### 'HEADLONG INTO INSOLVENCY'



### UNION IN DEEP CASH Union to close Sundays TROUBLE Staff reductions planned

by NICK WITCHELL

#### Drastic measures to curb the university union's critical financial situation have been announced this week.

Heading a long list of economies is the decision to close the Union building every Sunday and to begin a gradual reduction in staff numbers.

The situation is now so grave that there are fears the union's reserves, which will have been cut by about 40 per cent this session alone, may not now be large enough to meet the union's legal commitments.

The Union's Honorary Treasurer, Dr J. W. Belton this week criticised the union for "living seriously beyond its means" for the past few

"We have now come to the crunch," he said, "the Union has got to stop drawing so heavily on its reserves.

Dr Belton added that he feared the economy measures might not be stringent enough to avoid an even more critical situation next session.

The decision to begin a policy of "natural staff wastage" was taken at lengthy meetings of the Executive and Union Council earlier this week.

"At the moment we are plunging headlong into insolvency", said Union Presi-

dent Neil Taggart, "and we have got to look at ways of reducing our expenditure, including our wages bill".

Mr Taggart emphasised, however that there was no question of redundancies:

"I wan to make it perfectly clear to all the staff that no such policy is under consideration", he said.

The first group of union employees to come under scrutiny will be the night cleaners, who cost £26,000 per year to employ.

### Wages bill

The long term aim, said Mr Taggart, is to phase out night cleaners and increase the day staff, who receive substantially lower wages.

It is hoped that such a policy will save the union £4,000 on next session's wages bill.

Another £4,000 will be saved by closing the building on Sundays. It will now only be opened at the discretion of

Union Council for special events.

The budget for union societies, which had already been pared down to a minimum during preliminary discussions has been cut by a further £1200.

The Union's Arts Festival one of its most prestigious annual events, has been scrapped. Instead, the £1500 allocated to it in the budget will be spent on "Events" throughout the year which it is hoped will be more profitable than the Arts Festival.

Other sectional budgets have been cut: many have been left at this year's level.

Postgraduates, who applied for £669 are to receive only £200; the Medical, Dental and Engineering Students Representative Councils will all have to function next session on the same money they have received this session none of their budgets have been increased.

The allocation for sports clubs has, however, been raised by about 25 per cent.

The Union's Sports Administrator Mike Brook, said that in the circumstances he was quite happy with the in-

"Some away fixtures towards the end of the year may have to be scrapped but otherwise I think all clubs will be able to play normally," he said.

The strongest opposition to the budget proposals is anticipated from the union's 90odd staff.

Already, Trades Union representatives have indicated that they will be opposed to any reduction in staff levels.

Mr Ernest Stanford, a shop steward for the National Union of Public Employees, the Union to which all the cleaning staff belong, said they would view any "natu-ral wastage" with great an-

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This is the last edition this session.

The Editor and staff wish all readers a pleasant summer and thank all who have supported the paper during the past session.

### Students hail breakthrough in hostel dispute

A recommendation to abolish the 24 hour hostel visiting ban at Carnegie College is being looked upon as a major breakthrough for the students union in their campaign against the college authorities.

The proposal to do away with the regulation forbidding students to have visitors in their rooms after 11 pm came at Wednesday's meeting of the college Ioint Consultative Committee.

It was also recommended that a committee comprised of students and the hall tutor should be set up in every hostel to administer the rules. At present hall tutors alone are responsible for discipline in their hostels, and under the new proposal they would cede this control to the hall committee.

It will now be up to College Principal Dr Leo Connell to decide whether or not to accept the recommendations. In any event the affair will come under

careful scrutiny at the next meeting of the college Board of Governors.

The JCC's recommendations follow a surprise move by Dr Connell last week.

Dr Connell sent out a circular to all students wishing to take up residence in hall next session. The letter, which had to be signed by the students, referred to hostel regulations, and in particular to the rule about visitors. Students were asked to confirm that they had a full knowledge of the visiting regulation, and that they agreed to

abide by it. The principal's action caused a storm of protest from the students' union. At a meeting on Monday, students voted to delete the paragraph referring to the visiting rule before send-

ing the forms back. Dr Connell stated earlier this week that the forms were intended merely to reaffirm the agreements which hall residents had signed in February:

"What has happened over the past few weeks has obscured just exactly what the regulations are," he said, 'and the form was meant to clarify them."



Principal Connell now it's up to him

Dr Connell declined to comment on the recommendations put forward by the JCC.

