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The Oracle

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Seminar Features Dr. Shedd

"He came to us; the Lord surely led.
He made a beautiful thing of the marriage bed.
He's one heck of a guy—
That Charlie Shedd!

by Delores Boyd

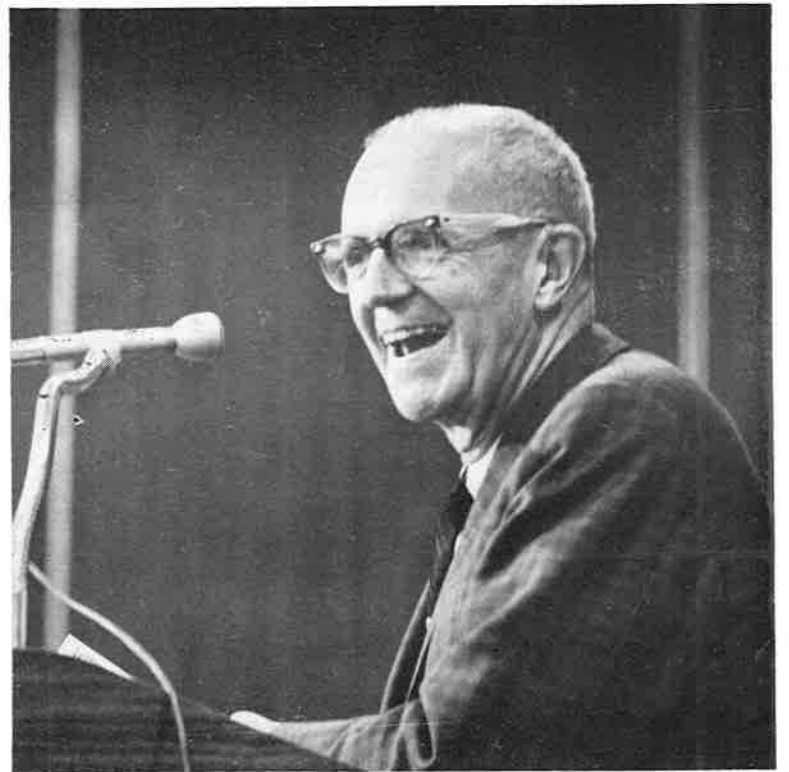
Brother Bob's poetic prowess based on this original ditty may be questioned by the experts, but his ability to select "winning" chapel speakers defies questioning. Chaplain Stamps' latest winner, Dr. Charles Shedd, came to ORU for a three-day (September 17-19) seminar on Dating and Interpersonal Relations. A Presbyterian minister for 25 years, Dr. Shedd has appeared on the *Art Linkletter* and *Merv Griffith* shows. He is head of the Christian Writers Association, author of eight books, and frequent contributor to periodicals

and magazines.

During a series of six sessions, open to students and faculty, plus numerous personal conferences, the 54-year-old father of five struck a comfortably intimate rapport with his listeners. Drawing upon his experiences as a minister, father, counselor, and lecturer, Dr. Shedd "tabooed the taboo" on sex and frankly discussed the issue in all its facets and implications. Many teenagers, yearning for someone to "tell it like it is" with straight, honest facts and counselling concerning sex, have found their answer in Dr. Shedd, who has devoted three books to the subject.

Two of them—*Letters to Karen on How to Keep Love in Marriage* and *Letters to Philip on How to Treat a Woman* were written in response to requests by his own children for advice on love and marriage. *The Stork Is Dead* grew out of a dialogue through correspondence with almost 10,000 teenagers, readers of his column on sex and dating in *TEEN* magazine.

Directness, perception, humor, understanding, love—all these elements characterized Dr. Shedd's presentation and his books. He dared to cross the language barrier that usually stifles communication between the generations, and according to student appraisals, he succeeded. "Almost everyone who's honest with himself has some sex hang-ups," Dr. Shedd declared, and "Christians have more problems with sex than anyone else." This then was the essence of his mission at ORU—to strip sex of the vulgar, often perverse commercializations heaped on it by sick minds, and to remind us of the beauty and glory of sex—made by God—in its right perspective. Perhaps the most poignant and recurring thought in Dr. Shedd's entire presentation was his insistence that sex is an aim toward an uninhibited response, soul to soul, and therefore its real meaning and fulfillment cannot be reached outside marriage. Urging students not to trade sex kicks today for the wonderful thing sex can be for them tomorrow, Dr. Shedd defined sex as "not something you do, but something you are." "Sex is a 20 year warm-up," he said, "and it's just one cog in God's great wheel of love."



Dr. Charles Shedd—on dating and interpersonal relationships.

students voice acclaim, criticism

by Carolyn Barnett

Much thinking and conversation was stimulated by Dr. Charles Shedd's dating seminar. His ability to be completely honest and frank impressed the student body: "I appreciated the frank, open manner of talking about such a 'touchy subject'."

