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Staff Editorial

Pursuit of Happiness

"Possibly the greatest source of human happiness is in personal achievement." These eloquent words were spoken by the late President Herbert Hoover. He had unearthed the vital truth of where human happiness was potentially found.

Inherently in every man beats that relentless spirit of adventure—that insatiable pursuit of happiness. Within the Declaration of Independence, Jefferson stated that certain truths were held self-evident, and that men were endowed by the Creator with certain inalienable rights—among these the pursuit of happiness. Every sincere effort that an individual makes in attempting to achieve something of value and of beauty will consequently result in his realization of a new avenue in the resplendent sentimental virtues of happiness and all that it might entail.

So much of life has yet to be discovered—so many inventions have yet to be thought up—so many innovations yet to be realized—and so many songs still uncomposed. There is still so much love that needs to be shown—the presence of which mends dejected outcasts and establishes a sense of respect and responsibility in the community. And with each brilliant discovery, each new innovation, each endearing phrase of music, and each bestowal of love comes that inevitable reward—the issuance of seeming garlands of petals of happiness, each containing its own unique potion of mirth and ecstasy.

Someone once said, "Nine-tenths of our unhappiness is selfishness, and is an insult cast in the face of God." Too often we don't realize the consequences that we, as 'individuals', must bear when, in striving to retain our individuality, we fail to appreciate what others have to offer and remain too proud to share ideas of our own. This selfish retention of ideas merely conjures up bitterness and hard feelings for all those concerned. Happiness is that certain something you acquire while you're too busy to be miserable.

"The secret of happiness is not in doing what one likes, but in liking what one has to do."—George V.

—Ken Friesen

Staff Editorial

As Castles in the Sand

Man has become a distinguished creature because of his unique ability to manipulate symbols. This symbolic interaction can be used in various ways. Perhaps 600,000 years ago, the first symbolic utterance may have simply meant hello.

Today we have become quite sophisticated and the words we use to relate to each other, reflect the complexity of this sophistication. The first word uttered by man has become multiplied a million times over, and packed with connotative meanings and dynamic changes. Even two simple words like "I do" have packed within them the power to change not only the course of two lives, but affect an entire social setting. The words "love" and "hate" are used to represent feelings that have melted strangers together as one and have caused brothers to kill each other. They have caused nations to be born and have caused civilizations to crumble. And to think it all may have started with a crude "grunt" that simply meant "hello."

Today 1969, our symbols have become so complex and connotative, that men die in the defense or destruction of their accepted meanings. This is an action age and the very words we use reflect this action. Both the printed and spoken words have a great impact on our world. Across our nation, the news medium constantly bombards us with the sounds that reflect the progress, the anxiety, the love and the hate of our age. Even though our symbols have become engrained in our society, we are in a unique position of being able to side-track the paths of tradition and give new meaning to old symbols.

Do you recall the saying, "Sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me?" I refute this statement. Just as a word can make a person smile, it can also make a heart cry. Words will never hurt, if they are never spoken. But when we open our mouths, a part of us, a reflection of our feelings goes out to someone. This summer, we will all be in different areas of our nations and world. But we will have in common this ability to manipulate symbols.

With our words, we can reinforce traditions. We can perpetuate hate and distrust among men. And our words can be used to build walls that will be very hard to tear down. Or we can use our distinguished ability to excavate false conceptions and replace the vacuum with truth. We can use the words of our lips to express the goodness of our hearts and the love of Jesus Christ. In a world where seemingly the symbols we use express only the worst of ourselves, our lives will be as castles in the sand if we refuse to use the words of our lips for the betterment of mankind and the glory of God.

—Clifton Taulbert

The President's Corner

by Warren Becker
ANNUAL SENATE REPORT
(Continued from last issue)

- The list of class officers in the last issue should have read:
- Freshman:** Steve Henderson, president; Rod Jacobsen, vice president; Connie Petzoldt, secretary; Paul Palmer, treasurer;
- Sophomore:** Doug Kay, president; Bev Schmidgall, secretary; and Glen Balmer, treasurer.
- Each class has sponsored various activities during the school year.
- Senior Class:**
1. Class Hayride in the fall
 2. Sponsoring of campus movies
 3. Car wash
 4. Class gift project
 5. Commencement preparations.
- Junior Class:**
1. Sponsoring of 3 campus movies
 2. Class hayride
 3. Work project during OEA campus convention
 4. Preparation for the Junior Senior Banquet.
- Sophomore Class:**
1. Sponsoring of 4 campus movies
 2. Frosh Week arrangements
 3. Frosh-Soph Party
 4. Soph class barn party
 5. Soph sponsored All-School Talent Show
 6. Donut sales
 7. Sponsoring of Soph Day
- Freshman Class:**
1. Class picnic
 2. Traditional class bon-fire
 3. Sponsoring of 2 campus movies
 4. "Wrinkle-Out," class fund-raising project
 5. Sponsoring of the color TV project for the Student Center. Items which are still in process in the Student Senate for the remainder of this semester include the following:
1. The appropriation of funds for next year's Student Activity Fee Budget
 2. The appropriation of funds for a Student Activity Bulletin Board for the 2nd floor entrance of the LRC, and for a Commuter Bulletin Board near the 2nd floor LRC Student Lounge

FAREWELL STATEMENT

The 1968-69 Senate members have worked diligently and responsibly for you, the student body; for ORU; and for God. With the Lord's help, much has been accomplished this year.

You have elected an outstanding group of officers for the Student Senate of 1969-70. Work together with them, and work as a team with the faculty and administration. It is only as we work together in the body of Christ, with each one doing his part and each part adding to the whole, that we shall accomplish God's highest purpose for this University.

It has been a real privilege and an honor for me to serve as your Student Body President this year. I will be thinking of you and praying for you often in the future—I know God will use you mightily!

World Action Four-some:
'Home from African Safari'

Bringing greetings "from East African saints," Paul Oxley, Jay Steinman, Glen Dickens, Bill Kuert recrossed the bridge between the "dark continent" and Oral Roberts University as they returned to Tulsa the first part of May. World Action heroes? Only as they have let Christ work through their lives; the work in Africa was not a four-man effort, nor a one-University out-thrust into darkness—this was God's effort with only man's "cooperation," not ability. You can feel this when you talk to Paul and Jay and Glen and Bill . . . there is something new, something deeper, something of maturity that reflects both the power of God and humbleness that God should choose to channel his power through men. It is as if they faced life openly in those villages for the first time and truly realized the length, yet the value, of an individual's influence. Without home luxuries—from American worship services to female companionship (!)—they returned to a school that seemed strange because it was "just the same," except that "World Action has become commercialized." TV productions and singing tours are vital . . . but these men reflect something of World Action on a different level: a heart-to-heart witness where the first-person experience is all-important—a witness in which the "giver" is likewise a "receiver." These men were chosen, blessed, and returned safely to us. To Paul, Jay, Glen, and Bill: "Welcome home! Teach us, inspire us."

