Playboy ranks Rice eleventh in poll of sexual temperatures

by Jay Grob

Rice University may be a hotbed of intellectual, academic and technical fervor, but according to the October issue of Playboy magazine, Rice fell slightly below the norm in terms of sexiness, sexual promiscuity and permissiveness, drugs and partying in general.

Playboy's "Sex in College" poll ranked Rice 11th out of 20 schools after polling 2,000 students across the country. The University of Texas at Austin won top honors as the "sexiest" campus of the schools surveyed. Mormon-controlled Brigham Young University, not surprisingly, fell last on the list.

The Academic Decathlon Committee has been formed and will study Rice's academic programs. The committee will be appointed by Jeanne Cooper, Rice President, to study the Honor Council. From the Honor Council submitted "a request for a new calendar..." along the lines of a request by Jay Grob, who writes that "in general, the Sexual Promiscuity and Permissiveness Scale, birth control methods, drugs and fraud and fraternity influence in sexual matters, no addresses Rice per se, the magazine's "extracurricular" cartoon pollout like a quick sketch, in specific categories, of Rice.

"Playboy," states the University of Texas at Austin was the "hottest hangout" for Rice students, while "the campus of Houston" is dubbed "sex central." As to Rice's overall sexual temperature, Playboy writes "85 degrees. Only blackbird eggs get laid."

Playboy writer Kevin Cook, who was in Houston on a brief promotional tour for the article, dispelled any notion that the survey represents an empirical examination of each school's sexual activities. However, he did express confidence in his findings. "We got a great bit of information, from which we made general conclusions. The descriptions, though not overly detailed and not intended to be so, do seem to be generally accurate. From the reaction I've gotten. For example, people at both Rice and UT have told me that Gilley's is the hottest hangout. But at the same time it is still a hangout and a place that people recognize."

Reaction to the article, at Rice, has been mixed, said Cook. "I've been talking to about two dozen Rice students since coming to Houston, and half have told me that I ranked Rice too high and half say that I ranked Rice too low."

Cook, who predicted that the University of Texas would rank seventh, which was correct, said "the Rice Memorial Center to SRC. Groves, who refused to get in for some time, was the time the group returned to Richardson. He was too late to catch the movie. Groves rejoined the party on the sixth floor and drank some beer. It was during this time that Groves' paranoia became more vocal, as he asked, "Why me? Why me?"

Groves' roommate later described Groves as acting under a "persecution complex" most likely induced by drugs. Around 9:30 p.m. Groves started wandering across the campus, essentially shutting from the Rice Memorial Center to SRC. Groves had hoped to play video games at the RMC but did not have the necessary self-control. Close to 9:30 Groves returned to his fifth-floor room. He then accompanied his roommate to the 9:15 showing of Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Sex in Lovett Commons. The pair sat near the back of the commons close to the exit on the quad side. Groves rambled through the audience several times in a disoriented style, eventually returning to his seat.

Sophomore James Groves falls to death from balcony

by Jeanne Cooper

Sophomore James Groves, Jr., 19, died Friday night in a fall from the fifth-floor balcony of Sid Richardson College. Investigating Campus Police Officer Ken Nipe reportedly submitted a 25-page summation of his findings to the administration on Tuesday. Information which was not made available to the Thresher as it...
In memoriam

James Groves' sudden death has struck everyone at Rice with a terrible sense of loss. But for those that knew James personally, now that the initial shock is beginning to wear off, his tragic demise hurts deep, deep inside.

James Groves was a wonderful person to be with—he made you laugh and feel good. He often acted the clown, dispelling his tragic demise hurts deep, deep inside. with a terrible sense of loss. But for those that knew James

Protest: kiss a prof

Rice students need to have more fun. When you live in this pressure cooker environment, you must find a release. If you do not allow yourself to enjoy life in addition to the work you exert for classes and extracurricular activities, you will explode. Please don't do that.

Different people have fun in different ways. If you want to stay up all night playing dungeons and dragons, then do that. If you prefer to slam dance (my personal choice), then make you way over to Rock Island this weekend. But above all, stop being so serious.

Drugs are one way to have fun. Drugs can be wonderful if you use them responsibly. If you want to take hallucinogenics, then go to the country where you can appreciate the wonders of nature. Don't take psychoactive drugs in the city where all the concrete and cars might depress you. Take ether in the city; it's not break any laws: do something that you have always wanted to do but could not bring yourself to risk. Kiss some member of your class, and I benefited greatly from it. Some of my best friends are transfers, and I understand from them that often a change of collegiate environment makes college life more appropriate.

If you can't have fun, or if you feel bad, go see the people at Psychiatric Services. It costs nothing, and it makes you feel better even if you just talk. I have seen several psychiatrists, and I have always enjoyed the experience. They are professional listeners, and they do a good job.

If you really don't like it here, or if the idea of spending another semester depresses you, then leave. God does not give gold stars for finishing college in four years. I took off my first semester sophomore year, and I benefited greatly from it. Some of my best friends are transfers, and I understand from them that often a change of collegiate environment makes college life more bearable.

The protest that I ask you to do this week is simple and does not break any laws: do something that you have always wanted to do but could not bring yourself to risk. Kiss some member of the administration or someone that you have never seen before. It will make everyone happier.

—Tom Morgan

JUST ONCE...

It wasn't long ago when Alexander Solzhenitsyn documented the continued existence of labor camps for political prisoners in the Soviet Union. Solzhenitsyn's Gulag series sparked a massive cry of outrage in free Europe—but those voices are silent now.

The Eighties brought with them the Soviet "liberation" of Afghanistan. As Afghanistan is something less than a major threat to the Soviet Union, the free nations of Europe recognized a Soviet strategic move into the Middle East and protested vigorously. Today, those voices are also silent. Instead, America is vilified for attempting to block the construction of the Urengoi-Hamburg natural gas pipeline, a multi-billion dollar umbilical cord tying Western Europe economically to the Soviet Union. The free nations of Europe should join America in condemning this move into the Middle East. It is only valuable if the Soviets deign to fill it with gas. At least the entire pipeline imbroglio proves Lenin wrong. The capitalists among us won't sell the Soviets the rope with which they will hang the West. Rather, our multinational concerns and corporate social welfare states will give it away happily.

Tom Morgan

Sandra Wasson

Business Manager
BEYOND THE HEGES/ by Michele Gillespie

Colorado sex program faces regent opposition

A University of Colorado campus program providing sexual counseling currently faces heated opposition from Board of Regents member Peter Dietze. Appalled upon learning that part of the $2 million dollars the University's Wunderberg health center supported such counseling comes from a $55 mandatory funding for the Health Center, Dietze told a recent gathering of board members, "I believe these are unnecessary, frivolous, and absurd offerings.

Students disagreeing with Dietze's criticisms argue that funding for the Health Center comes from a $55 mandatory student fee per semester. Those students interested in special services like sexual counseling are required to pay an additional $5 per session. The Health Center also offers counseling in such areas as weight loss and aerobic dancing.

On hearing of Dietze's opposition, one University of Colorado student remarked, "What gives him the right to classify certain programs as frills? What students are really looking for today is very different than twenty years ago.

But Dietze qualified his criticisms by asserting that such programs as the Women's Orgasm Concern Group "offend the fundamental notion of an institution of higher education." Dietze said, "I couldn't look the voters who selected me straight in the face if I approved that dollar amount every semester without asking some questions."

