Facility questions rules for student evaluations

Jamie Strauss

At the faculty meeting on Tuesday, January 23, several motions made by the Committee on Undergraduate Teaching were passed. But only one motion, actually an amendment to a motion, passed without opposition.

The first motion deals with student evaluations and their use in decisions on promotion, re-appointment, or salary increase. The gist of the motion requires that the hand-written part of the evaluations become a necessary consideration when the statistical data from the student evaluations are being used in making a decision.

The last sentence reads, "This requirement may be waived if the Brown Foundation Challenge Grant, which matches alumni donations in the Telefund with donations to the University Endowment, especially rewards increased numbers of alumni donors from year to year."

Students supply the bulk of the telephone callers for the Telefund. This year the participation has been widespread, the record number of calls made the first night was a direct result of a good turnout of volunteers from Jones College.

The Development Office has not set a target for the amount of money it hopes to raise from the Telefund. However, there are 5,400 alumni in the Houston area whom the Development Office plans to contact, and the hope is that a substantial number of these will make some financial commitment to Rice.

"We are trying much harder this year to have a larger portion of our alumni as contributors," said Ms. Downey.

Since student volunteers are an important part of Telefund, a suggestion was made earlier this year to the Rice Fund Council by the Student Association that some of the money which students helped to raise in the Telefund be transferred to the colleges. Dr. Hackerman made a suggestion with a $1,000 grant to each of the colleges' separate endowment funds. Commenting on this, Ms. Downey pointed out that this is a one-time grant and is not connected with Telefund participation, and added that since the money raised by Telefund goes into the operating budget (which includes financial aid) it is already in students' best interests to help in the Telefund.

Campus store piles up half a million

Christine Gorman

Since the Rice Memorial Committee and the Student Financial Aid Office have received over 700 calls from the telefund, the campus store has accumulated from the Campus Store Advisory Committee, at Jones North.

A proposed referendum for a blanket tax increase for the Rice Program Council was overwhelmedly supported by the SA Senate Monday night.

The referendum will be on the ballot in the SA General Election, Tuesday, February 20. The RPC is actively seeking a blanket tax increase from $5 to $8 a student.

The RPC's function is to sponsor and coordinate campus social and cultural programs as well as numerous student services. RPC-sponsored activities include films, dances, parties, TGIF's, concerts, pub entertainment, and lectures.

RPC-sponsored student services include vacation trips, discount coupon booklets, student guides to Rice and Houston, equipment rentals, and discount tickets for movies, ballet, operas, symphonies, and sporting events.

RPC requests the increase on the basis that its funding is relatively fixed allocation of student funds has become inadequate to support soaring entertainment and personal service costs which have greatly reduced its spending power.

The RPC has received only $100 for the 1974-75 academic year. Also, if the blanket tax is not increased, the coming year's RPC, under current blank tax arrangements, would only have approximately $700, of which one-third is available for use by the current RPC to carry on its operations. The current RPC has already spent over $1,500 for its use a $6,000 carryover from the previous year's RPC.

S.A. Elections

Set for Feb. 20

The S.A. elections date has been officially set for Tuesday, February 20.

The election of officers and candidates for student representatives to the Student Council will begin February 2.

'The S.A. election will be a three-tier election, and the editors and business managers of the Rice Thresher and Campus Madrille, and the student representatives of the Society for the University Council.

Any candidate for office must be a member of the S.A. office and must have had a petition signed by at least 25 students and a statement to the effect that he has received understanding S.A. Constitution, by 3 p.m. February 6.
Letters to the editor

To the Editor:

I would like to formally congratulate Lisa Willis, Tom Brown, Trip Doss, Cathy Collmer and the rest of their RPC Concerts personnel for their excellent arrangements and beautiful execution of last Saturday night's highly successful San Elmo's Fire concert. Way to go, gang!

Gene Creely II
RPC President

To the Editor:

On almost every night for the past week, one or more unknown persons have shattered windows in students' cars in the stadium parking lot and stolen valuables from within, usually car stereo equipment. The Campus Police have failed to see these people who have repeatedly robbed and vandalized a mere 200 by 800 yard area. Something must be done! Thousands of dollars have been lost in thefts and damages, and much of this amount is unrecoverable. We believe that the Campus Police should make every effort to catch these individuals so that we, as students, can rest assured that our vehicles will no longer be vandalized. Toward this end, the Campus Police have moved grudgingly at best. Security is still lax with one patrol car on duty at night, and obviously too little surveillance of the Stadium Lot.

The extensive vandalism that has occurred is just one result of our inadequate police force. We're not asking for a greatly expanded police force, but we do ask that the Campus Police reorient their thinking and give protection of students and their property higher priority than fining parking violators.

For the benefit of all Rice students, the campus police force must be made more effective. The Rice University Campus, bounded on two sides by posh residential areas, and less patrolled than either West University or the Medical Center, is mere bait to the vandal, rapist, and robber. We need alert, adept law enforcers to maintain our privacy from external elements and protect our personal rights.

Donald D. Clayton
William A Rucker
Robert Galland

To the Editor:

We wish to voice our strong disapproval of the behavior of the officers of Rice's Tau Beta Pi chapter. This organization is supposed to be an engineer's honor society, but the crass negligence of its officers has turned it into a complete farce.

