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"Trying to lower the pay of the women's advocate to one dollar a year is an absolute insult to all women," said Houston Women's Advocate Dr. Nikki Van Hightower at a meeting sponsored by the Rice Association of Students against Sex Discrimination. The meeting, held last Tuesday night, focused on the status of women in Houston and was precipitated by the recent City Council attempt to cut Dr. Hightower's annual salary to one dollar a year.

"Women still seem stuck in the clerical/ghetto. Women are just not included in the Good Old Boy network, which is still the way top jobs are filled. There have been no gains but no losses for women in the sphere of political representation; the score is still zero-zero."

Approaching things practically, Dr. Van Hightower said that "tokenism is not all bad, comparing enough tokens to enough holes in the dike," and she concluded that "the whole structure of sex discrimination can eventually collapse by tokenism." Still, she admitted that "for many who hope for equality, it seems far away."

In response to a question concerning the validity of having a 'women's advocate' instead of a 'people's advocate,' Dr. Van Hightower said that there will be a need for a women's advocate until such a time as "we convince the world that women are people." Elaborating on her problems with City Council, Dr. Van Hightower explained, "The City Council doesn't see a mobilized women's population as politically beneficial to them."

"Women cannot tolerate the indifference any more of what we want to humanize our society women must get into decision-making positions."

Sunday, March 15, 1977

Senate approves Election Committee ruling

The Student Association Senate voted to approve the Election Committee recommendations regarding the February 22 general elections. Monday night in the SA's Cohen serves athletes

by Matt Muller

The football team will take three meals a week at the faculty club for the remainder of the Semester. The trial program was initiated by Director of Athletics Homer Rice. Athletic Business Manager Augie Erfurth stated that the program is in response to the overcrowding of the training table facilities at Baker College, and that if the arrangement works out it will be extended to all athletes—baseball, basketball—next semester.

When questioned about the costs of this new arrangement, Mr. Erfurth explained that the Athletic Department already pays full room and board for full scholarship athletes and that no reduction in board charges is extended to athletes who eat most of their meals at the training table. So, in essence, the Athletic Department has been paying for some athletes to eat twice at each meal. The costs of the new program at Cohen House will be offset by a reduction in the number of meals a day the athletes take in the training table from two to one. The slack will be taken up by having the athletes eat lunches in their residential colleges on the days they eat dinner at Cohen House.

"Many of the team members were pleased with the idea of eating above-par food at least a few times a week, although the student waiters at Cohen House strangely seemed not to share in the enthusiasm for the program."

Committee Co-Chairman Bill Barron about the proceedings and the following exchange took place:

Barron: "Bill, in the meeting of the Election Committee, did both sides make a presentation?"

Marcus: "No."

Barron: "They didn't. Did either side make a presentation?"

Marcus: "Well, why don't we hear that presentation? Who was it, Kim?"

Barron: "Kim Brown."

Kim Brown then read his list of allegations of wrongdoing the part of the Thresher Editor and staff. Several Senators then asked Brown questions of his eight allegations until the 10 minute limit originally set for discussion had expired and a move to extend the limit was defeated. A vote was then taken on the recommendation and the Senate passed 15-4-2.

The new election date was 7:05pm on or before March 29, and no new candidates will be allowed to file. A committee was also appointed to recommend a policy to prevent this type of conflict from arising again.
Lack of housing facilities for Rice students has been a problem too long ignored by the University administration. The activity of "kicking off" students has been a regrettable indication of the University’s apathetic attitude towards a problem which so very seriously affects Rice students. During a time when other prestigious universities in far more strained financial circumstances than Rice recognize a responsibility to provide housing facilities for its students, the "Harvard of the South" has effectively abdicated itself of any such responsibility. In fact, the ease with which Rice "kicks off" students reflects not only irresponsibility but also indeed a genuine lack of concern for the student members who comprise the University community.

Rice University proudly notes its cosmopolitan character and, in fact, actively seeks to recruit and to attract intellectually talented students from all parts of the nation. And yet, for students who chose to attend Rice over opportunities to attend other prestigious universities, Rice cannot provide the very minimum—housing facilities. Frankly, it would not be inappropriate for me to point out that I personally know students who, after expressing an interest in Rice, eventually matriculated at places like Yale, Princeton, and Brown, not because they preferred those institutions to Rice, but because they learned that Rice might be unable to provide them with housing facilities.

