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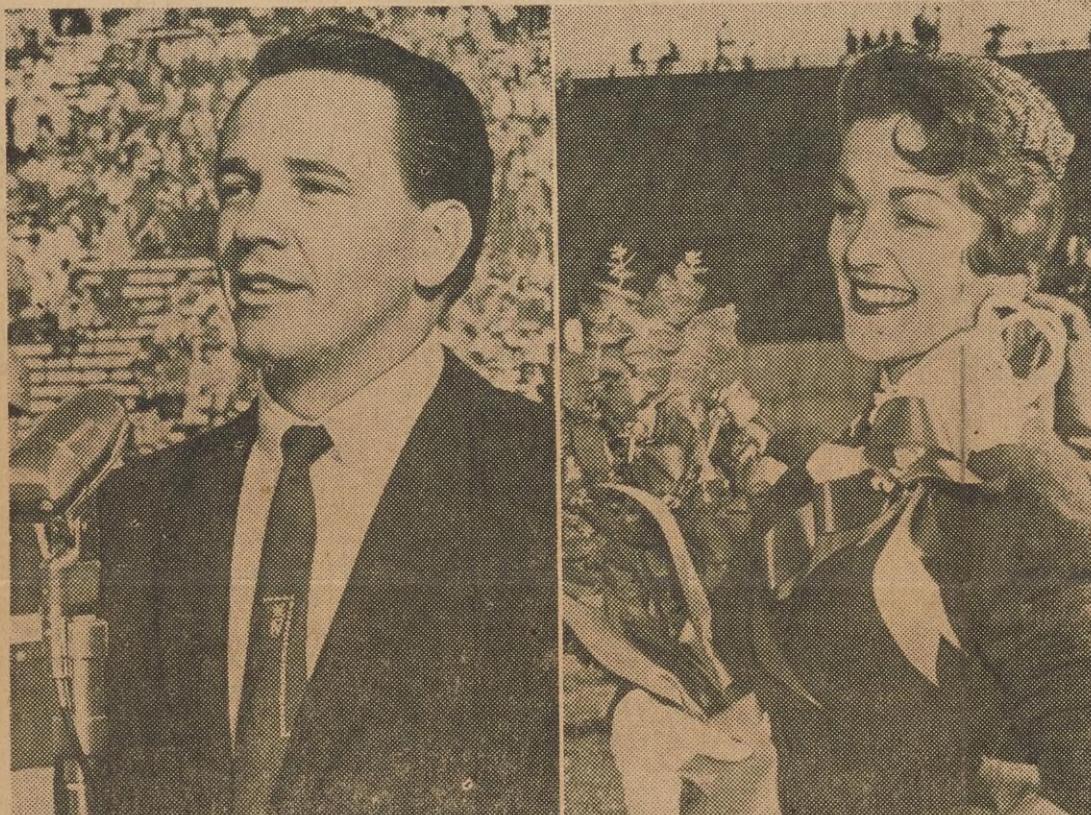
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# MERRY CHRISTMAS



Here is Royalty. Bill Sherrill, nominated by alumni, elected by University administrators, expresses his appreciation for his award as "Outstanding UH Alumnus, 1955." The pretty one is Juanita Hartwell, Tau Kappa Sigma's candidate, and 1955 Homecoming Queen.

Sherrill was recognized for his work as an Alumni Director, Chief of the Sideline Coaches, Chairman of the Alumni Foundation, HC Dance chairman, and his participation in every other Alumni function in the past year.

Juanita is a senior, majoring in education, and sure to have a desk full of "apples for the teacher."

Houston Post Photo

## Rev. George N. Thompson Heads Dept. Of Religion

A Lutheran minister from Brooklyn, Rev. George N. Thompson, is the new director of religious activities at the University.

Rev. Thompson, experienced in student relations, is a graduate of Gettysburg (Pa.) College, where he received his bachelor's degree. He completed his divinity degree at Lutheran Seminary at Gettysburg before serving churches in New York and California.