This year, under their uninspired "leadership," there has been almost no publicity whatever prior to group meetings, resulting in meager attendance and consequently nil participation by members in the society. But this failing pales in comparison to the following:

In radical departure from previous years, the TBP officers have decided not to initiate any new members until Spring, whereas previously this had been done in the fall. On top of this, the officers have not even bothered to inform numerous persons of their eligibility to be in the society, despite the fact that they have been approved and should have been notified months ago. The explanation for this situation might be found in a suggestion made by the TBP president in an early meeting of the society; he raised the point that keeping society's exclusivity, and current members would thus benefit in the fact that they have been approved and should have been notified months ago. The explanation for this situation might be found in a suggestion made by the TBP president in an early meeting of the society; he raised the point that keeping

We believe the TBP officers to be misguided and self-serving. Their base behavior, which is abhorrent to civilized society, should not be tolerated.

Scott Carruth
Steve Coats

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The Rice Thresher
Baylor med offers summer medicine program

Jeanmarie Amend

Baylor College of Medicine is offering a Work and Study Program this summer to attract college students interested in pursuing a career in medicine. The specific goal of the program is to attract greater numbers of qualified minority and disadvantaged students to the health care professions, but all college students are eligible.

The objectives of the program are to motivate undergraduate students, especially disadvantaged students, to pursue their premedical curricula, to increase participants' understanding of the role to the physician, and to strengthen participants' grasp of the basic sciences. To achieve this goal, the program has used the Howard frames approach to academic orientation and work assignments.

A spectrum of classes in the basic sciences is conducted weekday mornings of the 8-week summer session; afternoons are spent in a work position, to gain experience in research or clinical settings.

Housing without board is provided in facilities near the Texas Medical Center, free of charge to program participants. Those accepted pay no fees or tuition during the program. Each participant receives an allowance to cover living expenses, and compensation for their work assignments.

United States citizens and permanent residents currently enrolled in accredited US undergraduate colleges or universities are eligible. Preference will be given to minority and disadvantaged applicants who are rising sophomores or juniors in college with overall GPA's above 2.7 (on a 4-point scale). Applications and further information are available in the Office of Admissions, Baylor College of Medicine.

The deadline for submitting all required application materials is March 31.

Oxford historian to discuss rise of Europe at Rice

Geoffrey Barraclough, a distinguished historian from Britain's Oxford University, will talk on "The Rise of Europe," at 8 p.m. Monday, February 5, in 301 Sewall Hall on the Rice University campus.

The lecture is open to the public free of charge.

Barraclough's talk is Rice's first 1979 Ervin Frederick Kahl Lecture in History. The endowed series of lectures honors the memory of Ervin Frederick Kahl who graduated from Rice with the school's first class in 1916.

Barraclough graduated from Oxford University in 1929 and subsequently studied in Munich and at Rome. After service in the Royal Air Force, 1939-1945, he was Professor of History at Liverpool University, 1945-1956, when he succeeded Arnold Toynbee as Research Professor of International History at the London School of Economics. President of the Historical Association from 1964 to 1967, he subsequently taught at the University of California, moving to Brandeis University as Springer Professor of History in 1968. In 1970 he was elected to the Chichele Chair of Modern History at Oxford.


Jonestown issue to be explored

- "American Religion After Jonestown" will be discussed by a high-ranking Guianese official and an American specialist on cults at 8 p.m. Tuesday, January 30, in the Memorial Chapel on the Rice University Campus.

The lecture, presented by Rice's Department of Religious Studies, is the second in a four-part series on "Religious Liberty in the American Tradition."

Christopher Nascimento, Minister of State of Guyana with headquarters at the United Nations, will discuss Guyana's relationship with the People's Temple.

Dr. Robert S. Ellwood, Jr., of the faculty of the University of Southern California, is an ordained Episcopal clergyman. He will speak on American cults and sectarian groups. His courses at USC include "Ethics in World Religions" and "New Religious and Philosophical Movements in Southern California."

The event is open to the public free of charge.

Deadline nears for University of Durham (England) Program

The deadline for applications for the Institute of European Studies Program in Durham, England, is February 1, 1979. For this reason, all application materials should be in the Office of Student Advising by January 29, 1979, in order to be forwarded to the Chicago office of the I.E.S. by February 2.

The University of Durham was founded in 1832 and is the third oldest in England. Like Rice University, it has a residential college system. Unlike other programs in Europe, the program at Durham University offers a range of academic opportunities not traditionally associated with study abroad.

American students are fully integrated into academic departments and the colleges of the University and attend regular university lectures and classes with British students.

The city of Durham is in the northeast of England. Edinburgh is 120 miles to the north and London, some 250 miles to the south, can be reached by fast train in less than four hours.

Applications may be obtained in the Office of Student Advising by contacting Dr. Bell, the I.E.S. campus coordinator, or Mrs. Atkinson, the department's secretary.
**Lynn Ashby**

**Rice is not the real world**

Matt Muller

Houston Post columnist Lynn Ashby spoke at Lovett College Tuesday night about the financial problems awaiting students upon their graduation. Ashby said, "You are not living in the real world here, and in many ways a graduate of the University of Houston will be better prepared than you to live and work in the City of Houston."

"Most UH students have jobs in Houston," said Ashby, "and in their day-to-day living are much more attuned to the problems living in Houston, poses, such as traffic, taxes, and crime."

