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Happy Christmas Vacation



TRIMMING THE TREE—Darlene Ulseth from Trinidad, West Indies, and Kayoko Uozumi, a native of Japan, help decorate an "American" Christmas tree as they usher in this festive season.

ORU Foreign Students Enjoy Traditional Christmas Style

By Joyce Klapstein

Oral Roberts University is very privileged to have on its campus many foreign students this year. Especially during the Christmas season when everyone feels a bit nostalgic, sentimental, and a trifle homesick, one's mind wonders just how these students feel at this time.

Thomas Jacob, a seminarian from India, is fast becoming quite Americanized, for this will be his third Christmas in the United States. "Turkey and dressing is fine," says Thomas, "but in India we always have meat, curry, and rice." Both Hindus and Christians alike celebrate Christmas; the Hindus because they think Christ was a great and honorable teacher, and the Christians because they believe that He is the Son of God. An Indian custom that would prove popular in America—a whole week of exchanging gifts, from Christmas Day until New Year's. Not only are the homes decorated beautifully—so are the women. Gala and expensive saris adorned

with large amounts of one's finest jewels are appropriate for the ladies.

The Union of South Africa has a fine representative in John Meyers, a dedicated and sincere Christian. John is enjoying his first American Christmas, for he has only been in the States for ten months. Already he has noticed the similarities, for he says, "The decorations are the same, the holiday spirit is the same, and unfortunately, Christ is left out of your Christmas, too." Eyes twinkling, John tells of the worker's children who used to come to their farm on Christmas Day and ask for "Chrees-mas, Bass" meaning "Candy, Boss." Dressed in their finest, they would raise their shiny faces and sing a sweet and unspoiled melody for the "bass" and his family.

Lovely Darlene Ulseth from Trinidad, West Indies, will be celebrating an American-Canadian Christmas for the first time in years. The daughter of missionaries to this tropical isle, Darlene has

come to appreciate the Trinidadian celebration so much that she is almost biased! Each Christmas Day starts with a choir cantata at 6:00 a.m., followed by a bread breaking feast. At this time everyone is given a piece of bread to break in small pieces to share with his friends in the church, sealed with a kiss. After the service, a turkey breakfast is partaken of, and the rest of the day is spent opening gifts, visiting friends, and taking gifts to the poor families.

To Kayoko Uozumi, a native of Japan, this year is her first "real" Christmas. Last January, Kayo came to know Jesus Christ as her own personal savior and now for her, Christmas has taken on a new meaning. Previously, all she had known were the decorations, the tree, and the carols sung only for fun at parties. Now she is enjoying every minute of sharing with her many spiritual brothers and sisters this great and wonderful event. Kayo's special message to the students is, "We must also remember to give thanks to Jeus."

November Seminars See Results

Laymen and past partners of Oral Roberts University pledged contributions for 75 rooms and eight houses in the future men's high rise dorm during the two seminars held last month.

As a result of these donations, ground breaking ceremonies were held to mark the beginning of construction for the new dormitory November 28, at 2:00 p.m. at the close of the World Outreach Conference. President Oral Roberts, surrounded by the student senate and partners attending the seminar, broke ground for the dorm.

The new dormitory will have 300 rooms and house 600 men. The rooms are \$2500 each and the houses are \$16,000 each. The two million dollar dormitory is scheduled to be completed in September 1967.

In an interview with Mrs. Roberts she told the purpose of the

two recent seminars. The laymen's seminar held November 18-22 was to bring new people on campus and meet their spiritual needs. By being on campus, the laymen see a worthwhile project being carried out which causes many to want to have a financial part in Oral Roberts University.

The World Outreach Conference held November 28-29 brought people to the campus who had been partners of Oral Roberts University for several years. They came expecting to raise funds for a new project on campus. Coming to ORU gave them a chance to see what their monthly contributions had been used for. Mrs. Roberts went on to say, "People will give where they can see their dollars work."

Mr. Irving, a member of the Board of Regents from Memphis, Tennessee, said that these seminars produce a total everlasting effect on those who attend. "The spiritual atmosphere, the music and singing, the youth, and the facilities all blend together to give a total effect."

