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The Oracle

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Oral Roberts University, Tulsa, Oklahoma

APRIL 25, 1969

Spring Formal: 'Glow of Royalty'

Linda Requard, Bob Goodwin Named
1968-69 Campus Personalities
by Danny Carroll

A Glow of Crystal, from the ballroom of the Mayo hotel provided the spotlight for the crowning of Mr. and Miss ORU for 1968-69.

Linda Requard and Bob Goodwin, both in their junior year at ORU, received a standing ovation for what the student body felt the real ORU student should represent: a life totally dedicated in obedience to Jesus Christ.

Responding to the excitement of the pageant, Linda commented, "The impact it made on me was deeper than emotion; that's why I didn't cry. I was struck in my deepest heart and spirit with gratefulness to the Lord. The full impact of the night hasn't hit me even yet!"

On the lighter side, Linda said, "The hardest part of being named Miss ORU was having a dozen red roses laid across my arm, with seven thorns in your flesh and still keep smiling for the photographers."

Majoring in French, Linda hopes to travel to France or French Canada and do some kind of interpreting along the Christian side.

"I would like to work in connection with the University in youth international seminars," she stated.

Linda's activities at ORU include membership on the Women's Judicial Board, *Oracle* reporter and French club member. Linda and Bob both belong to the "We'll Tell the World Singers."

Linda, born in Baltimore, Maryland, has an older brother, Ted, who is presently serving a term with Vista in order to prepare for work on his Master's degree from Whorton's Financial School. Linda's father works for Western Electric, and her mother is active at Belvedere Baptist Church, her family's church home of four years.

Bob, majoring in psychology, with a double minor in speech and religion, hopes to have some kind of future along the lines of the ministry. Bob's father is editor of the *Oklahoma Eagle*, and his mother

has taught school for thirty years.

Commenting on his recognition as Mr. ORU, Bob said, "I was very happy. It was a bit of recognition that didn't come from any other source but my peers. I hope I can live up the expectations people have of me."

"The University has added a great dimension to my life. I'm beginning to learn how to relate to other people what I am learning here at ORU," he continued.

Bob's an active fellow; besides serving as president of his sophomore class, he was vice president of his class as a freshman and is presently vice president of the president's club and of the student body. In the summer of his freshman year, he traveled to Indonesia with the World Action team, and since then has gone to Europe and to the Caribbean with the same group. He also has had a part in the TV specials for the Oral Roberts Evangelistic Association.

Asked how he felt about Linda being crowned Miss ORU, Bob responded, "Rec epitomizes all we're trying to cultivate here at ORU. There are other girls who also epitomize this, but I'm glad it was Rec. I was more thrilled for her than I was for myself at the time."

Other finalists for Miss ORU included Debbie Cottrell, Debbie Vorpahl, Marcia Lucas, Jackie Martin and Beverly Schmidgall. Contenders for Mr. ORU title were Dave Eland, Gary Kuney, Mike Ross, Mike Cardone, and Larry Hart.



Miss ORU Linda Requard and her masculine counterpart, Bob Goodwin were named ORU royalty at recent Spring Formal Banquet.

University Gains New Accreditation Status

Letter of Congratulations Reprinted

Dear President Roberts:

It is a pleasure to inform you officially that the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, at its meeting on March 26, 1969, voted to grant Recognized Candidate for Accreditation status to Oral Roberts University effective as of that date. Oral Roberts University will be added to the published list of institutions holding Recognized Candidate for Accreditation status that will appear in the summer, 1969 issue of the *North Central Association Quarterly*. The action of the Association was based on the examiners' report and on discussions held by the Commission of Colleges and Universities regarding the application of the University for Recognized Candidate for Accreditation status.

According to Association policy, the institution will be expected to apply for accreditation within approximately three years. An institutional self study constitutes application for accreditation and should be submitted by May 1, 1972.

An institution may request the assignment of a North Central Association consultant to assist it in working toward accreditation. Such requests should be directed to Robert Bartlett of our staff, who is responsible for working with non-member and applying institutions.

We wish to express our thanks to you and your staff for your cooperation in the examination and to extend our congratulations to Oral Roberts University on the attainment of Recognized Candidate for Accreditation status.

Sincerely Yours,
Norman Burns

"Free and Earnest Dialogue"

Students, Administration Discuss Censorship on Christian Campus

by Delores Boyd

On Thursday, April 10 at 10 a.m. a representative number of students and faculty gathered in LRC 236-237 for a panel discussion of "Censorship on the Christian Campus." Providing an opportunity for free and earnest dialogue on a much talked about issue around campus, this assembly was also an occasion for real interaction between the administration and the student body. Before introducing the panelists, Dawn Swader gave the audience insight on the essential aims of the discussion. Emphasizing that an institution which pursues a policy of censorship in the name of morality undoubtedly involves the beliefs of the individuals making up that institution, she encouraged active participation by students in the assembly. The panelists (with descriptive notes provided by Dawn) were as follows: Dr. Carl Hamilton, who will go down in the annals of ORU as the man who abolished 3 C's

weekend; Dr. Jack Carmichael, who is so readily available to students that he might display a sigh—"The dean is very in"; Mr. William Wheeler, the traveling Arkansan, noted for his wanderlust and stimulating humanities lectures; Mr. Wm. Bowden, the Doctor Jeckyl and Mr. Hyde of the Religion and English departments; Steve Watson, the tantalizing Texan who treasures Popish pill posters; Wayne Boyle, the Canadian who can create crises despite administrative drawbacks; and Dr. William Epperson, who acted as moderator and blessed peacemaker.

The discussion centered around the role of censorship in the Christian academic community with relation to institutional image, enforced morality, and Christian freedom and growth. Considered also was the issue of guidelines for a policy of censorship of books, drama, art, and persons. Opinions and beliefs stated by the panelists stim-

ulated much reaction from the audience, and they had their chance for expression in a question-answer period. Students showed a dominant concern for the apparent "double image" projected by ORU as they questioned the necessity and logic of extensive administrative control over the content of student publications, the restrictions placed on students in their expressions of art, and especially the great stress placed on the outward appearances of students (hair length, sideburns, beards, neck-ties, etc.) as being major standards of their Christianity and the final determiners of their salvation.

