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Dr. Hamilton: "This is the most important event in ORU's academic life up to now."

**ORU achieves academic status**

ORU delegates confer during an ESC session.

Twenty-nine resolutions were passed as 185 delegates from 34 schools across the country met last weekened at ORU for the second Evangelical Student Congregational Meeting. ORU's delegates numbered 19: Mike DeArruda, Tim Cameron, Gary Cashole, Dan Delon, Leon Grosman, Rod Jacobson, Jolen Kelley, David Little, Clarissa Moore, Bob Petris, Charles Redd, Rob Rhodes, Tom Rodgers, Delois Sadler, Jim Shelton, Jim Nick, Cliff Taullibert, Joyce Vogel, and Sheryl Williams.

The ESC, legislative body of the greater AES, is a mock congress in which students present, discuss, and in some cases, adopt bills or resolutions. Legislation concerning the war, abortion and marijuana was presented, as expected, with some less popular issues such as a negative income tax (passed), and the study of Eastern religions and cultures (passed unanimously) widened the scope of the proceedings. A resolution, sponsored by the Lee College delegation, to eliminate the sale, use, and manufacture of the pesticide DDT within the United States was accepted.

Several bills sponsored by the ORU delegates were adopted by the ESC. Bob Petris sponsored a bill concerning Selective Service reform. He called for the end of the draft by July 1, 1973. A mandate concerning campus government, was introduced by Rob Jacobson (ORU) and Jim VIII (Olive Bible College). This concerned communication between campus governments and their respective student bodies. The resolution called for the use of campus newspapers and radio facilities, posting of minutes and agendas and the creation of a student activities calendar.

During the AES Business meeting, Jolen Kelley secured the acceptance of a new department within the AES framework. She saw the need for improved communication between AES members and non-members. Her resolution created the Department of Research and Development.

Tom Rodgers, Mike DeArruda and Delois Sadler proposed an avenue for membership of non-member schools in AES who are not evangelical in nature. This means that if a body of evangelical students from a non-evangelical school desires membership in AES, they may join the organization.

One bill from the domestic concerns committee lists the following scriptures in its last amended version: [Proverbs 10:1]. After the amendment: [Proverbs 10:1] (as class): Deut. 15:7-11, Amos 1:5, Acts 2:44-45, Galatians 2:10 and 1 Thessalonians 5:11. The resolution clause reads: "Let us be required to show that the ESC urge the NEA (National Evangelical Association) and the American Christian Community to accept this resolution: that American Christians will subscribe to the resolutions, as a remarkable demonstration of the secular world of Christian love, to a voluntary program of citizen service at the needed luxuries, (e.g. $100,000 home, Cadillac, boat, cable in the lake, lavish clothes, two color TV sets, second or third car, etc.) and give the money to Christian charities to be distributed to the poor in the name of Jesus Christ."

Gary Pollard, senior ORU student, has been named by the Music Student Council as recipient of the annual Linda Edgecomb Music Memorial Award.

The money for this fund comes as a donation from the parents of Linda Edgecomb as a memorial to their deceased daughter. Linda, as a high school music student, had planned to come to ORU. One outstanding music student will be recognized with a cash prize and have his or her name engraved on a display trophy award to be hung in the music department building, according to a decision made by the Music Student Council (which is comprised of representatives from all music departments). Representatives from each performance group were nominated according to requirements set by the Council. To be eligible a student must be a junior or senior major music major and have completed at least one minimum of two semesters. The student must also have maintained a grade point average of 2.5 and must show "continued and improved outstanding musical ability as attested to by the music faculty," according to David Whitsett, Council President.

Gary Pollard, in addition to meeting the basic requirements, has been active in many aspects of the music department since he was a member of the Tulsa Philharmonic for two years, was a member of the Collegians who toured Europe in the summer of 1966 and later was in the World Action Television group for two years. Gary was in Chamber Singers last year and is presently performing with the Concert Band, Brass Choir, and Stage Band. This spring Gary appeared as guest trumpeter with the orchestra of Nathan Hale High.
Walker: Teaching is his bag of tricks

by Roth Fligel

What’s tall, dark, good-looking, and loves to teach and motorcycle? It’s Mr. Bill Walker, Spanish teacher at ORU.

