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Professor Steve Durasoff finishes book manuscript

Dr. Steve Durasoff, professor of theology at Oral Roberts University, has just finished the manuscript for a 200-240 page book, tentatively titled, **Understanding Pentecostalism**, which will be released by Prentice-Hall in April.

Dr. Durasoff said the idea for the book began about two years ago when Prentice-Hall approached William Jernigan, Director of the Learning Resource

Center, and asked him if someone at ORU would write a book on pentecostalism. Jernigan recommended Dr. Durasoff, who agreed to undertake the work.

Durasoff indicated that the book was written for the layman, the person who has had little or no exposure to pentecostalism and wants to find out what it's all about. Since the book is aimed at this particular group, Durasoff said he had made an effort to remove or carefully explain terms that might be misunderstood by the layman.

"It is difficult to remember," said Durasoff, "that terms that might be quite familiar to people within the charismatic movement may be completely foreign to someone who has had no contact with the movement."

Durasoff said he felt his book was a positive presentation that would help to clarify and humanize the pentecostal believer so that the general reader would understand the worship and the work of the pentecostal.

The scope of the book covers such topics as the biblical background of the experience known as the baptism or infilling of the Holy Spirit; the work of the Holy Spirit through the ages; the modern outpouring of the Spirit at the turn of the century, and thus the beginning of the pentecostal denominations; the pentecostal movement in traditional denominations; the Catholic pentecostal movement; and the Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship International.

The president of ORU is fea-

tured in a chapter on the ministry of Oral Roberts. Entitled "Oral Roberts, Evangelist Extraordinary," it was contributed to and read by Mrs. Roberts.

Concluding the book is a chapter on the Second Coming of Christ. "Actually, the four main truths common to all pentecostal believers—Jesus saves, Jesus heals, Jesus baptizes, and Jesus is coming again—are interwoven throughout the book," said Durasoff. "But this last one, the Second Coming, is given special emphasis in the final chapter, wrapping up all that has been said."



Dr. Steve Durasoff, author of "Understanding Pentecostalism."

Frosh vote for leaders

Freshman students voted today for class officers after the primary lists were narrowed down to two candidates for each position in elections Tuesday.

Candidates for freshman class president were Karl Borglum and David Walters. Borglum, in his primary speech before about 75 people Monday night said, "I promise to do the very best job that I know how; no candidate could promise you more."

Walters, aiming for unification, said in his speech, "I feel I can do a great job to attempt to get the class unified with the student body."

In the general election for freshman vice-president were Judy Baxter and Wayne Jacobsen. "With good leaders there will be nothing to stop our class from being the best ever," Judy said. "I am deeply concerned for our class, which contains an awful lot of potential."

Candidates for class secretary were Sally McCall and Barbara Supuron. "I want to be involved and this is something I can do to get involved," said Sally.

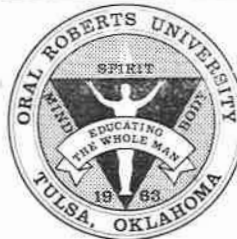
Barbara Supuron noted, "We need officers willing to work and I am willing."

Freshman Treasurer Candidate Michelle Nobles said in her campaign speech, "I want to represent all of you on the Student Senate this year."

Bill VonThaden, the other candidate, said, "I don't just want to be treasurer, but I want to be an active part of the Student Senate."

Both Carey Gold and Randy Nolan won in the primary elections Tuesday, as candidates for the Men's J-Board. They gave their general speeches last night along with all other candidates running for office.

Margaret Schick and Debra Collins both advanced to the general elections Tuesday in the race for sophomore class treasurer. Both stressed that they wanted to serve the school and their class. After William Stolberg withdrew from the race for junior class vice-president, Steve Stockley automatically will serve as class vice-president. The returns from all the remaining offices were to be tabulated this evening and announced during the dinner hour.



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'A Man for All Seasons' opens next Thursday night

The opening performance of the tragedy, "A Man For All Seasons," by Robert Bolt, will begin at 8 p.m. September 30, and will continue to be staged October 1, 2, and 4. The play, to be given in the center of a four-sided arena, will be present-

ed in the Timko-Barton lobby.

"A Man For All Seasons" concerns Sir Thomas More, portrayed by Chuck Jones, and his decision not to sign the Act of Supremacy as ordered by King Henry the Eighth (Hal Warfield). When Henry failed to obtain

from the Pope a divorce from Catherine of Aragon, so that he might marry Anna Boleyn, he rebelled and required his subjects to sign the Act of Supremacy. This act made him both spiritual and temporal leader in England.

