New coach Conover speaks out on academics, athletics

by GARY RACHLIN

Conover had some difficulties concerning the relationship between athletics and academics. How do you see football fitting into the scheme of things at Rice University?

Thresher: I have voted to tax myself and 19 campuses in Minnesota who have in mind concerns people who are coming into Rice University, not only football getting a "1" for the program.

Thresher: What sort of things do you have for a successful football program at Rice?

Conover: One of the things that I have noticed is that a public interest or- rarity, it seemed reasonable to bring about effective social change. In each state, they have to bring about the help and the cooperation of the masses. In order to do that I have to have the help and the cooperation of the mashers, the faculty, the administration, and the students. I'm not going to make rash decisions. I'm going to find out what is the best way to accomplish the players but any student who has weakness in certain areas. I'd like to explore the possibilities of setting up a program. I'm sure that football would be an adequate part of that. Thresher: Would you consider a three to four week seminar in the summer before the individual's freshman year as a possible format for such a program? Conover: I think that would be too redundant. I'm not concerned about the individual getting academic credit for

...and author of numerous tech-nical papers. Since whole industries, no-slipshod enforcement proce-dures that are supposed to pro-...
To the editor:

The Program Council originally scheduled a blanket tax increase referendum for December 3 of last semester. However, we were removed from the ballot by the SA Senate. Consequently, it is likely that the tax increase referendum concerning the RPC funding has been scheduled for Monday, January 24. We have attempted to anticipate any questions concerning our request by explaining our present situation.

1. Limited revenues mean a limited program. Right now the RPC receives a $1 blanket tax each from two groups: The SA Forum Committee and the Student Center Board. To present any decent programs, we will have to pay our speakers, and we need more money. One speaker like Arthur C. Clarke costs the RPC $800. A film program costs $50. A campus-wide social function like the Christmas Party costs $800. Any speaker or film is going to cost us money. Therefore, to give you the best programs, we need more funds.

2. What about the Subscription Drive and the $500 College Loan?

When the RPC was created last year, no provisions were made for adequate funding. Moreover, $1100 usually budgeted to the Social Committee (now a committee of the RPC) was reallocated by the SA Senate. In an effort to increase revenues, we offered a subscription drive to students, and we received over 60 subscriptions. In other words, the total subscription drive and blanket tax monies enabled us to present this year's program of events. They are a temporary financial measure. But next year it's not going to work. This is part of the reason why we need to ask for the blanket tax increase this semester: to provide the RPC with a budget for the 1972-73 academic year.

3. What about this year?

The RPC has 9 working committees: Forum, Social, Student Center, Fine Arts, Student Services, Concerts, Publicity, and Films. What we've done as of this week:

- Organized and sponsored a Rockefeller Center Lecture, "Start the Revolution Without Me", "Diary Of A Mad Housewife, Psycho, Snow, Debbie Leonard (socialist Party Delegate, Berrigan Trial). We're also sponsoring lectures, student discounts to concerts services, the monthly Calendar of Events for students, the Bulletin Board at the corner of Penn and Andover, the IOC Tournament, student discounts to concerts and plays, and bicycle trips to be installed by Buildings & Grounds.

4. What about next year?

A subscription series is highly impractical because it is extremely difficult to contact speakers, films, dancers, or anything else without knowing your revenues beforehand. The college loans are for one year only and if drawn upon, this year's donation in back by this year. And we can't borrow from the colleges indefinitely. All this means that next year without adequate funding, with or without a blanket tax increase, the RPC will become just another ineffective student organization, incapable of functioning as a programming body.

5. What about my $27?

With the $2 blanket tax increase, the RPC can continue to expand its program of distinguished speakers and films, sponsor parties on a campus-wide level, offer student services, and function as an effective organization of students who want to do something by and for students. The important thing to remember is that with the blanket tax increase, there will be no 72-73 subscription series, i.e., the RPC will then present speakers, films and other events to Rice. I suggest that you vote for the RPC pro.

