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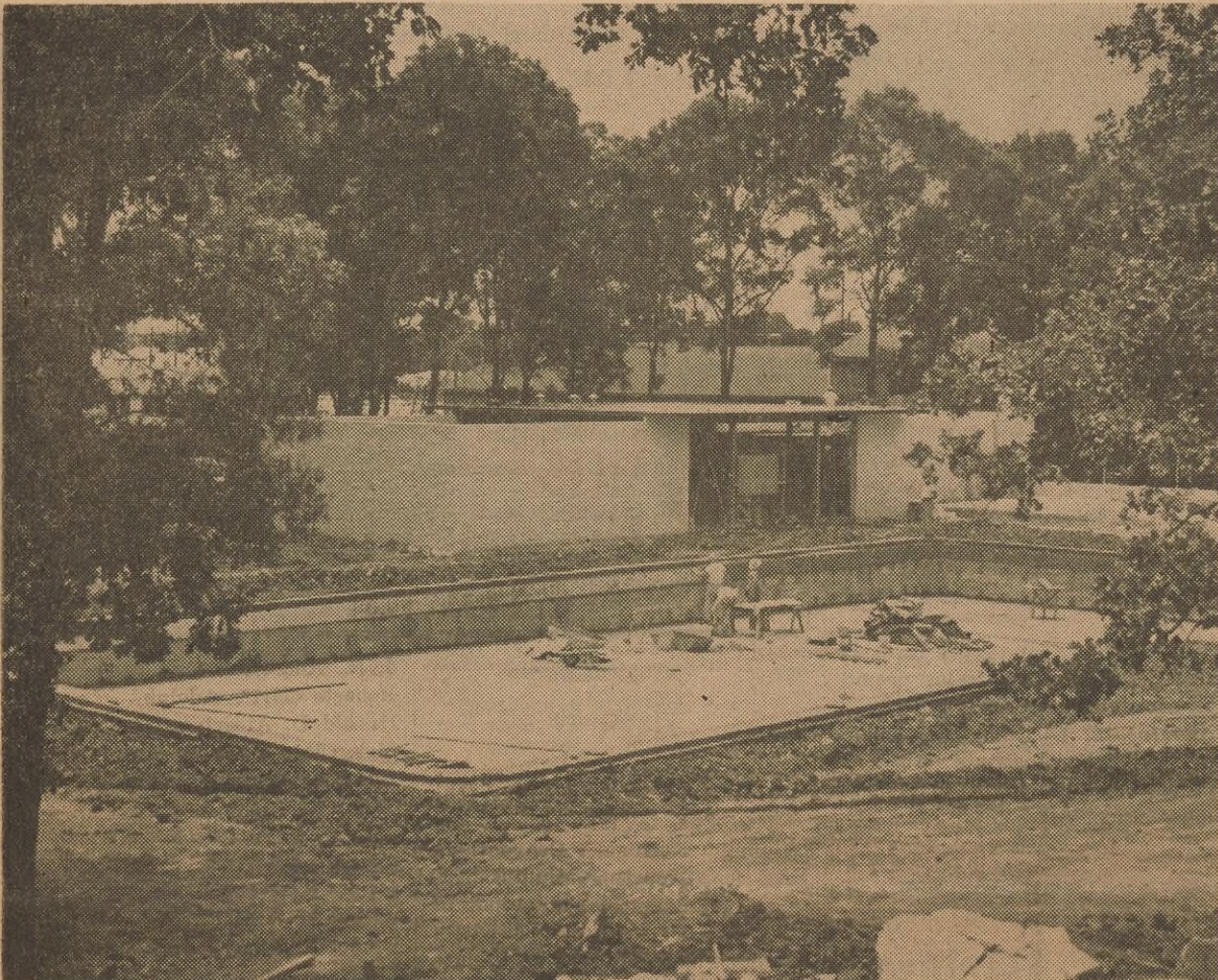
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GEN. BRUCE NAMED PREXY



Well, this looks more like a swimming pool than did the last picture we published. It is starting to shape up the way the architects, Cato, Austin and Evans designed it.

