executive Committee of the Senate has been asked to formulate a procedure for appointing the undergraduate members of the interim court.

The directive followed closely recommendations made last spring by the Undergraduate Affairs Committee.

In other matters, Off-Campus Senator Ed Emmett submitted his resignation, effective immediately. A replacement will be elected in the general elections scheduled for Sept. 16.

Sammy’s beer

The current liquor policy was extended until January. The Student Center Board is preparing to send a complete proposal to permit Sammy’s, the BMC ser-
tain, to apply for a license to serve beer.

The Senate also approved a request for $150 to help finance some of Rice’s attendance at the annual Student Senate entitled Student Pro- test and the Law II. Boege attended the seminar Aug. 20-21 at the Institute for Continuing Education in Ann Arbor, Mich. The expenditure will come out of the budget.

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Emmett quits, cites inaccuracy

Citing a personality conflict with SA President Bob Parks and a “lack of accuracy” in Parks’ leadership, Ed Emmett resigned Tuesday as off-campus Student Association senator.

The most disturbing of three facts” Emmett said, “is the attempt by various groups to add legitimacy to their cause by using the Senate.”

This situation cannot im- prove until everyone recognizes the views of all others, including the fact that the Senate has a view that should be re- served also, he said.

Emmett read a prepared statement at Tuesday’s SA meeting, the first of the year. He said he felt “the Senate and everyone else at Rice” were mi- nded during the Hoffman controversy last spring by “half- truths and personal interpreta- tions,” and said Parks had made some inaccurate statements dur- ing the crisis.

Parks had been “surprised and disappointed” at Emmett’s resignation, said he felt it was difficult to reply to what he called vague, generalized charges.

“It is in the best interest of Rice and the Senate to be aware of any misconceptions and half- truths,” Emmett said. Many of us are concerned with the need to plan to review the charges.”

He said he felt Emmett had (Continued on Page 2)

We hold within us the horror of war in Indochina. The vice president claims that, “A majority of students do not oppose the President’s action in Cam- bodia.” He is wrong. Most students be- lieve this war to be immoral. Not only are men dying in Indochina, they are dying for no reason.

Today South Vietnam is no closer to democracy and stability than when the war began. The thousands of Americans and Vietnamese sacrificed during this decade have died to no end.

President Nixon not only continues and expands the struggle in violation of the Constitution and in the face of public opposition, but he justifies his actions in the name of America’s image and national honor. Many of us are apt to lose our reasoning. We are outraged because of the high power we place on human life. Yet we are ignored.

We hold within us a concern for the universitv. The majority of students and faculty want the universities, as those institutions that affect most directly, to work for the improvement of society and humanity, as well as for the advancement of scholarship.

It is that-the power to enhance, not diminish-student-faculty. Yet that power remains outside the universitv community.

It is not wrong for us, as graduates of this university, as recipients of a Rice education, to have a voice in the kind of future we face. Yet we are ignored.

Finally, we hold within us a fear of the violent path our country seems to be taking. At first students faced only the verbal attacks of the vice president, but now, with Kent State, repression has become more real and more visible. Many Americans have a "shoot-to-kill" mentality directed against blacks, Mexican-Americans, and hippies.

Let me assure you that a majority of students at Rice and other schools oppose violence on campus. For whether we count beatings and bledied heads or those actually murdered, it is clear that from Mississippi summer 1964 to the present, the brutal irrational violence in- flicted upon students far outweighs the physical violence they have wrought. Hu- man lives are more valuable than the windows and wall of buildings. There- fore, it is the students who have lost most from violence on campus.

These are the issues with which we are concerned. With other pasts, with other parents, we might have been different. But we have been blessed with you, and earned with the need to live up to your ideals. We have been raised by parents who encouraged us to ask questions and expect reasonable answers.

We have gone through a very extended period of education; we have been ex- posed to the contradictions of conflicting culls; we have had to read, think, talk, travel and explore; we have been encouraged to think for ourselves at the best universities of the nation. There would be something amiss if, after all these experiences, we accepted the status quo without questioning and chal- lenge. There would be something wrong if we were not indignant at social insti- tutions which contradict the values we were taught to believe as children.

For us, what is “right” cannot be identified with law and order, but with the long-range good of the community and the dignity of the individual. At the heart of our concern, then, is our deep sense of personal morality.

So if you cannot at least understand our protest, then there is something wrong with the humane values which have been taught for generations in American universities.

It is your choice-to listen or ignore, accept or reject. But you cannot deny responsibility for your role in our national problems. You cannot reverse the training of a lifetime. You cannot, unless you are a graduate...
Welcome back to exchanged rice

BY RAILL WEBB
Thresher Perennial Staffer

Welcome back, you hordes of long-halled, long-roaded, long-suffered non-graduates. And welcome alreadied (as the Thresher already be-fore it went out of style), you somewhat reluctant grad, the arts, sciences, and presumptuously enough, freshmen.

