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CAMPUS HATRED

Turks clubbed in coffee bar as brutal vendetta flares up

'Chains, belts and clubs' were allegedly used when fighting broke out between feuding factions of Turkish students last week.

Police are treating the incident as a case of 'bodily harm' and are in possession of two wooden clubs which were retrieved from the scene of the violence in the Houldsworth School coffee bar at the University.

Little interest in Hustings

Candidates for the University Union elections were given a rough passage at the hustings this week.

At Bodington on Monday night the candidates found it hard to make themselves heard above the noise of uninterested drinkers in the bar where the hustings were held. After the Hustings, Richard Hawkes was stripped and thrown into a pond by members of Seton House.

On Tuesday at Charles Morris Hall a group of about 15 students pelted the candidates with rotten fruit, vegetables and flour.

Presidential candidates Charlie Brobby (Broad Left), Richard Hawkes (Conservative), and Deputy presidential candidates Andy Dixon (and Jonathan Holder (both Conservative) all agreed that the main tasks are to improve the union as a social and welfare centre (Socialist Students Alliance) seeks active involvement by students in all campaigns.

This year's President, Paul Conlan, who was given cold baths at both Devonshire and Bodington Halls on Monday has predicted an all-time low turnout. The Vice Chancellor, Lord Boyle, has instructed the Registrar to set up a special disciplinary committee to investigate the incident, with the power to recommend expulsion from the University.

Postgraduate students Abdullah Coban, Niyazi Yesilyurt and Abdullah Sevimli were alleged to have attacked a group of students with clubs by officials of the Turkish society. The three are accused of being members of the Turkish neo-fascist National Action Party.

Injuries

Turkisii society Treasurer Kemal Uyar claimed: "The three of them came into the coffee bar — Coban had a nylon bag in which he was carrying a club of some form. Sevimli had a bag from which he drew his club as we started to leave — It was then they attacked us; the fight went on until Professor Williams, Head of the Department, came down and shouted for it to ston"

However all three accused completely deny they attacked anybody. Mr Coban said: "We were in our rooms when we were challenged to come downstairs by a member of the Turkish society. When we saw how many of them were there, Niyazi went back upstairs to inform Professor Williams. As Sevimli and I walked into the coffee bar we were attacked by several people armed with chains, belts and clubs."

Mr Coban suffered injuries to his eye, hands, and legs during the fighting.

This latest incident has brought

by Mark Ashley, Pete Burdin and Stephen Ward

We say

Whatever the pros and cons of the political issues at stake, there is something seriously wrong when a community of our overseas students is reduced to using weapons as a means of settling arguments.

We feel that the Union must launch an enquiry into the welfare of the Turkish students on the campus in an attempt to resolve this appalling situation where violence takes the place of argument, and individuals fear for their physical safety.

to a head a problem which has existed for over a year.

Truncheons

In Leeds last March Mr Coban was involved in a fight between Turkish students outside the School of Education. He claims that four 'communists' attacked himself and a friend with truncheons. Shortly afterwards a second fight among Turkish students occurred in the MJ coffee lounge.

These and other incidents reflect growing tension in Turkey where some 200 students have been murdered on campuses in the last year, in what both sides describe as 'political killings'.



Two of the three Turks accused of Houldsworth attack:
Abdullah Coban (top) and Niyazi Yesilyurt (above)

Turkey's political situation is carried onto the campus in Leeds. Mr Yesilyurt claimed that the majority of Turkish students at the University were unhappy with the present control of the Turkish society:

"They are communists and hold power by force — elections are completely undemocratic."

Communists

Refuting these allegations Society Treasurer Mr Uyar said: "The Turkish Society is not dominated by communists at all – I and many other Turkish students here are members of no political party – and 59 out of 79 Turkish students at the University are society members."

Following the incident this week's OGM passed a motion recommending that Messrs Coban, Yesilyurt and Sevimli should be

expelled from the Union, but in the light of hearing the three's side of the story University Union President Paul Conlan said: "The Union cannot commit itself one way or the other until we know all the facts, I would imagine that expulsion from the University is not out of the question once we know what happened."

News Extra

Elections for president of the Poly Union take place all next week. The two candidates are Jim Scott and Charlotte Kemp.

Good news for all those students who always seem to run out of cash at week-ends. The branch of Lloyds Bank on the University Union is planning to open on Saturdays.

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In Brief

"It's just one of those things" was General Secretary Steve Herbert's comment on the abandonment of last Thursday's University AGM. Although all classes had been cancelled for the afternoon, only 350 students turned up when 500 were needed for a quorum. Mr. Herbert thought the reason for this apathy was that no controversial motions had been proposed.

A journey to a party in London ended in injury for a first year student last week. University Biochemist John Hodgeson received facial injuries and a broken leg when the car in which he was travelling was involved in an accident near Wolverhampton.

Two London Polytechnics have been "fined" £50,000 each after refusing to reduce their intake of overseas students.

The Polys - Central London and Thames have both increased their numbers of foreign students by a hundred this year in contravention of GLC orders and the Inner London Education Authority has effectively fined them by cutting their grants. By 1981 colleges and polys in London have been told that, with only limited exceptions, they must close any course containing more than a third of foreign students.

Residents of the University's Lupton Flats have been warned to guard against an outbreak of kitchen-raiding.

Thieves have been entering flat units and stealing food from refrigerators and cupboards. There has been several breakins this term, while at the end of last term five or six flats were raided with the thieves taking on average of £5 worth of food from each.

Students are urged not to keep their doors on the latch but keep them locked.

Conlan poised for big time with major **NUS** post

University Union President, Paul Conlan, looks likely to be elected to one of the toughest non-sabbatical posts on the NUS executive.

Conlan has been chosen as the Broad Left candidate for the post of Vice President for Services, currently held by another wellknown Leeds figure Poly Vice President for Beckett Park Chris Pratt. Mr Pratt will not be standing for an executive post this year.

The Broad Left candidates for all posts on NUS executive were decided at the party's conference last weekend. Elections will take place at the Union's next major conference during the Easter vaca-

Conlan can hardly fail to win the post since the Broad Left have a traditional stranglehold on the Union's executive - holding a present twelve of the seventeen posts.

Confirmed

Trevor Phillips the present National Secretary, was confirmed as the party's new presidential candidate following Sue Slipman's decision not to stand for reelection. If successful Mr Phillips will be the Union's first black presi-

College first to go for no platform

The issue of fascists speaking at Jacob Kramer College of Art seems to have reached some conclusion this week.

At an SGM last Tuesday, attended by only twenty-one people, the college voted that there would be "no platform for fascists" in future.

Although the decision was valid, because there is no quorum stipulated in the constitution, a decision taken by so few may not be accepted by the rest of the students.

The college has now become the first in the country to defy the new NUS ruling, and continue with the policy of 'no platform'.

The official reaction of NUS has been cautious. President, Sue Slipman, said, "they are free to determine their own future but the issue should be as widely discussed as possible."

If you go to the Poly we don't want you

A Polytechnic student has had a job application turned down because she hasn't had a University education.

Angela Tyreman, a fourth year BA student in European Languages and Institutions was rejected by Coats Patons Ltd, a cotton manufacturing firm, in Glasgow.

In reply to her initial letter the company said that they did not want to continue with her application they added, "we receive sufficient applications from Universities-throughout the country to enable us to complete our recruitment of graduates without turning to Polytechnics."

Deplorable

Polytechnic President, Don Carter described the situation as deplorable. He said: "when you take into account that Polytechnic courses are more vocationally orientated than University courses you would logically expect that companies recruiting would actually give preference to the more practically trained Polytechnic graduate."

A copy of the letter has been sent to Polytechnic Director, Patrick Nuttgens with a recommendation that he should look into the situation.

 More Poly graduates have found jobs this year than last, according to figures released this week.

"Across the board the picture is a lot more optimistic" commented Phil Fairclough, the Poly Careers Officer.

Big Cyril keeps them happy



Cyril Smith MP, pictured at the University Textile Society Dinner looking as if he could keep the British Textile Industry in work for the next 20 years. Mr. Smith kept

his audience happy with some well chosen anecdotes and his belief that "the Textile Industry can lead the world and has little to fear for the

Tuesday's University OGM passed a motion proposed by NUS secretary Andrew Dixon condemning: "violent demonstrations and the disruption of racialist meetings" and called for education to combat prejudice.

The same meeting however agreed to send coaches and organise a publicity campaign in support of wherever they appear."

a demonstration in Bolton on the 10th of February against the National Front using the Town Hall

The meeting supported Charlie Hoare of the International Socialists who said: "The National Front are Nazis. We need to oppose them

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Alex Mascarenhas

Bid to boost Reps numbers

Deep concern has led to action over the membership of Polytechnic Union's Board of Representatives as there are only seven out of thirty-one seats filled,

At an Executive meeting this week deputy president Alex Mascarenhas suggested that nominations for the posts should be left open permanently, to try and fill

the seats. He proposed that when one person had been nominated, at the end of that week nominations would close while elections are held.