Evaluations of the assembly may vary, but most students will agree that it stimulated a healthy and honest communication among members of the ORU family and that such a communication will inevitably be conducive to the revelation of truth and to constructive changes.

'Sun-stroke' Merit Evaluated

During Easter break, ORU students participated in an exciting type of evangelism on the beaches of Florida. Three of the team members evaluate the merit of a World Action Team of this type.

DOUG KAY: "I prayed that the Lord would prepare the hearts and minds of those I would talk to, but somehow I didn't expect Him to do such a good job. Over 90 percent of the college students that I encoun-

ered were more than willing to talk about God, Jesus Christ, and their relevance, or lack of relevance, to contemporary life. I had about twenty deep conversations with atheists, agnostics, Jews, Catholics, hippies, Buddhist, and cop-outs on Protestantism, some lasting over three hours. With all this talk about ORU, the "babyland," (any institution will be immature in some ways,) I found that I was well prepared to re-

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Staff Editorial

The Essence of Progress

It has become apparent that various members of the administration have shown knowledgeable signs and even verbal affirmations of their growing discomfort in the wake of what they have termed dissident ORU students. Students. These students they claim are destroying the very principles which have established ORU as a distinguished institution in the sphere of Christian education. It is this dissent that has caused the gap to widen between the administrative element and the student body.

In any society where it is the unanimous opinion to keep abreast of a changing spectrum as far as social ethics, politics, and internal relations are concerned, there is the inevitable element that realizes changes and encourages them. This element is quite often incorrectly termed "dissident" when in reality the members are merely encouraging intellectual ferment and the search for new ideals and truths.

When a student body is no longer recognized as an interested and concerned element in the policy-making administrative process, there is a decisive need for review of motives and selfish intentions.

Progress is born of new observations and inventions springing up into the mental screen of the public. Upon careful analysis of these new ideas, adaptations are made to become concomitant with existing ideas with the possibility of the old ideas becoming extinct. Such revision of current ideas is the main thesis in defining progress.

When we become so apprehensive in the face of new ideas that we completely discour-

age new thought, we depress the very essence of progress. It would seem quite selfish to allow one's narrow mindedness to discourage the pursuit of the whole man concept—one facet of which is being the education of the mind.

Any harassment into restriction of students' mental processes is an infringement on their personal liberties to express their own beliefs. Rather than to impose restrictions on individuals there should be liberty given to express and release those latent inhibitions which are forming in the minds of intelligent young people. The results of expression of thought would establish a benevolent communication between administration, faculty, and student body. This communication would then set a positive foundation for diversified ideas to homogenize and become a workable concept in an expanding institutional program.

There is no logical explanation for students' minds to be inhibited from being of assistance in postulating a contemporary educational institution. The feared radical ideas which the administration is so apprehensive of, if voiced with discretion, will prove to expose the genuine personal philosophies of the students on campus. Then by responsible dialogue with others both of administrative status and students, these various ideas can clear the communication barrier and become a vital, integral part of ORU's educational process.

Apprehension breeds latent malice but communication properly directed will encourage a beneficial relationship.

—Ken Friesen

The President's Corner

by Warren Becker

ANNUAL SENATE REPORT

In order that you, the student body, may be better informed on the work and activities of the Student Senate of 1968-69, I submit this report to you. It is at best only a summary of the various Senate, class, and committee activities of your student government.

The student body officers for 1968-69 include:

Warren Becker, President; Bob Goodwin, Vice-President; Diana Bowman, Secretary; Mike Cardone, Treasurer.

The class officers for this year include:

Senior Class: Allen Williams, President; Loui Martinez, Vice-President; Debbie Vorpahl, Secretary; Skip Schulze, Treasurer.

Junior Class: David Graham, President; Linda Bigson, Vice-President; Arlene Friesen, Secretary; Sharon Griffin, Treasurer.

Sophomore Class: Doug Kay, President; Lawrence Scott, Vice-President; Connie Petzoldt, Secretary. The presidents of the men and Paul Palmer, Treasurer.

The presidents of the men and women students include:

Martin Ryder and Craig Hatcher, AMS Presidents; Judy Correll, AWS President.

Much of the work of the Student Senate is done in committees. The following committees Senate Report—2

Constitutional Review Committee:

Members: Bob Goodwin, Chairman; Dave Graham; Jim Rodriguez; Kay Walker.

Activities:

1. Reviewing of the constitutions of the newest clubs on campus and submitting these for approval to the Senate.

2. Reviewing the Student Body Constitution and making recommendations for amendments. Suggested changes to be submitted to the student body in the upcoming elections included the function of the dorm councils, the working format of the Judicial Boards, and the proposed organizational structure of the Judicial Boards, and the proposed organizational structure of the Student Activity Council and its committees.

Student Union Planning Committee:

Members: Dave Graham, Chairman; Doug Kay—Campus Entertainment; Debbie Schmitt Campus Hostesses; Wayne Keln—Student Center Arts Committee; David Meeker—Movie Committee.

Activities:

1. Attending of Student Union conventions to gather information and evaluate the various programs of Student Unions on other campuses.

2. The drawing up of plans for the organizational structure of

the Student Activity Council (SAC). The committees formed include the Concert and Lecture Series Committee, with 3 students and 3 faculty members; the Campus Entertainment Committee, with 5 students and 2 faculty members; the Movie Committee, with 3 students and 1 faculty member; the Campus Hostesses—12 women students to be honorary hostesses for all events held in the Student Center; and the Arts Committee, with 3 students and 1 faculty advisor.

Project Committee: Members: Mike Cardone, Chairman; Eric Fiscus, Al Mott, Bev Schmidgall.

Activities: Fund-raising Projects:

1. Candied apple sales at the basketball games and at the Halloween Party.

Projects:

1. The giving of Christmas presents to the orphans at the Sand Springs Home.

2. \$100 donation to the Mexico World Action Team.

3. Sponsoring of the Spook House at the Halloween Party.

4. Chartering of a bus to go to the OCC basketball game.

5. \$120 donation for the circulation system for the art fountain soon to be completed at the entrance of the 1st floor of the Student Center.

6. Commissioning of new voting booths.

Assembly Committee:

Members: Al Williams, Chairman; Henley Brown, Sharon Griffin, Steve Watson, Warren Becker, ex-officio.