Ashby described the fate of a hypothetical Rice engineer's $23,000 annual salary from Exxon. "Let's say our engineer is single and lives in an apartment out Westheimer. Right off the top, $4,500 is deducted in withholding taxes, $1,400 is taken out for Social Security - money he may never see - and $700 will go to county, city, and school taxes. He will pay $160 in sales taxes that year and $48 in gasoline taxes, if he drives 12,000 miles."

This leaves our engineer about $16,000 for the year, a figure that represents only three-fourths of his income.

"This explains why the big push around the country right now is Proposition 13," said Ashby. "In your particular circumstance you probably don't care very much about it. You may feel people have their priorities misplaced in being so interested in it. But money isn't a big problem for you right now, when your problem is wondering when the next check from Daddy is going to get here."

Ashby said that he felt people were becoming more and more conscious of the limitations of government resources. "Remember all the concern about pollution a few years ago?" he asked. "Well, now if push came to shove and it was money or pollution - guess which would win."

When asked what advice he would offer to students who want to prepare themselves for the real world to Westheimer apartments, Ashby first replied, "I would stay a sophomore," but then added, "Seriously, I'd work someplace besides Houston during the summer, and I'd work off campus as much as I could during the year. Most of a student's time is still going to be spent on campus, but it is a good idea to get as accurate a picture of life outside the University as you can."

Someone from the audience commented that this was hard to do for those who do not own cars, and asked him what he thought of Houston's mass transit system. "Houston desperately needs good mass transit," he said. "You commute to work across the grass; I commute on the West Loop. Today I was the sole survivor," he quipped.

"Ask anyone in Houston what the city's worst problem is and they'll answer the traffic or the Astros," said Ashby. "Perhaps it is too early to judge the MTA," he commented, "but right now it looks like it's staffed by rather young, overpaid people who don't know much about buses because they don't ride them."

"Ashby was also asked what he thought of the new Governor, Bill Clements. "He's a bright guy. He's made a lot of money. But I think he's going to be frustrated trying to run the state like a business because Texas is not a private company."

Ashby pointed out that Clements must deal with several established power blocs in Austin. "There's the Senate, the Legislature, the Attorney General, the Railroad Commissioner, and so on. But not one of the people in those offices works for him."

"The Governor of Texas can call up the state militia in case of Indian raids, but if some state legislator gives him a hard time he really can't do much about it. Clements certainly can't fire the guy, which is the way he could handle it in a private company."

"I wish Governor Clements well," said Ashby, "I think he will probably figure out how to make things work. But this first year will probably be frustrating for him."

Ashby concluded with a response to a question about the Houston Police Department. "Go down to the Police Station some night and see who they are booking. They're dealing with the garbage of society. It isn't an easy job."

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Engineers honor Pearson

James Boyd Pearson, Jr. of the Electrical Engineering department at Rice.

Engineers honor Pearson

James Boyd Pearson, Jr., professor of electrical engineering and chairman of the department of Rice University, has been elected a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

In electing Dr. Pearson, a spokesman from the institute stressed, this honor is reserved to a very limited number of individuals each year who have shown evidence of outstanding and extraordi-

nary qualification and experience in the field of electrical and electronics engineering.

"A spokesman for the institute added, "Professor Pearson has achieved this distinction for contributions to the theory of multivariable control systems." Dr. Pearson's theoretical work may find ultimate application in the design and construction of large industrial control systems including those governing power and chemical plants and complex traffic systems."

Dr. Pearson, a Rice faculty member since 1965, holds bachelor and master's degrees from the University of Arkansas and the Ph.D. in electrical engineering from Purdue University.

"Pearson is one of four members of the EE dept who hold this honor. Henry C. Bourne was elected a fellow this year. Pearson was elected a fellow this year. Bourne was elected a fellow this year. Bourne was elected a fellow this year. He is currently on leave of absence in Washington, D.C., where he is Director of Engineering at the National Science Foundation. Bill Gordon, the dean of the School of Natural Sciences and Rui Delgado are also fellows."

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Houston, Texas
Symphony concert a bit too entertaining

Gayle Greer

While most of you I'm sure were at home watching the Super Bowl last Sunday, I was witnessing a somewhat different exhibition downtown in Jones Hall.

The Argentinean-born Carlos Paita guest-conducted the Houston Symphony in a most athletic fashion, which may have been suitable for the weekend but not for music nor the orchestra. Maestro Paita has an established reputation in South America and Europe but this past weekend marked his U.S. debut.

The program opened with a rather ponderous interpretation of Mozart's overture to his opera, "The Magic Flute." Sadly enough, most of the delicate, soft passages throughout the overture did not come across due to the wild, misleading gestures from the podium.

Paita "kicked off" the second selection with a fumble by doubling the wind section in the already sufficient "Variations on a Theme by Haydn," op. 56a, by Johannes Brahms. The orchestra's desperate attempts to follow the conductor's varied and often too brisk tempos resulted in moments of sloppy ensemble. I'm certain that Brahms never thought his piece based on a simple Austrian hymn (Chorale to St. Antoni) could undergo so much aberration by one man.

After "half-time" (when the Cowboys were ahead 4-7) Mr. Paita presented a spectacular performance of Mahler's First Symphony featuring every French horn player in town. I use the word "spectacular" because this piece was definitely a spectacle. The entire work was so inflicted with the conductor's rubatos and tempo deviations that I felt as if I were in the middle of a taffy-pulling machine.

