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Groundhog Day, 1973



Cash sparks spring special

Johnny Cash and the Tennessee Three perform a medley of songs at the taping of the contact special Wednesday night. Cash told President Roberts of his new movie about the life of Christ filmed in the Holy Land.

A capacity crowd filled the Mabee Center to watch the taping, which will appear on national television this spring.

# Homecoming plans warm up with 'Ugliest Man' contest

The "Ugliest Man on Campus' contest is the first event scheduled for Homecoming on February 9 and 10. Each wing in the Women's High Rise and each floor in Susie Vinson dorm will be sponsoring their candidate for this award to be given at the Candlelight Dinner Friday night in the cafeteria. Each candidate will be accepting contributions to his campaign from Thursday morning until Friday noon. The man who collects the most money will be awarded a trophy signifying his status as "Ugliest Man on Campus". All money collected will be donated to Children's Medical Center as a gift from the ORU student body. Another feature offered to the

students will be a "Banner Contest." A \$50 first prize and a \$25 second prize are offered to the wing, floor, club, or group of individuals who can construct the most original banner, tissue paper, chicken wire, or card-board structure welcoming the

returning alumni.
Friday morning's chapel will feature alumni. They will inform students of what life at ORU was like in the good ol' days. Following chapel, the "Bounce-a-thon" will begin. A basketball will be bouncing continuously from the end of chapel until the start of the basketball game on Saturday night. Anyone who would like to help keep the ball bouncing should look for sign-up sheets

## Lost can now be found

something you lost recently and searched desperately all over campus for it? Until last week lost articles could be found at any one of five different places on campus, but thanks to the Security Department a new lost-and-found system has been developed.

The Security Department took all the lost articles that have accumulated in Mabee Center, the LRC, the HRC, and the dorms and has stored them in the Security office. By providing the students with a better organized lostand-found service, it is hoped some of the lost items will be reclaimed by their owners.

There is quite a collection of items on hand such as approximately 25 watches, many class rings, many pairs of glasses, books, Bibles, coars, and scores of other things. The most convenient time for students to come and reclaim lost articles is be-tween 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Chief of Security Bob Dagenet

expressed his concern saying, "If the students have lost anything in the last 4 years, I would appreciate it if they would come by and claim these items." in each of the dorms.

The Professor WRAG award will give students an opportunity to choose the faculty member who best represents the ORU whole man or woman.

All dorms will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday. AMS-AWS is offering a prize to the best decorated wing in each dorm. Alumni will be the judges.

As in the past, the 1973 Homecoming Queen will be elected from the senior class. Her court will consist of a sweet-heart from each class. She will be crowned Saturday night at half-time by President Oral Roberts and Mayor Robert LaFortune. An informal reception will be held in the Titan Room following the game for the Queen and her court with refreshments for all. Final ballots will be collected after chapel February 7.

Social chairmen of each wing will be given full details of all the contests. For additional information contact David Little, Mike DeArruda, or Jan Schramm.

Of course, Homecoming would be nothing without a basketball game, and what a game it should be! Marshall University comes to ORU with an excellent ball team and the record to prove it. The Titans defeated Marshall on January 3 on the road, but it was a cliff-hanger all the way, and this rematch should be a thriller for all Titan fans.

# Roberts to make TV appearances

President Roberts will be appearing on several television shows this spring, including the Dinah Shore Show, Laugh-In, and two appearances on Hee Haw.

Laugh-In will be aired Monday and one of the Hee Haw programs is scheduled to be aired February 10. The other dates are not now known.

Previously, President Roberts has appeared on television as a guest on Johnny Carson's Tonight show. His appearances on Hee Haw and Laugh-In will mark the first time he has been a guest star on a comedy entertainment series. On Hee Haw and Laugh-In, he will be involved in the short, quick, one-line comedy jokes, that have made these two shows popular.

Richard and Patti Roberts

will appear with President Roberts as guests on the Dinah Shore Show, which is televised mornings. President Roberts will be interviewed by Dinah Shore, and Patti will present the cover of her latest record album.

What is the worth of appearing on secular television shows as a way of furthering the ministry for the Lord? Patti says, "People know what Oral Roberts stands for, they know what he is and by his just being on TV he is testifying for the Lord. When people see Oral Roberts they don't think of him as a great TV star, they think of him as Oral Roberts the minister. The more exposure he can get on things like these really does influence people to tune in to the Sunday morning television show.

# Admissions processing 300 letters per day

Vice-President for Admissions and Records Chuck Ramsay announced this week that ORU has 1,781 regular students, compared to 1,906 last semester. Ramsay explained that this is normal second-semester shrinkage. Of the 1,781 regular students enrolled this semester, 151 of them are new, and 1,630 are returning.