Councillor Michael Meadowcroft, chairman of the college board of governors said that the JCC had dealt with the situation in a very constructive and and responsible manner: "I think we have reached a

unanimous and very amicable agreement," he said. Union President Chris Pratt said he was delighted with the JCC recommendations. He said he was hopeful that the principal would accept them and put an end to the stress that had existed on campus over the past few weeks.

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## Rent strikes "inevitable" after pleas are rejected

There is now more widespread support for a rent strike in univeraccommodation than ever before.

The prediction was made this week by President-elect Roger Seddon after the University Council had rejected pleas from union officials to peg hall fee increases at 22 per cent.

The University is proposing fee increases up to 33 per cent, whilst the new student grant announced last month represents only a 22

per cent increase.

Mr Seddon himself formerly President of the University's largest hall at Bodington, said that in view of the Council's decision he thought rent strikes were now entirely justified:

"How can they in conscience pass on such a huge increase", he said.

It is expected the union will bring forward recommendations that hall residents should pay the basic £870 hall fee, plus an extra 22 per cent of about £81. The 11 per cent difference could be held in a special

rent strike fund set up for the purpose.

"Providing we can get enough students to support the rent strike I think it would be worthwhile and effective," said Mr Seddon.

### STOP PRESS

The union announced last night that it is to advise all freshers not to take up places in hall

Letters will be sent out to them in the vacation suggesting that places which have already been accepted should now be turned

### Staff unite against cuts

Lectures at the Polytechnic are to refuse to implement the £200,000 cut in the college's budget imposed by the Tory controlled City Council.

At a meeting of the Polytechnic branch of the Association of Teachers in Technical Institutions on Monday a resolution was passed deploring the Council's intention to cut the Leeds education budget by £2 million. The ATTI, whih represents over 60 per cent of the Polytechnic's academic staff is calling on its members to refuse to assist in the implementation of the Council's cost cutting exercise.

ATTI members from a number of colleges in Leeds including Park Lane and the Polytechnic are to join with students in a lobby of the City Council meeting on Wednesday to express their opposition to the cuts. Staff from at least four Leeds colleges, including Park Lane, Kitson and Thomas Danby, are also to stage a token half day

strike on Wednesday after-

A meeting is to be held at the Poly Union prior to the Council lobby to discuss plans for an occupation next

Both the ATTI and local student unions are to call on Labour and Liberal councillors to oppose the cuts. There is a possibility that the Tories, who do not have an overall majority on the Council, will be defeated over their proposals for reducing the education budget as part of a three per cent cutback on all budgets.

The local liaison committee of the ATTI was meeting last night to discuss further action against the education cuts which is expected to include more token strikes.

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### Fiscal suicide

The university union at last seems to be waking up to the gravity of its own financial problems. For years the more foresighted of its officers have been warning of the dangers of a fiscal policy which has consistently verged on the wanton and the irresponsible.

Hitherto their warnings have fallen on ears closed to the notion of proper long-term budgetry control. The pevailing philsophy has been to spend today and let tomorrow's debts take care of themselves.

The measures announced this week are unpleasant. They will affect union members and union employees. One trusts that the assurances that there will be no

redundancies will be honoured. And there is no reason to suppose that they won't. All the union is doing belated thought it may be, is following the university's lead in introducing a more critical rein over the renewal of vacant posts.

What is now needed is far greater efficiency and forthrightness from all those who supervise the union's considerable expenditure.

The onus is also now upon all clubs, societies and other recipient of union money (including, of course, this newspaper) to operater with greater thrifst.

Otherwise, our successors will find that membership of Britain's biggest central students' union offers little but a wealth of verbosity — and wholesale penury.

### Your move Dr. Connell

The ball in the Carnegie hostel dispute is now firmly in the Principal Dr Leo Connell's court. The Joint Consultative Committee has recommended alterations to the regulations which should resolve the matter amicably.

It is now for him to accept their carefully formulated proposals. The alternative, as he must know, is to place himself in such conflict with his staff, students and governors that his future will be in serious doubt.



# Warbeck



Basher Dave Smith, left, and David 'Jailor' Boothby coax Iain 'Pinko' Muir into the murky waters of the Ouse while Brian 'The Toff' Smith looks on

### **ABORTIVE**

Missing from Poly Rector Designate, Paddy Nuttgens' meet the people booze-up tomorrow, will be none other than Poly President-elect, Linda Vaughan.

It seems that Miss Vaughan had had to refuse the Rector's kind invitation due to a prior engagement at a proabortion rally in London.

My spies tell me that should a counter demonstration be organized there might be another notable absentee -Paddy's wife Biddie, an ardent anti-abortionist and mother of

### JOB FOR THE JAILOR

Some interesting information has just come to light about University Union General Secretary, David 'Jailor' Boothby's latest job application. It seems that Dave whose sabbatical year ends next month, has bene searching for some time for a job to match his peculiar talents and experiences and has at last found one which I am sure will suit him down to the ground.