More couldn't in his conscience, comply. Neither Thomas Cromwell (Phil Boatwright), nor Cardinal Wolsey (Louie Pharr) nor the King himself could get a commitment from him. More resisted anything heroic: he wanted only to maintain his integrity and belief in silence. But this was treason and his silence led him to his death.

Other cast members include Laura Bird as Lady Alice More, Karen Aiken as Lady Margaret More, Tom Martin, who portrays Signor Chapuys and Steve Ball as Chapuys' attendant.

Members of the cast also include Bob Butcher, portraying Norfolk, Charles Kennedy as William Roper, Clay Howell, who plays Master Richard Rich, and David West as the Common Man.

Vicki Woodruff and Judy Hartman are cast as heralds, Molly Shinness as a woman, and Eugene Lynn as Thomas Cranmer. Professor Raymond Lewandowski is the director of the production and Janet Fahstock is student assistant.

"A Man For All Seasons" is said to be the ageless and inspiring echo of the small voice that says: "To thine own self be true."

Tickets are available in the Fireside Room in the Student Center. There will be no extra cost to students for the play as the price is included in the \$25 student activity fee paid at registration. Students are urged to get their tickets early because the seating is limited to approximately 250 seats.



Cast members Hal Warfield, Chuck Jones, Karen Aiken, and Laura Bird rehearse a scene for the fall drama to begin next week.

Ghana offers challenge to ORU students

by Ruth Figi

The African "talking drums" send out a constant beat, telling of the death of a chief or his wife. If you'd add guitars, it would sound like an American rock group! Three young men take turns riding in the back of a pickup, bouncing around in the sun and rain over dirt roads for four or five hours, and arrive in the village just 30 minutes before their service starts. They are left there for two days without transportation . . . no water . . . and are covered with dirt and dust.

Who are they? It's summer 1971 in Ghana, Africa, and John Goodwin, John Lewis, and Bob Eames, three ORU students, have come to work for eight weeks.

Sound a bit different from your summer?

John Goodwin, son of pioneer missionaries to Ghana, said, "John, Bob, and I talked last semester about going somewhere. We prayed about it together and then wrote and asked for invitations . . . Did they need us, and what could we do? We felt the Lord really wanted us to go, and then got a telegram asking us to come."

The boys left from Detroit June 18 and were in Africa until August 26. It was "Big John" Lewis' first trip to Africa, and Bob Eames, who spent his high school years in Africa, and John

Goodwin had fun watching his reactions. "The Africans have their own way of worshipping. In the very first church we went to, some of the women started dancing around in the aisles when singing, started waving their handkerchiefs, and sang the same song over and over again to the accompaniment of bass drums and tambourines. Bob and I almost died laughing because John could not believe what he was seeing!" John Goodwin, main spokesman for the group, recalled.

But Big John surprised the Africans too! "Once we walked to a Bible school five miles away, and I shocked the students that I was able to walk that distance! In that village, they don't have many white people coming to visit, especially my size!" John joked. "An African looks at a big person as being very wealthy and healthy. In this part of the country, starvation is not uncommon. When I came into the village, the whole place went crazy! Little kids went into their homes and screamed, 'Mommy, look at this big white man coming.' Someone said it was the biggest crowd they had ever had. And there were some 20 saved that night!"

"One of our main works was in the schools, but we also worked in tribes that didn't speak English. And the English spoken is very different from ours. It is



Bob Eames, John Goodwin, and John Lewis spent the summer ministering in Ghana.

rooted in the British system, but is a mutilated form of it!" said John Goodwin. They all agreed they had a lot of adjusting to do!

John Lewis said, "In the churches we had to go through interpreters, which was a pain in the neck! You start preaching and lose your train of thought! John had to go through two interpreters once, and the one interpreting from English didn't know English that well!"

Though each week was actually very different, the boys did follow a routine in the town of Bawku. They were up by 6:30 a.m., had breakfast and devotions by 8 o'clock, and John Goodwin was on his way to one of the middle schools (junior

high) to teach religious education class. John Lewis would walk to another middle school.

Big John tells, "Mostly we talked about Christ and the love of God. We taught what was on our hearts. We came up with stories to relate Christian life to the life of the African. Our main theme was discipleship." They also worked in secondary and primary schools.