Vice President for Administration Iain Holden was against the proposal, because it was unconstitutional. The constitution says that fourteen days notice must be given before an election and that one week must be left open for nominations.

. He added "It's no good expecting people just to come along – a big poster campaign is the answer."

Poly President Don Carter said: "If Alex's suggestion proves unconstitutional but can be made constitutional by minor amendments then I will do all I can. But I will not make a decision that is not in line with the constitution."

25p wrangle a matter of principle

A Park Lane student has been told she must be a member of the union or face being sacked from her course.

Mrs. Slavka Peatfield, a mature student taking an O level history course at the college, paid her enrolment fee before realising 25 pence of the money went to the union. When she asked for the money back the college authorities told her union membership was compulsory.

"I get absolutely no benefit from being a Union member as I only attend the college once a week for a lecture," she said. "I realise it is only 25p but it is the principle that matters."

Leeds Area NUS secretary Bill Lavender said Mrs. Peatfield spoke from "total ignorance," and that the "closed shop" was "absolutely necessary."

Nuttgens passes on Iran information

The Polytechnic Director, Dr Patrick Nuttgens, is unrepentant about giving the Iranian Embassy information about Iranian students.

Last year a social science lecturer at Kent University, Chris Hale, refused to compile information for the Iranian government because he believed it would be used by the secret police.

The fears that any information could be used against dissident

Iron bar

attack

by three youths this week after a

car chase through the city centre.

Cinderella's nightspot. As he arrived home the youths jumped out of

their car and brandished an iron bar

The ensuing fight was soon

Mr Farti said: "I wasn't hurt.

They were just three kids who

wanted to show off in front of their

at him.

girl-friends."

broken up by police.

A Turkish student was attacked

The student, 'George' Farti, was followed as he drove home from

students who oppose the repressive regime of the Shah of Iran were echoed by the Poly's Union Executive.

In a prepared statement they explained that: "Iranian students returning from Britain to Iran face possible torture and death if suspected of even the slightest possible involvement with any form of dissent."

But Dr. Nuttgens accepts the reasons that the Iranian Embassy put forward for wanting the information. They claim they need it "to help education planners with openings in student professions; give them information about job opportunities in Iran and to contact those eligible for grants."

However the Embassy claim to already have a complete list of Iranian students in this country, so the Poly Union question their need for another.

Certainly the news has worried the Iranian student population in Leeds. The only one who was prepared to be interviewed said the news "scared" him.



Messy murals in MJ

The painters moved in on the University Union's Mouat Jones Coffee Lounge last Sunday.

The murals have gone and the walls of the vending half of the M.J. have been decked in dull red and blue grevs, and then splashed over

with white and black paint streaks, imprinted with hands and overlaid with slogans.

Union Executive are in an embarrassing position. They gave permission for the "art" via the Events Committee and so they are respons-

ible but unimpressed.

Monday's Union Council meeting expressed "disgust at the nature of these murals."

The painters have been summoned to Mondays Exec meeting where the walls' future will be discussed.

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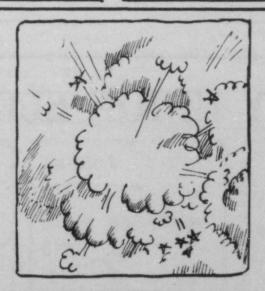
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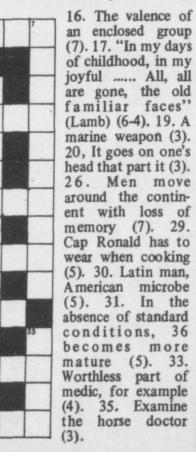
Mainliner Crossword

CLUES ACROSS

1. Graduate needs a check for vertebral pain (8) 5. Rotal engineer is more foolish? (6) 8. Noisy queen taken to court about it, and allowed to go on. (8) 9. Coined girls name either way. (4) 11. Little submersible goes astern to carry passengers. (3) 12. Splinter group from W.A.S.P. alliance (5). 15. Without hundred the French 16 goes around with the wind (4). 18. The goddess of se-quences? (5) 19. Like hydrogen comustion product (3). 21. Poet, according to Shakespeare, was killed in error, but he sounds guilty! (5) 22. Say "thank you!" Sailor! (3) 23. Be sick, sound 'ealthy. (3) 24. Egg shaped classical author had nothing (5). 25. Readers proverbial pew for pussy (3). 27. Tempestuous spirit of the sky; perhaps (5). 28. The thread of the story (4). 30. The brink of the day of 8 May 1945, full of energy (5). 32. Superhuman comes back as an Alsatian, for instance (3). 34. The French dream backwards, always (4). 36. Southern day visitor who takes off her clothes (8). 37. Treaty organisation loses nothing when backed by student organisation, but gains a brown body (3-3). 38. Making certain of the stupid fellow you 'phone

CLUES DOWN

1. Chief knob (4). Author of "The Trial of France" say (5). 3. Coal is about right for making reefs (5). 4. Ends I've got in salad plants (7). 5. There is a mineral spring in this country (5). 6. Quiet directions for writing (3). 7. It is sensible now, but would involve disloyalty after tea (10). 10. It becomes plentiful when little Australian gets upper class ending (9). 13. Human being had time to become V.I.P. (9). 14. The end of the world, or cobbler's work period (4,3).



The sender of the first correct entry opened on Monday will receive a £1.50 book token from Austicks. Entries to LEEDS STUDENT, 155, Woodhouse Lane, Leeds 2 or to one of our union offices. See back page for last week's winner.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION: ACROSS: Alpha, supporter, telephone, carat, rush it, repulsed, at any price, nisi, hate, eggs is eggs, tortured, carton, puppe, poerypha, end of term, dirge. DOWN; Aftermath, poles, amplify, soot, pretence, thrusting, rated,

How can we help in the fight against Apartheid

Many people in Britain vehemently criticise the apartheid government of South Africa but many of these same people are indirectly helping South Africa to remain economically viable in its isolation.

Britain is South Africa's largest trading partner and investor. Six out of the country's top ten companies are controlled or partly controlled by British companies. So Dunlop, ICI, Leyland and others like them find it in their best interest to preserve the system of government there.

With this sort of statistic, it is easy to see why the British Government has been unable to take a firm stand on the subject of apartheid.

So what can anyone else do about it?

It's not only the big bosses who are in a position to alter the situation. After all it's the investor's money which is actually bolstering South Africa.

Several

Leeds University has £700,000, one third of its reserves, invested in companies which have subsidiaries in South Africa. This is in common with several other universities in the country.

So if you're a university student there is something you can do force Leeds University to disinvest.

With various bodies from the Liberal Party to NUS leading the call for disinvestment, the campaigns within the universities are gathering momentum.

Last term Warwick University withdrew its money from South | some class in the ass, and man, you photos back.

Mike Hatcliffe examines why the University should pull its money out of South Africa

African investment after an eighteen month campaign. Last week Hull University students voted overwhelmingly for disinvest-

Now the Leeds effort is underway with a joint staff and student group, partly headed by Union President Paul Conlan, aiming to force the University to get that £700,000 out of South Africa.

Mr Conlan commented: "The University should show its abhorrence of apatheid by withdrawing investment in those companies which are propping up the system."

A motion, officially launching the campaign was passed at last weeks OGM. A petition, which closes today, has been circulating over the past week.

There are further plans to lobby key figures, such as Lord Boyle, the University's Vice Chancellor, and to approach various heads of department.

Crucial

Richard Pearce, who proposed the OGM motion, summed up the overall importance of the Leeds campaign:

"The call for disinvestment by the University is a crucial part of the campaign to isolate the South African racist campaign economically, politically and militarily.

"Respectable and respected institutions in this country should not be using their money to support the exploitation of African workers still less should they be seen to be tacitly condoning companies which invest in and profit from a brutal and institutionalised form of racial tyranny."

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Candidate's Name:

RICHARD W. HAWKES

Proposer:

Jerry Adams

Seconder:

Dale Coburn

As I cannot possibly convey all of the changes I intend to do, or all my beliefs and ideas, I exhort you to attend the hustings.

> VOTE HAWKES -THE RIGHT WAY

Candidate's Name:

CHARLES Y. WEREKO-BROBBY

Proposer:

Susan Beardsworth

Seconder:

Stephen J. Burns

The job of President requires an infinite knowledge of the day-to-day working of the Union. I have been actively involved in the Union for a number of years and believe I have the necessary experience and proven ability to administer and develop the Union.

