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It Ain't Like Home

It isn't quite like home. Many of our incoming freshmen have found that a university setting is different than the familiar neighborhood they left behind. Nowhere is this more apparent than in the college life. It takes on the appearance of African puberties rites, a transition from childhood to the world of adult life. The University attempts to help with this transition, but the dorm will never be the bedroom you loved. Roommates may remind you of someone you once knew, but not quite like the guy and girl you knew so well at home. Local jargon, southern "y'all," Brooklyn's "youse guys" (which was also the title of our continuing columns in last year's Oracle, which didn't quite continue).

Surely we are sometimes accused of having a predominantly negative attitude (concerning our use of the plural, I'm either schol- zoid or pretentious—take your pick) thought we in this issue we've set forth a few positive thoughts about the nature and functions of Oral Roberts University.

First, this University is a very good university. Academically, O.R.U. is in many areas on a par with some of the na- tion's best small colleges. On the spiritual side, O.R.U. proba- bly has, per capita, a larger number of concerned and activity- involved Christians than any institution in the country—Christians involved for once in facing the problems of the world, instead of perpetuating many of the hang-ups that contribute to them. We also have about the usual percentage of "dullness, but peace," or "dig it." (This time, remember?) Far too many of these people have made massive contributions to O.R.U. metabolism, not in the money and personal reputa- tion, students who could be re- ceiving scholarships and degrees from "reputable institu- tions", financial resources that can now be completely hopeless.

Next, O.R.U. has an almost unlimited potential for greatness. We are told that O.R.U. exists to provide dynamic Christian leaders for every area of life, from politics to engineering. We may be overly optimistic, but we think we have seen people of this type on campus. Only a few, yes—but leaders are always in the minority. And in a few years, when these "right people" get to the right places that God intends for them, Oral Roberts University can be a major force in the world. Or as the Psalms put it, "Trees of righteousness..." (Sp.14.24)

Finally, we would regulat- e the activities of other organizations on campus as to allow for an even, continuous flow of beneficial pro- gram of student concern.

We are also mighty proud of our students. Their spirit might not be as high as yesterday, we have already made en- couraging headway in each of them.

Not a doubt, we will please every one this year and 'to please will not be our major objective. We hope that at this school year's end, it can be said of the 1969-'70 Student Senate, that we investigated every area that was brought to our attention by our constituency, that we sought to do all we could to stimulate growth and that we gained the right to call Christ in a human setting of the ordinary concerns that surround us.

Editor's Footnote: KORU—slow death of a friend

"Trees whose fruit withereth... without fruit, twice dead"—Jude 12

KORU—a fruit of our ministry—is withering; from all appearances, the audio voice of KORU is being forced into the throes of a slow, suffocating death.

Programming has been cut to eleven hours and one hour and thirty minutes of daily classroom broadcasts only. No new programs are being taped. No policy changes are being made and no new personnel hired. The station is essentially stateless, pending the late October meeting of the Board of Regents. At that time, KORU will be weighed on a "cost vs. usefulness" scale and the fate of the radio station will be finalized.

The matter is largely one of finances. Funding comes entirely through the school as the station is strictly a non-commercial. A 100,000-watt FM station is expensive. Simple facts, yet important.

The rather nebulous state and purpose of programming is also under question.

Since broadcasting began three years ago, the station has been purposed to be an educational and public relations tool in the community. Gradually, this general purpose has been molded into a ministry: exhaling Christ in the Tulsa area.

However, the "specifics" of programming and audience direction have been more or less constant and change. The station had its greatest audience sup- port when broadcasting monotonous, interspersed with "fishhooks"—books of thought intended to make a youthful public ponder the question: who are we? where are we going?

This is a ministry to the non-Christian audience—the audience that most vitally needs the message of Christ. As phone manager Tom Mohn has aptly stated: "a business of redemptive radio always."

To those who feel that "hard rock for Christ" and "abundant life sermons" are inimicable, Mohn adds: "When we try to impose our tastes on someone else and then put religious commotions to those tastes, we are in a very dangerous area. I think as sons and daughters of God we can take anything and turn it into a blessing—the wildest of music and redeem it, react to it in a positive manner."

In the natural, fruits are commonly noted for their food value and as agents of seed dispersal. As a "fruit," KORU has broadcast "food for thought" and in this way, dispersed innumerable "seeds" of the gospel. The witness of KORU is never too expensive.