Following his energetic and largely successful attempts to deal with the illicit substance problem in the Union and his residence in the infamous Chapletown area of Leeds the Jailor has applied for a job with no less an arm of the law than the Hong Kong Police Force (sic).

I am sure that all Warbeck readers will join with me in wishing Dave all the best in the interview, taking into account that were he appointed to the world's most corrupt police force it would take him as far away from Leeds as is humanly possible.

### HELLO **SAILORS!**

Following my report of the University Union executive's intention to take part in the fund-raising raft race for the Royal National Lifeboat Institute, I feel that some mention should be made of their performance in the said event.

The team got off to a roaring start with the tide behind them, and at one stage looked as if they might finish the course in record time. Unfortunately, an almost instantaneous desire for alcoholic refreshment forced them to pull into the 'pits' - the first riverside pub - to refuel. This was the first of many such 'pit stops' which were to cause their eventual downfall: for as they guzzled their final pint, twenty minutes after the winners had passed the chequered flag, the tide suddenly turned.

It took them a total of two hours to cover the course, and to receive the ignominious distinction of being the last past the post.

The 'crew' had hoped their tarnished honour might be saved by winning the prize for the most elegant craft. But alas, I understand these hopes had also vanished early in the race when their captain, Brian Smith, referred to the Lord Mayor of York, who was passing them for the third time in his motor launch, as a 'blasted Socialist'.

### Cambridge

A sit-in took place at the university last week when students occupied the Senate House in protest at the lack of creche facili-

The action began with a meeting of the Nursery Action Group which became increasingly militant when it was noticed that the proctor was in communication with other dons through a two-way radio. He refused to turn the radio off, and the occupation was approved by a huge majority although the CSU executive abstained en masse.

The demonstrators quickly took over the Senate House and refused to move, although Dons appeared on the scene. Then an impromtu demonstration set off through the town, and violent scenes developed in which three people were arrested.

Following the demonstration the University agreed to set up a working party to investigate the establishment of a nursery.

It is thought that the timing of the occupation, just before the conferring of honorary degrees on Queen Margaretha of Denmark and General Gowon of Nigeria was due to take place, may have helped to sway the university authorities.

#### London

A 'squat' by University College students which has been in process since Christmas has finally come to an



### STUDENT WOR

occupying a derelict buildmodifications had been completed.

Now the students have been found accommodation elsewhere, and it is hoped that the now empty building will be eventually converted into 80 student rooms. In the mean time it will be for once. used by the college as a storeroom.

#### Sussex

Bike-riding students at the University of Sussex have finally grown tired of being bullied off the road by motorised traffic.

The students have been ing public more aware of their grievances. They claim ing in protest at the lack of that bikes are legally enhousing in London. They set titled to the same status as to work on many of the motorised traffic on the building's structural defici- roads, and to enforce the encies, and an independent law planned a mass demonsurvey declared the place stration by bike-riders, ridstructurally sound after the ing two abreast and taking up whole traffic lanes to make their position clear.

> As yet the organisers feel that radical change in transport policy is rather too much to hope for, and they will be satisfied if they can make the drivers take some notice,

#### Bristol

About twenty students at Bristol Polytechnic have been told that the exams they took were too easy and that they may have to take them again.

The Final Year Insurance Last week they organised students have been told that a bike-in, to make the motor- as the National Institute of

Compiled by Sue Beardsworth

Insurance Brokers were not satisfied with the standard of the exam they will have to do stiffer re-sits over the summer. The decision may invalidate the Polytechnic course in the future, but the NIIB say that as the students have barely covered "the important topic of high pressure selling, the students could not be regarded as qualified.

#### Oxford

Oxford Union has seen the rise of a new political group recently. The Anti-National Union of Students has recently become very popular. Its slogan "ANUS is behind you" has, not surprisignly, attracted support from several quarters.

It has received donations, it claims, from the East Cheam National Front and The Milwall Young Libe-

The University Union is reported to be getting rattled by the following which the new group is attracting. The first political target will be the Presidency of Oriel J.C.R.

#### **Open University**

Fee increases of between £25 and £40 have been proposed for Open University students.

Lord Crowther Hunt, the Minister of State, Education and Science said at Westminster this week that the rises were unavoidable. Consultations were in progress to make assistance available for students in need, he said.

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# Annexe wrath leads to mass walk-out

### Nuttgens picked for new post

by IAN COXON

The Rector of the new Leeds Polytechnic is Dr Patrick Nuttgens.