Rice has the responsibility to treat fairly and with respect those students presently attending the University. It is an ill-conceived and callous policy which provides students with housing for 2 or 3 years and which then when students are firmly entrenched into their academic program, awaiting their degrees, and very probably preparing for MCAT's, LSAT's, or GRE's effectively ousts them from the campus. Not only does this policy have serious ramifications for the students' academic activity, but it may bear heavily upon a student's decision to remain at Rice.

Nor am I satisfied by the University's stance (excuse?) that it cannot become "involved" with the administration of the college system even when such administration evinces obvious ineptitude. My room and board fees are paid to Rice University and not Jones College. My educational contract is with Rice University which has indeed the responsibility to become "involved" with and actively oversee all activities of college life.

If an "overcrowd" situation exists at Rice (and indeed it apparently does), the University has the responsibility to invoke if necessary an emergency action plan to deal with the situation until new dormitories are constructed. Because the primary purpose of campus housing is to provide rooming facilities for those students who are without housing accommodations, then in cases of overcrowding, the University should require that the elimination process utilized assures that housing be provided for students who most need housing. (I am too well acquainted with a situation in which juniors from California, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Colorado are "kicked off" while freshmen Houstonians who go home every weekend have a room on campus.) In circumstances of overcrowding, rooms should first be denied to first and second year students who live within easy commuting distance of the University and for whom housing accommodations pose no immediate problem. This policy should in no way be construed as discriminatory towards and sends first and second year Houstonians who live within easy commuting distance of the University. Since the purpose of University housing is to accommodate students without housing facilities, this policy would at the very least insure that no space was being provided to those students who need housing most.

In closing, I can assure you that there are a number of angry students at Jones College and a number of irate parents of Jones College members. If present housing trends continue, a university which proudly notes a cosmopolitan character may soon discover that it will no longer be a cosmopolitan community.

With parents weekend coming up, I truly hope that what I believe to be a responsible and sincere commentary on the housing situation at Rice will assuage the diadain towards inadequate housing policy, and that the Rice University administration will indeed "get involved."

Mary Colgan
Class of '79
(and one of the forty-eight "kicked out" of Jones College)
Custodians comment on bathroom graffiti

To the editor:

I would like to set the record straight on the cleaning and maintenance of those restrooms at the Fondren Library. Every night, with diligence, perseverance, and a lot of soap, we clean and scrub those restrooms. We try our absolute best when it is all possible to make those restrooms smell fresh and/or pleasant to those lofty endeavors who once in a while must do their human and/or animal duties.

The problem that must have been noticed by our beloved Mr. Tom Peck (last Thursday's issue) must have been the magnificent graffiti that has amassed on those restroom walls. Now to explode the myth that janitors run around here all through the night writing weird things on those restroom walls, we of course do not. We as a team have not acted against those people who must persist. But we do have a few suggestions.

First, write on only those walls that are designed for writing. There do not exist those external marking pens. Third, do not write too big, for that just makes the next person write even much bigger attention, you know.

Fourthly, keep it as non-nasty as possible, please.

Your lovable custodians,

R. Ortia "97
Z. Ford "78
T. DaMauro "75

Monday Off Newfoundland: "Maybe in the off-season we could get work in Canada!"

Christian position clarified

To the editor:

I would like to correct a misapprehension that could arise from a certain statement in the article on the Bahá’í Faith that appeared in last Monday's Thresher. The statement was: "all major religions teach that man's spiritual nature that must purify in order to attain a state fit for reunion with God."

This is not the teaching of Christianity. The Christian position is as follows:

1. Man cannot by his own efforts make himself acceptable to God.

2. God desires that men be reconciled to Himself, and has taken initiative in the matter via the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

3. Man's part in reconciliation is to respond humbly to what God has already done.

I make this point not out of a desire to quibble, but because it is central to the whole question of man's relationship to Deity, and should be clearly understood by anyone who wants to think seriously about the matter.

Sherryl Washington
Baker '77

Saturday, March 19
Parents Day schedule set

Saturday, March 19, is Parents Day at Rice. The theme will be "The Many Faces at Rice," and will deal with the strengths and weaknesses of the Rice experience. Dr. Gilbert Cuthbertson, Associate Professor of Political Science, will explain the "Rice myth.

