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EDITORIAL

Too Many Queens

Perhaps the time has come for students concerned with the lack of communication between administration, faculty, and student body to speak up and voice their suggestions.

I'm referring especially to the decision regarding the cancellation of the Valentine Banquet set on the Social Activities Calendar for February 10. The reasons given for such a decision are: 1.) A Valentine Queen would conflict with the Basketball Queen and since we are a small university, two queens are just too many! 2.) The entire affair is rather "high-schoolish" and needs to be eliminated.

However, I'd like to point out that although we are a small university, the grand-total of two queens hardly seems to be an overpowering figure. The Basketball Queen is elected by and for the basketball team, while a Valentine Sweetheart would represent the entire student body. As for being "high-schoolish," I'm afraid the decision and the way it was reached was rather "high-schoolish" too. ORU has a Social Committee consisting of faculty, students, and the social director—and this committee should decide matters of social policy—since students are represented and have a voice on it. Perhaps the Social Committee needs to reconsider their purpose and have more of a voice in deciding social policies at ORU.

In checking the spring calendar and in consultation with the social director, I find a Spring Formal listed for April and a Junior-Senior Banquet scheduled for the first week of May. ORU students, however, have expressed in past incidents, the financial strain created in attending two social functions so close together. Also, students need a social function earlier in the semester when they aren't so busy!

My suggestion is that instead of the Valentine Banquet, we have a Spring Formal at the end of February or at the first of March, that is for the entire student body. At this formal occasion, why not begin a new tradition and elect a "Mr. and Miss ORU" to be chosen by the student body on the basis of grades, personality, and talents. In this way students would have a formal affair to look forward to now and the Junior-Senior Banquet would highlight the end of the academic year.

Since communication is such a vital part to the smooth operation of a university, I urge students, faculty, and administration to consider these suggestions.

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500 Ministers Attend Seminar

Last Friday through Tuesday Oral Roberts University accommodated approximately 500 ministers in a seminar of Charismatic emphasis and interdenominational interest. The Seminar staff was headed by hosts President and Mrs. Oral Roberts, Charlotte DeWeese served as hostess, and Ron Smith as Seminar Coordinator. Rev. R. F. DeWeese and Tommy Tyson officiated alternately as Master of Ceremonies.

The ministers comprised a variegated mixture of religions ranging from Roman Catholic to Southern Baptist, and traveled from points as far as Northern Canada and South America.

The instructive purpose of this seminar provided for a well-developed program. Included among the schedule of daily classes were "Evangelism in the Church," taught by Tommy Tyson; "The Charismatic Communication," by Dr. Lantz; "Healing in Church Evangelism," by Rev. R. F. De-

Weese; and "Exegetical Studies in the Charism," by Dr. H. Ervin.

The agenda also included panel discussions in which both students and professors participated. A singspiration with Vep Ellis combined with the aforementioned activities to create the climate for a seminar of meaningful impact and wholesome enjoyment.

Singers to Tour Midwest

University Singers are leaving to tour the Midwest following final examinations. Their first stop will be at Granite City, Illinois on Sunday, January 21. From there, they will tour Rockford, Illinois; Moline, Illinois; Des Moines, Iowa; Lincoln, Nebraska; and Kansas City, Missouri. They will close in Kansas City, Kansas on January 27 in the Youth for Christ Auditorium.

During the tour, they will present selections written by Ralph Carmichael, such as "A Life Worth Living," and "He's Everything to Me." Other songs include "It's a Wonderful Day," "I've Got Peace Like a River," and "Behold He Cometh."

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

The ORU Music Department and Seminary will sponsor a Hymn Festival Sunday at 7 p.m. The choir and audience under the direction of Mr. David Yoder will join together to sing hymns from the 9th Century to the present time.



2 Major Productions Spark Drama Dept.

"Two major drama productions are scheduled for the spring semester with tentative plans for further productions," announced Prof. Raymond Lewandowski, Chairman of the Drama Department at ORU.

A major production in Children's Theatre will be offered February 24 as Lisa Johnson will direct "Peter, Peter Pumpkin Eater" by Martha B. King. Technical Director for the production will be Anita Blackwell.

"The Miracle Worker" by William Gibson is set for the end of March and will be under the leadership of Guest Director, Mrs. John Tuel. Mrs. Tuel has done graduate work at the Yale School of Drama and will be assisted by Prof. Lewandowski, Technical

Director.

