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Leeds University Union

Election for 25 members of Union Council for session 1975-6

Candidate's Name ... **KHURSHID ALAM**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **CHEMICAL ENGINEERING**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ...
 Proposed by ... **ANDY MORGAN**
 Seconded by ... **GRAHAM DURHAM**

Union positions held: Member University Staff/Student Committee, Joint Committee on Overseas Students, Overseas Students Representative on Union Council

You must have heard or read all the harangues about 'moderation' and/or 'moderates' in the recent hustings and elections of various Union posts. These words have been and will be used time and time again by the rightists, politically swaying candidates, and play-it-safe opportunist candidates. They have to use these clichés because they don't have any viable or concrete programme of strategy to put forward to the voters. Needless to say most of these candidates have won or will be winning because, we the student voters, have been overlooking the main motive of using these clichés.

'MODERATION' (or 'MODERATES') IS NOT A PROGRAMME OR STRATEGY, AND CANNOT BE ONE, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE.

'MODERATION' IS A TACTIC. This is what we have been overlooking!! But somehow some candidates have used this cliché 'moderation' as a strategy not as a tactic thus showing their political mediocrity and naivety — and we fell for it!!

Only someone who has a strategy or programme can be a MODERATE because 'moderation' comes out of necessary objective conditions — and because it is a tactic following a correct strategy.

I stand as a candidate with a strategy or programme (obviously includes my interest in the fulfilment of the Overseas Students' interests) what the tactics will be determined by the objective necessities.

I'M A SOCIALIST AND MY STRATEGY OR PROGRAMME IS SOCIALISM.

And believe it or not, Socialism lays great emphasis on right tactics. IT'S OUR DUTY TO SEE THAT THE RIGHT PEOPLE WITH THE RIGHT STRATEGY ARE VOTED INTO THE UNION COUNCIL, TO FORMULATE OUR UNION POLICIES.

THANK YOU FOR READING THIS MANIFESTO.

Khurshid Alam.

Candidate's Name ... **The Hon. W. D. H. ANSELL**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **AGRICULTURAL ZOOLOGY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ...
 Proposed by ... **BRIAN SMITH**
 Seconded by ... **CLIVE CLAPSON**

Union positions held: Fortunately, None

May I say right away that I don't find the present conditions likely. We must follow the right path. Let us not be swayed from our responsibilities. We must carry the fight to the very corners of the World. Grasp, I beseech you, the opportunity that is before us.

We must preserve the representative nature of our representative institutions. Too long has it lain in the hands of the politically motivated extremists, particularly the left-wing. The socialists and communists in our midst may at times appear like a brick wall. Don't knock your head against that brick wall. But we must get to the other side if we are to go forward. But how? — The wall at times appears too high to scale, too wide to detour.

So we must go underneath. We must dig in our beloved earth, for that is where we get our greatest support — among the grass roots. This way, we will overcome all the problems that are set before us.

Use your votes carefully. Think carefully. Cast your vote for a truly representative Union. Cast your vote in my favour.

William D. H. Ansell

Candidate's Name ... **MARTIN A. ASHE**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **CHEMISTRY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ...
 Proposed by ... **PAUL A. LOASBY**
 Seconded by ... **SIMON C. JONES**

Union positions held: Rag Committee 1974, Rag Committee 1975. Ents. (Stage Crew), Editor 'Tyke' 1975

If elected I will work in the best way possible to improve the Union and its services, and also the standard of living of students in general, through the grants campaign and the struggle for better student accommodation.

I represent the interests of the majority of students, and will put individual students' views to Council, if I am approached by someone who wishes me to do so.

Please make sure you vote for people who will represent YOU.

Vote Martin A. Ashe.

Candidate's Name ... **SUE BARROW**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE/PSYCHOLOGY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ...
 Proposed by ... **NED SEGAL**
 Seconded by ... **LOUISE SHARP**

Union positions held: Treasurer, Lupton Flats Committee 1973/74

I intend to use my vote, if elected, to further the interests of the great majority of the students in this University, who, I believe, have little interest in the zany policies of the extreme political groups supported by our Union; and wish to have a union which represents them simply as students, and not as comrades of the trade unionists, victims of capitalism, or whatever.

It may be in your interest to vote for me.