Expect a 'Summer Miracle'

CONGRATULATIONS

NEW FACULTY CABINET

members include:

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Treasurer, Mr. Robert Feller

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'Elves' Delight Children

World-of-Make-Believe Portrayed

Backstage remained relatively quiet while the auditorium began to fill with the high-pitched chatter of children's voices. The most important thing to them were the elves. What would they look like? Would they be real elves or pretend?

Unfortunately every performance started a few minutes late and one performance was somewhat hampered by the old problem labelled "technical difficulties." During one scene in which the old elf, Gremlo, tries to teach the young elf, Widget; a lesson one of the elf's caps flew off-stage but the situation was not lost since they presumptuously, but deftly, added a few lines to the script and carried on where they had left off.

There was no curtain call as every performance, with the exception of one, was followed by a gathering out on the sidewalk of the children with the cast. This was at times a bit frightening for them (the children) since the cast tried to remain in character and Heckla was as mean as ever. For most of them it was a delight to be able to shake hands and talk to the "other-world people." Mothers were anxious that their child dutifully repeat that he enjoyed the performance.

A little boy made the comment to an elf that he liked all the elves except Finella (there were only three). When asked why he didn't like her, he said, "She's a girl!" This remark points to the fact that the elves, although they were all girls, did manage, with the aid of their costumes, to achieve a distinct difference between the sexes.

Hardly a performance went by without some change in the lines and it was interesting to note how the rest of the cast reacted to the alteration of script; usually there was no indication that anything was amiss. Quite a large percentage of the cast had never acted before. However, their opinion of the whole business may be summed up by one of them who said, "I have become hopelessly addicted to Children's Theatre."

Of interest is the fact that the director of a Tulsa Theatre company invited at least two to join his summer theatre on the road after seeing the performance.



Priscilla Ford, Stephanie Higgins, Becky Hill, and Alma Golder rehearse a scene from "The Elves and the Shoemaker" . . . Marcia Lucas, director, is pictured above.

CSC Names Chaplain, Director

The Christian Service Council has ambitious plans for a strong thrust for next year. Larry Hart will be the "student chaplain," working with the Student Senate, elected dorm officers, Associated Men and Women Presidents, and the on-campus students in general, to promote the spiritual atmosphere on the campus. Gary Kuney will serve as the "director of the off campus program," working in the Tulsa area.

Larry Hart is enthusiastic about the new program, and is expecting a unity among the students. The program itself will involve a new approach. The Wednesday Chapel services will be innovative, with the possibility of seminars on sex and on Christian

Seniors End Projects; Memories Recalled

by Becky Hill

When you can walk down the hall at 3 o'clock in the morning and hear the labored ratata-ding of several typewriters, you know it's more than blind dedication that's keeping those students awake.

And you can be sure that something more than divine inspiration and the smell of clay will keep an art student at the LRC until 5 o'clock in the morning.

It happens every May, when we realize with horror that the semester ends in two weeks. Sophomores call it the revival of learning. Seniors call it torture. Yet, of the memories the seniors will take with them, those of this last month probably top them all.

Some day, many many years from now, Carolyn Shipley may recall with fondness the hours she spent perched on the scaffolding at the Student Union, working on her fountain. Diana Shaw may get tickled when she remembers how long she brandished the electric saw when she was building that A-frame model house for her senior project. And Henley Brown may be an encouragement to some flustered college senior who doesn't think he'll finish his senior thesis in time for graduation.

It isn't that we students don't plan ahead; on the contrary, we rest up all semester for the May rush. With the switch to daylight savings time, we adjust by deleting sleep from our schedule. Our days begin with dinner and end with breakfast.

Probably among the more sentimental memories this year's seniors, and all succeeding seniors, will cherish will be those nights when all you could smell on every floor was the stench of stale popcorn and coffee cooling in corroded cups;

Those times in the early morning hours when the candy machine swallowed your last dime and gave you nothing but the little "Please Use Correct Change" sign;

Those times of the night when all you could hear were the still, small voices of the termites busy at your desk;

Those gorgeous sunrises; The philosophical discussions that often lasted the whole night—before a humanities test;

Those delightful times when someone, like Teri Lalaian, rummages through the clothes next door and parades up and down

the halls, at 3 o'clock in the morning, dressed as a grandma;

The excuses you hear when you try to waken neighbors: "It's all right; I'm getting ready spiritually;" or, "I'm awake; I'm just resting my eyes;"

Those times when your blinks last twenty minutes;

Those times when your eyes looked like the roadmap to Interstate 44, with or without sunglasses, and you flunked anyway;

Those times, when, after a long night of toil and running your fingers through your hair, someone tells you how nice you look;

Those rare times when, after a good night's sleep, someone asks you if you're feeling well;

Those times when you do make it to breakfast, along with the other nightowl zombies, and sit by yourself at the table, meditating on the project that was due yesterday that you're going to start tomorrow.

But there is a bright side to May madness. While our floors are strewn with blankets, books and papers, and potato chips and cracker crumbs, our bed linens remain as they were when we put them on three weeks ago—crisp and clean and unused.

R. C. Workshop Ends May 13

A Resident Counselor Workshop has been generated in the Dean's Area—formulated for the purpose of "orientating, to the general nature and responsibilities of Resident Counselor work, those person interested in the position during the 1969-70 school year." Workshop seminars were held May 6 and 13 with approximately forty persons in attendance.

Speakers at the May 6 meeting included Dean Shealy, Dean Inbody, and Assistant Dean of Men, William Bowden. May 13 featured Dr. Bennett, Mr. Inbody and Mrs. Fischer in the lecturer roles.

Chosen as a written guide for the seminars was the booklet: **The College Student as Counselor**, written by resident assistants at Lewis and Clark College in Oregon. This guide to resident counseling examines the role of the counselor, campus problems, counseling theories, referrals, floor cooperation, and perspectives of the counselor-to-be. An examination over the material covered was given at the close of the May 13 workshop.

Topics discussed at the workshop seminars included "Self-Realization and the work of an R. C." in which William Bowden presented a definition of maturity and delineated between the states of "being" and "learning"; "Policy of R.C. Work" by Dean Helen Inbody; "The R.C. Within ORU Student Government" by Dean Shealy; "Becoming a Person" in which Dr. Bennett urged R.C. persons to first accept themselves; "Group Dynamics and the Role of the R.C." by M. Inbody—dealing with group problems and relationships; and "Campus Counseling Services" by Mrs. Fischer, who will direct that program at ORU next year.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 19	Spring Examinations Begin
May 25, 10:30 a.m.	Baccalaureate
May 25, 2:30 p.m.	ORU Commencement
May 27	Last Day of Final Exams
May 28	Campus Closes

Judicial Boards Chosen

Men and women students elected the following four students to the two J. Boards. The remaining two members of each board will be appointed by the Senate next fall.



DONNA RATCLIFF—DAWN SWADER
Women's Judicial Board



TOM RODGERS—ALLEN WALKER
Men's Judicial Board

Seniors: Under Torture?

by Susan Krueger

I am sure we have all heard the rumors of the terrible tortures that the Seniors have been going through—Senior papers, final exams, student teaching, etcetera. But listen to this. . . .