When possible, it may be a great help to notice, several things are different this year.

First, many of these differences are amusing. With the new national emergency and a ecological harmony has come a gen-eral healing among the game of Scholal. At the end of last season's series of kindness and affection we felt with dis-carded picnics, armband and other deleterious of the Rev-olution, not to mention empty Matthewes and Dorrin wrappers

One imagines all types of possible emergencies and tragic incidents. But all major inferences of the policy of the university no more may call a Rice extension from the outside. The reason supplied is that the University must tighten its budgetary belt.

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Delay causes concern

BY BECKY STRADER

Upperclassmen have been concerned about the delay in the approval procedure, particularly notification of National Defense loan approval. The financial aid officers at Rice say that the loan committees met again Tuesday to approve more loans.

Students are expected to keep track of their applications and Parental Confidential Statements. They will then be able to submit a comprehensive and reasonable budget for filling in the last components.

At the end of this year, new forms for financial aid applications and Parental Confidential Statements will be phased out. The department of Housing and Urban Development has approved the necessity of forms for students who, according to the CSS, need additional funds.

The Rice financial aid officers are particularly concerned about the delay in notification of financial aid. A new financial aid office has been opened with more personnel to assist in processing financial aid forms. The new financial aid office will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with a lunch break from noon to 1 p.m. Also, students who wish to change their minds concerning forms, will be able to do so as long as they have questions pertaining to an individual file, should call personnel at the new financial aid office. The financial aid officers stress that they are willing to answer any questions.

The Rice financial aid office calls student fund loans adequate

Kendrick suspended, two others found guilty of vandalism charges

Last May 17, the Inter-College Council (ICC) held a trial in Baker College, which charged three Rice students with defacing university property. The three students were Barbara Kendrick and Diane Weaver, both juniors at Brown College, and Dan Rosenberg, a graduate student in the Sociology Dept.

These charges were filed against each student: 1. Defacing, 2. Participating in the defacing act, and 3. Being in due time necessary for the defacing of Austin House, Cohen House, sidewalks leading therefrom.

The trial was held after the Dean of Students had referred charges to the ICC and after two members of the ICC had investigated the charges.

The ICC voted to conduct an open trial. Weaver was found guilty to the first charge and not guilty to the second and third charges. The other two defendants pleaded not guilty to all three charges. Independent statements were submitted to the investigating committee. These statements were presented by the investigating justices and cross-examined by the defense before a final decision was reached.

The ICC found the defendants not guilty of charges one and three (charge for Weaver's plan of guilt to the first charge) and guilty of the second charge. The defendants were charged the cost of the damage plus a $5 fine, partly because they refused to help identify other guilty students in this same case.

Rice students were charged with defacing university property. Kendrick and Daniels were found guilty, while Rosenberg was found not guilty of charges one and two.

According to Bory, this may be a result of the case being in no evidence by the defendants. Difficulty with the case may also be because of the improper that Rosenberg, a graduate student, was tried by a court that did not include an even single graduate student. However, the defendants chose not to appeal the decisions of the ICC on any of these grounds.

The new tablets

The new curriculum is trying to get away from the idea that the university is a place which has a definite goal to serve the student that is merely a customer. This view is too restrictive and uncreative. The idea that the University offers "package deals" where the student is pleased to buy, "for his own good." The key features of the new curriculum are based on the following core questions:

1) Within the wide range of studies offered by the university a number of educationally meaningful alternatives are possible.
2) A student's tablets and interests can be developed most easily when he is given an opportunity to participate in designing his own courses of study on his own time.
3) Faculty members are in a position to advise the student how his objectives could best be attained within the available spectrum of university opportunities.

The new plan still is needed in Rice's tradition of double objective of a general sort: Breadth and depth.

The distribution requirement (25% of courses), seeking a degree of academic competence, enables the student to associate himself with a department, some interdepartmental program, or even to design a completely new, yet educational, sound program.

The remaining 25% of courses can be used by the student either to acquire some areas of special interest to himself, or to satisfy his exploratory urge. In all of these undertakings, faculty advisors can offer information and guidance.

A better image

This new approach may change for the better the image of both the Rice student and the Rice professor. The student can feel that to a significant extent he is in control of his educational goals. Especially today, when youth is demanding "relevancy" from its study, this is trying to establish society's goals, an opportunity to explore personally meaningful alternatives in college is highly desirable.

Faculty members, having to address themselves with the problem of curricular suitability for their advisors, will have an opportunity to broaden the student's intellectual and personal contacts with each other and with students.

As a result, Rice as a whole may in time acquire a new image and a new standing in society, as a place where students are not stigmatized with labels of dubious significance, "SE" or "Academ," but where people are great varieties of educational and professional goals pursue their individual studies in harmony with another in a community of scholars.