Rice University
PARENTS' DAY
Saturday, March 19, 1977
PROGRAM
Registration and Coffee
Hamman Hall 8:30-9:15 a.m.
General Assembly
Hamman Hall 9:30 a.m.
Presiding
Lynn Laverty
Vice President for External Affairs
The Many Faces of Rice
"The Rice Myth"
Dr. Gilbert M. Cuthbertson
Associate Professor
Political Science
"What It's Really Like"
Student Panel Participants: Mark Bockeloh,
Matthew Muller
Margaret Schauerte
Randy Woelfel
Welcoming Address
Dr. Norman Hackerman
President of Rice University
Luncheon
College Commons 11:30 a.m.

Homework & Honor

Recently, a question arose over whether homework is covered by the Honor Code. The Holker report states on p.4 that the Honor System ... is a system of conducting examinations, writing papers, and performing other academic endeavors with regard for individual and corporate honor. Historically, the Honor Council has considered homework to fall under the Honor Code when so specified by the professor, and recently, there was a conviction of a student who intentionally violated the Code while doing homework. I realize that the Student Handbook states on p.6 that "Homework is not considered primarily a learning process and not a method of testing;" however, this statement is in error and will be corrected in the next edition. It should also be noted that the Student Handbook does not supersede the Honor System Booklet, and, whenever the two are at variance, the latter version prevails.

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(ZNS) President Jimmy Carter, apparently overcome by the realization that bureaucratic reports turned out by federal agencies, enrolled himself and his entire family on a seven-week speed-reading course.

The Carter family, including Chip and daughter, Amy, have been meeting in the cabinet room on Tuesday and Friday to take the speed reading lessons.

Carter signed up for the course after writing a letter to take from his cabinet by ordering each of them to personally read every regulation issued by their departments.

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(ZNS) J. Paul Getty, one of the world's richest men, died nearly a year ago; but he has yet to find a final resting place.

Getty's body has been lying for the past 10 months in a Los Angeles "receiving vault" while his heirs unsuccessfully battled against local zoning laws.

Getty, who had a horror of cremation, left specific instructions that he be buried in a marble mausoleum on the grounds of the Getty Museum in Malibu. The city of Malibu, however, has blocked the mausoleum from being built.

The problem is that local zoning ordinances permit only "single family dwellings" to be built in the area, and a marble crypt doesn't fall into this category.

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(ZNS) The Environmental Action Foundation reports that Americans seem to be buying more goods packed in packaging.

Between 1963 and 1971, the organization says, food consumption increased a mere 2.3 percent but food packaging during the period increased by 46.5 percent.

The Foundation says that during 1973, 32 million tons of containers and packages passed through the hands of consumers, including 800,000 tons of aluminum containers and 25 million tons of glass containers.

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(PNS) The fingers that walk through the Yellow Pages also chop through a forest of some 950,000 trees, the number that has been felled each year. The situation for Ma Bell, because the yellow pages contain an expensive advertising element, has blocked the company from being able to search for its nature.

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(ZNS) A Columbia University psychologist reports that television advertising may be "good for you" by turning American children into a generation of distrustful and suspicious consumers.

Professor Thomas Bever says that a steady dose of TV ads seems to be "permanently distorting children's views of morality, society, and business." He states that in-depth interviews with 48 kids between the ages of 5 and 12 has found that by the time a generation of distrusting and suspicious consumers. The entire structure is insulated by redwood and styrofoam. The cans, which normally receive only three and a half inches of rain, are turned into greenbacks.

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(ZNS) A Sebastopol, Calif., restaurant owner claims to have built the world's first solar furnace from beer cans.

But Calvert Midgley, 61-year-old proprietor of Midgley's Country Flea Market restaurant, admit that with $3,000 price tag, the gadget is hardly the "poor man's solar furnace" he hoped for.

The furnace consists of 900 empty pop-tops poked in sloping plywood sheets behind double-pane glass. The cans, painted black, absorb heat from sunlight passing through the glass. As the air in the cans warms, it passes out the top-pop holes and through the glass. Telephoner's ear.

Midgley claims he built his first solar water heater in 1932, and is now planning several solar heaters for his home, which he hopes will be a bit more refined and less expensive.

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(PNS) Americans who can afford to drink imported French wine may be getting more than they bargain for.

Dr. Lorenzo Tomatias of the International Agency for Research on Cancer, which is studying the toxicity of asbestos, says such high levels could find it hard to "hold up".

While the U.S. has banned asbestos filtering for domestic wines, the regulation does not cover contaminated foreign wines, including such popular labels as Beaujolais Villages and Côtes du Rhone.