Bill Walker never imagined that he would become a Hispanista of any sort when he was 21. He had planned on a career in music, started out in business, and then switched to Spanish literature.

Bill Walker has a life-style that would be hard to match! Born in Gideon, Missouri, a small cotton town community in “the boot heel” part, down by the Mississippi,” he began mingling at an early age with the Mexican bracero who came to harvest cotton crops. His family was poor, so he worked for his tuition at the School of the Ozarks after graduating from high school and later received a scholarship. Then for 2 years he traveled on his Harley 74 and even conducted several revival rallies. It was discouraging to the parishioners at first to see the evangelist show up on a motorcycle, but then it usually didn’t take them but three days to accept him!

After graduating from the School of the Ozarks, he attended Drury College and graduated from there in 1965. In 1965, he went to the University of Missouri for his Masters and graduated with a double major in Spanish and Preaching.

Exactly why did Bill Walker decide on Spanish as a career? Since he had grown up with the language, it came easily for him. If he hadn’t become a Spanish teacher, he would have gone into literature in South America, and he did have several incredible offers.

Wheeler: Spirituality rates top priority

by Marsha C. White

Students trust Bill Wheeler. They’ve been coming to his office for 3 years to talk out problems and seek advice about matters which they were unable to discuss with anyone else. Similarly for Dr. Wheeler can be seen in the classroom where, for example, five students gave his last semester for Chelsea, still like him. He describes his relationships with students as “great.”

Dr. Wheeler came to ORU in the fall of 1968 from a teaching position at Arkansas where he recently received his Ph. D. in Comparative Literature. His Comparative Literature doctorate is one of only a few such degrees in Oklahoma and one of approximately 75 in the U.S.

The nature of his studies in the literatures of Italy, France, Russia, Spain, Perú, China, and Germany required proficiency in several languages which he spent the 1966-67 academic year at the University of Heidelberg, and holds a M.A. degree in both German and Comparative Literature. He has also completed the classroom requirements for a degree in English Literature. Near Eastern, specifically Persian literature, is his specialty. His dissertation, “Forers of Renaissance in Romanicist,” deals with the influence of divine love which grips the young writers of the Romantic period.

Dr. Wheeler says, “It is absolutely inconceivable that a liberal arts college does not offer a degree in philosophy. We have one of the largest collections of philosophy books in the state, and the half-hour of philosophy is offered.”

Speaking of God’s role in his life, Dr. Wheeler states, “I never make out a test or go into a classroom and say, ‘I ask God to help me.’” Reading about six to nine books a week, he says, God really does increase his understanding. Steve Wheeler’s lectures are not casually prepared. He tries to understand student feelings in order to determine what’s best for the class and help make class more enjoyable.

Dr. Wheeler will not be back at ORU next year. He has been accepted into the Peace Corps program and will be teaching English in a Far Eastern university. Concurring with the above, Dr. Wheeler says, “ORU has a fantastic future which will be connected with the world and with the petty.”

newsbriefs

YMCA needs counselors

Counseling and leadership positions are available with the Tulsa YMCA Camp Tsalakola. Camping sessions for both boys and girls will be conducted this summer. For information contact Mr. Sam E. Wilson, YMCA of Tulsa, 515 S. Denver, phone 583-6201.

Pool schedule changed

The following changes have been made in the student swimming schedule: Monday through Wednesday, 7:85 p.m.—girls and boys 8-9:30 p.m.; boys Thursday, closed; Friday, family recreation; Saturday, 1-3:30 p.m. —girls and 3-5:00 p.m.—boys; Sunday, 2-3:30 p.m.—girls and boys 3:30 p.m.—boys.

AbS petitions available

Petitions for Associated Student Body elective positions will be available Monday, April 12.

Nash named regent

William R. Nash, Vice President for Real Estate, Loans of the National Bank of Tulsa, has been named Trustee Regent of ORU. He will serve a three year term on the 41-member board which governs ORU.

A graduate of the University of Tulsa, he serves as president of both Indian Springfield Country Club and the ORU Tennis Club.