After two years of teaching at Muhlenberg College in Allentown, Pa., Rev. Thompson received a Fulbright Scholarship, which financed graduate work at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, and the University of Oslo, Norway.

He returned from Norway this year in time to take over as director of religious activities.



and assistant professor of philosophy and religion at the University.

## Cougars Judged Best Quintet In MVC Basketball

By Ted Nance

Four basketball games, all of them at home, will give Houston's cagers anything but a Christmas holiday during the two-week vacation from classes.

Coach Alden Pasche's Cougar quintet opens Missouri Valley Conference play with the University of Detroit Dec. 16 and 17. Detroit gave warning to all teams earlier this month when the Titans won a 77-71 thriller from highly rated Notre Dame in the season's opener.

Following the Detroit series, the Cougars will host Kansas State, recently rated the nation's number 21 team in a pre-season poll. The Dec. 21 meeting with the Kansans from the Big Seven Conference will be the first between the two schools.

Another conference team, the University of Wichita, will be

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## Officers And Directors Send Holiday Greetings

Alumni President Hal Berry, speaking for all the officers, directors and staff of the Association, sends sincere best wishes to you for a happy Christmas and a successful New Year.

"We who are close to the Association have every confidence that the coming year will be one of continued advancement," Hal said.

### FOOTBALL LETTERMEN'S ANNUAL BANQUET SET

Chairman Harry Montgomery has announced Monday, January 16, as the date of the traditional Football Banquet. The event will be held in the Texas Room of the new Houston Club. Montgomery predicts the 1956 edition, co-sponsored by the Alumni Association and the Sideline Coaches, will be the greatest ever.

Ladies are invited. Prices are not definite at this writing, but a "sponsorship" of approximately \$10.00 will cover the purchaser and his date, plus a player and his date. Players will be the personal guests of their individual sponsors. Call CA-4-1681.

With the Holiday wishes, the Association also extends its deepest gratitude to those who have made the past year's program the success it was, through their unselfish contribution of time, effort and dollars.

Ralph Poling, executive director, says, "It is obvious that volunteer workers deserve all the credit. I have only one full-time member on the staff, and we couldn't begin to operate without those workers."

So, hearty thanks and a big MERRY CHRISTMAS to all of you from all of us.

## National Greeks Approve Eight U. H. Sororities

Eight University sororities received nods of approval from national Greek organizations last week.

University chapters will go through a two and one-half month pledging period before they acquire full status with the national group.

Present active members and pledges alike in the local groups must meet the pledging requirement. Initiation as members will take place Feb. 3-5.

Monday, Zeta Tau Alpha's services were held Monday and Chi Omega held its services Tuesday.

Civic, cultural and philanthropic activities play a large role in the national sorority program.

Founded at Lewis School, later called Oxford Institute, Delta Gamma has 73 active chapters with a total membership of 28,202.

A national Delta Gamma Committee arranges for girls of other nations to live in chapter houses while attending college as a part of the Delta Gamma International Education program.

The Belgian government named an orphanage in Marchienne "the Delta Gamma Orphanage" in recognition of work done during both world wars.

Alpha Chi Omega was founded (Continued on Page 2)

## BILLBOARD

Billboard wants to join the Association officers and directors in sending out very best wishes for the Holiday season and the New Year. God willing, 1956 will be a challenge and a source of satisfaction for us all.

"Somebody reads our ads dept.": Requests for the new Ed Gerlach recording of UH songs includes those from—Claude William Raffner, Jr. way up in Wittier, Alaska. Claude is program director for the Army radio station there. Also from Ellie M. Murphy in Little Rock, Ark.

Cute birth announcement from Hazel Elise (Ault) and Robert Lazell. It's a girl, Carol Elizabeth, born Nov. 9.

A thank you note from Sherwood Crane to the Exes who remembered him during his stay in the hospital.

T. Max Davis sends a line from SW American Life telling us he didn't get his HC magazine until after the event. Hope that situation isn't a general one.

Eugene Brown now with KLTU, channel 7, in Tyler, Texas. Funny part is, he sent the notice on an Army postcard picturing Camp Kilmer, N.J.