"He's a straightshooter, tells it like it is."

Immediately, he bridged the generation gap by putting himself out on a limb by telling his audience it didn't matter what they thought of him because he loved them and was going to tell the facts straight.

"I can appreciate Dr. Shedd's openness on a subject which most of his generation put in the closet," commented one senior. "Too many students come to this campus almost totally ignorant because they've been sheltered by their parents. Our generation 'digs' anybody who's honest, whether we completely agree or not."

A sophomore expressed it another way—"I think it's very good. Sex has never been discussed so openly and freely on our campus, and I think this open attitude is very desirable, especially in college."

Dr. Shedd made no attempt to judge student morals, yet he did not exclude the spiritual aspect of sex that is generally left out of the biology class. This shed new light on the subject for some. One called it a "refreshing, new approach."

"I realize more that the sex act is something very meaningful, rather than just sex itself," said one.

"I think this seminar is a good thing; a lot of kids don't understand sex or the beauty of it," said another.

A Presbyterian minister, Dr. Shedd believes in reading and following the Bible, and he did not hesitate to bring scripture before the students. This spiritual insight about sex meant a lot.

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16 New Professors Join Faculty Ranks

by George Karasievich

Nine full time and seven part time instructors add their names to the faculty list this year. The largest turnover falls in the PE department, with five new additions.

Guiding the basketball team this year are Coach Kenneth Trickey and Assistant Coach Homer Garr, who desire to bring athletics into the NCAA. "We want the basketball team," remarked Coach Trickey, "to have major status and be on an equal basis with the big schools." Mr. Garr adds, "We're going after the top boys . . ." Boys may not dominate the whole basketball scene; Miss Francis Albitz, another newcomer, anticipates a girls basketball team that will participate in intramural and inter-collegiate events.

Herbert Dallis, baseball coach, and Myron Peace, HPE instructor, complete the group of new instructors to the department. "Experience success," Coach Peace urges, "by the spirit of involvement in intramural sports."

To the speech department come Mrs. Marion Collings, journalism instructor, and Robert Primrose, speech professor. "Public address should be an aggressive area of study," stresses Mr. Primrose. He suggests a stronger extra-curricular program for speech, including an active campus forum, where students and outside speakers may voice opinions, intra-mural and intercollegiate debate, and a traveling group of oral readers.

In the science department,

Mrs. Beth Hixon serves as a chemistry instructor.

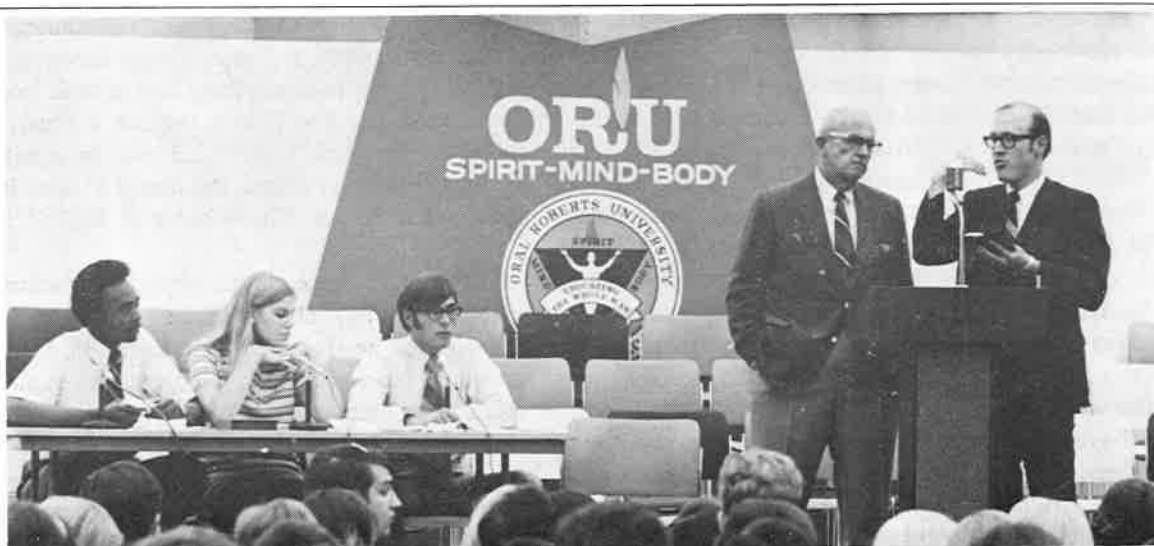
"We want to build a department," says George DeShazo, a new education professor, "that offers more subjects." He would like to see more participation in a student education association.

In the language department, Mrs. Jean Burns, a French instructor, seeks more initiative in the foreign language clubs. She proposes that it can be a cultural experience, with outside speakers and possible trips to foreign countries. Also new to the language department are Miss Kathleen Murray, French instructor, and Mr. Buenaventura Torres, Spanish instructor.