Besides the 1,781 regular students there are also 450 parttime or evening students enrolled in classes such as the Holy Spirit course. This brings the total enrollment to 2,231

The Holy Spirit II course has

### Dates set for 2 more forums

Dean Carl Hamilton has announced that dates have been set for two more meetings for students, faculty, and the administration to discuss general education requirements. The Behavioral Sciences forum will meet Wednesday, February 7, at 7 p.m., in Zoppelt 102. At 8:30 the same evening, the Health and Physical Education forum will meet in Zoppelt 101.

These meetings are part of a continuing series designed to generate constructive dialog concerning general education courses and to achieve mutual understanding among students, faculty, and the administration.

over 1,400 students enrolled already and is still growing larger. This figure closely approximate to course last semester.

Chuck Ramsay is already working on the enrollment of new students for the 1973 fall semester. Presently he is receiving approxi-mately 300 letters a day from prospective students.

Incoming applications are up 60 percent compared to the percentage of incoming applications last year at this time. Mr. Ramsay estimates an enrollment of approximately 2,200 regular students for the 1973 fall semester.

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Games Senate plays

# Quietness week enchanting game

Gather round, kiddies. Let me tell you about a new fun game called Library Quietness Week scheduled for February 5-10 and sponsored by that nice Student Senate at Oral Roberts University.

Anywhere from 1 to 1,800 persons may participate. It must be played in the LRC. Here are the simple rules made by Senate: If you want to study in a group, you go to the third floor. It's "Couples Only" on the fourth. And if you're alone, go straight to fifth floor; do not pass "Circulation," do not collect 5 cents per day per book.

Example: Player A goes to study with Players B and C. They enter on third floor and remain there, until Player B remembers a Russian Club meeting he must attend. This is when the fun begins. While Player B exits, Players A and C proceed to fourth floor. When Player C realizes he is in the Russian Club too, he goes to third, and Player A climbs to the fifth floor. If Players A wishes to leave, he must wait until Player D is ready to leave too. They proceed to fourth floor, where they wait for Players E and F to come, so they may all go to third.

Gee, this could get complicated. No wonder it took college students to invent it.

I have a suggestion: In order to see that everyone plays fairly and to add excitement to the game, we could appoint library monitors (or umpires, that's a big college word). I'm sure Mr. Casey and the librarians would be willing to help. If players are spotted by an umpire in the wrong size group for that floor, they are held captive in the Xerox room. Once players are captured, they can only be released after being tagged by a friend or when they surrender their meal tickets. This will make people think twice before they try to cause a disruption in our library again.

Perhaps another way to keep the library quiet is to insist that everyone sit boy-girl, boy-girl. It always worked in the third grade.

Admittedly, the library is not always most conducive to study. However, if college students have not learned to respect other people by now, fun and games may not help.

But I'll try almost anything once, and Library Quietness Week is no exception. Why? Maybe because it brings out the little boy in me

### Senators warrant praise

Our illustrious Student Senate, often the target for the slings and arrows of outraged writers in this publication, have completed a transaction that should bring a reversal of current attitudes among us and promise a brighter outlook for future reviews of their activities on this page.

A legislative body often burdened with minutiae must be hard pressed to find the time to apply themselves to the needs of their constituency. But they have agreed to exchange a valuable property, Sub room 21, for the less plush office of the *Oracle* so that the latter may benefit from the extra space.

Thank you, Chris.

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## on patience

The course has run, the leaves their duty done, nutrients stored, a shower of offspringings long gone, and the tree readies itself for winter's assault. Dissipating softly the last long rays of a waning autumn sun, portentous breezes test the firmest foundation and roots grasp imperceptibly deeper into the bedrock. The trunk pushes upwards, lean and plastic, a new summer's coat to protect and measure time's energy. Sometime soon the days will lengthen, spring will dare a whispered greeting and a tiny shoot will push through a late frost and life's cycle will have begun again. But just for now it's time to wait, to watch, to measure strength and patch some impudent's damage. Winter's no time for discontent-

dave paton

february '73

just patience.

#### Letters •

Dear Editor,

Mr. Frank Wallace, architect of the ORU campus, was quoted in an **Oracle** interview stating his admiration for the rules here. I wish to reciprocate and remind Mr. Wallace that an architect must also adhere to a code of rules.

The credo exemplified in the work and teachings of the great-

Senate Soundings

# New members fill vacancies

Sophomore and junior class vice-presidents were elected this week by a special Senate election to consider applications for the vacant offices. Ruth Vaughn was elected for the sophomore position and Dennis Whaley for the junior office. The new vice-presidents will serve the remainder of this semester.

Glenn Bailey reported Feedback's first survey of '73, a survey designed to evaluate school spirit and attract opinions of ways to bolster this spirit.

Student Senate met to discuss the possibilities of Dr. Hamilton allowing announcement time before chapel, of installing phones on the second floor of the LRC, of opening Lewis Avenue to the public, and of placing change machines in the dorms.