Board member Bob Dwyer, and wife Mary Ray send thanks for the token sent their new daughter Susan. Incidentally, that's the same Mary Ray (Curry) who was featured as the 1946 Homecoming Queen.

The jinx worked again. This time it was Bill Hollis who had his system for remote ignition of the bonfire sabotaged. Several times in the past elaborate wiring systems have failed to start the blaze. But, the APO was prepared this year—TWO FLAME THROWERS, manned by Marine Corp personnel took over the chore when the Edison method failed.

Speaking of Homecoming and its Queens, here is the complete list of UH HC Royalty; in answer to many requests: 1946—Mary Ray Curry; 1947—Doris Ester; 1948—Dolores Becker; 1949—Billye Jean Taylor; 1950—Wanda Lou Sisk; 1951—Barbara McRae; 1952—Mary Louise Liles; 1953—Gloria Gillespie; 1954—Nancy Daugherty; 1955—Juanita Hartwell.

"You never know" department: UH's All-American, J. D. Kimmel was about to quit pro FB last year when the high rated 49'rs traded him to the lowly Redskins. As it turned out J. D. is getting rave notices with the 'Skins, now second in the Eastern Division, while the 49'rs are fighting to stay out of the cellar in their league.

Then there is the Economics prof who uses the same exam questions from semester to semester. "The questions remain the same, but the answers change," he says.

Agriculture grad Brook Ercell Jeter, '54, has joined the staff of Texas A & M (pardon the expression) as an agronomist at the Angleton experimental station.

Paul Bishkin, alumni ramrod in El Paso, traveled to White Sands to hear the Mississippi game. Too much radar interference in the city. Paul says he always has a bigger turnout when the El Paso alumni group meeting is scheduled in Mitchell's Brewery. Wonder why?

Ah Youth. Outstanding RE, Buddy Boek, and blondiful cheerleader Barbara Lou Hicks seem to have perfect agreement on football and things in general.

And, if you wondered why Ed Gerlach played "Pete Kelly's Blues" several times during the HC dance, Billboard confesses many of the requests Ed received for the number were ours. Great arrangement. TV star June Valli, appearing at the HC pep rally, also impressed with the Gerlach Gang.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

### NATIONAL GREEKS—

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at DePauw University in 1885 and has 70 active chapters with a total membership of 27,134.

A fund for training persons to work with children afflicted with cerebral palsy is a current Alpha Chi project. Collegiate and alumnae groups work with afflicted children.

Alpha Delta Pi was the first secret sisterhood for college women. Founded at Wesleyan Female College in 1851, it now includes 69 active chapters with a total membership of 24,104.

Alpha Delta Pi maintains projects to aid handicapped children. During World War II members maintained an ambulance to assist Blitz victims through a "Thumbs Up" program.

Alpha Pi was founded at Syracuse University in 1872 and has 41 active chapters with a total membership of 19,300.

The Alpha Phi Cardiac Clinic was established in 1946. The clinic provides for the "blue baby" operations, care of children with rheumatic fever and scholarships for cardiac research.

Founded at the University of Arkansas in 1895, Chi Omega has 101 active chapters with a total membership of 41,565.

Each chapter of Chi Omega takes up social or civic work under definite programs. The sorority has established a research fund for the publication of research studies. The open air theatre at the University of Arkansas was a Chi Omega gift.

Delta Zeta was founded at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, in 1902. It now has 63 active chapters with 17,758 members.

Under a Foreign Friendships program, the sorority provides necessities to children's hospitals in Holland and aids Norway's children through the personal interest of Crown Princess Martha.

Phi Mu was founded at Wesleyan Female College in 1852 as the Philomathean Society. It has 61 active chapters with a total membership of 24,000.

A \$50,000 Phi Mu Philanthropic Endowment Fund is responsible for a great deal of social work. The sorority awards annual scholarships in nutrition and medicine.

A \$1000 scholarship is presented for study in the U.S. to a

## Paul Owen To Be Gen. Bruce Releases New Scholastic Regulations

President A. D. Bruce has announced the establishment of a new grading system, a new determination of quality points, and a revised Regulation on Warning, Probation, and Suspension. These go into effect immediately.