Activities:

1. The planning and co-ordinating of 7 assemblies for the student body during the fall semester, including the introductory student government assembly in August, the Senate initiation ceremony and discussion of the student activity fee budget, the 1968 pre-election look at the U. S. presidential candidates, the Teen Challenge film, and the assembly with Dr. Hamilton concerning next year's program for ORU.

Food Committee:

Members: Lawrence Scott, Chairman; Mike Brown, Ken Friesen, Judy Jackson, Dave Vernon.

Activities:

1. Cafeteria hours were extended to 8:45 a.m. for breakfast on Monday through Friday.

2. The snack bar was opened in the cafeteria in the evenings.

3. Packaged sandwiches were secured for the sack lunches.

4. Suggestions and complaints were brought to the attention of the proper authorities.

5. Hours and prices of the food for the new Student Center Snack Bar were discussed.

Election Committee:

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Editorial

Just Idle Thoughts

1. A great deal of university thought seems to be concentrated of late upon the topic of "fear"—especially as it is associated with the "failure to communicate" between administrative and student elements. Is this so much fear, or is it more a failure? I feel we do a grave injustice to any administrative element by denying their "courage" to meet with students. But as we, the students, do approach others (with a "learning and sharing" not "adamantly arguing" frame of mind) let us make sure we have our ideas well formulated. Vague ideologies are not nearly so effective as abstract ideas accompanied by all-important methodology! In the same vein, perhaps the administration will meet us with a greater amount of concreteness, and definite "reasons why."

2. Concerning regulations in general: why is it that human nature would rather NOT conform than conform, rather "attack" than mediate or change. Those students who do not feel "suited" to ORU in matters of general purpose should seek a place where they DO belong. Growing change is relevant and pertinent of course, but within a certain philosophy or purpose. When sharp disagreement arises between students and University purpose, it is the student who should be the mobile force. Changes in the programming and concrete results of a philosophy are appropriate and of worth. Such changes fall within the framework of the University purpose—what point is there in tearing down the whole foundation upon which the framework is built!

Concerning petty regulations (as dress, behavior, etc.): a much greater amount of creativity is necessary to achieve individualism within regulations. How easy it is to be "different" by merely "copping-out" and defying all tradition or regulation; how challenging it is to be "unique" within limitations!

3. I applaud the efforts of the Fort Lauderdale team—each person has an individual "one-to-one" ministry wherever he or she may be at whatever time, even at ORU! Once again proven by these students is the fresh, growing, learning, and sharing qualities of Christianity.

4. The word "immaturity" has invaded our society! Is ORU a mature campus? Easy answer. Of course not. Maturation is a process of thinking and growing. ORU is a young campus, in the process of growing. If ORU is comprised of thinking students, aware to the world, there is no basis here for "immaturity" status. If ORU students are not mature, why not? Just reacting and thinking are two very distinct acts.

5. Last thought: "to have nothing but institutionalized attitudes is eventually to have no personality of one's own, and therefore to have nothing original or creative to contribute to the institutions of which one is a member." (S. I. Hayakawa)

—JLD

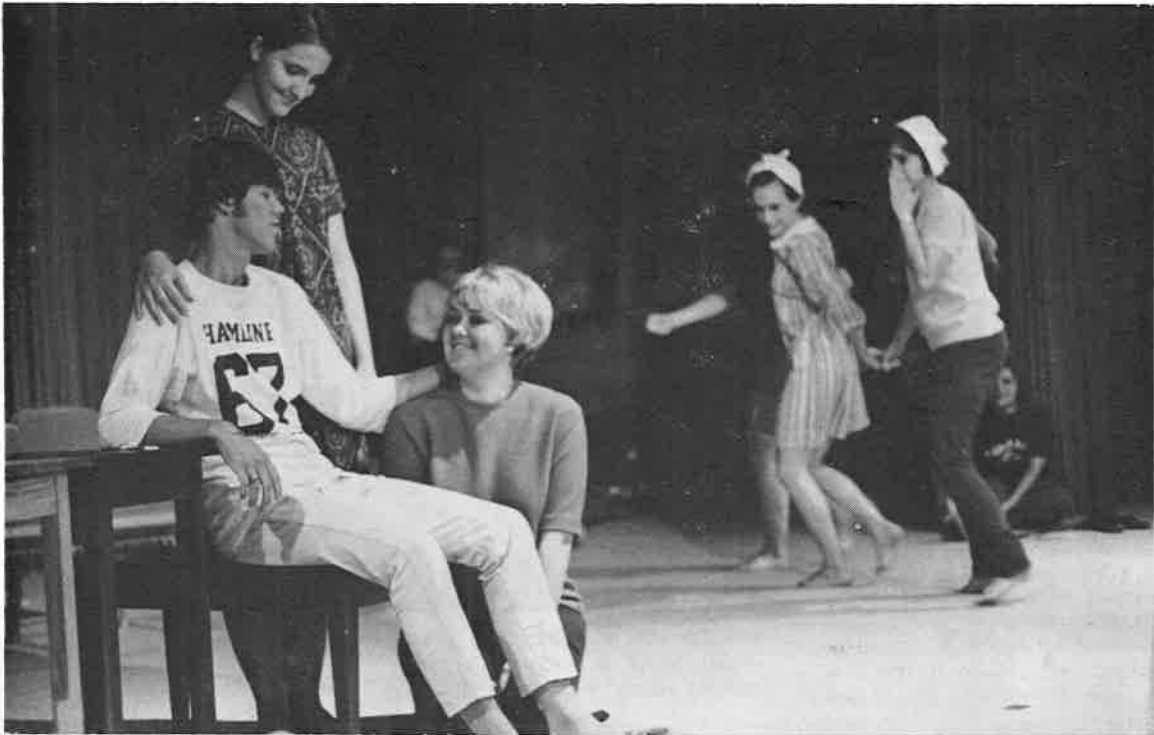
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Elves to Caper for Children's Delight



Shoemaker Larry Miller is harassed by mother and wife, Gwen Moffat and Pat Johnson respectively, as the three elves cavort in the background during recent rehearsal session.



Head elf Staphanie Higgins leads the remainder of the trio, Becky Hill and Priscilla Ford in trickery of the shoemaker—all in preparation for the upcoming Children's Theatre to be staged May 3-4.