Aggie alums shell out $2.3 million for school

While most Americans suffer from Reaganomics and soaring inflation and unemployment rates, Texas A&M alumni seem to be flourishing, or so thinks Jim Jeter, assistant executive director for the Texas A&M Association of Former Students. Jeter attests to a recordbreaking $2.3 million in contributions from some 400,000 alumni this year and claims that Texas A&M simply maintains a high priority in alumni gifts despite such factors as recession.

But Jeter will assert that his association does try to strengthen and maintain alumni ties through a variety of methods such as a triannual directory published by the association that contains current alumni names and addresses, the sponsoring of innumerable parties and class reunions, and the encouraging of senior Texas A&M students to join upon graduation by giving student leaders stipends to support campus events.

Contributions are used to fulfill two purposes. One is the perpetuation of the Association and the other is providing funding to "wherever the university needs the money most." Aggie alumni scholarships for academic and extracurricular excellence. The faculty receives over $200,000 annually in achievement awards that range from $400 cash prizes to gold watches. Association money has helped support All Faiths Chapel, the memorial Student Center, the Cain Olympic swimming pool, and the Forysthe Alumni Center. Even the golf course received some Association funding.

In 1981, over 350,000 contributors sent $2 billion dollars to the Association. According to Jeter, this represents 38 percent of the A&M's alumni compared to the national average of 20 percent. The average contribution made by an Aggie alum is $65 compared to the national average of $40.

This year, current Association plans include the preparation of a new Association headquarters. Due to the enormous alumni support, says Jeter, the Association has simply outgrown the Forysthe Center and must rebuild. The new center will provide a panoramic view of the campus as well as improved parking facilities.

UT students write book on savvy student funds

Two enterprising University of Texas students have co-authored a book intended to educate college students on investing their money in money market funds. Entitled Money Market Funds for the College Student, the book was written by first-year law student Thomas McCaffey and finance doctorald candidate David Krause.

"Originally we set out to educate people," Krause explained. "College students can make a buck with money market funds.

McCaffey claims that the book is designed for any student with some savings. "Why settle for five percent when you can get 15 percent interest with a money market fund?" he argues.

Though initially the book was written for UT students with loans to prevent them from putting their money in bank accounts, students began to buy the book for their parents. McCaffey recalls, "The book kind of started rolling from the college student to everyday people.

Krause outlines one popular point in the book, "If a student gets a $500-a-month allowance, he could invest the $500 on a money market fund, then pay his rent with a money market check and earn interest on his money for seven to ten days until the check clears.

McCaffey practices what he preaches. "I don't even have a bank account. I have a VISA card and checks if I want to buy a six-pack of beer. I can get money anytime I want. The VISA card used with a money market fund is a debit card, not a credit card, so it is not the same as charging something."

The book is now available in Austin and once negotiations are finalized with publishers, the book will be available in campus book stores across the nation.

College NOW criticizes lack of women's priority

The North Carolina National Organization for Women (NOW) finds that women's rights receive low student priority in university campuses across the state. Says Terry Schooley, president of the state chapter of NOW, "College students are looking through rose-colored glasses. Women have real opportunities until they get out in the work force. They've not faced discrimination. It's hard to break a woman's bubble."

According to Schooley, the death of the Equal Rights Amendment in the North Carolina Senate followed by the death of ERA nationwide ratification does not signal that women are now being treated equally and that there is no longer any need for ERA. Instead, the amendment's failure signified the "instability of many women to go against traditions." Though small gains accrued along the way, the women's rights movement of the late 60s and early 70s faded into a false sense of security for women across the country by the 80s.

But the NOW organization intends to fight this complacent attitude that has filtered down through womanhood's ranks and which appears particularly visible on North Carolina campuses. Schooley finds that young women today tend to seek the traditional route of marriage and a husband that will care for them upon leaving college. She blames her own organization for failing to address issues of feminism and equal opportunity in ways that will apply to North Carolina women students.

Jan Allen, president of the Chapel Hill chapter agrees with Schooley. "I gather from the things I've heard, that there doesn't seem to be a whole lot of education out there of what feminists are and what ERA is."

Both Schooley and Allen want North Carolina NOW members to increase and hope that students will soon become the bulwark of the organization. They contend that unless college women support organization like NOW and the concept of ERA, equal rights may never materialize.

"College women are the wave of the future," Schooley says. "We need them. I think they need us."

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Honor Council defends present honor system

To the Editor:

Your "sacred slaying" of the Honor Code reveals a fundamental misunderstanding of the general concept behind the existence of an honor system, of our system specifically, and of people and reality in general. To address a few of the more glaring errors:

1) The editor's suggestion to abolish the Honor Code. The reasoning here is so flawed that a thorough answering would require a great amount of space; and we feel that other similar letters will sufficiently accomplish this. One point: An Honor system is based upon the "freedom of self-discipline" and "integrity," and cannot function without it. The externally imposed academic disciplinary code of most schools (the Ivy League, state schools, etc.) might be accused of "imposing honor" upon its students, but certainly making an Honor Code seems to be confused as to the basic definition of an honor system in general.

2) The editor's suggestion to make the proceedings public. Abstracts (without names) of all cases should be available in the office of Student Advising, Rice Memorial Center Courtyard.

3) The editor's attitude about the H.C. exam.

The test does not intend to "teach" honesty; it seems obvious that it is a motivation for new students to learn the system as well as a protection, ensuring that there will be no violations due to ignorance. Another obvious point the editor missed is the reason for learning three of the H.C. members names. The new student simply becomes, as a result, familiar with a few members (hopefully those in their college) in case he needs to contact the Council.

4) The editor's call to not sign the pledge.

The correctly assessed this as a "small" and "silky" protest. The constitution does not state the reason for signing the pledge; we interpret it as only a symbol of the system, an affirmation of the honor which backs each pledged assignment. A more paranoid perspective might be that the pledge is a threat, an insult, a cruel imposition of authority upon students. But we seriously doubt such defensiveness is widespread. We have only addressed a few of the problems with the editorial, and even those are fairly obvious. The rest, most likely, occurred to the readers while reading the commentary; we see no reason to continue. Usually we appreciate and even seek out constructive criticism of ourselves and the system—a part of our job is to "improve." But we felt that this commentary was so far from the point, so in error, and yet so widespread and vulgar, that it warranted some reply.

The Honor Council

Marshall protests edit, asks for boycott of page

To the Editor:

After reading with first incredulity and then disgust the last two weeks' attempts at journalism in the editorial column, I would like to raise a point of my own against journalism that is either purposely filled with inconsistencies, absurdities, poor observation, unrealistic assessment of the Rice community, slopdy and illogical reasoning, etc., with the sole purpose of eliciting a justifiably strong emotional response from its readers in order to generate editorial replies; or is written by individuals whose outlook is so strange and bizarre and inferior that it cannot be of a quality worthy of publishing.

Therefore, I ask you, the readers, to join me in boycotting the editorials; make the Thresher respect the intelligence level of its readers.

Randy Marshall
Econ/Psych/Presed
Vice-Chairman, Honor Council

Core curriculum called a poisonous pablum

To the Editor:

As regards the slaying of sacred cows, you have made a valid point in that tradition can be a convenient excuse for shoddy practices. Unfortunately, the flip side of the coin can also be dangerous. As a new student, I was made very aware of the honor system from the earliest mailings. Honesty does indeed get down to the individual student and the cheater does indeed cheat himself. One would be naive to assume that the honor system eliminates cheating here at Rice (or that "brevioral moral standards" apply). But we seriously doubt such defensiveness is widespread. We have only addressed a few of the problems with the editorial, and even those are fairly obvious. The rest, most likely, occurred to the readers while reading the commentary; we see no reason to continue. Usually we appreciate and even seek out constructive criticism of ourselves and the system—a part of our job is to "improve." But we felt that this commentary was so far from the point, so in error, and yet so widespread and vulgar, that it warranted some reply.