Sue Barrow

Candidate's Name ... **TOM BAYLISS**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **LAW**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ...
 Proposed by ... **TOM BURKE**
 Seconded by ... **DICK PARSONS**

Union positions held: Chairman L.U.U. Conservative Assoc. 1974/5
 Chairman L.U.U. Students for a United Europe Society
 Member Union Council 1974/75, Delegate N.U.S. Margate Conference 1974

Warning by FCS, Socialism can damage your Union.

Make it your Union; for your benefit; say no to the left.

Vote for Tom Bayliss the Conservative alternative.

Candidate's Name ... **SUE BEARDSWORTH**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **ENGLISH**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ...
 Proposed by ... **TOM BURKE**
 Seconded by ... **CHRIS ELLIOT**

Union positions held: "Leeds Student" Staff, Committee member Network Four, Cultural Affairs Secretary. "The Troop"

"MODERATE" HAS MEANT "MEDIocre" IN THIS UNION FOR TOO LONG.

It is time for concerned moderates to alter their role on Union Council, which until now has been all too often a negative one. It's not enough merely to vote against extremism; moderates must stop being destructive and start to contribute ideas and suggestions instead of leaving this to the Far Left and Right. The dominance of the Left cannot be blamed entirely on student apathy.

WHY AM I RISKING A SEVERE CREDIBILITY-LOSS AND BECOMING A UNION HACK?

If students are apathetic, it's because they have reason to be. It's because most students are bored by bureaucracy that a Union Council is elected to deal with it. I'm standing for U.C. because I think I represent the majority of students who stand left of centre, but are unaffiliated to any political group and prefer to treat each problem on its merits rather than toe the party line.

IT'S YOUR UNION?

Many students aren't apathetic, just confused. It's no help to be treated as a semi-literate moron just because you don't know as much Union jargon as the DPC or DPS or CAS. I am standing for clarity and communication. From a purely practical level, unlike many of the candidates I have actually attended a U.C. meeting, and as "Troop" C.A.S. I've attended C.A. and Arts Fest, meetings I'm also used to working late — anyone who works on "Leeds Student" has to be. If I'm elected I won't make up your mind without asking you first.

I WANT YOU TO READ THIS MANIFESTO SO I'LL STOP HERE.

Tannoy me if you want to argue!

Sue Beardsworth.

Candidate's Name ... **KEITH BENSON**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MICROBIOLOGY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ...
 Proposed by ... **A. WHITEHEAD**
 Seconded by ... **M. LEY**

Union positions held: War Games Soc. Comm., Fixture Sec. Fencing Society.

Firstly politics, I am a middle of the road person, BUT, I believe that politics has absolutely no part to play in the running of the Union, which is what U.C. is for. If members want political decisions, take them at an O.G.M.

In common with everyone (I think) I want the Union cleaning up and making it the social and cultural centre it should be but I want to see things DONE not just talked about. The prevalent vandalism must be surbed and services improved.

I am all in favour of support for the necessary campaigns. (Grants etc.) they affect every student, but does a campaign in support of a local rebellion abroad? WHY? squander our meagre resources. Help build a better STUDENTS Union, NOT a playground for budding politicians, Left OR Right.

PLEASE VOTE FOR ME.

Cheers,

Keith Benson.

Candidate's Name ... **CHRISTOPHER BROWN**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **COMBINED SCIENCES**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ...
 Proposed by ... **TOM BAYLISS**
 Seconded by ... **WILLIAM DOONAN**

Union positions held: None

I am standing for Union Council because I believe that the majority of students have no confidence in those already elected and that L.U.U.'s policies do not reflect the true opinion of the university.

If elected to the Union Council, I will, to the best of my ability, support the fight for a fair grant to keep pace with the cost of living. Support all actions against the education cuts and all actions for a rent strike.

Bring to notice the terrible state of the Union with a view to improvement with redecorating and re-furnishing.

Try to bring the bar prices down — this institution is not supposed to make a profit.

Try to halt the incredible flow of money going to such causes as the Shrewsbury Pickets.

Aim to advertise all Union decisions to the public.

Improve the freshers' conference and Union handbook.

If you believe that these issues are important, vote for me.

I am NOT a member of I.S., I.M.G., Broad Left, etc.