Marcia Lucas Directs Upcoming Childrens Theatre

by Geraldine Henderson

Children from all over schools in Tulsa are going to be brought into an elfin wonderland as they watch "The Elves and The Shoemaker" which is being produced under the direction of Marcia Lucas and sponsored by the drama department of ORU. What the children will not know about (we hope) is the preparation, nervousness, tiring rehearsals, and backstage confusion which is necessary for a good production. Rehearsals started with a bang (and a crash!) as the director fell backwards off stage, but, recovering herself quickly, practice went on.

Playing the elves are Stephanie Higgins as the youngest elf, Widget, who is on his first job and must listen to the advice of Gremlo, the eldest elf (some fifteen thousand years old at least!) played by Becky Hill and Finella, the female elf—Pepi Ford.

Gwen Moffat plays the Shoemaker's wife and mother of Karen, Pat Johnson. The Shoemaker is played by Larry Miller who finds himself as the only male member of the cast of twelve, (an enviable position?).

The usual forces of good and evil are in action with the elves, of course representing good, and Heckle—a mean townswoman played by Alma Golder bringing us the evil element.

Townsfolk complete the cast—Dame Margery, a rich benefactress Wanda Cottingham, Ursula, a poor old woman who is taken in by Heckle—Katie Dehner, and three country girls played by Mary Lou Davidson, Joyce Hollenbeck, and Dorothy Young. Assisting Marcia is Steve Nickerson.

Performances are scheduled for Friday and Saturday of May 3, 4. There will be a full dress rehearsal on Friday night, May 2 at 8:00 p.m. and students and faculty are invited to this. This production promises to be one of the most delightful ever produced for Children's Theatre at ORU.

Russia to Africa

Students Face Summer '69

by Teri Lalaian

The next topic of conversation succeeding "What did you do over Easter break? is, of course, "What will you be doing this summer?" It seems that several colleagues are going to be traveling to various countries and continents, as well as all through the United States. Excluding the notable exception of David Graham who assured me that he was flying to the moon this summer, all others have confined travels to the earth as far as I know.

Staying in Tulsa is Wally Duguid who plans to work as the sound engineer for the World Action Singers. He will travel with them to several states in the Midwest and the East where they will stage concerts at colleges and partners meetings. Wally's job will be operating the microphones and speakers and possibly the lights for these concerts. Currently, Wally works for KORU producing "fishhooks" which are short inspirational messages that he calls "Commercials for God." Eventually, Wally would like to produce a singing group of his own.

According to Carmen Davidson, the Living Sound will tour the United States and Canada from June 8th to October 1st. Larry Dalton and his musicians and singers are working toward going to Africa in the fall. Carmen and the other undergraduate students in the group will

take a year off from school just to travel to Africa this summer. The group of seventeen will tour churches in San Francisco, Akron, Ohio, and Washington D. C.

Two others who plan to go to Africa are Starlene Drake and Debbie Vorpahl—that is if they can raise 6,000 dollars by the end of July. Debbie and Starlene will travel to different churches starting this month where they will be giving their testimonies. According to plans, they will be in Africa to enroll in school to learn the native language by the end of July.

Jamie Bury and Stan Tukarski are going to be the first "academic World Action team." Their destination is Russia where they will spend twenty-one days. Eleven of these days will be spent in intensive study of the Russian language under professors from the University of Moscow and the University of Leningrad. They will have approximately fifty hours of class study and Dr. Hamilton has already approved it for three hours of credit. Jamie and Stan will stay at a resort called the Pitsunda which is on a peninsula in the Black Sea. Their plans also include evangelistic work in Poland and Yugoslavia. Meanwhile they have been meeting every Thursday learning Russian gospel songs and Bible verses.

Liberalized Rulings Granted Women

New Curfew, Dress Regulations Now in Effect

The Associated Women's President, Judy Correll, various residence hall officers, Judicial Board members, and Residence Hall Counselors have been meeting since early fall to discuss requests for change in curfew and attire for women students. Recently, the following recommendations were presented to the Administration and favorable response was received for each. These new rulings are in effect.

SPORTS ATTIRE

Sports attire, including Bermudas, no shorter than three

inches above the knee, properly fitted slacks, culotte dresses, pants dresses, and any similar casual dress may be worn into University buildings after 5 p.m. Friday evenings and through Saturday until 12 p.m.

Sports attire is acceptable on weekdays for first floor lounges and recreation lounges of the Women's High Rise, and the Student Union.

After 5 p.m., Friday, and all day Saturday are the only times that casual clothing is acceptable in the library and cafeteria.

Sunbathing will continue to be prohibited, in swimsuits on campus. A student may wear standard Bermudas or slacks while sunning along the creek or on the hill.

FROSH CURFEWS

New curfews for freshmen women and Late Pass privileges also became effective early in

April. Freshmen women with a 2.0 or above grade point average will have a curfew as follows for the remainder of the semester: Sunday through Thursday—11 p.m.; Friday and Saturday—1 a.m. Those girls on academic probation, social probation or with a GPA of below 2.0 are not eligible. A list of these names is maintained by the Resident Counselors. Anyone on the list who violates curfew will be called before the Judicial Board, and is eligible for suspension.

Concerning the new rulings Dean Inbody has stated: "I believe the changes are in order, and will improve attitudes and living conditions in the women's residence hall. This will enable the girls to relax and wear casual clothing after classes. The girls will be more encouraged to use the new facilities of the Student Center."

ELECTION CALENDAR

April 28-May 2

Monday ----- Petitions Due
Tuesday ----- Primary Speeches
Wednesday -- Primary Elections
Thursday --- General Speeches
Friday ----- General Elections

PIANO RECITAL

May 6

featuring:

Arlene Friesen—Twila Allwine—Don Ryan

Students of Wasowski

8 p.m.—Timko-Barton Auditorium

Students "Strike OIL"

ORU Delegation of 5 Attends Oklahoma Collegiate Legislature

by Dawn Swader

April 15-20, five students represented ORU at the first Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature in Oklahoma City. They were among some 150 college and university students from twenty institutions in the state, whose legislation will be considered by the Oklahoma State Legislature for possible passage. The following is a report to us by a member of our delegation; who attempts to answer our questions of "How did you feel?" and "what was it like?"

After this first day of meeting with the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature, I am a composite of conflicting thoughts and feelings, but am beginning to regain—or perhaps to establish—a sense of my own identity.