Register: W. C. McQueen has released the following spring semester exam schedule. Friday, May 21, will be the last day of spring classes. Saturday, May 22, is a study day and enrollment for fall classes.

Classes meeting MTWF, MTW, MTF, MT, MTF, WT, WF, W, or F will follow the MWF schedule.

Classes meeting MTT, MTT, WTW, T, TT or TF 3.00 TT will follow the TT schedule. Classes meeting on a half-hour schedule will follow the test schedule for the hour. Example: 8.00 class will follow the schedule for the hour.
Students express views on new status

Accreditation. The word is al-
most a tongue-twister, but it sig-
ifies the approval of one's grodu-
tion in the country. But what does the word mean to ORU stu-
dents?

"Accreditation is important to me in that when I graduate in two years, I'll have a degree that will be recognized at whatever college I choose to attend for graduate work. It also means that when I get back to the East Coast, I'll be able to teach in any of the public schools without hav-
ing to worry about mak-

ing up deficient credits. Work-
ing at ORU has been one of the
best liberal art experiences. I'm
looking forward to being a part of
the accreditation process, I hope it's
for the best for all of us who study here."

—Tom Weaver, sophomore

"As students, we are searching
for our own identity, and here at ORU I have been able to find God's purpose for my life. The students here are very active and they are always doing some-thing for God, and I have never been involved in such a large organization. I chose ORU be-
cause of its academic status and
since I have a religious purpose,
I believe we will do great things.
"—Dan Whittacre, junior

"My education as a speech major at ORU is exciting. It's also re-
duced my knowledge of the world, and I have been able to grow
in a Christian atmosphere. I have
to think about the things be-
efore I say them."

—Florence McDaniels, senior

"I believe that ORU offers the
best education for me. I have
never seen a school where the
students are so close and I
really enjoy it."

—David Newton, junior

"At ORU, the students are
very close and we have a lot of
fun together."

—Darla Newton, junior

"ORU has given me everything I ever wanted from a university. Before I came here, I was deter-
mined to receive the best liberal arts education possible within a Christian atmosphere. And ORU has given this to me. Before com-
ing, I also realized that ORU was not accredited. At the same
time I knew that Oral Roberts wouldn't do anything 'second
rate' and that in due time, accred-
tiation would come. I took a
step in faith by going to an un-
accredited school. I pleaded to
the fact that I would receive a
stronger a education. I have
realized that accreditation is
something that this education
would be fully accredited by the
time I graduated. My grades
have now been accepted...

—Bill Tchach au, senior
The Titan baseball team picked up five wins last week, while losing only one to establish a 15-4 mark. The Titans have become doubleheader action against South Dakota State at Chief Bender Field here yesterday.

In a visit to East Central to Ada last Monday, ORU split a twinbill as Larry Tolbert pitched a three-hitter in the opener to lead ORU in a 6-1 win before Stan Kerby went the way for the Titans who finally faltered in the eighth inning in a 4-3 loss to the host Tigers.

Last Friday and Saturday, however, were days of shutout victory for the ORU nine, as they chalked up scores of 7-0 and 16-0 over South Dakota University, Friday, and on Saturday, crushed Northwestern State College, 10-3 and 10-0.

Jack Cheney allowed only three hits in hurling ORU's first shutout of the year. Meanwhile, ORU posted only seven hits, three of them coming off the bat of Richard Roese, as South Dakota had problems with wildness and fielding in their season opener. The visitors' pitcher walked four in helping ORU score three runs in the first, while six errors, four of them on South Dakota's shortstop, also aided the Titans.

Everybody except Greg Davis got at least one hit for ORU in the second game, as the winners unleashed a 16-hit barrage to overwhelm South Dakota, 16-0. Steve Cain's two-hitter held the visitors scoreless, while ORU had a haywire with a five-run third inning and a nine-run fourth.

Floyd Brown was three for four in the fifth-inning game, starting things off for ORU with a triple in the first and then scoring on a sacrifice fly. Jimmy Lee, Gary Marple, and Leon Smith each doubled in the big fourth inning.

Lee threw his fourth victory against no losses in the opener Saturday as ORU downed Northwestern State College 10-3. The Titans opened their scoring with four runs on four hits in the third inning while Shorstop Tommy Thompson, three for four for the Titans, was home over the center field fence to lead off the third inning.