FRESH HOPE FOR ROXY

Prior to his appointment to the £12,400 a year job last week, Dr Nuttgens was Director of the City's existing Polytechnic which is being amalgainated with Carnegie and James Graham Colleges to form the new institution.

The new 'super Polytechnic' is expected to be formally designated in September 1976. In the meantime Dr Nuttgens will be responsible for planning the amalgama-

Dr Nuttgens, who is 45, organised the merging of four

### Money to burn

Further recommendations by the West Yorkshire Metropolitan Council fire officer over fire precautions will cost the University Union **£1300.** 

The modifications will include the construction of 2 new fire escape in the excolleges to form the Polytechnic in 1969 when he became its Director.

He said last week that he intends to abandon his work outside the Polytechnic in order to be able to devote all his energies towards the amalgamation. This means he will no longer appear on the BBC television and radio programmes in which he frequently takes part. These include 'Z Shed', Nationwide and 'Round Britain Quiz.'

Dr Nuttgens wants to make the new polytechnic one of the top educational establishments in Europe. He is a member of the Government committee which proposed the massive cuts in teacher education that have led to the present amalgamation.

But before he gets down to work he is taking a month's holiday with his wife and eight children to reno vate a semi-derelict cottage in Scotland.

by CHRIS ELLIOTT

Lecturers and students staged the first walkout in the college's history when they quit Park Lane St Peter's annexe last week.

The staff and students, carrying books and notes, moved from the annexe at Kirkgate to rooms in the main college. They refuse to continue using St Peter's because of the "unhealthy and cramped" conditions

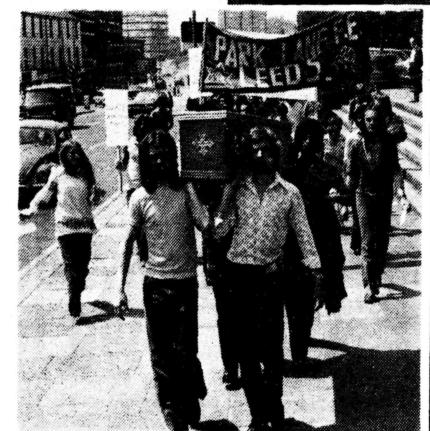
The annexe has been condemned twice as unfit for use, and had been scheduled for closure by the city council as soon as alternative accommodation could be found.

Later in the week, members of the students union and the Association of Teachers in Technical Institutions marched to the Civic Hall to protest about teaching conditions at St Peters.

Proposals for two alternative buildings were put forward at a meeting of the college Board of Governors on Tuesday. One of these is the Park Lane 'hutments', on the main college site. The hutments are due to be demolished under Phase 2 of the college building programme, and at present have no heating. The cost of making them suitable for use is £4,000.

The other suggestion is the use of five rooms in the Swarthmore Centre in Wood house Square. Both proposals are looked upon as a bridging arrangement until more long-term accommodation can be found.

Fears are growing among college staff and students that unless long-term teaching space is created, Park Lane



TOP: Students and staff quitting St Peter's Annexe last week. ABOVE: Lecturers join in Park Lane students union's march on Pictures by Ollie Milburn the Civic Hall.

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Special arrangements are being made for students

Brewery.

on the dole in Leeds during the vacation.

will be forced to cut back its student intake next session by a third.

Mr David Eade, branch secretary of the local ATTI, said that the bridging accommodation would provide difficulties for both staff and

students. The interim arrangements could be made to work, but it will only be acceptable to us if the delay in preparing

Steele fined

Poly Union President, Ian

Steele, was fined £15 by

Leeds magistrates this week

for driving a car which was

lier this year by police who

considered that the damaged

left wing of his car was un-

safe. He chose not to con-

test the case and pleaded

guilty by post.

Mr Steele was stopped ear-

held to be unroadworthy.

is short," he said.

"We are opposed to the kind of shortsighted economies that mean people have to work and learn in conditions such as we have had to put up with in St Peter's.

The city's director of Further Education, Mike Neill, agreed that conditions in the annexe were unsuitable. "The authority has made every effort to find accommodation a building for the longer term by September," he said.

The Department of Em-

ployment is to open an of-

fice which will cater speci-

fically for student job-hunters. It is situated in

Salem Hall, near Tetley's

The office, which opens on

June 23rd, will enable stu-

dents to sign on for social

security payments. It is hoped

it will cut down on the need

to queue for long periods be-

fore receiving attention.