Most surprising was Mr. Paita's habit of talking to the orchestra during the entire concert at a very audible level, and in the last movement of the Mahler (with only five minutes left on the clock), a surging climax in the music prompted Mr. Paita to emit a yell of "Fire!" before proceeding to the end of the work.

A great many members of the audience were highly entertained by all the theatrics and stood amidst applause and "Bravos." It is unfortunate that an orchestra that has proven itself under such fine conductors as Sergiu Comissiona and Erich Bergel must be subjected to the kind of comedian they experienced this week.

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A LITERARY SUMMER IN ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND

Spend the summer in England and Scotland reading major works by Romantic writers and Shakespeare in their native settings. The Rice Summer Abroad Program lasts six weeks, beginning June 24, and combines reading, lectures and visits to historical landmarks in Britain. Students may earn six hours of credit in English and Shakespearean literature for successful completion of this course. Join Dr. Alan Grob and read Wordsworth in the Lake District, see Shakespeare performed by the Royal Shakespeare Company, and enjoy opportunities for individual travel and excursions. All college students are welcome to join the class. The anticipated cost is $1550 which includes tuition, ground transportation in Great Britain, housing, most meals, group excursions and admission to special events. Transportation to and from England is not included in the anticipated costs. Enrollment is limited and applications will be accepted on a first come - first served basis. Deadline for applications is April 1.

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F. Broden

Over the past few years, the Rice Media Center has become one of the best cinemas in town. This semester's film schedule promises to continue the tradition. $1.50 will get you into some of the most important sound films ever made, or to some of the most bizarre. Either way, it's a far cry from the $4.00 insults which prevail in most commercial theatres.

The Thursday night film history series is unbeatable in any context. It features such landmarks of world cinema as Bicycle Thieves, Pather Panchali, La Strada, Last Year At Marienbad, and L'Avventura. Modern German, French, and Japanese directors are represented by the works of Werner Herzog, Louis Malle, and Akira Kurosawa, respectively.

For those of you with more homespun tastes, there is the Western series. Trace the bloody development of this genre from High Noon through The Wild Bunch. Even a few cult-Westerns (One-Eyed Jacks, The Shooting) are included.

Entries under the humor category range from the absurd (Woody Allen's Who's Up, Tiger Lily?) to the outrageous (Andy Warhol's Frankenstein). Finally, two overlooked American films will be brought back for further scrutiny: Blue Collar, which is credited with being one of the very few class-conscious movies made in the U.S., and In Cold Blood, in which Robert Blake does the only serious acting of his career. The Rice campus is blessed with the presence of the Media Center, so go pick up a free copy of the schedule and take advantage of it.

Karen Lee

The recent work of Robert Goodnough, at Watson de Nagy, 1106 Bertha at Yount, represents paintings from 1977-1978. In 1977, Goodnough arranged triangular paint chips in clusters to form a large volumetric shape of high luminosity. In the new work, forms are flatter with more emphasis on color instead of light and dark relationships.

Janie C. Lee, 2304 Bissonet, selected the work of some famous contemporary painters and younger artists for a group show at DeKooning, Stella, Louis, Noland, Olitski, Warhol, Lichtenstein, Rauschenberg, and Twombly are represented.

Most notable of the show are Noland's "Pale Way" (1969) and Olitski's "Natural Histories 5" (1977). Noland's acrylic strip painting has subtle, luminescent color. Olitski, who deals with an overall surface and color, pushes his paint to the extreme once again. At the Museum of Fine Arts, one of Noland's current paper-pressed works and two beautiful Olitski's are on display. One Olitski is an earlier spray painting and one is a more current painting of surface and minimal color.

An exhibition of American Art 1845-1945 is currently on view through March 18 at the Museum of Fine Arts. The show contains paintings, sculpture, decorative arts and photographs. Most of the paintings are landscapes or portraits. Some artists and photographers represented are O'Keeffe, Steichen, Weston and Lange.


At the Rice Media Center, some of John Lee's photographs are currently on view. Lee is the former Media Center coordinator.

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Jamie Strauss

St. Elmo's Fire left a tired audience after their Saturday night concert on the Rice campus. The mood swings from hard, fast rock'n'roll to smooth, lyrical melody and then swinging jazz, moving the audience from tense excitement to relaxed enjoyment.

There is no pigeon hole for the style of this unique band, which makes it hard to review but easy to appreciate. Texas' campuses are familiar with St. Elmo's Fire's musical versatility. A feeling that the band had come home pervaded the audience. And the band seemed relaxed, as if they were sharing with the people behind the light instead of just performing for them.

Outstanding moments were many throughout the entire performance. Craig Calvert's flute gave jazz a different type of movement, a flowing, easy rhythm. Chris Idlet's rhythm guitar harmonized well and his voice was particularly appealing.

Connie Mims created much emotion with her singing "Reason for Leaving." "The Lady Has No Heart," as always, was well received and Mims' voice was superb.

Keith Grimwood's bass sounds and Damian Hevia's drums mingled in perfect rhythm to make the stage rock.

Many people may be familiar with St. Elmo's Fire's rock ballets, "Caliban" and "Rasputin." Writing and performing such controlled music as is necessary in a ballet, where improvisation is not always welcome, has given the band depth and control.

Their innovative qualities are what make this band special. With a style that defies labels and talent that is new and exciting St. Elmo's Fire will surely gain national attention. But hopefully they will not forget that Houston is their home and Rice can look forward to more musically charged evenings such as last Saturday night.