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(PNS) The federal bureaucracy, spurred by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), has found a way to profit from its mountains of paperwork.

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(ZNS) An army of Persian soldiers who invaded Egypt 2500 years ago only to vanish into thin air has been located.

Archaeologists digging in the sands 300 miles west of Cairo report they have uncovered the skeletons of a complete army, including swords and spears of Persian manufacture. The scientists say the troops were apparently buried alive as a violent desert sandstorm nearly 20 centuries ago.

Until the discovery, it was a mystery as to what befell the army directed by King Cambyses II of Persia.

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(ZNS) Yakkling on the telephone for long periods of time can cause more than just a fat telephone bill.

Doctors are reporting that people who talk too much on the phone develop what is known as "Telphone Ear", a malady which develops from a receiver clamped over the ear for long stretches of time.

Apparently, the constant pressure creates conditions that allow a staph infection to take root in the upper curl of the ear. Telerphone's ear reportedly improves if it compresses and local antibiotic ointments are applied for 3 to 4 days and telephone calls are avoided for awhile.

NOTICE: As a public service to those who failed the English Competency Exam, International Briefs can now be heard on KTRU every Wednesday night (or Thursday morning, actually) at about 1:30 on the Mike and J.J. show. Parental discretion is advised.

DOONESBURY

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Well right about this time of year you have to decide and where you want to set up camp next year. This is called jacking for rooms. Maybe you won't get a room and will have to live off campus. This is called getting jacked around. In any case there is only so much room at the inn and the colleges keep their NO VACANCY signs handy when your lease runs out at the end of the academic year.

Your chances for getting a room depend on which residential college you live in and your standing. Some colleges put the screws on sophomores-to-be while others decide to pick on seniors. Lovett is an example of the first type. All sophomores get a point apiece no matter what type of person they may be. There is no wimp factor to subtract off the point, so even cool people may find themselves in the nether world of off-campus living. Since sophomores-to-be suites are the last to draw for the remaining rooms, there is a certain amount of luck involved. Lovett uses a deck of cards.

"What did you draw?"
"The Old Maid."
"Wrong deck. Nevertheless you can be pretty certain that you are up the proverbial creek without a paddle if the card you drew only has two cloverleaf-looking things on its face."

"I don't want this one. Let me put it back and draw again."

They assume of course that you are kidding, and all your friends that have not drawn yet sympathize with you and quietly unank Gow you were the one to draw the bimbo low card which at best means you will be taking up residence in a gnome closet next year.

Now at Jones the system is entirely different. At Jones they have a quota system. Looking at it from the positive side, suppose the quotas stipulate rooms for 20% of the seniors, 30% of the juniors, 60% of the sophomores, and 90% of the freshmen. Of course there is another way to look at this system, which follows a Poisson curve for distribution of maximum unhappiness. For instance, stipulating that 20% of the seniors get rooms is the same as stipulating that 80% of the seniors get the shaft, and so on. It all depends on your perspective, that is which side of the dormitory walls you end up on.

The only way to get around the problem is to overcrowd, and anyone who gets a room is not going to be too willing to share it with someone whose luck at drawing cards would make him the opening player in a game of spades. So, all of you who did not or do not get a room for next year are in one of life's safe situations that get all of us at one time or another. I sympathize with you. Not to the extent that you can all move in with me, but perhaps you will feel a little better if you can get it off your collective chests. Ready?

shit!

There now, doesn't that feel better? Now you won't have to roam the halls foaming at the mouth and making obscene gestures at all the fortunates who got a room including your present suitemates who sneakily arranged you right out of the suite and got someone else to replace you. Little do they know that you have access to a campus grounds leaf blower and will not feel the least bit reluctant to transform their room into a Currier and Ives Autumn Scene.

If you don't get a room you may want to keep some small memento of your days here on campus. But don't blame me when campus officials come looking for you because you furnished your apartment with the bed, bureau, and curtains you took with you when you left.

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Tabletop’s Forum declared a ‘must see’

For those who have worried about the infamy of the idea of March, take heart. While Tabletop Theater has celebrated death of Caesar by opening their wildly wacky and wonderful version of A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum, the show might not be the epitome of musical theater, the show is fast-paced and the laughter is non-stop.

A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum is like a three-ring circus. There are so many plots and subplots you can’t tell the players without a program. Mark Bouler plays Pseudolus, a slave whose one goal in life is to be free. Bouler provides force and funny faces to carry off his role. His only problem is a tendency to flaunt his arms as if he wants to fly off the stage. Aside from that, Bouler’s Pseudolus is a charming rascal.