After lunch, they rested for an hour or so, and often wrote letters. The sun was warm, and since it was the rainy season, humidity was high. At 5 p.m., a group came for Bible study for 2½ hours, and then the three boys walked to church, preached, and returned home at about

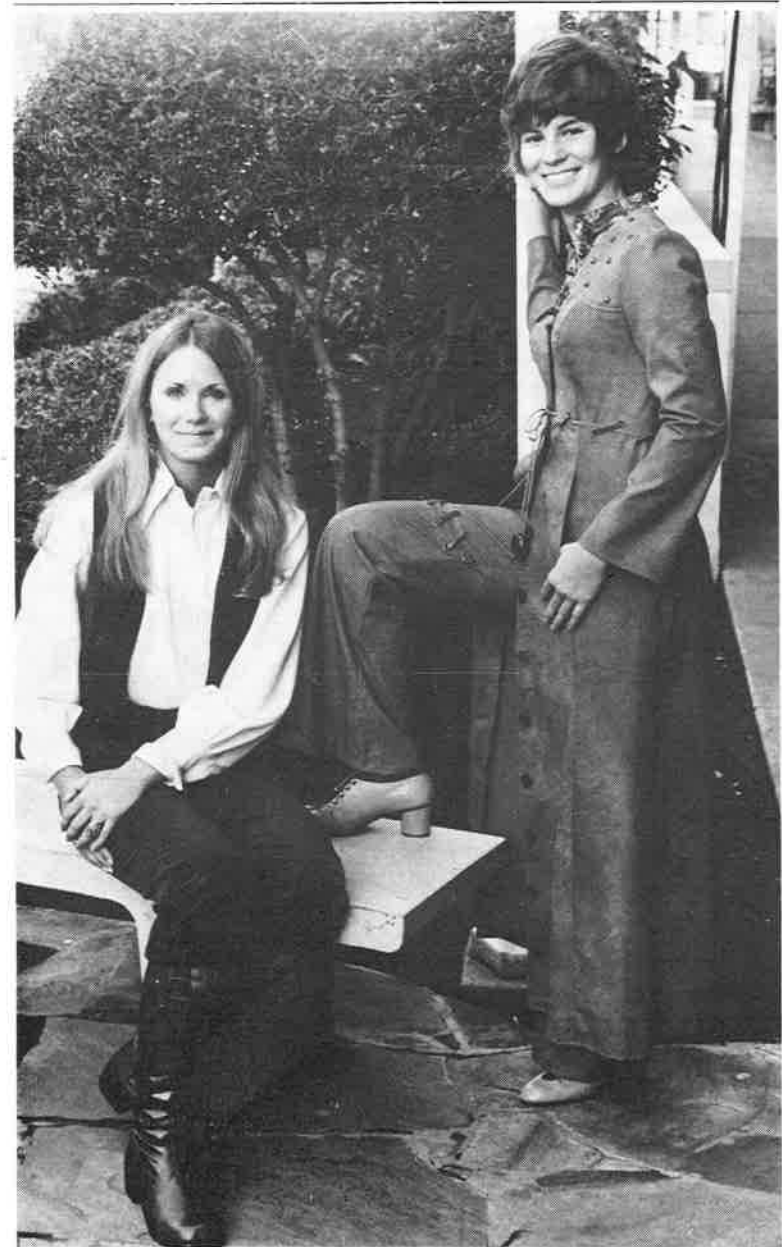
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Why is there such a need in Africa? "All the schools belong to the government," related John Goodwin, "and religion is part of the daily teaching. Africa is having a big problem with morality, because of the change from the pagan culture to the 20th century. Their old culture at least kept them restricted, but as they leave the old traditions, they also get rid of the old laws and values. The real need in Ghana is for missionaries and trained workers. Students are restricted to school property. They can't leave it but once a week, so they were really hungry to hear from outside. They ate up what we had to say about Christ."

Bob mentioned what he thought was a big problem in Africa. "We need Christian kids with the Peace Corps. The ones there now fill students with facts, but give nothing to their souls. And the teachers should live a good life. In addition to teaching, they must also be examples, because these Peace Corps members live right in the compound with the Africans. Several students asked me, 'What do I say to my American teachers when they attack us for our Christianity?'"

John Lewis told of another problem. "It's a problem teaching in the primary schools because the youngsters didn't understand English well enough. An African often has a blank expression

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Among models in the fashion show Thursday night were Marilyn Smith and Jan Fritsch.

AWS sponsors style show; Clarke's provides fashions

"Shoulders back . . . Fix that hook . . . Now remember—smile!" If you were backstage in Zoppelt Auditorium last night you probably heard directions like these as the Associated Women Students (AWS) of Oral Roberts University presented a style show in cooperation with Clarke's Clothing Store of Tulsa.

Madge Wright, a Clarke's commentator, presented the fifteen ORU models and their fashions. The outfits included everything from sportswear to formal wear and campus attire. The styles were as diversified as the ORU models. The girls comprised a group which included freshmen, upperclassmen, different nationalities, and commuters as well as girls living on campus.