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Frogs croak, Rice wins

Ed Westerfield

Rice-T.C.U.

Monday night, the Rice Owls had three player hurt, shot poorly, but still managed to defeat the T.C.U. Horned Frogs, 39-56. The win was the second consecutive road win for the Owls, the first since 1973 since Rice had back-to-back wins away from Autry Court.

The first half saw the Owls and the Frogs exchange leads through the opening 12 minutes. But Rice outscored T.C.U. 14-5 in the final eight minutes of the half to grab a 29-21 lead.

The first half was costly for the Owls, however, as both Brett Burkholder and Joe Daniels were hurt. Burkholder hurt his ankle and is doubtful for the Aggies game this Saturday afternoon. Daniels were hurt. Burkholder was its fifteenth without a win and its third conference victory.

At the beginning of the second half, the Owls began to pick up their shooting, and the Rice lead grew to 41-29. The Frogs battled back, outscoring the Owls 23-13 to narrow the Rice lead to 54-52. Alas, the Frogs began to miss, and though the Owls missed several free throws in the final minutes, Rice held on for its third conference victory against four losses.

Elbert Darden had a poor shooting night, but still led the Owls with 19 points and 12 rebounds. Glenn Rieke added 10 points and 10 rebounds.

**UH Cougars defeat Owls**

On Saturday, Rice continued its long-standing tradition of playing awful basketball against Houston, as the cross-town Cougars embarrassed the Owls 101-75. The loss for Rice was its fifteenth without a win against UH.

For the second game in a row, the Owls had the misfortune of catching a team playing its best game of the conference season. The Cougars, like Texas on the previous Tuesday, hit 59 percent from the field. But the reason the Houston game was so bad was that Rice was ice-cold, connecting on only 29 of 75 shots for 39 percent.

From the beginning of the game, one could sense that a disaster was about to happen. The Cougars hit 5 of their first 6 shots and jumped to an early 12-2 lead. Rice tried to inch back, but no one was able to hit with any consistency, and Houston quickly spread its lead to 28-12.

Coach Schuler felt that drastic changes would be necessary if the Owls were to get back in the game, so inserted Robert Hubble, Joe Daniels, John Mott and Anthony DeCello into the game. These four, along with Elbert Darden, whittled the Houston lead down to 37-25, but the Cougars outscored the Owls 12-4 in the last 2-1/2 minutes of the half, and took a 49-29 lead into the locker room.

Victor Ewing of Houston was probably the main reason for the Cougars' offensive success, as he hit all 10 of his shots for 20 first-half points. The second half was almost a mirror-image of the first twenty-minutes, as Houston continued to hit and Rice kept missing. The Cougars, as in the first half, wore out a path to the foul line, connecting on 18 of 25 freebies for the second half, and 31 of 44 for the game.

The referees called a tight game inside, and Rice ended up on the short end many times. The refs blew a few, but the officiating was not the major factor in the outcome of the game.

After the game, Coach Schuler turned the matter over to the players who discussed the situation and then took a vote. The vote was in favor in reinstatement.

Coach Schuler said, "I am very happy that Brian Burns has decided to rejoin our team. I still believe that he will make a very positive contribution to the development of a fine basketball program at Rice University. He is back with us, and all is forgiven and forgotten."

**Burns reinstated**

Basketball coach Mike Schuler announced today that freshman Brian Burns has been reinstated as a member of the team, effective immediately. Burns had quit the squad after the conference opener at Baylor. He came to Schuler and asked to rejoin the team.

Burns, from Pt. Mugu, California, had started eight straight games prior to his leaving the team. At the time he was Rice's third leading scorer, with a 9.8 average and 108 points in eleven games. He had played in every game up to that point.

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**Owl Sports Report**

**Hill***

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**Interviewers Needed**

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Swimming

Owl women swimmers captured a dual meet with TCU last Saturday at the Rice pool. Five Rice records fell as the Horned Frogs were outscored 75-40. Sherry Page won both the 50 and the 100 yard butterfly with record-setting times of 28.47 and 1:02.82.

Karen Hight swam a 33.16, finishing second to Kim Healy of TCU (32.95) in the 50-yard breaststroke. Both relays broke the existing marks, the medley with a 1:59.52 and the freestyle with 1:47.40.

Other Owl firsts were Lisa Pena (200 and 500 freestyle), Karen Hight (100 individual medley and 100 breast) and Lisa Strawn (50 backstroke). Christy Cadenhead also won the one meter diving.

Both men and women swimmers will face Texas A&M in a dual meet here Friday at 7:00 p.m. and then travel to Georgetown for a Saturday confrontation with Southwestern at 1:00 p.m.
Elbert Darden: Praise the Lord and pass the ammunition

Russell Henderson

Elbert Darden is a co-captain and the lone senior starter on the Rice Owl basketball team. The 6-3 guard has been setting records and receiving honors (with many more to come) for his performance on the basketball court.

This season, Elbert became the all-time Owl scoring leader for both conference and total games. He was named Southwest Conference Player of the Week for January 8-14 for leading the Owls to a big road win at Texas Tech.

By the end of the year, Elbert will probably become the leading scorer in Southwest Conference history. He should also be named to every all-Conference squad.

Last week, Elbert talked with me about some of his feelings on various topics both on and off the court.