> MY MANIFESTO EXPLAINS WHY VOTE BROBBY

Candidate's Name: ALAN MERCER Proposer:

Seconder:

Francis Lannigan Mark Findley

The Broad Left and their allies the Tories plan to tie our Union finances to the purse strings of the Local Authority. This must be stopped, we want complete autonomy.

The Union must involve the mass of students both politically and culturally, so struggles against the cuts, racism and fascism etc. can be won.

> **VOTE ALAN MERCER** THE ONLY SOCIALIST CANDIDATE

LEEDS UNIVERSITY UNION ELECTION FOR DEPUTY PRESIDENT

Candidate's Name:

ANDREW DIXON

Proposer: Seconder: Mike Smith

Steve Herbert

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Candidate's Name: JONATHAN HOLDER

Proposer:

Ian Madley

Seconder:

Stephen Burrows

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I promise you neither the world nor anarchy, but a commitment to

YOUR UNION

Warbeck

Never mind the ballots here's Claude Warbeck!

News reached me today that my favourite candidates for the Union Presidency, (to whit - Fozzie Bear and R.M. Nixon esq.) have been forced, like their colleague Walter the Dog, to withdraw from the running. Why the man Nixon pulled out I can't say (God knows he has all the right qualifications) but the story behind the F. Bear debacle was revealed to me in the bar one night by an ashen-faced Steve Herbert, the Union's chief bureaucrat. Poor S. Herbert, who was Fozzie's agent, was forced to withdraw his protegee's nomination when the Union's Returning Officer (Hibernian maestro Arthur 'Flying Scotsman' Izatt) threatened to resign if any joke candidates stood for election.

The result of this action would be that the Deputy Returning Officer - who just happened to be S. Herbert – would have to take over the tedious business of supervising all the Union election machinery. Not unnaturally, Fozzie's papers were never handed

One wonders what the Flying Scotsman will do about the three joke candidates still in the running.

Candidate

Whilst we're on the subject of elections; it is reliably reported that several of the unions trading activities are collectively heaving a sigh of relief over the non-appearance of one potential candidate for treasurer, Julian Dent. Young Julian is a student of accountancy.

Could it be that the Tetley beer-gut of our diminutive Deputy President Kevin Joss is giving cause for concern? My spies recently caught him sidling into Boots, ignoring the small rubber items, only to peer shortsightedly at the in-structions on a packet of slimming biscuits and low calorie soup. Better luck next time, Kevin. It was the dirty raincoat that gave you away.

Obscene

Back to the real world, and away from the heady atmosphere of Union politics, it is reassuring to know that Leeds is still the cultural hub of the North. Only last week, in our very own Reilly Smith Hall, we were lucky enough to witness a dramatic experience, presented by 'The Failed Whorehouse Co.' (or whatever), in which the theatrical luminaries involved showered tons of elephant shit onto the laps of the bemused audience. I have heard that this exposition - which cost the Union a mere £70 to stage - has been called "obscene" and "tasteless". (Though who, I ask you, would be imprudent enough to sample the proffered delicacies?) but even so, I found it a fitting tribute to the work of all arty intellectuals in Leeds.

Did you hear the one about the Union Treasurer and the two coppers....? It appears that the somnam-bulent Neil 'Rip Van Winkle' Pattison was last seen helping the West Yorkshire Metropolitan Polite Farce with their enquiries, following nine months of evasive tactics. The charge? Irony of ironies - he was suspected of speeding.....

Finally I hear that Poly Exec member Chris Heaps is ready to resign his membership of the Licensed Victuallers Appreciation Society as one of the city's more notorious pub refused to serve him. Whether it was his boyish good looks that let him down or that the barmaid realized he is silly enough when sober and without having to be plied with alcohol. This will always remain one of life's mysteries.

A tolerant approach to Politics-

When you just need someone to talk to

A desperate call for help in the small hours is how many would view the calls Nightline receive. In practice they are just as likely to be asked what time a concert ends, or be confused with the local taxi service.

Based in the University Union, Nightline's aim is to provide "a voice at the end of the phone" for anyone who wants to talk over a problem, however serious or trivial. The group is one of fifty across the country, and over the past two years its staff of volunteer students has increased to about eighty. They work on a rota system so that there are two people to answer the phone every night between 8pm - 8am.

Motives

So what's the attraction of staying up all night in a draughty office in the Union just to answer the phone? Obviously when talking about personal motives, "it's difficult not to use cliches - all that crap you dish out." Those involved in Nightline stress "we're not setting ourselves up as a sort of superbody - we're dealing with problems we all encounter in student life: it's just that some are able to cope better than others,"



Nightline – someone to talk to

and they don't claim to provide all the answers. In fact Nightline's purpose is not to give advice, but to help callers make their own decisions.

Problems seem to be based on two main worries - work and loneliness. When dealing with academic difficulties, Nightline may suggest going to more expert help, such as a tutor. Loneliness is perhaps inevitable, but it is intensified in this sort of community. Nightline can fulfil a valuable role in providing a listener, and in giving practical information on what's on.

Confidence

Obviously there's no difficulty when someone rings up just for a chat, but it could be argued that students don't have enough experience to deal with, for example, a case of severe depression. To give members more expertise and confidence Nightline holds regular training sessions, sometimes with outside services such as the

Samaritans.

They say "if people were dissatisfied with the service, we wouldn't get any response," yet they are reluctant to disclose how many calls they receive because of the need for confidentiality. They have to ensure that any caller can be sure that what he says will under no circumstances go any further, and also that members of Nightline won't be worried by calls when they're not on duty.

The only danger is that this might mean that students do not even hear of its existence, and to combat this, Nightline is now producing posters and advertisements to give everyone the opportunity to make use of it.

It is hoped that Nightline will be regarded as an information centre as much as anything else, and that everyone can remember its number -42602.

> By Judith Breen

Too late for campus fascists

I was asked to chair the meeting at Jacob Kramer College, which decided not to pay for two of our students to go to the Gay Rights Conference, and which allowed two fascist non-students to take part in the meeting.

The vote by Jacob Kramer students to allow a fascist to speak at their meeting assumes that the National Front is to be given the same rights as any other party. It fails to realise that, whatever their leaders say in public, their basic method is the same as all other fascists: to eliminate opposition by violence and lying propaganda.

Under no circumstances can such fundamentally undemocratic a party be allowed to grow through the well meaning toleration of us democrats. So we cannot be 'goodhumoured' in our opposition. We cannot extend them the rights we extend to democrats like the Conservatives. We cannot allow them a platform in our colleges and public places.

Nor should we forget the fact that they took up the issue of Gay Rights for their intervention. The majority of Jacob Kramer students thought that there was nothing

letters

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special about the oppression of gays, and therefore don't deserve special support. Some of them agreed with the fascist Gaunt that they are 'perverted'. It is this kind of narrow-mindedness that the fascists play on - the hostility towards anyone who can be identified as 'different'.

I'm all in favour of a goodhumoured and tolerent approach to politics - when we can be sure that such feelings will be reciprocated and not used against us. It seems clear to me that we cannot adopt such an approach to the fascists. Yours etc. Max Farrar

Just a few comments about your little rag from one of your toosilent majority of non-Commie readers. As such, it is a great pain in the ass to read the acrid Left-wing bias exuded rankly from many of the articles in 'Stupid'.

Another teensy-weensy hassle is over your extremely pretentious arts reviewers. How in the name of all gods do they get away with it? The 'it' in question is their nauseous habit of slagging anything which doesn't further the glorious march towards a Socialist world, which isn't punk, isn't crazily directed and in a foreign tongue, isn't feminist, isn't unutterably artyfarty etc, is automatically bullshit in their opinion. I really didn't realise just how much of a sexist reactionary I was until I came across some of the extremely biased reviews your arts staff get away

So as far as my thoughts involve 'Stupid', I believe that it is time you should start broadening the political basis of the paper, allowing all interests a fair say, admitting that there are more ways than one of viewing world events. In particular your reviewing staff should either stop being so bloody selfrighteous and start talking sense, or be made redundant. Perhaps the New Statesman could find room for Love, Eric R. Snyde. them.

