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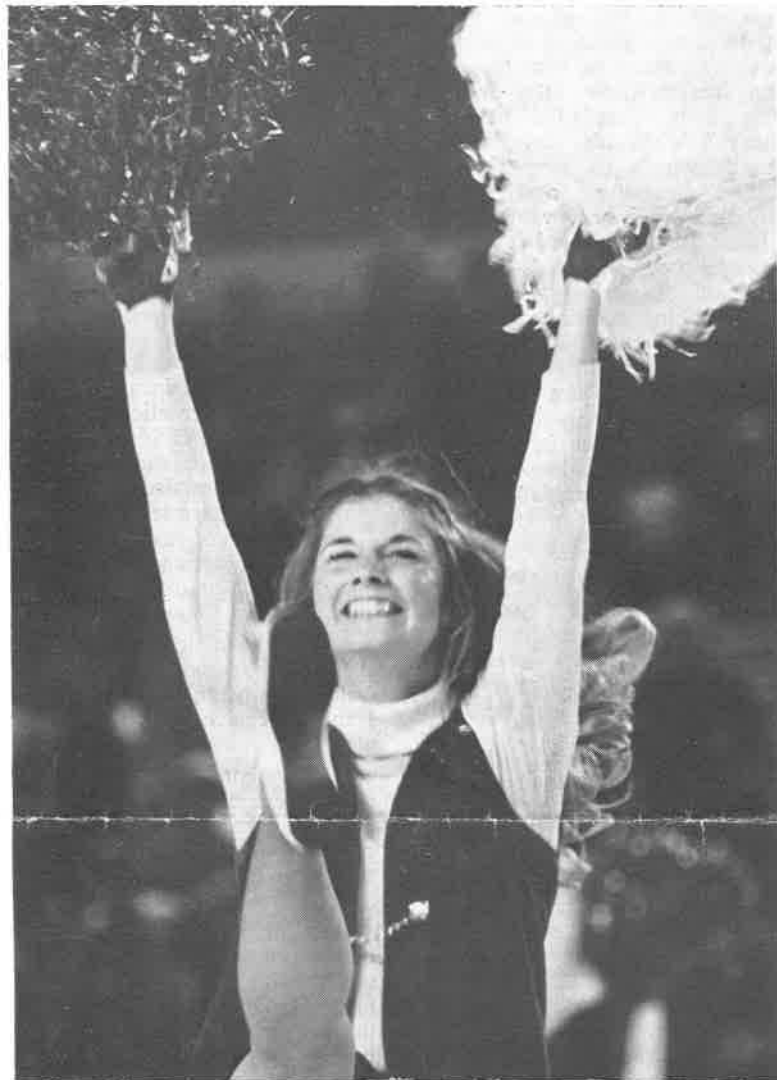
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Pompon girl Delaine Fields had something to kick about as the Titan basketball team broke into the top 10 in the Associated Press poll this week.

Black studies...

Will focus on attitudes

What's on the agenda for the new black studies course offered next semester? Bill Cosby will narrate the film, "Black History—Lost, Stolen, or Strayed?" A session on Frederick Douglas, the ex-slave who became a great abolitionist leader. One or more films on Martin Luther King, Jr., and much more!

The Black Studies class is one-hour general studies course, an elective, and pass-fail. Dr. Morgan, who will be teaching Black Studies, said, "We'll try to deal with attitudes more than anything else. In just one hour credit, you can't expect to cover the scope in academic depth of a subject as diverse as black history. You can't deal with attitudes without presenting information to mirror against these attitudes, but it will be much different from a regular 3-hour course where concentration is with information primarily. We are trying to get people to evaluate attitudes."

No formal tests will be given, but students will be asked to

write a response to films. "For example," explained Dr. Morgan, "there will be one or more films on a topic such as black history, 1619-1877. Rather than testing, students will have a chance to think and to write their own evaluation."

Dr. Morgan recommends the Black Studies course for everyone. "It's an elective. You don't have to be a major in sociology, history, or social science. For those who are very grade conscious, but interested in a certain area, the pass-fail is good."

Morgan would like to have black students in the course, "but even more, perhaps, white students," he added.

"We're going to use a textbook by Dr. Edgar Toppin," said Morgan, "who will speak at the last session of the course. I think it will be an interesting opportunity for students to hear the author of their textbook. I've known Mr. Toppin for about a year now, and he's a tremendous fellow as a man, Christian, and scholar."