Q.) Last year you had shoulder problems, and you were not able to perform up to par. I guess this year has been setting records and the academic opportunities here at Rice were the only things that were discussed—the only things that were granted to me. Beyond that, I expected nothing, and I don't expect anything now.

Q.) Were you interested in any other schools?

A.) Oh, yes. There was one other school in particular I was interested in, but when the time came for the final decision, my parents and I really prayed about it and we let the Lord take care of it. And He seemed to indicate to me that this is where He wanted me to be, so here I am.

Q.) It's obvious that the team has improved vastly since the season began. Do you think that we'll be ready to knock off some of the "big" teams by the time that the Southwest Conference tournament rolls around?

A.) Definitely—if we keep together. As long as we don't get into a thing where we think, "I've gotta do it all." If we keep going the way that we've been going, I'm sure things will get a whole lot better. Once the inside people get a couple of real good plans in, they'll be a whole lot better. Hopefully, by tournament time, we'll have improved to the point that people who press won't really bother us that much. So, by the time the tournament rolls around, I think we should definitely be in a position where we can do really well in it. I'm not saying that we'll win it, but I think we'll do well.

Jim Krivacs of Texas failed to stop Darden on this fast break.

The Big "E"

Elbert Darden was presented with the game ball prior to the SMU game after becoming Rice & all-time scoring leader.
Intramurals

The Team defeats Hoglegs 83-72 to take Intramural basketball championship

Greg Holloway

The Team has won the 1979 intramural basketball tournament by defeating the Hoglegs Tuesday night at Autry Court, 83-72. The contest was a seesaw battle until The Team opened up their attack late in the game, when they finally pulled away from the Hogs. The championship match was the culmination of a four-round tournament.

The first three rounds of the tourney have had the usual mix of close games and blowouts. While seven of the nine squads managed a bye in round one, ETMF and Benedict III were forced to battle for the only remaining spot in the quarterfinals. Benedict succeeding by the score of 49-26. East Cooper had 12 in a losing cause, while Odis Mack and Mark Snyder nailed in 16 and 13, respectively, for Benedict.

Benedict had a much tougher challenge in their next game, nosing out the Geeks by a single bucket, 48-47. David Vaughn.

In the other mismatch, The Team eliminated Funkasaurus, 51-18. Mike Rogers ripped the net for 18 and was aided by Kevin Campbell and Vince Henry, who added 8 apiece for the victors. James West hit 10 for the de-Funked dinosaurs.

The fourth round moved to Autry Court and full NCAA rules, which made for a longer, more physically demanding contest because of the extra length of the game (no "running" clock). The first game pitted The Team against Best and Brightest, two Lovett squad. B and B cut the tempo of the game for the first 15 minutes behind the play of Joe "Buzzer" Ricke and Don Wilson. Their passing became a little sloppy toward the end of the half, however, leading to several fast breaks for The Team, led by Prime Beef and Magic Sam Francis.

The Team was up by 6 at the game's midpoint, 46-39. The second half was relatively uneventful until a flurry of baskets by B and B narrowed the gap to 80-75 with 6 minutes left. The Team quickly regained its momentum behind the scoring of Randy Weir (8 points) and Rusty Chase (13 points) Rogers led with 6 points and 22s; B and B narrowed the gap to 80-87 victory. The game's leading scorers were B and B's Joe Ricke, with 24 points) and Rusty Chase (13 points) Rogers led with 24 points; and B and B's Joe Ricke, with 24 points.

The Hoglegs-Benedict game ended in a surprisingly easy victory for the Benedict. The Swinefeet jumped out to an early lead, scoring the net an easy layup, out of their first 16 shots. The Hogs were ahead by 9 points at one point, only to see their lead slashed to 2 at the half and then 3 early in the second stanza. But Benedict, with only 6 players (and an injury to Jim Quint (WY Day)) was unable to keep up the pace. Ricke, the big center, fouled out with eight minutes left to seal Benedict's fate. He finished with 13 points. Mack had 18, and Coach Tony Sexton had 10. The Hogs received balanced scoring as three players topped 20: Steve Hook (25), Bob Burnett (12), and Frank Dishongh (20).

Jim Lancaster, and Frank Wilson played triplets and accounted for 10 points apiece for the Geeks. Not to be outdone, Benedict's unlikely twin combination of Odis Mark and Mark Snyder chipped in 14 each.

In the other game of round two's top bracket, Hoglegs nosed out Rag-A-Mug, 59-38. Some observers felt Rag relied too heavily on the play of Rich Gass (who led his team with 13 points) and was hurt by lack of movement from the others on the squad. In any case, Hoglegs escaped behind the scoring of Frank Dishongh (44) and Bob Burnett (44), a pair of star backcourt players.

The lower bracket saw a couple of frank "Snow" Wolak's Best and brightest and the overmatched Herpolhodes, 66-19. Eric Umland and Greg Peplin (one from the bottom totals for the Herps but were no match for Joe Ricke, Derrick Hurst, and Don Searle, with 18, 15, and 12 respectively.

Coming off their big victory against Benedict, the Hoglegs were confident of their chances against The Team in the championship game. The Team, too, had reason for confidence, due to their impressive earlier victories and their championship experience. (Three of The Team's starters played for last year's victors, Prime Beef.) The game took a different turn than had been expected. The Hogs could not work their quick outlet passes, and The Team's Kevin Campbell (who arrived late) never seemed to smooth out his game.