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John Krueger
Shepherd School of Music

Financial aid process criticized for coldness

To the Editor:

For the past three years I have been a student at Rice University and have received considerable financial aid from the school along with various scholarships I acquired on my own. The aid the university gave me is much appreciated and was very much needed, for without it I would not have been able to pursue my education here. My appreciation of the help Rice has given me does not prevent my indignation and anger at the way in which the administration has handled the Financial Aid Forms for the year 1982-83. Because of the way in which the forms were handled this year I seem to owe the university much money along with my first son.

Part of the administration's distribution, or lack of distribution, of financial aid is obviously linked to the cutbacks inflicted by President Reagan on Federal grants, loans, student aid, and student Social Security benefits. While it is true not as much money is being given to the various universities I think Rice has overreacted to the situation. Reagan's economic policies have sent Rice into a panic. Rice is cutting spending, lending, and other student aid packages if the market will crash any day now. Believe me, Rice University has nothing to fear, it is one of the best endowed private institutions in the country and has investments in various oil and gas interests around the state of Texas.

In all fairness, Rice University should cut back on student aid where it is feasible and will not hurt the university; as a result, a new student will have to put away the sword.

John Krueger

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outside. Groves took a swing at the Lovett member, but the swing was apparently not intended in slow motion, without much power and easily restrained.

Once outside, Groves stood with his face to the wall of Lovett House as his roommate, who had slapped him lightly earlier to rouse him from stupor, tried to make contact with him. The Lovett member decided against calling the Campus Police when he learned the two were roommates, and that Groves would be taken back to Richardson.

In the elevator, Groves suddenly seemed as if he were going to assault the female passengers, so his roommate forcibly kept him on one side. His roommate asserts, "He (Groves) was not of his own mind." The roommate put Groves to bed close to 10:20-10:23 p.m.

When Groves answered his roommate's question "Are you going to sleep in your clothes?" with a typically flat answer, "I guess so," his roommate left to go up to the sixth floor to search for him. Unsuccessful, he headed to the lobby, where he heard in the commotion that a body was at the bottom of the stairs.

SRC member Brian Marek was at the bottom step on the left-hand side of the stairs turning left as he descended from Richardson between 10:25 and 10:30 p.m. when he heard a crash to his right. He looked to his right, and turned back around without the sight registering in his mind. He took a few steps before realizing what had happened, and then ran into the common room screaming for someone to call an ambulance.

The Clark's, masters of Richardson, met Marek at their front door in the SRC lobby. While Marek telephoned for an ambulance, Dr. John Clark, his wife Kit and their son John rushed outside to Groves. Dr. Clark felt for a pulse, found none and began artificial respiration. John Clark initiated the cardiopulmonary resuscitation, joined by SRC members Brad Borg and Chris Rote, who took over. Officer Nope, on bike patrol, arrived at the scene within minutes and also aided revival attempts.

Meanwhile, Marek ran to Hermann Hospital to make sure the ambulance was on its way. It arrived at approximately 10:35 and efforts to save Groves continued on the way to the hospital, according to Dr. and Mrs. Clark, who rode in the ambulance.

Groves was taken to the Trauma Center in Hermann Hospital, where Chief Resident Dr. Larry Sullivan pronounced him dead at approximately 10:30 p.m. Sullivan and the Clarks then called Groves' parents in Westminster, Maryland.

Funeral arrangements were made through relatives of Groves' living in Houston, who picked up Groves' personal effects on Saturday. Groves was buried in a family-only ceremony Monday in Scurry, Texas, in the Dallas area of Groves' youth.

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earlier. The Pub will be re-inspected at the end of the month to check corrections stemming from this report.

The Pub Control Board approved a new keg policy and price list Wednesday in its first meeting of the year. All kegs must be paid for in full at the time of purchase, including a $30 equipment deposit. Separate charges for each part missing from a returned keg will be made, to be refunded only if the part is returned within one month of use.

The Pub Control Board, consisting of Brown '83, Director of Food and Housing Marion Hicks, Rice Memorial Center Director Mary West, Sidd Richardson Master John Clark, Professor Charles Philpott, student representative Melissa Hawley and Lynn Lednicky, Rice Program Council President Doug Gardner and Associated Student Body President Mary Ellen Truncko, will meet next on October 8. Blount is a non-voting member of the board. Several beers have been deleted from the Pub's stock. A Miller tap now serves Schlitz Dark, in response to student demand for a dark beer, while Schlitz and Schlitz Malt Liquor Bull will no longer be offered in cans. In the imported selection, George Killian's Red Ale has been added, while Carta Bianca Dark has been dropped. The Pub will be out of Foster's for the next 4-6 weeks due to distribution problems.

On the Pub's menu this year, chili will be absent indefinitely, thanks to the four Pub purchases of a microwave. The Pub's inability to heat the chili quickly enough was listed as a violation in the inspection last March. If a microwave is bought, baked potatoes may also return to the menu, predicts Blount. Poor sales and two-hour preparation caused the spuds to be removed from the menu last year.

by Patty Clary

Of the seven college reports released so far, Will Rice College paid the most for damages incurred during the 1981-82 academic year with a total of $4,347. Groves was followed with a charge of $2,902. Over 75 percent of Will Rice's damage was charged to the Housing constituted payment for repairs to the Food Service computer ID system from the acts of vandalism, totaling $1,876. Jones spent $717, over 80 percent of his damage charge, to replace broken windows.

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gives him or her—such is the position I found myself in. Judging "any" department at Rice. They would be figured out at the end of the line. The actual amount I did make figure down" on that particular line. The actual amount I did make would be figured out at the end of the year and would then replace the $9,999 figure. When I asked what particular significance the large figure meant and why this "line" had been added to the form having previously excluded the answer I received was unsatisfactory and elusive, in effect the reply was—it was just something we decided to do this year. Meanwhile the $9,999 would be considered as monetary resources and my financial aid evaluated accordingly!

I find the logic behind the computation of the $9,999 figure ludicrous. I do not think the Financial Aid Office is dealing with the material FAFS in realistic and practical terms, and for me that indicates a lack of competence.

What I want is an explanation in specific terms of what each figure placed in the financial aid statement means. Specification of each figure on the financial aid statement must be considered as monetary resources and my financial aid figures therefore to be called an understatement of what those academic origins.

Greta Marie Ruffin
Brown '83

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Freshmen statistics reveal higher scores on SATs, ACHs

by Chris Dieckmann

Picked from the largest applicant pool ever, this year's freshman class represents a rise in standard scholastic statistics. The class of 1986's SAT average of 1294 beats last year's average by two points while the average Achievement Test (ACH) scores of the entering class also rose over those of last year's class.

Rice chose 1,105 potential freshmen out of the 3,031 applications, and 629 decided to come to Rice. Their number includes 135 valedictorians and 50 salutatorians, as well as 180 National Merit Scholars. The class of '85 contained 151 Merit Scholars.

"The indications are that this class is very good in terms of diversity as well as what the quality can be measured by," stated Richard Stabell, Assistant to the President for Admissions and Records.