Those are tile setters in the pool putting on the finishing touches, while workmen in the background rush completion of the dressing rooms and shower facilities.

The diving area is out of the picture on the right. Incidentally, this shot was made from the ruins of the old Cougar newspaper office which had to give way to progress.

UH Regents Select Top Army Educator To Fill Year-Old Presidential Void; Will Assume Duties September First

The University enters a new era September first. Lt. General Andrew Davis Bruce will take the chair left vacant by Dr. W. W. Kemmerer just one year ago.

"He is a man of great attainment and prestige, with an intimate association with important people of our state, nation and world."

Those are the words of Col. W. B. Bates, chairman of the committee for selection of a University president. Col. Bates also said, "He is the top educator in the armed forces . . . unexcelled as an administrator."

The Board of Regents expressed gratitude and commendation to C. F. McElhinney for his work as Acting President.

The General is currently Commandant of the Armed Forces College at Norfolk, a position he will resign July 31. He is 59, with 37 years of Army service since his graduation from Texas A and M in 1917.

The tall, rugged president-elect saw action in World War I, emerging a Lt. Colonel. Three years instructing at the Infantry School followed. After Foreign Duty in Panama, Bruce was named Commandant and Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Allen Academy in Bryan. Concurrently, he attended the Infantry School, The Command and General Staff School, the Army War College, and the Navy War College.

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GENERAL BRUCE

It's Later Than You Think: Football's Around Corner

On September 1 Schoolmaster Clyde Lee will ring the bell for class to come to order for his open-air lectures on the Science and Strategy of Split-T System, and some 59 candidates for the Honor Roll Eleven will answer roll call behind the famous Little Red Fence at 3801 Cullen Blvd.

There are well-based rumors, hopes, and opinions that the 1954 University of Houston Cougars will be considerably improved over the '53 edition, and approaching the

While there is concrete evidence to support claims that the Cougars will be rough in 1954, all is not rose-tinted from the window of Clyde Lee's office. Though 18 lettermen will be back in harness on Sept. 1 for the big push, there are 18 others who earned varsity letters in the fall and diplomas in the spring of 1953.

Gone from the ranks of the team that defeated Baylor and Tennessee are some of the greatest names the game has known in its existence at the University of Houston. Replacements must be found for Tackles Buddy Gillioz and Bob Chuoke, the dependable twosome that made all-conference in their last year of varsity play.

While that situation represents a sizable coaching problem, it is no more serious than the job of finding a way to counter the loss of Paul (Rock) Carr, ace fullback-linebacker who concluded his collegiate career against Tennessee on Dec. 5, 1953.

Lettermen who will return for the school's ninth year in the grid wars give Coach Lee some experience at every position. A breakdown on letter winners and where they play reads thusly: Ends (3) George Hynes, Ben Wilson, and Donald Folks; Tackles (3) Lavell Isbell, Rod Carpenter, (lettered as

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1954 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 18—Baylor U.	2:PM
Oct. 9—Texas A&M	8:PM*
Oct. 16—Okla. A&M	1:30
Oct. 22—Vilanova	8:PM
Oct. 30—Wichita U.	2:PM
Nov. 6—U of Tulsa	8:PM*
Nov. 13—Mississippi	8:PM*
Nov. 20—Texas Tech	2:PM
Nov. 27—Arkansas U.	2:PM**
Dec. 4—Detroit U.	2:PM*

* Indicates Home game (Rice Stadium)

** HOMECOMING DAY

Fund Total Climbs

Donations to the Alumni Foundation are still coming. Though the peak seems to have been passed, Chairman Johnny Goyen predicts another surge as Exes return from vacations.

The list of contributors will be brought up to date in the next issue of the Extra.

UH FIRST PRESIDENT EMERITUS DR. E.E. OBERHOLTZER IS DEAD

The man who fathered the University, acted as chief physician at its birth, then reared it to imposing stature, will no longer tread the sod of the campus he loved. Dr. Oberholtzer is dead.