But in seeking the "most ministry for the least money," the physical structure of the station perhaps needs to be altered. As any plant requires pruning and shaping to be more productive, KORU perhaps needs to be "cut back" in order to grow anew. The possibilities of a smaller campus station, or student radio, should be cautiously entertained before total abandonment. To close with an air of finality is to once again say: "it was nice for awhile but we really shouldn't have."

Rather than this, an alteration of the present without complete destruction! Per- haps the need lies in a definite statement of policy on which to build—education, entertainment, inspiration—or a definite audience at which to aim. Change for growth, not change to death.

A tree without ANY fruit is twice dead.
Campus Commentary

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Dating Game Loses Appeal

by Mary Thornton

I am an ORU girl. But sometimes I’m ashamed to admit it. Like now.

I, for one, am sick and tired of hearing the whines of those girls who complain about the dating (or “non-dating”) habits of the ORU boys—crying on someone’s shoulder about how the boys don’t date the girls. SO WHAT?

Can you really blame the guys? Would YOU want to date someone because you were pressured into it? Would you want someone to date you only because he was compelled? Would you want to date a girl who didn’t “fancy you” and try to get a fella on her own; but wants someone to hold up the boys for her; push them into the dorm; and stand guard with an evil eye until they finally picked out a girl? I wouldn’t.

And if you HAVE tried for yourself, and it really seems the guy is just a stay-at-home who doesn’t like to go out, remember that ORU boys aren’t the only men in Tulsa—there are thousands more. Like the guy at church, or he nice boy behind the counter in the grocery store.

So come on, girls, lay off. If YOU REALLY want to date, you’ll find a way, and you’ll find a fella somewhere. And yes, and know—if you quit trying to push the ORU guys and quit whining a little, you might be surprised at how quickly they snap out of it. Guys are stubborn too, you know.

Happy Hunting!

Campus Comes Alive

by Glory Palm

Last May, ORU saw its first full graduating class leave campus with diplomas in hand and smiles on all faces—although a few tears found their way to the surface as the graduates were to depart from the “melting pot” they came to four years ago. Many miles separated many friends, and a scattering of the entire ORU “family” took place, as well as the graduating class. Students and faculty went from coast to coast and to different parts of the world.

However, a few of us stayed in Tulsa for the summer. I was one of those who stayed, and saw our campus minus its students and faculty.

They say a house is not a home without a family, nor a church without its members—and I am now convinced that ORU is not ORU without its students and faculty.

While on campus this summer I saw beautiful buildings, but they were deserted, and beautiful gardens and walks, but no one to enjoy them. It was all quiet and peaceful—if not spooky! The dorms were perfectly still and lifeless, as was our Student Union. ORU looked “lonely” for its students.

The many tourists who saw our campus this summer didn’t see ORU; they saw only its framework. It’s too bad they didn’t see ORU “alive,” like it was when the end of August came, and every day of the school year.

The fall semester brought more than 300 new freshmen of all varieties—panic-stricken, filled with awe, nervous, anxious, and excited about starting a new phase in their lives. With many of the freshmen, their parents—usually grinning from ear to ear, proud (just as my parents were) that their son or daughter has made it to college. And the older students, in their usual “all-knowing” and wiseupermomism—still wondering which office takes care of what.

The reunion of old friends and the meeting of new ones was great! The first weeks of school have been a mass of confusion as well as excitement and our campus is in full-swing again.

It all has looked to me like life-cooking in the ruins of Athens.

Soundings

by Student Chaplain Larry Hunt

Eager to throw out some ideas for evaluation and dialogue, I hesi-
tate to use this time to speak for introductions, but it seems expedient. What the reader will find in this column each issue is a brief discussion concerning a particular author or topic relevant to our university. More often than not the book or person examined will be featured in chapel or the bookstore—conveniently arranged by CSC! But before anything else is said, the reader should know what this column is NOT: it is not a “comeey attraction!” ad for the Christian Service coun-

cil. Neither is it “your weekly sermonette”—nor a book review. Rather, the column will be a SOUNDING BOARD for significant truth (which is never solely secular or spiritual) and a SPRING-

BOARD for further individual and corporate contemplation and prayer. The altitude of this column demands the ideal presented for evaluation will provide for the reader “a measurement of depth.” This year the CSC will have a shelf in the bookstore offering volumes helpful in meeting the special needs and challenges we face here. For example, the new students heard Michael Harper earlier this year; all of his books are now available in the bookstore. Coming soon to the bookshelf will be books highly recommended by Keystone Als by Kevin Raschig, and SPEAKING IN TONGUES AND ITS SIGNIFICANCE FOR THE CHURCH by Lawrence Christen-

son—books of which have great insight.

