

Editorial

Buses campus necessity

As could have been predicted, the loss of the parking lot at 17th Street and Flint Avenue created an adverse student reaction.

It is easy to complain, but not so easy to offer solutions. Parking is a problem with all large universities and Tech has been fortunate it has been relatively free of such problems until recently.

If campus planners had retained the lot at 17th Street and Flint Avenue, and put the new Architecture and Art Buildings farther out, it just would have altered the problem.

In retrospect, students created the situation today when they voted last spring to increase their student services fee in order to finance a bus system.

What was instituted to alleviate a bad situation caused by distant dorms, classrooms and parking lots has allowed the perpetuation and extension of the bad situation.

It is now easy to tell a student to park his car a mile away from class and take the bus. As the campus grows, the bus system will cease to be a student service. It will be a campus necessity.

As the campus grows, the bus system must grow. It is past the point already that it can be considered a student service like football tickets, health service or access to a campus newspaper.

The bus system should not be financed out of the student services fee.

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Gary Shultz:

Important problems exist at Tech

In surveying the problems facing the Tech student body today, no single problem stands out as being so monumental or so completely abhorable as to warrant open and violent revolt on the part of students and faculty.

Problems do exist, however, and there are some important ones. But despite their

existence, few solutions are being openly sought simply because few people — students, faculty or administrators — are concerned enough to work toward the elimination of these problems.

The atmosphere on the Tech campus, that atmosphere being created by both students and faculty as well as administra-

tors, is like water that has been allowed to stand in one place too long; it is stagnant.

FEW STUDENTS are concerned enough really to try to make this campus an active campus. It requires too much mental and physical effort to attempt to bring about changes at Tech. Progressive changes in such areas as grading, student government, housing and the nature of courses could make Tech an interesting school to attend as well as give it favorable notoriety on the national level.

The Tech atmosphere not only tends to limit creative thinking but stifles creative action whenever it is initiated. The attempt by the All-School convention to bring about changes in nominating and campaigning techniques in the Student Senate

race was virtually destroyed in the fall elections by people spreading irresponsible rumors concerning its nature as well as its intent. Speak-outs and similar gatherings, attended by the same small percentage of people time after time, receive little support from a majority of students.

THE ACTIVISTS' FORUM, a paper whose primary intent is editorial comment on events at both the local and national level, has had little written reaction from its readers, either favoring or opposing its comments for The University Daily concerning events either reported, overlooked or editorialized on.

Not only is this stagnation evident in the lack of definite stands or actions taken by Tech students in areas that directly

affect the student body as a whole, but it is reflected by the very nature and quality of editorials and columns such as this.

MOST STUDENTS are very much aware of the problems facing Tech. Some of them even have solutions, feasible solutions, to these problems but no action is initiated to make these proposed solutions a realization. Most of the student body has acquired the philosophy of "don't give a damnism."

So long as this stagnation persists, there is no hope for Tech's gaining recognition in academics or student government as a whole on the national level. Even if this institution should have "university" added to its name, it will still allow the atmosphere to remain stagnant.

MILESTONES

...AND OTHER ROCKS

Tech entered the intercollegiate basketball arena for the first time Jan. 25, 1926, in the opener of a two-night cage double-header with the Daniel Baker Hillbillies. A crowd of 1,250 persons was on hand in the stock judging pavillion where Coach Grady Higginbotham's Matadors made their basketball debut.

It was the eleventh game of the season for Daniel Baker, and the Hillbillies' playing experience proved to be a tremendous advantage over the untested Techsans, as the visitors swept to an easy first-game victory, 37-25.

ACCORDING TO the Lubbock Morning-Avalanche, "Miller, fast and shifty, of the Daniel Baker cagers was the high point man for the game, ringing up 13 of the 37 scores for his club. Chambers of the 'Billies was second high point man with nine counters chalked up for him.

"The work of (Tech's) Alford, Walker, Bucy and White," the Avalanche continued, "was well worth mentioning as they were constantly fighting on the court and never at any part of the game were they seen loafing, but were battling even against odds. Time and again, Alford crashed through the defense of the visitors, marching toward the Scarlet goal only to lose control of the ball."

THE NEXT NIGHT, Tech looked stronger, but the Matadors were still no match for the Hillbillies, dropping the second encounter, 32-28.

The 1926 Matadors failed to claim a victory in their first two outings, but what they accomplished was something vastly more important. The foundation had been laid for today's — as well as tomorrow's — Red Raider basketball.