"The quality can be measured by the English Competency Exam, in which the class of 1986 has the highest number of passes in the school's history."

Statements like those made by Stabell are more than supported by the facts and figures contained in Rice University: A Factual Sketch 1982, a brochure published annually by the Admissions Office for use by high school college counselors and other interested parties. The booklet not only describes the most recent freshman class, but also lists some outstanding statistics that Rice itself boasts, such as its second highest endowment per student and its American Council on Education rare "A" rating.

Rice is one of nine universities nationwide to benefit from such a grant in the three years the NSF program has been in operation. Only three other universities have received similar grants in 1982.

Rice receives NSF grant

Rice has received a $2,337,000 five-year grant from the National Science Foundation for study in computer science. The university has matched the award with an additional $200,000 grant.

Given through the Coordinated Experimental Research program, a subsection of the NSF, the award will allow Rice to develop a major computer research laboratory environment to make the university's facilities competitive with those in industry and graduate and research students in computer science.

Under Professor of Math Sciences Ken Kennedy's direction, the Rice lab will study software and hardware associated with small computer systems based on very high speed microprocessors. The lab will be founded around a unified research project which will theoretically win enough further grants to be self-supporting after the NSF grant expires. Rice is one of nine universities nationwide to benefit from such a grant in the three years the NSF program has been in operation. Only three other universities have received similar grants in 1982.

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Hockney: the old, the new, the borrowed, the blue

Thresher/Fine Arts

David Hockney: Sources and Experiments

Sewall Gallery Through October 15

I have returned. By the grace of Almighty God, our forces stand again on Philippine soil.

—Douglas MacArthur

Director seeks truth against CIA

Allan Francovich
On Company Business September 7, River Oaks Theatre

Seven years have elapsed between the producing-director Allan Francovich's work with On Company Business, a documentary on the CIA, and its Texas premiere at the River Oaks Theatre on Tuesday night. During that time, Francovich has been hounded by the CIA and Congress, but has also won the Best Film Award at the Berlin Film Festival.

On Company Business, which consists of more than 50 interviews with CIA personnel, describes an Agency that is exposed, and with every covert activity from infiltration to secret armies. Persons in the film range from ex-agents and critics, such as Philip Agee (The Who and the What), to mercenaries, to an office secretary. Their horrifying stories cover the years 1947-1975, and they confess to involvement in the secret invasion of trade unions, training of overseas police, and even the overthrow of governments.

Francovich has studied at Notre Dame, the Sorbonne, and UC Berkeley. The son of a mining engineer, he grew up in Latin America, and he remembers being evacuated during times of upheaval as a child. In 1975, he went to Chile to film a documentary on Nobel Prize-winning poet Pablo Neruda, who died within weeks of an overthrow of the Chilean government. Francovich began to research and "ran smack into" the CIA.

Francovich spent years filming and editing 150 hours of interviews and 50-60 hours of documentation. His hardest task then was raising the $350,000 his picture needed. When the Public Broadcasting Network showed the film as a three-part series in May of 1980, new problems began. Under CIA and congressional pressure, PBS decided not to repeat On Company Business, while retaining its option to do so.

When these difficulties prevented domestic screenings, Francovich took his film abroad. It has been in 35 countries, and foreign heads of state have requested private viewings. While in Australia with his film, Francovich was phoned by US senators, who accused him of accepting Russian money to finance his project. Francovich points out that at that time the limited partnership which really financed the film had already registered in his home state of California. However, the government is quite willing to use what Francovich calls "sniping attacks."

Sometimes articles appear accusing him of being an international terrorist. Criticism of his renowned editor mentions only one film she helped edit fifteen years ago, on the French in Indochina. This is pointed to as evidence of her radicalism.

Despite its foreign success, Francovich claims it is most important that Americans see his film. He feels that the more "enmeshed and naive" an individual is, the more he must see and will be affected by the picture. Francovich himself, who had some familiarity with CIA scandals, says he did not expect the "absolute coldbloodedness and hypocrisy" of American leaders who "taught people how to make great moralistic statements" in public.

-Alvin Kranzler

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Art

Arnold beautifies the troubles of a China in transition

In China: Photographs by Eve Arnold
Museum of Fine Arts
Through October 24

To say that this collection (organized by the Brooklyn Museum and funded by a grant from Exxon) is the result of two trips that Eve Arnold made to China in 1979 (traveling over 40,000 miles before she was through) is perfectly true. To say that the collection consists of 104 color photographs and a range of photographic techniques and styles is also a valid description. But In China: Photographs by Eve Arnold is rather more than this. It is an all-encompassing statement about a culture, and a people, in change.

Eve Arnold travelled through China taking photographs with the intention of "making a statement about the lives of people, to try to penetrate their humanity, to try to understand their bases in physical realities and to what extent the mystic and the esoteric can be said to have their bases in physical realities and to what extent the mystic and the esoteric can be said to have a role in understanding these cultures." She has also managed to capture the amalgamation of the people with their land in her photographs, reminding us that all cultures have their own unique characteristics.

The photographs in the exhibit are not easily categorized into groups like 'daily living, the people', or 'East meets West' because each was designed to include all of these factors and others. There are photos of people planting rice, swimming in a canal, and even perhaps dazing in the crowded waterways of Shanghai, and in each of these several pictures each of these themes is shown. People planting rice are performing one of the most basic, as well as one of the most vital, of daily activities. Each blade of grass is carefully delineated in this shot, emphasizing the care with which each must be planted, in sharp contrast to the agribusiness of the West.

The photo of "Traffic on a canal" shows the grey poverty of the people, and the ways in which they try to overcome the despair of this greyness. Houses crumble into the canal they face on, an old boat plows along, men sit aimlessly by, and young boys laughingly dunk each other in the muddy wake. The waterways of Shanghai again show the dirtiness of life in the world's most densely packed city, and contrast a modern steamer with a wooden sailing bark.

This contrast of East and West, of old and new, is one of the dominant themes in the collection overall. While Arnold's photographs are not overtly editorializing, she often picks shots which show the advantage of the old, and the seemingly ubiquitous squarish of the new. The austere beauty of ragged children waiting in a modern hospital admits room is set against a nursery of traditionally dressed children, who sit in a row like perfectly dressed, perfectly formed dolls.

Another example of this contrast is a pharmacist dispensing monks study their sutras, traditional wrestlers wear their exotic, and seemingly clumsy robes. A dancer stares at the camera, perfectly assured of her grace under her masklike make-up and golden hangers. Tibetan pilgrims, nuns, and retired peasants all look into Eve Arnold's lens from the background of strong grey rocks, vast green hills, and even Johnson City. Many of the photographs in the exhibit are dated, no doubt because they were all taken in the same year. However, this doesn't mean the photos are also symbolic to me of the timeless relevance of the subjects. Eve Arnold has proven herself an artist by mediating through her photographs a sense of ongoing life that is, nonetheless, timeless.

Movies

Atomic World picnics

The Atomic Cafe
Greenway Three Theatres
The Atomic Cafe (at the Greenway) is certainly the scariest and possibly the funniest movie of recent memory (this summer, for example). It overwhelms the viewer with a look at the innocence of the early Atomic Age. It really isn't a movie at all, but is an assortment of clips from actual newsreels, broadcasts and United States propaganda films. The truth here is funnier than any fiction.