On June 18, the 74 year old educator lost his battle with illness which had confined him to Memorial hospital for nearly one month.

The funeral trip to Forest Park Mausoleum truly indicated the honor and respect Dr. Oberholtzer has earned in his long years as a teacher and administrator.

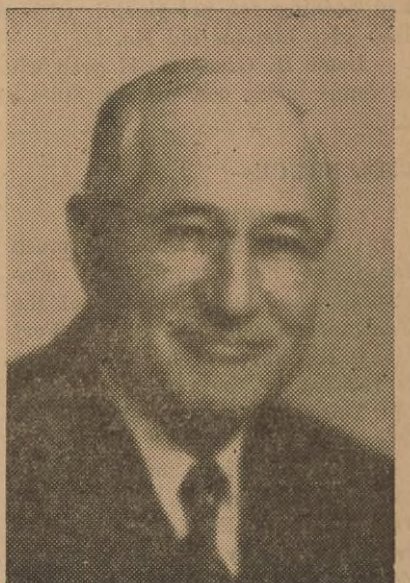
Banks of flowers arrived from friends and admirers despite the request that none be sent. Many hundreds visited his bier at the Lewis Funeral Chapel.

He held membership in the Methodist church, Rotary Club and was a 32nd degree Mason.

In addition to his wife, Dr. Oberholtzer's survivors include: two sons, E. E. Jr. and Kenneth; a daughter, Mrs. Esther M. Fuller; a sister, Mrs. Grace McFarland, and two brothers, Volka and Irving.

The President Emeritus retired from the UH in 1950 and has suffered poor health since that time.

He held degrees from the University of Chicago and Columbia University, and held supervisory positions in Oklahoma, Indiana and Houston public schools before helping found the UH in 1927.



DR. E. E. OBERHOLTZER

CORRAL DAY CREDITS

Due to an oversight, two Houston Boosters were left out of the list of Corral Day Credit List. They are:

Blue Ribbon Packing Co., 4767 Calhoun, who sent a generous donation of Beef.

Bill Bennett's College Dining Room, Scott and Wheeler, furnished the Coffee, creat, sugar and cups.

We sincerely regret the oversight, as both firms made important contributions to a very successful Corral Day.

Season Ticket Information See Page Four

winning ways of the '52 group.

The stimulants for this type of thinking are numerous and varying.

There's the masterful exhibition of quarterbacking by Jimmy Dickey in spring training, though he was adjusting to the Split-T for the first time. Too, there's the return of 18 lettermen, most of whom were starters at one time or another during the last campaign. Other support comes from the overall progress of the entire team during spring training, a period of 20 working days regarded as the most productive in the football annals of the Cougars.

Billboard

Looks like all the Cougar Exes have left town. Or they are mad at us. Anyway, the old Billboard is on the skimpy side this month. Let us know what you're doing, huh?

Another Ex has joined the Stanolind Oil and Gas Co., Thomas R. Duke. He just picked up his BBA in June and went right in as a Jr. accountant.

North American Aviation Co., must be well satisfied with UH engineers. A letter on hand asks that we notify you all that they have some fine engineering jobs for grads interested in research, design and development of atomic energy projects and guided missiles.

Harry Vitemb, '51 is now handling the publicity and charter department for San Jacinto Day Line. That means he can give you the info on the new Excursion Vessel "San Jacinto" which is now offering Houstonians a three-hour trip down the ship channel.

'51 Pharmacy grad Amalia Heaton sends a card announcing her June return from Ann Arbor, with her M.S.!

We still have a ladies stole in the office. It was picked up Corral Day, and we sure wish the owner would claim it before someone is tempted to steal the stole.

Janet (Caskey) Morrison '52 sends a change of address. Now in Chicago with husband Robert S. Morrison '51 who is working on his masters at George Williams, a YMCA college. "Scotty" expects to work in the YMCA field when he finishes.

Joyce Burg, attorney, sends a justified complaint. In the last issue we spelled her name B-u-r-y. Of course we always blame the printer.