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Owl hopes soar after practices by experienced team

BY MARTY BELASCO AND GARY RACHLIN

Coming off of a disappointing 3-7 season, the 1970 Owl football squad, led by head coach Bo Hagan, looks forward to the upcoming season with an attitude of cautious optimism. Experience, added size, speed, and quickness are strong points of this year's team. The Owls return 38 lettermen, including 23 seniors; however, many changes of positions by these veteran players could possibly hamper their performances. Other drawbacks are the lack of depth at several key positions and a rugged schedule, which includes 4 teams picked among the nation's top 20.

Among the nation's top 20. which includes 4 teams picked to the upcoming season with many changes of positions this year's team. Phillips Wood has been named the number-one quarterback spot, with soph Brian Gock backing him up. Wood should be throwing better this year, but he also wants to throw the "bomb" is still questionable. He is a fine runner, however, and is fully capable of handling the offense without much help from the sidelines. Stabile, Whiner, who shared quarterback duties with Wood last year, has been shifted to starting tailback, a position more suited to his skill and speed. Mike Spruill, coming off an excellent 1969 season, should play plenty of backfield duty, as should Cliff Crabtree. Mike Phillips has switched from tight end to starting tailback, and has looked impressive in early workouts. Kim Malone is the back-up tailback, and could very well move into the starting position.

On the whole, the offense looks improved but not overly impressive. There is good depth in the backfield at the wide receiver positions, but the offensive line is a big question mark. If everyone can adapt well to the shifting of personnel, the Owls should present a respectable front. Hagan has promised more passing this year, with Vincent a good possibility for the halfback return option. The kicking game for the Owls is solid with Bucky Alls- house handling the punting and Mark Williams doing the placekicking chores. The kick-off and punt return, as specialty teams, are still uncertain but should round into shape in the remaining weeks of practice.

In summary, the 1970 Rice Owl football squad should be able to improve on last year's record. A 5-5 or even a 6-4 record is within reach, but a more realistic prediction would be a 4-6 year. With teams like Texas, Arizona, LSU, and California on the schedule, the Owls will be put to a rugged test. But the experience and excellent attitude of most of the experienced players could just be the factors in changing a losing team into a winning one.

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SA Elections
Fifth Year Honor Council
Off-campus Senator to A.A.
Filing Deadline Monday Sept. 11
Election Wednesday, Sept 16

National Teacher Exams—
New dates have been announced for
the National Teacher
Examinations. They will be held
on Nov. 14, 1970 and Jan. 30,
for the National Teacher Examinations,
obtained from college placement
Service, Princeton, N. J.

Rally Club—First meeting is
Wednesday, Sept. 7, AH 105,
6:00 p.m. All members and mem-
bers-elect should attend and
bring class money. Unpaid
registration fees. Membership question-
naires due Sept. 15.

SA Office—The Student Asso-
ciation office is open 9 am
to 12 noon and 1 pm to 3:30
pm, daily.

Cinema—Grigbig, C. has
everything: love, laughs, sex,
and violence. The film is to
be shown Sept. 4, 5, 6, 11, 12,
and 13 at 8 pm in Wesson
Conferences. Films are location at
Rice University.

String Quartet—The Shep-
hard School of Music will sponsor
a presentation by the Lyric
String Quartet on Sept. 9. The
performance will begin at 8:30
pm in Hamman Hall.

Overseas—U. S. Sen-
ator Robert Packwood will
speak Sept. 24 at 8 pm in the
Houston Room. Senator Pack-
wood has sponsored legislation
in the area of population and
birth control. He will be the
guest of the University of Houston
Program Council's Overseas
Committee. A reception in the
Regents Lounge follows the lecture.

Notice—Any member of the
Rice community interested in
having some item printed in this
column should submit it, in
writing, to the Thresher office by
Tuesday of the week of publication.

SiN is coming to Rice. If
your organization is interested in
having some item printed in this
column, contact the Student
newspaper office, ext. 506, at
the EMC by Sept. 9 (SiN is an
opportunity for organizations to
obtain new volunteers for
70-71).

Rice people's calendar
This is the Rice People's Cal-
endar. If there is any event
that you would like publicized
throughout the Rice Community,
send a note describing the event
to Mike Ross, Calendar Editor.

SA Social Committee
A proposal to establish a
Draft Information Center was
approved by the Student Asso-
ciation. The center will work with
the colleges in submitting
nominations for inclusion in
the September 16 election.
The homecoming dance will be
at the Rice Hotel.

SA Elections
President's Lecture Series—Sharon
Gillespie, CUE, Mike Allston; Undergraduate Teach-
ing, Bert Payman and Kent
Lydicker; Undergraduate Cur-
riculum, Dave Gipson and Mike
Smith; Student Health, Bar-
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