Pseudolus arranges for his freedom by promising to obtain Philia (Jeanne Fagan), a servant of the house of Marcus Lycus, to be his master, Hero (Howard Speight). Jeane Fagan is no credit to her role as a wisedom-loving virgin. When Jeane sings to Hero that, though she may be bought by another, she will embrace her new master as though she were Hero, she melts in all her softness into her arms. Howard Speight is the naive youth that plays opposite Jeane. Perfectly at home by his love for Philia, Howard is a delight in his bliss. Howard’s only trouble is that he tends to go unnoticed when on stage with other stronger characters. He might try to play his role a little larger.

Ken Hinds plays the money-grubbing, squabbling Marcus Lycus, seller of flesh. Ken bounces all over the stage with the energy of popcorn. In several places, Ken takes over on the stage, much to the delight of the audience.

Chris Jones plays Senex, Hero’s father and a dirty old man, to boot. Rice audiences have come to expect quality comedy from Chris after his past roles in Charlie Brown and Hello, Hamlet, and Forum will not disappoint his fans. Rose Marie Norton plays Senex’s overbearing wife Domina. The name Domina describes the character and Rose plays the part to the hilt. Whatever she may lack in her looks, her expression could charm any man. Cathy played her role to the hilt and made the evening more fun at a play in a long time.

Webster’s Dictionary defines a melodrama as “an extravagantly theatrical play in which action and plot dominate over characterization”. Dirty Work fit the bill to a T. Pretty Nellie Lovelace (no relation to Linda) had to call on stalwart Adam Oakhart to fight off the advances of the villainous Munro Murgatroyd. The dialogue was filled to the brim with “I can’t pay the rent!” and other such phrases of deep symbolism. The set was simple and effective. The actors displayed more ham than a meat market. All in all, Dirty Work was a typically fun melodrama.

Tim Bishop played Munro Murgatroyd with a sneer and a cruel curl to his lip. The only thing missing was the black cape that villains traditional hide behind. The audience enjoyed boosing and hissing at Munro because he really deserved it (that’s a compliment, by the way). Nellie Lovelace was played by Cathy Crites, whose batting eyes and sweet expression could charm any man. Cathy played her role to the hilt and made the evening that much more enjoyable.

Bob McFadden has revealed to Rice University that his life as student and grub was just a disguise for his true identity as Adam Oakhart. With a voice and manner that would do Dudley Do-Right proud, Bob strode out onto the stage and saved Miss Nellie from a “fat worse than death”.

Willie Moreno played the simple but lovable Mollie Mauzuggins, Karen White portrayed the vampy Ida Rhinesgold, John Points portrayed the aging Widow Lovelace, Mrs. Upson Asterhill was the stiff-licked Bostonian played by Jenny Singleton while Monica Cole played his dancing daughter, Leonie. Indira Lani was the French maid, and Dale Martin made her stage debut as the darling Little Nell. Everyone was a credit to their role.

Another person deserving much applause is pianist Dave Presley. Dave played almost non-stop for almost two and a half hours for the show. His addition to the play was priceless. Director Steve Tighe did a standup job with Dirty Work. He set out to give the audience a good time and succeeded remarkably well. Hats off to Steve and I hope he continues as a director.

For those of you who missed Dirty Work, it’s your loss. Better luck next time.

Dirty Work director praised

Sid Richardson Melodrama Amateur Theatrical Company (also known as Sid Rich Beer Theater) staged Dirty Work at the Crossroads last Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. I haven’t had more fun at a play in a long time.

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But he chose rock and roll instead.

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APPEARING AT THE SUMMIT ON MARCH 21

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Baker Shakespearean Theater will present Much Ado About Nothing starting Wednesday, March 23, and running through March 26. Director John Bouchard, a graduate student of English at Rice who formerly taught at the Institute for Renaissance Studies, says he sees the situation of Much Ado as one similar to that at Rice. Bouchard will bring out the existence of a small world with great social pressures and the formation of social conventions to ease the frictions that inevitably result from such a community.

The show will be at 8pm with a special Saturday matinee at 2:30pm. Tickets are $1 for Baker, $1.50 for students, and $2 for non-students. Phone 527-4961 for reservations.

Heart will appear in the Coliseum on March 24. Call Warehouse or Musicville for tickets.