Senator Danny Paul announced that the Junior-Senior Banquet is now scheduled for March 24.

est twentieth century architect, Frank Lloyd Wright, is that in architecture form is subservient to function. In agreeing with him I am not saying that a building should not be aesthetically pleasing in appearance, but that it should be primarily a functional design. The days of the Taj Mahal, the Sistine Chapel and the Pyramids are long gone, we live, in many ways regrettably, in a pragmatic age.

Yes, the buildings are impressive, even attractive, but their purpose is somewhat veiled. For the same price (or less?) could we not have equally striking buildings that do not have gutters that pour rainwater onto cafeteria patrons, restrooms on the outside of the LRC, projected plans for a drama building overlooking normal scene changing requirements, dorm rooms that defy furnishing, external staircases in the main campus build-

ings that are insurmountable in Oklahoma winters and a general tendency to architectural afterthought.

The Mabee Center stands alone, in my opinion, as a truly elegant, yet usable structure. I trust that future plans are as adequate in conception and realization.

D. .

Dear Editor,

I was interested in the profile of Mr. Frank Wallace in last week's Oracle, and to learn something of the personality of the campus architect. I feel he has designed an outstanding campus, and one in which faculty, students, and townspeople can take justifiable pride. A visitor I recently accompanied on a tour of the campus exclaimed, "Is this a university campus or a World's Fair?" He meant it as a sincere compliment.

N.L.

## Constitution being revamped

Changes for the Student Senate constitution are under discussion Tuesdays, 12 noon, in the Sub's conference room. Two main questions are being considered at this time. Should commuters have a special representative, and should classes elect a fifth officer?

Currently commuters have no special representation in the senate. Many feel that an associated commuters' representative would reflect the ideas of this important group effectively.

The offices of president, vice-

president, secretary, and treasurer are permanent posts in each class. However, suggestions concerning the addition of an officer whose "...sole duty would be legislation in the student senate and would leave class activities to the class officers," is under review.

Daywid Markley Associated

David Markley, Associated Student Body Vice-President, is encouraging feedback on these ideas, either in the form of attendance at the constitutional review sessions, or written suggestions directed to his post office box 360.

# Jonathan Seagull: divine or demonic?

Although refused advertising ghts in "Christian Science rights in Monitor," dismissed by several Catholic bishops as a half-baked fantasy, and denounced by Christian critics for its Hindu occult occult philosophies, "Jonathan Livingston Seagull" continues to lead the list of best selling

"About every third person buys one or two copies of Jonathan," states freshman Debi Dunsworth who is employed at B. Dalton, Bookseller. "The book is our hottest item, expecially now that it has been published in paperback form."

So small is this unusual publication that its 93 pages (most are pictures) can be read and reread in one evening's sitting.

Rejected by a string of major ablishing houses, "Jonathan" publishing houses, was finally picked up by Mac-millan publishers, but faintheartedly promoted. During its first year, the book enjoyed only marginal profit-making sales. Then, late 1972 and early 1973 saw "Jonathan" selling nearly two million copies. Why the sudden success? That is about as hard to explain as who is the real author of the book. Although Jonathan Bach is the announced author, he gives the credit else-

Years ago, walking along a beach in California, Bach had a cinematic vision. "I realized," he says, "that I was meant to write it all down, not just watch it.' But the story was incomplete when the screen suddenly went blank. During the next few years he tried to finish the book but couldn't. Then one morning, "this strange vision picked up just where it had left off. And there was the end of the story.

Bach has developed an almost mystical faith about the book. "It's like walking on holy ground," he says.

He often wishes he had published "Jonathan" anonymously since daily he gets hundreds of letters asking him for the real interpretation of the story. I'd written the book myself, he says, "I could say what it meant. But I didn't, so I can't."



Jonathan Livingstone Seagull is available at the Campus Store.

#### Vision reveals story

"Jonathan Livingston Seagull" is a story of a seagull ostracized by his elders for his singleminded devotion to developing advanced flying techniques.

Written in three parts, part

one deals with the validation of Jonathan's existence. Jonathan discovers his individuality and learns that he has to assert himself to his own private fulfillment no matter how much this conflicts with the attitudes of his

More than anything, Jonathan wants to fly, faster and higher and farther than any gull has flown before. But the flock won't let him. Jonathan's father reminds him that the purpose of flight is to obtain food and only that. When Jonathan persists in flying for the sake of flying, he is rebuked.

Jonathan is discovered in his exile by two gleaming gulls that match his speed, performance, and aerobatic maneuvers without ruffling a feather. Surprised and infinitely pleased, Jonathan follows them up to the infinite

#### Heaven is perfection

In part two, Jonathan validates his existence by learning the meaning of perfection. He thinks he is at first in heaven, but soon finds that even in this glorious place there are limits to the speeds and heights he can reach. Heaven, Jonathan reasons, should have no limits. Thus he finds that heaven is not a time or place: heaven is perfection.

In part three, Jonathan exercises his love and kindness and demonstrates his perfect existential validity. He returns with some of his disciples to the flock, facing their ignorance and indifference with per self-sacrificing Christian love and missionary

Many parallels are found in part three between Jonathan and Jesus Christ, although the similarities are probably not on purpose.