Does spending a beautiful day at a lake, swimming, skiing, or just taking it easy sound like torture to you? Well, this very ordeal was induced upon the ORU Seniors on May 3rd. To endure such a day must have taken the utmost in courage and strength. And to think this was followed by another such grueling test—

an invitation to the President's home. A delicious dinner followed by songs around an outdoor pool is really the most inhuman torture ever thought of yet!

Well our dear Seniors need only to endure two more such tortures—the Junior-Senior banquet and THE BIG DAY (known to everyone else as graduation)—and then they will be free as birds.

So take heart underclassmen and maybe with any luck, these tortures will still be in existence when it's our turn.

Plastic and Bright Lights

Students React to Union Complex

People react to new things in different ways. After almost two weeks of operation, here's how ORU students react to the new Student Union-cafeteria complex:

"It's beautiful"—Mike Byrd

"It's a good place to take a study break."—Judy Jackson

"I enjoy the Student Union as such but I was disappointed that it was all vinyl and plastic."—Debbie Schmitt.

"I'm very glad for the build-

ing. I've been here two years now, and I really appreciate it. I like the general design. I think they should dim the bright fluorescent lights. If some of the walls could be panelled over I think it would be quite an improvement."—Wayne Kelln.

"The Student Union seems to be the answer to more student intermingling."—Lawrence Scott

"Take the name, Student Union. It is rather self-explanatory. It brings the students together."

—Tena Docter

CONCERT REVIEW

'a Dialect of Truth'

by Darlene Ulseth

Symbolic of this restless generation is a restless music, vibrant with a cry of hunger, with a disquietening beat that reverberates the quickening of pulses, the throb of hearts protected by the anonymity of song symbols like Mrs. Robinson and Elinor Rigsby. This is the dawning of the age of Aquarius, an unreluctant farewell to past conventions and a longing for the "Power to be what you want to be, Power to know what you are." Therefore, as Christians, we are effective only if we can fetch men up out of their cellars, call to them, turn their distorted patterns of thinking topsy-turvy with the dialectic of truth.

This is the purpose of singers like Gene Cotten. Cognizant of the swiftly changing moods of youth, of the desperation of utter loneliness, his music is designed not only to entertain but to reach the very soul. "Power to be what you want to be" was written by the 24-year-old singer as the theme for an International Youth Convention some time ago.

With his bride of eight months, Marny, Gene has been touring the U.S.A. sharing a Christ who is the concrete reality that presents the answer to life.

"I didn't see 10,000 angels and my guitar strings didn't pop; but I discovered a total new concept of living when I invited Christ to come into my life," Gene explained. "And in order to tell others of this experience I could find not better outlet than contemporary sound."

At his concert, held in the Timko-Barton auditorium on Saturday, May 10, Gene accompanied a variety of sacred and secular songs by guitar and even strummed Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata" on the banjo. Diversified in talent as well as in the categories of listeners their music attracts, people like Gene and Marny will go far to reach the Mrs. Robinsons who have "gotta get off of this merry-go-round" and onto something solid like the Rock of Ages.



Guest: Gene Cotten

Honor Society Elects Officers, Holds Banquet

The ORU Honor Society is the fastest-moving group on campus. It's had to be. On April 24, the society was hurriedly organized with Dr. Tuel as sponsor. Out of the fourteen eligible seniors, four were elected to serve as officers until the end of the semester. Dave Eland acts as president, Joe Iaquina as vice president, Mary Holt as secretary, and Vange Kennedy as treasurer.

These officers can only suggest meaningful directions to next year's officers, who will be selected from among the 10 eligible juniors.

The constitution, which was reviewed and ratified at the first real meeting of the club on May 6, defines the criterion for eligibility. A member must be a full-time student at ORU with junior or senior standing and must have a GPA of 3.5 or above. Outstanding members, called fellows, must have a GPA of 3.75 or above. Administration and faculty are presently considering a program of guided independent study for these fellows.

The purpose of the society is to provide creative leadership for the academic component of the University, and proper recognition for those students with high academic achievement.

The first annual Honor Society banquet was held the evening of May 13. Dr. Hartman, professor of physics in the Tulsa University graduate school, addressed the group.

The ORU Honor Society will play a meaningful part in challenging us as students to academic excellence.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

This letter is intended for the very select and, unfortunately, very few people who attend our on-campus concerts. Have you ever wondered why there is such poor attendance at the concerts? I have, and have blamed it on various things—exams, meetings, and other time-consuming activities. However, the last few concerts have been so poorly attended that in answer to my questions some very interesting facts were revealed.

There seems to be a lack of knowledge (or interest) on the part of our public relations department in advertising these concerts in Tulsa. To be specific I will cite some facts about the last concert given by Professor Wasowski on Tuesday of May 13.

Several members of the faculty and commuter students saw no advertisements in Tulsa newspapers about the concert nor heard anything over the radio stations. I must concede that there were two spot announcements over radio stations in Tulsa.

Most students did not see any posters of advertisement, and that is not because they were suffering from temporary blindness; the posters were not put up until the evening of the concert. Faculty and administration were not notified until Monday, the day before the concert.

Irregardless of the fact that this lack of attendance hurts the performer in particular, public relations should realize that they are defeating their own purposes. With proper advertisement an audience could be filled to capacity—especially when a free Wa-

sowski concert is concerned.

Those in public relations surely realize that "oversights" such as these are damaging to the school image and can be considered a personal discourtesy to the artist.

Sincerely,

Gerrie Henderson

Letter to the Editor:

One reason people are not physically fit is **too much sitting**. Sedentary living reduces blood flow. As circulation fails, energy fails. On the premise that well-being begins with circulatory fitness, we have the testimony of a specialist in preventive medicine that just plain jogging is the most beneficial single exercise. Running stimulates the cardio-vascular system to increase the amount of blood pumped by the heart, and thus increases the amount of oxygen delivered throughout the body.

"The key is oxygen," we read in AEROBICS by Dr. Cooper. With enough oxygen-exercise, wonderful changes take place in the priceless human commodity, resulting in permanent effects such as the slow pulse characteristic of athletes, owing to the larger stroke volume of the heart.

So, run for your life every morning and thus inflate yourself with much-needed oxygen and energy and keep in active and productive health, that irreplaceable treasure, the temple of the Holy Spirit. (Cardio-vascular diseases—those affecting the heart and circulatory system—as the greatest scourge of Americans. They claim 55 out of every 100 who die.)

by Harold Rogness

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Ashbury College Hosts Annual AAES Convention

ORU Sends Delegation of 6

by Dawn Swader

After fifteen hours of travel, our group of six (Dean Shealy, Jamie Bury, Judy Jackson, Larry Scott, Bill Steere, and myself) arrived at Asbury College Kentucky . . . April 24th at 5:30 a.m. After several minutes of frantic head-hunting, the Dean collapsed while the rest of us did what college students everywhere do at 5:30 a.m. in sleepy green villages . . .