Jack Treadway and James A. Clark, both '51 grads, announce their partnership in the Law business. Trade name: Treadway and Clark, 414 Sterling Building.

George J. Debes Jr., is in the Far East with Army Procurement. George is a former student of both the University and Rice.

The department of Radio and TV repair is looking for work. They will fix your radio for a buck and a half, plus parts. TV's are \$3.00 plus parts.

Bruce Underwood, Journalism head man, is at the U. of Missouri banging out his PhD.

Summer Registration totals 4670—an increase over 1953.

We think it's a gag, but a phone call announces that Bill Cannon '52, is not a booking agent for Princess Tiny.

If an award was made for Sustained Cougar Enthusiasm, Charlie Saunders '43, would be a top contender. First Alumni President (1946) Saunders has never lost the Cougar spirit, and is right there when there's a job to do today.

Nick-names ad infinitum: Atty. John Carrigan '42—"Hose"; Jack Wilson '51—"Black Angus"; Ralph Shepley '52—"Judge"; Banker George Miller—"Mole"; Buddy Toomey '51—"Mr. Continental"; Jean Collins '48—"Putt putt"; Bill Swanson—"Singing Swede." Got any more?

E. M. Randy Cockrell '43, Embraco oil core head man caught making a substantial deposit at the Second National.

'54 LLB Criss Cole apparently unhampered by his blindness, won his first law case in Corporation Court this month. Criss is one Vet who gave a lot to his country and still had plenty left over.

George Hawn '51, sends in his Foundation gift and reports he can't wait for Football season. George's gift is the largest individual donation to date, but he'll probably be sore about the mention.

Maurice "Hack" Miller '53, shooting (photographically) the Alumni TV program with the idea of a national spread in mind. The facial contortions of the Little League athletes are a photog's delight.

Don Webb '54, Frontier Fiesta mastermind this year, is getting experience toward his Law degree at the County Probation Office.

Mr. Football, himself, Gene Shannon is finishing up his Army stint and heading for pro-pigskin with the San Francisco '49ers. Be nice if they give him his old No. 24.

Louis H. Green, a '47 grad who has since earned his M.D. can now be found in his new offices, Suite 211, Hermann Professional Bldg.

GEN. BRUCE—

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In 1941 Bruce achieved much fame for his organization, construction and administration of the Tank Destroyer Center at Fort Hood. His success on that project is ratified by the recent renaming of Temple, Texas main street, "General Bruce Drive."

The General is a native Texan, except for a minor technicality—he was born in St. Louis. His legal residence, many of his friends, much of his experience and one of his sons, are in Houston.

Bruce is former commander of the 77th division, first governor of Hokkaido, Japan, former commander of the 7th division in Korea, former commander of the Fourth Army at Fort Sam Houston.

His decorations include: the Distinguished Service Cross, Distinguished Service Medal with Oak

Leaf Cluster, Navy Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Air Medal, Commendation Ribbon, the Purple Heart and many service ribbons.

His foreign decorations are: the Legion of Honor, three Croix de Guerre, and Individual Forragere from France. Also, the Philippine Legion of Honor, the Philippine Liberation Medal and the Presidential Unit Citation from the Philippine Government.

ITS LATER—

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guard), and Wayne Geddes; Guards (4) Jim Blackstone, Wayne Shoemaker, Verle Cray, and Jack Barnes; Center (1) Edgar Wilhelm; Quarterbacks (2) Teddy Gray and Newton Shows; Halfbacks (3) Kenie Stegall, Donn Hargrove, and Billy Polson; Fullbacks (2) Jack Patterson and Tommy Bailes.

VALENTI NEW CIVIL SERVICE BOARD MEMBER



JACK VALENTI

Jack Valenti '46 was appointed unanimously by the City Council to succeed R. C. Stampp on the Houston Civil Service Board.

The three-man Board members receive no salary for reviewing all suspensions, appeals, discharges and complaints of City Employees.