Raffaele Catanzariti, director of the university and concert choirs, wants quality choral groups that can enter any festival, performing on a par with other college choirs and overwhelming them both by witness and musical ability. Also joining the music department is Paul Walbert, director of the World Action Singers.

As a whole, the new faculty members note the genial atmosphere of the campus, both enthusiastic students and cooperative faculty. "Students are interested in being here," comments Mr. DeShazo. "A spiritual campus . . . a complete and sincere fellowship," remarks Coach Peach. Mr. Catanzariti adds, "Really Christian."

The new faculty also expresses a purpose for the future. One member concludes, "ORU has a vision ahead of its time . . . we need continuance."



Reverend Bob Stamps adds to discussion as he and Dr. Shedd field questions from panelists Cliff Taulbert, Karlyne Lutke, and Doug Kaye during seminar session.

Editorial

It Ain't Like Home

It ain't quite like home. Many of our incoming freshmen have found that a university setting is different than the familiar neighborhood they left behind.

In some ways college life takes on the appearance of African puberty rites, a transition from childhood to the world of adults. The University attempts to help with this period of adjustment, 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" all come together with a slight resemblance of English and confusion to the ones who just can't say "y'all," "youse," or "dig it."

Many discoveries are made at a university. It soon becomes apparent that all men are created equal, but culturally different. In view of the discovery of differences, the university becomes one of the many stepping stones of maturity, not an expensive nursery.

Personal whims become very insignificant when it is realized that hundreds of other students thing, talk, and act totally different than you. When you come face to face with men and women who react differently than you do in the same situation, value—judgments are made. But you must remember that it has been the different values and perspectives that have made life interesting. However, when these personal cultural values infringe upon the rights of others, then it is time to call council with those practices.

ORU is just one stop in life. The confrontation of values here are not nearly representative of the diversity of the world. However, these value—conflicts . . . though seemingly small . . . shouldn't be taken as a joke nor as a religious challenge. They should be recognized as human differences caused by isolation, prejudices, biases, choice and cultural determinants. The ORU campus is small, therefore, any significant value deviation is easily recognized.

This university is not home nor is it the big bad world, but it is one of the many stops in life designed to introduce you to a world of diversity.

—Cliff Taulbert

staff commentary

one small voice

Well, world, here we are again, ready for another year of whatever it is we're doing at this place. This is the first number of a continuing column which we're calling, with apologies to Mr. Drury, "One Small Voice" (which was also the title of our continuing column in last year's *Oracle*, which didn't quite continue.)

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

First, this University is now a very good university. Academically, O.R.U. is in many areas on a par with some of the nation's best smaller colleges. On the spiritual side, O.R.U. probably has, per capita, a larger number of concerned and actively involved Christians than any

institution in the country—Christians involved for once in solving 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 Pharisees, but I'm being positive this time, remember?) Far too many of these people have made massive contributions to O.R.U. (Faculty who have sacrificed money and professional reputation, students who could be receiving scholarships and degrees from prestigious institutions, for instance) for the place to 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 will begin receiving the kind of PR it needs—testimonials in human lives of what this University stands for.

Unfortunately, the University isn't perfect—now or ever will be. We still have hang-ups of our own (image vs. reality, at the moment), and we still have financial difficulties that aggravate some of the hang-ups. But the potential is still here, waiting—and begging—to be developed.

And now we come to the realities of the matter. We've made progress toward rationality in the past years, but the only way we're going to continue to progress (and grown as Christians, personally) is to keep ideas flowing, maturing, and, yes, conflicting. It is for this purpose (also for keeping a few people awake, when necessary.) that I humbly (or not so humbly, depending on how well you know us), offer "One Small Voice."

—Michael LeWey

The President's Corner

by Bob Goodwin

Everyone is excited these days about the great potential that is ours as students of one of the most unique, ultra-modern campuses in the country. But we, as upperclassmen and underclassmen alike know the inside story. We know that our potential must be turned into motivated activity that seeks to be "new" in its concept. New because the object of our adoration, Jesus Christ, is new and alive. AND that motivated activity must be refined and channeled into areas that will build and uplift our student body that we might be better able to participate in the shaping of men's destinies.

The Student Senate feels gravely responsible for a portion of the progress that will be made this year. We deem our positions as campus officials as a means to express the full and rich life that flows through every believer.

I would now propose to you several ideas that would correspond with the university's statement of purpose, as seen through the eyes of our senate. In addition to the ordinary legislative concerns, I see the role of the Student Senate in the following light: first, we must represent to the administration, the desires and suggestions of the students; and to the students, the mandates and suggestions of the faculty and administration.

Secondly, there comes a time when elected officials must step out in their own good conscious, take certain initiative, and seek to lead. In promoting certain programs and movements, the student's feelings may not be "represented," because all the students are not involved. But we would hope that there would be some advantage presented to most of the students as a result of our actions.