The Museum of Fine Arts is showing an exhibition on the fundamentals of photography in the Andrews Gallery. The Photographic Process will accompany the Target Collection of photographs which is also currently appearing at the Museum.

The Seventh Annual USA Film Festival will be presented March 18-27 at the Bob Hope Theater at SMU in Dallas. For further information call (214) 692-2979.

Pianist Rudolf Serkin will appear in a recital on March 20 at the Music Hall. Serkin will perform works by Beethoven, Mendelssohn, and Chopin. For tickets call 224-4240.

Jones College together with Pi Delta Phi will present a French play, Ionesco’s Exercices de Conversation et de Diction Francaise Pour Etudiants Ameri- cains, on March 22 & 23 in Jones Commons at 8pm. Admission is $0 for non-Jones members. No reservations, just show up.

Pulitzer Prize-winning poet W. S. Merwin will appear in Jones Hall on the University of St. Thomas campus Thursday, March 24, at 8pm. Merwin will be reading some of his poems in translation. For information call Brazos Bookstore at 523-0701. Admission is free.

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National tennis powers to clash here next week

An impressive ranked contingent led by number one Trinity University is expected to lead the field in the 19th Annual Rice Intercollegiate Invitational Tennis Tournament which unfolds March 17-20 at Jake Hess Tennis Stadium.

Other national powers in the elite field include S.M.U. (#6), Texas (#11) and Pan American (#16). Already this year SMU has knocked off Trinity and Pan American has upset Texas. Southern Illinois, Oklahoma City, Clemson, Lamar, Texas A&M and Houston all will play strong roles in determining the eventual champion.

Individually the 19th annual Intercollegiate will have one of its strongest fields in years. Such nationally ranked players as Tony Giammalva (Trinity), Larry Gottfried (SMU), Jai DeLouie (SMU), Carlos Lopez (Lamar), Ron Humbard (Pan American), Paul Avis (Texas), Gary Plock (Texas), Juan Farrow (SIU) and Danny Valentincic (Houston) give the field a certain touch of class.

Houston's Valentincic is the National 21 and under Champion. The Longhorn's Avis is one of the top ranked players in South Africa. Teammate Gary Plock was a semi-finalist in last year's SWC Championships.

Pan American is a recent winner of the Rice-sponsored San Isidro-Bing Crosby World Universities Tennis Tournament held in Guadalajara, Mexico. Pan Am's Sean Sorenson, a real dark-horse, won the individual Championship. Mary Hardin Baylor finished a close second to Pan Am.

Group "A" includes Central Texas College, Clemson, Florida, Houston, Lamar, Mary Hardin Baylor, Memphis State, Oklahoma State, Pan American, Rice, SMU, Southern Illinois, Texas A&M, Texas Tech, Trinity, Wichita State.

Group "B" consists of Baylor, East Texas State, Hardin Simmons, Houston Baptist, Midland College, North Texas State, Odessa College, Southern. (Plus #5 & #6 men of "A" teams.)

Head tennis coach Chip Travis feels that three Rice players could be real contenders for the singles championship. Ross Persons, a sophomore, has been playing well since he started playing number one singles. Senior Ogi Mitra has been experiencing some elbow trouble but still has a chance. Brice Alexander, also a senior, plays very well under pressure. The tougher the competition, the better Alexander plays, so he should have a good tournament.

This event is one of the biggest college tennis tournaments outside of the NCAA contests. Tickets are available at the gate for the general public. Rice students can get in with a Rice I.D. New Book Branch at The Memory Tree 2195 Service in Bellaire Young, old, middle-aged hardbacks Read the focus on

The Teachings of Jose Cuervo.

(as excerpted from Chapter 27 of The Book.)

Yes, Chapter 27, wherein it says that Jose Cuervo is not only the original, since 1795, supreme, premium, ultimate white tequila. But, goes on to say that Jose Cuervo, as the ultimate, is also the ultimate mixer.

As a true test, simply pick one from Column A and one from Column B.
Swimming—Rice University is proud of its first national champion in this sport! Lisa Pena, freshman who was high school All-American at Bellaire last year, won two first places this past week in the A.I.A.W. national women's swimming championships for small colleges (won teams from schools of under 3,000 enrollment). Pena was national titlist for both 500 and 1650 yard free style events in meet at Clifton, Pennsylvania. She paced a five-member Rice group for Coach Fred Breckwoldt to a 19th place finish in a national field of 61 schools with 44 points. Pena becomes the first Rice woman athlete to be All-American in swimming.