A number of staff at the Poly Union have joined the General and Municipal Workers' Union in a bid to protect themselves against unfair treatment by the union

The move was originally considered last term following the dismissal of switch board operator Shirley Rodley, but was only finally decided on last week after Vice-President for Administration Geoff Parkinson, made allegations in an interview with Leeds Student that there was a lack of discipline among the staff who were allowed to do as they please.

Beryl Capper, secretary to the union executive, said: "Many of the staff felt they could not rely on being treated fairly by the executive and considered joining a union as the only way to protect their interests."

Not all the staff, however, have followed suit. Assistant Adiminstrative Officer, Douglas Howgate said he had no intention of joining the union as he could see no possible advantage in it.

### **Pram store**

The University Union is to spend £1300 on a pram store for the students' nursery.

The store is needed to cater for the increased number of nursery users

### The rock group "Roxy Music" may still come to the University Union at the start of next session.

The union executive had originally vetoed a plan by Entertainments to pay the band a record £8,000 for two dates on the first Saturday and Sunday of the new ses-

Tickets for the hops would have cost about £2.30 each, and the risk of making a huge loss was considered too great.

But at last Thursday's meeting of executive, it was agreed that Ents should negotiate for a £6,000 fee, with tickets selling at £1.75. Ents Secretary Jan Fuller said that she thought the group's agency would agree to the new proposals.

It has also been agreed that Ents committee should be allowed to spend £1,000 on a new stage. At present, Ents have to pay £300 a year to hire the scaffolding which forms the front of the stage.

Part of the money will be provided by this year's £600 Ents surplus.

### Inquorate

Park Lane Union's Annual General Meeting last week was declared unique after only 20 people turned up for



Walkers taking part in last Sunday's Tyke Hike

### Walk may raise £1,000

Leeds Charity Rag's new programme of events got off to a flying start last Sunday when 115 students and schoolchildren took part in a sponsored walk from Skipton to Leeds.

Eighty walkers, including some of the children from Allerton Grange school, managed to finish the gruelling 30-mile hike along the Leeds canal towpath, and Rag chairman Ian Woods estimates that between £600 and £1000 will be raised for

Events planned for the first term of next session include a five-a-side football marathon, paraplegic games, a disco and films For freshers, Rag is hoping to organise a 'blind date three-legged pub crawl around Leeds. Sponsor money for the hike can be handed in at the table in the University Union extensions next Monday and Tuesday.

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# CUTS

### Mass lobby of Council

Students, teachers and parents are to lobby Leeds City Council on Wednesday, 25th June in an attempt to get their latest education cuts reversed.

The £2 million in cuts arise from changes in the political makeup of the Council since the May 1st local elections. They amount to three per cent of the overall budget.

The Conservative group now hold two seats more on the Council than the Labour group. They thus have control over all committees and policy making on the Council.

Spokesmen for the Labour and Liberal Parties say they intend to oppose the general cuts until specific plans have been discussed in detail.

lan Steele, Polytechnic Union President, declared: "The Conservatives do not have a clear mandate to destroy the Leeds education system. We must make sure that other councillors remember their responsibilities."

The Polytechnic Academic Board passed a motion last week "deploring" the cuts. This body is the most important internal one in the institution. It has previously refused to discuss political issues.

Spokeman, Tom Fisher, of the lecturers' union, commented: "This is not a party political issue. I believe these cuts would have eventually been made whichever party was in power.



'Slashback Centre" - Leeds Civic Hall

### **Nationwide sit-ins** planned for next Polytechnics throughout the coun-

try are to plan occupations and simultaneous disruption of work during October in protest about education cuts. A motion to this effect was passed at an NUS Polytechnics Conference last week.

Linda Vaughan, Polytechnic President-elect, commented: "More cuts will not be tolerated. Staff and students must get together now to say NO. The most effective way to do this is to implement occupations in places where they will be most disruptive."

Piers Kurrein, Deputy Presidentelect, told the Conference: "Edu-

## session

cation cuts are only a symptom of the general slump facing the western world. We must make people aware of the wider implications."

A Special General Meeting is to be called at the Polytechnic for Wednesday, 25th June to plan action against the cuts. It will be held in the Concourse at 1 pm.

The motion at the general meeting will call for an occupation to be planned during early October and for a mass lobby of the Council immediately following the meeting.

### **SLASHBACKS** IN BRIEF:

#### LESS TEACHERS

Teacher training places in Leeds are to be cut back by 1981 from 2,400 to about 900. Despite assurances that this will not affect the pupil-teacher ratio, most recent evidence suggests that they are already worsen-

#### REDUNDANT STAFF

Because oft he above change, about 100 members of academic staff will be left without their original jobs. They will not be sacked but may be offered totally unsuitable jobs.