Thirdly, we would seek to expose the students to various activities of cultural, academic, community, national, and world-wide relevance, thereby preparing them for the future that awaits them.

Fourthly, the senate would seek to monitor the feelings and moods of the campus in order to initiate appropriate solutions or courses of action.

And fifthly, we would regulate the activities of other organizations on campus as to allow for an even, continuous flow of beneficial programs of student concern.

While these functions might seem vague, we have already made encouraging headway in each of them.

No doubt, we will not 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 generated the life of Christ in a human setting of the ordinary concerns that surround us.

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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 Oral Roberts University is in the throes of a slow, suffocating death.

Programming has been cut to eleven hours a day; spiritual and middle-of-the-road classical broadcasts only. No new programs are being taped. No policy changes are being made and no new personnel hired. The station is essentially static, 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 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 purposed to be an educational and public relations tool in the community. Gradually, this general purpose has been molded into a ministry: exalting Christ in the Tulsa area.

However, the "specifics" of programming and audience direction have been marked by experimentation and change. The station had its greatest audience support when broadcasting modern music, interspersed with "fishhooks"—barbs 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

vitality 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 incompatible Mohn adds: "When we try to impose our tastes on someone else and then put religious connotations to those tastes, we enter 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 closely examined 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! Perhaps the need lies in a definite statement of policy on which to build—education, evangelism, 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 up" and try to get a fella on her own; but wants someone to herd 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 guys at church, or the 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 you never 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 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 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 empty, and beautiful gardens and walks, but no one travelling on 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 came parents—usually grinning from ear to ear, proud (just as my parents were) that their son or daughter has made it to college.

Then there was the return of a good many "all knowing" and wise upperclassmen—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-coming to the ruins of Athens.

Soundings

by Student Chaplain Larry Hart

Eager to throw out some ideas for evaluation and dialogue, I hesitate to use this initial space 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 "coming attractions" ad for the Christian Service council. 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. As the title of this column denotes, the ideas 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 are two books I highly recommend: CATHOLIC PENTECOSTALS by Kevin Ranaghan, and SPEAKING IN TONGUES AND ITS SIGNIFICANCE FOR THE CHURCH by Lawrence Christenson—both of which have great insight.

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

Agape Love Feast: ORU First



ORU students celebrated an Agape love feast for the first time on September 1, 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 (top left) and John Bayley (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 youth 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 discretion 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 incalculable in terms of intellectual and social worth to a society that thrives on advancement and progress.

Turning a deaf ear to hearts crying for recognition and acceptance is a crime on moral integrity. The claims of thousands of parents that the reason for the broadening generation gap is the irrationality of their teenaged sons and daughters could often be legitimately read in reverse to expose the fact that the stereotyped parents refute 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 collegian violence is a result of their inconsideration as a parent to openmindedly 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 Friesen

Thoughts to Ponder

"A man who hides behind the hypocrite is smaller than the hypocrite"
"Satan was the first that practiced falsehood under saintly show"

—W. E. Biederwolf
—Milton

Rush Night Solicits New Club Membership

by Tom Ivy

Sounds of hurried activity buzzed through Timko-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 visitors were greeted by a Bavarian mountain climber, actually student president Warren Casady. With faculty advisor Grady Walker they welcomed guests to the German Club booth. In addition to German culture study, the club plans to sponsor joint social activities with local high school German clubs.

Clad in Girl Scout green, student Pam Belser greeted visitors to *Campus Gold*. Operating in conjunction with the Girl Scouts of America, the year-old national organization already has 45 college 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 *French Club* with a touch of gay Paris. Plans for French films, and food attracted students having a flair for the French style of life.

Those guests who arrived before three circuit breakers were tripped by the power overload, noticed an electronic display assembled by *Communications Club* enthusiasts. The club is not yet official, but the purpose, expressed by Paul Teja, is, "to find students who are interested in a club which will exist for all forms of mass media expression. Special programs, field trips, and campus productions will be a part of the new club's activities."

(x^2+y+e^2) (a^3+b+c^2) . . . That's one for Bob Burns, acting president of the *ORU Math Club*. With Dr. Doyle Hearst as faculty advisor, the club plans to sponsor many more interesting activities than in the past.

"Good evening! Could I interest you in International Club?" The voice had a familiar Finnish flavor to it—coming from Joel Vesanen, president of International Club. With Dr. Sandor Kovacs as advisor, the club functions to familiarize students, especially foreign students, with various cultures represented on campus.

Psychology club was on hand with electronic response testing devices to demonstrate that psychology is more than books and lectures. Student Al Beauvias was present with other club members to inform students of club activities and plans.

"That fella over there with all those cheerleaders" was Ron

Ringness representing Pep Club. The one campus club devoted to building support of ORU's athletic program.

