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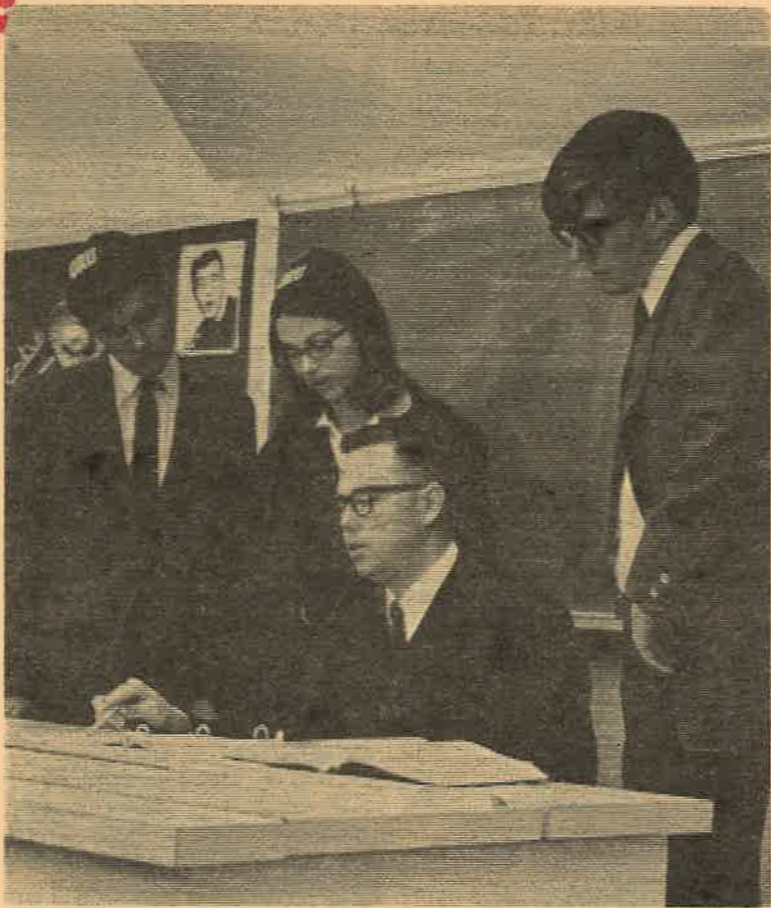


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CARL WORKMAN, TENA DOCTOR, PROF. NATHAN MELEEN, STEVE NICKERSON.

20 Fulltime Teachers Added to ORU Faculty

This fall twenty new professors have been added to the faculty of Oral Roberts University, seven of whom are presently completing their doctorate studies.

An addition to the Education department is Clara Williams, M.A., East Carolina College.

The new members of the English department are Dorothy Evridge, M.A., North Texas State University; Robert Voight, M.A., University of Arkansas; and Grady Walker, M.A., Oklahoma State University.

Added to the art department is Eileen Straton, M.A., Drury College.

Three new faculty members in

the Music Department are Joyce Bridgmen, M.A., University of Kansas; David Yoder, M.A.; and Lloyd Thurman, Ph.D., University of California.

An addition to the Business department is Robert Fuller, M.A., Ohio State University.

The Social Studies department has been joined by two new faculty members who are Nathan Meleen, M.A., Clark University and J. Franklin Sexton, M.A., Oklahoma University.

A single addition to the speech department is William Langtz, Ph.D., University of Southern California.

3 Foreign Flavors Blend Exciting Spirit of ORU

by Darlene Ulseth

Hawaiian sunshine, blue Finnish lakes, the cosmopolitan bustle of Panama . . . these are but three foreign flavors which blend in the exciting spirit of 'newness' on the campus of Oral Roberts University.

Three years ago the doors of this University opened for the first time to enroll a total of 308 undergraduate students. At that time the campus was bare of many of its gleaming buildings. These first new students were aware of a vital stirring to life, a mushrooming of something that would soon spread world-wide.

In 1965 the student enroll-

ment totaled 546 students. The campus scenery gradually expanded with the erection in December of the Prayer Tower and its attractive layout of gardens and fountains. Construction in the spring began on the Men's Hi Rise dormitory, and KORU commenced broadcasting from the Campus Center in the Prayer Tower.