An assistant professor of radio and television, Owen came to the University in 1953 as senior producer-director. He is a veteran of more than 12 years television experience.

Owen was a singer on the West Coast before coming to Houston. He was a soloist and choral director for four years with the Fred Waring Organization, and for five years was a staff vocalist for NBC radio.

He has appeared as a vocal soloist on Duffy's Tavern, the Burns and Allen show, and has made records with Dennis Day.

### Math & History Add New Courses

A number of new courses for the College of Arts and Sciences has been announced by Dr. R. Baufour Daniels, dean.

They are as follows:

Mathematics 361: Numerical Methods I

Mathematics 336: Matrices

Mathematics 363;364: Higher Mathematics for Sciences and Engineering

Mathematics 481;482: Expansions of Functions

Mathematics 600: Special Problems

Mathematics 637;638: Differential Equations

Mathematics 661: Numerical Methods II

Mathematics 662: Methods of High Speed Computation

Mathematics 681: Finite Differences

History 490: Survey of History of Spain

History 531: Seminar in American History

woman of a formerly occupied country.

Zeta Tau Alpha was founded at Virginia State Teachers' College in 1898. There are 64 active chapters with a total membership of 20,413.

In co-operation with the Cerebral Palsy division of the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults, Zeta Tau Alpha provide funds for the treatment and training of children afflicted with cerebral palsy. The sorority maintains a scholarship fund for both members and non-members.

University chapters will receive their individual Greek-letter names following February initiation services.

## Gen. Bruce Releases New Scholastic Regulations

### WARNING, PROBATION, SUSPENSION

"The undergraduate student is expected to maintain a grade average of at least "C," or 2.0 quality point average. (The graduate student must maintain a grade average of "B" or 3.0 quality point average.) Failure to do so may result in warning, probation, or even suspension.

1. a. Any Junior College student registered for six or more semester hours at the mid-point of any fall or spring semester or summer session who receives less than a 1.3 quality point average for work pursued during that semester or summer session is maintaining a record substantially below one considered to be satisfactory. (The summer session is treated as an entity.)

b. Any Senior College student registered for six semester hours at the mid-point of any fall or spring semester or summer session who receives below a 1.9 quality point average for work pursued during that semester or summer session is considered to be maintaining an unsatisfactory record.

2. At the end of the first semester or summer session during which the undergraduate student does not earn a satisfactory scholastic record (see 1.a. and b. above) he is officially warned in writing and a copy is forwarded, where appropriate, to his parents or guardians, but the warning is not recorded on his permanent record card.

3. At the end of two consecutive semesters or semester and summer session during which the undergraduate student does not earn a satisfactory scholastic record (see 1.a. and b. above) the student is placed on probation. He is officially notified of this fact, his parents and guardians, where appropriate, are forwarded a copy of this notification of probation, and that probationary status is recorded on the permanent record-card.

4. At the end of three consecutive semesters or summer sessions of failure to earn a satisfactory scholastic record, the undergraduate is suspended from the University. This action is recorded on the permanent record card.

5. The period of suspension is 12 months, and approval of the dean of the college is required for re-admission. Those readmitted will be on probation.

6. To the deans of the several colleges is delegated the authority to suspend any deficient student temporarily or permanently.

7. A prospective transfer student who is not eligible to return to the institution from which he would be transferring is not admitted to the University except in very special cases. Individual exception to this rule may be made upon approval of the dean of the college in which the transfer student may do his major work provided such approval is based upon the results of special aptitude tests. Such exceptional cases would be considered to be in probationary status.

8. If a prospective transfer student who is on probation at another institution, or who would be on probation under this regulation, is admitted to the University of Houston, he is admitted on probation.

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# H. R. Cullen Says UH Financially Desperate

By W. Dan Oana

Speaking before the University Board of Regents and faculty members at a luncheon this month, H. R. Cullen, chairman of the board, said that "we cannot afford to carry the entire weight of this great responsibility," referring to the aid he has given, and "the University is in desperate need of substantial financial assistance."