PE requirements get more rugged; point system added

Home work for a PE class? Starting next semester, ORU students will be required to exercise on their own, in addition to the exercising done in the activity classes. This "home work" will be fulfilling the exercising requirement dictated by the aerobic point system. The point system is a further expansion of the aerobic program which up to now has been mainly running. Some students have the concept that aerobics is limited to running, but it really involves many other exercises and activities.

To earn a passing grade in his HPE class, the student must accumulate a certain number of points weekly which indicates he has exercised adequately. For male students 30 points are required and for female students the requirement is 24. The point

contained in the system will be in the syllabus of each activity course.

The possible number of points that can be earned for one exercise depends upon its type and duration. While the collateral program is designed to get the student to exercise on his own, if any of the exercising done in the activity class qualifies for points he may count that toward his weekly total. The 12-minute test will still be given two or three times a semester, depending on the weather and other factors.

Coach John Johnson stated that many ORU athletes have achieved greater endurance by taking the aerobics program. Erik Ulleberg won many of his tennis matches this fall because training on the program enabled

him to outlast his opponents. Some students worry about physical probation. Just as academic problems can be solved with help from a counselor, the HPE department would like to help the person on physical probation improve.

Coach Johnson explained, "The physical probation list is not to embarrass anybody, but to help him. A person could be in the beginning stages of diabetes and if he is not helped, this could develop into something worse."

On Monday, December 11, Saga foods in cooperation with the HPE Department began a new service of serving special foods to persons interested in losing weight. Special meal tickets have been given to these persons.

ORU coed tries new style

Hair today, gone tomorrow

by Carol Cramer

"Good grief!" "What happened?" "What is it?" "Boy, she sure must have . . ."

It was just another ordinary Wednesday night. My English books were screaming, "Work, work!" I growled, "Silence!" as I shut them in my cupboard. "Hum, now what can I do?"

I had always wondered what it would be like to get rid of the super "straight," Sunday School look, and the hassle of **trying** to look beautiful all the time, so I tried what two R.C.'s at another school and both my sisters had done last year. Three and one-half hours and 31 braids later, I was on the way to my own version of an "Afro."

The next morning when I took the braids out, I laughed at myself for half an hour. I put on a fitting wardrobe for the part: no makeup, clingy ribbed sweater, my roomie's cranberry maxi-skirt, wire-rimmed glasses, and desert boots. My roomie couldn't believe I was actually going to venture out of the room! (Neither could I!)

My first stop was the cafeteria. Before I got there, the hole-punch lady was hysterical with laughter—at me! I passed a guy in the cafeteria and I shocked him so much, he put down his tray and ran after me to get a better look at "the

freak." Even my roomie noticed all the heads turning as we walked in. "Gulp!"

Then came the real test—**Registration!** Some teachers who didn't know me were afraid not to give me the courses I wanted. Like maybe I'd start an instant riot! As for the teachers I did know . . . well, I was desperately trying to get the hair out of my

could just hear them saying, "She doesn't belong here! Sinner! Security, security!" I started feeling like the author of **Black Like Me**—my change was so great, I might as well have changed colors, too!

During this time, comments kept flowing, such as . . . "It's a hedgehog; no, a Pekingese dog; no, it's Janis Joplin or a women's libber; no, it's an intellectual radical!" "Hey, it feels like hair!" "Well, I'll tell you one thing, it sure look different!"

Ya know what? Since I did survive the day, and since this is probably the only time in my life I'll do this . . . I'm going to leave it in for tomorrow! Just think—one more day of, "Hey, did you see that?" "Who is she?" "I don't know!" "Wow, look at that hair!"

Bible courses revamped

If you have not completed the General Education requirements course in Old Testament (BIB 2012—two credits) or New Testament (BIB 2022—two credits) please be sure to sign up for the New Testament (BIB 2022) course offered in the spring semester. Next fall the Old and New Testament courses will be combined and offered as one four-credit course.



Carol tries out her new "Afro" on an unsuspecting student body.

eyes, keep the glasses from falling off, and sign the schedule card while keeping some semblance of elegance. The poor teacher was nearly bursting trying to suppress a snicker.

Among the snickers, there were also some angry stares. I

Where are you?

I was hungry, and you thought of my hunger as you carved your Christmas turkey;
I was thirsty, and you preached a fiery sermon on the sins of liquor, wiping the wine from your lips;
I was tired, and you sympathized, explaining your beds were already occupied;
I was lonely, and you told me to find a friend in God;
I was in need of a faith, and you said you would pray for me.
I'm still hungry, thirsty, tired, lonely, in need of a faith.
WHERE ARE YOU?