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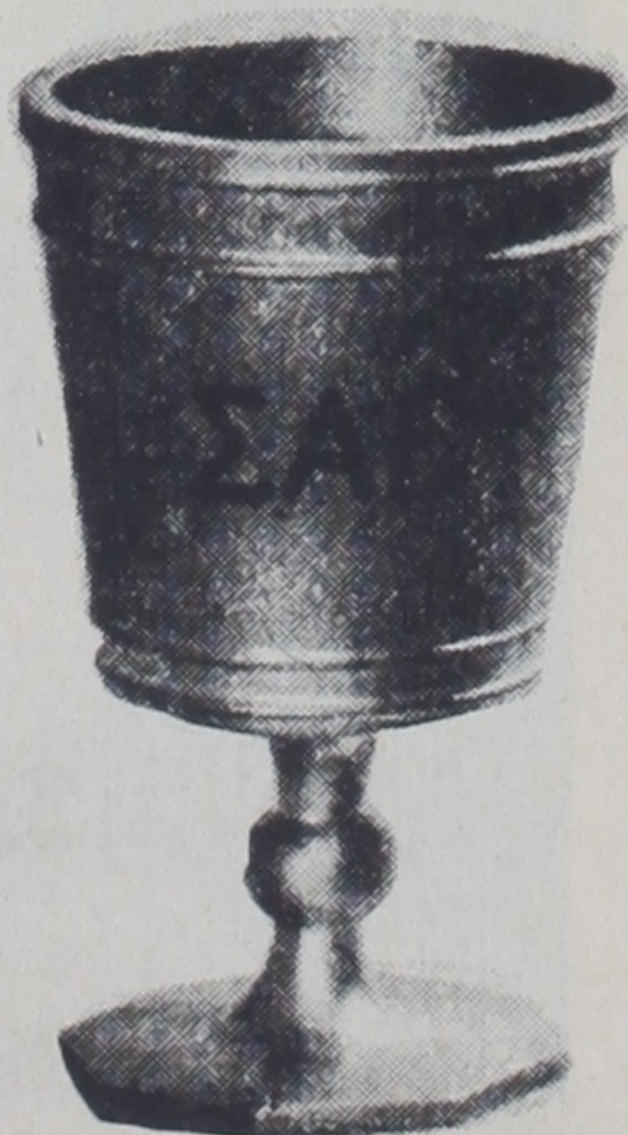
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MAIN AT UNIVERSITY

Leading rebounder

Turner sparks Tech's roundballers

By DAVE AMMONS
Sports Editor

Hampered by an inconsistent shooting attack, Tech's Red Raiders have managed only a single victory in their first four cage encounters. Where the offense has sputtered, however, the defense has sparkled — due largely to a pesky full-court-press and the rebounding skills of sophomore Jerry Turner.

Turner, an aggressive forward from Houston's Sam Houston High School, has paced Tech's rebounders in each of the Raiders outings so far this season, collecting a four-game total of 54 caroms.

Against Oklahoma, Tech's latest foe, the Raiders once again won the battle of the blackboards, claiming 46 rebounds to the Sooners' 43. Turner personally grabbed 11 missed shots.

ALTHOUGH THE TECHSANS controlled the boards against OU, they lost the main event, 83-74. Turner explains, "We

out hustled them, but we just didn't shoot well enough."

The 6-2, 195-pounder, however, has consistently carried his share of the offensive load. His 40 points, via 13 of 34 field goals and 14 of 25 free throws, places him fifth among the team's leading scorers.

"We're still a young team," Turner says, "and it's a lot better to lose these than the conference games."

BUT TURNER is unaccustomed to losing. An all-zone high school selection, he came to Raiderland and joined what was probably Tech's greatest freshman team ever.

During his first year in a Scarlet and Black uniform, Turner never even came close to a loss. A member of an undefeated Picador team that averaged an astounding 104 points per game, he compiled a rebounding average of 14.5 per contest, while pouring points through the basket at a clip of 14.1 per contest.