The clips show how everyone learned of the atomic bomb and its effects on society during the 40's, 50's and 60's. The sequences include interviews with the crew that dropped the bomb on Hiroshima ("unexciting and routine") and a warning on how children should prepare for attack (an animated turtle singing "duck and cover"). The pieces are unbelievable, hysterical, even horrifying. President Truman explains the practicality of the "God-given" bomb and LBJ talks of its threat to Ft. Worth, Dallas and even Johnson City. Many of the easier gags come just from showing then-Vice President Nixon in action. Other bits of fun include a how-to guide on packing for underground survival and how the typical family picnics in the Atomic Age.

This film is well edited and has no original added material. It doesn't need a bit. Its three makers have succeeded in entertaining us with nothing more than real-life media.

Actually, not much more is known today about the chances of attack or of the effects of a nuclear disaster. Twenty or more years ago, people dealt with the threat practically and efficiently. Be prepared and build a bomb shelter. Take precautions and know when to run. In one sequence, our knowledge is equivalent to the naivety of the natives of the Bikini Atoll, who happily move out of the path of an atomic test site. The Atomic Cafe is a refreshing chance to sit and laugh at ourselves. It is a propaganda film in its own right, demanding that each of us be conscious of the constant threat to our society, but also suggesting that we not take it too hard. Learn to love the bomb.

—Andrew Tullis

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Go-Go's build on their heritage and individual strength

The Go-Go’s

While rock’n’roll has always appealed to a male and female audience, its spokesmen have always been just that—men. “Girl groups” enjoyed a brief reign in the early 60’s, but even then you had to read between the (male-written) lines to get at what the women were saying. There have always been women folkies and singer/songwriters, but with few exceptions—Joni Mitchell and Bonnie Raitt, for example—they had little to do with rock music. There has been a Grace Slick here, a Jana Joplin there, but in general, rock’n’roll has been androcentric.

Punk and new wave opened the gates to women—there have been more new women in rock’n’roll in the past five years than in the previous 20. Popular artists like Patti Smith, Chrissie Hynde and Lene Lovich and fringe groups such as the Slits, the Raincoats, Delta 5 and Bush Terras are creating, in the last few years, a recognizable female genre within the broader context of rock’n’roll.

Enter the Go-Go’s. Unlike most other female and female-oriented bands, they have their roots in girls group rock, the first true female-dominated music. These strong roots are the source of the Go-Go’s humor and fun. What makes them ultimately more satisfying and lasting than the girl groups is that, this time, women are making and playing the music, with no male Svengali (e.g. Phil Spector) guiding their every move. That, you begin to notice the nuances of the music: Belinda’s delightful and complex inflection, Charlotte’s and Jane’s engaging minimalist interaction, Kathy’s weaving bass and, of course, Gina’s non-stop beat. The lyrics on the album are sparse, funny, and perceptive. They capture perfectly the Go-Go’s world.

Vacation is all that and more. With Gina’s opening cynical crash, the group kicks into what can only be called a Go-Go groove. Gina is beastly, as always. The guitars are rougher and more assertive. Kathy’s bass once again weaves in and out of the spaces in the music. Charlotte’s keyboards add an ethereal top. The clincher, however, comes when Belinda sings. Her voice has matured greatly in the past year—she is now much more in control, much more self-assured.

The same holds true for the rest of the album. Kathy and Gina lay down danceable rhythms (even on the slow ones) that are tighter than those on Beauty and the Beat. Charlotte’s and Jane’s guitar playing is stronger and more assertively rock’n’roll. They are definitely of the Andy Summers school of less-is-more guitar playing: they never overpower the music, but blend in perfectly with the overall “Go-Go’s sound.” Belinda’s singing puts the album over the top. She is a surprisingly expressive and exciting singer, swooping deftly through the songs.

Vacation is very much “the sound of young female, white America.” (Thank you, Motown.) The songs revolve almost exclusively around those archetypal images, boys and fun. Yet the Go-Go’s rise above being a mere reflection of “young America” by challenging the assumptions that lie beneath the surface of that subculture. On Beauty and the Beat boys, parties, and cruises” were ends in themselves—things to be pursued even at the risk of failure and heartbreak. Vacation turns the ideas of fun and sun on their head. It faces the fact that they are not only ends in themselves, but dead ends to be escaped from and at the same time the paths of escape from those dead ends.

Much has been made of the effect of the Go-Go’s non-stop touring on the album. The effect is very real: words like “vacation all I ever wanted—vacation had to get away” have never sounded so true.

Vacation is very much an album of escape: from men, from life, from drudgery, from the emptiness when life in America fails to live up to its promise. The Go-Go’s are more than just another pop group because escape is not all they are about (though escape is not always a trivial matter). They may want to get away when the life they live becomes overbearing, complicated or painful, but they don’t abandon it. The things that may end up as dead ends also bring the greatest satisfaction: “The only reason they don’t smirk.”

Go-Go’s build on their heritage and individual strength...
Getting psyched: two views in an attempt to penetrate two stories.

There was no problems can make a person negative outlook. Overcoming skittish. Current events have tends to make people a little someone might find it necessary or stronger, but the idea that front of the Service is to work with students, both as Student Services and Policies and Psychiatric Services is an important aspect of counseling Rice students. Typically, I was about fifteen minutes late for our appointment, and I'm sure I lost a few points, but I figured that since it was I who was writing the story and not they, it was no skin off my ass.

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The door opens into a warmly-lit office decorated with scattered plants and...
When one calls Psychiatric Services at 527-4867, the first person contacted is the secretary Carol Vuchetich, who is described by both Dr. Klemm and Deen as being “our first line of defense.” Vuchetich is also involved in an outreach program involving art therapy and the elderly.

If an emergency occurs after business hours, the place to call is the Campus Police at 527-4062. They have a list of doctors on call at all times. Help is only a phone call away.

Photography by Conrad Reining
Premier view by Martin ‘Boojie’ Waldron
True inside view by Jeanne Cooper

First line of defense Carol Vuchetich

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Who are the Lutherans?

Lutherans trust in Jesus Christ as God and Savior. The name comes from a great leader, scholar, and theologian, Martin Luther.

Through years of intellectual struggle, after long hours of prayer and searching Bible study, Luther concluded that the truth spoken by Christ had been tragically distorted during the centuries.

Luther's concern that pure New Testament truth should again be known gained wide attention when he nailed 95 theses or statements for debate to a church door in the university town of Wittenberg, Germany, on October 31, 1517.

Within twenty years Luther's rediscovery of New Testament Christianity had set hearts aflame throughout the western world. His unveiling of long-forgotten Christian truth was accepted across most of northern Europe.

Today around the world Lutherans number millions of people of every race and language on every continent and island.

Largest of all Protestant churches with over seventy million adherents, the Lutheran Church continues to proclaim to all persons that Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Are you without a church home? Then you are invited to our fellowship. Are you a Lutheran? You may wish to refresh your awareness and appreciation of the faith.

In the summer of 1981, after absolutely nothing had happened in Libby, Montana, for 27 years (some say the grass grew, but such reports were neither confirmed nor denied: such was the enthusiasm in Libby!), the entire town moved to Butte. South Dakota to work in an Exxon plant that made clear-cast paper weights with multi-colored raising frozen inside.

Bobby C. Bump returned to Libby that same summer only to discover that the town was deserted. It was a startling homecoming for Bobby, who had left years before to attend Northern Montana College in Havre where he received a Associates Degree in Socio-nuclear biology. Originaly, ambitious young Bobby had wanted to attend Harvard, but the greatest opportunity could only offer him money while N.M.C. offered him an unlimited McDonald's gift certificate based on his immortal 4-H classic: “Things earthworms might think about.” The entomology was too good. Bobby headed north to Havre.