Prof. Lewandowski related, "All students are urged to attend tryouts, regardless if they are drama majors or minors, as tryouts are open to all students."

President's Corner

Whose Fault the Exodus?

By Eric Fiscus

Every month at Oral Roberts University brings radical changes and new experiences for everyone. The coming semester will be no exception.

When it opens, an alarmingly large number of students will not be returning. I presume that a standard percentage of freshmen will be leaving, and while I am sorry to see them go, it is to be expected.

In my opinion, most of the students leaving because of problems with scheduling and curriculum have a valid reason to go. In several areas of study, the roster of courses is not sufficiently large to provide enough hours for the students in that area to continue here. While we do expect miracles, it is not particularly comforting to know that hours amounting to three or four non-existent courses are required for graduation. One student in this situation was recently advised just to believe and hope that the needed courses would be offered before graduation. This problem should have been foreseen and better planned for. In time, it will resolve itself, but while it affects students now, sometimes the only solution is to transfer to another school.

To my way of thinking, not many other reasons are very good.

For those who are leaving because an ORU degree carries little prestige, I have only this to say, "Consider what brought you here in the first place."

There is a group of students who are leaving because their study habits and grades have fall-

en. They blame this on the fact that "the atmosphere isn't conducive to studying" or "the courses are too rinky-dink." Undoubtedly it is too noisy in the dorms for studying, and we do have professors who make their courses a joke, but these shouldn't be blamed for a lack of discipline on the student's part. If we are serious about an education, we should be able to overcome most environmental problems, including a lack of interest or ability on the part of the professor. When you consider going to another school where "conditions will be so much better," consider also just who is going to perform this remarkable change in your self-disciplinary powers.

From all who are leaving, I ask one thing: in making your final decision, be as objective and honest as possible. If your time with us at ORU has truly come to an end and you are led elsewhere, step out boldly and go. But if you are running from a problem that has its root within yourself, please solve that problem before you leave. If you don't, it will be there when you open your bags second semester.

Student Ads

Want to get rid of your mother-in-law?

Need some extra chapel cuts?

Run an ad in the new student classified section of "The Oracle." Only 50c per 20 words will produce fast results.

Coronation Highlights Game



BASKETBALL ROYALTY for the "Big-Game" tomorrow night! Basketball queen candidates are (Front, left-right) Janet Mims, Sheila Simpson, and Janie Johnson; (Back, left-right) Debbie Bjurstrom and Marcia Wallace.

5 Finalists Vie for Crown

Tomorrow night, the 1968 Basketball Coronation will be presented during the half-time of the ORU vs. Oklahoma Christian College basketball game. The new queen, who will be chosen by the team members from a group of five finalists, will be crowned by Diana Shaw, last year's basketball queen.

Marty Wallace, a candidate from Portland, Oregon, will be escorted to the coronation by Henly Brown. She is an elementary education major and is active in Pep Club, Le Circle France, and Drama Club.

Another finalist is Sheila Simpson, a junior business administration major from Glasgow, Kentucky. Sheila, who is active in the Pep Club and Band, will be escorted by Peter van Lingen.

From Greeleyville, South Carolina is Janet Mims, a sophomore psychology major. She is active in the art department and was an honor student last year. Janet will be escorted by Steve McKee.

Janie Johnson from Grove, Oklahoma will be escorted by Bobby Wallis. She is a junior elementary education major and is active in the Pep Club and the FTA.

Debbie Bjurstrom, a junior physical education major, will be escorted by Steve Alley. Debbie, a cheerleader, is from Moline, Illinois.

The coronation program will be emceed by Marilee Brown, ORU's first basketball Queen and Professor Steve Durasoff. Music will be provided by the ORU Band.

Titans Face Rivals

By Don Amez

Amid the beauty, fun, and pageantry of crowning a Basketball Queen, there is always the dead-serious business of winning the Coronation ball game. Tomorrow night will certainly be no exception as a real grudge fight is expected to take place on the ORU hardwood.

The grudge is one that the Titans hold against Oklahoma Christian College from Oklahoma City. The Eagles of OCC are the only team that the Titans have met but never defeated. They are also the only team that has beaten ORU at home.