The models from the ORU female population included Terri Whitley, Nancy Krentel, Linda Caporali, Pat Green, Lynn Eckart, Marilyn Smith, Jean Titley, Resa Moore, Gail Bennett, Aretha Meeks, Phyllis Hyashida, Vicki McNevin, Kathy Aiken, and Sandy Cook.

As each girl modeled her outfit, Madge Wright described the fashion and read a resume about her. Background music added to the stylish atmosphere as Cathy Cornell provided entertainment by singing some of her own songs.

Following the show, light refreshments were served in the Fireside Room. The girls met to discuss the fashions and had a chance to speak with the representative from Clarke's.

Vickie Smith, AWS president, stated, "I hope this show is the first of more to come. The purpose behind the show is to encourage the girls in their physical appearance; and yet I hope they don't become so aware of it that they overlook what really makes a woman beautiful—inner beauty."

newsBRIEFS

English exams

The Junior English Proficiency Exam will be given Sept. 28, at 7 p.m. in Zoppelt Auditorium. All upperclassmen should take this exam at this time. It will not be given again until spring.

"Flu" shots

Influenza vaccinations will be given to those students, staff, and faculty members who want them next week. They will be given Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, Sept. 28, 29, and 30 between the hours of 9 and 11 a.m. Those who have had the influenza series in the past will only need to take the one booster

shot. The second shot for those who need the complete series will be given prior to the Thanksgiving vacation.

Cost of the shots will be \$1.25 each.

Rush night

Students who are interested in joining the various clubs on campus are urged to attend the Rush Night activities scheduled for Monday, September 27, from 7 to 10 p.m. in the south pie of the cafeteria. Clubs and organizations will have booths set up where anyone interested in joining may find out information.

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Betsy Mayo, commuter freshman whose essay won first in a national contest.

Betsy's theme earns 22 grand

A national essay contest on the theme, "Why You've Got a Lot to Live," resulted in earnings totaling \$11,000 in U. S. Savings Bonds for Betsy Mayo, commuter freshman of Jenks, and like awards for her school. Betsy won the award in the first semester of her senior year.

The purpose of the essay contest, sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company, was to give participants an opportunity to express their thoughts about the country and society in which they live—what it is, where it is going, what it can be. It also sought to encourage youth to take a leadership role in helping our country reach its full potential.

Although there were over 200,000 entrants, it was Betsy's theme which won the \$22,000 and a trip to Washington D.C.

Because of the honor which Betsy had brought to her hometown, the city of Jenks observed a "Betsy Mayo Day." At a special high school assembly, it was announced that the school's share in Betsy's earnings would add a few "frills" to a new kindergarten for the Jenks Public Schools, to be designated henceforth as the "Betsy Mayo Kindergarten." This is one of a series of new school buildings on a 40-acre campus all architecturally coordinated and connected with roofed walkways.

"The Christian atmosphere and beautiful campus brought me to ORU and I really love it. However, being a commuter, there is a communication problem. I usually have to find what is taking place by talking to students at school. In fact, I didn't even know that all freshmen were to be sold at the slave sale during Frosh Week until two hours before the auction.

In Betsy's award-winning theme she states that she is a mediocre person, but since she is an American she at least has the freedom to participate in a world brimming with problems, but a great deal of promise, too.

"I have a lot to live in today's world and a lot to give in tomorrow's. I may never create so much as a ripple on the broad sea of undercurrents of political corruption, campus morals, racial unrest, our foreign image, aid to the poor, concern for the sick and elderly, employment opportunities, the upgrading of education and the many other whirlpools that seem to threaten to submerge us. But somewhere in tomorrow's scheme, a fitting job beckons, and I hope to be ready, no matter how small the signal or the pond from which it comes.

"God grant that I and many others of my generation may be able to rise above mediocrity and respond to challenges."

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Students planning fourth trip...

Minister in Russia

by Jennie Keast

"We go to Russia with love in our hearts, and as the Holy Spirit opens the door, these students are taught to go in and ask for the wisdom of God in sharing their testimony on a personal basis," said Dr. Steve Durasoff, explaining the purpose of the third Oral Roberts University student mission to Russia this past summer.

A year ago, a member of the Komsomol, a Communist youth organization, was led to the Lord by some of the ORU students who were traveling in Russia. When they left, they left with apprehension, for they knew not whether this young man could remain in the Lord without the sustenance of Christian companionship. Yet a year passed, and during their second trip to Russia, they met with this same young man during a Leningrad church service.

When one of the students asked how he was developing, he replied, "I have found that acquiring God's Spirit is not like acquiring a new set of clothing—you lose many friends as I have. You ask me how I am doing. I tell you that I spend many hours looking into myself and asking those very words."