To help us as we can, you help January 21. Vote for the RPC proposal. Help us as we can help you.

- L. Turner, President
- G. Bo-Linn, Vice-President
- D. Whitley, Secretary-Treasurer

Cultural debate

To the editor:

If McCabe and Mrs. Miller were such a rare film, I would be overjoyed because then I would not have to worry about wasting my money on poor movies next semester. Though I will concede that the "color and composition of the filming" was deserving of compliments, this alone cannot make a movie.

The movie was in no way "important"; it is undoubtedly the most pointless, shallow, ridiculous, absurd, "platitude" movie I have ever seen.

If they were giving away ten dollar bills on the other side of town, I would really got taken by this film.

Dorothy Lancaster
Brown College, '72

Andy Hurley replies:

Mr. Lancaster makes disposition look easy, casting all the other RPUs as hopeless cranks in such a brief letter. Perhaps she can profit (if that is the word) from a reminder that if a movie is worth $30 to a viewer, he can't have gotten it "for nothing" (spending $0) much on that much.

Since there's nothing else in the letter to indicate, I will except that pointless, shallow, worthless to me, "platitude", I will "concede" her the victory. You sure have a way with words, ma'am.
Doublt~y bold roles of women in recent movies examined

by CAROLYN PORTER

In the past few years popular culture has stretched the image of woman to include the soft virtues at the expense of strength and vulnerability. Both in recent films play tough, but behaves like the most...
notes and notices

Homer — As a result of an Honor System violation, a stu-
dent has been placed on dis-
ciplinary probation for the re-
mainder of his academic career
at Rice.

Honor — As a result of an
Honor System violation, a stu-
dent has been placed on dis-
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at Rice.

Basketball blues — The Hous-
ton Rockets offer students $1.50
off on all tickets to all games
played at Hofheinz Pavilion.

A special discount of $2.00,
and $4.50. This offer is
available to students for the
course in which they partici-
pated, a whole new di-
mension would be added to the
student-funded public interest re-
search fund.

Association of College Unions
International, Tournament. Qual-
ifying rounds will be held Sun-
day the sixteenth for the final en-
tries. Two teams will be
selected for the regional tour-
ament. For information and
organizational suggestions, call-
 ing Rice's bridge team.

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counterpart and overcame the
student organizers. It was a
tremendous effort, involving
thousands of students.

Ralph Nader, in association
with Donald Ross and some of the
early PIRG organizers, has writ-
ten a book explaining the con-
cept and providing detailed organiza-
tional suggestions. Called
Action for a Change, it is
available through most local
bookstores, including the Rice Cam-
pus Store, or from Grossman
Publishers in New York.

in the words of co-author Ross: "The potential for stu-
dent-funded public interest re-
search groups is enormous.".

If even a third of all students
participated, a whole new di-
mension would be added to the
political life of the United States.
No longer would de-
cisions affecting the public in-
terest be made in isolation.

Captain Baker

To the Rice community

Tonight at 7:30, in passenger
Lecture Lounge, Rice engineers
will give the second public de-
monstration of the controversial
cross temporal receptor. This
delicate piece of equipment en-
ables scientists to hear voices
from the past.

Tonight's demonstration will in-
clude a freestyle debate on
FDR's "fireside chat" and a
rendition by Oscar Welles in the
Lives of Harry Lime entitled, "The Third
Woman." Be there or be square.

Dr. Konstantin Kolenda addresses the Undergra-
duates Philosophy Club on "Com-
culture Unicist Revised".

Ray Acltory Court. Rice vs. Houston;
(a Christian meeting basketball
team) vs. Brown. "Black Knights" is
scheduled.

Thursday the twentieth
11th Harris. Commons. Election for
campus home. 

Gene Blanchard, prop.

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Graduate Schools
January 16 — 2:30,cold graduate management
17 — 2:30, cold graduate management
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