But by 8 a.m., the realization came to us that here we were, at an AAES Convention (American Association of Evangelical Students), and that we had work to do. We learned that the Association had been in existence for about 10 years and was still in a state of gross disorganization.

Confusion to Dispel

In our business sessions we attempted to dispel some of that disorganization, for the general consensus was that there is a need for an organization of this type, for it is the only official voice of evangelical college students in the United States.

Current member colleges include: Asbury College, Bryan College, Detroit Bible College, Evangel College, Fort Wayne Bible College, Greenville College, Houghton College, John Brown University, Malone College, Messiah College, Minnesota Bible College, Olivet Nazarene College, Oral Roberts University, Owosso College, Philadelphia College of Bible, Roberts Wesleyan College, Taylor University, Trinity College, and Wheaton College.

Constitutional Goals

As members, the fore-mentioned colleges and universities are hopefully working together toward the following goals of AAES, as taken from the Constitution:

1. To engender the bond of Christian fellowship between member student bodies.
2. To propose study of, and suggest solutions, of mutual problems.
3. To promote the highest standard of scholarship among member schools.
4. To aid the member schools in fulfilling the goals and purposes of the individual institution.

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5. To promote and exercise an active interest in the affairs of national, state, and local governments and social institutions.

6. To promote creative student leadership as an integral part of the educational process and for the purpose of effective student government.

The member who is by nature the most intimately involved in working toward the above goals is of course the National President. Eric Fiscus of ORU served in this capacity for the year 1968-69, while the newly-elected president for 1969-70 is Steve Honnett from Taylor University.

We found Steve and most of the other students attending to be interested in us and in our school; especially cordial were our hosts, the Asbury student body. We decided that most of us at ORU could learn something from them about how to treat (seminar) guests.

Speaking of seminars and all of the crises they manage to bring, we were somewhat surprised to learn in our discussion groups that most Christian institutions have the same basic problems that we as students can see at ORU. The most basic one seems to be the role that financial supporters play in establishing controls upon the institution. No one has found an answer.

No Tradition An Asset

I think, however, that ORU has come as close or closer to finding an answer as any other Christian university. In comparison, we are considered to be extremely liberal (and by this I mean "free") in rules, basic philosophy, and actual workings. We don't have 75 or 100 years of tradition to fight and we don't have apathy among our supporters. These two factors alone (although they present dilemmas from time to time) are in reality great assets.

We six were especially conscious of the contrast in schools as we returned to campus April 27th at 4 a.m. There at the side of Timko-Barton was the equipment trailer from Hollywood and we knew . . . the World Action Singers were at it again.

CONCERT REVIEW:

Wasowski—a delight

by Geraldine Henderson

Only one word adequately describes Professor Wasowski's concert last night—beautiful, and another word only too adequately describes the attendance—poor, very poor.

The rather long performance included Schubert's Sonate in B flat Major, Schumann's Fantaisie Op. 17 in C Major, and eight pieces by Chopin. The performance ended with a brilliant execution of Chopin's well-known Grande Polonaise brillante.

Mr. Wasowski deserved the standing ovation which was given him and the red carnations presented to him by Rev. Robert Stamps and Mr. and Mrs. Stamps, parents of the chaplain. He was obviously exhausted as he leaned on the piano when he stood up and commented, "After the last one I was really tired." But he graciously consented to play an encore—two Chopin preludes, one in F# minor and the other in D minor.

In spite of the small audience he spared nothing in his performance which was strong throughout. After intermission several of the audience left because admittedly the programme was long but as one student remarked, "This has been the highlight of my career at ORU."

To Lead "Onward and Upward"

Classes Elect 1969-70 Officers



The class of 1970 elected as their Senior officers, (left to right): Wayne Kelln, Vice-President; Darlene Bracken, Secretary; Roy Grider, President; Allen Smith, Treasurer.



Chosen to head the Junior class during the '69-'70 year are, left to right: Larry Durgin, Treasurer; Charles Redd, President; Julie Hurlbut, Vice-President; Diane Dixon, Secretary.



Newly elected Sophomore class officers, left to right: Gary Miller, Treasurer; Sheryl Williams, Secretary; William Steere, President; David Paton, Vice-President.

Ashbury College Hosts Annual AAES Convention

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6. To promote creative student leadership as an integral part of the educational process and for the purpose of effective student government.

The member who is by nature the most intimately involved in working toward the above goals is of course the National President. Eric Fiscus of ORU served in this capacity for the year 1968-69, while the newly-elected president for 1969-70 is Steve Honnett from Taylor University.

We found Steve and most of the other students attending to be interested in us and in our school; especially cordial were our hosts, the Asbury student body. We decided that most of us at ORU could learn something from them about how to treat (seminar) guests.

Speaking of seminars and all of the crises they manage to bring, we were somewhat surprised to learn in our discussion groups that most Christian institutions have the same basic problems that we as students can see at ORU. The most basic one seems to be the role that financial supporters play in establishing controls upon the institution. No one has found an answer.

No Tradition An Asset

I think, however, that ORU has come as close or closer to finding an answer as any other Christian university. In comparison, we are considered to be extremely liberal (and by this I mean "free") in rules, basic philosophy, and actual workings. We don't have 75 or 100 years of tradition to fight and we don't have apathy among our supporters. These two factors alone (although they present dilemmas from time to time) are in reality great assets.

We six were especially conscious of the contrast in schools as we returned to campus April 27th at 4 a.m. There at the side of Timko-Barton was the equipment trailer from Hollywood and we knew . . . the World Action Singers were at it again.

To Lead "Onward and Upward"

Classes Elect 1969-70 Officers



The class of 1970 elected as their Senior officers, (left to right): Wayne Kelln, Vice-President; Darlene Bracken, Secretary; Roy Grider, President; Allen Smith, Treasurer.



Chosen to head the Junior class during the '69-'70 year are, left to right: Larry Durgin, Treasurer; Charles Redd, President; Julie Hurlbut, Vice-President; Diane Dixon, Secretary.



Newly elected Sophomore class officers, left to right: Gary Miller, Treasurer; Sheryl Williams, Secretary; William Steere, President; David Paton, Vice-President.

CONCERT REVIEW:

Wasowski—a delight

by Geraldine Henderson

Only one word adequately describes Professor Wasowski's concert last night—beautiful, and another word only too adequately describes the attendance—poor, very poor.

The rather long performance included Schubert's Sonate in B flat Major, Schumann's Fantaisie Op. 17 in C Major, and eight pieces by Chopin. The performance ended with a brilliant execution of Chopin's well-known Grande Polonaise brillante.

Mr. Wasowski deserved the standing ovation which was given him and the red carnations presented to him by Rev. Robert Stamps and Mr. and Mrs. Stamps, parents of the chaplain. He was obviously exhausted as he leaned on the piano when he stood up and commented, "After the last one I was really tired." But he graciously consented to play an encore—two Chopin preludes, one in F# minor and the other in D minor.

In spite of the small audience he spared nothing in his performance which was strong throughout. After intermission several of the audience left because admittedly the programme was long but as one student remarked, "This has been the highlight of my career at ORU."