- Recipes of the week -

French Onion Soup

1 lb onions 1 oz butter

1 oz flour

½ oz brown sugar

2 stock cubes

Herbs, salt and pepper 1½ pints water

1 cup white wine (optional) Fry onions in butter in a large saucepan until golden brown. Add flour and sugar, cook until brown, slowly adding the stock made of stock cubes, herbs, water and wine if available. Simmer for 1 hour. Serve with toast and grated

cheese. Moussaka

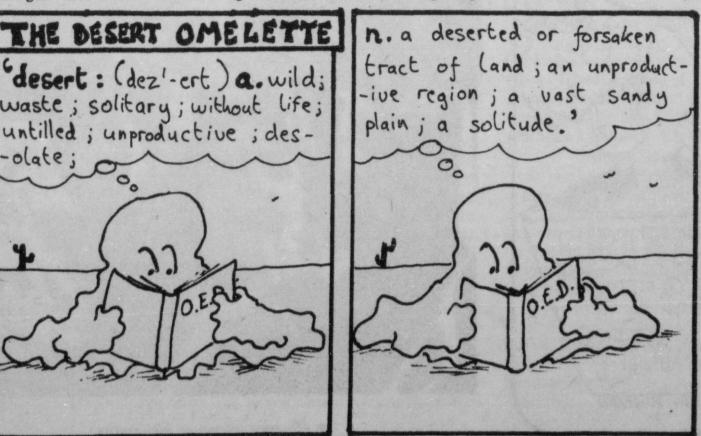
1/2 lb mince

2 onions 15 oz tin of tomatoes 1/4 lb mushrooms

1 lb potatoes cheese sauce made with 1/2 pt milk, 1 oz butter, 1 oz flour, 2 oz cheese. herbs, salt and pepper.

Fry onions in a little fat. Add mince and mushrooms and cook until the mince is browned. Add tomatoes and seasoning. Peel and slice potatoes thinly. Place alternate layers of the mince mixture and potatoes in a casserole dish, ending with potatoes. Make the sauce by melting the butter, adding flour and cooking for 1 minute. Slowly add milk and boil until thick. Add cheese and pour over the final layer of potato. Cook 1 hour Mark 6.

desert: (dez'-ert) a. wild; waste; solitary; without life; untilled; unproductive; des--olate;







A Journey through the Student Wasteland. . .

The Sad Saga of Arthur Shufflebottom

Arthur was not happy. In fact Arthur was downright miserable. Here he was in the hallowed halls of learning of the intellectual elite, yearning to be intellectually stimulated by witty talk about anal fixation in modern marxian economic analysis, and whether Proust wore panty hose whilst writing 'A la recherche du temps perdu', and instead he found himself in a cultural wilderness.

It was not that Arthur so much doubted the intellectual integrity of his academic peers but he did occasionally find their preoccupations with the latest gutteral offerings of 'Rex Scabies and the Snot Gobblers' (not to mention hurling beer barrels out of windows in Boddington), a trifle wearing.

It sometimes made him wonder whether he was living in a convalescent home for those recovering from a full frontal lobotomy.

Macrobiotic childbirth

Even those who could actually string a few utterings into a vaguely coherent sentence seemed to have very little to actually say when you analysed it. Arthur had once spent several hours discussing the relative and the solodarity with the question of downtroden working classes with the daughter of a stockbroker from Surrey. It took him some time to realize that the nearthis week Arthur gets those old political blues

ful dialogue with a member of the great mass of toiling proles had been a bout of uninspired coital foreplay with an acned member of the Workers Revolutionary party at a benefit concert for Bavarian Egg Farmers. His father had turned out to be a Conservative member of Parliament and he had suffered the terrible stigma of a Middle Class upbringing, this had apparently brought upon himself a profound feeling of guilt that he could only ease by not washing and spending a fortune on old clothes that even the refugees at Oxfam had rejected. (He was also 'into' community action workshops and 'alternative oral sex as a means of expressing the class

Arthur was finding it rather hard to find an appreciative audience for somewhat unusual political standpoint. He was beginning to think that standing for Union Council as a Gay Christian Marxist was not going to easily attract the floating voter. Indeed as far as Arthur could make out the average non-committed voter seemed to est that she had come to a meaning- spend most of his time floating in Arthur in his hour of need.

an alcoholic stupor round the Union Bar, pausing occasionally to express their alienation with the ethos of Capitalist society by setting fire to curtains and daubing graffitti on the walls.

He had tried canvassing the Marxists on the Campus, hoping that they would lend their ideological support to his cause. Unfortunately Arthur could not find anyone who would actually admit to being a marxist. There were plenty of Leninists and Neo Trotskyist with Maost tendencies. But no pure marxists. And all the different factions seemed to find it extremely difficult to agree on what Marx had actually meant.

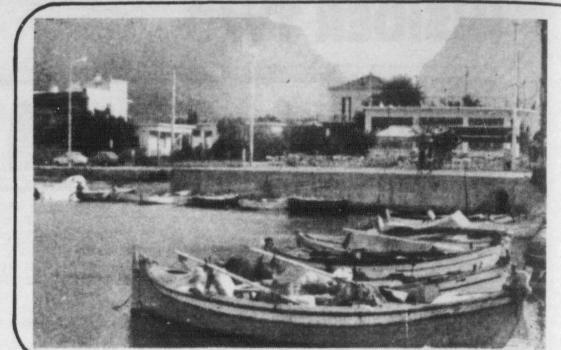
As far as Arthur could make out they seemed to spend all their time getting at each other, and calling everyone who disagreed with them

Sexual identity

The Gay faction had proven even more uninspiring. They had tried to convince him that everyone had doubts about the direction that their sexual identity was going and that he ought to be honest with himself. Arthur did indeed have quite serious doubts about his sexual identity. Not so much about its direction, but more about whether he actually had one to

However in the depths of all this despair Arthur suddenly met someone who changed everything. A girl





The allure of the Aegean is in most of us, be it the captivating ruins of Athens or the lazy beaches of Corfu.

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Indeed the whole area is crammed with places worth spending some time out getting to know.

For instance the Cyclades islands that fill the southern part of the Aegean scattered around Delos at their centre. Delos was the centre of ancient Greece and offers the most magnificent archeological and historical site in modern Greece. Athens itself is breathtaking. Go

Corfu, the largest of the seven

GREECE by Rupert Binde

-That old Aegean magic-

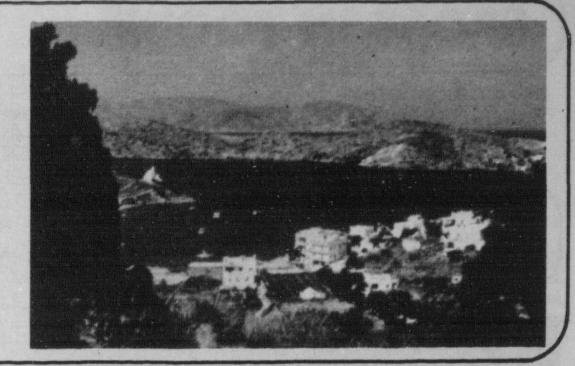
to the top of Lykavitos Hill and look down at the city below. To look down on the Acropolis, with its cluster of surrounding buildings forming the old town - the Plaka -Athens in all its glory.

main islands that make up the

Ionian group, was for more than three hundred years part of the Venetian Empire. It has a dreamy Italian flavour and is lush and fertile with scented airs and warm

Visit the villages with their fragrant olive groves. To help you explore the island further scooters are available or you can simply use the local bus or caique services which are good and cheap.

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Emerald Isle is worth your while

Mention you are going to Ireland for a holiday, and the reaction is almost Pavlovian, "That's a bit dangerous isn't it"? Despite assurances that Southern Ireland is not a re-incarnation of the Western Front, it is no comfort to friends and relatives who expect you to return with at least a shattered kneecap.

What you will find in Southern Ireland are some of the friendliest people on earth, some of the most spectacular natural landscapes you could wish for, and enough things to do to keep you there for a year. Traditional

It is an ideal place for the traditional student hitch-hiking holiday. The towns are small, and the road there are the helpful Irish people (who will probably offer you food and drink, as well as a their big Mercedes who will be only too glad to whisk you the fifty miles to the next big town. Bed and breakfast at one of the Irish Tourist Board approved lodgings is about three pounds, and there are many camp sites (though if you are really on a shoe-string you can always pitch the tent in a farmer's field, the farmers are usually quite understanding).

If you are going to travel about a lot, you could get one of the rail-rover tickets for about thirty pounds for two weeks. Give yourself time to loiter in Dublin, one of the liveliest capitals in Europe. For beaches and scenery County Kerry is the place. If you like slums and dirt, you should love Limerick.

As for actually crossing the Irish Sea, the cheapest way is by using the P&O ferry from Liverpool to Dun Laoghaire but it is rather a long journey - better to wait until September when British Rail run

TRELAND by Mike Hatcliffe

economy returns from most major stations, a sample fare being the £14-70 return from Manchester to Dublin that I paid.

As for entertainment, what could be better than an evening in the pub with several jars of best Guiness, and it does taste better in Ireland (the pubs stay open later too). Nearly all the pubs have some though a rather dire form of country and western is taking over from the more traditional Irish folk music. Rock music fans would be well advised to stick close to Dublin, as the provinces are seldom visited by touring bands. When Doctor Feelgood played Cork last September, it was the first concert since 1971.