A mural depicting Moscow at dusk focused attention to yet another world. Student president Jamie Bury and faculty advisor Dr. Steve Durasoff of the *Russian Fellowship* state the club's purpose is to provide a culture orientation of the Soviet Union, coupled with social activities.

Ken Wooster, student president of *Circle K*, was present to recruit potential members to the college division of the Kiwanis Club. Chuck Ramsey, Jr. sponsors this group of select men students who serve in various social functions on campus and in the city of Tulsa. The club hopes to sponsor Thanksgiving food baskets and Christmas toy parties for the Hysome Children's Center.

Oklahoma Student Education Association, under Mr. George DeShazo prompts "all students who plan to be teachers" to join.

Many visitors found the 'south of the border' flavor *Spanish Club* to their liking. Jan Craven is president of the club which has Mr. Bill Walker and Dr. Alice Rasmussen as sponsors.

Dressed up skeletons and warnings of lung cancer greeted passer-bys to the *Medical Careers Club* booth. With Ron Stevens as president, the club plans hospital tours and Red Cross vo-

lunteer service to be a part of its activities this semester. Dr. May and Mr. Youngstrom are faculty advisors to the club.

So ended "RUSH NIGHT 69" and started the ball rolling again for a new year of ORU club activity.



Medical Careers Club members Dawn Huntwork and Rebecca Payne determine extent of lung damage in skeletal "fire-breathing" specimen at Rush Night display.

Frosh Week: 'fairly good execution of lously idea'

by Joleen Kelley

"I am a lowly freshman; I honor ORU," was the theme of 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 DIES. . ." said Peggy Stevens. "I understand that some kids actually had compas-

sionate masters. I don't feel the majority of the girls enjoyed being sold. We could cut the slave auction out—next year and our class wouldn't miss it a bit."

"It would have better served its intended purpose if the upper classmen had been more violent," Larry Morbitt said. Chris Busch commented, "Frosh week was really a blast for the guys who par-

ticipated. It is a good idea, but it is possible that it was too easy this year. Next year as a sophomore I would like to see some restrictions 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 wasn't very well organized. I thought they would make us do more than they did," Patricia McGhehey said.

"I thought freshmen week was very good for three reasons," Keith Allen stated. "First it showed that our class needs unity; second, it did help us to get acquainted with upper classmen; and third, I enjoy chucking sophomores into the pond."

"Beanies are OK; buttoning is OK too," Rosslyn Lundstrom said. "As long as they didn't carry it too far."

"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 ridiculous and embarrassing situation I've ever been in," Joan Crawford said. "I feel our class should eliminate it next year."

Don Hanlin said, "I enjoyed Frosh Week. It showed me that we should serve others. At first I thought there would be a lot of grudges 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 sophomores."

One freshman chanted a new verse of the theme—"We are lowly freshmen; we honor ORU. And now, if you will honor us, we will honor you."

Seminar 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 door-opener to future uninhibited discussions.

"The most successful aspect of this seminar was the fact that the issue of sex 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 students and proved helpful to them, we must realize one important fact: if Dr. Shedd had been any more liberal, he would not have been allowed to speak here. Yes, he was helpful, but we need to move on further from here . . . at least in naked exposure to other views, trusting in our experiential knowing of Christ to direct our actions after the initial exposure," said Dawn Swader, a junior.

Bob Goodwin, Student Body President, summed up the essence of the Dating Seminar especially well: "I'm very glad Dr. Shedd was here. While he may be saving things we already know, I think he emerged us gently into a subject we had fearfully hidden from, thinking our questions would drive us farther from the Lord. I think he was very candid, 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."



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World Action Singers Spotlighted in Concert

by Twila Allwine

Saturday night's World Action Singers Concert was a unique blend of secular and sacred music. Singing such pop tunes as "Downtown," "Born Free," and "Georgie Girl," they presented a good variety of today's popular music. Along with Richard Roberts as soloist, they also presented some of the most favorite sacred music as arranged by Ralph Carmichael.

Especially enjoyed by the audience was a feature solo by John Bailey, a new addition to the Singers this year. He sang a song from his native country in South America and accompanied himself on the guitar.

The second World Action team was presented for the first time in concert. Giving a rendition of "What a Friend," they showed true potential of musical ability. This group will take on singing obligations which the TV singers would not be able to accept.

President Roberts spoke for a short time at the conclusion of the concert. He shared with the audience the concept of "God's Now" and how that includes the Singers in all phases of World Action. "Paths to World Action" have started from ORU and have resulted in a tremendous impact and response through the new TV programs.

There is no doubt about the program's entertaining and even inspirational effect. The audience seemed extremely enthusiastic in its response. Various aspects of the choreography used by the Singers are somewhat controversial—yet, on the whole, it added to the music instead of detracting from it. Technical areas, including staging, lights and sound, could have been more professional. The program was well-presented and was the result of much hard work. The Singers are to be congratulated on their performance, and the second group is to be welcomed as leaders beginning on still another path to world action.