#### Similarities to Christ

Like Christ, Jonathan works a miracle of healing on one of his new converts from his old flock, Maynard Gull.

Like Christ, Jonathan is accused of being both a devil and a god; at one point he is called by some of his disciples "the only Son of the Great Gull

Jonathan displays a Christlike love for the flock that disowned and even tried to kill him. It is a self-sacrificing love, a love for 'the real gull, the good in every one", while ignoring their hatred and evil. For him, hell is nothing more or less than hatred, ignorance, and misunderstanding.

Perhaps, the success of "Jonathan" stems from its propensity to lend itself to various religious interpretations. The reader can read whatever mystical principles he wants into it.

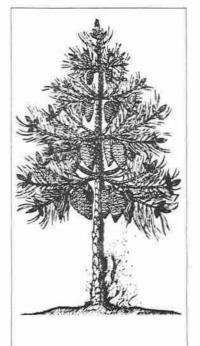
One prominent mood is definitely Hinduism (the goal of life absolute perfection). Yet, "Jonathan" emphasizes the self over all else, and that runs counter to Eastern religions. Insistence on the power of the self undercuts the book's Christian overtones. For Jonathan is no fallen flyer needing God's help, but an idea of perfection that can fulfill itself.

Until lately, Richard Bach was a reader in the Church of Christ, Scientist, and Christian Science is one of the strongest religious strains in the book. Mary Baker Eddy taught that evil, edath, and birth are illusory. Her philosophy, like Jonathan's, projected man as a timeless being.

Just before receiving the voice that directed the writing of "Jona-than," Bach began dipping into the occult and sampling the fare. Since then he has tried experiments with mediums.

After leaving his wife and six children, Bach is now wed to Jonathan and is waiting for the release of the film version of Jona-

The movie is now in production. Ray Berwick, who trained the birds for Alfred Hitchcock's The Birds (1963), was persuaded out of retirement. What Berwick calls "the greatest bird picture ever" will be released this summer. Meanwhile, Bach is doing what Jonathan loves most-fly-





# Campus colloquy

There is Much to be Done

by Dr. Jonas Salk

A physician and research scientist for more than thirty years, Dr. Jonas Salk gained world recognition in 1954 with his development of the celebrated Salk Vaccine for the prevention of

Although still concerned with problems of disease, I have become more and more mindful of health not merely as a condition of freedom from disease, but as a state of being that must be actively sustained.

the increased Because of means that now exist for reducing the incidence of many diseases and of premature death, there is more opportunity than ever before for maintaining and enhancing health. As advances are made in biological and medical knowledge, it is impressive to observe the ordered and balanced complexity of the control and regulatory mechanisms in

healthily functioning organisms. By analogy, the concept of health and of disease can be applied to the organized systems of molecules and of cells of which individuals are composed, as well as to societies, all of which require predominantly healthy parts for health.

In all living systems the parts are interdependently related to the whole. Among men, the wellbeing of each is dependent upon the well-being of others. The closer we are to each other, the more evident it is that as each maintains his own health, he also contributes to the health of others; and, if others do likewise, they, in turn, contribute to our health. This is seen in relation to environmental and ecological problems. Now, we must similarview the personal health of the individual since environmental and ecologic balance will require healthy people to restore, maintain, and contribute to environmental health and species

The burden of pathology in man, psychologically and sociologically as well as physically and environmentally will, unless limited, become even more unbearable and will divert resources and energy from the processes for maintaining and augmenting health. Not only in the United States, but the world over, the cost of treating and counteracting the effects of disease, in all of its many manifestations physiologically, psychologically, and sociologically—and of restoring health, is colossal.

As important as it is to limit population size, to arrest pollution and to establish a healthy ecologic balance between man and the planet-something more will be needed. It will also be necessary to have healthy, balanced, constructive people as practitioners for the develop-ment of individual and collective

health, each for himself and thereby for others as well.

We are a long way knowing how to live this way and the need is upon us. We must act as if we are not separate from each other, but rather as if we are each part of a whole. Even if only for our own health, we must be concerned with the health of others, the health of our species and the health of the planet.

The means for accomplishing these ends remain to be developed and will be done largely by those who are as yet uncom-mitted and for whom unprecedented challenges exist for selffulfillment. Often the obstacles to choice and commitment exist within ourselves; regrettably, they also still exist for social and cultural reasons that need to be

eliminated For those with constructive, creative inclinations, there is much to be done.

## Wildfire in the south. There's no future in it.

In the South, woods arson destroys nearly half a billion trees a year. All because a guy gets mad at somebody, or mad at nobody. Does this kind of destruction make sense?