Campaign Set For Nation

President Roberts formally announced a nationwide campaign to raise funds of \$15,340,000 for Oral Roberts University at a Press Conference held December 6 at 11:00 a.m. in the Timko-Barton Auditorium.

In his address President Roberts asked the people of Tulsa "to catch a part of the vision." He asked Tulsa to give \$3,340,000—10% of the total investment. "For every nine dollars, we ask Tulsa to give one dollar."

The chart for the proposed campaign: \$11,000,000, Nation; \$1,000,000, Oklahoma; \$3,340,000, Tulsa; for a total of \$15,340,000.

President Roberts stated the four needs of the school: new buildings, endowment, funds, and scholarships. He then gave a breakdown of how the money would be spent; \$10,293,000, building; \$2,050,000, support for budget; \$3,000,000, endowment; for a total of \$15,343,000.

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Music, Drama Departments Present Opera, 'Amahl And The Night Visitors'

"... He walks, he walks, he walks. It is a sign from the Holy Child. We must give praise to the newborn King. We must praise Him. This is a sign from God." And so the Christmas miracle was told in the opera "Amahl and the Night Visitors."

"Amahl" was presented as a joint effort by the drama and music departments of Oral Roberts Uni-

versity, at the Timko-Barton auditorium, 8:00 p.m. on the nights of December 11 and 12.

The story begins with a poor widow and crippled child receiving royal guests into their humble home. The Three Kings and the page are on their way to see the Holy Child. They find it necessary to stop for rest at the home of Amahl (Claron McQueen) and

his mother (Joyce Tyson).

While they are there, the shepherds from the surrounding hills come and bring food for them to eat. After they've all eaten and enjoyed the dances of the shepherds, they bed down for the night. The mother realizing they are all asleep, finds the gifts of gold too tempting to resist. She thinks of all the things she could do for her crippled child.

Just as she has managed to steal some of the gold, the page (Masud Syedullah) awakens from his sleep and catches her. He seizes her and begins to tear the gold away from her. Amahl begins to beat on the Page to get him to release his mother. Then he pleads with the kings to let her go free.

King Melchvir (Don Haney) tells her to keep the gold; the child they seek doesn't need the gold. On love alone He will build His Kingdom, and the Keys to His city belong to the poor. Realizing that this is the King she has waited for all her life, she gives back the gold. Amahl begs her to let him send his crutch to the Babe.

As he lifts it to give it to the Kings, Kasper (Dave Neighbors) and Balthzer (Dan Fee), he begins to walk. The Kings conclude that the miracle is a sign that the child has been born and the Kings and Amahl leave the home to follow the star.



AM AHL AND THE NIGHT VISITORS—The Music and Drama departments of ORU rehearsing for the opera, "Amahl and the Night Visitors," which was presented last Sunday and Monday evenings.

EDITORIAL

Whom the Bell Tolls?

This Christmas season is a time of giving, of receiving. A time when young and old alike feel the excitement and warmth of the Christmas holidays.

God has blessed America with many priceless gifts and yet we will never realize their value until we, as Americans, renew our sacred pledge to pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship to assure the survival and success of freedom and liberty. We need to remember that even as we have been blessed, we in turn are to bless others.

There is a question that runs through my mind, evident only in the secluded crevasses of the heart; a heart that has hid the secret desire of a free race since the Creation . . . "What is this life, that we worry not for whom the bell tolls, for our selfish desires have made it toll for tomorrow?"

"Civilization," relates H. G. Wells, "is a race between education and catastrophe." And we, the American people, who determine the winner of that race have become lax and unresponsive of this great and noble responsibility. In the Bible we read, "Who will prepare for the battle if the trumpet sounds an uncertain note?" Now is a time when we Americans, long divided by feuds and prejudices, should be joined together, seeking as our forefathers sought, to find freedom in diversity and unity spoke of the American ideal in his Inaugural address . . . "With a good

I believe the late John F. Kennedy answered the question when he spoke of the American ideal in his Inaugural address . . . "With a good conscience our only reward, with history the final judge of our deeds, let us go forth to lead the land we love, asking His blessing and His help, but knowing that here on earth God's work must truly be our own."