High Prices

Eating is a problem because of the cost. Unless you meet with a friendly smuggler the V.A.T. on food forces the prices up to astronomical levels. Beer, records and clothes are all similarly expensive. The best advice is to stick to dairy goods - the cheese is particularly delicious.

Whatever you do there, wherever you stay, do make the effort to meet the natives, because they are beautiful people.

If you have experienced interesting ways of travelling abroad write to LEEDS STUDENT 155, WOODHOUSE LANE.

Albania-socialism in the sun!

summer trek to the sun.

The South of France, the very

name conjures up visions of

bronzed shapely maidens, with sunglasses perched pertly on blonde,

sun bleached hair. Big cars, big

villas, and big bank accounts are

what one imagines to be the qualifi-

The truth nowadays lies in the

hordes of English tourists, including

families determined to have a good

time for their annual two weeks,

and the be-denimed students flock-

ing to the sun, after hitching the

600 or so miles across France from

Revolution

ped campsites, which meant in-

expensive holidays were available

for all, brought the revolution. You

can take your own tent or just turn

The introduction of well equip-

cations for visiting the area.

Shquperia, "land of eagles," is how the citizens of Albania see themselves. Tucked in between the more popular tourist havens of Yugoslavia and Greece, on the coast line of the Adriatic and Ionian seas, it can offer a marvellous and unique holiday.

Albania is not everybodies choice for a sunny fortnight away, so the comfortable, healthy existence of the natives comes as a slight surprise. Holidays are regarded as an essential part of life. The Social Security fund assists the support of many holiday resorts, which are run by the trade unions. One cannot really imagine the T.U.C. doing a similar scheme in Blackpool.

Student summer '78

"Albturist" the Albanian Tourist Board run trips and excursions around the country from its centre at Durres, a large coastal resort. Participation on the various trips gave me an insight into the local way of life.

My first visit on arrival in Albania was to Durres town, which is one of Albania's major ports. Excavations there have resulted in the discovery of a series of important Roman monuments. The sites when finished will be some of the most important in Europe. There is some breathtaking scenery, especially around the town of Elbasan, Pogradec, and Korca. At Pogradec the trip included visits to a textile mill and a precision instruments factory. Not really your average summer fun but worthwhile nonetheless.

The tour continued through the fabulous Krabba Pass to the capital city Tirane, a great industrial and cultural centre. In the centre of the city stands two impressive statues, one of Lenin and one of Stalin.



An American spy plane which was forced to land in 1959 with its the star exhibits in a "National Museum of Arms" in the town of Gjirokostra. During the last war Albania helped defeat the Fascists, on the side of the allies.

For the first time inhabitants of Albania are independent and self take to task the problems of restoring and developing the land.

Today Albania faces a blockade by the Soviet Union, its satellite states and Yugoslavia. Their loyalty to pure Socialism leaves them at the very core of the split in the international Communist movement. The working men and women readily defend their socialist independence. All citizens are armed and know how to use the weapons they own. Albania is the only country where Marxism Leninism is part of the state. There are no military bases on Albanian soil such is their independence. They are moving towards the complete building of socialism.

For those who fancy a change Albanian tours can be booked through Regent Holidays, 13 Small Street, Bristol.



• Albanian women in high spirits

FRANCE. by Bill Roberts

up and use a tent which is already

• Hitching to new horizons around Europe. Still the cheapest mode of transport as students start to think of that

British Student Travel, who organise some very attractive and cheap holidays, have a site at Cavalair-sur-mer, which is about ten miles from St Tropez. It is close to a beach, accessive to the mountains if you fancy a spot of climbing, and is well served by public transport. A 14 night camping holiday at Cavalair, with return flight included, costs about £105. If you go by car the cost will be about £73. The tent, and other camping

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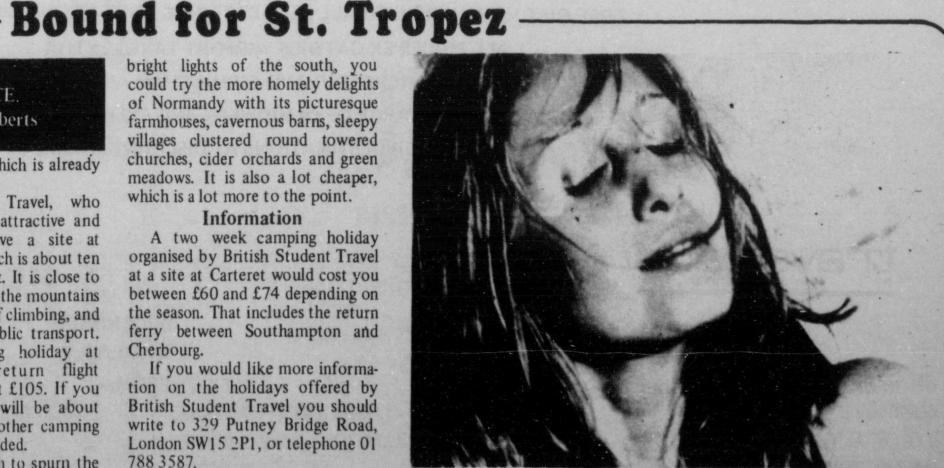
equipment is all provided.

could try the more homely delights of Normandy with its picturesque farmhouses, cavernous barns, sleepy villages clustered round towered churches, cider orchards and green meadows. It is also a lot cheaper, which is a lot more to the point.

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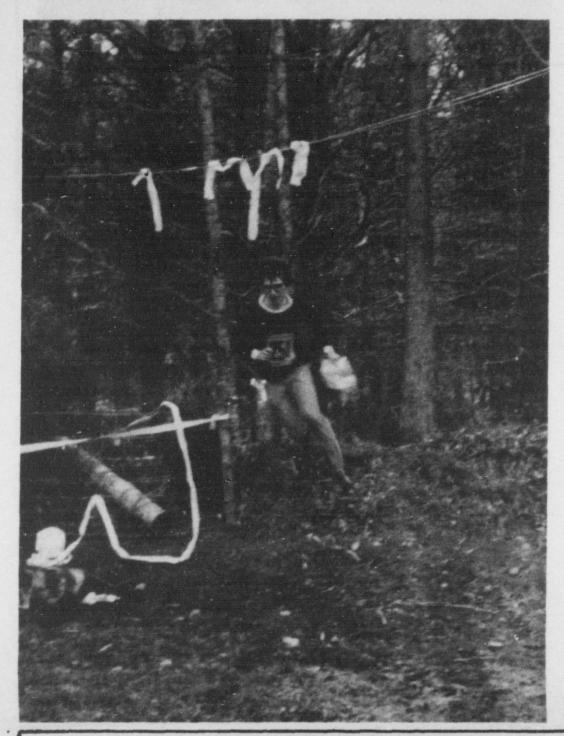
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SPORT IN FOCUS

At Home on the Hills

Orienteering is one of Britain's growth sports - membership of clubs throughout the country has increased by 120% in the last 2 years – here we look at the University Club.



What is the fastest growing sport in Britain? Squash, Hang-Gliding? No it is neither of these glamour games, but is in fact the intriguing sport of orienteering.

The National Orienteering Association had 2,500 members in 1976, now it has 8,000 and the sport's dual qualities of fitness and intelligence are rapidly capturing the imagination of many more.

An essential requirement for orienteering is navigating ability. Many great cross-country runners have made very ordinary orienteers simply because they have lacked map-reading sense.

The top orienteers are the people who are fit but who can also read a map without slowing down their pace of running into trees.

Steep hills

Beginners are not expected to be quite so proficient, and many start off orienteering by walking round the five and a half to nine mile courses simply acquainting themselves with the techniques of mapreading.

The object of the sport is to run round the course, successfully navigating your way to each given control point.

Because the accent is on navigating rather than running ability many orienteers reach a reasonable standard without having to spend hours training. Also the orienteering courses tend to be tougher than normal running courses with competitors having to climb steep hills and running knee deep through heather and bracken.

Orienteers also run at night using miners lamps as the only source of



Northern Nights champion Richard Horswill

light. These midnight events put even more emphasis on navigation.

Scottish team

This kind of event has proven particularly successful for the University Orienteering Club who won both the big night events this season, namely the Northern Nights and Midland Nights. The club also carried off the individual prizes through Richard Horswill (Northern nights) and Derek Allison (Midland nights).

Another prominent team

member is Alistair Thomson who has been selected for the Scottish team after both Scottish and Yorkshire Champion last year.

Last year the club successfully became BUSF and UAU Champions:

By the very nature of orienteering the club has to travel all over the country to compete. From as far north as the Moray Firth, to as far south as the South Downs. And this year a tour is being planned to take them to events in Sweden and Denmark.