In conclusion, my personal petition is that our family in the Lord will live up to both its secular and spiritual connotations of the label most often used in reference to ORU: CHARISMATIC!

Thoughts to Poorder

"A man who hides behind the hypocrisy is smaller than the hypocrisy."

—W. E. B. Du Bois

"Jupiter was the first that practiced falsehood under the guise of wisdom."

—Milton

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Agape Love Feast: ORU First

ORU students celebrated an Agape love feast for the first time on September 3, 1969, leading the students in singing at the sit-down dinner were Bob Stamps, campus minister, and Dave Shearing, pictured above. Also featured on the program were Dona Wantland (left) and John Baysley (right)—a new student from Guyana. The feast is a commemoration of communion customs in the early church.

Editorial

An Expansion of Truth

Society is currently experiencing the dawning of a new age of social thought. In essence, it can be likened to a second period of Enlightenment in the history of mankind. But the main emphasis of this new intellectual awakening is, interestingly enough, being most exposed in the potentialities of the younger generation.

For many decades it has been in the social thought of the senior segment of our society that we have been most actively influenced to different avenues of intellectual and social thought. Now, through the exposition of long-inhibited minds, the youths have become expositors of truth (this term “truth” being a matter of definition.) Too long has it been held in public opinion, that the sheer brazenness of young people in defying parental restriction and contemporary social mores, was something less than a new school of intellectual thought, and could, in their opinion, be reduced to the ruthless term of rebellion.

Yet now those, who have begun to see the social injustice that has been imposed on expositors of youth movements, are beginning to realize that the amount of youthful genius and honest uncompromising ideas which have been so long suppressed is in calculable in terms of intellectual and social worth to a society that thrives on advancement and progress.

Turning a deaf ear to the tears crying for recognition and acceptance is a crime on moral integrity. The claims of thousands of parents that the reason the broadening generation gap is the irritation of their teenaged sons and daughters could often be legitimately read in reverse to expose the fact that the stereotyped parents refuse a challenge of their offspring on their concept on social behavior. They fail to realize that the reason that young adults have resorted to public and colleg
dian violence is a result of their consideration as a parent to open-mindedly discuss matters of pertinence with the younger generation.

The closing of the generation gap will subsequently come with the broadening of the mind’s eye, and with the willingness to optimistically share with their juniors and the honest desire to intelligently communicate. Suppression of thought can only harbor resentment, but honest communication can open the doors of progress and advancement for which society cries. And in order to effectively communicate we must listen and then react responsively.

Ken Friksen
Frosh Week: ‘fairly good execution of lously idea’

by Jolen Kelley

"I am a lowly freshman; I honor the ORU club when there is a week of initiation—better known as ‘Frosh Week.’ According to Susan Stockstill, ‘Frosh Week was a fairly good execution of a fairly bad idea.” STEERE DIKS,...” said Peggy Stevens. ‘I understand that some kids actually had compas-
sionate masters, I don’t feel the majority of the girls enjoyed being whipped. We could cut the slave auction out next year and our class wouldn’t lose a bit. ‘It would have better served its intended purpose if the upper classmen were more violent,” Larry Morbitz said. Carl Beach confessed, ‘Frosh week was re-
ally a blast for the guys who participat-
ted. It is a good idea, but it is possible that it was too easy this year. Next year as a sopho-
more I would like to see some racism lifted so we can really express our ‘love’ for the freshmen.”

‘It wasn’t as bad as I thought it would be, because Frosh Week was pretty well organized. I thought they would make us do more than they did,” Patricia McGhehey said.

‘I thought freshman week was very good for three reasons,” Keith Allen stated. ‘First it showed that our class needs uni-
ty; second, it helped us to get acquainted with upperclassmen; and third, I enjoy chucking
sopoms into the pond.’

‘Brassies are OK; butting into OK is Ron in Lundersom said, ‘As long as they don’t car-
y more than they should.’

‘All Frosh Week I made it a point to avoid my master, but it wasn’t really so bad,” Gwen Worth continued, “All we did was wash his car, go to his house, and he took me out to eat. I was lucky to have it so easy though.”

The auction was the most ri-
diculous and embarrassing attun-
tion I’ve ever been in,” Joan Crawford said. ‘I feel our class should eliminate it next year.”

Don Hartlin said, ‘I enjoyed Frosh Week. It showed me that we should serve others. At first I thought there would be a lot of grogdes held, but I’m glad things turned out so well. The best part of the entire week was the Tug-
of-War when the frosh showed their superiority over the sopho-
mores.”