The maroon and gray Eagles downed the Titans twice last year to boost their season's record to 20-5. Earlier this year, the blue, white, and gold met the Eagles in the John Brown University Tournament. OCC topped the Titans in this tourney by a margin of 86-78 despite a 27-point effort by Bill Hull. Three other Titans also hit double figures in that bout but to no avail.

Besides topping the Titans this year the Eagles have also downed such powerful squads as Oklahoma Baptist University, Southwestern State, and Langston. OCC's record so far this season stands at 12-2, an indication of their strength.

The Eagles have 5 returning lettermen and are led by 6'7" Dave Smith and 6'3" Benny Price. Smith, OCC's senior center, is an Alabama boy who is noted for controlling the boards at both ends of the floor. Price is an exceptionally fine shooting guard from Memphis, Tennessee. The Eagles have also found strength in Earl Lewis, another 6'7" leaper. These are the boys who did the damage to ORU earlier this year. OCC is coached by Frank Davis who has done an excellent job of developing a "never-say-die" type of ball club.

The Titans warmed up for the big contest with two tough bouts against Corpus Christi and now they're ready to even the score a bit with the Eagles. ORU has also come from a couple of impressive wins over Washburn University and Midwestern University, both of whom defeated the Blue last year. On the road, the Titans overpowered East Central State but dropped a decision to Washburn by two points.

All in all, tomorrow night looks like it should shape up to be the biggest challenge of the year for the Titans.

FINAL EXAM NOTES

The Health Curricular Exam will be given to all Freshmen and 1967-68 Transfer students in the LRC Auditoria (236-237) tonight at 6:30 and will last one hour.

The last day for fall classes will be tomorrow and students will follow the regular Monday schedule.

Monday will be a "Study Day."

The 1967 fall semester examinations will begin Tuesday with the exceptions of Religion 221 and Colloquim.

Classes meeting on M-F, W-F, M-T-W-F, or M-T-W-Th-F dates will follow the schedule for M-W-F

SPRING SEMESTER SCHEDULE

January 23—Tuesday, 8:00 a.m., Registration
January 24—Wednesday, 8:00 a.m., Classes begin
January 26—Friday, Last day to change classes without fee
February 6—Tuesday, Last day to enroll in a class
March 1-3—Friday through Sunday, Campus revival
March 5—Tuesday, Last day to withdraw without having class recorded
March 18—Mid-term grades due in Registrar's office
April 9—Tuesday, 6:00 p.m., Spring recess
April 14—Sunday, Easter
April 16—Tuesday, 8:00 a.m., Classes resume
April 19—Friday, Last day to withdraw passing
May 16—Thursday, Spring classes end
May 18—Saturday, Spring examinations begin
May 24—Friday, Spring examinations end
May 24—Friday, 12:00 noon, All senior grades in Registrar's office
May 26—Sunday, 10:30 a.m., Commencement

PLAY TRYOUTS

All students are urged to try-out for "Peter, Peter Pumpkin Eater" a children's theatre production to be directed by Lisa Johnson.

Tryouts will be held January 23, 24, and 25 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Timko-Barton Auditorium.

The three-act play requires stylized characters consisting of six female roles and two male roles.

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FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE						
	Tues. Jan. 16	Wed. Jan. 17	Thur. Jan. 18	Fri. Jan. 19	Sat. Jan. 20	Mon. Jan. 22
8-10	MWF 8:00 Classes	MWF 10:00 Classes	MWF 11:00 Classes	MWF 12:00 Classes	T Th 8:00 Classes	T Th 3:00 Classes
10-12	T Th 1:00 Classes	MWF 9:00 Classes	T Th 12:00 Classes	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX
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1-3	T Th 9:00 Classes	T Th 11:00 Classes	T Th 2:00 Classes	MWF 2:00 Classes	MWF 1:00 Classes	MWF 3:00 Classes

1968 TITAN BASKETBALL SCHEDULE	
Home Games	
Jan. 12	Univ. of Corpus Christi
Jan. 13	Okla. Christian Col.
Feb. 7	Langston Univ.
Feb. 15	Parsons College
Feb. 26	Neb. Wesleyan Univ.
Road Games	
Jan. 22	N. Dakota St. Univ.
Jan. 24	S. Dakota St. Univ.
Jan. 26	Parsons College
Jan. 31	Midwestern Univ.
Feb. 2	Rockhurst College
Feb. 17	St. Mary's Univ.
Feb. 23	Okla. Christian Col.