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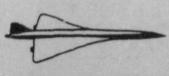
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Hull Hit By Four Goal Blast

Leeds University W.H.C. 4

Determined attacking play right from the whistle put Leeds on the right track in their game against Hull last week. With their fast and effective forward line and hard working defence in top gear the result of the game was never in doubt.

Early Goal

An early goal from a corner, scored by Sara Livesy, set the pace as Hull wilted under continuing pressure. A second goal was scored by Sandy Levett from a good cross by Lyn Hegginbottom on the right wing, and before half-time Leeds went three up when Alison Foulds picked up the ball in the circle and pushed it stylishly past the advancing Hull 'keeper.

The second half witnessed something of a Hull revival, as they broke dangerously a number of times in search of a goal them hope. In this spell it was the Leeds defence that was outstanding, and it was unfortunate that Hull scored because of an uncharacteristic mixup in front of the Leeds goal.

No Enterprise

Despite having scored, the Hull side lacked the enterprise to press home their advantage, and it was Leeds who maintained a positive commitment to attack. After a string of corners Leeds scored their last goal through Liz Kidman, who slammed the ball home well from close range. This put the seal on an exciting performance which sets everything up for the final stages of the W.I.V.A.B. championships.

Poly Fencing Year off to Good Start

The revived Polytechnic fencing. Fencing Club have greeted the year in great style with two impressive wins, and are looking set to achieve more.

Deserved Win

Their first victory, gained at the expense of Bradford F.C., was wellearned, and they ran out 6-3 winners against a very stubborn but possibly less-experienced side. The club's more recent success was at Huddersfield Poly. last Tuesday, when they beat their hosts 9-7 in an exciting and hard-fought match. There were some temporary problems with the presiding and tempers were raised, but then both teams got down to the task at hand and produced some excellent

Broken Blades

The four members of the Leeds team, Mike Asher, John Gorvey, Alison Turner, and Keith Fernie all fenced well, and, after two hours and three broken blades, they were rewarded with their second success of the season.

The Poly Club is now undergoing a determined revival after an unsuccessful spell, and now that it has regained lost ground hopes to arrange more fixtures and tournaments. Their expansion begins with a new training night at Carnegie on Thursdays, in addition to the present Monday session. They'd like more beginners to join, so if anyone's interested why not go along and see what they get up to?

Fixtures

with Joy Archer Weekend racing

Racing Preview

Sandown Spring H'cap Hurdle, 2m.

Regent's Garden, an unlucky-loser recently at Kempton, could win this if he runs. Alts. Nougat, Paemako Prince.

Stones Ginger Wine Silver Trophy H'cap 'Chase, 2m. 4f.

Early Spring recently beat Artifice and Grangewood Girl at Ascot, but this longer distance is not really in his favour, and Grange-wood Girl could take her revenge. all travel to Birmingham University. POLYTECHNIC FIXTURES: not really in his favour, and Grange-Artifice is sure to run well, though, and presents a sound alternative. Scilly Isles Novices' 'Chase 2m.

Fred Winter rates Snow Flyer highly, and the horse should be Ist XI v Hallam (A) given a further chance to live up to 2nd XI v Leeds Ashley Rd. Res. (H) his trainer's expectations. True 3rd & 4th XI v Leeds University Wish would be in with a chance, (H) (Friendlies) but I doubt if he will run. Alts. M.H. Easterby's selected runner, Ist XI v Harrogate (A)
Mac's Chariot. 2nd XI v W. Midland (A)

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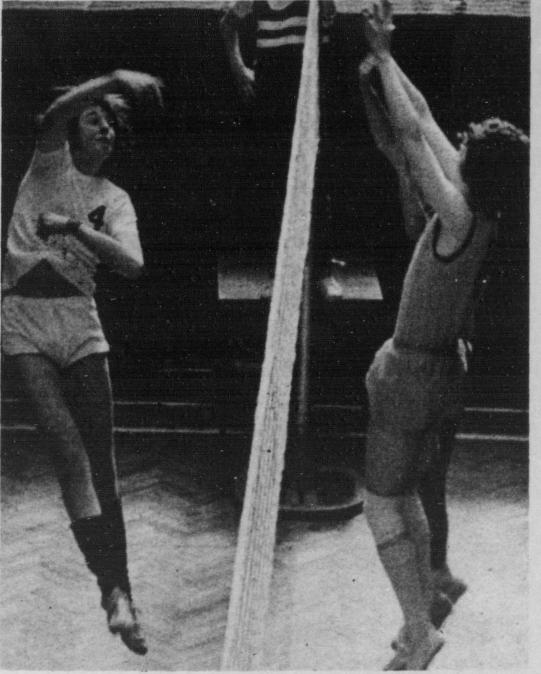
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Gryphons v Upper Wharfedale (H) Mens Hockey: Ist XI v Leeds Poly (H)

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Leeds Lose Unbeaten Record

Leeds Un. RUFC 8 Madely 9

In poor playing conditions at Weetwood on Saturday the University lost their unbeaten university and college record to a strong Madely side.

Leeds started brightly, and established an eight nil lead through tries from Miller and Collins. This last was a particularly fine effort. Starting from the twenty two the ball flowed along the backs to the wing and then inside to Collins for a fine try.

Simple Conversion

Towards the end of the first half Madely broke the Leeds stranglehold and Harrower scored under the posts. The simple conversion brought the half time score to eight-six.

Early in the second half, Madely took a one point lead with a penalty. Despite the efforts of Thompson and the pack in the tight, Madely were faster in the loose, and so controlled the game in the second half that Leeds were never allowed to mount any

Team; Tickle, Miller, Collins, Philpot, Glover, Gledhill, Merriman, Batty, Thompson, Doherty, Smith Spencer, Brooks, Jancar, Hegarty.

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Oh George! farce

George and Mildred (Grand).

Well, it was funny in places, but Johnnie Mortimer and Brian Cooke who manage very well to sustain the humour for half-an-hour on television, seem to have found writing a two hour show overdemanding.

This is their first stage play and, as such, is simply an extension of the series, put on stage and split into two acts, which is more than one would expect, or even wish for.

However, there were elements of farce, all of which hinged on the swift execution and timing of Brian Murphy who was responsible for most of the laughs and keeping the show together: on stage, he turns out to be quite a nifty mover, if a little prone to hamming it up now and again, and performing unnecessary contortions.

Yootha Joyce was, of course, Yootha Joyce, which sounds fairly straightforward and comes as a great relief. In fact, the whole six-man cast was more than capable of handling the patchy script; which ranged from extremely funny to generally droll, if obvious, which forms the basis of my only real complaint.

Harmless fun, amusing but not side-splitting. Leave your brain at the door and have fun.

PIERS STOREY

arts



Look here you odorous little toad (Bartholomew Fair)

Virtuoso Vitality: Operatic Tardis Spans the Ages

The Martyrdom of St Magnus, the latest opera by Peter Maxwell Davies, commissioned in 1977 by the BBC for performance at St Magnus' Cathedral in Orkney, was performed on Monday night at Leeds Playhouse. And 'performed' is certainly the correct word, for the four males and one female singer who took all the roles, really exerted themselves, transforming from character to character with remarkable ease.

In fact, the performers' adaptability was astonishing, called upon, as they were, to act up to six parts in an opera which stretches over the time scale of eight centuries.

The music was just as adaptable covering an amazing compass of effects and forms. Maxwell Davies managed to exhort sombre threatnings from his musicians, interspersed with an almost ironically comic quality of instrumental writing.

One can be less complementary about the literary facets of this opera. The attempt at inter-relating twelfth and twentieth century values was heroic but unsuccessful. Despite the competence of the players, the style of the libretto failed to make impact; it was the work of a prose writer - not a

In spite of this, the performance was poetic and skilfully controlled by the conducting of the composer. A satisfying and rewarding piece of theatre.

DAVE GEORGE

music

At last Saturday's concert, given by the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra at the Town Hall the audience's expectations were not disappointed. We witnessed a moving, fascinating performance of Elgar's Violin Concerto given by the young Russian Gidon Kremer. Not only was Kremer's rendition sympathetic and passionate but it was blended with an astonishing virtuosity - a virtuosity that was underlined by the Paganini encore.

But in praising Kremer, the RPO must not be forgotten. The performance of Brahm's Second Symphony lived up to the promise the orchestra had shown before the interval. Kondraskin's conducting exerted all the pathos out of the magnificent second movement.

Treated to emotionalism at its greatest and most powerful, I was profoundly moved. Thank you R.P.O.

The only disappointment at the concert given by the Rijnmond Percussion Ensemble on Jan 24 at the Great Hall (University), was the size of the audience. The few who did turn out experienced a magnificent display of precision and virtuosity from this Dutch ensemble.