MLG



We wish you a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year . . .

Rev. Pattison Shares Faith

A prominent leader in the charismatic renewal of today, Rev. Dr. George Pattison, shared his personal ministry with ORU students December 5-7.

Until recently, Father Pattison was the rector of St. Andrew's Cathedral, Prince Rupert B. C., Canada, and dean of the Diocese of Caledonia. He has had an outreach in the United States, Canada and Russia, having spoken to some of the largest congregations and conventions. In 1965 he made a special trip to Great Britain to minister in Anglican churches and to counsel with Bishops and leading clergymen.

While on campus Father Pattison spoke to classes and also shared his testimony in both Seminary and University chapel services. The Anglican's emphasis to the students was the fullness of life in Christ through the baptism of the Holy Spirit. In an interview by some of the students, Father Pattison related how he received the Pentecostal experience under the ministry of a Franciscan monk, Norman Scovel. Rev. Scovel had been sent by his bishop to "stamp out the tongues movement" in the Church at Santa Barbara; however, he returned home having actually received the experience himself. The persistency of Scovel's testimony to Father Pattison, "I've got the secret of the power of God through the Holy Spirit," was effective. After days of questioning and seeking, Father Pattison finally prayed, "Well, Lord, I'll have it with tongues;" and he received the joyous experience.

Editorial Observation:

Our grateful thanks to Dr. Richard L. Stoppe, Chairman Department of Speech, for his timeless article in the November "Oracle" . . . FOR ADULTS ONLY!

aya Droozhba," which means Russian Fellowship.

Guest Editorial

The Purpose of Christmas

By Dr. J. D. Messick,
Executive Vice-President

We are approaching the Yuletide Season when probably more happiness is brought to the hearts of the people of America than at any other season. It is a time of reunion for families with the exchange of presents, of listening to wonderful hymns and sermons relating to the Babe of Bethlehem, and re-emphasizing one's relationship with God. As I write this I am listening to the carillon while it plays "O, Come All Ye Faithful," and while we love to hear this beautiful melody and rehearse the admonition in the words, the message really extends much beyond that. It is also a call to the

unfaithful that they may be united with the Master in love and with their fellow man in Christian relations.

The coming of Christ ushered into the world a star with far-reaching beams of light that bring joy, contentment, and peace to all who will accept Him as the only begotten Son of God. As we embrace His principles and precepts, enshrine Him in our hearts, and exemplify His way of life, we bless those with whom we come in contact. The Christian life is a way of unselfishness, sacrifice, and self denial, but it is compensated with the joy of giving and extending love and service to others; all with the realization that this is Christ's

way. We must remember that our chief purpose in life is to extend Christian principles and precepts to help make it possible for others to be glad and rejoice that "the Lord is come" and that He is, and was caught up into heaven that He might send His Holy Comforter to us in order that our lives might abound in magnifying His love.

May I wish every one of you a blessed Christmas and suggest that you search your hearts in extending your efforts to lighten the burdens of your parents and others while you are at home by helping in every way possible to bring joy and happiness wherever you are.

"Glory to God on high and peace, good will, to all men."

SEMINARY

On Monday, December 5, seminary students had a dual-purpose party. It was a combination birthday party for Dr. Harrison and an informal Christmas party.

CLASSES

Classes at ORU are playing Santa Claus for ten underprivileged children. The junior class is buying toys for two children, the sophomore and freshmen classes are each sponsoring four children. The project is being carried out through Public Welfare.

SPANISH CLUB

On January 6, the Spanish Club is having a Three Kings' Day party. It follows the South American custom of having the children put straw in a box under their beds for the camels of the three wise men. The camels supposedly eat the straw and the wise men leave a gift for the children in its place.

RUSSIAN CLUB

The new Russian Club now has 15 members and a name: "Roosk-

What Does Christmas Mean to You?

Charlotte Howell: I like Christmas because it's the celebration of Christ's birth and because of the happy and loving spirit of Christmas.

Janice Bass: Christmas carols and chimes.

Eloise Zachmann: Being with Sammy and sharing Christmas with him.

Carolyn Shipley: The think I like best about Christmas is that it's a time when we're especially aware of the joy of giving love as well as receiving it.