To Caleb Loo, an ORU student who will be taking his fourth trip this winter, these words reflected a genuine spiritual transformation. Caleb said that he knew the young man could not be "faking it" as his words were an intuitive description—"not a standardized Western religious phrase."

The trips to Russia by ORU students began in the summer of 1969 when 10 of them banded together under the leadership of Dr. Steve Durasoff, a professor of theology here at the university. Their mission was to take the message of Christ behind the Iron Curtain. Qualifications numbered only one, to be met in the form of two prayers said by each candidate: (1) God, is it really Your will that I go, and (2) God, if it is, is this the time?

The students who have decided to go, and have met those two qualifications, are then indoctrinated into the cultural, historical, and political background of the Soviet Union. For an entire semester, meeting once each week, they are also instructed in the do's and don'ts of travel in Russia, along with the learning of hymns and Scripture verses. Even those who cannot speak the language learn some Russian hymns through transliteration. This is so they will at least know how to sing along with the group when opportunities to sing in church are presented.

Finances for the trip total approximately seven hundred dollars. They are paid partly by the students themselves and partly by contributions from various churches and the student body.

The students are expected to continue their educational process while there. They go on cultural and educational tours, and upon the basis of these, plus their own experiences, they must write a term paper on some aspect

of contemporary Soviet society.

Yet, as Dr. Durasoff observed, they must go beyond the role of the average American student abroad, because as dedicated Christians, each student believes powerfully in carrying through the message of Christ. Caleb Loo, speaking on the subject of witnessing, said that it is difficult to say how many have come to Christ for there are no real follow-up programs through which a converted Christian can grow. "Because of this fact," he adds, "the power of prayer cannot be minimized. God has proved that distance is no barrier to His Spirit. I would like to say that if it were not for the prayers of the Christians back in the United States, the mission would have not been a success.

"I would like to add one last thing and that is this: the mere existence of collegians who profess to believe in Jesus Christ, and who are seemingly intelligent, does throw a doubt in the minds of people that we come in contact with that there just might be a God."

Members of the Russian team were Raymond Rose, Roberta Cole, Harry Townsend, Bonnie Davis, Mike DeArruda, Connie Fireoved, Don Goff, Caleb Loo, William Scott, Jerry Six, Merry Davis, Leilani Hanohano, Norma Velez, Roberta Hurlbut, and Len Nowicki.

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The Jesus people —who are they?

By Tom Rodgers

Tucking his Bible under his arm, Tim hands a Hollywood Free Paper to the spaced-out hippie . . . Picking up her guitar, Peggy sings out "Alleluia" as the Shakey's customers turn their heads in curiosity . . . Across the table sit Mark and Peggy; Jim bows his head and begins, "Jesus, forgive me . . ." Jumping from the crisp spring Laguna surf, Randy hugs Sue and says, "Praise God, it was so beautiful." Speaking softly in an unknown tongue, Sheri kneels next to young Vicki who has just received the Holy Spirit.

Who are these kids: Tim, Peggy, Mark, and Sheri? You might call them "Jesus People," but even then your definition of "Jesus People" might not fit them. It is commonly thought that this group is characterized by hippies who turn "Jesus Freaks" while still keeping long hair, bare feet, and communes. Yet these particular kids, who consider themselves part of the movement and live in the heart of Southern California, by no means fit this typical stereotype.

The Jesus Movement has picked up acclaim from such sources as *Time*, Walter Cronkite's evening news, and NBC specials. Such renowned religious figures as Oral Roberts, Billy Graham, Kathryn Kuhlman, and David Wilkerson have alluded to and, in varying degrees, participated in what is generally considered to be the Jesus Movement. Such groups as "The Disciples," "Love Song," "The Philharmonic," and "Children of the Day," not to mention Pat Boone and others, have been directly associated with it. With such symbols as the "One Way" sign, "HONK IF YOU LOVE JESUS" bumper stickers, and Jesus rock festivals, many people are readily exposed to some outreach of this movement.

One wonders just what it is that makes the movement click. In our group, Tim was a leading drug pusher in Orange County, dealing in big-time quantities. He had gone the semihip route and explored all the drugs. After the law had caught up with him, the Lord saved him and filled him with the Holy Spirit. The transformation in his life, though not spontaneous, has been dramatic. He has spent a couple of months in Baja, Mexico, working with a poor missionary couple and is now helping teach a Bible class.

Peggy comes from a broken home and has pulled herself up by her bootstraps. After having a real encounter with the Lord, Peggy picked up a guitar one day, and the Lord gave her a beautiful song while teaching her how to play. Since then she has sung before thousands of people and the Lord has given her over 200 songs.