The first half was skilfully balanced by the inclusion of two flute solos from Frans de Wiel. He joined the Ensemble again in the second half of the programme for Andre Joulivet's Suite and Concert which was easily the highlight of the evening. The precision and exactness exhibited by the group enabled them to maintain order in what could have easily degenerated into chaos.

Rjinmond Percussion proved the versatility, ingenuity, and scope of this form of music making.

GREG DAVID

Bartholomew is only Fair

tion of Bartholomew Fair was certainly imaginative; performed in the round with a minimal set, somehow it failed to hold together. Ben Jonson's plot is hardly a simple one, and it was not made any easier by dramatic cuts to the script.

A less biting satire than Jonson's earlier plays, taking as its theme exposing the hypocrisy and vice of the various puritan fair-goers, the plot is not as strong as Volpone or The Alchemist. The production though seemed to lack vitality, probably due in this case to the acting and production rather than Jonson's stagecraft.

The ideas behind the production were surprisingly fresh, and at moments everything seemed to

To be fair, the dress rehearsal is work. The placing and movement the one performance where every- of the characters whilst on stage thing goes wrong, mistakes are ac- was skilfully directed, but even ceptable and a few forgotten lines successful moments like Adam are carried over without comment. Overdo's speeches accompanied by The Workshop Theatre's produc- syncopated percussion soon lost themselves amidst the confusion as

The standard of acting was very variable, often resulting in a lack of focus on stage. Good performances by several characters were swamped by successive, unconvincing ordure. ELIZABETH BROW

Exilios, the performance arranged by members of the Chilean Solidarity group, last Monday in the Riley Smith Hall (University) used contemporary poetry, music, mime and slides, to illustrate the horrors of life under the present regime in the exiles' homeland.

The poems reflected the sombre mood of the evening dealing with prisoners undergoing torture at the hands of the secret police, and the her lover during a gun battle.

Yet though the horrors of life in Chile were amply illustrated, equally the state of the exiles was shown to be a sorry one. Slides displayed the beauty of the South American countryside in stark contrast with the murky confusion of the London Underground.

But, as the exiles themselves said they are the lucky ones. While not understanding Spanish inhibited my feel for the event, I left with a deeper sympathy for the plight of these exiles.

RUTH LONGFORD

three actors, the Workshop Theatre seriously in the mind of the writer last week put on a play about the dangers of soccer as a social institu-

The setting for Abide With Me was the 1976 F.A. Cup Final tremely good actors concerned with between Manchester United and a relevant modern topic. Southampton. The actors played

feelings of a woman separated from the parts of three London supporters of United - the infamous and fanatical "cockney reds".

> By opening the play with slides of London slums, the atmosphere was set for the introduction of teenagers with nothing to live for except football.

> With this atmosphere generated so successfully the consequent disillusionment of the fans was all the more powerful. The fans felt betrayed by their club.

The crux of the play lay with their considerations of a life without football. But if the alternative institution put forward for work-In a production employing just ing-class teenagers to cling to, was the army - I fear the same devotion would also cause many problems.

A fine production by three ex-

WILLIAM STOREY

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I have to agree entirely with the unanimously hostile criticism of the national press. This trash really is one of the most morally repellent films in a long time.

'Choirboys' has nothing to do with the Church - in fact the whole tone of the two hours is decidedly irreligious. This latest Dirty Dozen of director Aldrich concerns the hardened cops of L.A. who need bad taste, bachanallian bottle parties (called Choir practices) to counteract the onduty stresses of American crime fighting. That the audience is expected to feel compassion for these slobs in blue is perhaps the most stomach-churning aspect of the

There is no real storyline or plot to the random collection of scenes in which appalling dialogue is mixed with hearty practical jokes the context of which are usually racist, sexist or merely anti-social in the extreme. Not surprisingly the cast contains no actor of stature or merit. The only player worth the slightest mention is Charles Durning for his portrayal of an ageing cop nearing retirement. However his part here is not a patch on his Detective-Sergeant role leading the siege in the superb 'Dog Day Afternoon'.

The fact that the film is based upon an American best seller (by Joseph Wambaugh) and is being heavily publicised over here is in no way a recommendation. In such an instance as this the only positive action is to steer well clear of such mindless and offensive crap.

Mike Hand

They've got Problems

polygigs

TALKING HEADS JAN 30th

Talking Heads have got an icecool perfection that is reflected both technically and artistically.

Talking Heads have got a nice formula going - hard, tight melodies, interesting words and David Byrne's nervous, psychotic stare.

Talking Heads have got a problem.

As a result of their exploitation of this formula all their songs sound too similar. They did about half the songs from the album and a few new ones like 'The Big Country' and 'Stay Hungry' which sound like 'Love comes to Town' and 'The Book I Read'. Whatever happened to artistic progression?-

This strong similarity in the music reflects on the mood of the whole set, which is static, and the communication between band and audience which is non-existent.

Talking Heads play music of tension, exemplified by Tina Weymouth's insistent, swooping bass line with David Byrne's forceful guitar work and manic howling. This tension, this manic edge to their music was what gave them their originality and critical appreciation at the time of their first single 'Love goes to building on fire'. Since then, the LP 'Talking Heads 77' has been well-received and does represent some of the best music to come out of 77. But in 78 so far they're not doing anything different. It's just that formula again and again. So what are they going to do about it? And where do they go from here? Sally Thomas

Speeders downer

vinyl

ERIC CLAPTON'SLOWHAND'

Clapton earned the affectionate nickname 'Old Slowhand' even before the heady days of the late sixties when fifth formers were arguing whether he or Jimi Hendrix was the fastest thing on six strings.

Speed addicts will be disappointed here, however, as this album finds E.C. once again reworking his blue roots in the more relaxed atmosphere first evidenced on '461 Ocean Boulevard'. His 1974 backing band, which includes the luscious Yvonne Elliman, has been retained and along with Eric they roll along in the earthy country blues strain of the opening track, 'Cocaine'.

The erstwhile guitar hero takes a stab at romance with 'Wonderful Tonight' but unfortunately the material is not as strong as on his previous RSO albums. 'The Core' really more of a riff than a song is unnecessarily long and ultimately bores despite Mel Collins' evocative

sax playing. The rest of 'Slowhand' finds Clapton retreading familiar post-'Ocean Boulevard' ground.

Eric needs to do something different if he is to return to the forefront of the proverbial 'rockscene' - But then who needs yesterdays papers, anyway?

"THE PLAYER NOT THE GAME" JESS RODEN

Jess Roden's second solo offering is a fine effort which acts as a showcase for his smooth blues/rock and imaginative orchestration.

From the first track Roden shows why he is one of Britain's unique musical talents. However the best songs on the album were not penned by him. For example the beautiful slow ballad 'The Hardest Blow with its lovely evocative

Other songs worth special mention are the jazz influenced 'Drinking Again', and the funky uptempo 'Lonely Avenue' Definitely an ablum to hear.

> Martin Ablett Trevor Massey

Urban Juvenalia

With a British rock scene dominated by long established 'dinosaur' bands and ultramunimalist punks it is refreshing to see bands which have a musical but at the same time, innovative approach.

One such band is 'City Boy', a Birmingham outfit who first

emerged onto the national rock scene two years ago with the release of

Ian Pickard talks to City Boy

their first album 'City Boy'. The album was critically acclaimed but the group have still failed to make an impression on this country. Only 200 people turned up to see them play the Union last week. After the gig I talked to the members of the band about their music and the reasons for their failure in this country.

One of the first things impressed on me was that the meagre reception in this country has not been paralleled in America from where they have just returned after completing a very successful first tour. The strength of their following there became clear when they stepped onto the stage at Toronto as support to Rush. Bassist, Chris Dunn, describes their reception; "Just fantastic. People in the audience had 'City Boy' banners and 1,000 people walked out once we had played."

Biting Wit

catagorized. Their music is melodic though by no means lacking in energy and their lyrics are witty and biting. It is on the stage however that they have the greatest impact. Unlike many other 'intellectual' bands they attach great importance to their live performance. Lead singer Lol Mason summed up the general view; "We are committed to providing a show. There's no point in just walking onto a stage and playing a few numbers."

future they would be obliged to concentrate their efforts in America. Lol vocalised their agree-

ment: "Success in Britain, if and when it comes, will be through the back-door. Our situation today is a bit like that of ELO's a few years back. Like them we will have to establish ourselves in America before we start selling records

They are all in no doubt as to the reasons for their lack of success The bands music cannot be in Britain. Lead singer and rhythm guitarist Steve Broughton put it in four words: "lack of radio air-play - people have to hear your records, and they have to buy your records before they'll come and see you live. In the States we were plugged. continuously on local FM radio wherever we went.

radio situation is not really giving the public a chance, certainly not in the daytime." They had further unkind words for the BBC when recalling their first, and, if they I put it to the band that in the have their way, last brush with 'Top of the Pops'. This unfortunate episode occurred in Autumn 1976 when they played their second

single "The Hap-ki-do kid", (a very funny take off of the Kung Fu craze). The show had a new producer who totally failed to capture the energy of the track. Sten says of the debacle: "That day has now officially ceased to exist!"