This year, 1967-68, 759 students are enrolled at Oral Roberts University, more than double the figure three years ago. Not only is the quantity of these students significant, but the quality as well.

Among them are representatives of 46 states across the nation and 12 countries scattered across the globe. Thirty-three de-

nominations, from Mennonite to Episcopalian and Pentecostal to Roman Catholic, add to the variety.

These are students of diverse talents and backgrounds. Suzanne Logan of London, England, remarked in her charming accent, "I have been reading about this University from its very beginning. At last I am here." Suzanne still misses her home across the Atlantic but she anticipates profitable years at ORU, "for God has led me here."

The ambitions of these new students are undoubtedly as varied as their personalities . . . but all are united in one common goal . . . the education of the mind, the body, and the spirit.

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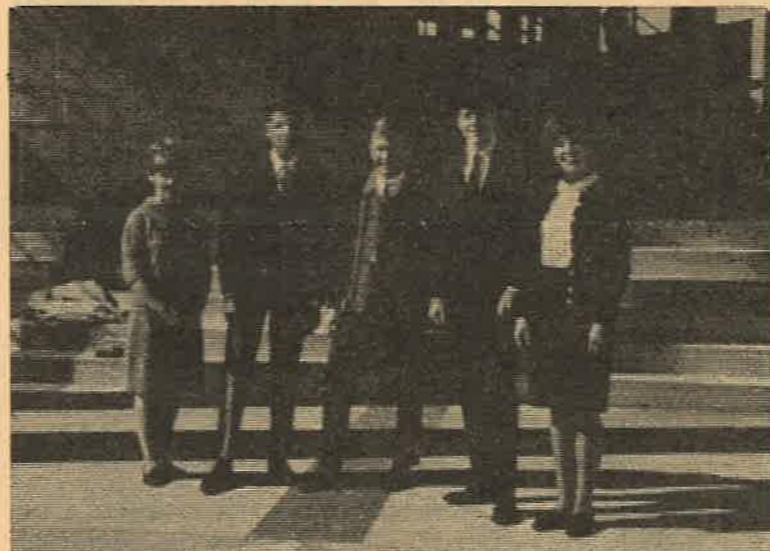
ORAL ROBERTS UNIVERSITY, TULSA, OKLAHOMA

October 9, 1967

COMING ATTRACTION!

Ralph Carmichael, internationally known musician, orchestra conductor, and composer who has worked on sound tracks for such films as "The Restless Ones," will visit the ORU campus October 12 and 13 as a consultant in musical arrangements.

While on campus, Mr. Carmichael plans to discuss new sound tracks for the Abundant Life Mural and assist with the music for the Abundant Life Radio Program. He will also be giving advice concerning the choral department of the University.



Officers of the new Presidents' Club Council are Gary Sulander, Chairman; Bob Goodwin, Vice-Chairman; Debbie Bjurstrom, Secretary; Marcia Lucas and Steve Alley, Members-at-large.

The Presidents' Club has recently been formed to bring stu-

dent ideas, opinions, and problems to the attention of President Roberts and the administration. Membership consists of all campus club presidents, with Mr. Carl Hamilton serving as advisor.

Students should feel free to express their opinions or ideas to these representatives.

Rehearsals Begin for Drama

A cast of ten students began rehearsals last week for Frances Goodrich and Albert Hackett's play *The Diary of Anne Frank*, to be produced in the Timko-Barton Auditorium November 2, 3, and 4.

According to Director Raymond Lewandowski, the play, which won the 1956 Pulitzer Prize for drama literature, will be a "challenge for both actors and director."

Marcia Lucas as Anne Frank and David Graham as Mr. Frank head the cast, with Russell Hodge as Peter Van Daan, Anita Blackwell as Mrs. Frank, Beverly Schmidgall as Mrs. Van Daan, Robert Armstrong as Mr. Van Daan, Jeanie Taylor as Margot Frank, Steve Nickerson as Mr. Dussel, Dawn Huntwork as Miep, and Dave Edmonds as Mr. Kraler.