Chris Brown

Candidate's Name ... **JILL CAMPBELL**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **ECONOMICS/POLITICS**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ...
 Proposed by ... **SARAH WARD**
 Seconded by ... **ROB EVANS**

Union positions held: None

My primary reason for standing for Union Council is to fight for issues which affect the position of women in education. Although the union has policy condemning the objectification of women this policy is by no means comprehensive and action on issues affecting women are largely ignored in the campaigning activities of the union.

The discrimination against women in society stems from the common attitude which still sees women's role primarily as the breeding and rearing of children, and this is reflected in the education system. Content of courses, especially in the arts and social sciences, ignores the role played by women. For example, a history course which constantly refers to 'Great men of history' alienates women and perpetuates the myth of their non-participation in society; also it is important to realise that the lack of famous women artists is not due to an innate lack of artistic qualities but to the social conditions in which they live.

The reduced grant for married women, the absence of a Family Planning Clinic and the disgracefully undersized nursery all reflect the attitude of society that women are the secondary sex in education and employment. All these issues are of the greatest importance if women are to have equality of opportunity in society, an end which is vital to a democratic education system.

Passing motions in O.G.M.'s is far from sufficient, so too are policies merely preventing such events as beauty contests and slave-girl auctions.

These must be accompanied by discussion of the issues in the union and vigorous campaigning to alter attitudes and conditions. Government cuts in education finance are a threat to the women in further education of all types and these must be opposed through student action. Why should cuts in education even be considered while such huge sums are wasted annually on military expenditure, the Chunnel, the 3rd Airport etc. Education facilities must be extended, attitudes to education must be questioned and the content of courses must be changed.

As a socialist, and as a woman, I think that the only way to safeguard and improve the quality of life is to raise people's consciousness of discriminatory forces in society.

On Union Council I will argue with a socialist perspective and fight for equality of opportunity for women in education.

Jill Campbell.

Candidate's Name ... **STEVE CASS**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **HISTORY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ...
 Proposed by ... **PETE GILLARD**
 Seconded by ... **MARY LITTLEFIELD**

Union positions held: Catering Secretary 1974/75, Leeds Area N.U.S. Delegate 1975/6, Delegate N.U.S. Extraordinary Conference 1974.

THE UNION

The Union must be both a democratic union and a fighting union. It must be democratic in that it actively seeks to involve the membership in decision making through General Meetings; democratic in that all union officers are bound by mandates and can be removed from office at any time by a General Meeting. It must be a fighting union in that the membership take an active part in the carrying out of decisions; fighting in the general recognition of the need for direct action. A FIGHTING UNION is an absolute necessity if we are to stand up to the current attacks on students educational and living standards.

THE ROLE OF UNION COUNCIL

U.C. should not be a policy making body. Its role should be one of implementing policy made at General MEETINGS. It should also attempt to mobilise students in the campaigns of the Union. U.C. members themselves must be activists and not just attend one meeting for a fortnight.

I STAND FOR:

GRANTS AND EDUCATION CUTS

Total opposition to all cuts in education spending. No to any attacks on the education and living conditions of students. For the full N.U.S. grants demands. We have to recognise that negotiation is no longer sufficient. We need campaigns of direct action as this is the only way of maintaining our living standards

WOMAN

For an end to all discrimination against women. For the provision of a full and free contraception and abortion service, and adequate nursery provision for all students.

OVERSEAS STUDENTS

End to discriminatory fees and police restrictions on overseas students. Total opposition to racism in all its forms. No platform for racists or fascists.

THE SOCIAL CONTRACT

No to any attempts to make the working class pay for the crisis of capitalism through either wage restraint or unemployment. For the Union to give full support including material and financial aid, to any section of the trade union movement taking action to defend their living or working conditions or trade union organisation.

I have been active for the last 18 months in many of the campaigns of the union and I am standing as a member of the International Socialists Society.

FOR A FIGHTING UNION TO DEFEND OUR LIVING STANDARDS.

Steve Cass.

Candidate's Name ... **RICHARD CHANDLER**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **CHEMISTRY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ...
 Proposed by ... **IAN MUIR**
 Seconded by ... **WAXUM**

Union positions held: Union Council, Publicity Committee

UNION COUNCIL is the most powerful elected body in the union. The executive is responsible to it. Both U.C. and exec however are responsible to ordinary general meetings (O.G.M.'s). You or I or any other student can attend once a week and support, amend or reject a motion on anything put forward by exec, u.c. or any other ordinary member.