Africa to Hear ORU 'Living Sound'



Practicing their many routines and trying to raise a \$55,000 budget, the "Living Sound" prepare for their summer tour of Africa where they will be ministering with song and evangelism. The group consists of Ron Haldine, drummer; Larry Dalton, pianist; singers Jim Gilbert, Janice Law, Roy Rogers, Beverly Schmidgall, Dale Anderson, Mary Ann Buick, Carmen Davidson, Honey Bee Powell, Bo Mellon; guitarists Craig Hatcher and Terry Law.

Graduates Receive Honors May 25

Seven Earl "Summa Cum Laude" Predicate

The first graduating class of Oral Roberts University is comprised of the following students:

Suma Cum Laude

Warren Elton Becker	Bachelor of Arts
Dave Ronald Eland	Bachelor of Arts
Richard Fern	Bachelor of Arts
Particia Ann Fritsche	Bachelor of Arts
Mary Adelle Holt	Bachelor of Arts
Joseph Lawrence Iaquina	Bachelor of Science
Terrance Herbert Law	Bachelor of Arts

Magna Cum Laude

Naomi L. Carney	Bachelor of Arts
Sherry L. Corbett	Bachelor of Arts
Evangeline D. Kennedy	Bachelor of Arts
Jerry Eugene Smith	Bachelor of Arts
Joy Yvonne Starks	Bachelor of Arts

Cum Laude

E. Thomas Arthurs	Bachelor of Arts
Barry Maurice Barron	Bachelor of Arts
Carol Jean Berkey	Bachelor of Science
Lois Bisbey Clark	Bachelor of Arts
Linda Kay Curlee	Bachelor of Arts
Darlene Deon Davison	Bachelor of Arts
Starlene Drake	Bachelor of Arts
Henry M. Evans	Bachelor of Arts
Christiane Fries	Bachelor of Arts
Forrest John Heise	Bachelor of Arts
Dianne Henderson	Bachelor of Arts
Samuel C. Hillis	Bachelor of Music Ed.
Linda Dianne Jensen	Bachelor of Arts
Lisabeth Ann Johnson	Bachelor of Arts
Larry Lee Kelley	Bachelor of Arts
Joyce Ann Klapstein	Bachelor of Arts
Jimmy Donald Lawson	Bachelor of Arts
Jacqueline Martin	Bachelor of Arts
Ludwig Alfredo Martinez	Bachelor of Arts
Edgar Lee Newby, Jr.	Bachelor of Arts
Corwin Alan Nickerson	Bachelor of Music Ed.
Kenneth Leroy Nordberg	Bachelor of Arts
Linda Kay Rice	Bachelor of Music Ed.
Warren H. Schulze, Jr.	Bachelor of Arts
Linda Merrick Seward	Bachelor of Arts
Kenneth Paul Soulsby	Bachelor of Arts
Jonathan Edward Wakefield	Bachelor of Arts

Prospective Graduates

Joseph Stephen Alley	Bachelor of Science
Beth Clair Arndt	Bachelor of Arts
Barbara Thomas Arthurs	Bachelor of Arts
Boyce D. Bishop	Bachelor of Science
Raymond Eugene Boyd	Bachelor of Arts
Henley C. Brown	Bachelor of Arts
Marilee Jane Brown	Bachelor of Arts
Michael Vincent Brown	Bachelor of Arts
Marilyn Ann Campbell	Bachelor of Arts
Mu Ja Chei	Bachelor of Arts
Lowell Wayne Collins	Bachelor of Arts
Lynda Sue Colvin	Bachelor of Arts
Esther L. Crozier	Bachelor of Science
Larry Randall Dalton	Bachelor of Arts
Ronald Di Cioccio	Bachelor of Arts

Judith Marilyn Duck	Bachelor of Arts
Alton Carl Ellingson	Bachelor of Science
Gretchen Marta Ervin	Bachelor of Arts
Kenneth Edward Fillinger	Bachelor of Science
Marilyn J. Fisk	Bachelor of Arts
Sandy Jean Forsythe	Bachelor of Arts
Brian Philip Golencher	Bachelor of Arts
Jonathan Ray Heltebran	Bachelor of Music Ed.
Roderick E. Hillhouse	Bachelor of Arts
Robert Hodge	Bachelor of Science
Claudia Pauline Hogue	Bachelor of Arts
Mark Stanford Hudson	Bachelor of Arts
Cheryl L. Johnson	Bachelor of Arts
Ronald James Lamb	Bachelor of Arts
Sherluf Ann Lambert	Bachelor of Science
Janice Arlene D'Arpa Law	Bachelor of Arts
Paul Kenneth Massey, Jr.	Bachelor of Science
Robert Edward McAllister	Bachelor of Science
James Douglas Nickel	Bachelor of Science
George Thoman Paul	Bachelor of Science
Herby Dale Poteete	Bachelor of Science
Melvin J. Reed	Bachelor of Science
Johnny R. Riggsby	Bachelor of Arts
Marcia Joan Robinson	Bachelor of Arts
Voncilla M. Schnuelle	Bachelor of Arts
Lindsey Dee Sehorn, II	Bachelor of Science
Blanton Pierce Seward	Bachelor of Arts
Diana Lynn Shaw	Bachelor of Arts
Carolyn Jean Shipley	Bachelor of Arts
Paul R. Simon	Bachelor of Arts
Gordon Kent Stiles	Bachelor of Arts
Bettie Lou Thomas	Bachelor of Arts
Stanley Tukarski	Bachelor of Arts
Sheila Simpson Van Lingen	Bachelor of Science
Deborah Dawn Vorpahl	Bachelor of Arts
Bobby Jack Wallis	Bachelor of Science
Particia Blankenship	Bachelor of Arts
Terry Welsh	Bachelor of Arts
C. L. Wessel	Bachelor of Arts
Dale Eugene Whipple, Jr.	Bachelor of Arts
William Paul Whitley, Jr.	Bachelor of Arts
Allen Lester Williams	Bachelor of Science

Graduates—Bachelor of Divinity Degree

Magna Cum Laude

Millard Franklyn Parrish	Cum Laude
Michael Lewis Spafford	Cum Laude
Frandlin George Tunstall	Cum Laude
Paul Thomas Grubb	Cum Laude
John Charles Hayes	Cum Laude
Dean Maurice Helland	Cum Laude
Alphonse J. Mott	Cum Laude
David L. Rice	Cum Laude
Neigel Leon Scarborough	Cum Laude
Reuben James Sequeira	Cum Laude
Ronald William Clark	Cum Laude
Jiwan Wesley Hunter	Cum Laude
Richard Franklin Ingley	Cum Laude
Thomas Wilson Jacob	Cum Laude
John MacNicol Myers	Cum Laude

CHAPLAIN'S COMMENTARY:

'Christ: for Our Time'

by Bob Stamps

I believe we are living in the most exciting times of a man's life upon the earth. I think this is especially true for we who hold Jesus Christ to be the Lord of history. It is especially true for those of us who are under thirty . . . for our generation. There has never been a day when young minds have been so eager in their quest for truth, for something real and vital, for something to live by. This became very evident to those of us who mingled among our generation on the beaches of Florida this spring. Never has witnessing to Jesus Christ been so exciting and really so easy in many respects. Our generation has tried a thousand wells and found them all dry. Our Master has told us that we should be springs of living water and no doubt in this day, like in no other day before, He would commission us to water the earth.