#### THE COLD SHOULDER

Thirty non-academic staff vacancies have not been filled at the Polytechnic in an arbitrary manner to save money. Already one refectory has been closed and the library has had to stop ordering books because it does not have the staff to process them.

#### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

The local authority are asking the Polytechnic to increase its refectory prices by between 36 and 40 per cent. The price of school meals is being increased.

#### DISCRETION = DISCRIMINATION

Discretionary awards are likely to be heftily cutback in the latest round of economies. Most young people who do not get grants will not go on to continue their education.

#### DO NOT PASS GO

For public health reasons the main annex of Park Lane Further Education College has been closed down. If this accommodation is not replaced the intake of new students next year will be cut by a third.

#### DEEP FREEZE

Heating, lighting and maintenance of all Leeds schools and colleges are to be cut. Schools will now be painted only once every ten years. Eventual repair will be far more expensive than continual maintenance.

#### FIRST FIVE YEARS

The nursery programme in Leeds is to be cut-back. There is only one purpose-built nursery school in the city at the moment.

#### COULD DO BETTER

Plans for in-service training schemes for teachers are to be shelved. Many teachers are still unqualified in Education.

#### YOUTHS TO YOBS

Schemes to prevent delinquency are to be curtailed, expenditure on youth clubs has been cut back and leisurecards for people studying at evening classes have been made more expensive.

Today the educational system in Britain is in a critical situation. Schools are deprived of the funds they need to give our children the best possible start in life.

Government cuts in higher education covering universities, polytechnics and colleges, result in a restriction of opportunities for young people and deprive the community of necessary skills.

Everyone must be united in a firm opposition to any cuts in the growth rate of expenditure on education. Cuts in education can in no way help with the causes of our economic difficulties and in depriving the community of trained people can in the long run only

In Britain we spend proportionately more on the armed services than our European competitors and this leaves less money available for social services such as health and education.

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STOP THE CUTS WEDNESDAY, 25th JUNE, 1975

1.00 p.m. - S.G.M. - Poly Concourse 1.45 p.m. - Lobby - Civic Hall

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### No surprises

The Doobie Brothers have a problem common to most bands with more than four albums tucked under their belts. Like America, for instance, they seem to have becomt too reliant on the plattern set on their first album, and what they are producing now is slightly jaded and predictable.

But the rot hasn't set in completely. The songs on "Stampede" all have good, strong, melodic foundations. particularly "Sweet Maxine", the opening track, which fea-

Stampede by Dooble Brothers WARNER BROS.

tures the excellent keyboards of Billy Payne and the usual steady dual lead of Simmons and Johnston. It's typical, definitive Doobies, and there's no reason to knock them too hard for not taking the plunge and experinmenting.

What they do, they do exeedingly well. Apart from the single "Take Me In Your

Arms", the best cut is in the Crosby Stills and Nash influenced "I Cheat The Hangman", which tones down the high-powered mood of the first side with a gentle lyricism that's reminiscent of "South City Midnight Lady" on the "Captain and Me" album.

Maria Muldaur pops up singing backing vocals on "I Cheat The Hangman", and Ry Cooder even chips in on bottleneck on "Rainy Day Crossroads Blues", another nice track.

Chris Elliott



No Good Friday by Athol Fugard **PLAYHOUSE** 

Although written by black author Athol Fugard and performed by a largely coloured cast the Playhouse's end of season production 'No Good Friday' is not a play about

Set in Sofia Town, a suburb of Johannesburg, there are a number of references in the play to social injustice and racial inequality but the main interest is the conflict in the mind of the central character Willie Seopolo (Alton Kumalo). Having witnessed the murder of an innocent bystander by protection racketeers he is forced to question the actions and values of his past life and come to terms with his sense of inadequacy.

The play gradually builds up to a climax as Seopolo resolves to stand up to the racketeers against the advice and protests of his friends and family.

The Temba Theatre Company's production does full justice to Fugard's play bringing out all the conflict and tension in a really powerful performance.



Shoot out in Chicago

The story of Al Capone is an extremely fascinating one, so it would be almost impossible to make a bad film that was based on his life.

'Capone' tells the tale of Chicago in the prohibition hit 1920's, as rival teams of gangsters terorise the streets with machine guns. The police are powerless in the face of this violence.

Fortunately, Director Steve

Capone ODEON

Carver has resisted the temptation to glamorise the period and the criminal activity unlike the directors of such films as 'The Sting' and 'Bonnie and Clyde'. And he has managed to make the film without a long list of stars.

This allows Ben Gazzara to take a well deserved lead as Capone, and he does justice to the part by providing a fine performance.