Anyone elected to any post or committee is subject to recall by ordinary members. This, of course, will include all candidates elected in this ballot

... THAT'S DEMOCRACY.

I realise this is long-winded but I feel it's important to point out why the accusation from the Right-wing that the union is undemocratic is a fallacy (to put it politely). The union, by its democratic structure (and this applies to all democratic institutions) will only reflect the views of those who take an active part in it. If you don't take part; you've no right to criticise the actions of those who do.

I believe that the unions main concern should be for the welfare of students. This includes accommodation, financial help and so on as well as recreational facilities e.g. bars, discos, societies etc. But the main concern at the moment should be to get a reasonable level of grant for ALL students.

Even the lucky student with a full grant of £605 with inflation running at 20% isn't exactly rolling in cash. As for students on discretionary awards, or whose parents won't pay their contribution, or those with no grant at all; how do you think they manage? If you don't care then we might as well not have a "union" but have a social club instead. We have a just case for an increase but like all other groups in our society if you can't fight (or WONT fight) you won't get it. I think the course to take is quite obvious: well have to back our case with action.

EDUCATION (that's why we're here) is a right and not a privilege. The "cuts" (£180,000,000) will bite deeper as inflation rages on. Two colleges (London, northumberland) will be closed next year. Leeds univ won't close but academic standards will deteriorate as time goes on; post-grads, cleaning staff, lab demonstrators and even professors — there will be less of all of them around. Is that what you want?

All of this will (and is) blamed on the "crisis", well, regardless of ones analysis of the crisis one thing is clear: Students don't cause the crisis so there's no reason why we (or anyone else involved in education) should pay for it.

I know this is boring but it's better than a manifesto promising the moon.

Please vote, each vote cast will make the union more representative.

Thanks for reading this.

R. Chandler.

Election for 25 Members of Union Council for Session 1975/76

Candidate's Name ... **KEITH CHARLTON**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **POLITICS/SOCIOLOGY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **PAUL TOMLINSON**
 Seconded by ... **MICHAEL JACKSON**

Union positions held: None

I am standing for Union Council on the basis of no past experience whatsoever in Union Government, although participating as an observer in Union meetings of various kinds. I have sensed a great deal of alienation between students and the Constitutionally-elected Union body. Participating is at a minimum at both political and social affairs. The obstacle to greater and more active participation in Union affairs stems from the complete bureaucratisation of the Union which effectively cuts vital links with the students it represents. Government of the Union must come from the students themselves. It is all very well for the Union bureaucracy to encourage us to participate but, until that bureaucracy is cut down to a more personal level, there will be no progressive participation by the students in Union affairs.

I am not actively involved in any political associations within the Union, yet it would be deliberately misleading you if I were to conceal my socialist beliefs. However, I am not a hard-liner and would be open to present suggestions that you offer to me. That is what participation is all about! That is how links are forged between you and the Union bureaucracy.

I am in favour of increased grants on the basis of present rampant inflation which is effectively cutting our purchasing power week by week; of the abolition of the means test for students which leads to inequalities of grants; of the education cuts because education is a right for all and opportunities should be extended, not limited; and I am against the discrimination by the grants system concerning married women and overseas students.

The Union has, thus, two responsibilities. It should act in the interests of its members and thus organise its internal administration along more personal lines and so head criticisms against the existing system as well as being involved in movements outside the University and so giving students the opportunity to express their views, even though they are not direct concerns of University internal life. But one responsibility should not predominate against the other.

A VOTE FOR ME MEANS A GREATER SAY FOR YOU.

VOTE KEITH CHARLTON!

Candidate's Name ... **KENNETH G. COATES**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MATHEMATICS**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1972**
 Proposed by ... **J. N. HARVEY**
 Seconded by ... **R. SEDDON**

Union positions held: Cultural Affairs Committee

The Union

It does not need me to tell you that the Union is loosing touch with students. People don't go to the Union on an evening because "it lacks atmosphere". I will whole heartedly support any plans to overcome this (e.g. free discos, folk in the bar, better table-football tables, etc.). More people coming into the Union building means more bar profits, means a better Union. Naturally I am also disturbed at the current financial state of the Union.

Grants

I support the L.U.U. policy on grants, with particular emphasis on the abolition of means-testing and all anomalies in the system.