Perhaps something is happening to the minds of our generation by the overall workings of God's Spirit. Perhaps it is more than just the velocity of the beat that made "O Happy Day" number one in America last week. Perhaps there was something of the longing of our generation to be washed clean and made whole by something or someone.

There are those among us, however, who would point to the more negative aspect of our society. They labor the fact that we are living in the days of unprecedented degeneracy, and certainly there is ample evidence to support their gloomy commentary. Just the other evening I went to see "The Fixer", one of Hollywood's great movies this year. Unfortunately "The Fixer" was preceded by a sneak preview. This movie was called "The First Time" and dealt comically with three teenagers seeking their first sexual relations with a supposed young prostitute. The movie had its high point when one of the boys found success in bed with the young girl. The emotion of the whole movie was to applaud the young fellow's conquest. The movie was the sick product of diseased minds. Perhaps our society is sicker than we think when teenagers are shown in sexual relations with each other on the public screen. I wonder if "The First Time" adds much credence to the secular dictum that man at last has

come of age. Neither do Chinese cultural revolutions, or the unguided, undisciplined eruptions on the campuses of the world's universities, or the fact that almost three fourths of the world's peoples are still living under military dictatorships, reflect a human race grown up at last.

So we have the two extremes. On the one hand those who would cry—"The world is getting worse and worse"; on the other hand those who would say—"The world is getting better and better". Perhaps our Christian task in this hour of history is to place a middle road between these extremes. Our message is one of good news: the great, positive affirmation of God towards the world in Jesus Christ. Our generation approaches its world with unprecedented enthusiasm, but at the same time, with unprecedented emptiness.

We, as Christians, approach the world too. Should we retreat, or dare even hesitate, in this day of history? No, all that we have said above simply means that our warfare of love is going to be more interesting. It is of ultimate importance how we face life and the world we live in. Our generation longs for someone to listen to. Of all the people on the earth, our generation longs for someone to listen; we have the greatest responsibility to listen. Our generation demands answers to their questions. Of all the people on the earth, we must try the hardest to give them answers. Our generation is longing to see someone "really real" live before them. Of all the people on the earth, we are the only ones fully qualified, unashamed to live what we are before the earth.

Christ has told us that we are full and complete in Him. Our generation longs to see men who are full and complete. As we scatter this summer across the nation to our separate homes and separate lives, let us be joined together in a common commission to be liked, sought; to be the light, the salt, and the water of life to this generation and this world . . . to our generation, and our world. Let us in our lives be the gigantic, positive affirmation to human life and to the will of God that was, and is, the life of the Master.

"Let there be no fear but only hope and the promise is that hope will not disappoint us." (Rom. 5:5).

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All-Sports Banquet Honors ORU Athletes

by Garry Little

The annual All-Sports Banquet was held on Thursday, May 8, in the dining room of the Student Center. The event was sponsored by the Titan Club, an auxiliary body of the University formed to promote athletics.

Master of Ceremonies for the occasion was Bill Nash, Titan Club president. The program fea-

tured special music by Larry Dalton and Jim Gilbert, followed by an introduction of the players by their respective coaches.

Coach Bill Shirley gave an entertaining address punctuated by caricatures and mimicry of the "soul brothers" and other members of the ORU basketball team.

Coach Val Tucker followed with the baseball team on a more

serious note while Coach Bernis Duke presented the members of the tennis team.

The President's Trophy—awarded to the athlete most closely exemplifying the goals and aspirations of the University—was received by Bill Hull, World Action team member and the basketball team's highest scorer. Recipient of the Outstanding Athlete Award was Richie Williams, who was also named Most Valuable Basketballer for the 1968-69 season. Winners for the Most Valuable Player awards in baseball and tennis were Jim Lawson and Jirka Medonos, respectively.

The speaker for the evening, John McLeod (head coach at O.U.), spoke on the importance

of setting a goal and working towards its attainment, drawing upon his experiences in athletics and the examples set by some notable athletes.

President Bill Nash reminded the athletes that the Titan Club wished to include the university within its ranks to expand the club and its activities in future years.

Athletes honored at the banquet included:

Basketball

Tyrone "Skip" Brandon, Tim Cameron, Ralph Fagin, Carl Hardaway, Larry Hart, Bill Hull, Wardell Jeffries, Paul Massey, Ingram "Slim" Montgomery, Mike Ross, Don Shell, Richard Williams, Mel Reed, Manager.

Tennis

Garrick Little, Jirka Medonos, Ivan Mikysa, Pekka Salla, Cyril Suk, Peter van Lingen.

Baseball

Dwight Atchley, Boyce Bishop, Larry Cook, Joel Downing, Brian Gelencher, Preston Hale, Rick Hopper, Kelly Jones, Charles Kelly, Jim Lawson, Quint McGhee, Ron Morehead, Tom Presley, Tim Rinkel, Mike Ross, Bobby Jack Wallis, Troy Wells, Denny Whinnery, Herbie Wise, Bob Rodger, Manager.

Lawson Leads Baseballers in 1969 Season

by Joel Vesanen

On April 26 the Titan baseballers hosted Oklahoma Christian College in a double-header. The first game was a tight pitcher's duel between McGhee and Thompson. The last time these two teams met, Thompson threw a no-hitter against the Titans; although he wasn't as much of a puzzle this time, he was tough in the clutch and won 3 to 2. The Titans actually hit Thompson quite well with 9 base hits, but they couldn't push across the big runs. Gelencher led the attack with three hits.

The second game was also a close one which ORU grabbed 5 to 4. Joel Downing started the game but was relieved by big Mike Ross in the 5th inning. McGhee in turn, relieved Ross in the 8th inning to nail down Ross' first win of the season. Larry Cook hit a home run with a man on in the second inning.

April 29 could have been a happy day in the Titans' schedule, one that would have made amends for numerous earlier losses, but instead it turned out to be a day that one would rather forget. The Titans met the Hurricanes of Tulsa University the final time this season at Northside Park. Bobby Jack Wallis, Titan ace fireballer, met the Hurricanes for the last time in his college career, but instead of throwing smoke by the TU batters as he had done in their previous meeting this season, Bobby was not too great a puzzle to the northsiders as they hit him for 8 runs on 8 hits before he was relieved by Denny Whinnery in the third inning. Downing, McGhee and Ross followed Whinnery to the mound before the Hurricane barrage of 14 hits for a total of 13 runs was over. It should be added that the Titan fielding was catastrophic. The team made at least 7 errors, which helps to explain the unreal 13 to 0 final score.

April 30 was closing day for the 1969 Oral Roberts University baseball season. The Titans hosted Oklahoma City University in a twinbill. Joel Downing started the first game and was relieved in the fifth inning by Troy Wells. The Titans dropped the game 4 to 2 but they came on in a big way to win the nightcap 13 to 1. Quint McGhee picked up his first win of his college career.