As far as Mark is concerned, he has always been the clean-cut, super All-American kid. President of Kennedy High School, star quarterback, valedictorian, and starting pitcher, Mark has had everything going for him. Most important of all, Mark has accepted the Lord as his Savior and has been filled with the Spirit. He is now helping lead prayer groups on the UCLA campus and preparing for a full-time ministry.

Randy is just a regular "OK" guy. His claim to fame might be the couple of weeks he spent in a gorilla outfit for a local ice cream parlor. The Lord has changed and worked in Randy; he is constantly witnessing and singing for Christ.

Sheri is the daughter of the vice-principal of Oxford Junior High. She was a miniskirted, lonely, gossiping girl before the Lord touched her life. Now Sheri is genuinely a mature and beautiful young lady.

The forces that have bound these "Jesus People" and many more like them together has not been Jesus papers, long hair, Christian communes, or bumper stickers. The cohesive forces are the genuine acceptance of one another and a relationship with the Lord. Quite appropriate in the case of the Jesus Movement is the parable of the wedding feast to which the travelers and rogues from the highways and byways were brought. As far as descriptions of the movement go, will it ever be possible to fully describe the workings of the Holy Spirit in man?



New Views

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Senate Soundings

Students question new check-cashing policy

Robert Eskridge, Vice-President of Business Affairs for Oral Roberts University, met with Senate members this past week. He explained the many responsibilities of his department and also answered questions from the Senate floor.

In response to a question concerning the 25-cent charge for cashing checks in the Business Office, Eskridge explained that due to the large number of checks cashed last year, another person had to be hired to take care of the increase in bookkeeping. (Approximately 16,300 were cashed.) He also cited the fact that a greater amount of cash had to be kept on hand for check cashing, an amount in excess of several thousand dollars a week, which could not be used for other purposes.

Student suggestions to Eskridge included a reduction of the charge to 10 cents or 15 cents and a graduated rate. The graduated rate would charge 10 cents for checks under and 25 cents for checks over a specified amount. Also suggested was a charge for returned checks.

I would like to urge the administration to seriously consider

these student proposals and reduce this new financial responsibility that has been placed on the students.

—Cindy Davis

Opinions . . .

Jesus freaks, fad? for real?

How do you identify with the Jesus Movement? Have you been involved? Do you feel that the movement is a fad or will it have a lasting effect on today's society?

Laura Shrock, Atlantic, Pa.: "I haven't really been involved with it, because we don't hear that much about it in Pennsylvania. I think it's a great thing though, and that it will have an impact on today's teenagers. It's like a spiritual awakening to a real Jesus. I suppose there are some bad aspects to it, but as a whole it's cool."

Doug Duncan, Lodi, Calif.: "I agree with the movement as a whole, but there are some aspects I disagree with. I worked to help start a Jesus house with a group of kids from my church, and so in that way I've been involved. Some kids are picking it up as a fad, but from what I've seen, some have found that it's the real thing."

Steve Ogden, Aurora, Ill.: "I've been interested in the Jesus Movement in the area around my town, and I think it's great! If it's a fad, it'll die out but I don't personally think that it is because of what it's based on."

Kevin Schmidt, Fresno, Calif.: "No, I've not been involved in the Jesus Movement. When they stick to the Scriptures and don't get too 'radical,' I agree with them. They bring a lot of attention to the gospel, but they also bring attention to themselves instead of Jesus Christ. The movement is a fad, but I feel that it will have a lasting effect. In what way it will leave its marks, I'm not sure."

Phil Stetson, Los Angeles, Calif.: "In a sense, the Jesus Movement is how Christ is moving in America today, and the 'hippie cult' is only one side of it. The movement, to me, is Jesus literally changing the hearts of the young, which is what the Scriptures have foretold. I sure do think that it's lasting. You can't deny that a lot of kids who, because of the popularity, identify with it only as a passing fad, but many have found something real."



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Newsbriefs continued

Club to meet

The ORU Women's Club will hold a salad supper for its first meeting Tuesday, Sept. 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room of the Student Activities Center. Returning members will be treating new members. Dress will be casual.

Faculty recital

The Music Department of Oral Roberts University will present Betty Palmer Knott, organist, in a faculty recital, Friday, Oct. 1, at 8 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Knott is assistant professor of music at ORU and organist at Southminster Presbyterian Church. She is a member of the American Guild of Or-

ganists, Tulsa Accredited Music Teachers Association, Oklahoma Music Teachers Association, and Sigma Alpha Iota professional music sorority.

