**SWEETHEART FORMAL BIG SUCCESS**

The first annual Sweetheart Formal, held on Saturday evening, February 12, in the ORU dining hall, was a tremendous success. This formal set the precedent for the annual coronation of the ORU Sweetheart Queen.

Starting weeks before the big event, many students, under the direction of the Student Senate, diligently worked on the evening's entertainment and elaborate decorations, which adorned the dining hall. Their efforts produced a transformation of the ORU dining hall into a lovely and romantic setting for an enchanting evening.

Carrying the St. Valentine's Day theme, the colors were red and white. The stage was set with the outline of a beautiful heart that reached to the ceiling: it was made of white and red materials, and resembled a fluffy, heart shaped cloud. The candlelight was like a big valentine within itself, with the corresponding Valentine's Day decorations of hearts and flowers.

The buffet table was set with alo to have their pictures taken in the lobby of the Timko-Barton building. Then the couples began to go through the buffet line.

The buffet table was set with elegance; a crystal cupid, carved from ice, reigned over the lovely table.

When the excellent meal was finished, the program began. Miss Betty Kaye Smith was in charge of planning the program; she had especially concentrated on the ceremony surrounding the coronation of the queen. Assisting her were Barbara Thomas, Janet McCutchen, and Judy Thomas.

Sharing the duties of the Master of Ceremonies were Steve Shakarian and Roger Acton; and what a superb job they did of carrying the program smoothly along with a clever dialogue filled with satire and comedy.

Jack Wolfe began the program by doing a piano medley from Dave Brubeck's, "Take Five". Then the girl's ensemble, under the direction of Mrs. Evelyn Davis, sang the very appropriate song, entitled "The Sweet Heart Tree." Following the girl's ensemble, Miss Betty Kaye Smith introduced the five finalists for the title of ORU's Sweetheart. They were: Misses Jolene Davis, Sharon McGee, Jaquie Martin, Diana Shaw and Linda Hunter. When the last finalist had been presented, the young men of the audience cast votes for the ORU Sweetheart.

The entertainment continued as Naomi Carney gave an interpretation of the Satirical monologue, "This Is The Army." Colleen John followed in the traditional folk style as she sang "Black is the color of my True Love's Hair" and "Fair Thew Well."

Also included in the evening was a door prize, which was a free dinner at Jamil's Steak House. The lucky couple was ORU Student John Merrill and his lovely date.

A Sweetheart couple was also selected. As Roger Acton sang "More", a pink spot light traveled across the audience. When he finished the song it stopped on Annette Mullen and Jim Hickok. I'm sure they were delighted with the ten dollar gift certificate to any restaurant of their choice.

More delightful entertainment followed as Vange Kennedy did an amusing and touching monologue on "The ORU Girl." The evening rose to a peak as Patti Holcombe, with Steve Shakarian on the trumpet and Jack Wolfe at the piano, gave a breathtaking version of that beautiful song "Summertime." A newer group on the ORU quire simply called "The Group" did a fine presentation of "Deep River" and "Dear Heart." The Eland brothers created a most romantic atmosphere for the climax of the evening as they played a saxophone duet of "Misty." The moment everyone had been anticipating, finally arrived; the Sweetheart was to be crowned. The finalists were brought to the stage as Steve Shakarian, in the tradition of all M.C.'s, stalled in announcing the name of the Sweetheart. The audience caught its breath as Mr. Shakarian prepared to read the name. The anticipation heightened and shrieks of joy were heard as Miss Diana Shaw's name was called. In the background the girl's ensemble could be heard singing "Let Me Call You Sweetheart" as Miss Shaw ascended her throne where she and her court were presented with long-stemmed roses.

The evening drew to a close as the audience stood and applauded Sweetheart Diana.

The Sweetheart Formal of 1966 will remain a cherished memory for the students of Oral Roberts University's freshman year.

This crisis was just one of the numerous birth pains felt by the Oracle staff as they labored to bring ORU's first student publication into campus light.

Sherry Myers, who had been selected as editor from a number of applicants at the end of the 1965 semester, had been serving as everything from surgeon to nurse-aid during the difficult birth. Her consultant was Dr. McClendon, who is the official oracle to the ORU. After initial planning talks, the staff was selected and signed.