"The Cullen family has no intention of withdrawing our support from the University," he told an audience of over 150 dignitaries.

"We will meet the fullest cooperation of our fellow citizens to aid in the University's continued growth and development," he said.

After being introduced by F. M. Law, regent member, Cullen received a standing ovation.

Colonel W. B. Bates, vice-chairman of the board told of the beginning of the University and how it had grown from 400 students in 1927 to 13,519 students in 1955.

By 1960, he pointed out, the number of students enrolled at the University would probably reach 17,000.

"We must have additional funds if it is to compare with other Universities," he said.

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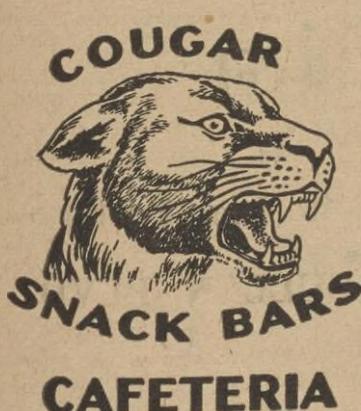
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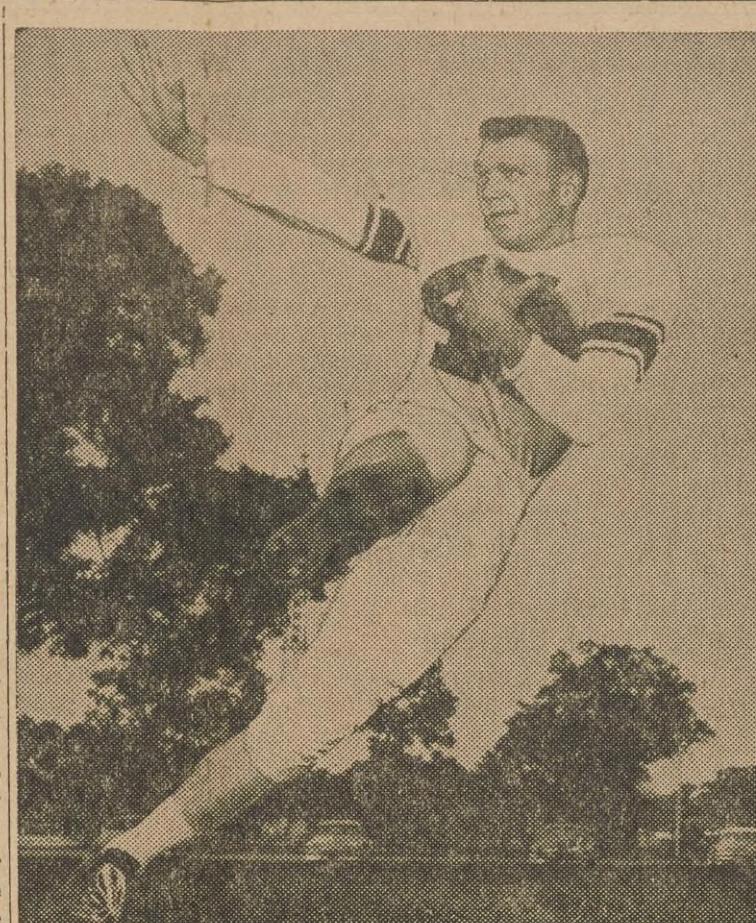


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Scatback Ken "Scooter" Stegall found the handle on the football during the Homecoming game. Sentenced to the Rinkydink team for fumbling, Kenny carried only three times against Villanova. Net result, two touchdowns, on runs of 30 and 60 yards. When not hurrying toward the Alumni Stripe, the senior HB found time to intercept one pass, caught two UH passes, and added two points-after-TD. To cap the climax, Kennie scored one TD and kicked two extra points in the Wyoming game to sew up the MVC scoring championship.

## UH Boxers Show Promise

By John Balione  
Cougars Sports Editor

Coach Danny Orask's Cougar boxing team enters its third week of workouts despite cold and inclement weather. With a squad of 28 fighters, Orask has laid plans for a forthcoming intra-squad match.

