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Freshmen swell ORU enrollment

An influx of nearly 600 freshmen this year has been an unexpected challenge for ORU. The total of 3,138 students registered for the fall semester, the campus is filled with young adults as never before in its history.

A final tally has not been computed, because some students are still enrolling.

In the first year of ORU’s existence, in 1965, 308 students took part in the experience of educating the “Whole Man.” But a steady growth in the student body had tripled the number of undergraduates by the fall of 1969, when 1,042 were admitted. The increase in one year from the fall of 1970 to the fall of 1971 was as large as the total enrollment the previous year.

The campus has not reached its saturation point. Plans in the near future are for two more high-rise dorms to be constructed to hold a total of 500 more students. This will allow 1,700 young adults to live on campus. Three hundred community students, at maximum, when added, produces a total student body that gives a total of 2,000. Only then, when the administration decides, will there be an increase in college services.

Of the 908 new applications for admission to ORU for the fall of ’71, 600 were accepted, admissions officials reported. Each year the administration will become more selective in an effort to accept students committed to the “Whole Man” education and way of life.

Although ORU will expand facilities in the future, it is intended that an approximate ratio of 15 pupils to each professor will be kept.

“With these students here we are making the best class to go through ORU.,” stated Rod Jacobsen, assistant student body president.

“It’s important for the classes to have unity so they can contribute to the life-like style here in a substantial way.”

If the enrollment continues to increase, the possibility of adding new dorms becomes a reality. If the enrollment grows as it did last year, it will not be possible to accommodate the influx of new students. The buildings that are available are filling up fast.

Voting to be next week

Over 15 persons had taken out petitions for offices Wednesday in the days leading up to the student council election to be staged next Friday. The seven students taking out petitions were, for freshmen, Ron Krall, Al Brisco, Tim Thomas, David Walker, Robert Banning, Bill Phillips, and Stan Sutliff.

Running for class president are Judy Baxter, Tommy Tucker, Wayne Jacobsen and Rayette Downing. Those in the race for freshman president are Rick Beal and Michelle Nobles, respectively.

Primary speeches will be scheduled for Monday, Sept. 2, at 7 p.m. in Zoppelt Auditorium, followed by the primary elections Tuesday on the second floor of the LRC. Voting will be from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to select the top two persons for each office.

General election speeches will be held Thursday, Sept. 8, at 6 p.m. Thursday in the chapel area. The general election speeches will be held next Friday, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the second floor of the LRC.

The Election Committee has released several rules which must be followed by all contestants. The rules state that all speeches which may be put up after petitions have been ratified through Dean Voght’s office, must be secured with tape, and will not be permitted in or around the LRC, the Prayer Tower, the Prayer Gardens, or the RCN.

All campaign posters must be approved by Dean Inbody’s office before being posted, indicating that all posters must be approved before they are hung up around campus.

Spiritual life programs commence in dormitories

by Jon Lindvall

"Jesus Christ was limited to one life, one voice, and one personality. His method for bringing light to the world was to reproduce Himself in His disciples. Jesus spent much of His time training these disciples, and they in turn spread the light to the whole world."

With this statement Campus Pastor Bob Stamps explained the concept behind the spiritual life programs provided at Oral Roberts University as "reproducing Christ’s life at every level of the community. Every voice of grace is offered at ORU."

Activities students may become involved in are:

Prayer—through worship devotionals in the dormitories.

Bible study—in the seminars. These include the “Life in the Spirit Seminar” and the “Twelve Weeks on the Rock.”

Sorority—offered early in the Prayer Tower Auditorium.

Christian fellowship—found at every level, with the faculty, in the dorms, at chapel, in the community meetings, etc.

Witnessing—through the mission of the Christian Service Council.

“All of these activities are a means of reaching the goal of the Spiritual Life Department," said Rev. Stamps, better known as Brother Bob. "This goal is the making of disciples and the living of disciplined lives together."
Course offered

Church-related counseling will be instructed by Dr. Harold A. Fischer, and Mrs. Fisher will give assistance during the fall course. This year marks Dr. Fischer's 25th year of instructing church-related counseling at ORU. He taught similar courses for the fourteen years he spent on the Southern California College faculty.

This two semester-hour course will be conducted on thirteen Tuesdays evening beginning September 21st, from 7:15 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in Room 235 of the Learning Resources Center. To register for this course, write in church-related counseling, interested persons should visit the Admissions Office in the base of the Prayer Tower. Additional information as called the "Sick Corps," extension 743-6611, extension 2508.

Watch uncovered

A valuable man's watch has been found between the entrance to the campus and St. To claim the watch, the owner is invited to call Raymond in the Language Department.