The play, a true story based on the actual diary of Anne Frank, concerns a young girl's faith in God and man. Anne was one of a group of Holland Jews who hid

in an attic from the Nazis for two years during World War II.

Margery Wirkkala is student director, David Rau is in charge of stage lighting, and Eric Fiscus

will be handling properties. Students in Speech Class 215 will build and paint the stage sets.

The second major production planned by the drama department to be presented in March is William Gibson's *The Miracle Worker*, the story of Helen Keller.

In addition, the Drama Club will sponsor six one-act plays to be presented this semester on Saturday afternoons.

Seminary News

The Oral Roberts University Graduate School of Theology began its third year of expanding operations with the commencement of the fall semester. The Graduate School now has students in each of its three classes as well as new faculty members and many additional courses.

Officers for the Junior, Middle and Senior classes were elected on Wednesday in preparation for the coming academic year.



BOB ARMSTRONG

Dirksen Shares Experiences

As told by Jim Rodriquez

This summer Jim Rodriquez, a student at Oral Roberts University, was privileged to interview Senator Everett McKinley Dirksen from Illinois. The Senator had consented to share with him how the Lord Jesus Christ makes Himself relevant in a politician's life.

It was the week before Labor Day recess and the people on the steps of the Nation's Capitol were rushing about even more frantically than usual. Jim approached the large wooden doors of the Minority Leader conscious of the busy world of government in motion around him.

Senator Dirksen was cordial in his greeting. Jim immediately relaxed as the Senator seated himself and poured some coffee. As he commenced speaking he first touched on his recent recording of selected verses from the Bible. While speaking of the Scriptures as a great source of inspiration and comfort, the lines in his face relaxed and his voice mellowed. Then, after a thoughtful pause, he related the story of his appointment with "the Doc-

tor Upstairs". God had miraculously healed him of a serious eye condition that the nation's best physicians declared incurable.

Senator Dirksen closed his remarks by affirming with James, "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much".

Jim left the crowded corridors of the Capitol knowing that the words, "In God We Trust" rang true in this American's heart.

Freshman Report Cards

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GUYS and GALS

Plans Save Time

Students' Summer Experiences Were G . . rr . . eat!

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God bless you. It's going to

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WANDA COTTINGHAM BECAME AN UNLUCKY VICTIM OF THE KANGAROO COURT.

Eulogy to Freshman Week

by Vange Kennedy

If you were among the fortunate freshmen this year you know what it is to be able to participate in ORU Frosh Week. You were given, entirely free of cost, a beautiful blue felt beanie and were received into the ORU family with open arms as a little brother or a little sister. You may

even have been recognized in the Kangaroo Court before the entire student body.

In view of all this kindness I cannot understand why there was so little appreciation shown by the freshmen. Not one thank-you was heard when the beanies were passed out. On the contrary, some upperclassmen actually reported

hearing groans. It also seemed that our little sisters and brothers were remarkably undemonstrative of their devotion towards us. They appeared to have no burning desire to be near us so that they might have the opportunity to vacuum our rooms or carry our trays backwards to the belt. And, so far from revering the Rt. Honorable Mike Brown were they, that they actually held him in his room one night and hindered him from presiding over his court, thereby depriving some of their fellow classmates of well-earned recognition.

Perhaps the basest ingratitude was shown at the tug-of-war, where, although the upperclassmen swiftly maneuvered the frosh into the creek, not one of the freshmen was heard to applaud such strength and skill.

Despite the apparent coldness with which our favors were received, we know that our efforts were deeply appreciated. If you don't believe this, just ask any freshman how he's looking forward to displaying the same kindnesses for the freshmen next year.

Fortunately for the increasingly threadbare shower curtains in the Women's Hi-Rise Dorm, paper towels are once again being provided.



Art Instructors Added

This year the Art Department of Oral Roberts University has increased its staff of instructors as well as its student participation.

One of the three additions to the staff is Mr. Charles Ramsey, director of the instructional material center and instructor of commercial art. Dean Char Greisser is instructing night classes in advance painting. The new staff is completed by Mrs. Eileen Straten teaching appreciation, elementary education, and elements of design. Mrs. Ruth Montgomery is again director of the sculpture and ceramics division and instructor of live drawing.