Since leaving the UH Jack has picked up a master's degree at Harvard and formed the Advertising agency, Weekley and Valenti, 2702 Richmond.

The young agency made news by landing two National sales promotion accounts in its short history.

Continental Oil, and the American Petroleum Institute are both handled through the Advertising "house that Jack built."

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McAfee Seeks Spot As GOP Nominee

Jerry McAfee, MBA '52, is seeking nomination as U.S. Congressman on the Republican ticket. A successful campaign will put him opposite the Democratic incumbent, Albert Thomas, in November.

Jerry has been active in Republican politics since leaving the UH in June 1952, serving as GOP chairman for precinct 237 and member of Harris County Executive Committee.

McAfee is running on an "I like Ike" platform, although critical of current foreign policy.

He lives at 5406 Doulton street, with his wife and two small children.

LOST SHEEP

The names listed are those of Alums who were once in our files but are now considered "lost." We send them mail and the Postman brings it right back.

How's about checking this list and giving us a call or a post card if you can supply the address of any of these "Lost Sheep." CH-1681 Ext. 251, and thanks a lot.

George Barnes
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Mabrey Lee Bauer
A. J. Bay
Emil Albert Beltz
Linton Shepiard Bengie
John R. Bennett
Herman L. Bernard
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For Your Suggestions

The Alumni Association wants your suggestions—and we are willing to pay for them. We also want to know what you consider the most important function of the Association. The Public Relations Committee has suggested several functions below, and asks you to rate them according to your personal feeling about the importance of each.

—Then, take a sheet of paper and write down your criticisms, suggestions or random thoughts regarding the operation, purpose and scope of the Alumni Association.

It doesn't take an essay to win. A few words of constructive thought may take the Prize. If you are not interested in the money, how's about filling in the form anyway?

The best suggestion from the viewpoint of feasibility will bring the author \$25.00—pronto.

Mark boxes in order of your preference: 1, 2, 3, etc.

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Entries must be received by August 15th to be eligible for prize. UH Exes, only, are eligible.

NOTE

Due to an early deadline (the editor has to take off to an Alumni National Convention) the Board Meeting Minutes usually found on this page had to be omitted. The Board activities report will be brought up to date next issue.

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1954 Cougars In Capsule

Here is a break-down on the 59-man squad that is eligible to return for varsity play for the 1954 University of Houston football season.

According to classification, the '54 group will be a young team. There are only 11 seniors on the entire squad list. The remainder of the squad is composed of 32 sophomores and 16 juniors.

Of the 18 lettermen returning from the 1953 season, eight have won two letters and 10 received their first varsity award last year. Six of the 18 lettered last year while playing in their sophomore year. According to class status, the 18 lettermen include nine juniors and nine seniors.

Though freshmen were not eligi-

ble for varsity play last season, there will be one sophomore letterman on the squad. He is Fullback Max Harding, who lettered at halfback during his freshman year, which was 1950. Max has returned from the service, where he played three years with the Marines at San Diego.

Co-Captains for 1954 will be, End George Hynes and Fullback Jack Patterson. The '53 team split right down the middle, with 18 lettermen returning and 18 leaving. And, you'll remember, the season's won and lost column balanced at 4-4, with one tie, Texas A&M.

Check page four for Season Ticket info.



GEORGE HYNES
Houston End

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The Coach Says---

Pre-season football magazines, football rating systems, and other football "expert" groups pose hundreds of different types of questions in their annual summer polls, but there are four categories that are always included in some shape or form in each of these questionnaires.

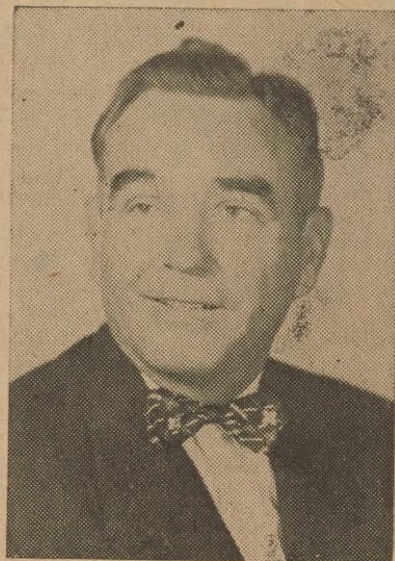
The "Big Four" include these: (1) Line Strength; (2) Backfield Strength; (3) Offensive Summary; and (4) Defensive Summary.