Then began the planning sessions. Debating. Ideas-digging. Note-jotting. Jobs were defined and designated, re-defined and re-designated. Outlines for production and publication were set up.

A delegation from the staff went to visit the University of Tulsa's "Collegian" Editor and the Graphic Arts Director at OREA, to gain insight into the operation with which they would be faced.

One of the biggest obstacles still remained. No printer had yet been found. A hunt ensued and after many discussions and interviews the staff at last found one who promised to deliver the infant ORACLE in a reasonable time, for a reasonable cost, with helpful advice and a smile.

But there were other problems. The space which the staffers' creations would take could only be estimated—and the layout workers were as jubilant as the parents of a newborn child when the printers called to report that the guesswork had been fairly accurate and the columns were working out as planned.

The budget, as always, was a big headache. The layette for the new arrival had to include everything from typewriters and copy paper to pens, shoe and toothbrushes.

The birth had been delayed so long that it could wait no longer, so with a tentative 'OK' from the Business Office the actual production began, although the charge account for the new addition to the ORU family has yet to receive final approval.

Finding ads for the paper and an official room for the staff were other problems which had to be faced quickly and solved quickly.

It might have been expected that after all this, the Oracle would have entered the world a baby blue. But as final proofs were read, the newly christened publication was already emitting hasty yells and further inspection proved it to be quite healthy and normal.

You may not think it's the most beautiful baby in the world—but we do!!

**JBU OUTSPLEASURES ORU**

By Bob Armstrong

Don Helling captured a first place for the Titans, but oral Roberts University lost to John Brown University, 71-18, last Saturday night at the JBU pool. Phillip's 62 also swam with the two teams. Helling's time of 2:37.7 for the 200-yard breast stroke placed him in the actual official approval.

Willie Rice captured a second and third place finish in the 50 and 100-yard freestyle event. The sprinter from Tulsa had a 23.5 for the 50.

Ralph Bendel and Paul Williams received two third place finishes apiece. Bendel recovered in the 200-yard back stroke and the 200-yard individual medley. Williams got his thirds in the 200 and 100-yard freestyle events.
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FROM OUR EDITOR:
The Truth of the Matter

"As a man thinketh, so is he." In one concise statement Solomon expressed a principle which vitally involves each of us here at O.R.U. The man with a questioning mind probes out knowledge and truth and assimilates this truth as a part of himself. True scholarship involves not only the mechanical storing of knowledge, but also the grasping of its significance to us.

"How can we achieve true scholarliness?" you ask. The first element is an earnest desire to search, to study, to grow in knowledge. Along with the desire of the mind is the discipline of self, the self-command to do what has to be done whether we like it or not. We must share, interchange, and compare our views with those around us. Discussion enriches the minds and promotes scholarliness in a vital way.

Neglected perhaps more than any other source, the vast storage of knowledge held by our professors and administratives is untapped—waiting our discovery of it. The Spirit-filled administration and faculty represent a great potential of guidance and wisdom. Finally, a dependence on the Holy Spirit undergirds these elements of scholarliness. The Holy Spirit reveals truths to us and makes knowledge real and vital to our lives.

By applying these five D's—desire, discipline, discussion, discovery, and dependence, we will reach our objective "to study truth and to direct that truth to a worthwhile mission."

THE ORACLE — Handy Andy

ORACLES were the answers given to the questions that ancient men asked the gods. The ancient Greeks and Romans believed that the gods took a personal interest in their affairs. They asked advice of the gods and the gods were expected to answer by means of the ORACLES. People were often unable to know the meaning of the ORACLE. This was the reason there were special priests who discovered the meaning of deep wisdom and gave the people an explanation and account. The temples were the answers given were often called ORACLE. Just as the ancient ORACLE greatly influenced Greek religion, economics, and politics, so the ORU ORACLE will influence our campus with "words of wisdom" from our Heavenly Father, the one true and living God.