O.G.M.'s

I am really annoyed with the petty political bickering that goes on at O.G.M.'s. We should concern ourselves only with issues that directly affect us and not go embarking on international matters. Coaches to demos, telegrams of support and delegates to conferences on political issues which do not benefit Union members should not be subsidised.

I hold no allegiance to any particular political sect. I am certainly not right-wing/Conservative. I just believe it is important that Union Council represents the wishes of the Student Union members and makes decisions with their interests at heart.

Ken Coates.
24/2/75.

Candidate's Name ... **PAUL N. I. CONLAN**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **SOCIAL STUDIES**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **DAVE KING...**
 Seconded by ... **KEN PATTERSON**

Union positions held: Delegate to November 1974 N.U.S. Conference, Member of Staff/Student Committee.

THE UNION should be both a social centre for its members and an organisation for aiding students and campaigning in their interests. At present it is not performing either of these tasks effectively.

THE UNION BUILDING is in an appalling state and improvements must be made. These will be costly, but are—feel—essential. I am in favour of consultations with students to see exactly what they want from the building before changes are made.

CASH is in short supply. The Union must press the University for an increase in the Union fees. A substantial increase is necessary due to the effects of inflation and the need for improvements in the Union building.

GRANTS & EDUCATION CUTS are matters of great importance to students. I support the N.U.S. campaign on these issues — including the demand for an £845 grant — and believe that we should make a more active contribution towards it.

INVOLVEMENT by students in the affairs of the Union must be encouraged. However, students will not become interested in the Union unless it is seen to be actively campaigning in their interests. Grants and education cuts are not the only issues on which more work is needed to be done. Accommodation, welfare, and education — course content and structure, methods of assessment, etc. — are all areas of importance to students in which the Union should be more active.

MEDICAL STUDENTS often feel that they are being neglected by the Union. I shall support attempts to set up a working party — consisting of representatives of U.C. and the medicals — to look into these grievances and recommend solutions. Also, we must ensure that when the Lipman Building is demolished it is not replaced by an inferior structure.

If elected I shall vote in accordance with the principles that make me a supporter of the Broad Left in student politics and a member of the Labour Party. Those candidates who describe themselves as "moderates" are often supporters of the Tory Party — but apparently ashamed to admit it. Don't let them get away with this abuse of the English language. Toryism has nothing to offer, either to us as students or to society as a whole. A vote for me is a vote for progressive policies and for positive proposals to improve the Union.

Paul Conlan.

Candidate's Name ... **JOHN R. CROWTHER**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **CHEMISTRY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **T. BURKE**
 Seconded by ... **N. LAMMING**

Union positions held: Union Council 1974/75, Disciplinary Tribunal Chairman 1975/6.

YOU Voted for me in a bye-election just before Christmas when I stood as a "right winger". I have now gained sufficient knowledge of the job to be a good Union Council member. I therefore ask you to vote for me so I can implement the views you voted for before. (Previous manifesto on board at Extension entrance to Bier Keller.

I believe in the present system of Executive, Union Council, and General Meetings and think that it is much more democratic than the impractical Faculty constituency Union Parliament or a reversal to a full collegiate system. I would like to see the quorums for O.G.M.'s raised so that if an O.G.M. says something it carries the weight of Student opinion

and not of 1.5%. The non-contentious decisions can at the moment be taken by U.C., so a system of fewer but bigger O.G.M.s can only improve the Union.

I am in favour of the plans to spend £25,000 on carpeting and refurbishing the Union building and would like to see the powers of the Disciplinary Tribunal (Fine and Suspension) used to stop vandalistic destruction of furnishings.

Vote for me to preserve a democratic Union and promote an attractive Union building.

J. R. Crowther

Candidate's Name ... **JOHN L. CRUICKSHANK**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **A. BREWER**
 Seconded by ... **HELEN GORDON**

Union positions held: None

As is obvious from the minutes presented at this year's A.G.M., the Union is in deep financial trouble. As well as in increase in the Union fee, strict control is essential of expenditure. It is no longer possible to keep dipping into the reserves to finance deficits. The reserves have ceased to exist. As a student with four more years (hopefully) to go before graduation I have a great interest in keeping the Union solvent for the foreseeable future.