Four year letterman Jim Lawson was voted Most Valuable Player by his teammates. Jimmy was deserving of the award as he led the team in batting with a

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Titan Netters End Season; Prepare for Summer Tour

by Skip Schulze

The ORU tennis team has completed another winning season compiling a won-lost record of 19-3. Since the last issue two tournaments and three matches have been played.

During the last week in April two tennis tourneys were held almost simultaneously. The Dallas tennis tournament started on Wednesday while the Miami tennis tourney began on Thursday. ORU was represented in both meets with Peter van Lingen and Pekka Salla going to Dallas and Ivan Mikysa, Jirka Medonos, and Cyril Suk going to Miami.

At the Dallas tourney Pekka was defeated in the first round in three sets to Phil Dent who is on the Australian Davis Cup team. Peter had a little better luck winning his first round match, but ran into Stan Smith in the second round. Smith is currently ranked No. 3 in the country. Smith was just too much for Peter as he bowed 6-2, 6-1. In doubles competition they were able to make it to second round beating Hans Ploetz, No. 3 in Germany, and Ove Bengtson, No. 1 in Sweden, in three sets 6-4, 7-9, 6-2. In the second round they met Ray Ruffles, No. 2 in Australia, and Bill Bowery, No. 1 in Australia, but came up short with a 5-7, 4-6 mark.

At Miami the team members were able to stay in it a little longer but couldn't make it all the way. Cyril Suk got a bye for the first round, beat Bob Brown from Southern Florida 6-3 6-0, won his third round match, but was defeated by Arsted Neely, No. 1 in Florida and No. 17 in the country, 3-6 6-8. Jirka Medonos beat Glen Brewer of Florida State 6-0 6-2, defeated Don Hogskyn from Furman 6-4 6-3, won his third round match, but lost to James Presley the tourney champ 4-6 4-6. Ivan Mikysa defeated Herb Yohner of Southern Florida 6-1 6-2, beat Greg Hilty 6-3 7-5, but lost his third round match to Danielson. In doubles competition Ivan and Jirka paired up and reached it to the semi-finals where they were defeated by Arsted Neely and his partner.

May 1 the netters traveled to Oklahoma City to play the toughest match of second half of the season. In order to take advantage of a local country club with better tennis courts, the match

was played at night. A combination of excellent opponents, poor lighting, gusty winds, and loud fans took its toll as the Titans bowed to the Chieftains 5-1. There was only time for six singles matches because there were only three courts and the fourth, fifth, and sixth man had to wait for the first three to end their matches. Four out of the six matches went three sets so it was 10:30 before all of the singles competition was completed, so the doubles were scatched. Jirka Medonos was the only victor for the Titans.

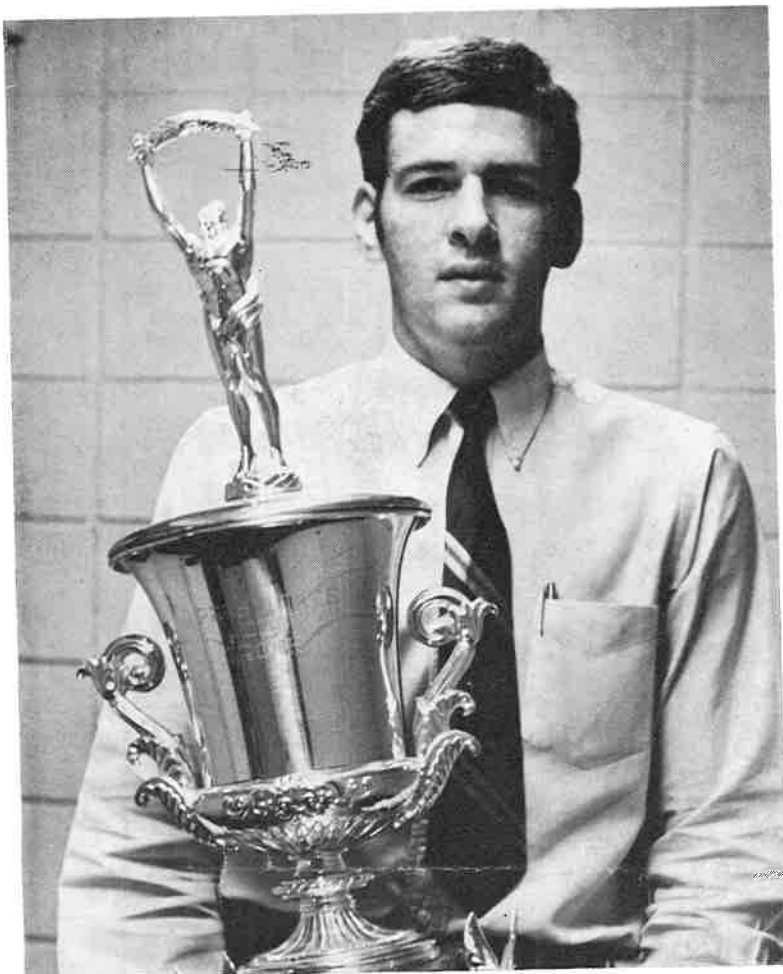
The next afternoon the Hurricanes from Tulsa came out to see if they could capitalize on the Titans' upset the night before. The TU netters tried their best, but the Titans proved to be too much for them even after being downed the night before and still having to attend classes after a short night in the rack. The Titans ran away with the match with a 6-0 finish.

May 6th the Titans journeyed to Durant, Okla., to play their last match of the season against Southeastern State. Earlier in the season the Titans thought that Southeastern would be their roughest opponent of the season after their southern roadtrip, but they had little trouble in disposing of them 6-1.

Jirka Medonos was named the outstanding player on the team after completing the season with an undefeated record.

Summer tourneys have already been lined up for our touring players. First on the agenda is the Tulsa Invitational with Peter van Lingen as defending champion. Next they will compete in the tournament at Wichita Falls, Texas, where Oklahoma City University is the returning champion. That tourney will be the rubber match of the season after the Titans beat them in Corpus Christi and they beat the Titans at Oklahoma City. From there they travel to Little Rock, Arkansas, for the Southwest Open and then on to Mobile, Alabama.

A vote of thanks is due our tennis stars for their fine work and dedication. And a thanks from the Public Relations department should be in order for all the free publicity they get when they win these big tournaments and defeat nationally ranked players.



Bill Hull—recipient of the President's Cup.



Most valuable players: Jimmy Lawson, baseball; Jirka Medonos, tennis; Richie Williams, basketball.

Booters Battle Internationals for Tulsa Cup

by Joel Vesamen

The Oral Roberts University Soccer Club completed its 1968-1969 season on May 11 with a tough match against Tulsa International Soccer Club for the Tulsa Cup. The ORU club gave away perhaps 10 years of experience per position to TI. Several of the TI footballers have played the game for 15 years, almost as long as some of the ORU players have lived. Walter Schnoor, the TI right-inside forward, played soccer on bomb-scarred grounds in Germany after World War II. "Red" Gustaffson, the leading scorer on the TI club and owner of the most powerful shot in the league, has played on the Icelandic Olympic Team. Since the Tulsa International team is largely of European extraction, most of their players have played soccer since they were boys.