Ministries

(Duration continued from page) two to four o'clock on Sunday afternoons.

Last year a prayer band was formed by students who felt a need for more prayer. The prayer band has evolved into a group which meets on weekday mornings 6:30 a.m. in the Lincoln Lounge. This group, led by Beth Roates, brings requiem prayer services once each week. Each service is accented with the re-quests on other prayer groups in the community of Tulsa. From the prayer band, another group, called the "Sick Corps" is called to come and pray for the person. The group is just beginning this year. The men's chairman is John Lindwall and the women's chairman is Betty Lou.

With the exception of the Sick Corps, which will go to the hospital, all of these activities take place on campus. "But without an outside ministry specialized and less church" the campus would soon become stagnant," Brother Bob observed. Taking ministry off the campus is the Christian Service Council, which has as its slogan, "Let the SON shine out." Under the direction of Ron D'Otell, CSC has added new ministries and interest is reported to be "running high.

Pastor Bob Stamps believes that by encouraging student leadership in these areas ORU is doing its part in "reproducing" Christ's life and ministry. "Church is still making its mark on the world."

Prayer requests

Students with prayer needs are making their needs known to three different prayer groups on campus. They include the Adventist Prayer Group, extension 2205; the Community Prayer Band, extensions 2274 or 2362; and the Community Sick Corps, extensions 2382 or 2263.

Classes to form

William Jernigan, Director of the Library and Learning Resources, has announced that there will once again be the opportunity for students to earn 3 to 4 credits during the month of January in ORU's mini-semester program. Classes will be formed according to student interest. Now is the time to know about the course one would like to take. Mr. Jernigan can also advise about programs to study abroad for academic credit during January.

Library hours

Students should be advised that library hours for Saturday are 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. If there is insufficient student interest and interest for study on Saturday nights the library will be opened. Library hours Monday through Friday are 7:30 a.m. to 9:45 p.m. On Sunday the library is open from 2 to 10 p.m.

Work scholarship

Students on work scholarships and their supervisors will meet 11 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 23, in Zopfelt Auditorium. Attendance is required.

Third generation

"The Third Generation," a contemporary Christian music group at ORU, is holding auditions for singers, a pianist, a drummer, and a lead guitarist. The group, which toured during the Thanksgiving and Easter vacations last year, and sang throughout Oklahoma during the school year, is planning a tour of the United States in January. Interested persons are asked to contact Steve Carvichia, extension 2356.

SEA to meet

The Student Evangelistic Association will meet Monday, Sept. 20, at 5:15 p.m. in room 207A in the Zopfelt building.

Specials, programs filmed by World Action Singers

Pictured in a scene from the Hawaiian Special taped this summer are World Action Singers DeAnna Brock, Mike Brown, Kellani Babault, Emil Trautman, Janene Spurl, Bart Johnson, Pat Green, and Dave Whitmore. The group also filmed the Christmas Special during their summer's work.

SPIRITUAL LIFE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept. 18, Saturday: Daily readings: Ps 56:9-13; Lk 8:4-15
Sept. 19, Sunday: Life in the Spirit Seminar, 2 to 4 p.m. in room D, Tinko-Borton Building, "The Challenge and the Cast." 12 Weeks On The Rock, 2 to 4 p.m. in room E, Timko-Borton Building.
Sept. 20, Monday: Daily communion, 12 to 12:30 p.m., today through Friday in the Prayer Tower Auditorium Daily readings: Ps 15:2-5; Lk 18:16-18.
Sept. 21, Tuesday: Daily readings: Ps 119:1-11, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21.
Sept. 22, Wednesday: Seventh chapel, 11 a.m. on 5th floor of the Learning Resources Center, CSC. Prayer and healing service, 8 p.m. in the Fine Line Auditorium Daily readings: Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Lk 9:1-6.
Sept. 23, Thursday: Daily readings: Ps 90:3-6, 12:14, and 17; Lk 9:7-9.
Sept. 24, Friday: Eighth chapel, 11 a.m. "Christ on our Campus" Daily readings: Ps 144:4-14; Lk 9:18-22.

It's just like President Roberts has said so many times, it's a seed planted. Someday it will bring forth fruit.

Each member of the World Action Singers arrived at this conclusion about past summer's work. The work was difficult, as their taping schedule consisted of twenty-four weekly half-hour programs and two hour-long specials, the Hawaiian Special and the Christmas Special. At the same time it was very gratifying because many opportunities were available to potential groups and interest were realized.