The ORACLE is like a baby growing within a mother's womb. First it was conceived, then it began to grow and to develop into a baby with human features and a personality all its own. As the time of birth draws near, the mother experiences labor pains as the baby moves within her womb. So it was, until the very time when the child is born and can draw into its tiny, delicate nostrils the life-giving air of a world totally unknown to him.

The stages of development of a young child's life from birth to manhood are many just as the stages of development of a newspaper, such as the ORACLE, are many before it will reach its manhood. This first issue of the ORACLE is the baby's first gasp of the air of his new world at the time of birth. Now our paper is launched and growing, slowly, step by step but progressing onward to its manhood.

PEP CLUB

Here at Oral Roberts University something new seems to take place every day! One of the most recent happenings was the formation of the Oral Roberts University Pep Club. The constitution has been approved by Student Senate and the club officers have been selected. The club was created to support and encourage school spirit and enthusiasm on campus.

Since the formation of the club three years ago, the members have sold pep ribbons and are presently working on the up-coming basketball queen coronation; the event is to take place on February 28 and will be the precedent for future homecoming ceremonies. Future plans of the club include decorating the gym for home games, organizing pep assemblies, and holding money-raising projects in order to sponsor various campus functions.

The club is under the direction of the ORU campus; its members are working hard to make it a success. Everyone can join in the club by signing up to both boys and girls, as is the case with most college pep organizations.

Let us support this new organization and do our part to assure its success; attend a meeting and become a member!

YEAR BOOK

A group of seven staff members and four officers are at work on the first ORU annual, with Mr. Bill Armstrong, Abundant Life editor, as their sponsor. The officers of the club include: Paul Bowman, president; Eric Fiebus, co-editor; Annette Malen, business manager; and Mary Joy Ford, secretary. Other staff members are Naomi Carney, Roger Bankey, Paul Bowman, Bill Hickey, Dan Helbing, Patti Blankenship and Mal Picket.

The staff meets on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday and are organizing sections at present. They have chosen the name for the annual but will not disclose it until the publishing date, which will be some time in February. February 28, March 1, March 7, and March 8 are the dates for pictures to be taken for the book. The club needs pictures taken in the dorm or on campus and would be happy to have any that students would like to contribute.

HISTORY CLUB

One of the new organizations of the ORU campus is the History Club. Richard McCutchen is president of the club and Mr. Morgan, history and government professor, is the sponsor.

At the present the club is composed of ten members. They are history enthusiasts who want to discuss history and debate various aspects of it. Meetings are bi-monthly on Wednesdays at four o'clock.

Other students interested in history are welcome to join the club.

No man is so poor as to have nothing worth giving; as well might the mountain range keep back the river from going to the sea because they are not rivers. Give what you have: to someone it may be better than you dare to think.

Reflections — Kris fully

Occasionally there comes across one daily path the shadow of something far greater. — And in an instant a life is altered. These shadows can be different things to different people. For some it is a concept or a goal, a doctrine or a truth which is accepted without doubt.

But, for some it is a person. And in person is seen every desirable trait one could possibly want. A light can be seen glowing from within — and the rays of love and hope are reflected in the windows of his soul. In this person Christ can be seen.

I sometimes ask myself what would have happened to me if the shadow of this person had not fallen across my path? But it did — and as a human being I responded to an inner cry to find someone who could help me find Christ.

Many times in life the shadow of someone will fall across your path — be not slow to recognize and accept the challenge of something better.

Code of Honor —

"It is the conviction of the students and administration of Oral Roberts University, that the purpose of God for each person is to become a complete individual, a Whole Man." So opens the Code of Honor which has come into being this semester after much effort on the part of the Student Senate and Administration.

Many hours were spent by each section of the Code, and the result was one which it was hoped the ORU students could be proud to uphold. For example, the introduction to the Code holds many thoughts worthy of contemplation. First of all, it must be realized by all that the Code should not be considered as a rigid system set up to restrict and control the students, but as a guide to- ward individual working for a common goal. All must recog- nize the need for restrictions which facilitate the attain- ment of our objectives. In accepting and following the Code of Honor, one must acquire a sense of responsibility and citizenship as well as moral and spiritual character.