The game, played on the ORU turf, was quite evenly matched for the first half. The ORU booters missed several good chances for goals in the first twenty minutes. Midway through the half,

"Red" Gustaffson kicked an 18 yard popper into the upper right hand corner of the net to put TI on top 1 to 0 at halftime.

After ten minutes of play in the second half, one of the ORU backs was called for a foul inside the penalty area giving TI a penalty shot, which Schnoor handily converted to put TI 2 goals up. The heat was obviously getting to both teams in the last 20 minutes of the match. David Bates scored for ORU with 7 minutes remaining to tighten things up considerably, but the old men of TI weathered the challenge of the college "kids" and owned the Tulsa Cup for another year.

The final season record of the Oral Roberts University Soccer Club is 9 wins, 6 losses, and 2 ties. In the Northern Division of the Oklahoma Soccer League, the ORU booters finished in third place with a record of 5 wins, 3 losses, and 1 tie. Tulsa International Soccer Club won the Northern Division and then defeated Fort Sill, the Southern Division winner, in a three game

series to win the Oklahoma Soccer League Championship.

The final statistics for the season are commendable. The ORU soccer club scored a total of 60 goals in 17 games for an average of 3.53 goals per game. Three year man, David Bates was the leading scorer with 16 goals. It should be added that David played in only 12 games; in other words, he scored at an impressive 1.33 goals-per-game clip. The rest of the scoring breaks down as follows: Paul Ott-11, Joel Vesamen-9, Ivan Mikysa-8, Don Ryan-5, John Wakefield-4, Arden Autry-3, Leonard DeZeeuw-2, Jiri Medanos-1, and Don Green-1.

Defensively speaking, the ORU booters allowed 28 goals to be scored on them in 17 games for an average of 1.65 goals per game. Goalie Greg Springs played in 15 games and allowed 23 goals to be scored for a 1.53 goals per game average. Springs had 4 shutouts and three games in which he allowed only one goal to be scored. Mention

should also be made of the fine play of fullbacks Bill Thompson and Bill Techanchuk and halfbacks Lowry Perry and Tim Tabor in supporting Greg Springs on defense.

The future of the Oral Roberts University Soccer Club is bright

since all of this year's regulars with the exception of left winger John Wakefield plan to return next fall. With the very good possibility of more foreign students coming to ORU in the coming years, soccer should soon be an institution here in Tulsa.



David Bates powers this kick toward the goal in Tulsa Cup play.



Greg Springs fulfills his last name as he springs to save this ball from scoring.

Gert Bahanna Charms Student Body

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poor things." She fulfilled all the expectancies of her listeners as she shared the fantastic story of her life.

The only child of very wealthy parents, Gert found herself with "everything everyone thinks he wants—wealth, social prestige, an IQ the same as Einstein's. She was sheltered from signs of poverty, ugliness, and "uncomfortable" things by a rather demanding and ambitious father. The word "God" was never mentioned in her home except blasphemously. She had never heard anyone confess to being a Christian, and consequently she grew up believing that no such person as God even existed.

In her junior year at Smith College she met her first husband, a man who was "ridiculous enough to ask me to marry him on our first date," and to whom her immediate response was "when?" instead of "yes." This marriage, into which she entered mainly "to get away from my father" and "because I thought nobody else would ask me," lasted less than five years. Out of it came Bill, her first son, who re-

ceived the finest of educations but ended up spending 10 years on Skid Row.

Gert related an incident which occurred three years ago to change the course of his life. Not knowing whether her son was alive or dead, she received a call from him one night, and she heard him say that he was leaving the following morning for McComb, Mississippi, to help rebuild bombed-out churches. He told her that he "now believed in God and in his son Jesus Christ, who said "Inasmuch as you have done it unto the least of these, you have done it unto me." I cannot imagine anything worse than what we American Whites have done to American Blacks," explained Bill. After spending nine weeks in Mississippi, Bill died of his third throat cancer in twenty months.

The only requirement Gert had for her second husband was that he be as unlike husband number one as possible. Hence, she was married for fourteen years to a "nice, quiet harbor," a man who was so quiet that when she began writing her book, she could not think of any-

thing he had ever said. A son also emerged from this marriage, and he is now an Episcopalian clergyman. It was in the second marriage that Gert turned to alcohol and barbituates as a means of escape. Possessing vast material possessions, she placed little value on them, longing instead for "inner peace and self-respect."

Gert's third husband "blessed" her more than anyone else by "refusing to accept my unacceptable behaviour." This period of her life was marked by an attempted suicide, the death of her mother and the consequent inheritance of more money, a sharp decline in her physical condition, and most important—her conversion to Christianity. The turn-over was initiated by a Christian couple to whom she had been introduced in Connecticut. She recalls getting as drunk as humanly possible to meet her first two Christians. Despite her condition, one question they asked penetrated her to the point that she could never forget it: "Gert, you have a lot of troubles—why don't you turn them over to God?" Gert was impressed by the genuine concern shown by these Christians, who informed her that they would be praying for her each morning at 9.

One day shortly after this meeting Gert was reading a pamphlet they had left her—**Faith at Work**—and she noticed these words: "It's never too late to start over." Start over she did, for at 53 years of age, Gertrude Bahanna became a Christian and turned her troubles over to God. After twelve years, her third husband ended their marriage, scorning her for becoming a Christian. Although she lost her husband, Gert quickly pointed out that she gained so much more.

Now 75 years old, Gert continues her travels all over the world witnessing for her "boss". She gave her money away long ago, and she values the inner peace and self-respect she has finally found so much more.

Tucker Comments on Pro Futures

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.306 average, in base hits with 22, in doubles with 8, in home-runs with 5, and in runs-batted-in with 21. Dwight Atchley stole 6 bases to lead in that department and Boyce Bishop was issued 20 bases on balls to lead in free passes.

Following are the final batting averages for the 1969 season:

Jim Lawson	.306
John Lawson	.273
Tommy Rinkel	.256
Brian Gelercher	.238
Boyce Bishop	.234
Bobby Jack Wallis	.227
Kelly Jones	.209
Dwight Atchley	.204
Preston Hale	.182
Herb Wise	.176
Tom Presley	.163

Larry Cook .063

Although the final record is 10 wins and 16 losses, Coach Tucker feels that the Titans had a successful season. Coach Tucker said that after the tough 3 to 2 loss to TU, the club hit a losing streak that it was to come out of but the men deserve a lot of credit for keeping their spirits up and coming back day after day in an attempt to shake the slump.

Of the four graduating seniors, Boyce Bishop, Brian Gelercher, Jim Lawson, and Bobby Jack Wallis, coach Tucker commented, "They can all make it to the pros if they want to. Baseball is 90 percent mental. It depends on how much the guys want to make it whether they will or not."