Carl Hardaway: I'll be glad to go home to be with my kinfolk and friends.

Ruth King: A family decorating a Christmas tree together and sing-

ing carols as they do so.

Arnie Coles: Being with my girlfriend.

Louis Martinez: Humbug!

Karen Bach: Going home for Christmas vacation and once I get there, the smell of the Christmas tree.

Lois Harris: Going home to be with my family and the Christmas plays at church.

Bob McAllister: The attitude that people have at Christmas.

Darlene Ulseth: The joy of giving to others.

Kathy Straton: Because finally for one day of the year the whole world thinks of Christ.

Dewey Echols: Because it means for two weeks I can catch up on

the work I didn't do all semester and find out how much I don't know.

Hope Sutherland: I like Jesus.

Dennis Corrigan: The music. The Christmas season has given us some really fine music to appreciate.

Lorna Morse: The naturalness of the Christmas tree in the home. The home has become so modernistic, and the tree brings Christmas into the home in a natural way.

George Moore: I like eighteen things—the 15th of December, the 16th of December, the 17th of December, the . . .

Paulette McCartie: The simplicity of the sweet baby Jesus.

Star Atkins: The warmth and cheer of togetherness that we always experience at Christmas.

Carl Lawson: I like to watch little kids asking Santa Claus for Christmas presents. Some give a whole long list and others ask if he's real or not.

John Griffith: The spirit of giving and getting and especially the bowl games.

Cory Nickerson: The thing I like most about Christmas is when all the crazy choir concerts will be over.

Tony McConnell: Holidays, man!

President's Corner

Christ-Your Gift?

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."
John 3:16

God gave the first Christmas gift—His Son—a gift to be shared with an entire world. But know this: though you were the only person ever to live, your loving God would have given all for you alone. Christmas is the celebration of the first Gift . . . isn't it??

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VICKIE BLAIR

Reverend and Mrs. C. E. Blair of Denver, Colorado, announce the engagement of their daughter, Vickie, to Jack Moore, son of Reverend and Mrs. Marles W. Moore of Long Beach, California.

Miss Blair is a graduate of South High School in Denver and is presently a psychology major at Oral Roberts University.

Mr. Moore is a graduate of South High School and is attending Officers Candidate School at Fort Gordon, Georgia. He will be graduated January 12, 1967.

The wedding date has been set for January 21, 1967. After the wedding, the bridal couple will be honeymooning in Europe.

The engagement of Miss Yvonne Baxter to John Mark Childers, son of Rev. and Mrs. P. Childers of Las Vegas has been announced by the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Baxter of Auckland, New Zealand.

Miss Baxter, after graduating with a B.A. from Auckland University, taught for 3 years at Avondale High School before coming to the United States to study in preparation for Christian ministry. She has completed an M.A. in Theology from Central Bible College, Springfield, Missouri. She is presently in the Graduate School of Theology studying for a B.D.

The future bridegroom has graduated B.A. from Central Bible College, Springfield, Missouri. During his senior year he was the Student Government President. He is presently working on his Master's degree at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Deerfield, Illinois.

The wedding is planned for February at Trinity Episcopal Church, in Tulsa.

Mrs. Lydia Stubblefield of Tulsa, Oklahoma, announces the engagement of her daughter, Joanne, to Steven Brian Koch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Koch of Hershey, Nebraska.

Miss Stubblefield is a graduate of Daniel Webster High School in Tulsa and is presently a business major at Oral Roberts University.

Mr. Koch is a graduate of Hershey High School and is now attending Oral Roberts University.

The wedding date is set for January 20, 1967. The couple will make their home in Nebraska.



YVONNE BAXTER



JOANNE STUBBLEFIELD

Nicky Claus and Mrs. C. Really Swing at St. Nick's

It occupies the second floor of a big three-story walk-up just a block or two off Carnaby Street, and it's called "St. Nick's." It's an in between sort of place—in between a hunting lodge and a discotheque atmosphere, you know, music and food and an enormous fireplace with a great huge chimney!

The owner and his wife live above "St. Nick's," and I was there to interview them. Actually I was supposed to interview Santa Claus, but it turned out that Santa was the owner so . . .