Help Prevent Forest Fires in the South

# Pro talent scouts eye Titans; Richard Fuqua high draft pick

by tom carr

Whenever the ORU Titans tip off at Mabee Center, you can be sure that the watchful eyes professional scouts are on them. According to Sports Information Director Mal Elliot, the Titans have perhaps the best array of pro prospects in the nation. Despite the fact that there is only one senior in the starting lineup, the scouts are still searching for talent in future

It seems likely that the one senior, All-American Richard Fuqua, will be a high draft pick in 1973. Although his scoring average has dropped 13 points

Two teams are showing a great deal of interes! in Fuqua at this point, according to Mal Elliot, the NBA Boston Celtics and the ABA Utah Stars. "The Celtics are looking at Fuqua not for his shooting ability, but for his defense and ballhandling," remarked Elliot. This would have to make Ken Trickey a happy man because he has been insistfor 2 years that Fuqua has been underrated in these depart-

Of course, many of the other

below his 1971-72 pace, Fuqua's Titan; have been catching the great improvement in his overall play makes him a coveted choice.

Titan; have been catching the eyes of the secuts. Al Boswell, 6-5 sophomore, has been maturing into a top-notch guard, and the great rebounding ability of 6-7 junior Eddie Woods makes his name constantly appear in the scouting reports. Also, Greg McDougald has been coming on strong of late with his clutch shooting and great strength on the boards, while the snakelike moves of soph John Patterson have attracted much attention.

> Perhaps the most interesting situation is that of 7-0 center David Vaughn. It has been rumored that Vaughn has been selected by the San Diego Conquistadors in the ABA secret draft last month. This rumor would seem strengthened by the fact that the Conquistadors have been frequent visitors at Mabee Center. Although Vaughn is only a sophomore and would be lacking experience, it might be difficult for him to turn down a big

basketball is now a big business and the teams must meet their deficiencies. "Professional teams will keep their eyes on any promising player, but especially those that will fill their needs. They're watching all the players on our squad," commented Coach Roe decided not to reflect on the chances of Fuqua and the other Titans in pro ball because it would only be pure speculation. "Pro basketball is a tough business," re-marked Roe. "It's totally differ-ent from the college game. There's no telling how a player will react to the grueling sched-

It seems likely that with the talent on the ORU squad, pro scouts will continue to come to Mabee Center. They know

## Baseball team faces treacherous schedule

With a strong feeling that his Oral Roberts University Titans have a good chance to be the best team in District 5, Coach Herb Dallis is looking forward to the 1973 baseball season which should culminate an ambitious 4-year building program.

"We have the talent to win District 5 if we can consistently play up to our potential," said Dallis, who has led the Titans to two straight, successful seasons of 34-14 and 38-18, including a split last year with nationally ranked, crosstown rival Tulsa

"This year's ball club is predominantly a senior ball club that has played together for 3 years and won 84 games," he

#### Strengths and weaknesses

"Our team strengths this year will be pitching depth, team defense, as well as team speed. Weaknesses will be a lack of overall team depth and lack of power hitting. With the exception of the pitching staff, we can't afford to have anyone hurt."

Greg Davis, slick-fielding outfielder, was named most valuable player as a freshman and has had three outstanding seasons. He returns for a fourth after being named to the District 5 all-star team by the baseball coaches.

Richard Rozek, another outfielder, was named most valuable player in 1971 as a sophomore and appears to be set for his final fling.

Last year, the most valuable went to pitcher Jack honor Cheney who won eight and lost only one and had a glittering 1.26 earned-run average.

The Titans did not graduate a single pitcher off a staff which had a phenomenal 2.98 ERA. Only one starting player graduated off the '72 team. That was third baseman Gary Marple.

But Dallis says there will be three new faces in the lineup. Jerry Triska, who played left field, will replace Marple at third, while Jimmy Limons, son of a former Texas League pitcher, will take Triska's spot. Two other new starters will

be Joe Spence, freshman from Tulsa Edison who hit a torrid 406 in his senior season, at first base, and George Hughes, for-mer Tulsa Hale star who transfers from Bacone Junior College to handle the catching chores. A newcomer to the pitching

staff is Steve Irvine, Tulsa Hale product whom Dallis considered the best high school pitcher in Tulsa last year. He had a 9-2 record with a sizzling 0.73 ERA for the Rangers.

#### Big league competition

This year's treacherous schedule includes four teams of the Big Eight Conference, including such powers as Oklahoma (last year's District 5 champion), Oklahoma State, Nebraska, and Kansas State; Arkansas of the Southwest Conference; and major independents Creighton and Notre Dame.

Thirty of the 49 contests will be against major college competition. Also, the Titans and perennial power Tulsa University are starting a new city champion-ship series of five games.



Titan Assistant Coach 'Moose' Roe explained that pro

good thing when they see it.

# Six heads education group; plumps 'Project Red Apple'

Jerry Six, president of ORU's chapter of Student Education Association, was elected state president of the Oklahoma Stu-



Jerry Six

dent Education Association at the state convention in Oklahoma City recently. Approximately 250 delegates, representing 22 schools throughout the state, met in Oklahoma City to elect state officers to serve for 1973-74. Twenty ORU students attended the convention.