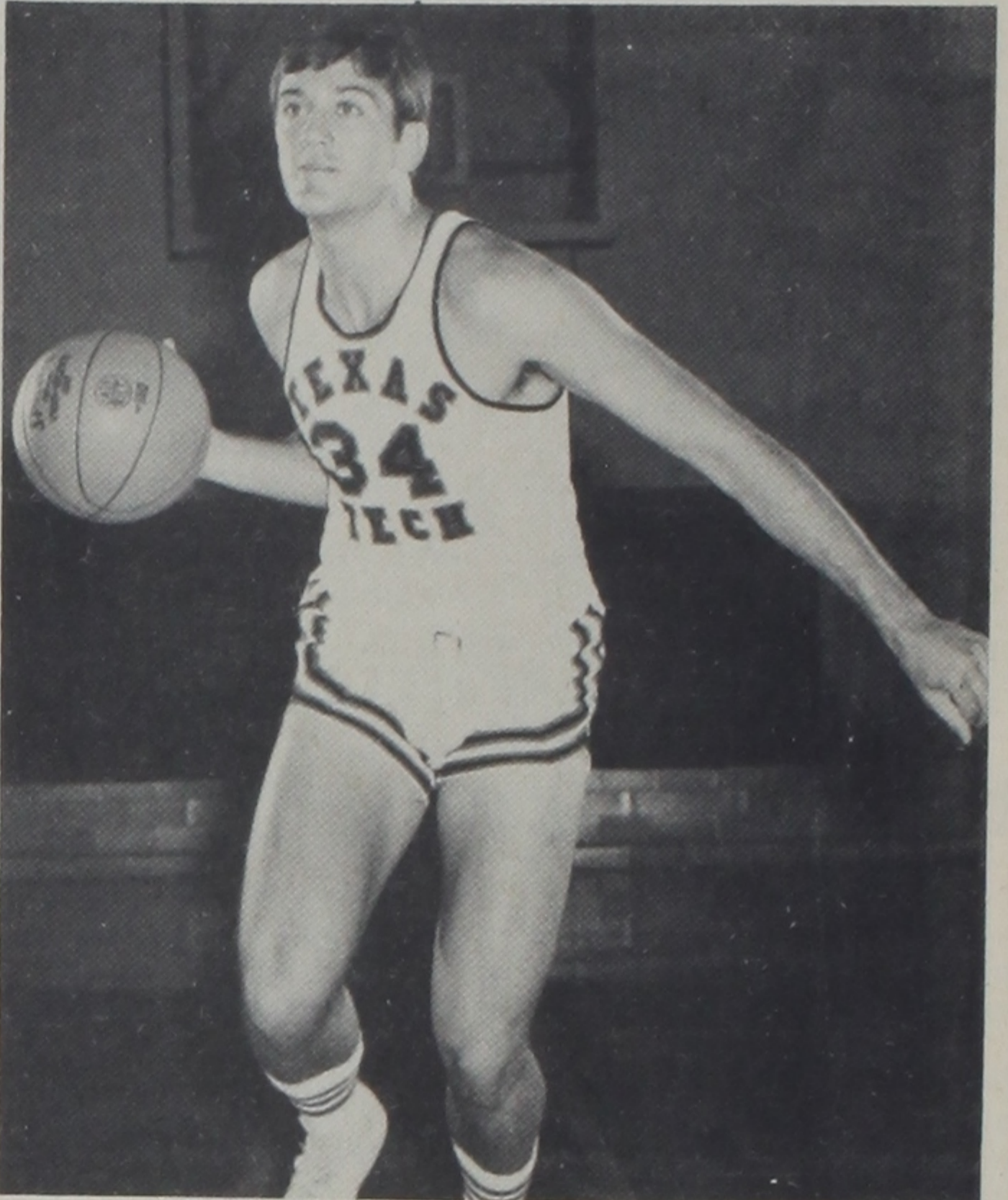
THE RAIDERS are scheduled to battle Houston Baptist, Saturday, and Tech coach Gene Gibson has warned his cagers against underrating the South Texans.

"He told us not to take them too lightly," Turner said. "Gerald Myers is their coach and they'll be up for us."

Myers, a former Monterey High School mentor and Raider basketball player, was an All-Southwest Conference selection for Tech in 1957-58.

The press has helped us some, too. But free throws and field goals — just our shooting in general — has been off. That's the only thing that's kept us from winning more games."

"But as long as we keep hustling the way we have been," he added, "we're going to beat a lot of people."



JERRY TURNER

Los Angeles loses game, title hopes

NEW YORK (AP) — Professional football found itself today in an embarrassing position reminiscent of a famous college case 29 years ago — grown men unable to count to four.

The latest case involved a lost down in the National Football League game last Sunday between the Los Angeles Rams and Chicago Bears.

THE BEARS won the game 17-16, knocking the Rams out of any title chance. Later, however, it was discovered that in the confusion surrounding the final minute of the exciting contest the Rams were deprived of a down.