Santa, er . . . Nicky (as he is called now) answered the door. It was obvious that our Santa Claus had undergone a few basic changes since my last session on his knee. His outfit was still red and white, but man how he used those colors! He wore a red on white granny print Tom Jones shirt and red corduroy hip-huggers with a black patent-leather belt and a huge gold buckle. (By the way, in case you've ever asked, Santa does not have the figure for hip-huggers.) Add to all of this a red and white striped cap, a sheep-skin vest and a pair of black patent-leather boots, and you've got a pretty good idea of what met me at the door.

Mrs. C. came rushing up from downstairs and told Nicky that it was time for the entertainment to begin. (As MC, Nicky always starts things off by coming down

the chimney!) While he was getting ready, he gave me the story.

One day at the North Pole a group of Santa's elves brought some relatives from the Halloween division for a visit, and in this crowd was a really truly mod elf! He was a rather domineering fellow, and since Santa is sort of easy-going anyway, this elf, Clyde, just took over. He formed the helpers into a union and then brought in automation so that the elves got to sit around all the time.

Mrs. Claus really came into her own, wearing boots and mini-skirts and letting her hair grow long (just imagine, a natural platinum blonde), but she had to iron it to make it go straight. Between Clyde and Mrs. C., Santa almost had to open "St. Nick's," which was an immediate success, of course. (Well, wouldn't you like to go to a club owned by Santa Claus?) So there he was. He seemed sort of restless, and I suspect that Mrs. Claus missed the North Pole more than she would admit.

I caught his act—it was great—and then left, but as I was leaving, he stuck his head out the window and mumbled something about "old times" and ". . . Christmas to all . . . good night . . ."

That was in August. It only takes five minutes on a reindeer sled to get from London to the North Pole. It is now December. He's had plenty of time.

'Young Tulsans' Present Concert at ORU

Tulsa's internationally-known concert band, the Young Tulsans, was in concert at the Oral Roberts University auditorium Sunday, December 5, 1966.

The band, which is composed of high school musicians chosen in competitive auditions, is directed by Jerrold Lawless. Mr. Lawless, a graduate of Michigan University, has formerly been band director at Whitney Junior High School, and is now director of instrumental music at Tulsa Central High School.

The Young Tulsans have ac-

quired a reputation as a hard-working, determined organization. Members of the band used their own initiative to raise funds for a trip to Holland, where they received high-ratings in the International Music Festival. They are presently beginning a drive to raise funds for a two-week Eastern tour climaxing

at the International Exposition 1967 in Montreal, Canada. The group has been chosen as official representatives of the United States at the United States Pavilion.

"We haven't really started to gell as a band yet this year, but things are looking real good for the future," Mr. Lawless commented.

What Is Christmas?

By Cheryl Longstaff

A stocking hung full of candy; a Christmas carol; the tinsel and sparkle of that special evergreen; freshly baked cookies of all colors, sizes and shapes; lights on the roof tops; candles in the windows, or the untouched whiteness of a winter wonderland. Is it the hustle and bustle of determined shoppers; wreathes of holly; the kids bunching; the snow crunching? Or could it be that fat, rosy-cheeked, bundle of red that struggles down the chimneys each year?

All of these make up our holiday season—yes—but none of these are Christmas.

Christmas is Christ's Birthday. No cake could hold all the candles for each year He has been with us. No gift could symbolize the love that He deserves. No 'Happy Birthday' could be sung as joyously as the angels sang Hallelujah on that first brisk morning in Bethlehem. No, Our Saviour deserves more than what man has made Christmas to be.

Christmas is that unsung carol; the sacrifice of giving to others not just a carefully wrapped gift,

but one's whole self; the gleam in the eyes of a proud father; the love in the heart of a thankful mother; the unequaled excitement of a small child.

But most of all Christmas is the expression of what God gave us on Christ's birthday—love.

Christmas Banquet Success

The Oral Roberts University family enjoyed a lovely evening at the formal Christmas Banquet on Monday, December 12.

The cafeteria was beautifully decorated in the traditional Christmas reds and greens. The center of attraction was a large elegantly-decorated Christmas tree donated by Saga Food Company.