Lightweight Henry Bertolino and Middleweight Gene Weinzel are the only returning boxers from last year's team. However, the addition of two star high school champions, as well as several fine amateur fighters, could make the Red and White a powerful unit this season.

This year's schedule finds the Cougars meeting Ft. Hood there January 22, Oklahoma here February 22, Wisconsin there March 2, LSU here March 9, Oklahoma there March 17 and LSU there March 31. The National Boxing Tournament will start April 12-14.

Hopes to improve last season's two-loss two-tie record will hinge upon the performances of the newcomers.

One-hundred and eighteen pound Leroy O'Brien, three times Louisiana high school champion from New Iberia, Paul Prejean, Beaumont district Golden Gloves winner in 1954, 132-pound Harold Smith, twice Louisiana high school champ from Crowley, and Alton Allen, veteran Army fighter who defeated the All-Marine champion, are a few of the newcomers.

Other Cougar hopefuls include 156-pound Lupe Onarecker, outstanding Houston Golden Gloves fighter of 1955, 178-pound Gerry Fincher, heavyweight champion of the Houston Golden Gloves entry, and Heavyweight Owen Mulholland, a novice fighter from the Cougar football team.

This season the boxing team will offer scholarships. Orask advises all boys interested in joining the team (and he needs heavyweights) that the boxing team meets each weekday at 1:30 p.m. in the ROTC building.

All University bouts will be held at the Public High School

## Garrison Honored By Butler Univ.

An honorary Doctor of Divinity degree was conferred on Dr. W. E. Garrison during the recent centennial celebration of Butler University in Indianapolis, Ind.

Chairman of the University of Houston's department of religion and philosophy, Dr. Garrison was president of Butler University from 1904 to 1906.



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## BASKETBALL—

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out to spoil the New Year for the Red and White when the Wheat Sockers invade Public School Field House Jan. 2.

All three conference games will be very important in Houston's drive for its first Missouri Valley basketball title. A single loss in the MVC, generally regarded as the nation's top basketball conference, could cost the Houston team its championship hopes.

Pre-season forecasters have picked a happy new year for Houston. The Cougars and St. Louis University have been listed as co-favorites in every pre-season poll. Seven-foot Don Boldebuck has also been loaded with pre-season honors including All-America mention and first team all-conference rating.

Co-captain Jack Foster has also been placed on the all-conference pre-season team. Other lettermen who will figure heavily in Coach Pasche's plans for the season are Co-Captain Lupe Lopez, Guard Herb Hoskins, Guard Andy McElveen and Forward Jimmie Ash.

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## DECEMBER

1	Sam Houston State	Houston
7	Texas A. & I.	Houston
9-10	Birmingham Classic	Birmingham, Ala.
14	Texas A. & M.	College Station
16	University of Detroit	Houston
17	University of Detroit	Houston
21	Kansas State College	Houston

## JANUARY

2	University of Wichita	Houston
7	St. Louis University	Houston
9	Oklahoma City University	Houston
12	University of Tulsa	Tulsa, Okla.
14	Oklahoma A. & M.	Stillwater, Okla.
23	University of Tulsa	Houston
25	University of Miami	Miami, Fla.
28	Trinity University	Houston
30	Sam Houston State	Huntsville

## FEBRUARY

4	Texas A. & M.	Houston
9	Bradley University	Peoria, Ill.
11	St. Louis University	St. Louis, Mo.
18	Oklahoma A. & M.	Houston
20	Bradley University	Houston
25	Univ. of Wichita	Wichita, Kan.
27	Oklahoma City U.	Oklahoma City, Okla.

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## G.E. MATCHES \$

The University of Houston has received a \$25 check under the Corporate Alumnus Program of the General Electric Company, according to General A. D. Bruce, University president.

The check matches a contribution already made by a General Electric employee and University alumnus, H. J. Paddock.

This is the second contribution received by the University in recent months from a major nationwide firm. U. S. Steel Corporation has given the University \$2,000.

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