Larry Tolbert worked his way through three tight innings in the nightcap before the Northwestern State third baseman committed two errors and allowed two unearned runs that proved to be the needed icebreaker for the Titan sluggers. One inning later, Davis led off the fourth inning with a double and was followed by a nubber to give Tolbert plenty of scoring support. Three more runs crossed the plate in the sixth and four singles in the seventh provided the final two runs of the game.

Brown hit a double play in the second game, in the first and sixth innings, to help Tolbert stay out of possi- bly jams. Only one Northwesterner, baserunner reached second in the entire game.

Yesterday the Titans opened a four-game series with South Dakota State at Chief Bender Field, playing a doubleheader. Another twindie was scheduled for today at 1:30.

Action during Easter vacation will include a tripleheader April 3 with the strong University of Oklahoma team at Norman. OU is favored to win the Big Eight Conference baseball title this year.

Tennis team hosts ORU Invitational

The ninth-ranked Oral Roberts University tennis team is hosting the Third Annual ORU Invitational Tournament here beginning today and continuing through Saturday.

"We'd like to have more ORU students come out and see our team in action," Coach Bernia Duke commented during a discussion of the tournament.

And plenty of action there will be, as the defending champion Titans entertain 14 other teams. Oklahoma University, last year's runner-up team and Big-8 Conference champions, will return this year to contend for the tourney title. OU earned a few tense moments for the Titans last year before finally falling by a close 5-4 score.

Strong opposition is also expected from Arkansas University, North Texas State, a team ORU edged 4-3 in competition early last month; Middle Tennessee State, Northwestern Oklahoma State, last year's NAIA tennis runner-up, and cross-town rival Tulsa University. Tournament matches begin at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Earlier this week the Titans met Missouri and Northwest Missouri State in dual meets at their home courts on Tuesday and Wednesday respectively.

Going into those contests, the ORU netters had marked up a strong 11-2 record, with their only losses coming at the hands of Texas A & M (4-3) in the Corpus Christi Tournament and West Texas State (4-3) in the West Texas University Team Tournament. To balance out their loss, however, the Titans have whipped two nationally-ranked teams, Pan American and Houston.

The ORU tennis team will get their season underway over the Easter break, as they will host Middle Tennessee State April 4 and Kansas State University April 5. Next Wednesday and Thursday, April 7 and 8, they will travel to Colorado where they will face both the U.S. Air Force Academy team and the netters of Denver University.

Linksters place second in Tulsa U. Classic

The Oral Roberts University golf team, undefeated in dual matches and placing well in tournaments this year, had "zapped 'em again" yesterday in the First Annual University of Tulsa Classic at Cedar Ridge last Friday, the linksters placed second behind Oklahoma State University but ahead of Oral Roberts, Oklahoma and Tulsa University. Coach Myron Pease led the team in its performance at Cedar Ridge, saying, "It is considered a championship course and one of the longest competitive courses of its kind. We can be very proud of the team."

The host team, University of Tulsa, ended up playing doormat as ORU swung past them for the third straight time this year.

This was a major victory considering that OU is a two-time state champion and is expected to finish second in the Big-8 Conference this year behind OSU.

Commenting on the fact that they only work two days a week at Meadowbrook, Pease said, "The boys have done really good this year, and we are a year ahead of ourselves in playing such big schools."

Gary Lee led the Titans in the five-man tournament with a 79, while Ted Gellert, Dave Barr, Mike Webb, and Jim Fowler supported him with 81, 81, 82, and 83, respectively.

Meadowbrook was the site of action Tuesday as ORU hosted Central State and Northeastern State in a triangular meet. The linksters also hosted Northwestern Missouri yesterday.

The Titans will be traveling to Norman April 4-6, for the Oklahoma University Invitational, which will feature OSU, second-ranked Texas, North Texas (ranked in the top 20), and Wichita State among others.

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No, Ray Rose does not have a Mrs.—not even secretly, (as it was reported erroneously in last week's Oracle.) The supervisors of the Cherokee Children's Mission School near Tahlequah are Ray and Rose Morrison.