The Code of Honor can be just words or it can become a guide to a better campus community. The results that have been witnessed have stemmed from the wonderful cooperation of the student body.
**The Oracle Profile**

**Rev. Tommy Tyson: The Man, The Minister**

As Director of Spiritual Life at ORU, Tommy Tyson has a job unlike any other in the world, for here at ORU the Whole Man Concept is not only preached but practiced. As an important part of a whole, Tommy Tyson leads and sets the spiritual emphasis of the Concept.

Coming from a Methodist background, many may think that he is not capable of preaching the fundamental beliefs which this campus upholds, but on the contrary, as a spirited-filled Methodist minister he has been a constant light to follow in the early months of adjustment on campus.

Rev. Tyson has not always been a minister of the Gospel, but at one time was active in the business world until in 1947 he met a missionary who "inspired and challenged" him. After his conversion, there developed in him a desire to help people and he was called to preach. So he sold his business, went back to a Quaker school for one year, and while there a real understanding of his ministry came to him. From there he went to Duke University Seminary, from which he graduated with a major in Christian Education. In 1952 he felt a definite need for more power and while searching he received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Two years later he became the Evangelist for the North Carolina Methodist Conference until coming to ORU. During the years he served as Evangelist, he was concerned (and still in) with prayer missions, retreats, and inter-denominational work. It was while in California at a healing mission that he met Oral Roberts, and there shared with him the vision of ORU.

Asked about several different aspects of ORU, Rev. Tyson had the following to say:

"ORU is a fulfillment, an answer to the prayers of the Christian people. It offers to the Christian world God's answer to the Whole Man Concept. To me the Concept is seeing Jesus as the whole man and presenting the possibility of Jesus manifesting Himself through us in mind, body, and spirit."

"I love this University ministry because it relates life as a whole, relating its parts, and seeking to be part of the whole life."

On the future of ORU: "I can see it as one of the greatest thrusts in the world of education. A major cradle for all the world in which we'll start producing Charismatic scholars... Also as a catalyst for other Christian institutions... A ministry between denominations and to foreign students... The students here at ORU reflect a much higher than average quality of student in terms of dedication, willingness to learn, and as spiritual ministers. Visitors always comment on the joy they see and the love they feel."

The through the comments of Rev. Tyson, one can see the great love he has for this campus, but more than this, his love of Christ shining through his life as he ministers to the student body daily. And as each of us has come to love him, we see not only the minister, but the man.

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**Canadian Draftees**

The Viet Nam crises has suddenly opened new interest in local draft boards. College campus' feel much of the result of the call for young men. ORU has been fortunate, for more than this, the love of Christ shining through his life as he ministers to the student body daily. And as each of us has come to love him, we see not only the minister, but the man.

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**Interlochen**

Woodwinds

The celebrated Interlochen Arts Academy Wind Quintet was the initial performing group of the ORU Art Series, which began last week. The concert, given in the Tinko-Barton Auditorium, was heard by an audience of students and visiting ministers from churches in the United States and other countries.

The quintet, which comes from the Interlochen Arts Academy at Interlochen, Michigan, consists of Gary Sigurdson, flute; Don Jaeger, oboe; Melinda Delaney Ross, bassoon; Fred Ormand, clarinet; Don Haddad, French horn.

Compositions by Joseph Haydn, Jacques Ibert, Darius Milhaud, Igor Stravinsky, John Barrows, and Malcolm Arnold were offered in the program. Preceding their presentation Gary Sigurdson explained that the group travels around the country playing "not only the love of music, but in the hope of representing the Interlochen Arts Academy." Mr. Eugene Elend, chairman of the Art Series, said of the Interlochen group, "I believe they are the most outstanding woodwind group of this age. We were really fortunate to have had them on campus."

Other presentations featuring soloists, ensembles, and symphonettes are being planned with specific artists and dates to be announced.