While I am no revolutionary Leftie, I feel that when, as will be the case next year, the Sabbatical Officers have closely agreeing viewpoints, someone should be continually snapping at their heels to prevent the evolution of 'government by clique. I feel that this suits my character down to the ground.

After the near hysteria provoked over the last few months about the AGM and the Union, which culminated in the farcical situation at the AGM, I feel that some sanity is long overdue on the issues involved. I feel that as a medic who uses the Main Union Building as much as (or more than) the Lipman Building, I can look on the situation impartially and try to see that while legitimate grievances of the medicals and dentals are heard and acted upon, nothing is done that affects other students (or the unity of the Union) adversely.

Finally I'm a mug, a sucker for punishment, and therefore will make a Grade I hack.

John L. Cruickshank.

Candidate's Name ... **MARK CURTHOYS**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **SCHOOL OF HISTORY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **M. HOLBROOK**
 Seconded by ... **R. HATCHER**

Union positions held: None

Unquestionably next years Union Council will be faced with even greater financial problems than are apparn at the moment. The cuts in social expenditure (already responsible for the cancellation of the LGI building project) will have precipitated a crisis situation in education — reducing student living standards and academic standards. In the Union the drop in financial reserves resulting from the inadequate per capita payments made by LEAs precludes any sizeable improvements in the amenities of the union building — an issue that is naturally causing concern among union members. Hence no prospective member of Union Council can avoid the present political climate. To fight this situation there is need for a forceful leadership. The Broad Left domination of NUS has created a feeling of fatalism and demoralisation in the student movement. By failing to lead the struggles of last term, the NUS leadership has allowed the retrograde forces of the right to go on the offensive. Thus the most pressing issue is to unite the anti-Broad Left militants by an injection of new vitality into student politics on the following issues:

1) EDUCATION

A cessation of all cutbacks in the quality of education coupled with a grant increase to £900 (the magical figure of £845 having already been outdated by inflation) protected by a sliding scale coupled to prices. Students should not be forced to pay for an economic crisis which is not of their making.

2) NO PLATFORM FOR FASCISTS AND RASCISTS

Total opposition in the University to the doctrines of racism and discrimination against overseas students in the matter of fees etc.

3) WOMENS RIGHTS

For adequate nursery facilities, an end to discrimination against married women in the grants system and autonomy for womens groups.

4) IRELAND

An objective solution of the emotive Irish question incorporating an immediate withdrawal of British troops and self-determination for the Irish people.

5) EEC

A principled opposition to involvement in the EEC has to be formulated. We must reject the chauvinist objections of the GBGC with the likes of Powell and build a distinct campaign characterised by a socialist analysis of the nature of the EEC. The EEC represents a final attempt by British capitalism to rejuvenate itself. Opposition should derive from a belief in the creation of the United Socialist States of Europe.

Finally I feel that the power invested in the narrow body of U.C. is infinitely and am opposed to it possessing the capacity to elect committees and delegations. These elective powers and all policy-making functions of the union should be dealt with at open meetings (ie OGMs) where ALL students have the opportunity to express an opinion.

Candidate's Name ... **PAUL DANON**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **SCHOOL OF ENGLISH**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **BOB RAE**
 Seconded by ... **WILFRED CANAGARETNA**

Union positions held: President of Network Four, Secretary Network Four Editorial Board, BBC Radio Leeds Subcommittee, School of English Staff-Student Committee.

Do you ant another HACK on Union Council? If so, stop reading now. Dear Elector

The Union Council for which you are now voting will take office at the beginning of next session. So will the new Executive; and their elections had one definite message for the Union — that its members are more interested in the efficient and conscientious running of the Union, than in making hollow political gestures that only turn the public more against us.

Student opinion is on the whole compassionate, and this the Union should reflect in its dealings with its employees and with outside bodies. However, when, as now, a chronic money shortage threatens the Union's very existence, it needs within it a climate of efficiency and dedication. The new Exec could well help provide this, and I believe I could help Union Council in playing the fullest part it can in making sure the Union can continue to exist, as a body providing both the social facilities and the aid and representation that students are entitled to.

Whether the Union comes through the present crisis in the way its members want depends upon your using your votes on Monday 10 and Tuesday 11 March. Please make sure that you do.