Candlelight and live dinner music enhanced the atmosphere as a delicious five-course banquet was served.

Committee chairmen responsible for this fine evening's entertainment were Ron DiCiccio, decorations; Lynn Thomas, publicity; Dexter King and Cheryl Longstaff, entertainment; Viva Blansit, menu; and Chris Thompson, clean-up.

Five Students Attend Conference

On December 2 and 3, five students from Oral Roberts University accompanied Mrs. Pauline Lecky, Social Activities Director

of ORU, to Southwest Missouri State College, in Springfield, Missouri, where the 1966 Region Eleven Conference of the Association of College Unions International was held.

KORU Has Interviews

Many interesting personalities have been presented over the interview program, "This Is Barbara." Barbara Hodgson of the ORU Graduate School of Theology is the hostess who interviews personalities Monday through Friday at 9:15 a.m. Producer of the program is Neigel Scarborough, also a student in the School of Theology.

Many of the ORU regents have presented their testimonies and given interesting accounts of the Lord's work in their lives. John Meyers has presented some background information on South Africa and his first impressions of the United States. Dr. R. O. Corvin has presented highlights of the World Congress on Evangelism in Berlin as well as some of the exciting prospects for evangelizing the world in the next quarter century. Thomas W. Jacob, a student from India, presented a thrilling testimony. Reuben Sequeira gave tips on Christian witnessing and Professor Robert Rice told of the beggar boys in Korea. Other persons such as Eugene Boyd, Ed Gagle, Doug Drobish, David Neighbors, John Hayes, Patrick Cathcart and Neigel Scarborough have given KORU listeners their testimonies as well as greater insight into life on the ORU campus.

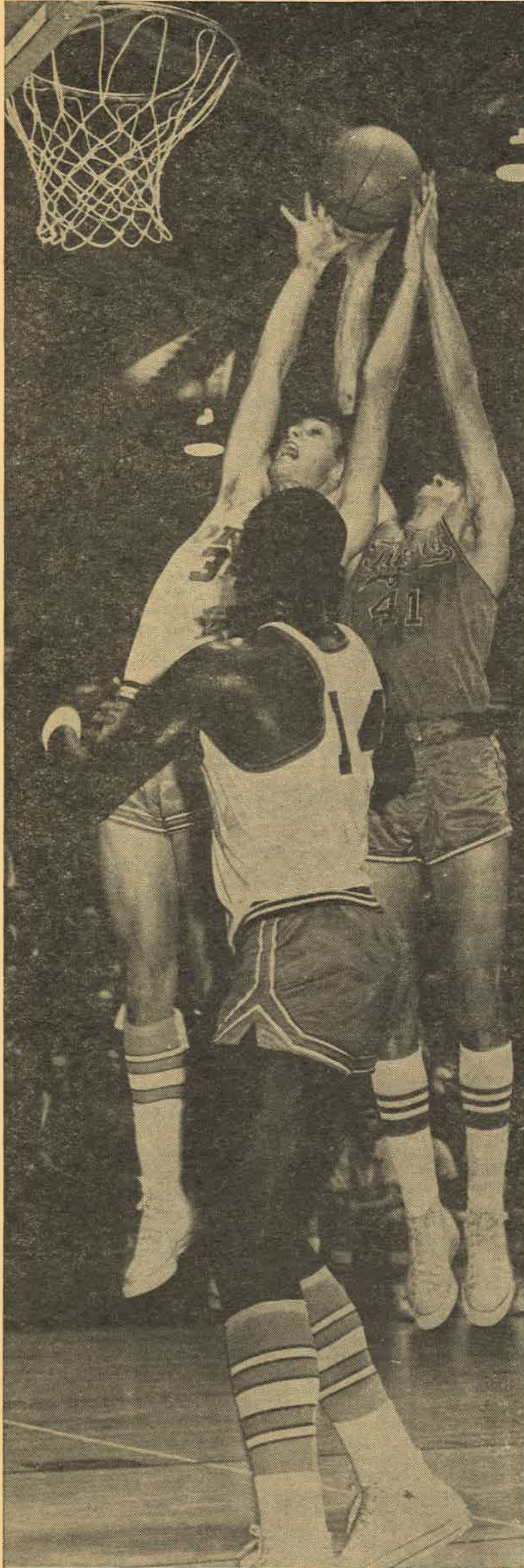
Karen Bach, Viva Blansit, Ron DiCiccio, Louis Martinez, and Chris Thompson joined 350 delegates from 25 colleges and universities from the four-state region of Oklahoma, Nebraska, Kansas, and Missouri, in earnest discussion of various facets of Student Union work.