The delegation from Oral Roberts University, Richard Fern (Sen.), Tom Rodgers (Sen.), Cliff Taulbert (Rep.), Steve Watson (Rep.), and I (Rep.) begin to feel the challenge, and the responsibility involved as we start the trip from Tulsa to Oklahoma City this morning. The sky is a non-encouraging, noncommittal grey as we speed along the Interstate toward our destination of who-knows-what. Our groping insecurity is becoming our strongest bond, for as we find ourselves realizing ORU's ironic position as far as public image is concerned, we sense our own responsibility and worth as individuals. It is this sense of innate worth as individuals, backed by a certain breed of faith, that will keep us going today.

Upon arriving at the motor lodge, we find that ORU is one institution that was not pre-registered. Although this incident is by no means earthshaking, it is significant to us because it is our first practical experience in what we will interpret to be a kind of discrimination due only to misinformation and erroneously preconceived ideas about the school. In our first session this afternoon, Richard Fern as chairman of the delegation has to rise at the appropriate time and ac-

count for the delegation being present. At the mention of "Oral Roberts University", we sit and amusedly, yet somewhat self-consciously, watch heads bob around to see us.

But tonight as we meet with the Governor and Lt. Governor of the OIL, we begin to sense the worth of our individual development. As we enter into a discussion with other delegates, I begin to sense in many of them the symptoms of one strong desire: political advancement.

I am shaken and somewhat disillusioned. I am overwhelmed at what is yet to be done. We must write and pass meaningful legislation. We must be ourselves. We must represent for you all that is good and beautiful in ORU. We must be honest. We must change those erroneously preconceived ideas.

If anything, the shaking we experienced today has shaken some of the scales from our eyes. More of the same will fall tomorrow. We are growing stronger through our mental and physical exhaustion. Help us, Father, to nurture the objectivity and seeing-ness you have planted within us. Help us to sense our own identities and those of others and to draw on your inexhaustible ego-strength. Continue to dispel our fear . . . we have no strength for fear tomorrow.

As the remaining five days begin, I have no idea that in looking back, I will remember . . . an address by each of Lt. Gov.

Nigh and Gov. Bartlett . . . a first view of the State Capitol, standing regally in the middle of a cow pasture, and flanked by majestic oil derricks . . . meeting in the chambers of that very capitol and witnessing the drama of:

—Richard as the Honorable Sen. Fern, well-known and respected and loved for his progressive legislation on capital punishment and abortion laws.

—Tom Rodgers, the staunch advocate of a bill on sex education in the public schools and the co-chairman of the Education Committee

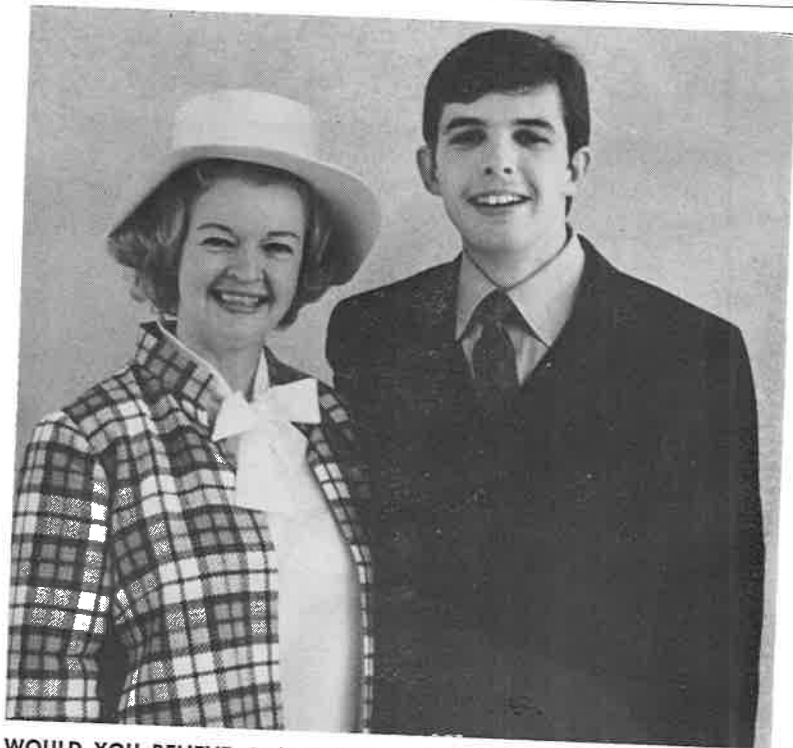
—Steve Watson, seen in his familiar role as the defender of all those who are frustrated and oppressed (in this case, married penitentiary inmates) by passing a bill providing for conjugal visits.

—Cliff Taulbert, "Mr. PR", and the recipient of a standing ovation from the House of Representatives after his first two-minute speech of impassioned eloquence concerning . . .

—my own resolution on establishing racial balance in the public schools

And now it is over and again I am a composite of thoughts and feelings, but this time not quite so conflicting. Learning by doing has exercised each of us and we are so tired, yet so alive, as though we had crashed through churning waters, swimming to an exhausted victory. From the interplay of personalities and issues, and the scope—yet limitations—of parliamentary procedure, we have seen the processes of how the American brand of government works . . . why and how bills are passed or defeated, why and how political deals are made or broken. We have come to make many good friends, we have learned what it means to struggle for an issue . . . sometimes to win, sometimes to lose . . . to struggle for ourselves, and (in a sense since we are a part of you) for the individuals and the school we represent.

By the way, the errors were corrected.



WOULD YOU BELIEVE: Dale Evans—and Roy Rogers?? Dale Evans was recent guest at a youth seminar, and guess who came riding into camera range. But who pulled the Trigger on that shutter?

Jones-Wasowski Perform Concert

by David Whittacre

Thursday night, April 17, the Oral Roberts University students, faculty, administrators, and all Tulsa had the opportunity to hear two of our gifted music faculty members in a joint recital.

Professors Francis Jones and Andrzej Wasowski displayed talents of pure genius. They performed three sonatas for piano and violin. One was by Mozart, Sonata in e minor (Kochel No. 304), and two were composed by Beethoven, Sonata Opus 30, No. 2 in c minor and Sonata Opus 30, No. 3 in G major. Even though the program could have had a more varied selection of works, it was truly interesting.