For a young country kid whose hands had never touched mayonnaise before, Havre was quite a shock. The teaming metropolis of 4,200 inhabitants cast a dizzying spell on innocent Bobby C. Bump and in less than three months time he was a virtual slave to the video arcade owner. He wore a Pac-man t-shirt to class, begged for tokens on the street and hummed the Atari jingle habitually.

Needless to say, Bobby's studies suffered and it took him 12 years to finish the seven and one half month interdisciplinary program in Basic Pickling Processes. In that time he got married, bought a snowmobile and picked up a thing or two about amateur cirumcisions.

Still, Bobby was haunted by his attraction to the electronic opiate, particularly Froger. He had tried everything to kick his video habit, but nothing worked until, upon his wife Horth's demand, Bobby entered a methadone maintenance program. The treatment was successful and Bobby C. Bump left the de-vid center fully converted to a model drug addict. Shortly after, Horth followed Bobby in becoming one of the fortunate dependents of the enlightened Federal methadone program.

In order to support their improved lifestyle, the Bumps sought any means they could to make money. Realizing that his passion for the humanities left him somewhat undercover, Bobby nonetheless girded his courage and set out to find out what his degree in Pencil Sharpener Maintenance would fetch him. Of course, things didn't work out and it wasn't long before Bobby C. and Horth had to sternly focus on the realities of their drugFans. Especially five cents could simply no longer buy a Sergeant Rock comic book.

Then, as if by miracle, the Bump's discovered that Horth was capable of conceiving a new child every eleven days. Through a connection Bobby knew in Lumm, Togo, the big Bumps could sell the little Bumps to a baby rental agency for a good lump of money. Well, it was 1980 and as we all know, the baby market was simply flooded that year. As a result, a bumper crop of little Bumps by Bobby and Horth was no boon and so the Bump lump grew smaller and smaller.

Horth died of exhaustion in the winter that Montana had seen in 42,174 years. Bobby C. Bump, tired, depressed and very cold, started back to his home in Libby.

He couldn't help but feel his life had been wasted. Even his hard- won degree in Theoretical Ruberband Motion seemed irrelevant and empty now.

Little did Bobby know when he finally arrived at his house that just 17 minutes earlier his family had packed the traviels and headed to Butte. He called desperately for a familiar voice but all he found was this note:

Dear Bobby,

You worked hard and wasted but we never came. Gone to make a new family of fruit. I think that’s silly, don’t you? They’re paying us each 40 pounds of sugar. I think that’s nice, don’t you? You were always the smart one. Love, MaMa

P.S. We left the video on in the living room. Help yourself.


**In memory of a good friend, Graham Stebbings**

There is nothing innocent or good that dies and is forgotten: let us hold to that faith...

*Charles Dickens*

With love from his college.
September 10, 1982

Dear Graduating Seniors:

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you on your academic accomplishments and forthcoming graduation. Your formal education will soon be completed and many of you are actively engaged in the process of evaluating your career options. This process can be time consuming and often confusing and frustrating.

For those of you who are considering a career in the information processing industry, I would suggest a visit with our Employment Information Team when they visit Rice on September 14th. This group of Technical and Marketing Managers, from locations throughout the U.S., will be happy to answer your questions concerning employment opportunities.

Bring your resume (and a friend) to the RMC. We'll be there from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on September 14th. Come casual, refreshments will be served.

In addition, you will have the option of scheduling a formal interview with the locations of your choice at that time. This is a new concept and I hope you take advantage of it. Formal interviews will be conducted at the same location on October 5th.

If you can't make it on the 14th, our schedules will be available, until filled, in the Placement Office, 301 Lovett Hall.

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Bert the Big Dog predicts big year for Owls in SWC

This is the third year in a row I've made these predictions about the outcome of the Southwest Conference football race, and it has never been a difficult task. Any idiot can make a college football forecast, and many do.

But my forecasts, and incidentally, my high rate of success, are due entirely to my friend, Bert the Big Dog. For the past two years Bert has been telling me what to write about this SWC football mess, and once again I've decided to toss of Bert a bone and see what he has planned for this year.

One time I got Bert excited and he barked loudly for 20 minutes about how the Toronto Blue Jays were going to win the World Series in 1979. That was three years ago and Bert is much bigger now.

Last year Bert missed each team's finish by an average of 1-9 places. Playboy Magazine, famous for its collegiate picks, did slightly worse at 1-7-9 places, and they did not pick Rice first, like good ol' Bert. Sports Illustrated did not venture a guess on the SWC, but they did put Texas at number two nationally and Baylor 20th, and if we assume they would have forecast a 1-2 finish for Texas and Baylor, Bert did better than that, too.

Here now are Bert's picks and comments for the 1982 SWC football race, and you can bet Bert will be about as accurate as anyone.

1. Rice Owls (1981-SWC 3-5, overall 4-7)—The Owls are good-looking smart, surrounded by greatness, and by damn we're gonna win some games this year! Mostly on the road, though. Deron Miller is at least as good as Robert Hubble, but he's not a marked man. The defensive line is mean. Kevin Trigg is great. The defensive backfield is so-so. And coach Ray Alborn is nationally famous. From the 1982 Rice Football media guide: "There is one area where Ray Alborn is unique among all major college coaches in the nation. He is the only one to become a well-known, respected major conference head coach without ever leaving town except to recruit or go on vacation!"

2. Houston Cougars (5-2-1, 7-4-1)—The Coogs went to the Cotton Bowl in three of their four first tries. Two misses later and they are down to .500. The law of averages is with them this season. Cougar quarterback Lionel Wilson not only went to a great high school, he is among the best quarterbacks in the universe. He also plays for the luckiest team, the Los Angeles Dodgers of college football.

3. SMU Mustangs (7-1, 10-1)—SMU had the best conference record in 1981, but did not count because they cheated. I intensely dislike preppies, but those Dickson and James fellows I like.

Arkansas coach Lou Holtz said on national TV the other night that SMU could play in the NFL. Believe it.

4. Texas Longhorns (6-1-1, 10-3-1)—They play in the coolest SWC city, but they are not cool enough to beat out the preppies. Still, the Horns will again go to a bowl.

5. Arkansas Razorbacks (5-3, 8-4)—Lou Holtz looks and sounds like Mr. Rogers, who is only a mediocre college football coach.

Last year was a rebuilding year for the Hogs, and the new structure was not very impressive. They get to flop in the middle of the conference for a while.

6. Texas A&M (4-4, 7-5)—Why, why do so many people think Jackie Sherrill will bring success to this team? He is not coaching his own recruits. His "star" quarterback, Gary Kubiak, is outrageously overrated. This team could finish last if reality sets in.

7. Baylor Bears (3-5, 5-6)—This team somehow tied Rice for sixth place last year. It was an act of God Almighty. Bear fans will need to get down on their knees even more than they last year, without Walter Abercrombie.

8. TCU Horned Frogs (1-6-1, 2-7-2)—Any team with Stanley Washington deserves not to finish last. The much-maligned Horny Toads are finally gaining some respectability now that they are mentioned in Sports Illustrated every month.

9. Texas Tech Red Raiders (0-7-1, 1-9-1)—No charisma, no talent, lousy climate—the Raiders have it all. They have been off the horse too long. Bert picked these guys for the bottom last year as well, and he was right.