Yours faithfully,

Paul Danon

Candidate's Name ... **JOHN DIAS**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **GEOGRAPHY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **IAN A. MUIR**
 Seconded by ... **ARTY PAGE**

Union positions held: None

Ents. Sec. of Sadler Hall, 1974/75.

Why should I, a mere starship commander from the wilderness of Newcastle, be asking you to make the supreme effort of firstly remembering where your Union card is, and secondly using it to vote me onto

this infamous body of Union hacks?

'COS

(1) Having had my applications for both the National Front and the International Marxist/Socialist/Maoist/Trotskyite/Anarchist Society, refused I don't really care about politics.

(2) I've held no union positions and hope to bring a bit of life into the dusty corridors of beaucracy — don't you think a better name for the President would be "Emperor of Leeds University Union Starship"?

(3) I fully support the Grants Campaign.

(4) Not only is the Union a twit, it's also an isolated twit — we don't help the other les fortunate residents of Leeds enough.

(5) I possess maturational Georgie Genius!

Show No Bias, Vote for Dias.

Candidate's Name ... **WILLIAM E. DOONAN**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **LAW**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974/75**
 Proposed by ... **JOHN A. MCKINLEY**
 Seconded by ... **TOM BAYLISS**

Union positions held: Member Cons. Soc. Committee.

In writing this manifesto I do not propose to waste your time by incorporating subtle variations into the orthodox manifesto commonly pleading condemnation and supposed pledges. Nor do I intend to bestow upon any union member a token of my intentions to do nothing if elected a member of union council.

There are many who relish the trappings rather than the realities of being a membe of Union Council. Others merely use membership to proscribe their political opponents. If elected I do not intend to identify with either of these species of charlatans but with an eminently small group struggling to uphold the rights and interests of all students

THIS MEANS:

1. Ensuring students are not made the whipping-boys of inflation through increased fees and less valuable grants.
2. Giving certain groups within the Union greater autonomy so that their social needs are put before the political interests of the Union.
3. That extreme left-wing groups are never again given the opportunity to pass disgraceful motions for, and on behalf of all Union members.
4. Giving greater priority to the improvement of the inadequacies in the social facilities of the Union.
5. Providing some social facilities for Union members residing in areas too far from the Union building to fully enjoy it's facilities.
6. Bureaucratic tendencies which are quite unnecessarily developing within the Union must be eliminated wherever possible.
7. Keeping Union bar and coterin prices steady so that they do not cause even bigger holes in the pockets of those who use these facilities.

VOTE FOR DOONAN.

VOTE FOR A LIVELY, STRONG AND DEMOCRATIC UNION

Candidate's Name ... **KEVIN DRURY**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **COMPUTER STUDIES**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **R. G. RAE**
 Seconded by ... **S. C. JONES**

Union positions held: Gen. Athletics Secretary 27/2/74—1/10/74
 Union Council (ex-officio) 27/2/74 — 7/10/74, Various other Committees ex-officio, Entertainment Committee 1974/75
 Union rep. on Consumer Consultative Committee 1974/75
 Student Accommodation Committee 1974/75.

Another year, another round of elections. This time last year I was walking into an Executive post unopposed. Much of what I stated in my manifesto then is still true, although the 'revolutionary fervour' died a long, long while ago.

In the past year the Union has gone downhill on most fronts. On the financial side, the slide towards bankruptcy has not been halted. The reversal of this trend both by economising (and there are some prime areas for that) and by increasing our income, including the level of the Union ee which was based on a far lower rate of inflation than is currently prevalent must be a major objective of U.C. this year and will certainly be one of mine. Admittedly last year I didn't help matters by obtaining a sizeable increase in the Athletics budget, however, I think that was a sign that I was performing the job satisfactorily.

The other main problem currently facing us is the 'state of the Union building'. I must confess that I don't have any grandiose schemes for transforming it lined up, although changes are necessary (to put it mildly!). This objective, though, will need careful attention to reconcile it with the financial considerations with which it present an apparent conflict of interests.

I am pleased to see that action is finally being taken by the Union towards formulating a coherent education policy and I await with interest the results of the survey currently being prepared, particularly with regards to methods of assessment.

Another of my major fields of interest is Ents, with which I have been involved for some little while. I think that Ents can be used as a major source of income for the Union and in our current financial state needs to be, although not losing sight of the fact that ideally it should be a service run on approximately break-even lines.