But having said that I must admit that I found the film dull. There were hardly any memorable scenes or dialogue, few peak moments, and hardly a climax in sight. A good tale then, but not such a good work of art.



Mathilda seduces Ambrosio again — after his repentance

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### The Devil's Disciple

It's pleasant to be able to report a press show at the Hyde Park cinema, the first for five years. The occasion was the appearance in Leeds of 'The Monk'.

The film took shape back in 1965 when Bunuel wrote a screen play based upon Matthew Lewis' 18th century Gothic novel. But for some reason Bunuel decided not to continue with the film, so it was left to Ado Kyrou to direct it.

Understandably it is Bunuelian in conception, mocking the hypocricy of the ideals and the holiness of a church that cannot itself withstand earthly temptation. It is an interesting film, although it might have been even better ifg Bunuel had directed it himself.

The central character is Ambrosio, the Father Superior of a medieval monastry. Al-

### The Monk **HYDE PARK**

though young and physically attractive, he is a pious and morally irreproachable man until he meets a badly disguised Mathilda (Nathalie Delon). She seduces him and leads him into black magic, until he eventually feels the need confess to 'fornication, sorcery, and murder'.

There are several fine scenes. In one, Ambrosio says 'What am I to do' after Mathilda tells him that he can save himself from the Inquisition by becoming a servant of the devil. A book appears in shimmering ghastly green. 'Sign here', says Mathilda. Evidently bureaucracy was already firmly established in the middle ages.

Roger Yelland

### Well cut album

James Taylor has lost much of his credibility in recent years as a major creative force in rock music. The problem stems from him attaining his artistic peak early on in his career with the two classic albums 'Sweet Baby James' and 'Mud Slide Slim' - everything he has done since then has paled by comparison.

However, Taylor's latest offering, 'Gorilla', should do much to restore his reputation. It is a typical Taylor album of pleasant, middle of

Gorilla by James Taylor WARNER BROS.

the road music but the melodies are much stronger than on his previous two records.

Side one opens with 'Mexico' a mid-tempo number which sets the standard for the rest of the album. It's a agreeable tune with a nice arrangement and features some

sensitive guitar work from Danny Kortchmar. But the essential uniformity of most of the other tracks is perhaps the main weakness on the album.

There are exceptions, however, notably 'Wandering' a beautifully lilting melody accompanied by a single acoustic guitar. 'Gorillaa' is hardly the 'tour de force' of his earlier work but it shows that some of the old magic still remains.

Nick Kehoe

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### cinema

ABC 1

Tonight and tomorrow: Earthquake. Separate performances 1.15, Next week: Same.

ABC 2

Tonight and tomorrow: The Towering Inferno @. Steve Mc-Queetn, Paul Newman, 1 pm, 4 pm, and 7.20 pm. Next week: Same.

ABC 3

Tonight and tomorrow: Front Page starring Walter Matchau and Jack Lemon. Sunday 4 pm, 7.55 pm; Weekdays 1 pm, 4.50, 8.55 pm. Plus Doberman Patrol. Sunday 2.10, 6.05. Weekdays 3.00, 6.55.

ODEON 1

Next week: The Legend of Hell

**ODEON 2** 

Next week: Ben Gazzara in Capone (See Review).

#### **ODEON MERRION**

Next week: From Sunday: The Wild Bunch on the big 70ml screen; plus Support Cartoon False Hair. Sunday doors open 3.25 pm and 6.30 pm. Weekday matinees Wednesday, Friday, Saturday at 2.00 pm, evenings 7.20 pm.

**TOWER** 

Next week: Alfie Darling starring Alan Price, Jill Townsend. Sunday 4.35 pm, 8.10 pm; Week 1.25 pm, 5.05 pm, 8.40 pm. Plus Percy. Sunday 2.45 pm, 6.20 pm. Week 3.10 pm, 6.50 pm.

PLAZA

Late Show Saturday at 11 pm The Doctor in the Nude and Mama's Dirty Girls. Next week: Mama's Dirty Girls Sunday: 3.25 pm, 6.35 pm. Week-days 1.00 pm, 4.05 pm, 7.15 pm.

The Doctor in the Nude. Sunday 5.00 pm, 8.10 pm, Weekdays 2.30 pm, 5.39 pm, 8.46 pm

**CLOCK** 

Next week: Commencing Mon-day: Burt Reynolds in The Mean Machine (8), at 6 pm and 8 pm.

COTTAGE ROAD

From Sunday: "The Towering Inferno ablaze with stars including Steve McQueen and Paul Newman. Sunday 2 pm and 6 pm. Weekdays 7.20 pm (doors open 6.50 pm). Saturday 2,15 pm and 7.20 pm.