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Chairman: Mike Cardone, Dave Members; Bob Goodwin

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Activities:

1. The Fall elections
2. The special spring Men's President election
3. Basketball Queen nominations
4. Mr. & Miss ORU elections
5. The upcoming Spring General Elections

Social Committee:

Members: Judy Jackson, Chairman; Donita Gaasch, Vange Kennedy, Bob Isbell, Bob Goodwin, ex-officio.

1. All-school Halloween Party
2. Christmas decorations
3. Call-school Christmas Formal
4. Basketball Queen Coronation

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Titan Tennis Team Takes Round-Robin Tournament

The ORU netters continued their winning streak in sweeping a home court round robin match and three other matches.

During the spring break a round robin was held on the Titan tennis court. The participating teams were Arkansas University, North Texas State, Middle Tennessee, Murray State, Tulsa University, and ORU. Since the Titans had already played TU, they didn't play them during this meet. However, they did play each of the other teams and had little trouble beating either of them. The Titan results were 9-0 against Arkansas University, 9-1 against Murray State, 9-0 against Middle Tennessee, and 8-1 against North

Texas State. North Texas State had the next best record with 4-1 their only defeat coming at the Titans' hands.

The next weekend Arkansas State University came visiting. Undoubtedly the trip here was much more enjoyable than the trip home as they were beaten 7-0 even without the help of Ivan Mikysa who wasn't able to play.

April 17 saw the netmen from Southeastern State at Durant, Oklahoma, trying their turn at the Titans. They were considered the toughest opponent over the last half of the season, but the best they could muster up was two victories out of nine. Cyril Suk and Garry Little teamed in their doubles match to handily win and atone for losses earlier in the match.

Last Saturday Big Eight Champions Oklahoma University came to try their luck with the Titans. This match turned out to be the toughest since their southern road-trip. Even Peter Van Lingen had

trouble in taking his match from Gerry Perry who pressed him to 6-3, 5-7, 6-3. All the other matches were equally hard-fought contests. The Titans, however, came through in the clutch to win 6-3.

This week Peter Van Lingen and Pekka Saila have been invited to a big tournament in Dallas with the nations' top amateurs. Trinity and Rice were also asked to send their top two players. Also included among the stars are members of the Davis Cup team. Competition began Wednesday.

Yesterday competition began in Florida with the tournament sponsored by the Gulf Corporation. Ivan Mikysa, Jirka Medonos, and Cyril Suk are representing the Titans there. If Peter happens to get beat early at Dallas, he planned to fly to Florida to compete there also.

The Titans' record now stands at 17-2 with only three matches left on the schedule.

SENATE REPORT

5. All-school Spring Fromal. Men's Judicial Board:

Members: Martin Ryder and Craig Hatcher, Chairmen; Henley Brown, Gary Kuney, Ron Lamb.

Women's Judicial Board:

Members: Judy Correll, chairman; udy Now, Linda Requard, Marcia Robinson, Joy Starks, Starr Adkins, alternate.

The Senate advisor is Dr. Floyd Shealy and the Director of Social Activities is Dean Inbody.

The Senate as a whole has initiated the following items:

1. The establishment of the Student Senate office in Room 511A, LRC; and now the new office in the 1st floor of the Student Center.

2. The approved request that the Study Lounge in the Men's Hi-Rise, 1st floor, be opened to women students until curfew hours.

3. The approved request for a coffee machine to be placed in the 2nd floor Student Lounge of the LRC.

4. The appointing of Richard Fern as ORU's representative to Governor Bartlett's Advisory 2 Gov. Bartlett's Advisory Council of Young Oklahomans.

5. The appropriation of funds to join the new Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature and the appointing of the following students as delegates to this legislature: Richard Fern, Chairman; Tom Rodgers, Dawn Swader, Cliff Taulbert, Steve Watson.

6. The appointing of Glenn Balmer to the ORU Traffic Appeals Court.

7. The scheduling of periodical meetings with Pres. Roberts and Dr. Hamilton.

8. The appointing of the following students to serve as representatives to Faculty Committees: Curriculum Committee: Dave Graham, Doug Kay.

Student Academic Advisory Committee: Diana Bowman, Steve Henderson.

Spiritual Life Committee: Warren Becker, Richard Fern.

Library — Educational Media Committee: Lawrence Scott, Paul Teja.

Campus Entertainment Committee: Glenn Balmer, Linda Gibson, Paul Palmer, Al Williams.

Teacher Education Committee: Ron Black, Rita Rawdon.

Radio Committee: Mike Lewey.

Intercollegiate Athletics Committee: Skip Schulze.

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Letters to the Editor

EDITOR'S NOTE: "The Oracle" welcomes all Letters to the Editor. Letters must not exceed 250 words and must be signed. Names will be withheld upon request. Letters may be submitted to Jan Dargatz, Editor, in LRC Room 124 or Women's Hi-Rise.

Dear Editor:

ORU students fail to demonstrate much creative leadership in the university's intellectual and cultural life. Taking the name "university" commits an institution to develop the student intellectually and culturally, but its success is directly dependent on student interest and involvement. The student's failure to assume such responsibilities spontaneously and willingly may indicate vital weaknesses in an educational system.

One possibility is that this condition is the manifestation of that pernicious error which holds that education is a one-way process in which the teacher is the only active agent, filling the passive minds of students with educational data. In such a system, there is little of value that the student receptacles can do except recapitulate what their omniscient instructors have fed into them. Secondly, such a symptom may indicate that students, faculty, and or administration fear new ideas. The attitude which says, "We have arrived," is subtly devastating. Recognizing the fact that no institution, including ours, is a Utopia, surely no faculty member would advocate completely ignoring student opinions and desires, and surely no student would want to prostitute his educational goals by meekly following along after his teachers with no scrutiny or critical thinking on his own.

ORU should expect and encourage open discussion of all issues which confront the university both as an educational system and as a Christian community. Students should feel free to sponsor their own forums on these issues. They should feel free to disagree with faculty and or administration in a rational and responsible manner. There is no reason why the Oracle and the Student Senate should ever

become mouthpieces for the administration and faculty. They are student agencies, and as such they have every right to reflect student opinion. Their subject matter should go far beyond social activities and popularity contests.