Here is the way that Coach Clyde Lee answers the Big Four on his team for the 1954 season.

THE LINE is the big question in the University of Houston's 1954 outlook. We lost four tackles, including both starters and their number one replacements. There is considerable potential in our sophomore tackle candidates, and if they develop rapidly, they could make the difference in our season. We can expect better end play because of material and experience available. Our guards are all experienced. At center we should be much improved; Billy McIlroy and Tom Rimmick will make us deeper and stronger.

THE BACKFIELD was hardest hit at fullback where we lost Paul Carr to Graduation and two promising freshmen to grades. Jack Patterson and Tommy Bailes are still on hand to do good jobs. They'll be backed up by Curley Johnson, who will move from halfback, and Max Harding, who has returned after three years in the service. Our halfbacks should be stronger than in some time. Our quarterback position has fine potential, but lacks playing experience. QB's can run with the ball better than any group we have had.

THE OFFENSE should be improved both in running and passing. Dickey is a fine passer, and he'll have very good receivers. Better handling of ball by quarterbacks should improve ground game, since there is plenty of running skill in halfbacks. Offensively, both



COACH CLYDE LEE

the line and backfield should show more group speed.

THE DEFENSE should show improvement in the secondary. Defensive line play is the big question. Lack of defensive experience among linemen leaves some doubt. Success of season may rest here, depending on how well linemen prepare themselves.

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Season Tickets Are Best Bet For Great Grid Home Schedule

Exes who wish to assure themselves of choice seats for the University of Houston's colorful five-game home schedule in 1954 may obtain seating priority by mailing orders ahead of the August 1 deadline for option holders, according to a statement by Athletic Director Harry Fouke.

Season ticket holders from the 1953 season have until August 1 to exercise their option privileges, after which seats will be assigned to new season ticket purchasers.

Though seat assignments cannot be made until after option holders have acted, new locations will be granted according to the date that new orders are received, and filled immediately after the August 1

deadline.

Reserved seats for the coming season are priced at \$16.25 each and \$21.25. Orders for season tickets should include 40 cents for mailing.

Fouke said that options on choice locations for future seasons are automatically gained by the season ticket purchaser.

Orders for season tickets should be mailed to the Athletic Department, University of Houston, Houston, Texas. Checks in payment for season tickets should be made payable to the Athletic Department, and should include the total cost of tickets, plus the mailing charges.

For additional information regarding season football tickets, exes should call the Athletic Business Office, at PReston 1527.

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Bert Horne To Run For State Office

Dr. O. B. "Bert" Horne, UH Ex, UH Prof, and currently UH Law Student has announced his candidacy for the State Legislature, position No. 5.

Bert received his doctor's degree from the University in 1949 while acting as Coordinator for the UH's Ellington Field Branch. Not content with three degrees, he is now enrolled as a second year law student—at the UH, naturally.

Position No. 5 is wide open due to the resignation of the incumbent, Bill Miller, to enter the County Court at Law race.

Dr. Bert's platform is: 1. Conservation of natural resources, with especial attention to the water situation; 2. More stringent narcotics laws; 3. Adequate insurance laws; 4. Adequate facilities for care and rehabilitation of the mentally disturbed; 5. No new taxes.

The 45 year old candidate has three children, is a Navy veteran, a member of the Fairbanks Baptist Church, a Shriner and member of Scottish Rite Bodies.

Reconditioning Air Conditioning

The Charles G. Heyne Co. has begun work on a \$112,700 contract for improvement of the University's air conditioning system and steam heating all buildings, T. J. Thornhill, plant engineer, said.

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