—Steve Bailey

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Owls prepared for Saturday’s opener but those besides Calhoun and Pierson who are thought to have best chance at All-Conference honors are: Donny Martin (Senior Offensive Tackle, tri-captain, 6-2, 270 lbs, no. 52), Richard Gray (Senior Linebacker, tri-captain, 6-2, 222 lbs, no. 91); and Deron Miller (Senior Tight End, 6-4, 217 lbs, no. 88). Others, too, have a chance for post-season honors, but as Coach Alborn says, “It depends on what kind of year they have individually and what kind of year we have as a team.”

If the Rice team is to have a good year, it will help to get off to a good start. When asked to comment on the importance of Saturday night’s game, Coach Alborn replied, “All first games are important, you always want to get off to a good start, but I have a better gut feeling this year than in the past. Our players are more talented and experienced.”

Rice is the favorite for the game, and when you consider USL’s 1981 record of one win, nine losses, and one tie, you get the feeling they may be a pushover. But they should not be taken lightly. Nothing would help the University of Southwestern Louisiana’s morale like an upset of a Southwest Conference team. Thousands of Ragin’ Cajun fans are expected to be at the game. They have a pre-game pep rally planned, as well as a post-game bash-dance at the Marriott. Everyone is fired up.

Ray Alborn knows that no division I-A football team is easy to beat, and that includes USL. “They give scholarships and pay their coaches—so they scare me. It will be important for them, they’ll be relaxed, and they’ll play us to the hilt.” He says though they are not as big as some teams the Owls play this year, they are very quick. And before you start thinking Michael Calhoun’s going to break his season touchdown record in just one game, consider this: USL led their league in pass defense last year, and every one of the pass defenders is back.

As usual, the Owls have a tough schedule this year. Perhaps not so common is the fact that many people believe they can have a winning season. But Coach Alborn is careful in displaying his optimism. He says, “We’re in a position here where we have to take it one game at a time. I know it’s an old cliche, but that’s the way it has to be. Everyone on the schedule is beatable if we take them on at one at a time. Each week we have to concentrate solely on our next opponent, and when game time comes around go crazy on them.”

One sip and you’ll know. They’re still brewin’ it George Killian’s way.

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Netters forecast national ranking

by Heather Gilliepi

Strong recruiting plus a returning doubles team with a national title to their credit should assure women's tennis Coach Paul Blankenship of abundant talent for the 1982-1983 season. In addition, the Owls lost only senior Debbie Melasas from last year's squad.

Junior Susan Rudd and senior Tracie Blumentritt, who last June captured the AIAW Division I national doubles championships, lead Rice's most experienced women's tennis team ever into the upcoming season. Blumentritt and Rudd, who also play number one and two singles, respectively, for Rice, will be followed by juniors Wanna Hadnott and Karen Garman, and sophomores Eileen Currier and Wendy Brockman. Brockman returns to the team after sitting out last spring due to academic difficulties.

Along with the returning players will be freshman Wendy Wood, from Lexington, Massachusetts. Wood, one of the top high school players in the nation last year, "will fit into the lineup well," according to Blankenship.

Blankenship predicts a banner year for the Owls. "Assuming that we are lucky injury-wise, I believe that this team has the potential to be among the top twenty teams in the nation."

But Blankenship is worried about the Owls' tough Southwest conference schedule. "TCU will be tough again, and UT has acquired two transfers from the University of Colorado who will supposedly give our girls a run for their money."

In preparation for the rugged schedule, Blankenship plans to concentrate primarily on "mental toughness and opportunistic thinking" during fall workouts. Rice opens the fall season at the Cowgirl Invitational at Oklahoma University on October 1.

Cross country serves two different purposes at Rice; it gives serious track competitors a chance to get in shape for the spring season, and, especially for the men, it is a highly competitive event in itself.

The women's team uses the fall cross country season almost strictly for training. In fact, there won't be a women's cross-country team per se, since only four women will be competing (in a regular cross country meet seven team members compete, with the top five finishers counting for the team score). Women's coach Victor Lopez hopes that his distance runners will gain conditioning and experience which will pay off during the track season.

Placing a respectable third in the Southwest Conference last year, the men's team is in good shape to do even better this year. The entire team from last year is returning, and they are all in good shape and injury-free. The team is also very young, with junior William Moore the only upperclassman among the likely starters — all the rest are sophomores.

Powerhouses Arkansas and Texas led the SWC last year, but both teams — especially Arkansas — suffered the loss of graduating seniors. Rice, on the other hand, is cautiously optimistic about this year's competition. "We're going to do very well. We've got depth, we've got experience, and we're mentally prepared to win. Arkansas is bound to be really good, but if we keep running as well as we have been, we can beat 'em."

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high in the survey, chose Rice as a logical counterpoint. They visited two Texas schools, since Texas is such an important state. UT is so big, while Rice is much smaller and academically more rigorous. Rice was surveyed for inclusion on the chart only.

Though Cook personally conducted surveys at fourteen of the schools polled, and his article claims to have "interviewed dozens of students in positions to be experts on collegiate carnal knowledge," he never visited the Rice campus until this week and admitted that the Rice participants had been selected at random. "Rice was surveyed solely by telephone, by a burning of the phone lines..., I consider all students experts on collegiate carnal knowledge. If they haven't experienced anything, then they can tell you about that. We were students, experts on collegiate carnal knowledge."

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Because the cumulative findings of the survey were compiled after studying results from each college, Cook could not provide information on Rice in particular. He intimated, however, that since Rice lies almost in the middle of the chart, the figures should be generally accurate for Rice, with some discrepancies.

For example, Playboy found that more than 28 percent of the students surveyed had experimented with the drug LSD, and though Cook admits that the figure seems surprisingly high, he said, "LSD usage seemed the highest at large, small-coastal schools, and you've got to remember that it can be one time usage. But in general, we found that acid is enjoying an enormous resurgence."

Among Cook's other findings under the title "Altered States" were that over 40 percent of the students have used marijuana, 43 percent have experimented with cocaine, and 42 percent have taken those invaluable study aid, amphetamines.

Sexually, Playboy's results showed that 40 percent of the males and 18 percent of the females interviewed engage in sex on the first date, and that 30 percent of the men and 59 percent of the women always use contraceptive during sex. On the other extreme, 25 percent of the men and nine percent of the women never use contraceptive during sex. The most common form of birth control for both men and women was the pill, which offers a close second. Seven percent of the males and eleven percent of the females wanted the age-old rhythm method.

New bio major offered by Larry Lesser
The departments of chemical engineering and biochemistry are initiating an undergraduate degree program in biochemical engineering. Conceived last spring by respective department heads Dr. Larry Mcintyre and Dr. George Schroepfer, the program is in response to an expanding technological market and student interest.

According to the program's suggested timetable, students will receive BA degrees in chemical engineering and biochemistry after four years, and acquire a professional master's degree in chemical engineering after the fifth year. Until then, all students will be allowed to change to biochemical engineering, the program is technically in a biochemical engineering with a biochemical "option."

The program will average about 17 hours each semester, and will involve only one course created especially for the program, CENG 580, in which students will study biochemical reactor engineering.

By offering several degrees, the program offers the student who completes it a great career opportunity and flexibility. Schroepfer believes that anyone with solid background in biochemistry and a traditional background in chemical engineering "is a pretty unique individual."