Library course

All students who enrolled in section one of library orientation by failing the pretest on Aug. 26, 1971, must complete the required work before Sept. 28, 1971. Failing slips will be sent out to those who do not; and their registration will be cancelled.

All students who did not take the pretest on Aug. 26 must enroll in section two which begins Sept. 30. They should sign the enrollment sheet at the reference desk so they will receive a schedule of testing dates.

What inspires joy, sadness, and studiousness, and is nice to have around when you have a problem? A resident counselor, of course!

Thirty-three of the junior and senior students with work scholarships are serving the university as resident counselors. They, along with classes, chapel, and other happenings on campus, are a part of the lives of every resident student at ORU.

Dean Helen Inbody described what she looks for in a student who wishes to be a resident counselor. She explained that the individual should show leadership, be able to relate to other people, and not be afraid of work and responsibility. Dean Inbody thinks of an RC as a catalyst

in the school community and one who can encourage his or her students on the wing to participate in the various activities.

Duties that fall on the RC's shoulders are often numerous and quite varied. RC Carol Burkhart explained that their role in university life includes taking room check, answering questions from the freshmen, being counselors, being good listeners, and defending their freshmen charges during Frosh Week. They also inform their wingmates of the dress code rules and other rules that the university enforces and explain why the rules are what they are.

"Advantages of being an RC," continued Carol, "are that we have a private room, and that we, as resident counselors, are involved in a ministry all its own."

RC's often have opportunities to help their charges in many ways. For example, one RC

worked for quite a while trying to close an umbrella one of her freshmen could not cope with. They also have the job of over-all "fit-it" men. One, for instance, repaired his wingmates' telephone.

In the women's high rise, RC's include Carolyn Jacobs, head counselor; Connie Petzoldt, Susan Eskridge, Joan Crawford, Nancy Alheim, Reba Costlow, and Laura Schmidt. Others are Linda Mix, Vikki Traudt, Kathy Merrill, Chris Bauer, Delta King, Linda Shue, Laurann Harmon, Sheila Woods, Carol Burkhart, Pam Campbell, and Lana Scott.

Resident counselors in the men's high rise are Wayne Warner, head counselor; John English, Dave Knopp, Carmen Davison, and Dave Stateszni. Others include Mike Crow, Preston Hale, Peter Whyte, Bob Isabel, Frank Delost, Bill Borden, Ray Rose, Tim Brumit, Tony Ryser, and Alex Corbett.

Ghana offers challenge to ORU students

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when you are speaking to him. You don't know if you are communicating or not. You ask these little kids, 'Do you understand what I'm saying?' and they'll all answer yes. Whether they understand or not, they answer the way they think you want them to!"

"In the secondary schools we would present what we had, then ask for questions. In these question-and-answer times, we really had to rely on the Holy Spirit, because their questions were tough," John Goodwin confessed.

"They asked 'programmed questions' that perhaps their Moslem teachers had told them to ask," continued John Lewis. "Questions about the Trinity, the origin of man, etc. They were really heavy! One thing we learned was, 'it's not the worst thing to admit defeat!'"

Africans were not the only lives the boys touched. "In Bawku it was fantastic. We not only got to speak in the schools, but also spoke to some Canadian Peace Corps type workers. One had just been saved, and it was under an African pastor!"

John Goodwin, John Lewis, and Bob Eames all want to be full-time missionaries. They required over \$2,000 for their tickets last summer, and had \$59 between them. "The Lord told us to give that away, so we did. Then the World Action Committee gave us \$1,500, the students

in chapel gave an offering over \$300, my dad's church \$200, and the rest of the money was just given to us!" exclaimed John Goodwin. "It came under doors, in our mail boxes, and people handed it to us. One time I was on the phone, someone slipped in, laid some money on my desk, and walked out. We never asked for anything . . . they just gave!"

Bob's father died in Thailand while he was in Africa, and Bob said, "I don't think I could have faced this as well had I not learned this summer to relax with Christ. I was prepared. Also, my prayer life was enlarged, and I learned to trust God."

John Lewis added, "This trip confirmed for me that I am called to the Russian people. God

showed me, though, that it's not just Russia, but the whole world."

John Goodwin concluded, "My father was one of the pioneers and I had a missionary brother who died in Ghana. Since I was young I had a feeling I should work there, but I wasn't sure if it was just because of the roots I had, my friends, or if it was really God. But this trip in the bush was really a test to see whether this was it. I feel now this is what the Lord wants me to do. God convinced me that if my work won't be in Ghana, at least He wants me in this type of service, and He's convinced me that I can do it!"