Kellani Babault recounted an episode on the airplane in Hawaii. "The fellow sitting next to me had rather long hair and was quite dark-complexioned. I really didn't want to start a conversation but he started talking to me. As we talked, I began to share with him what Christ means to me. I told him I was a Christian in a home and shared my personal testimony." "He listened very well for half an hour long and looked as though he really wanted to make a decision for Christ but didn't feel able. There are a lot of things I can't tell you," he responded, and said that if I would look at him I would know his problem. "I had noticed that his eyes were extremely bloodshot. I had thought about drugs. In fact, I had mentioned to him that young people are paying such a high price for drugs, alcohol, and the like, when Christ is free and ready to help if only they'll try Him. I asked if he was on drugs and he said yes. I said, 'Man, God can help you. He's your only hope.' You'll never be able to break it yourself."

Richard Roberts felt the high-light of the summer was the Hawaiian Special, particularly his father's sermon on the Second Coming of Christ, given among the fifteen thousand soldiers' graves in the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific located in the Punch Bowl Cytater. "It was an awesome feeling," he said. "One which made you extremely grateful for life as you felt the heartache of war. Being in that setting gave you a new spiritual outlook on the Second Coming of Christ and made you eager to witness."
Andrea Czech and The Disciples gave an hour and a half informal concert last night in the field house of the Oral Roberts University Campus. The five member soul and folk music group was brought to campus by the Student Senate. The gospel group is the flagship of the new Christian Service Council which will play a major role in providing Christian outreach.

"One of the main objectives of CSC is to reach out to others with our God-given talents and share God's love," affirmed Ron O'Dell, president of CSC.

This year the outreach program of CSC has been expanded, taking in many more areas of service, all of them reaching out to others and sharing God's love.

The Sand Springs Orphanage provides an opportunity for the student to be a big sister or a big brother to a lonely child. The ministry, which is on a one-to-one basis—one ORU student to one Sand Springs child—is centered around youth ranging from third grade to junior high school age, many of them from broken homes.

Students' visits to the forgotten senior citizens become precious moments for these people. "They are lonely people," expressed Mark Labacher, leader of this ministry. "We try to reach their loneliness with Christ. We love them and give them Christ, something to live for."

CSC offers two areas of service for those interested in working with young people in corrective homes.

"St. Vianney is planning a three-phase program this year," stated Paul Honey. "Phase one consists of alternating campus lifestyle-type of work with the girls every other Saturday night from 7:00 to 9:00 with a Vesper-type service every other Sunday evening from 7:00 to 8:30. During phase two, the Vianney girls get out to Tulsa as ORU students take them to churches Sunday mornings or bring them to campus. Once a month is recreation night when the ORU students enjoy a group outing with the Vianney girls in a game of volleyball or basketball, comprising phase three." This ministry is open to both men and women and those interested should contact Cindy Perry or Paul Honey.

The Bethsaida Boys' Ranch, open only to ORU men, according to Bob Pettit, "We're trying to show through work and service that we're really interested in these boys." Child Evangelism, under the direction of Donna Longeno and Kristina Schneider, involves presenting a Vacation Bible School type program for youngsters of kindergarten age to the sixth grade in the low income housing projects. This includes instructing them in arts and crafts, recitation, and telling Bible stories. Students interested in being a teacher's aide at Dunbar Elementary School, a tutoring service to the Black area, are asked to contact Brandi Chasey.

"Phase two is the CSC Chapel, at which time the students will be introduced to all ministries and their leaders.

For those mentally retarded and those in residential homes there every Tuesday evening.

Helping people who are physically handicapped accomplish things they'd otherwise be unable to do is the concern of students ministering at the Recreation Center for the Physically Limited.

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Michael HENDRICKSON about being 'complacent about... a cloud of witnesses.'

Well, that's what this is, my cloud of witnesses. There are pictures of all the men who have really influenced my life.

Henderson is a man with a thirst for knowledge. "I felt that I would have to study something for the next twenty years so I've set up my own personal study program. There have been twenty centuries since the church began. Each year I plan to study one of these centuries, choosing one of its outstanding men to be my 'eyes' into that century. I will then study that man, his works, his influences, and his contributions."

Prof. Henderson likes teaching here at ORU. He likes being a part of a pioneering institution. "I believe that ORU's principles will become the ground-work for future Christian colleges," he concluded.
Frosh Week attitudes need transformation

An increasing number of students are beginning to ask how Frosh Week, as it is now observed, can be justified or even tolerated on a campus like Oral Roberts University. They are beginning to question any value it might have or did have in the past.