World Action T.V. Singers in Concert

Letter to the Editor: required chapel a necessity?

The question of the necessity of required chapel has been a recurring issue here, and at other Christian colleges and universities as well. However, our university is unique in many ways, and one of those is its progressiveness, its willingness to innovate. The architecture, the facilities, the equipment, the very existence of this university, attest to this. As men and women of this institution built on, of, and for God, we should be able to satisfactorily resolve this, and other recurring issues.

Flexibility is the key word here. Granted, we have had a certain number of "cuts" allowed; granted, this number is more now than in the past. But why have attendance taken at all? Is it really necessary? It shouldn't be, and it isn't. Admittedly, the larger the number of people in the audience, the "better" it looks. This should not be the basis of required chapel attendance, or a criteria in other issues affecting our university community. Appearance should rank below inward inclination on our list of priority.

Here we come to the main reason for required chapel—the reasoning that if attendance were not taken, and penalties were not imposed, then those who "need chapel the most" wouldn't come. The question is, does such a benefit come from required chapel? If they come with a feeling of resentment, of rejection towards the chapel, can they receive? Does their presence contribute, or rather does it detract? Would not it be much better to leave the decision of whether or not to come to them? Then, when they do, they have come on their own, and though it would still be possible for them to have a defensive attitude, the resentment and hostility would not be present.

What about those who aren't such "had-core sinners"? Will all the saints be present all the time? Hardly. However much one is heaven-oriented, that person still must be in this world, and that means studying late, tests that are right after chapel, lost sleep, heavy schedules of class, work, and otherwise. Even a saint might feel moved not to go to chapel on a particular morning.

What is the point of anyone sitting in chapel studying, or sleeping, or trying not to go to sleep? This is not to condone setting the chapel time aside for a study time every week. But whenever one would profit more from not going to chapel, that person shouldn't be there.

Last, and possibly the most important, the idea, the principle, of being required to come to

worship is offensive.

We strongly recommend a one-month trial of non-required chapel. The audience may be somewhat smaller, but the people will be there in a much better spirit, and these chapels just may be the best this school has had. We may even be surprised to discover that the usual member in attendance isn't affected at all.

—Wayne Kelln

Festival Prompts Comment

a matter of compassion

by Linda Requard

In the early morning hours of September 1, 1969, I walked slowly through the sprawling campsite of the New Orleans Pop Festival and felt unspeakable compassion. I knew I was leaving these empty expressions, deafening sounds and overpowering smells. And at the same time, I was looking out across thousands of young people who didn't want to leave. This was their bag—their chosen way of life.

As I crossed the grounds of the International Raceway in Gonzales, Louisiana, where this first regional festival was being held, I felt like an unwelcome intruder in some strange land for insomniacs. At 5:00 a.m. it was still quite dark and yet everyone was stirring. A thick fog hung an eerie backdrop on the scene.

Stretching far off in the distance were small groups in bizarre dress huddled about strobe candles. The sickening sweet odor of incense and pot pervaded the warm air. Most of the population of this weird community were freaking out. Some lay unconscious on the grass; others, like zombies, wandered aimlessly about the camp. Still others were crawling on all fours and howling like crazed animals.

This pathetic sight brought to mind my first encounter with a real "head"—a person actually tripping on LSD. It had been a rather dramatic confrontation the previous evening. Situated in a huge crowd that was listening to the "Grateful Dead" produce weird electrified sounds, I was aware of a young man running at full speed in my direction. He lunged head first and landed just behind me with a dull thud.

I turned to see two members of our ministering team leading a dazed, frightened young man back to our camp. He was on a bad trip—a real bummer—and desperate for help.

I joined others of our group, including former ORU student Jim Hatcher, and two converted hippies named Phil and Patty Stagg back at the tent which was our base of operations. Hanging from the front flap of that tent was a psychedelic sign which announced our purpose at the Festival. It read "God is love."

Immediately I went to prayer as others made the boy comfortable and ministered the Word to him. More that were freaking out came as news spread of our mission.

Late that night I fell asleep claiming God's promises to give these hippies the spirit of love, power, and a sound mind in exchange for the spirit of fear that had laid hold on them.

In the morning I awoke to find the same, yet different, young people. They were rested, peaceful, and anxious to hear of the power that had moderated us and delivered them. But these were only a few. We were leaving and had helped only a handful.

As I looked for the last time at the thousands who were still living this nightmare, my heart was profoundly stirred. For a moment I experienced the awful grief that must have filled our Lord and caused him to weep over Jerusalem. And somehow my spirit sensed what my eyes could not see: Jesus was not only weeping at the New Orleans Pop Festival, he was sobbing.

New Basketball Recruits Labelled 'Best Ever' at ORU

by Mike Ross

At the beginning of each new school year there appear many unfamiliar faces in our growing student body, and this semester is no different from the past. However, some of the 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, as he played with The National Champion Paducah Junior College.