Student participation is seen in individual and group activities. Cheri Johnson, ORU junior, and an art major, placed in two divisions of the Spokane and Inland Empire Arts Festival held yearly in Spokane, Washington. Cheri's first entry, "The Eyes Are Blind" and "Look with the Heart", won a blue ribbon in the sculptural form division, and she also received a blue ribbon in the ceramics division.

September 16, a group of approximately 35 students attended the Art Retreat which was sponsored by the Art Department. Arriving at Keystone Park the students divided into smaller groups and formed original sand sculpture such as Little Abner's Shoe, The Lion's Inn, A Medieval Castle, The Ship, Portrait of An Old Man, and L'homme et la Femme.

Class Presidents Announce Plans for Future Outings

by Judy Correll

There is a "new breed" of student on campus: the ORU senior. And this year's senior class is really on the move.

Gary Sulander, Senior Class president, relates, "I am very encouraged by the enthusiasm and cooperation shown so far by the members of the Senior Class." Gary says that this attitude was evidenced in the success of the Senior Class Pizza Party, held September 25 at the Pizza Hut.

Besides planning the traditional formal and picnic, the seniors are cooking up a weekend trip to Dallas in November. They would like to attend the Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship and to tour Six Flags.

Paul Bigandt says the juniors are planning a picnic tomorrow at 2:00 p.m. at Mohawk Park. Attendance is by junior invitation only. The juniors are also planning something big for the second week of November, but they are noncommittal yet as to what it is.

"Freshman Week, from our standpoint, was a tremendous success. It was our desire to give the incoming freshman class some-

thing to remember and through the combined efforts of both persevering freshmen and genuinely interested upper-classmen, we feel that goal was reached. In the future, we hope to give our own class as well as the entire student body an opportunity to express and enjoy themselves through social projects as well as service events," added Bob Goodwin, Sophomore Class president. These projects include a charity drive, Christmas baskets for the needy, and a Hootenanny.

CLUB NEWS

The International Club plans meetings to promote better understandings between foreign students every three weeks on Wednesday in the LRC Auditorium. The membership is open to Americans as well as to the fifty-five internationals on campus. Forty-three new members have already joined!

Officers are: Hans Bratterud, President; Joel Vasanen, Vice-President; Luis Gonzales, Treasurer; Christie Fries, Secretary; and John Myers, Chaplain.

MATH CLUB

The mathematicians of ORU have interested 22 new members in their club, meeting October 20 at 4:30 p.m. in the Math room. Featured at the meetings are lectures, films and math puzzles.

Officers are: Larry Kelly, President; Dave Eland, Vice-President; Joy Starks, Secretary; and Tom Bomholt, Treasurer.

DRAMA CLUB

Drama Club has attracted 41 new students. Meeting the second Wednesday of each month, the club will plan radio skits, trips to Tulsa theaters, and campus drama displays.

COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 7—Junior Class Picnic at Mohawk Park.

OCTOBER 13—Classic movie—Hamlet — 7:30 p.m. The Movie is three hours long and will only be shown once.

OCTOBER 27—Halloween Party—all school.

NOVEMBER 2, 3, 4—"Diary of Anne Frank."

NOVEMBER 8-15 — Mr. Ugly Week—Mr. Ugly to be crowned at the powderpuff basketball game between the faculty women and ORU women students. See Joyce Crisfulli for further questions.

Finnish Star Sparks Team

By Andrene Cash

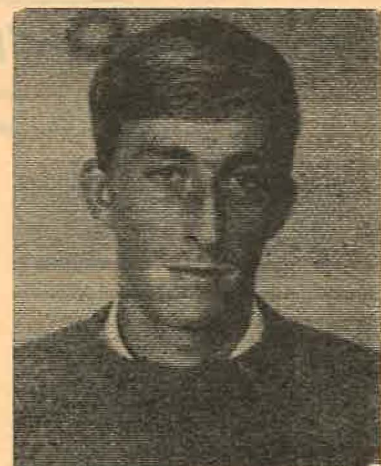
To every Oral Roberts University student happiness is defined in a different way. Many would agree that happiness is *not*: being over 13,000 miles from home; studying in a foreign language; or living on the sixth floor of the Women's High Rise. Whether or not these spell happiness these conditions face Pekka Saila.