The first half was somewhat ragged, with Bob Burnett's outside shooting the only highlight. At the half the Pigs were up 37-35. The Team took the lead early in the second half, but did not break loose until Frank Dishongh fouled out with seven minutes left. Mike Rogers led his fast-breaking Team with 22 points, followed by Sam Francis (18) and Campbell (14). Most of the Hoglegs were in early foul trouble, especially the big scorers, Burnett (16) and Dishongh (12). Steady Steve Hook pulled up the slack with 12. The Hoglegs never really penetrated the middle, and their outside shooting was not sufficient to deter The Team from its 83-72 victory.

A champion will also emerge from the soccer tournament this week. The finals pit the skillful Desperados against the very underrated Ipswich.

In the tourney's quarterfinals, Desperados fought off a tough bunch from Sid Rich, the Rajun Cajuns, 4-2. Leading the Outlaws' charge in overtime were Fred Frey and Valdemundo Mendoza, who punched in 2 goals apiece. Charlie Heine's two goals were the only tallies for the Louisianaans.

Frank Zimba's Zoo caged in Force 10 of Tom Moeller by a narrow 3-2 margin. John Paul I moved into the semifinals with a forest over the Will Rice Kripies, who had lost several players to graduation or transfer. Ipswich was awarded a bye.

Desperados gained their berth in the finals by handling Zoo, 5-0. Once again, Mendoza had 2, with Frey, Ken Haughney, and Jon von Lohrenze adding one goal each. The other semifinal game produced Ipswich's 3-2 victory over John Paul I. Steve Hedrick, John Fite, and Andy Fowler had goals for Ipswich, and Wes Hansen and Bill Moebius tallied palmar goals. The tourney final should be an interesting match. Desperados is a highly skilled veteran squad, but may not be able to run full speed for an entire game. Ipswich is skilled also, but must hustle and force a fast, running game if they are to have a chance at defeating Desperados.

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Bird flocks return to Rice again this year

Matt Dore

Everyone knows about the swallows who return to Capistrano, but very few people know about the birds who return to Rice each year. Cowbirds to be exact, according to Heidi Good, a graduate student in the Rice Biology Department, who did her doctoral work on the bird phenomenon.

She said the birds, who are mostly male cowbirds, come from Kansas, Oklahoma, and even as far north as Canada. They breed and spend the summer there, then leave for Texas in September. They “eat their way south.” Ms. Good said, at a rate of about 30 miles a day until they reach Texas. Our own birds arrive in Houston in October, but don’t get to the campus until on or very near Christmas Day. They take about a month to build up to their maximum population and stay until the end of March.

According to alumni and other faculty members, the birds first made their appearance here in the mid-60’s. They started gathering for about three weeks and did not return again for about ten years.

In the mid-60’s, a couple of factors caused the birds to choose Rice as a new winter home. First of all, one of the birds’ favorite roosts, which was located where the north and west loops meet, was gradually being taken over by apartments and office buildings. Secondly, the Rice gardening budget was cut, resulting in less tree trimming and bushy trees. The birds began roosting here more and more and gradually adopted Rice as their winter home.

Having heard in such large numbers on campus results in quite a mess with droppings and dead birds. Efforts were made in the early 70’s to get rid of them. Old tricks, such as scaring them off with cannon and other loud noises were ineffective. They even tried to scare the birds off with helicopters, but it didn’t work.

An elaborate plan in 78 to put nets over the trees to prevent roosting also failed. Helicopters were used to lower nets over the trees near the President’s House, but the winds rendered them ineffective. Remnants of the nets, which were made of plastic, can still be seen in the tops of the trees.

Ms. Good undertook the bird phenomenon as her doctoral work, and one of the first things she had to do was count the birds. She did this by collecting bird droppings from various roosting spots. By estimating the number of grams of droppings and knowing that the male cowbird leaves about 1 gram of droppings per night, it was possible to estimate the number of birds present. In 1976, Ms. Good figures, there were about 800,000 birds.

Tree trimming and de-foliation appear to be the best ways to get rid of the birds. Ms. Good noted that when the grove by the Physics Building was trimmed, the birds didn’t roost there. An interesting aspect of trimming the grove, she said, was that though only half of the trees were trimmed, the birds avoided the entire grove. Tree trimming, however, costs up to $80 per tree, and the cost to trim the entire campus would be huge.

De-foliation, a process by which trees are made to lose their leaves by spraying them with chemicals, was tried last year. The birds returned in very small numbers last year and it was thought that de-foliation had done the trick. However, the cowbirds were much less numerous over the entire state last year, indicating possibly another cause for the birds’ failure to return.

The birds are back this year, though they don’t appear to be as numerous as in the years before 78. However, the droppings already on the sidewalks portend a possibly messy February and March, so get out those umbrellas folks!

Library visitor lets it all hang out

Martha Ramos

It’s late and you’re tired. Stopping briefly at the water fountain, you glimpse a man through the doors near the stairs but you don’t think twice about it. A few more steps and you are at the door, and the same fellow is still there. He’s alone, you notice. Then you notice more, but it doesn’t register, so you look again. Oh, my God! He’s fully exposed. According to Dr. David H. Campos. Call the Campos. A fellow is still there. He’s alone, you notice. Then you notice more, but it doesn’t register, so you look again. Oh, my God! He’s fully exposed.