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Who'll get there first is the question on the minds of these Titan soccer players in a recent practice.

Soccer season kicks off; team to face Rockhurst

The weather was the victor in Oral Roberts University's first soccer match as two inches of standing water on the playing field forced a postponement.

The home opener was to have been played Saturday afternoon against Hesston College, but now has been set for Tuesday, October 26.

According to Coach John Johnson, the layoff "will prob-

ably help us some. The season starts awfully quick after school starts." Titan soccer is strictly volunteer, with no scholarships being given and no practices before the start of school.

This Saturday afternoon the ORU kickers will face an excellent Rockhurst College team at Kansas City, in what should be one of their toughest games of the year. Park College will be in

town next Saturday as the opponent in the Titans' first home game.

"Interested men at ORU are welcome to come out for the team, even if they've had no previous experience," relates Coach Johnson. "It's not too late at all to come out. It's especially important to get freshmen involved now."

New ball park aids early practice

The Oral Roberts University baseball team apparently holds to the adage that "Time flies," for they are already at work preparing for next season. At present, Coach Herb Dallis is leading the team through pre-season drills designed to sharpen and improve fundamentals.

Coach Dallis finds a predominantly junior team returning with seven starters and two part-time starters leading the way. Graduation, the menace of some athletic programs, took only three of last year's players, Quent McGhee, Larry Cook, and Preston Hale. "We feel that we have better over-all depth this year," says Coach Dallis, in comparing this year's team with last year's 34-14 team, which finished number 18 in the ratings of the National Small College Polls.

Now that ORU is fully accredited, the baseball team will move up to play in the NCAA major college division. "We can play with any team in the country," proclaims an optimistic Coach Dallis. ORU will face the likes of SMU, University of Nebraska, University of Oklahoma, Kansas State, Tulsa University, Arkansas, and Creighton University on the upcoming '72 schedule.

About five or six new faces will join the crew of holdovers. "Fall practice sessions are very valuable to the new boys," explains Coach Dallis of the goals

of fall workouts. Generally, improvement of defense and pitching are primary objectives in the fall practice sessions. Practice drills are not just held in fair weather, but daily. In case of inclement weather, specially modified drills are devised by Coach Dallis.

With the building of a new ball park on the campus, baseball games no longer will have to be held far across town. As Coach Dallis puts it, "We hope that the new ball park will stimulate more interest from the student body and thereby inspire the team a little more."

Second All-American signs

Titan basketball got another big boost last Friday with the signing of Sam McCants, the second high school All-American to join the freshmen squad this year.

The first prep All-American recruit was David Vaughn, a young man from Nashville, Tennessee, who sports a 6-11 frame. In high school he twice led his team to state championships.

McCants, a product of Pensa-

cola, Florida, averaged 35 points per game last year in leading his team to the Florida Class AAA championship. The 6-4 guard was chosen the outstanding player of his state's all-star game.

Although he had previously signed with Florida State, he never enrolled there. His addition is expected to bolster an already strong freshman team.

Cagers' preseason workout in progress

by Thom Clark

While football occupies the mind of most sports fans these days, the basketball players at Oral Roberts University have taken it upon themselves to get ready for the upcoming basketball season. Organized practice does not start for quite a while, but the team, led by Captains Sam McCamey, Richard Fuqua, and Eldon Lawyer, is in the process of getting ready for the practice sessions.

Captain Sam McCamey said, "It helps the players in building endurance" in referring to the type of workouts that they are beginning. The program, which is patterned after that which Coach Maury John at Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, originated, consists of calisthenics followed by wind sprints and a lap around campus. Captain McCamey said that about every two weeks the program will be increased.

In referring to the program which the players are undertaking, Coach Jack Sutter of the freshman team said, "The guys do as much or more running than any other team in the nation."

The WRAG (We Run And Gun) style of basketball is one of the more demanding styles of basketball along with being probably the most exciting style of play. Captain Sam McCamey

said, "I thought that our style of ball would be easy but it turned out to be tougher than I expected."

Coach Sutter referred to the unusually hard workouts as "the price they have to pay." The attitude needed to be a success at the run and gun style of play was probably best stated by Coach Sutter when he said, "Every time we step out on the court, we have to know that we are in better shape."

Captain McCamey feels that ORU will have a head start on other teams when organized workouts begin because, "We won't have to spend time getting in shape like other teams." According to McCamey, the varsity will carry about 12 men on road trips while about 16 will suit up for home games. The preseason workouts could determine who will make the road team, thereby making them all the more important to the players as they vie for berths which should be extremely tough to make.

What does this season hold for the Titans? In the words of Captain McCamey, "We should have one of the best teams ever."

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