As a Christian university ORU is in a distinctive position to make relevant and significant contributions to the discussion of the important issues facing higher education. The student power movement, for example, confronts us with an interesting set of problems for which Christian principles could be especially relevant. Other examples could include such topics as censorship of the arts, civil rights, Viet Nam, the Christian ethic and capitalism, fundamentalism and conservative politics, academic freedom, and a Christian philosophy of education.

Student leaders at ORU should actively promote dialogue on these and other important issues. Now it is true that this kind of ferment among students will produce certain tensions and kind of ferment among students will produce certain tensions and problems. But I am suggesting that it is precisely these tensions and problems which create the best possible atmosphere in which education can take place. To discourage students from creativity and initiative in the name of peace and harmony simply perpetuates a sterile atmosphere which is most unlike the real world which we are presumably preparing students to enter. Students have every right to expect their education to prepare them to meet and deal effectively with the problems of our world. It is, moreover, their responsibility to be active agents in the educational process by making it a dialogue in which both sides are at the same time students and teachers. —Dr. Wm. Epperson



Mr. Robert Eskridge, Student Body President Warren Becker, and Doug Kay cut ribbon, thereby opening the new student union building in dedication ceremonies April 11.

New Student Union Building Opens with Dedication Event

by June Vasby

ORU students experienced a long-anticipated event when on Thursday, April 11, the new Student Union building was officially dedicated and opened. Paul Paino, emcee of the dedication ceremony, introduced Mr. Robert Eskridge, Vice President of Business Affairs. In his speech, Mr. Eskridge stated that the opening of the student union "marks a new era of student participation."

Warren Becker, president of the student body, on behalf of the students expressed

his appreciation to God, the ORU administration and the partners for making the building possible.

Doug Kay, sophomore class president and also a member of the Student Union committee led the audience in prayer. Mr. Eskridge and these student participants then cut the ribbon that officially opened the new student union.

The new building has been under construction since Jan. 1968 and on Thursday, April 24, the cafeteria was opened for use.

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Former Middle Tennessee State coach Kenneth Trickey assumes new role as athletic director and head basketball coach at ORU.

Trickey Named Athletic Director and Head Coach

ORU Press Release—Kenneth F. Trickey, head basketball coach at Middle Tennessee State University, has been named athletic director and head basketball coach at Oral Roberts University. He will succeed Bill White who piloted the Titans for four seasons.

The new Titan basketball mentor said of his appointment, "I see a great opportunity in athletics at Oral Roberts University. The school has a winning tradition in its short period of operation, and we hope to continue to build this tradition."

We want to have fine athletic relationship with all of the teams in this area, and throughout the nation."

Coach Trickey began his collegiate coaching career at Middle Tennessee State in 1962 as assistant basketball and head baseball mentor. He was elevated to the head basketball post in 1965 (the same year ORU opened its doors) and is credited with building MISU into one of the most respected teams in the Southeast. His old team was a member of the Ohio Valley Conference—a "MAJOR" basketball listing by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

It is unusual how the 35-year-old mentor appeared as one of the many applicants for the ORU position. He remarked, "When we played here in early December, (Middle Tennessee won 115-98) I was really impressed by the school, its faculty, and the great enthusiasm of the student body. Everything I saw here seemed ideal for a good program. Of

course, it takes good players to have a team, but Oral Roberts University has so many other things that are prerequisites to winning. One of those things is good student body support, which is already here."

A native of Cairo, Illinois, Coach Trickey was a former standout guard for Middle Tennessee from 1951-54. He was captain of the 1954 Blue Raiders which represented Tennessee in the NAIA Tournament in Kansas City, Mo.

For his basketball prowess, he was named to the All-Volunteer State Athletic Conference team for four years, and was a member of the All-Ohio Valley Conference team for two years. Trickey held MTSU's career scoring record (1,391 points) until this year when Willie Brown, the first player he recruited as head coach, broke the mark.

Prior to joining the MTSU coaching staff in 1962, he had coaching positions at Culver Military Academy (Indiana), Tullahoma (Tenn.) High School, and Cairo (Illinois) High School. He served as a first lieutenant in the U. S. Army, and played on the Fort Knox basketball team which placed second in the All-Army Tournament. He also played professional basketball for the Washington Generals.

Coach Trickey holds the B.S. and M.A. degrees from Middle Tennessee and is married to the former Peggy McQuiddy of Nashville, Tenn. The Trickeys have two children, Ken (age 11) and Kaye (age 8).

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late my faith through the society, philosophy, and theology that I had studied in the School. Thus, at a particular time during the week, I entered the world of a college student who considered the writings of Sartre and Kierkegaard significant enough to base his own personal philosophy on. Having read some of the works of these authors, a common basis was established by which I could relate my personal experience about the Man from Nazareth, perfect man—perfect God. Jesus Christ was

truly the coolest head on those blazing beaches of Ft. Lauderdale."

Harriet McMillan: "I can see by your life that you are a beautiful person, and that you have found a purpose for living through Jesus Christ. If only I could accept Him as easily . . . After five hours of personal and religious discussion, this statement was made to me by a Jewish student who professed existentialism. Operation SunStroke was basically this type of living ministry.

Titans Falter On Road, Record Slips

by Joel Vasanen

The Oral Roberts University Baseball Titans have had great difficulties on the road so far this season. They have been able to win only two of their first twelve away-games and they currently have a nine game losing streak on the road. Fortunately, the story has been much happier at home where the Titans have won five of their last six games. Following is a brief summary of the games of the last three weeks.

On March 29, the Titans travelled to Siloam Springs, Arkansas to play John Brown University. Bobby Wallis was superb in winning his third game of the season as he stuck out eight and allowed only 3 hits. The Titans with 8 runs on 12 hits, were led by Herb Wise, who went 4 for 4, and Jim Lawson who drove in 3 runs with two hits. Denny Whinnery pitched the second game of the double-header and lost it in the bottom of the seventh when John Brown University came up with two runs to win 3 to 2.

On April 4, the Titans returned to their home park to play Oklahoma Baptist University. Troy Wells started the first game; Joel Downing relieving Troy in the third inning and went on to get the win in the Titans 5 to 4 triumph. Rick Hopper started the nightcap and struck out 5 before being relieved by Denny Whinnery in the top of the fifth. ORU scored 7 runs on 5 hits to trip the Bisons of Oklahoma Baptist 7 to 5.