Track & Field—Coach Bob May and aide Steve Straub take the Owls to Kyle Field at Aggieland (also a big high school division) that includes Rice, A&M, UH, Baylor, and TCU of the Southwest Conference. Prelims start at 11:15 a.m., field events finish at 4 p.m., and running finals at 7 p.m. at the Kyle Field track.

Basketball—Homer Rice had expected to complete interviews for the basketball coaching job by Wednesday. "At that time, we will have had six to eight coaches who actually came to the campus to be interviewed. I don't want to be rushed into naming a coach. We want to pick the right man to build a good, solid basketball program."

Football—Homer Rice announced Monday that the coaching staff for football will not be a defensive coordinator. Coach Rice will take on more of the responsibility for coaching the defense himself.

Golf—The Rice golfers, coached by John Pimbley, are in San Diego, California for the Aztec Invitational. Jim Diasque, the former number one player couldn't make the trip because of an inflamed tonsil. Barton Goodwin will play in the number one spot for Rice. Completing the team are Sam Ellington, Robb Ladd, Mark Scully, Adrian Schjistman, and Jeff New.

Sailing—In the recent elimination rounds for Women's Nationals, Rice tied the University of Texas for first place on points, but the tie was resolved in UT's favor, as the Longhorns won one more individual race than Rice. Rice's team looked particularly strong in the final races with two consecutive aces. Robin Richards and Marsha Ness won in Division A while Lynn Luzzi and Anne Brinkmann finished second in Division B.

Tennis—The Rice Amateur Invitational Tennis Tournament has been delayed one week because of the varsity event this week. March 25 is the new entry deadline. The tournament will take place the weekend of the 25th. Contact Marc Siegel at 524-3375 or at the WRC off-campus mailbox.

Swim—Sid Richardson took the men's team title and Lovett junior John Mittnacht set a new intramural record yesterday at the College Intramural Swim Meet. All Rights Reserved.

Monday, at the Rice Diamond, the Owls defeated The Trinity Tigers, 10-4.

The Owls got their run when Larry Hardy hit a single to right field with two out to score Don Lewis who singled earlier and advanced to second on a sacrifice.

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Fencers show form at recent tourney. —Walter Underwood

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Rusty’s to open Saturday

The results are in: Rice students prefer dog biscuits over Joyce Rubash’s tapioca pudding.

That’s the conclusion reached by the Will Rice diet crew which supplemented each dessert tray with a plate of Milk Bone dog biscuits at Monday night’s dinner.

The grubs took careful notes when the plates were returned and discovered that while 68.3% of the desserts remained untouched, only 42.2% of the biscuits arouse the gustatory gall of the students.

One member of the diet crew said the dog biscuits were distributed as a token of appreciation to the departing students.

“The Will Rice guys were swell,” said the grub.

“We’re really going to miss them now that the College has gone out of business.”

Rusty’s Disco, the new tenant of the former Will Rice College, has hired several of the grubs to work at its opening night party this Saturday. The party will be from 9pm-1am in the former Commons, and will feature a full bar and live band.

Drinks, including beer, will be 4 for $1 or 35¢ each, and admission is only $1, except for unescorted ladies who will pay free of charge. No dog biscuits will be served at the party, nor will they be served at dinner.

A Central Kitchen spokesman said that Joyce Rubash had considered serving dog biscuits for dessert, but abandoned the idea when a trial run found students fighting voraciously for the liver- and cheese-flavored treats and ignoring the rest.

How the energy crisis chills your chances

So you’re getting your degree and looking for that perfect job. More power to you. Literally. You’ll need it. America will have to find the energy it takes to make you a job.

Expressed as heat, this nation spends at least 71 quads of energy a year. That’s 71 quadrillion BTUs. A 71 followed by 15 zeroes. Since one BTU will heat a pound of water one degree Fahrenheit, we’re talking about bringing 219 trillion pounds of ice to a boil. That’s a glacier thirteen miles long, two miles wide and a mile thick. Every year.

Each working man and woman’s share of our 71 quads comes to 800,000,000 BTUs. Of course all that energy isn’t spent on the job. Nor do all jobs take the same amount, although most spend more than we think. But when you look at our available energy and the 89,000,000 people at work, then 800,000,000 BTUs is each job’s share.