The first students who are most eligible for the degree are current sophomores, although some juniors found out about the program earlier and so were able to plan their schedules accordingly.

According to Schroepfer, many biochemical majors in the recent past have wanted to fulfill such a program, but they either were discouraged from doing so or simply found it impossible to complete in four years. In creating the program, both Schroepfer and Mcintyre see great potential in the field itself. According to Mcintyre, "We are seeing a change in the chemical and petrochemical companies have recently purchased biotechnical firms and research labs."

He added, "Just like people (with the background in) physical chemistry and chemical engineering formed the basis of the petrochemical industry, chemical engineers with a strong background in biochemistry and molecular biology will form the basis for biotechnology."

Nevertheless, there seems to be an increasingly greater need to be able to translate small-scale laboratory developments in molecular biology into practical applications on a large, commercial scale. Examples of this need occur in large-scale separation processes of complex molecules, rate-limiting problems, modeling, biomolecular production by fusion, large-scale fermentation reactions, genetic engineering, to name a few.

The other extreme, however, has been so up to an undergraduate level. Mcintyre notes that although the University of California at Pennsylvania University pioneered the program some 10-15 years ago, there have been so many changes in the field since its inception that current work would make that of a decade ago seem quite limited in scope.
IN THE COLLEGES

WILL RICE
Ron Caldwell

First all-school party and the event of the social season! Will Rice brings to you decadence and sinful hedonistic lust, wine, women, song, sex, potential superficial pick-ups, sex, music by A-Train, sex, etc. For only $3.50 ($4 at the door) in the RMC, September 10, 9 p.m. Be there or be soother and bored. Annette Mahoney, the girl in the sandwich sign, says, "Cabaret Voltaire will be held Wednesday, September 15 in the PDR." Call her or Craig Nashville (576-5760 or 526-2183, respectively) if you want to be on the official program.

Women's soccer practice is Wednesday and Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. Craig Nashville and Bijan Taghavi are the coaches.

GSA

GSA officers for this year are Nichol Dolby, president; Jill Singer, vice president; Leslie Askonas, secretary; and Karen Kalumuch, treasurer.

The next GSA meeting will be held on September 16. Any interested graduate student is welcome.

Volunteers are needed for the big event—the GSA barbeque on September 17. Volunteers should contact Jill Singer at x3335.

If you need to mention anything in this column, contact Dilip at x3589.

JONES

The Jones Hotline is back in working order. Call 527-4089 for a recorded message about what is happening at Jones. The tape is updated throughout the week as events warrant.

The Jones all-school party is scheduled for Friday, September 24. This year's theme is "Forbidden Planet." If you would like to help, see Rachel Hill or Kevin Clark.

Jones College Theater presents "Vanities" in October. The cast is Cindy Winkler from Baker, and Andrea Martin and Sarah Brockus from Brown. If you would like to help with technical aspects of the production, contact director Melinda McClain or co-producers Lisa Perrigo and Greg Wortham.

LOVETT

Albert Throckmorton

Thursday, September 16 Lovett Cinema presents Coming Home at 7:30 and 10 p.m. in Chem Lec. Admission is $1.

Friday, September 17 is the deadline for adding courses.

BAKER

Tonight at 7:30 don't miss Baker College's presentation of Superman II for only $1 at Chem Lec.

A reminder to all who eat lunch at Baker—lunch will start at 11:30 in an effort to get the line moving before 11:50.

Hurry! This is your chance to sign up for the Texas Renaissance Festival on October 16 as we have 20 spaces left.

If you can picture yourself dancing on a football field before thousands of people in an owl suit, then fill out your petition for the Sammy the Owl election, due by September 14 in the SA office.

Still looking for housing? Call Student Advising at x2435 and ask for Beverly.

Gilda Barabino of the Biomedical Engineering Lab wants your blood. Yes, if you can donate 20-40 cc of blood she'll pay you $5. Her extension is 4954.

There is still time to join Brown's intramural soccer team. All athletically inclined and spirited Brown members are urged to come to the next practice. The exact time will be posted in the lobby. For more info, call Sally Graves at 5265616.

Women's intramural volleyball teams are now being formed. Team rosters are due at the athletic office by 4 p.m. Friday, September 10. There is an intramural fee of $2 per player. If interested, sign up by the elevators in the lobby.

Today's TG will be held at fairy fountain located in front of Brown. All Brown members who are interested in helping with any Brown social activities, such as Brown Party and the College Nights, are encouraged to join the Social Committee. People of various talents are needed (i.e. drawing, dancing, and even stamping hands). Sign up in the lobby. If you have any questions, contact Lisa Shambro in Room 511.

SID RICHARDSON
Anuraag Singhal

Come by the fairy fountain this afternoon for a Sid-Brown-Jones Lovett mixed drink TG.

Superman II will be presented tonight in Chem Lec. at 6:45, 9:15 and 11:45. Admission $1.

Work Day! We need a bug turnout Saturday for work day. (Talk to raag.

After the game Saturday night there will be a quid party, courtesy of Sid, Brown, Hanszen and Wiess.

And next Saturday, September 18, Wiess-Sid Story. Chapter II.

Sharon Meece

Saturday night after the first football game there will be a free RPC College dance in the academic quad. There will be lots of beer, cokes, and music.

Calendars will be out soon and available in the College Offices. Coupon books will be available from the reps soon. General Cinema Tickets are $2.50 and can be obtained at the SA Office.

All future meetings of the Rice Program Council will be held Tuesdays at 9 p.m. in Raynor Hall room 111.

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notes & notices for organizations and organs.

Christian Science Organization at Rice Univ. invites you to join the women of the Medical Center for tea at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow afternoon in FL 312 (Fondren Library).

Petitions for Sammy the Owl are due Wednesday, September 15. This position is held by two people, and interested parties must run as a slate.

Elections for SA office candidates, SAP Vice President, and SPM will be held Tuesday, September 21. All students are invited to vote in their assigned colleges.

Rice University is giving a Mathematics Tournament (Friday, September 17). Anyone who would be interested in organizing or performing the activities necessary to get the tournament underway is urged to contact the office of the Dean of the Math Dept. or Gerhard Pasman at Southern Methodist University. We will receive any help offered, and are willing to provide information about the tournament.

Rice's chapter of Oxfam, an organization that fights world hunger, is currently gearing up for its annual fundraising. Some will be at each college sometime during the week, to sign interested folks up for the monthly Meat Meal. Call 250-1906 or write to Oxfam, c/o the Dean of Student Life.

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For sale: Two stereo speaker towers each with tweeters, midranges and high-treight inch woofers. $100 the pair. Call Marc at 729-4776 after 3 p.m.

Part time employee wanted to put in bags of food weekly now and during 1982-93. 2-10 hours/week. $4.50/hr. Send name, address, phone #, etc. to Mr. Fenton, 152 Temple St., #701, New Haven, CT 06510.

Female roommate wanted, house in W.U. area, $230.00 + utilities. Contact Virginia, 621-4687 after 9 p.m.

Desk clerk - Weekend position at corporate inn near Galleria. 24 hrs/wk. at $4.50 - 521-2979.

Babysitter for 1½ year old girl needed for Monday and Tuesday evenings 7:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. and occasional afternoons possible. Must have own transportation. Very near University. Call 521-0904 for more information.

Notice - Ron Schubel, formerly of Haircraft, is alive and well and has taken a job at Scott Fredericks Salon, 2110 So. Shepherd, 523-4191 (across from Barrett's).