Last year, the sophomore class president outlined for me these reasons for the existence of Frosh Week: 1) it establishes a tradition (and ORU has few of those), 2) it affords the freshmen a greater opportunity to meet upperclassmen, and 3) it provides a common "enemy" (the upperclassmen) for the freshmen to align themselves against, causing the freshmen to move together into a class and a unified body.

The goals of Frosh Week are admirable. However, a few objections have to be voiced pertaining to the methods used to achieve their goals. In all things, we are to glorify Christ. That is the reason most of us are at this school; we feel that for this time in our lives we can best glorify Him here. It may be stretching a point, but in "buttoning" there is no glorification of Christ to be found, only glorification of the upperclassmen instead of the sophomore.

The Bible also says, "Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ" (Ephesians 5:21, New English Bible). Nowhere is it written, "Freshmen, be subject to the upperclassmen." But if it were, immediately following it would be, "Upperclassmen, be subject to the freshmen." Submission is not for one class only, but for all of us.

Tied in with submission, as it is practiced during Frosh Week, is humiliation. Most of the little acts that upperclassmen order the freshmen to perform are designed to humiliate the freshman, to make him look the fool before the other students. Yes, the humiliation may be slight and not even thought of as such by the upperclassman, and the freshman may feel only a tinge of embarrassment; but nevertheless, it is humiliation and nothing else.

You may say that it's all done in fun, but think. Wouldn't you feel a little embarrassed if you had to do everything you've made a freshman do during Frosh Week? The greatest humiliation is the auction block. No matter in what spirit it begins, it degenerates into a mere body sale. It's a humiliation for everyone involved, and for the really sensitive ones, it's a nightmare.

But Frosh Week doesn't have to be that way. It can be transmuted into a week whose spirit is in keeping with the Christian atmosphere of ORU. Why not a "Be Kind to Frosh Week?" With greater and more active participation in the Big Brother and Big Sister program, we could better orient the freshmen to school and to living away from home. A Big Brother or Sister would also be an asset in meeting other upperclassmen.

As for class unity, the freshmen don't need a common enemy. They need the love of Jesus Christ. If the upperclassmen share the love of the freshmen, they, in turn, can share it with each other. The result will be a lasting unity through the bond of Christian love.

—Cindy Davis

CFO provides retreat

Camp Farthest Out near Ardmore, Okla., will provide a retreat for over 70 Oral Roberts University students this weekend Sept 17-19.

The nondenominational camp, one of two in Oklahoma, is located on Lake Murray State Park. In all, there will be over 100 young people and as many adults attending.

The purpose of the camp, as expressed by Harry Townsend, senior, is "a place where Christians can get together and learn to function more effectively in the kingdom of God."

Speakers for the event include former ORU campus chaplain, the Rev. Thomas Tyson.

Student opinions split on effects of 18-20-year-old vote

The aim of this week's opinion polls is to see what effects ORU students believe the amendment granting 18- to 20-year-olds will be in future elections and if it will "influence" be on the American scene.

Lloyd Hamme, 19, Politicians will be more sensitive to the younger age group, and appealing to their views on issues. I don't think the immediate effect will be that great, but will grow as the number of people in that age group increases.

Becky Hickman, 18, I don't think elections will be affected that much because so many kids vote the way their parents do, even though they say, "I'm so different from my parents." Most of them generally have the same opinion as their parents, because the parents are the ones voting for them. On thing, campaigning will be direct.

Janet Stacey, 19, I think the 1972 election will be overwhelmingly Democratic. Those in this age group will tend to help whoever is the Democratic nominee, since they are more liberal than most of the adult voters now. The Republican Party will have to move more to the left, and senators and representatives will be more liberal.

Dee Jarett, 18, Bringing in 18-year-olds will create new ideas, and a different slant on the issue. I think it will be a good influence.

Larry Morbitt, 20, It won't make too much difference, mainly because it's scattered throughout the population, the trend in youth thought is going more conservative than liberal. Conservative young people are just as cognizant of national issues and concerned as liberal young people. The vote to 18-year-olds will cause them to be in a better position to assume greater responsibility at a younger age. Their general attitude toward the benefit of their being involved and raised on the country's welfare will be reflected.

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The tug of war, one of the final events of Fresh Week, began in this manner last Saturday. When it was all over, however, the opposing lines of freshman and sophomores had broken and some of the contestants had gotten wet.

Opportunity for "outflow"

CSC describes needs

by Ron O'Dell

"Spiritual life must find expression. Inflow without a corresponding outflow spells stagnation. A living faith in Christ, if it is to keep fresh and forceful, must manifest itself in active service."