The following day Central State College paid a visit to the campus of Oral Roberts University. The visitors would have had a more enjoyable afternoon if they would have left their bats at home and, instead, had toured the ultramodern Learning Resources Center. In the twinbill the Central State team banged out a total of two base hits and struck out twenty-one times in their futile search for a third hit. Bobby Jack Wallis pitched the opener for the Titans and kept a steady breeze going in the ballpark as he struck out 15 in winning his fourth game of the season on a one-hitter, 5 to 1. The story was the same in the second game as Denny Whinnery shut out Central State 2 to 0. Whinnery struck out 6 in pitching a one-hitter for his first win of the season.

The Titans travelled to Bethany Nazarene College on April 7. ORU just did not get any breaks and dropped both ends of the double-header. Quent McGhee started the first game and was relieved by Troy Wells in the 4th inning. The Titans could muster only three hits and lost 4 to 1. The second game was a pitcher's duel which Bethany won in the bottom of the eighth on an unearned run. Joel Downing struck out 11 in the game and certainly deserved to win but his mates could not produce a single run.

April 10 was a key date on this year's schedule. The Titans

met the Hurricane of Tulsa University in a twilight double-header at New Block Park on the west side of Tulsa. The first game was a bitterly fought struggle that went 10 innings. It almost seemed that some of the close calls were going against ORU. Bobby Jack Wallis pitched well but was thwarted in his quest for his 5th straight win. Bobby Jack was ejected from the game in the bottom of the tenth inning along with catcher Tom Pressley for arguing with the umpire about a called ball four. The Hurricane pushed across a run in the tenth and handed Bobby Jack a tough 3 to 2 loss. The second game was no contest as TU scored 8 runs on only 4 hits to beat the Titans 8 to 0.

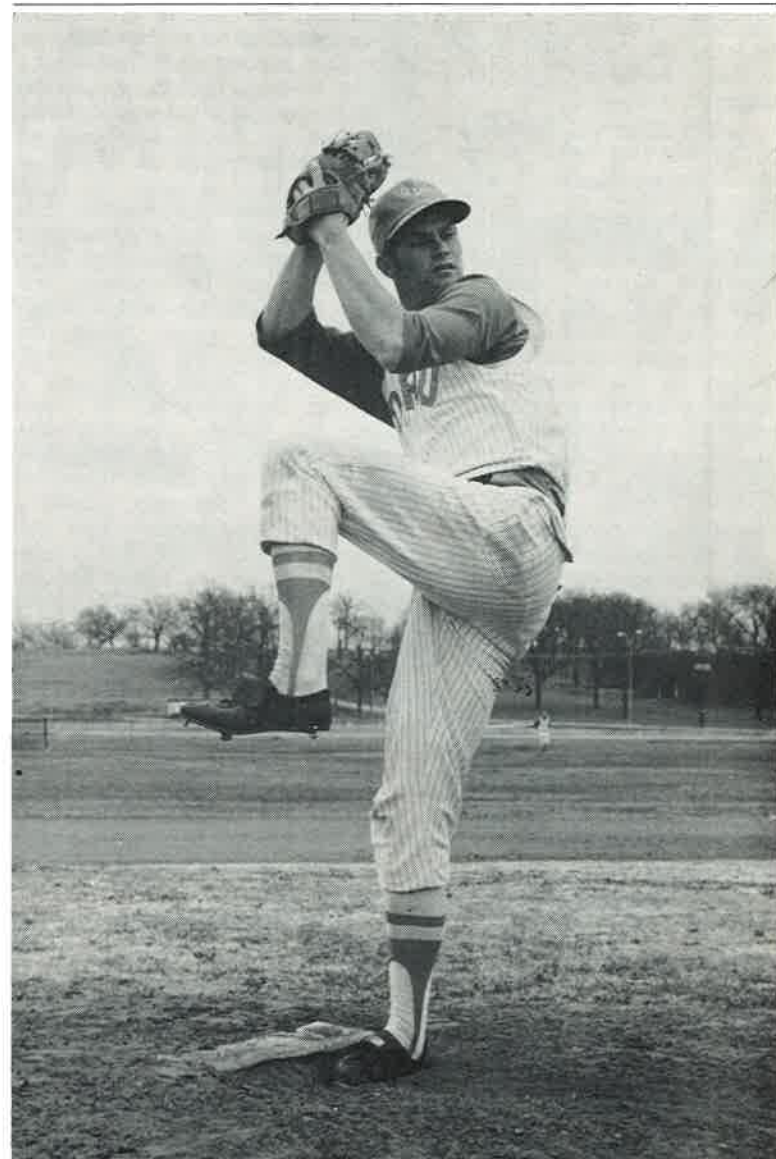
On April 19, ORU played John Brown University. Bobby Jack Wallis pitched the first game and got into trouble in the top of the seventh when JBU scored two runs to give them the lead 5 to 4. The Titans came up with nothing in the bottom half of the inning and had lost yet another game. Denny Whinnery fired a three hit shut out as the Titans avenged in the nightcap to win 4 to 0. Dwight Atchley hit a homerun in the second game and drove in three runs with his two hits.

On April 19 ORU played Oklahoma Christian College in Oklahoma City. Rick Hopper

started the first game but was relieved by Quent McGhee in the second inning. McGhee turned in a good relief stint striking out six and allowing no runs, but the one run charged to Hopper was enough to defeat the Titans since Thompson on the OCC pitcher threw a no-hitter for a 1 to 0 win. Joel Downing pitched the nightcap and was the victim of another heartbreaker, this time losing 4 to 3. Boyce Bishop and Jim Lawson hit homeruns.

On April 21, the Titans travelled to Edmond for a return engagement with Central State. Whereas, the Titans had been unhospitable to Central State in their previous meeting, Central State got sweet revenge in mauling ORU by scores of 9 to 3 and 13 to 3. An honest statement would be that the Titans simply played bad baseball on April 21st.

Although the Titans record currently stands at 8 wins and 13 losses, the season is far from over. Especially the seniors have much at stake with every game because they will be eligible to be drafted by major league clubs at the end of their college careers. The next Titan home game is scheduled for Saturday, April 26 against Oklahoma Christian College. On Tuesday, April 29 the Titans get one more shot at the Hurricanes of Tulsa University.



Bobby Jack Wallis shows form as he delivers this pitch against Central State College.