Coming to the states for the first time from Finland he and his wife Jaana find very few difficulties with their new home. "The climate is pretty much the same, the people are friendly and we are too far from home to even think of getting homesick," they agreed.

This is not an ordinary foreign couple. Before the end of the year the name of Pekka Saila will be well known all over campus. The reason being that he is an internationally known tennis player soon to take his place on the ORU team.

The securing of Pekka as a student and athlete came through the United States Tennis Association. He also had offers from three other colleges in the states.

As a high school student Pekka participated in many Finnish sports, but branched out in tennis on his own. Since that time



PEKKA SAILA

tennis has become a way of life. His endeavors to excel have proved worthy. He is the holder of eleven Finnish championships and is ranked number one in Finland.

Pekka has played for Finland in the Davis Cup matches eleven times. He has also represented his native land in 65 matches in international competition.

As a business major Pekka finds his largest problem stems from previously having had only two years of English in high school. "I have to translate many words making it hard to read very fast," Pekka added.

Titans to Face Arkansas

by Don Amez

On Saturday, November 18, the Oral Roberts University Titans open their season against Arkansas State. It should be interesting to see what the Titans have come up with this year. One thing that they've come up with is a vastly changed and challenging schedule. The pace at which the ORU Titans have risen to power is staggering.

But the Titan Blue, under the fine leadership of Coach Bill White and assistant Bill Shirley, are confident that they can meet the challenge. The returning ball-players are vastly improved and the new additions fill any gaps that may have existed before.

New faces to the Titan hardwood are Richie Williams, Bill Hull, Dana Lewis, and Marv Thouvenel. Richie hails from Brooklyn, N.Y., where he made All-City as a senior. Richie played his first two years of college ball at Chanute Junior College in Kansas where he was elected to the All-Conference team. Richie is a 6', 155 pound guard.

Bill Hull is a 6'6", 215 pound forward from Indianapolis, Ind. Bill was an All-State high school ball player before going to Northeastern Oklahoma A&M where he made All-Conference and All-Region II. He also received honorable mention All-America.

Dana Lewis, 6'10", 220 pound freshman, will be the biggest man



on the court this year for the Titans. Dana comes from Newark, N.J., where he played with the number 1 ranked high school in the nation. Dana made the All-State and All-American teams in high school and was considered the second best center in the country.

Gore, Oklahoma, is the home of Marv Thouvenel, a 5'11", 140 pound guard. Marv made All-State and 6th team All-America in high school. Marv is a junior who put in his first two years at Bacone Junior College where he

made All-Region II.

Returning from last year's Titan troop are Mel Reed, Bob Hodge, Carl Hardaway, Don Shell, Don Amez, Paul Massey, Troy Wells, and David Waganblatt.

Coach White feels that this is a very well-balanced ball-club with every member capable of helping the Titans to meet the great challenge that they're going to face this year. The coach is also pleased with the team's unity and fine attitude and places great emphasis on these factors.



MEL REED

Soccer Team Serves as Club; Johnson Officiates as Coach

This year the ORU soccer team will be operating as a club. Mr. Jack Johnson is the coach of the team and David Bates and Leonard DeZeeuw are co-captains. The team is planning a schedule with other teams in this part of Oklahoma.

The squad has been practicing since the beginning of school and has shown improvement over last year. Although many of the players lack experience, the outfit has potential. Team prayer before each game has made the squad a closely knit unit.

Players on the team are: David Bates from Harrisville, Michigan; Paul Williams and Ken Fox from Los Angeles, California. Representing Canada are Leonard DeZeeuw from Teeswater, Ontario; Carmen Davidson from Toronto, Ontario; and William Plisca from Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan.

Don Green is from Owings Mills, Maryland, and Bill Techanchuk is from Clark, New Jersey. Gainesville, Georgia is the home of Arden Autry. Bill Burleigh is from Memphis, Tennessee. Caleb Loo is from Taiwan and Dick Buess comes from Houston, Texas.