Tonight and tomorrow: Donald Sutherland in Lady Ice 20 at 7.15 pm; plus Nicol Williamson in The Monk 20 at 8.15 pm (See Review)

Sunday, 22nd: The Soviet Ride at 6.30 pm; plus Ol' Blue Eyes and Raquel Welch in Lady in Cement at 8.00. Monday 23rd for 6 days: Edward Woodward in Hunted ®

at 7.00 pm; plus McQueen and Hoffman in Papillon (8) at 7.40.

LOUNGE

Next week: Commencing Sunday: "That's Entertainment. Plus Support, Sunday 4.50 pm; 7.20 pm; Weekdays 5.40 8.10 pm.

> **LEEDS** FILM THEATRE (AT THE PLAYHOUSE)

Sautrday: Early Marx Brothers The Coconuts; plus Buster Keaton's College. Programme starts 11.15

Sunday for 2 days: Alan Bates and Janet Suzman in A Day In the Death of Joe Egg, the film of Peter Nichols' play at 7.30

Tuesday 24th for 2 days: Mike Nichols Catch 22 ® plus Peter Watkin's rather dated Punishment Park. Programme starts 7.30 pm Thursday 26th for 3 days: The immortal Casablanca plus Woody Allen's Bogart send-up: Play It Again Sam. Programme starts 7.30

Compiled by Steve Conlon and Lesley Morris

### theatre

GRAND

Tonight: D'Oyly Carte Opera Company present The Sorcerer. Tomorrow: The Mikado. Next week: Peter Schaffer's Five Finger Exercise with Hywel

**PLAYHOUSE** 

Tonight and tomorrow: The Temba Theatre Company present Athol Fugard's No Good Friday

**SWARTHMORE** 

Slaughter of the Vampires plus Buster Keaton's The Haunted House on Monday at 7.00, 35p.

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Saturday, 15th November:

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# SPORT—Carnegie girls batter

Carnegie were the surprise winners of the ladies cricket tournament staged at Weetwood last Saturday.

The Carnegie ladies only entered at the last minute as a guest team in what was officially the WIVAB

as a guest team in what ladies six a side cricket tournament, but quickly went on to defeat the universities of Leeds, Liverpool, Birmingham and East Anglia to win the tournament outright.

In the first game the college team dismissed the University of East Anglia for only 16 runs, with Bell taking five wickets for just six runs off four overs.

In reply the Carnegie ladies totalled 101 off their allotted nine overs with Walton and Whitton retiring at 26 and 30 respectively.

The second match against Liverpool was much closer with the varsity side scoring 35 for 2 in the first innings. Carnegie maintained their high scoring form, however, notching up 67 runs in their nine overs to give them a well deserved victory.

Having defeated Birmingham by 65 runs Carnegie then had to beat Leeds University to clinch the championship. The college team batted first and after a slow and cautious start totalled 68 for four.

The varstiy batsmen also started slowly but they soon posed problems for Carnegie, taking their chances well and gradually building their score up. By the last over the Var-

The past presidents XI de-

feated the university cricket

team by 50 runs in the annual

friendly played at Weetwood

first and after a fine partner-

The Past Presidents batted

last Saturday.





opponents

"I'm not sure but I've a feeling that this is how it goes on, round the middle, Dolly". Carnegie players Gillian Farndale and Sandra Walton, preparing to go on in the ladies cricket tournament held at Weetwood last Saturday

Pictures by Offie Milburn

sity needed only 11 runs to

Faced with some excellent bowling by Bell, however, the university could only score six and so Carnegie became worthy winners of the championship.

In the WIVAB championship the Leeds University ladies were runners-up to Liverpol who won all their matches except the one against Carnegie.

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Pearcer were all out for 260.

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Pearcer who took 5 for 40

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Vin for past Presidents

# Team ends on triumphant note

The Carnegie cricket team finished the season on a triumphal note beating Alsager College by 34 runs at Chester, last Sunday.

Carnegie won the toss and batted first but were unable to take advantage of a very fast wicket and had notched up only 25 runs by lunch.

After the break, however, a fine partnership of 92 by Openshaw and Riddington, who scored 59 and 33 respectively, quickly resored Car-

negie's confidence and they went on to score 133 all out.

The Alsager batsmen made a promising start but soon began to falter and the wickets fell quickly.

Openshaw proved to be just as happy bowling as batting taking six wickets for only 39 runs, two of them from catches by wicket keeper Tolsen.

Fast bowler Wright was also on top form taking 3 wickets for 30 to put Alsager all out for 99, giving Carnegie a comfortable victory.

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