The theme of this year's conference was "Action and Communication within the Student Union." Some of the topics discussed in student-led sessions concerned: the purpose of the Student Union; specialized programming for the married, foreign, and part-time students; progressive programming for the changing student; careers in the union, or student activities, field.

Lively "Swap Shops" gave students the opportunity to discuss problems on their respective campuses and glean ideas which would help improve their student activity programs.

Oral Roberts University is an affiliated member of the Association of College Unions International, and will become a full-fledged member upon construction of a student union building. The student activities building will be the center for student planned social, cultural, and recreational life at ORU. As a community center on campus, the Student Union will serve as a laboratory for active leadership training and participation.

May the Best Man Win...



Bobby Wallis (34) and Carl Hardaway fight for the ball in Tiger jump.

Junior Varsity Edges Phillips During Exciting Final Seconds

Although trailing by seven points with only one minute and 30 seconds remaining the ORU Junior Varsity scrambled to edge Phillips Junior Varsity 89 to 88 on November 28.

A sparse but enthusiastic crowd welcomed the J.V.'s to their home court after they returned from a disappointing road trip on which they dropped 4 games. Several of these losses were by only a few points.

The Titans controlled the opening tipoff but after a slow four minutes were trailing 6 to 2. James Joyce was fouled as he made a driving layup. Joyce converted the free throw and the Phillips lead was cut to 11 to 10. Moments later Gaddy hit for two points to pull the Titans to a 13-13 draw.

For the remainder of the first half, the Titans kept a lead of about five to six points—always getting buckets when they needed them. However, Phillips quickly closed the Titan lead to one point just before the half ended. The count at half time was 35 to 34, Titans.

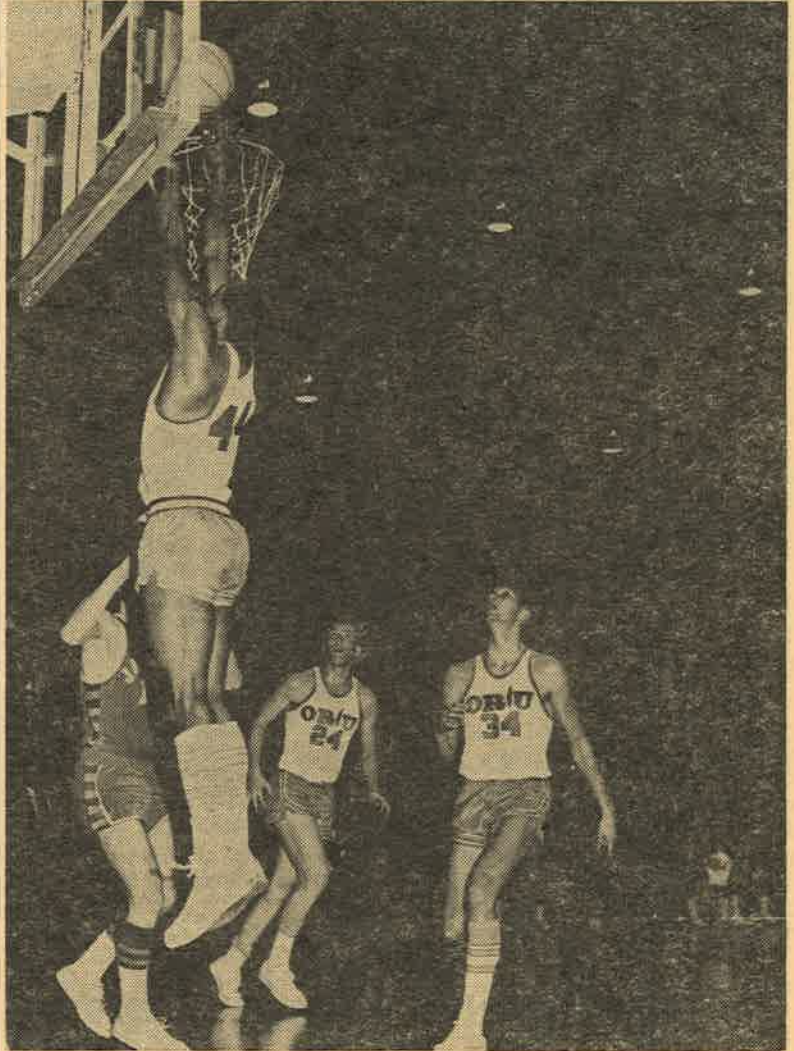
At the start of the second half, driving layups by Billups and Waggenblatt gave our boys a 43-38 edge. The lead was short lived. Phillips kept knocking at the door and with eight minutes remaining pulled to a 68-68 tie.