Now think about the 18,000,000 more U.S. men and women experts say will be looking for jobs over the next ten years. At 800,000,000 BTUs apiece, we’ll have to come up with an extra 14.4 quads of energy to create new jobs for them.

At Armco, we face the energy problem every day because it takes about 29,000,000 BTUs to make each ton of steel. Our energy bill last year came to over $300,000,000. The cost keeps climbing every year. No wonder companies conserve energy. We have to, even though most of Armco’s energy comes from coal which we mine ourselves. When companies can’t get energy, people lose their jobs. We all learned that during the winter. The energy crisis is here. And it’s huge.

Plain talk about ENERGY

We Americans already know how to solve the energy crisis. We have the technology to reach solutions. Yet each solution comes with its own set of political problems. Natural gas mustn’t cost too much. Offshore oil mustn’t spoil our beaches. Coal mustn’t rape the land or poison the air. The atom mustn’t threaten to destroy us. Energy conservation mustn’t interfere with spending BTUs for worthy reasons.

Fair enough. But so far, we’re paying more attention to the problems than we are to the energy itself. We’ve got to stop making every social goal an ideological crusade. We need to think things through and make rational trade-offs if we’re ever going to get those 18,000,000 additional jobs.

Next time some zealot crusades for anything, test the crusade against this question: Does it produce at least one BTU’s worth of energy? If not, it won’t do a thing to help you get a job.

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thursday the seventeenth
6pm. Commons. Baked fish almondine.
7:30pm. SH301. The Rice Machine (George Pal), continuing the NYC film festival, 50c.
8pm. Museum of Fine Arts. Masculine-Feminine (Jean-Luc Godard). Free.
9:30pm. SH301. Still time to see The Rice Machine. Actually this is a paradox.

friday the eighteenth
11:45am. Commons. Pizza, or cold cuts.
1:30pm. Media Center. Silent show by Chaplin, Keaton, and Laurel and Hardy. $1.50.
2pm. Music Hall. Dance Theatre of Harlem.
7:30pm. SH301. A Fistful of Dollars (Sergio Leone, 1972).
7pm-10pm. Music Hall. How Should We Then Live, a movie by Louis Malle. $1.50.

saturday the nineteenth
Parents day.
11:45am. Commons. Hot roast beef sandwiches, or cold plate #1.
1:30pm. Media Center. Silent show by Chaplin, Keaton, and Laurel and Hardy. $1.50.
2pm. Music Hall. Dance Theatre of Harlem.
8pm. Museum of Fine Arts. Masculine-Feminine (Jean-Luc Godard, 1966). $1.75.
In French, with titles.
8pm. Museum. Absolutely last chance to see film.
8pm. Music Hall. Last performance by Dance Theatre of Harlem.

sunday the twentieth
12:45pm. Commons. (Half-) Baked Chicken.
2pm. Media Center. The Sorrow and the Pity (Orphuls, 1972).
In French with English intertitles. $1.50. To whenever. Baker Shakespearean Festival.
7pm. Media Center. The Sorrow and the Pity.

monday the twenty-first
12:12-12:45pm. Ryon 201. American Society of Civil Engineers: Dr. Charles Gardner, "The Uses of Wood in Modern Construction."
7pm-10pm. Media Hall. How Should We Then Live, a movie and lecture by Christian theologian Francis Schaeffer. $5; call 485-4875.
7:30pm. SH462, Rice Bahá'í Association meeting.

tuesday the twenty-second
3:30pm. Media Center. KFR presents Dr. David Feder, Bell Laboratories, "Batteries: A Key Ingredient in the Energy Economy of the Future."
7:30pm. Media Center. A Flint of Dollars (Sergio Leone, 1966). The original Clint Eastwood movie. $1.50.
8pm. Jones Commons. Jones Collegians and Pi Delta Phi present Ionesco's play "Exercices de Conversation et de Francais Pour Etudiants Américains." $0.50 except for Jones members.

wednesday the twenty-third
8pm. Jones. The Ionesco play, one last chance.
8pm. HH. President's Lecture series: Mr. and Mrs. George Bush, "The People's Republic of China—Today."

thursday the twenty-fourth
7:30 and 9:30pm. SH301. RPC science fiction film: Things to Come. (S. Wells' version of the year 2020-2030.) 50c.
7:30pm. Media Center. Eine Kleine Nachtmusik, Free.

the rice people's calendar

Note: All events listed above are subject to change without notice. Please check the bulletin board or the Daily Bulletin for the most current information.