—Candy Ord

Figlet's Finds

by Ruth Figi

The end of 'Life'

Advertisement: It's the end of **Life**, everyone. Yes, sob, it's true. This week's issue of **Life** magazine will be its last. **Life** had not done well for some time. Advertising had dwindled, competitive pressures built up, and the crushing blow was a 170 percent rise in postal rates scheduled for the next 5 years. One of **Life's** writers for 12 years summed up the magazine's obituary. "It was well known that the patient has been very sick, and it is enormously sad. We were the last dinosaur," said Tommy Thompson.

But, cheer up, Tommy! The powers that be have voted to can **Life**, but Figlet's Finds will continue! Read Figlet's Finds each week in the **Oracle**. Figlet's Finds—it's **Life**, at ORU.

ORU Christmas gift

And now, how about a Christmas gift for that "ORU student who has everything?" Handles can be installed in dorm rooms (approximately 5 feet above the floor, and on the ceiling) for those who feel like "climbing the walls" during finals!

Prayer Tower blast-off

As Saturn 5 blasted off 3,370 gallons of fuel were expended each second into Florida's midnight sky, it was the end of the Apollo program, but not for the Kennedy Space Center. In 1973, NASA will launch an earth-orbiting Skylab which 9 astronauts will visit. In 1975, two Soviet cosmonauts will join three of our astronauts in a joint earth-orbit mission.

And in '76, who knows? Would you believe a flying Prayer Tower, "Tulsa 1," departing from Mabee parking lot, manned by ORU's first family, Oral and Evelyn Roberts, Richard and Patti, and the "Universe Action Singers?" The ultimate in Contact Specials . . . "Oral Roberts on the Moon!" What a blast!

Water, anyone?

Young people in Switzerland visit nine fountains on the way to midnight church services on Christmas Eve. A legend says that if they take three sips of water from each fountain, they'll find their future husband or wife waiting at the church door . . . Anybody want to volunteer to spend Christmas Eve with me in the Prayer Gardens? There's no law against drinking at ORU, as long as it's from the fountains! Have a happy, water-logged Christmas!

Rooms for the King

There are many different and beautiful customs connected with the Christmas season, but one that is universal is the giving of gifts. At the first Christmas, Bethlehem's gift to Jesus was "no room."

How about our giving Him some rooms in 1973? Room in our thoughts, room in our giving, room in our loving—see how many rooms you can find. We have a great King, but He needs room!

See you all next semester. Be careful driving and even walking on the ice. ORU's motto this season, especially while crossing the little white bridge is, "Remember Dr. Paul!"

Letter

Reader refutes editorial

New morality?

Dear Editors,

I have just finished reading the letter from Mr. Robert McCafferty, and easily dismissed it as a vindictive letter written by a man with an obvious axe to grind. I couldn't, however, let your irresponsible piece of journalism slide quite so easily. Your editorial did have its moments, now, don't get me wrong. You should be cited for that fine display of raw courage at the end. I refer, of course, to the signing of your name.

Although it was a rhetorical question, let's take this for starters: "Will the 'new morality' totally abolish obligation to author-the stars fall out of the sky? I couldn't believe you were pointing at the new morality as trying to abolish authority, or worse yet saying obligation to authority would or could be thrown out with "traditional values." When at long last we discard our traditional values, I'm going to celebrate. But I'm not an anarchist,

and I can't conceive of living with no recognized authority.

I think our differences stem from the use (and misuse) of the terms "new morality" and "new ethics." If, with the rest of Christianity, you think of these as challenges to authority, rationalization for or license to sin, unscrupulous or un-Christian principles, you are sadly misinformed, and are guilty of the unpardonable sin of journalism, publishing something so objective as an editorial on something you apparently know little or nothing about. What is the "new morality?" Well, it's moral, maybe that's what's so new about it. What are the "new ethics?" It's traditional values?" Will There aren't any, and that's what makes them new. It's simply a method of dealing with people, and making decisions on a contextual, circumstantial, rational basis. Not a jumble of inflexible, conflicting rules you can look up in a book. What this does is place the believer in a position of complete dependence upon the spirit of God for his moral de-

cisions. I believe Christ was concerned with people and situations, not rules. (the adulterous woman?). The law demanded righteousness, but never did produce it. Christ fulfilled the law, he made us righteous.

In closing, let me say that I'm doing my own term paper because I recognize it to be an important part of my education here, not because to have it done for me would shatter your precious "honor system." By the way it's on the new morality. Maybe you should read it.

Larry Basile

Prisoner wants correspondence

Dear Editors:

At present I'm incarcerated at the London Correctional Institution at London, Ohio. I am writing to you with the hope that you might know someone who would be interested in corresponding with someone who is at present incarcerated.