— The Christian Service Council

Senate Soundings

Senate initiates positive action on bicycle storage problem

This column is not the collective opinion of the ORU Student Senate, nor does it represent the views of the Oracle staff. It is merely one student's comments concerning Senate and how it operates.

The bulk of Tuesday's Senate meeting concerned discussion of a resolution calling for placement of bicycle racks on campus. The resolution cited the current problem of bike storage, which has grown because of the increase in the number of bikes on campus. Senate will consider 70 percent of the cost of the racks, the responsibility for their maintenance, and the leasing of permits.

With the adoption of this resolution, Senate has shown its concern for a student problem and has initiated positive action to solve it.

Several weeks ago, Bob Goodwin, an ORU graduate and former ASB president, contacted the Senate with the current situation in North Tulsa. After explaining the reasons for the establishment of Carver Freedom School, he requested that Senate help the school either by a donation or some other means. Senate is presently considering the possibility of providing tutors, but the possibility is still under study. I would urge Senate to complete its study and take final action before the school year progresses further.

A word of praise should be voiced for ASB President Rod Jacobson's handling of the Women's Judicial Board appointments. Adhering to proper Senate procedure, he rejected an invalid application, although his rejection left only two applicants for the two open positions.

— Cindy Davis

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Figlet's Finds . . .

There's one in every crowd! Approximately 1,499 students, faculty, and staff members were standing for the all-school picture. Turn we heard a booming voice over the microphone, singling out one person who was sitting underneath the railing of the Prayer Tower, and would be please noted? For all you curious souls, he was none other than Junior "Hair House."

— Alice Fye, sophomore from Africa, was actually expecting a course in repairing and putting up vines, and wondered exactly what awaited him. What course had he enrolled in? "Fencing," of course!

Freshman Nancy Taylor must have been studying too hard this week. She called into the switchboard and asked to make a "come fall." It took one of the operators a few seconds to figure out exactly what she meant!

"We've only just begun," but some students are already snatched up! If you walked by second-year humanities and heard lots of giggles, it wasn't because of anything humorous on the lecture. One young man was just snoring loudly and apparently catching up on sleep lost over the weekend. Maybe he is proving the theory that students can learn while asleep!

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Unique features have been added to this year’s intramural-sports program in an effort to catch the interest of a new student. New athletic facilities and equipment will be made available to students on a check-out basis and faculty members will engage in competitive sports with students.

Men’s Intramural Director Mike Ash says of the facility and coed involvement, “Along with our regular intramural program we are also working on a program where there will be coed and recreational participation together. There might be Saturday or Sunday afternoon recreational-facility softball and volleyball, golf, and track events that will add to community interest in the IM program.

Chris Busch, student intramural director, says that several softball diamonds have been cut in the field north of the men’s dorm, an IM football field has been added, new outdoor volleyball courts have been laid out, and four new lighted basketball goals have been set up in the north parking lot for softball, volleyball, and basketball equipment. He also says that this year will give students a chance to take part in athletic activities on their own and engage in the regular activities of the intramurals.

The intramural program got off to a bracing start Wednesday with the start of the flag football program. Football will continue every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday until the week of October 19 when the start of the basketball season. In addition to football and tennis, the IM sports include badminton, swimming, volleyball, table tennis, basketball, wrestling, softball, and lacrosse.

Intramurals this year began a week and a half earlier than last year. Mike says the reason is that “the whole program seemed to be rushed last year. We want to keep it a flowing program but also want to do it down a little so people will enjoy it more.” According to Mike, intramurals are designed for everyone to participate in, and not just a few exceptional athletes. “What we want to do this year is get everybody involved in a sport. We want to set up softball fields and volleyball courts and make the equipment available to those who want to participate and be active.”

“Keep your head in your shape,” he added, “and the only way you can do this is through participation in an active sport.”

Jack Wallace, Dean of Men, the faculty chairman of intramurals, says that the motto of the IM program is “Sports activity, not for the spectator, but 100 percent participation in some activity by every student.” The purpose of the intramural program is not only to provide enjoyment and better physical fitness now, but also to offer sports that will carry over into later years.

Trophies will be awarded to the dorm wings and independent teams which win the tournaments. There will be a men’s basketball league and a women’s basketball league. Each team will compete on a points system for the All-Sports Trophy.

**ATENTION STUDENTS!!**

We would like to apologize for whatever inconvenience you may have suffered in shopping for your scholastic needs at the beginning of this year. Due to a much larger than expected enrollment, quite a bit of extra preparation had to be made for you. The bookstore had to be closed while this was being done. We’re sorry, but we feel we are much better able to serve you now.

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