For most of the remainder of the game, Phillips led by a small margin. Their lead grew to seven points with a minute and a half left. Coach Duke countered with a desperate full court press. After much scrambling the Titans pulled within one point.

With 30 seconds showing on the clock, James Joyce was all alone going in for the winning

layup—that's what the crowd thought. But instead of going for the cripple, James went up to stuff the ball through the net, and he bounced it off the back part of

the rim. Luckily the Titans forced the ball out of bounds, and Joyce made amends by hitting a good reverse layup for the winning bucket.



Jumping jack Arnold Coles from Savannah, Ga., nets 2 points against Ouchita Baptist.

Varsity Squad Wins Two out of Three

The Titan varsity squad recently met and weathered some exceptionally tough competition. Outstanding among this season's contests were the Ouchita, Midwestern, and Evangel games.

OUCHITA BAPTIST

On November 22, Ouchita Baptist University came to the ORU campus. They were fresh from their victory over Oklahoma Baptist University, last year's NAIA champions, and were in high spirits. But the Titan five had a very sobering effect on the visitors. ORU grabbed a quick lead in the opening minutes of the clash but had to fight to stay within striking distance of Ouchita Gary Gagnon kept them there with 11 points in the first half. Bobby Hodge burned in an additional 10 to help.

The second half, however, was a different story as the Titans outscored Ouchita 47-31. Mel Reed led the attack with 14 points. Bobby Wallis came up with some defensive maneuvers. He stole the ball twice, accounting for the tying basket and the 2 points that put the blue ahead to stay with 13 minutes left in the game.

Gagnon was high for the Titans with 17. Bobby Hodge hit for 16 before he was fouled out with 9:21 to go. Mel Reed got his total of 14 in the second half. Paul Massey came off the bench to net 10.

MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Six days later, the Titans faced the especially rugged Midwestern University in Coyote Field House. ORU fought all the way through regulation time and on into overtime. Gary Gagnon and Carl Hardaway led the first half attack with 16 and 8 respectively. Earl Beechum, 6'5" All-American, netted 16 for Midwestern while his teammate Jim Wall pumped in 11. At halftime, the teams were deadlocked 43-43.

Mel Reed and Bobby Hodge did all they could to pull it out in the second half. Big Mel and little Bobby combined for 31 counters, hitting 14 and 17 respectively. But Midwestern had three ball-players in double figures in the last twenty minute segment. Regulation time ended with a 77-77 tie. But Midwestern outscored the Titans 11-8

in the five minute overtime period to pull out an 88-85 victory in their season opener.

EVANGEL COLLEGE

In the most recent clash, the Titans met and defeated rival Evangel College on Evangel's home court. ORU had a tough time of it in the first half as the team just could not hit. Arnie Coles' 8 points led the way for the Titans in the first and the blue found themselves down 30-27 at half-time. But the squad came to life in the second half.

The biggest second half output for Evangel was 7 points by Bobby Curtis. This was not enough however, and the Titans of ORU added a 69-52 victory to their treasury of conquests.

Mel Reed was the big gun for the Titans with 19 points. Arnie Coles added 16.

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London Square

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