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Carter to cut students’ Social Security benefits

President Carter’s proposed 1980 budget may leave some affected adversely by this after the last child became 17. The proposal should voice their maintain offices in their home college educations. One cut in the financing of the rest of their also potentially restrictive to students. Another cut which is Security benefits to college proposed end of Social Security recipients is the lowering of the age limit for the youngest family member from 18 to 16. Parents would receive no Social Security benefits after the last child became 17. Students who might be affected adversely by this proposal should voice their feelings to their Senators and Representatives soon. Congressmen and women maintain offices in their home districts as well as in Washington. Letters, telegrams should be sent to both offices for maximum effect.

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Perhaps the biggest conference of its kind ever held in Houston, the Tenants’ Conference will feature workshops led by the most successful tenant organizers in Texas. Topics on the agenda include training sessions on the rights of Texas tenants under present law and how tenants can organize to become more vocal, and a discussion of current legislation concerning renting and leasing in Texas.

TTRA, with members in several Texas cities including Houston, has taken an active interest in the upcoming legislative session and was influential in the writing of House Bill 215, introduced by Ron Walters of Houston.

The bill expands the definition of the recent Warranty of Habitability clause in rental agreements to include remedies for tenants whose warranty is not granted as well as protection from retaliation by landlords.

TexPIRG, which endorses House Bill 215, is also attempting to have legislation introduced amending the security deposit law. The TexPIRG proposal would give tenants interest on their deposit and would provide safeguards for deposits while they are kept by landlords.

Many off-campus students may find that more information on tenant organization could help them solve their own housing problems. The TTRA conference is open to the public. For further information, call Debra Danburg, person-to-person collect at 713-475-5627 (in Austin).

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In the Colleges

96 of 370 faculty attend meeting

to the customary procedure an "Instructor's Commentary." This commentary would be a sort of summary remarking on what worked and what could be improved and to "note any extenuating circumstances - such as teaching the course for the first time." The function of this commentary is clearly to be used as a sort of rebuttal to some points of view. A second facet to this amendment requires that if the written students' evaluations are being used by the Committee on Undergraduate Teaching, then this commentary should be made in duplicate and available.

The fourth and final motion involves the evaluation procedure in the context of the students and the department collection. The procedure involves the professor's out the forms and a student from the class collecting the forms approximately twenty minutes later and delivering them to the central location. After class, the student brings the sealed envelope to a central location, where a representative of the Committee on Undergraduate Teaching will receive it, store it in a secure place, and check it off on a posted list of courses as having been received.

Evaluations would not be accepted unless received from a student in the course in a sealed envelope.

This motion received some attention and one member of the faculty commented that there did not seem to be "an honor system for the faculty" as there is for the students. The motion passed.

The Committee also presented four additional changes to the part of the evaluation process dealing with the questionnaire.

Ninety-six faculty members attended the meeting, and of these members the number of eligible voters is not known. To be a part of the evaluation process dealing with the questionnaire.

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Aikido: Sophisticated self-defense

Aikido has often been referred to as the gentleman's fighting art. For many it is an unfamiliar word, and few outside the martial arts can distinguish it from other "methods of self-defense." In trademark, however, lies partly in its sophisticated style and particularly in its essential motivations.

Aikido is a method of self-defense which can be used against any form of attack and is—at its highest levels—a Disciplining of Coordination, a "way" of harmonizing all of man's vital powers. There is no attack in Aikido, for to neutralize an aggression and render the attacker harmless without hurting others. To possess this attitude, one must achieve a very high level of integrating the powers of mind and body, the harmonious combination of physical means and ethical motives.

Because of the non-agreement of Aikido, it is a martial art that many women of goodwill will be and is appropriate to help persons as well. We are in the process of organizing an Aikido club on campus and welcome participation by all students and faculty who have wanted to explore a ethical self-defense, a way of discipline that involves both the mind and the body.

There will be an off-campus student recruitment from 9 till 11. The Martins will have plenty of food, but come to Richardson house early just in case.

The every-Friday afternoon TG's continue this week. More beer and music in the lobby at 4 o'clock. Hopefully these will continue for the rest of the semester.

Steve Schooner lost a kitchen but Sid Rich gained a resident associate last week. Welcome to Bill Colson, post doc in Space Physics, who will be here this semester.
The Alliance Francaise de Houston has asked William Neiding of the History Department of Rice University to speak at the Alliance on the University's recent excavations at Tel Aphek-Antipatris, Israel. The lecture will be on January 30 at 8:00 p.m. The Alliance is located at 407 Lovett Boulevard. The public is cordially invited.

The Rappelling Club will meet Monday, January 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the Rice Memorial Center. Anyone interested in rappelling is asked to attend. This semester's plans for the club will be discussed, specific events will be scheduled, and information on all equipment would be available for questions. The meeting will be held immediately after at the bottom of the Campanile.

A meeting of the Rice Variety Suicide Team will be held on top of the Campanile at noon on January 31. A short meeting will be held immediately after. The Alliance Francaise of Houston is in need of part-time processing supplies. Our area Is in need of part-time processing supplies. A driver who kno

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Thursday the first

11:00 am. Lovett. The Rice Student Association Office is open for the remainder of this week.

12:00 pm. Baker College. SA Meeting.

1:00 pm. Lubbock. Rice Swimmers vs. Texas Tech.

2:00 pm. KTRU. Eric Taylor, composer, guitarist, performs live in The Turning Point.