This was similar to a case in the Cornell-Dartmouth game in 1940 when the game referee,

William Red Friesell, gave Cornell an extra — or a fifth — down. The Rams got three.

Cornell scored on the play and made the score 7-3. When the mistake was discovered, Friesell acknowledged the error. Cornell officials relinquished all claim to the victory and the game went into the record book as a 3-0 triumph for Dartmouth.

THE RESULT of the pro game was not changed but Pete Rozelle, NFL commissioner, acted quickly by suspending all six officials who participated in the Los Angeles contest.

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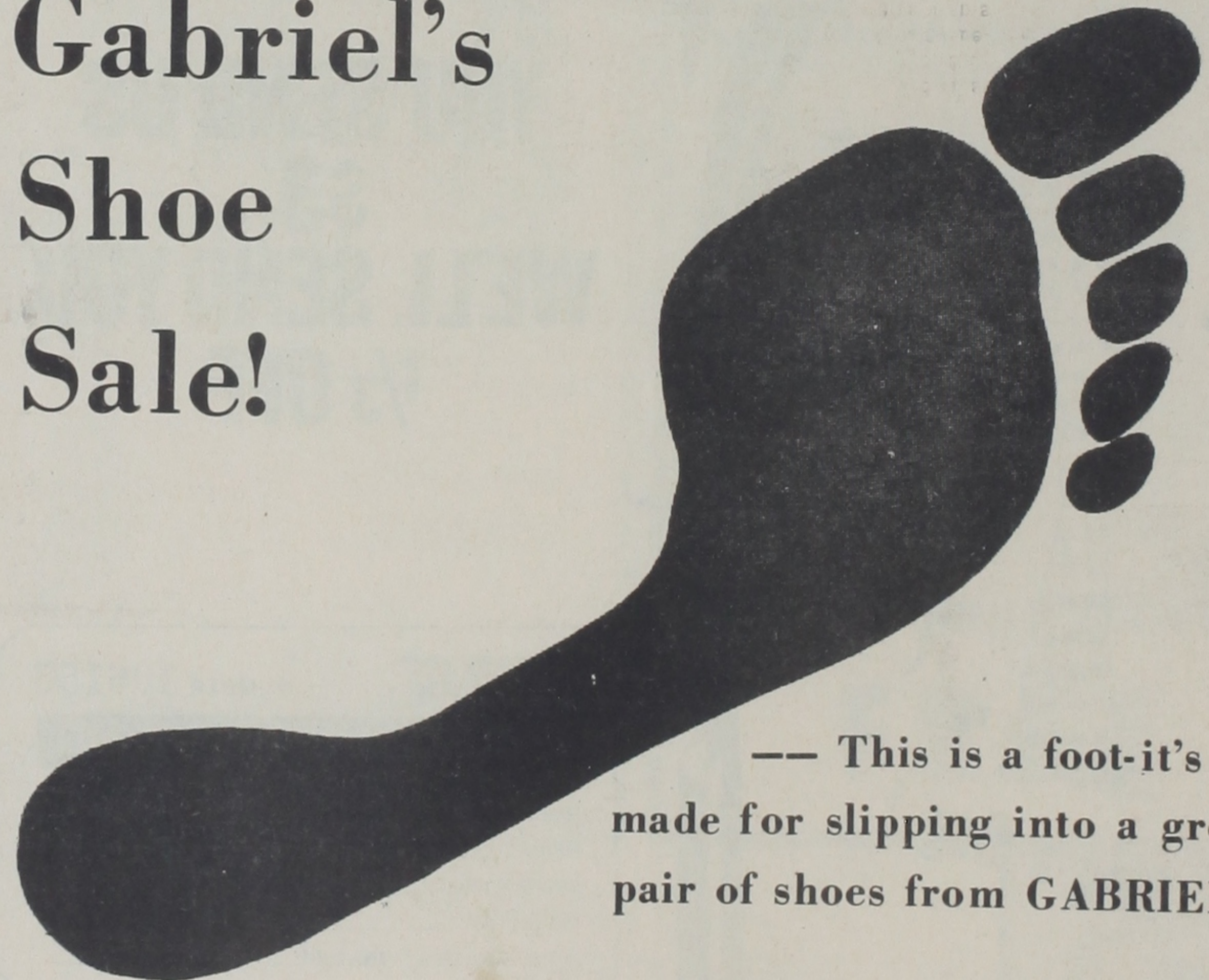
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