Jerry terms his format as "Project Red Apple." It encompasses five primary objectives: communication, campus functions, coordination of campus chapter presidents, membership increases, and faculty participa-

Jerry hopes to provide through these programs continuity, relevance and a defined stimulus for all OSEA schools. Newly elected officers will be installed at the April conference in Oklahoma



Pro-scouts eyed Titans stars Eddie Woods, John Patterson, Richard Fuqua and David Vaughn at Monday night's contest against Lamar. Titans proved themselves draft material by squashing the Cardinals, 106-83.

# Figlet's Finds

a column of real-life humor

My plant was (sob) dying, so I decided to bring it to botanist Dr. Thurman for a healing touch. (Dr. Thurman has been known to declare, in fun, "I'll lay hands on anything but cactus and poison ivy!") However, on the way over to the LRC I dropped the poor thing twice, then someone stepped on it, and before I could say "chlorophyll" my sickly aloe plant breathed its

Dr. Thurman gave me a Kalanchoe diagremontiana to place in the empty plant pot and said, Even with your treatment this Madagascar Sprouting Leaf should be able to exist. A little light and water are all it needs." Then he warned, "Just don't walk on it!"

ORU operator Vicki Morgan reported that an outside operat-or called her and said, "Charles Roberts, please.'

"We don't have any Charles Roberts here, Operator," Vicki answered.

"Well, isn't this Oral Andrews University?" she asked.

"No, Operator!" the man on the other end corrected, "I want Charles Andrews at Oral Roberts University!"

Well, almost everyone knows who we are!

While reading the book "Worlds In Collision" for an assignment in Earth Science, I noticed particularly the author's reason for the 13th day of the month being thought of as disaster-striking day. Exodus 12:30 states, "There was not a house where there was not one dead at midnight in Egypt," and this was the 13th day of the month for the Egyptians. There is no record of the "unlucky 13" before the time of the Exodus.

Mr. Meleen, professor of Earth Science, wrote on my book report, "That makes 13 a lucky number for God's people."

All right, now. If we really be-lieve that, let's circle the next Friday the 13th (in April) on our calendars, and underneath write, "Something good is going to happen to you!"

Just don't ask me to walk under a ladder that day, ('course, I'll be avoiding all the cracks in the sidewalk), can't break my mirror! And if a black cat walks in front of me, well I don't know what I'd do! And . . .

Figlet's isn't normally a place to advertise, but I couldn't resist this plea for help Karen asked me to relay to you all.

Ladies! Gentlemen! ASSIST A SENIOR IN DISTRESS! Somewhere, somehow I've misplaced the rough draft of my senior paper! IF any one of you has seen a blue manila report folder (one of those 15-cent jobbies sold in the bookstore) containing one highly illegible, 27-page (on both sides), short story and four poems, please contact Karen Louise Brant, SV 104, Box 644, Phone 749-9407. Bless you.'

# Titans reenter top twenty; UCLA goes for 600th win

After a season high ranking at 10th, the ORU Titans reentered the Associated Press College Basketball Poll last week at the 19th position. Tulsa University, co-leader in the Missouri Valley Conference, received mention.

UCLA, with a record 61 straight victories, was a unanimous No. 1 Monday in The Associated Press college basketball poll with coach John Wooden set to try for his 600th career triumph.

The Bruins smashed Loyola, Ill., and Notre Dame on the road last week and—for the first time in three weeks—received every ballot in the AP poll.

North Carolina State, 14-0, whipped Furman, 98-73, and captured all but one second-place vote from 33 sports writers and broadcasters participating in the poll.

Maryland knocked off thirdranked North Carolina and the Terps, 14-1, took over the spot behind North Carolina State. The Tar Heels, 15-3, dropped to No. 8.

Long Beach State, 16-1, was placed fourth, followed by Big 10 power Indiana, 13-2; Southeastern Conference leader Alabama, 13-1; Big Eight kingpin Missouri, 14-2; North Carolina; Minnesota, 12-2; and Marquette, 14-2, in the Top 10.

Alabama moved up three spots from sixth as the Crimson Tide whacked Georgia Tech, Florida and Tennessee last week.

Now 16-0, eight-time national champion UCLA meets cross-

town rival Southern California, ranked 20th, tomorrow night in what could be another Wooden milestone.

The 62-year-old UCLA coach, in his 27th season, has a life-time record of 599-154 and will become the fifth man to win 600 if the Bruins handle the 13-4 Trojans.