Dennis Hippe is another new addition who comes to ORU from Olney Junior College. Denny is a 6' 5" forward with a good shot and an aggressive attitude. Denny's hometown is Decatur, Illinois.

Milton Vaughn is the last of the juco transfers from South east Illinois Junior College and a

resident of Tamms, Illinois. Milt averaged 36 points per game in junior college action.

Oral Roberts University has its first Freshmen team this year and it is quite a formidable one at that. At the guard positions we have Richard Fuqua, who is a 6' 4" high school AllAmerican from Chattanooga, Tenn., Greg Davis who stands 6' 2" from Cleveland, Tenn., Mike Austin, 6' 3", from Dupont, Tenn., 'Gersy' Joe Yates from Fredonia, Kentucky, and Ira Willis from Tulsa, Oklahoma. The forward and center slots will be contended for by Mike Taylor, 6' 2", from Memphis, Tenn., Larry Baker, 6' 5", from Chattanooga, Tenn., Jessie Taylor, 6' 4", from Chattanooga, Tenn., and Ron Hutchison and John Davis, both 6' 4" and from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Another member of the Titan organization is Jimmy Radford from Nashville, Tenn.; Jimmy transfers as a sophomore from Middle Tennessee University.

nonsense department

traumas trouble frosh

by Becky Hill

One of the advantages of being a freshman is that you never have to go through those initial September traumas again—no matter how many years you remain a freshman.

Because you soon learn to pretend 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 expressions these first few weeks. One transfer student deposited her trash, wastebasket and all, down the trash chute. And a resident counselor, answering a knock on her door at 4 a.m. was confronted with a girl who wanted the lid to her Dippity-Do jar unscrewed.

Though they'd probably never admit it, none of the upperclassmen escaped being a freshmen; lots of them had trouble figuring out how to open the sofa-beds the first night;

Couldn't remember, for at least the first week, which wing was theirs 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, HRC, TBA, RC or dial access stood for;

Avoided the places where they had to show identification because their ID pictures looked so awful;

Were two weeks behind in humanities within the first three days;

Found spider webs in their mailboxes when there should have been letters;

Were homesick for a bathtub 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.



Titan tennis team members Jirka Medonos and Ivan Mikysa prepare for fall tournament play after completing successful summer in competition.

NCAA Status in New Aim

Soccer No Longer Cinderella Sport; Gains Varsity Status

by Colin Bent

ORU's soccer season will start on a different footing this year. Athletic director, Coach Ken Trickey announced in a meeting with soccer prospects last week that the team would now be playing on a varsity level aimed at reaching NCAA status.

Formally ORU competed as a club and played teams concentrate around the Tulsa and Oklahoma City areas. Indeed the players are elated at the change which has climaxed their 4 years of struggle without the financial blessing commonly associated with varsity sports in America.

Too much cannot be said concerning the help and guidance which Coach Jack Johnson has given to the soccer team, and now that he has acquired the assistance of Coach John Cassanova, he should see his dream for a top-rated soccer team come alive. Coach Cassanova, who is a resident of Tulsa, was a professional soccer player in Milan, Italy. He played as a goalkeeper for 4 years but returned home at the end of the 1926 season in order to retain his U.S. citizenship. Coach Cassanova comes to ORU with a wealth of knowledge and experience and doubtless the footballers will benefit from his instruction.

He plans to use the 4-3-3 formation which calls for a "short-passing" game, employing the use of four forwards, three linkmen in mid-field and 3 defense men. In this kind of game the link men will be the play constructors and back bone of the whole team. His main objective for the team is not speed but ball control and accurate passing, which he says can be accomplished only with hard work. "I am not interested in a team of stars," commented the coach, "but a set of hard working fellows."

Although each member of the squad will have to prove his worth in order to keep off the

bench, it is obvious that hard working center forward Dave Bates and outside forwards, Joel Vesanen, left winger, and right winger Arden Autry will be a big asset to the team. All three men are returning players who have already done fine jobs for their team. Bates is a very speedy forward and whether he plays at his usual "cee-fee" position or not, ought to prove a headache to any defense. The other two forwards are exceptional shots from outside the area and many a goalkeeper will be suffering from third degree burns ere the season draws to its close.

Lined up for the Titan Booters this season are games against such teams as Rockhurst College College in Liberty, Missouri and in Kansas City, William Jewell Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs. Opening kick-off for the

'69-'70 season was last Saturday when ORU defeated South Western, 7-0. The season ends in February. This is by far the toughest season the Titan Footballers have been assigned and whether they will be able to match their '68-'69 record of 5 wins 3 losses and 1 draw competing in the Northern Division of the Oklahoma Soccer League remains to be seen.