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**ORU Firsts**

This school year of 1965-66 is a year of "firsts" for ORU. It is the first year of operations, the first student senate was formed, along with the first club. On the first of February, another first occurred... ORU had a baby! Of course, ORU didn't really have a baby. But the wife of one of the students did. Mr. and Mrs. Holt Patterson are the proud new parents of little Loretta Camille Patterson. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, and congratulations, "Cammie," for being another ORU "First!"
OSU Frosh Women Invade Titan Pool

By Bob Armstrong

The Oklahoma State freshmen swim team invaded the Titan water, following last week's loss to Oral Roberts, the Frosh women will be ready and will be seeking revenge.

Although Oral Roberts University is on the losing column of the scoreboard, the Swim Meet Committee has stated, "Some of the boys have improved over one hundred percent. Definitely, all have a long way to go." Being a former top team in the state, ORU was expected to win. Coach Rick Rigg's team wants to be the best. A new trend is developing. The Oral Roberts University swimmers have lost to John Brown University, Hendrix College, Phillips 66 Swim Club, and Memorial Hospital. Their next meet tomorrow will feature John Brown University and Neosho Technical Institute against Oral Roberts.

This is ORU's first year, but plans are being made for next year. Coach Rigg was asked to give reasons for the team's current status, "We should get seven or eight real good boys swimmin' on that team.

The eight-man team consists of: Willie rice, Paul Williams, Ralph Bendl, Andy Weaver, Paul Simon, Dan Helbling, Tom Burnhart, and Paul Soudley. Rice and Williams are co-captains. Rice, a frosh, the team's top performer, had timetings were 247 seconds for the fifty-yard and 53.5 on the 100. He also has a 548 time for the 100-yard freestyle relay. Williams is a distance freestyler with a 2:09 in the 200-yard freestyle. He also has a 1:41. Ralph Bendl swims butterfly and has a 2:42 for the 100 individual medley.

In the swimming competition, Oral Roberts came in with a time of 2:45. Coach Rick feels his team could have achieved even more, "if only we could make him improve. Before the interview began, we would like to point out that Scrivett is a fine representation of the University of Oklahoma. Regrettably, he cannot be compared to the swimmer from Oral Roberts.

Tom: Actually I started when I was in high school. The team I was playing for was coming up against a pretty hard team. We needed someone to stuff the ball, so the coach asked me whether I could do it. I told him probably, so I got the ball and started dribbling and I held the ball for two minutes and forty seconds. From then on I started playing with the Amateur Athletic Union. I was just trying to express myself without too many problems.

Rog: Can you tell us a little bit about yourself? Where is your home? What did you do before you came to ORU? How did you first hear about ORU?

Tom: My home is in Dayton, Ohio. When I was high school football, I started basketball a year after. So, after I got an offer to play for A.U., I was wondering whether I should go there for about four weeks, but withdrew and backed out of the job. After playing for two years of A.U., I'll enroll at ORU as a frosh this fall. I believe ORU has a good chance of being a future jumper from this college. I am already enrolled at ORU and I am working with the team.

Rog: Do you think the team that gave the Titans the hardest fight?

Tom: No. I don't think the team that gave the Titans the hardest fight is Oral Roberts University. They are supposed to be one of the top teams from the state. As I remember, we were behind about seventeen points at half time, we came back about five points by your points, one time we even got an eight-point lead. However, every game we have played hard in our last game.

Rog: Do you think the ball team played in general, considering, of course, that the last game was very important part of the season, we will try to make a great effort to make a team.

Tom: I think the team really played well and, in general, I think the team of course it could have been a little better in the season. My opinion is that we could have played better in the season as the team did have a lot of troubles. However, we will try to make a great effort to make a team.

Rog: How would you evaluate the games we played this season? We had a lot of trouble, but we played with the best team in the state. Did you play with the best team in the state that you played together?

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Rog: How would you rate the Titan's overall season? I think the Titans won first time that we played Ohio State in the last game of the season?

Tom: I cannot really say for sure. It will probably be pretty much the same as when we play first played there before. We might come up with a better pattern game than the one we played. However, we will try to make a great effort to make a team.

Rog: So you think the Titans will win the Ohio State in the last game of the season?

Tom: Yes, we will win against the Ohio State University... Our victory this season in the last game of the season was a very very important victory for us. However, we will try to make a great effort to make a team.

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