Former Kentucky coach Adolph Rupp is the leader with 874 victories, followed by Forrest (Phog) Allen of Kansas with 771, Hank Iba of Oklahoma State with 767 and Western Kentucky's Ed Diddle with 759.

| TOP 20 TEAMS                   |        |      |
|--------------------------------|--------|------|
| 1. UCLA (33)                   | 16-0   | 660  |
| 2. N.S. State                  | 14-0   | 592  |
| 3. Maryland                    |        | 471  |
| 4. Long Beach State            | 16-1   | 440  |
| 5. Indiana                     |        | 352  |
| 6. Alabama                     | 13-1   | 264  |
| 7. Missouri                    | 14-2   | 236  |
| 8. North Carolina              | 15-3   | 227  |
| 9. Minnesota                   | 12-2   | 199  |
| 10. Marquette                  | 14-2   | 195  |
| 11. Houston                    | 13-2   | 187  |
| 12. Providence                 |        | 169  |
| 13. Southwestern La            | 13-1   | 144  |
| 14. St. John's, N.Y            | 13-2   | 84   |
| 15. Jacksonville               | 14-3   | 43   |
| 16. San Francisco              | 14-2   | 42   |
| 17. Memphis State              | 14-3   | 40   |
| 18. Kansas State               | 13-3   | 27   |
| 19. Oral Roberts               | 15-2   | 24   |
| 20. Southern Cal               |        |      |
| Others receiving votes, listed |        |      |
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# Eight roundball teams still remain undefeated

Intramural basketball season is under way, and there are still eight undefeated men's teams. Crimson Tide, Rebels, New Bunch, Logos, Family, Blue Machine, Castoffs, and Logos II hold this privileged status.

Six teams will have a chance for the Intramural Men's Basketball Championship scheduled for late March. In the club and dorm league the two top teams in each division will play each other for the right to meet the winner of the Blue division of the Independent League for the championship. The White division of the Independent League is a collection of second teams. It has been decided that the winner of this division will not compete for the championship.

The Girl's Basketball Cham-

pionship will be decided by their regular season record only. There will be no playoff tournament.

There is good news for teams who have had schedule conflicts. A revised intramural basketball schedule eliminates conflicts with the Holy Spirit class. Athletic chairmen now have these revised schedules.

Individual leaders of the Intramural Circuit include Coach Duke of Pumba, who leads the league in individual scoring with 23.6 points per game, while Joe Yates of Blue Machine and George Gregory of the Disciples follow closely with 22 points.

In individual free throw, Gary McIntosh of Crimson Tide leads, hitting 12 of 13 free throws for 92 percent. Ron Potts of Remnant is second, hitting 89 percent. In team statistics, Family I leads in the margin of victory category, winning their games by an average of 61 points each time. Blue Machine and Remnant II tie for the team free-throw percentage, both making 69 percent of their shots.

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phito by dave snodgrass

Coach Ken Trickey expresses mild distain over one of the calls made by the referees in last Monday night's game against Lamar University of Texas. The Titans humbled Lamar and regained a nation ranking in the AP top twenty poll.

# Titan talk . . .

by vickie morgan

The running and gunning Titans are up to their old tricks again —winning! In last Saturday night's contest with Loyola University of Los Angeles, the ORU cagers showed many signs of brilliance as they romped to defeat Loyola, 121-100.

After a well-balanced first half the Titans took charge in the second half to rack up their 11th straight victory.

One of the deciding factors in the contest was high-jumping Eddie Woods, "The Flying Titan." Nabbing 18 rebounds, Woods was indeed "flying." However, rebounding was not all Woods added to the Titan game; he added 17 points and played well defensively

High scorer for the evening was Richard Fuqua with 27 points, followed closely by David Vaughn with 22 and Greg MacDougald with 22.

In Monday nights clash with Lamar University of Beaumont, Texas, the Titans extended their winning streak to 12 straight for the season and 52 straight home victories.

The end of the first half found the Titans only four points ahead of the Lamar Cardinals, 46-42.

The Cardinals were able to stay within range until, with 13:46 remaining, Fuqua sank a long layup making it 57-54 for the Titans. In the next 2 minutes the ORU cagers stretched their lead to 67-54, holding Lamar scoreless during that time.

From that point forward the Titans never looked back and continued running and gunning until they coasted to a 106-83 victory.

The Titans play their last two regular-season road games this week when they meet Northern Illinois and Rhode Island. The ORU cagers will travel to Chicago Saturday night to appear in a doubleheader that also features Loyola of Chicago vs. University of Dayton, when they meet Northern Illinois. Tuesday night the Titans meet Rhode Island at Providence.



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| Friday    | 10:30 a.m9:00 p.m. |
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The representative from Josten's will be on the second floor of the LRC on February 8 to take orders for class rings.

Seniors should also plan on ordering any extra graduation announcements and/or name cards they need.

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Behind the screens, Bert checks over the day's busy schedule. He works from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day, keeping things running smoothly. To perform his job, Bert says he needs "a whole lot of patience, and much prayer; you've got to be willing to have two or three people demanding something at the same time."

# the ORACLE calendar

# **Sports**

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL: February 3, at Connors Junior College, 7:30 p.m.

BASKETBALL: February 3, Doubleheader: ORU vs. Northern Illinois University; Loyola (Calif.) vs. University of Dayton—At Chicago.

BASKETBALL: February 6, ORU vs. Rhode Island University, Providence, Rhode Island.