Sam Ratzlaff is from Springfield, Missouri, Gary VanDeKieft is from the state of Iowa. Tim Tabor comes from Zion, Illinois and Joel Vesanen is from Waukegan, Illinois.

ORU BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

- Nov. 18—Arkansas Tech (Here)
- Nov. 20 — Mexican Olympic Team (Here)
- Nov. 23-24-25 — John Brown University Holiday Tourn. (Si-loam Springs); Junior College Tournament (Here)
- Nov. 27 — East Central State (Here)
- Nov. 29 — New Mexico Highlands University (Las Vegas, New Mexico)
- Dec. 2 — Arkansas State University (State College, Ark.)
- Dec. 4—St. Mary's University (Here)
- Dec. 9 — Washburn University (Here)
- Dec. 13 — East Central State (Ada)
- Dec. 15 — New Mexico Highlands University (Here)
- Dec. 16—Washburn University (Topeka, Kans.)
- Jan. 3—Midwestern University (Here)
- Jan. 4-5-6—High School Tournament (Here)
- Jan. 11—University of Corpus Christi (Here)

Intramural Season Opens

This year's intramural program promises to be bigger and better than ever. Ed Gagle, graduate student who is the head of the intramural program, plans to add volleyball to this year's schedule.

Ed Gagle will again be assisted by Jay Steinman, also a graduate student. Both will work closely

ly with Coach Bernice Duke.

Another new innovation this year will be intramural volleyball for the women. The details for this league have not been finalized, so girls keep reading this page for further developments.

Meetings have been held for the last three weeks for the purpose of organizing this fall's in-

tramural football program. This season there will be seven teams competing. Six teams will be comprised of men from the undergraduate level, and one team will come from the graduate school. Captains for the undergraduate teams are Dwight Ashley, Perry Stang, Wayne Collins, Mark Pare, Dick Ringness, and Carl Lawson. Jay Steinman will head the graduate team.

Referees for the football games will come from Coach Duke's Officiating class. Those boys who will be doing the majority of the calling are John Lawson, John Griffin, and Larry Schaffer.

The games will be played at 3:45 and 6 p.m. between Braxton and Shakarian Halls. The season will run through November 2 when there will be an all-star game.

New Year to See More Sports Progress

Another school year brings another season of sports and this season promises to be truly outstanding. Those who understand sports programs have been amazed at how rapidly ORU has progressed in the past two years. The progression has been a successful one. And this year, ORU will amaze more people than ever before.

The Titan basketball season will open on November 18. This year's schedule will include major powers from the country's basketball world. In fact, the Titans will achieve international scope as they take on the Mexican Olympic team. And our own team roster includes some of the best individual ballplayers in the country.

Truly, the ORU tennis team could be the most amazing division of our sports program. Unknown last year, the net squad is expected to be in the country's

top five this year. UCLA and Stanford are among some of the competition that will give us this ranking.

Experience and a new crop of freshmen should make for a bigger and better baseball squad this year. Coach Hatchett is also counting on the help of a few transfer students for another successful season.

The ORU soccer and golf teams are also looking forward to big years. Brand new this year is the ORU cross-country team.

The Building Isn't Falling Down; It's Just Karate Class at Work

by Richard Fern

This year, the ORU Physical Education Department has come up with a bonus class for students. At the time of registration, all male students were offered a chance to enroll in a special Karate class. Twenty-two hardy souls responded and are now grunting and groaning their way to a new level of physical development.

The class is being taught by Lou Angels, a local professional who is the founder of the Tulsa Institute of Karate. Lou holds a fourth degree black belt and has just returned from Japan where he studied under the supervision of the world's only tenth degree black belt. He is assisted here at ORU by two students, Willis Rice and Tom Arthurs. Both Willis and Tom have been taking lessons from Lou for the past two years.

In addition to receiving physical education credit, the members of the class are also eligible to earn their "belts," representing various levels of attainment. The only additional cost was a twenty-five dollar fee to cover the cost of



LOU ANGELS

a uniform.

So if you happen to pass by the weight room on a Tuesday and hear the unfamiliar sound of crumbling brick, don't be alarmed; it is only the Karate class practicing their blows and not the HRC falling in.