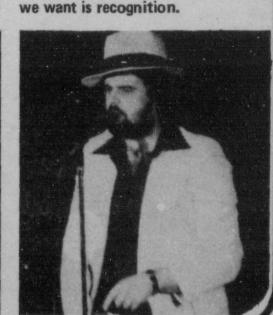
Steve Broughton says "Hello Leeds"

Determined

City Boy are a band to watch out for. Their success in America can only go on increasing, while the band themselves are only just beginning to discover their true potential. Lol predicts that they won't reach their zenith for another five or six albums. Meanwhile their determination to gain recognition remains. Steve Broughton emphasised the bands confidence: Lol went on: "In Britain the "We've never been disheartened, and always believed in ourselves. We realised at the outset that it would be a long hard struggle." Chris Dunn was equally emphatic on the band's development: "At the moment we're not earning much money; just enough to live on, but that doesn't worry us. All we want is recognition.











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Loves loose screw

A reworking of the all too familiar boy meets girl theme with nothing original to offer.

William Katt as Algin, the Golden Boy of an American campus, develops an obsession for fellow-student Caroline (Susan Dey) in whom he hopes to find something more than a "casual relationship." Unfortunately she is in love with a married man of twice her age. The 'plot' consists of Algin's attempts to win Caroline from her elderly lover and his final reaction when he succeeds.

First Love is an effort to define the nature of love through Algin who quotes Dante and believes in the idealization of woman, He finally comes to his senses with the realization that mutual trust and 'adaptability' are more important in a relationship than ideals.

This definition is vague and in-

substantial. It's very difficult not to get distracted by the monosyllabic dialogue and the continual photographic cliches which include shots

FIRST LOVE

ABC

of Algin playing football and scoring graceful 'slow-motion' goals. Despite the fact that this film was directed by a woman, Joan Darling, we see the affair from an entirely masculine viewpoint, a world in which casual sex for a man is just "A stage" while for a woman it is regarded as a destructive force.

Had Joan Darling concentrated on containing First Love as a story of just that, then the film would have been reasonably enjoyable, but I found its simplistic moralizing unnecessary and irritating.

Amanda Brookes



Tve told you before nurse, not to lean over when you take his temperature – that's the third relapse he's had this week.'

- The winner of the caption competition is JIM HEMPSEED of Chemical Engineering - 2 tickets for the Hyde Park Cinema can be collected from the University Union Office.

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CINEMA

Tonight and tomorrow; The Choirboys (X) 1.55, 5.05, 8.20 Plus; Shutdown (U) 4.10, 7.35 Sunday and all next week; The Sting (A) Sun 4.25, 7.10. Week 2.20, 5.10, 2.40, 5.45, 8.55

A superb film about an incredible along and you might learn somegambling operation involving those thing to your advantage. two buddies, Newman and Plus; A girl called Jules (X) Redford. Newman is the smoothy 1.05, 4.10, 7.15 who plans the whole scheme, Monday and all next week; Redford, the down-and-out with a French Undressing (X) fatal attraction to wicked women. 3.05, 6.0, 9.0 Special show tonight;

American Graffiti. (AA) Plus; Cruisin' (A)

ABC 2

Tonight and tomorrow; Alice in Wonderland (X) 2.25, 5.45, 9.15 Plus; Jabberwocky (A) 3.40, 7.10 Sunday and all next week; The Choirboys (X) Sun 4.10, 7.30

Week 1.55, 5.05, 8.20 A film all about the extremely debauched off duty activities of the L.A. police force. It's about as subtle as a message on a lavatory wall to almost quote Barry Norman.

Special programme, Wednesday; Romeo and Juliet (A)

Franco Zefferelli's beautiful adaptation of Will's classic love story. Starring Olivia Hussey and Leonard Whiting. At 2.15 and 7.40.

ABC 3

Tonight and tomorrow; The Gauntlet (X) 2.24, 5.35, 8.30 Supporting programme, 1.55, 4.40, 7.35 Sunday and all next week; Alice in Wonderland (X) Sun 4.45, 8.15 Week 2.25, 5.45, 9.15 Plus Jabberwocky (A)

ODEON 1 Tonight and tomorrow;

Sunday and all next week, Star Wars (U) Sun 2.10, 5.0, 8.0. Week 2.15, 5.10, 8.15. S.W's seems set to settle in for a The Last Detail long run at the Odeon. For a night Starring Jack Nicholson, screened of pure escapism you can't beat it. at 6.50. Plus; Get down there and start hissing at Easy Rider the fearsome Darth Vader! Supporting film 1.40, 4.30, 7.30.

ODEON 2

Tonight and tomorrow; The Deep (A) 2.35, 5.30, 8.25. Starring Jacqueline Bisset and strophic appearance in this film of Robert Shaw. Plus; Good Olde England (U) 1.50, 4.45, 7.35. Sunday and all next week; The Sweeny (AA) No times available. The film of the series. Sticks to the Bunny O'Hare old-established formula of car Sun 7.00, chases, guts and gore. Also stars the Week 7.20 original cast. Plus; To the Devil a Daughter (X) What's up Tiger Lily?

TOWER Tonight and tomorrow; The Amsterdam Kill (AA) 1.30, 5.05, 8.45. Starring Robert Mitchum and Bradford Dillman. Plus; Fist of Fury (X) 3.10, 6.50 Starring Bruce Lee. Sunday and all next week; The Enforcer (X) Sun 4.40, 8.10. Wk. 1.40, 5.15, Ken Russel at his best before he him think'.

Clint Eastwood in his typical role, as either a cowboy or a policeman. Go and see it and find out which. Plus; The Street Fighter (AA) Sun 3.0. 6.25. Wk. 3.25, 7.0. Charles Bronson in an endless succession of bloody street-fights. James Coburn manages him.

PLAZA

Tonight and tomorrow; Diary of a space virgin (X) The story of a girl from Venus. Go Cannibal Girls (X) 1.25, 4.25, 7.25 This one sounds even more tasteless (Get it?) than usual.

I see Robert Redford's in Dateline

PLAYHOUSE

Saturday 4th, 11.15 pm; Le Testement d'Orphee (A) Sunday 5th, 7.30 pm; Lucky Lady (AA) Starring Liza Minnelli, Gene Bing Crosby. Hackman and Burt Reynolds.

LOUNGE

Tonight and tomorrow; Valentino (X) 5.50, 8.30 Directed by Ken Russell and starring Rudolph Nureyev and Lesley Caron. Traces the story of Valentino's life. Sunday and all next week: Jaws (A) Sun 4.50, 7.20. Wk. 5.40, 8.10.

HYDE PARK

Tonight and tomorrow;

8.40 Starring Peter Fonda and Jack Nicholson in a film for all you motor-bike fiends out there. Late Night Movie, Fri 11 pm The Nine Lives Of Fritz The Cat. Fritz making his second cataribald antics working his way through a succession of pawnographic pussys. Late Night Movie, Sat 11.00 Pasolini's The Decameron (X)

Starring Ernest Borgnine. Plus; One of the many Woody Allen Productions. Mr Allen takes the lid

Sun. Feb. 5th for three days;

off the Kung-Foo business. Don't miss it. Very funny. Wednesday Special Feb 8th Spike Milligan, Peter Cook and Tickets on the door. Cuddly Dudley Moore in The Bed Sitting Room

6.40. Also; Women in Love 8.15.

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alism. A skilful adaptation of D.H. Lawrences controversial novel. Starring Glenda Jackson, Alan Bates and Oliver Reed. There are scenes of exploitation of Alan Bate's nubile body, as he crawls through nettles and wrestles naked on bear (bare?) skins with Oliver Reed, in an expression of platonic homosexuality!?!

Thursday Feb 9th for 3 days Woody Allen in Love and Death

6.55 Also; Lenny

8.25.

Starring Dustin Hoffman as Lenny Bruce, a Jewish Communist. His controversial career and tragic death as a result of drug addiction, is very accurately and movingly portrayed.

COTTAGE ROAD

Tonight and tomorrow; Annie Hall (AA) 5.50, 8.35 Starring Woody Allen and Diane Late Show, Friday at 10.45; Pink Floyd live at Pompeii (U) Plus; Born to Boogie (U) Sunday and all next week; Slapshot (X)



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