# **Meetings**

RUSSIAN CLUB: February 5, 7-9 p.m., Zoppelt 101, all members should plan to attend.

## Etc.

MOVIE: February 3, "Andromeda Strain," 8 p.m., Zoppelt Auditorium.

SENIOR ART EXHIBIT: February 3-7, Barry Bowen, David Hand, Rosemary Bowden, Timko-Barton Hall—Reception: 7:30-9:30 p.m., February 2, Timko-Barton Hall.

HOMECOMING: February 9-10.

# Good natured Bert Simpson always there to lend a hand

by wendy barnes

"Bert! Bert!" resounds within the walls of the LRC, and once again the man of the hour, always in demand by professors and students alike, appears on the scene to rescue the situation. It could be anything from a faulty projector to an upsidedown Kodachrome. Who is this man? Of course, it's Bert Simpson, technician of the audiovideo department.

On a typical day, his work begins at 8 a.m. and lasts until 4 or 4:30 p.m. He can usually be found in the hub of the LRC, operating the machines and trying to keep everything in good working order. Many morning classes have films to be shown, so Bert has little leisure time. In addition, he occasionally records some auditorium lectures upon request of the professor.

Bert has the chance to meet people all the time. He is often called upon to guide tours through portions of the LRC.

Does any particular day stand out in his mind as unusual or different in any way? "Why yes, one day somebody had played with the controls in the hub and everything was turned around." The night before, he had the machinery set for the next morning, "but this time nothing worked and man, I'd like to blew my stack!!"

Bert's major gripe about his work is the lack of "sufficient notice from professors who have to have individual service. And the instructions sometimes aren't at all specific enough; if I could just have the complete cooperation from each professor with time to plan ahead, that would be fine. I guess that's my biggest bugbear."

When asked what would be required of one to perform such a job, he replied, "A whole lot of patience, a whole lot, and much prayer; you've got to be

No, it's not Alfred Hitchcock, it's Bert! During lectures, it is not uncommon to see Bert silhouetted against the screen as he rushes to

nurse an ailing machine.

willing to have two or three people demanding something at the same time. Students even ask me some questions about the programs they see, like I was an official or something, and I play back pictures they missed. Well, I feel it's my responsibility to see they get all the information they need. After all, it's not really their fault if they write slow."

#### 'Oral has hold on us'

Before he began his work at ORU, Bert was manager of a grocery store. Once a close relative from California called and asked him about Oral Roberts. He couldn't answer but his curiosity had been sufficiently whetted that he decided to go and hear the man speak. "I can well remember the first time I ever heard Oral Roberts speak. It was at a tent meeting, during a terrific rainstorm. That man had such a hold on me and my wife; we've never gotten over it either. He still has a hold on us now."

Still highly impressed several years later, Bert inquired about a job with the Evangelistic association. There was no opening at the time, but 6 months later, after much prayer, he received a phone call. "At the time I was supposed to go over to the store and scrub floors at the request of the owner. I told them (the Association) that I would be off the next day and to call back then. So I went to the store and minutes later the owner walked in and said I didn't have to stay after all. You won't believe this, but right then the phone rang and the Oral Roberts man was asking me to come immediately, that they needed me right away. That was July 1, 1956.

#### 'I'm working with Oral'

Why ORU? Why not a similar job somewhere else? "Well, when this place first started it wasn't very well thought of, but when I heard Oral Roberts speak at that tent meeting, I knew he



Always quick to answer cries of distress, Bert peeks out of the hub. "Students even ask me questions about the programs they see, like I was an official or something."

was doing God's work. When I realized how big this thing was getting, I asked for a job. Sure, I've had two or three opportunities to work at other places since then, but no, I figure that working in this organization is the biggest thing that ever happened in my life. But you know, this has never been a job to me. I'm not working for Oral Roberts; I'm working with him."

# 'The Rapture' premieres at Sheridan Assembly

A shocking but true-to-the-Bible news documentary vividly depicting what the world will be like just 24 hours after Christ returns is the subject of a new film produced by David Wilkerson Youth Crusades. "The Rapture" makes its premiere February 4 at Sheridan Assembly at 205 South Sheridan.

The film is a dramatization of a combined network news special reporting the "rapture" with satellite reports from around the world. It depicts how the earth will be literally shaken when multitudes of Jesus people vanish in a twinkling of an eye. Babies are missing from hospitals, Wall Street panics, airplanes lose control and crash, automobiles, bus-

es and trains collide—and a chain of natural disasters takes the lives of countless others.

There is also a unique treatment of the Biblical "mark of the beast" and how it could affect the world almost overnight.

Reverend David Wilkerson, executive producer of the film, states, "The purpose of this film is to awaken the young and old alike to the reality and nearness of the rapture. This believable, low-profile film has such an impact every viewer will have to decide what he must do about Christ's imminent return."

The public is cordially invited to the presentation scheduled to begin at 6 p.m.