We have unlimited and uncensored writing privileges. But as it stands, I have no one to correspond with. I would most gladly welcome any and all letters that I might receive and will answer all.

At present, I'm doing 1-15 years for breaking and entering. I have been here since the end of August. From the looks of things to come, I'll be here for 3 or 4 more years.

Any help that you can give me in finding someone to correspond with would be most appreciated. It's very gray and dull in here as it is, but it gets especially gray and lonely when they have mail call and you don't hear your number called.

Thank you for at least listening to me.

Sincerely in peace,
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Feedback surveys yearbook opinion

Feedback's survey for December 1-6, concerned three questions: whether students wished to maintain the year book, the **Perihelion**, and when it should be released; the senior class gift; and the national ranking of the ORU Titans after the 72-73 season.

Two hundred and fifty students polled on the question "Are you in favor of a school yearbook for ORU?" responded with 245 in favor of a year book, 4 against, and 1 with no response.

A release time for the yearbook was posed to the students with three suggestions given as to when the **Perihelion** should be released. Twenty-three voted for a "yearbook that is released near graduation time and does not include any of the spring activities," with 102 in favor of a "yearbook that is released several months after graduation and does include all the spring activities." One hundred and fourteen students wanted "a yearbook that is released near graduation time, and then supplemented several months after graduation to include the spring activities." Eleven students gave no response.

A survey conducted for the senior class officers polled the

seniors concerning their ideas for the class gift. Students took this question seriously, responding with "movie equipment," "paintings and sculptures, marble park benches, a gift to a fine arts building," and a "bust of President Roberts for the Prayer Tower."

Those with a "giving" spirit felt that the money should be given for "scholarships, charity, the Indian mission, repair of lab-tape recorders, the talent-award fund, a gift with no earmarkings, and one felt that a "drawing should be held for the money instead of a gift."

Improvements for Twin Towers came in next with suggestions for "repairing the steps and improving drainage; color TV for the lobby; dial access located in the lobby with furniture for the lounge; and a fireplace for the lobby."

The third question of the survey was what the students thought would be the Titans ranking at the end of the 72-73 season. Results are as follows: first, 65; second, 60; third, 26; fourth, 24; fifth, 11; sixth, 7; seventh, 3; eighth, 4; ninth, 4; tenth, 17; eleventh, 1; twelfth 1; thirteenth, 0; fourteenth, 1; fifteenth, 2; sixteenth, 1; thirtieth, 1; no response, 22.



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Titan talk . . .

The ORU Titans will take on a team with a rich tradition (St. Mary's of California) and a famous coach (Bruce Hale) in the first round of the Oral Roberts Classic Dec. 29-30 at Mabee Center.

Eastern Kentucky, co-champion of the Ohio Valley Conference and loser of a narrow, two-point decision to NCAA runnerup Florida State in the NCAA playoffs last year, will take on Montana State in the other first-round game.

Eastern Kentucky plays Montana State, under new coach T. H. (Hank) Anderson, at 7 p.m., Dec. 29 in the tournament lid-lifter. ORU clashes with the Gaels at 9 p.m. The winners play for the championship at 9 p.m., Dec. 30, after a consolation game for third place at 7 p.m.

Tickets for the event went on sale Nov. 13. The tournament is sponsored by the Downtown Lions Club and all proceeds go to the Lions Club charities. Prices are \$4, \$3, and \$2 but a saving of 25 percent may be obtained by buying special coupons from Lions Club members.

St. Mary's coach Hale is the father-in-law of Rick Barry, the former college All-American and one of the all-time professional greats. Hale coached Barry at Miami (Fla.) University before joining the professional coaching ranks.

Hale returns his top scorer in Earl Brown, who averaged 14.1 points per game last year.

Eastern Kentucky has an All-America candidate in Charlie Mitchell, who returns after averaging 22 points per game in leading the Colonels in the playoffs last year. ORU had a tough time putting down Eastern 102-96 last year on the Colonels' home court.

Montana State brings in a new coach from a successful stint at Gonzaga University. The Bobcats also return four of the five starters from last year's 10-16 club. Leading the way is Scott Koelzer, who averaged 14 points per game. But also on hand will be returning starters Mark Beckwith (12.7) and Tom Kastelitz (12.4).

Season record: 3-1

Titans down Murray State

by Vickie Morgan

The ORU Titans avenged two straight losses to Murray State (Kentucky) last Saturday night when they downed the Racers, 79-78 before the largest crowd (9,339) ever to see college basketball in Tulsa.