One freshman chanted a new theme of the week—‘We are lowly freshmen; we honor ORU. Frosh Week, if you will honor us, we will honor you.”

Seininar Reactions

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Just as many said they learned nothing they didn’t already know. Perhaps the most vital function of the seminar was not in the material, but in the manner it was presented. It served as a dec-orator to future seminars.

“The most successful aspect of this seminar was the fact that the issue of war was brought out in the open for free discussions.”

“Finally... an open, honest approach at ORU to student problems. Although his comments were directed toward the large mass of stu-
dents and proved helpful to them, we must realize one important fact: If Dr. Sheld had been any more liberal, he would not have been al-
lowed to speak here. Yes, he was helpful, but we need to move on further from here... at least in naked expression to other views, trust-
ing in our experiential knowing of Christ to direct our actions after the initial expenses,” said Dawn Swader, a junior.

Bob Goodwin, Student Body President, summed up the essence of the Duing Seminar especially well: “I think Dr. Sheld was here. While he may be saving things we already know, I think he wanted us really into a subject we have fearedfully hidden from; think-
ing our questions would drive us farther from the Lord. I think he was very cindul, but through the nature of his visit, had to be. I hope students were able to take what he said and apply it where it is needed.”

Frosh Night Solicits New Club Membership

by Tom Ivy

Sounds of hurried activity buzze through Tulsa-Barton lobby last Friday afternoon as student members of 12 campus organizations prepared displays for ORU’s 3rd annual “RUSH NIGHT.” The event is designed to acquaint students with campus clubs they may be unfamiliar with—as well as to solicit new membership. Upon entering the lobby visi-
tors were greeted by a Bavarian mountain climber, actually stu-
dent president Warren Cassidy. With faculty advisor Grady Walker they welcomed guests to the ORU Club booth. In addi-
tion to German culture study, the club plans to sponsor point social activities with local high school German clubs.

Clad in Girf Scout gear, stu-
dent Pam Beiner greeted visitors to Campus Gold, Operating in conjunction with the Girf Scouts of America, the youn-ger national organization already has 45 college level groups. With faculty advisor Barbara Wilks, the club plans to work with local Scout groups and sponsor special projects, among them tutoring retarded children at SunnySide School.

President Tom Moore was on hand to welcome newcomers to France with a presentation of Paris, Plans for French films, and food attracted students hav-
ing a flair for the French style of life.

So ended “RUSH NIGHT 69” and started the ball rolling again for a new year of ORU club ac-
tivity.

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New Basketball Recruits
Labelled 'Best Ever' at ORU

By Mike Ross
At the beginning of each new school year there appear many unfamilial faces in our growing student body, and this semester is no different from the past. However, of these faces this year belong to a talented group of athletes who probably are the best basketball recruits ORU has ever seen.

The new varsity acquisitions include Haywood Hill, a 6'4" guard from New York City, New York. Haywood was the "Most Valuable Player" in the National Junior College Tournament last year, at he played with The National Champion Paducah Junior College.

Dennis Hippe is another new addition who comes to ORU from Oney Junior College. Den-
niso 6'5" forward, with a good shot and aggressive attitude. Dennis' hometown is Decatur, Illinois.

Milton Vaughn is the last of the three fresh- men to come from New York City to return for the beginning of the season. Milton is 6'2", from the East side Illinois Junior College and a resident of Tamms, Illinois. Mit averaged 36 points per game in his junior college career.

Oral Roberts University has its first freshman men's basketball team, and it is quite a formidable one at that. At the guard position we have Richard Fuqua, who is a 6'4" high school AllAmerican from Chattanooga, Tenn., Gray Davis who stands 6'4" from Cleveland, Tenn., Mike Austin, 6'3", from Dupont, Tenn., and Joe Yates from Fredonia, Kentucky, and Ira Willis from Tulsa, Oklahoma. The forward and center slots will be contend- ed for by Mike Taylor, 6'2", from Memphis, Tenn., Larry Baker, 6'5", from Chattanooga, Tenn., Jesse Taylor, 6'4", from Chattanooga, Tenn., and Ron Hutchinson and John Davis, both 6'4" and 6'5" from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Another member of the Titan organization is Jimmy Redford from Nashville, Tenn., Jimmy performed as a sophomore from Middle Tennessee University.

nonsense department

troublesome trouble frosh

By Becky Hill
One of the advantages of being a frosh is that you never have to go through those initial September travails again—no matter how many years you re- main a freshman.