Soccer, as it is called in the United States, is the world's most popular game. However, this would not be realized if one were to observe the size of the crowd spectating our games on campus. It cannot be over emphasized that a team can do only so well and no more, without its partisan crowd. On the other hand, mediocre teams have been known to out-play their superior rivals simply by the help of their fans.

Booters Stampede Southwestern

opponents romped by 7-0 score

ORU Titans, playing their first game of the season, walloped Southwestern Oklahoma College on Saturday of last week. The blue and gold kickers hammered in 7 goals to nothing, in what could be considered a one sided game.

Throughout the entire first half, when ORU forwards found the back of the net six times, Southwestern's half of the field was under constant bombardment and could have been declared a disaster area. They never had time to set up their defense but the scoring was contained to 6 goals, only because of a great effort by Southwestern's goalie Rick Jones, and some hesitancy by the ORU forwards.

From the outset of the game, ORU's forwards began roaming freely upfield with the ball and with the game just 3 minutes old, outside right Arden Autry miss-

ed a fairly easy chance. However, 2 minutes later he redeemed himself when he picked up a loose ball and after beating one defender passed into the center for Bates to convert. Five minutes later following several attacks on the goal Joel Vesanen lobbed a beautiful pass into the middle and Ivan Mikysa made no mistake about it, beating the goal keeper and putting the Titans two goals in front.

Perhaps the play of the game was when Bates, after beating a defender and still under pressure, shot from an almost impossible angle and hit the roof of the net giving the goal keeper no chance at all. Bates and his cohorts continued the massacre and before the half ended he hit home two more goals while Vesanen scored once from a shot 20 yards out.

Play in the second half slowed down when unnecessary run-

Netters Compile Summer Triumphs

by Garry Little

Members of the ORU tennis team had another successful summer of tournament play in 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 Bob McKenna, took part in the South West Championships at the Little Rock Country Club.

The singles was won by Peter van Lingen (ORU's number one player last year) from Rudy Herando, ranked number two in the west. ORU's other representatives reached the semi finals or quarter finals.

Van Lingen, with Jirka Medonos, won the doubles from Ivan Mikysa and Bob McKenna. Cyril Suk was runner-up in the consolation singles.

Van Lingen and Medonos played with considerable success in tournaments throughout the south.

In Alabama Van Lingen was runner-up to Mike Belkin, Canadian Davis Cup player—Peter and Jirka taking the doubles. Jirka later won the singles championship in Ada, Oklahoma, and Topeka, Kansas tournaments and was runner-up in the Missouri Valley Championship.

Ivan Mikysa returned to Tulsa to play in a number of local tournaments in and around Tulsa with Pekka Salla, including the Tulsa World, with Pekka prevailing in a close match there.

Pekka returned to his native Finland with Ivan for the last month of summer, where he helped Finland take the Scandinavian Cup from Sweden, Denmark and Norway.

Ivan played in several of the tournaments, including one in Borghalm, Sweden. The "Savage" was forced under protest to play mixed doubles for the first time in ten years—a match in which he succeeded in eliminating one of Sweden's top pairs with the aid of a 38-year old partner. The feat he ranks among his best.

ORU will again field a strong team this year, although number one player Peter van Lingen 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 Evan Phillips from Guyana, South America, who is the Junior Champion of that country. He is also corresponding with yet another Czech residing in Switzerland.

New Goal: Major Status

by Joel Vesanen

Athletic director and head basketball coach Ken Trickey has had a successful summer recruiting personnel for the Oral Roberts University Titans' renewed drive to become a major basketball power.

First, Coach Trickey guaranteed good press coverage for the Titans by signing Mr. Bob Brooks as Sports Information Director. Mr. Brooks served as sports information director at Middle Tennessee State for nine years prior to coming here. His brochure on Ohio Valley Conference basketball was presented the "Award of Merit for Excellence in Sports Information" in 1966 by *College Sports Information Directors of America* and *Spencer Advertising Company of New York*. He holds membership in the *College Sports Information Directors of America*, *American Football Writer's Association*, and *United States Basketball Writer's Association*. Mr. Brooks will also serve as assistant athletic director and golf coach.

Another big plus in the Titans' quest for major status has to be the signing of assistant basketball coach Homer Garr, who for the past three seasons has been assistant coach at Vanderbilt University.

Coach Ken Trickey said of Garr, "If I had a list of collegiate basketball coaches and had my pick for an assistant, Homer would come to the top. He was Coach (Roy) Skinner's top aide for the past three and a half 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 Virginia high school ranks and compiled a record of 119 wins against 40 losses (as close as he could recall without his 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 Richmond area for the 1965-66 season when he took five sophomores and rolled to a record of 16-4. Eight of his last ten "starters" to play in high school were awarded athletic scholarships to colleges throughout the country.

With an upgraded schedule that includes five Major NCAA schools, the NAIA champion of last year Eastern New Mexico, and many small college powers, major status for the Titans of Oral Roberts University should not be too far beyond the horizon.