Though plagued with fouls,

the Titans were able to come out on top in the constantly close contest. No one fouled out, but starters Eddie Woods, David Vaughn, Larry Baker, Richard Fuqua, and reserve Al Boswell had each collected four fouls by the end of the game.

Boswell, a 6-5 sophomore guard, clinched the victory for

the Titans with 32 seconds left in the game when he hit two free throws to put the Titans ahead, 79-76.

Leading all scorers for the evening was Murray State's Les Taylor, with 22 points. Taylor sank the bucket with 18 seconds to go to close the Titan's victory margin to 79-78.

The Titan's leading scorer was Woods, a 6-7 forward, who sank 20 points and nabbed 16 rebounds.

In Monday's journey to the University of Nevada-Las Vegas the ORU cagers were unable to remain undefeated against the Rebels and sophomore Jimmy Baker, who poured in 40 points to become the evening's high point man. Nevada overcame the Titans 86-80, after being down 13 points at the half. David Vaughn, 7-0 sophomore, led the Titans with 18 points.

Thus far this season the Titans stand 3-1 with the average score 86 points a game, almost 20 points behind last year's average.

Tomorrow night the Titans will be at San Diego State and on Tuesday and Wednesday will compete in the Nassau Classic in Long Island, New York.

In the four games to be played over the Christmas vacation the ORU cagers will meet Texas A&M at home and participate in the ORU Classic where they will meet two of the other three participating teams, Eastern Kentucky, St. Mary's of California, and Montana State. On January 3 the Titans will travel to Huntington, W. Va. to meet Marshall University.

After suffering this loss to Nevada-Las Vegas, the Titans will hope to find their stride and begin to play the way they did after the loss last season to Murray State.

In the junior varsity game Saturday night the JV dazzled Claremore Junior College, defeating them 124-84. Vincent Banks, 6-4 sophomore forward, led the JV with 34 points and 13 rebounds. This brings the JV to their season mark of 3-1.



Titans Eddie Woods (30) and Greg MacDougald (52) leap for the rebound against a Wisconsin opponent in the season opener. The ORU cagers stand 3-1 for the season. They meet the cagers from San Diego State tomorrow in San Diego.

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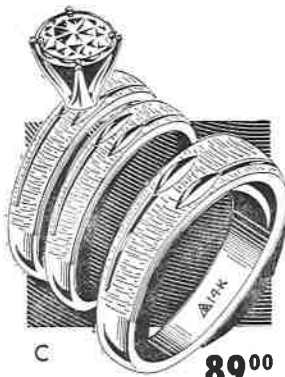


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Facts and figures for trivia buffs

by Ken Irby

Trivia buffs—if the conversation begins to drag, impress your friends with these facts and figures.

ORU Titans were ranked 10th this week by Associated Press (before Monday's game), moving up from 12th place. However, in the UPI poll, the Titans were 18th, falling three places from their previous 15th place spot.

Despite bad weather and competition from the Tulsa University game across town, Saturday night's game with Murray State broke all basketball attendance records in Tulsa. Attendance for

the night was 9,339. The Harlem Globetrotters held the previous record, when in 1970 they drew 8,378 spectators to Tulsa Civic Center.

And guess how much Mabee Center's new scoreboards cost? Including both the one inside and the one outside, only \$250,000.

Speaking of Mabee Center and money, the seminar guests seeded for their miracle in the form of their need to the tune of \$850,000. That's some need, and enough to buy the television equipment and still have some pocket change.

the ORACLE calendar

Music

SENIOR RECITAL: Mark Royce (organ), January 5, 8 p.m., Westminster United Presbyterian Church, 205 W. King.

Sports

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL: Springfield All-Stars, December 23, 5:15 p.m., Mabee Center.

BASKETBALL: ORU vs. Texas A&M, December 23, 7:30 p.m., Mabee Center.

ORU BASKETBALL CLASSIC: ORU, Eastern Kentucky, St. Mary's of California, Montana State, Mabee Center, December 29-30.

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL: University of Tulsa vs. ORU, January 6, 5:15 p.m.

BASKETBALL: ORU vs. Morehead University, 7:30 p.m., Mabee Center, January 6.

BASKETBALL: ORU vs. Brandeis University, January 8, 7:30 p.m., Mabee Center.

Meetings

CHRISTMAS PARTY: Russian Club, December 16, 8:30 p.m., Dr. and Mrs. Dura-soff's home.

Etc.

REGISTRATION for second semester, January 3, Upperclassmen, Freshmen, and Special Students.

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