Because you are new you learn to pre- tend that you know what's going on, even if you don't. That's the difference between a freshman and a sophomore.

But the freshmen weren't the only ones wearing bewildered ex- pressions these first few weeks. One transfer student deposited her tray, wastebasket and all, down the trash chute. And a res- ident counselor, answering a knock on her door at 4 a.m., was confronted with a girl who wanted the lid to her Dippity-Doo jar unscrewed.
The dorm just simply would not admit it, none of the upperclassmen excepted the freshmen, and lots of them had trouble figuring out how to open the soap-box the first night;

Couldn't have been, for at least the first week, which wing they were in when they got off the elevator.

Were frustrated (many still are) with the number of blue doors on the first floor of the LRC.

Couldn't remember what in the world JDM, LRC, HRG, TBA, RC or dial access stood for.

Avoided the places where they should have shown identification because their ID pictures looked so awful.

Were two weeks behind in hu- manities within the first three days.

Found spider webs in their mailboxes where there should have been letters.

Were homeless for a bathrobe or for someone to iron their shirts or for a piece of hot toast with melted butter on it.

Funny thing. Next year's freshmen won't be any different.
Netters Compile Summer Triumphs

by Garry Little

Members of the Terra Nova tennis team had another successful summer. The tournament team traveled to Oklahoma, across the country, and even as far away as Sweden.

In the first week of June, five players, including last year’s assistant coach Robin McKinney, made a big part in the South West Championships at the Little Rock Country Club.

The singles was won by Peter Vangen (ORU's number one player last year) from Rudy Her- raniand in the second round.

ORU's other representative was the number two West player.

Last week, with Jirka Medones, won the doubles from Ivan Mikysa who were on the winning team.

In Van and Medones play With considerable success in tournaments throughout the country.

In Alabama Van Vangen was running to Mike Belkin, Cana- dian Davis Cup player-Peter and Jirka taking the doubles. Jirka later won the singles championship in Atlanta, Oklahoma, and Topps, Kansas tournament and was runner-up in the Missouri Valley Championship.

Ivan Mikysa returned to Tulsa and played a number of matches in and around Tulsa and his team, including the Tulsa World, with Pekka prevailing in a close match there.

For Finland Ivan for the last months at student athlete. He helped Finland take the Scandina- vian Cup from Sweden, Den- mark and Norway.

Ivan plans to tour in the tournament, including Sweden and Argentina. "The Savages" was not played their first games.

ORU will again win a strong team this year, although number one player played last year, will be hard to replace.

Coach Duke has been busy sending post cards to parts known and unknown to recruit more players. So far he has recruited 30 new players from South America, South Africa, and other countries.

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New Goal: Major Status

by Joie Vrenen

Athletic, 17, who was a basketball coach and basketball coach Ken Trickey has had a successful summer recruiting personnel for the Oral Rob- ert University Titans renewed drive to become a major basketball team.

First, Coach Trickey guaran- teed press coverage for the Titans by applying to the University of Oklahoma's Brooks as Sports Information Director. Mr. Brooks served as sports information director at Middle Tennessee State for nine years prior to coming here. His brother, John, was a member of the College Basketball tournament that was held in the 1966 College Sports Information Directors Association, American Football Writer's As- sociation, and United States Basketball Writer's Association. Mr. Brooks will also serve as assistant athletic director and golf coach.

A big plus in the Titans' quest for major status has been the signing of assistant basketball coach Homer Garr, who for the past three seasons has been assistant coach at Vanderbilt Univer- sity.

Coach Ken Trickey said of Garr, "If I had a line of college basketball coaches and had my pick for an assistant, Homer would come to the top. He was Coach (Roy) Skinner's top aide at University of Memphis for five years and has more or less been in charge of Vandy's recruiting program. He is an outstanding coach and gentleman." Prior to going to Vanderbilt, Garr coached for nine years in the South and compiled a record of 119 wins against 40 losses (as close to the Titans' records which were on the way to Tulsa) in the 1964-65 campaign, his team went undefeated for 20 games only to lose in the final game of the state tournament.

He was selected "Coach of the Year" in the South before losing to the University of Miami 164-6. Eight of his last ten "starters" to play in high school were awarded athletic scholarships to colleges through his guidance.

With an upgraded schedule that includes Big Ten Conference schools, the NAIA championship of last year Eastern New Mexico, and a new AAA conference major status for the Titans of Oral Robert University appears within sight. It might be just a bit too beyond the hori-