I'm not making any fancy promises, however,

I'VE GOT EXPERIENCE; I'VE GOT ENTHUSIASM.

I DON'T PROMISE TO MAKE MYSELF POPULAR, and

I DON'T UROMISE NOT TO RESIGN AGAIN; BUT

I THINK I CAN DO A USEFUL JOB. PLEASE VOTE FOR ME.

Kevin Drury.

Candidate's Name ... **DAVE EDMOND**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **CHEMISTRY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **M. LITTLEFIELD**
 Seconded by ... **WAXUM**

Union positions held: Publicity Secretary, Bar Board.

The role of Union Council is to deal with the day to day running of the Union — the building, societies, campaigns etc. I am against Union Council making policy, as has happened in the past on occasions. All policy should be made by general meetings.

The most important issue facing students next session will be the cut-backs in education. These cutbacks are part of the cuts in the social services as a whole and must be opposed. Any attempts to cure the crisis at the expense of students or workers must be opposed and I support using direct action wherever necessary. On the question of grants, I support the demand for £845 for ALL students to bring us back to the 1962 level in real terms and I consider the demand for sliding scales to be diversinary and counter-productive.

I am opposed to racialism in any form. N.U.S. must fight attempts to increase overseas students fees. I support the demand for the provision of free nursery facilities in all sectors of higher education.

I am a member of the Campaign for Real Ale and will continue to push for all more real beer in the union.

The union is in a bad way financially and this must be cured by an increased union fee, NOT by cutting society grants etc.

I stand for a democratic union and a policy decisions should be taken by general meetings not by exec or UC. A fighting union based on the democratic involvement of the membership is an absolute necessity if we are to stand up to the current attacks on students educational and living standards caused by government financial policies.

I am a member of the International socialist society and i am standing on I.S. policies.

VOTE DAVE FOR A FIGHTING UNION.

Dave Edmond.

Election for 25 Members of Union Council for Session 1975/76

Candidate's Name ... **CATHERINE ELLIS**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **ENGLISH**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **BRIAN SMITH**
 Seconded by ... **SUSAN JOHNSON**

Union positions held: None

Did YOU come to last term's S.G.M. on Ireland?
 Did YOU come to this term's A.G.M.?
 Did YOU vote in all, or any, of this term's elections for Union President and Exec., members?
 Have YOU been to all, or any, of this term's O.G.M.'s (every Tuesday lunch-time in the Riley Smith Hall)?
 If your answer to any of these questions is 'NO' then you have explained why the composition of Union Council is important, and why I am standing for it.

The composition of Union Council is important because:

- As the Handbook says, 'It is the elected governing body of the Union which means that it is meant to represent YOU, and is responsible to you.'
 - Last term's 'Irish' S.G.M. showed me that the majority of students in this Union are moderates at heart, realistic, reasonably partial, and basically non-political.
 - Sine this is so one might expect that the Union would be the same, but it's not, is it?
- The reason for this is that the moderate majority have, in the past, very largely kept out of the Union administration — thus leaving the way clear for the politically-motivated extremist minority parties, who have lost no opportunity of attempting to further their own ends at the expense of all; look at the popular public image of students!
- This minority-dominated situation does seem to be beginning to change: but no President, and no Exec., can run the Union alone: they both need U.C., which is where I think that I, and other moderate candidates, come in.

I have no particular political axe to grind in the Union — only a desire to see a caring Union, catering realistically and practically for the individuals who are its members.

SO — let's forget the political hobby-horses, and begin on the more important and challenging work of re-building confidence in the Union.

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT — PLEASE USE IT!

Catherine Ellis.

Candidate's Name ... **BOB EVANS**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **RUSSIAN STUDIES**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **KEVIN DEYANEY**
 Seconded by ... **DAVE KING**

Union positions held: "Red Star" Editor, Staff/Student Ctee. 1974/75.

Recently, dissatisfaction with the Union has taken the form of demands that existing structures be replaced by dubious, undemocratic forms such as a faculty-based U.C. or a "Union parliament". Taken together with the widespread "social club only" approach, these calls for change are in effect a desire for a non-participatory apolitical social centre, isolated from the wider society and (as would accord with such a phantom institution) devoted to activities best suited to existence within a vacuum.

L.U.U. is, however, very far from being insulated from the rest of society, and could not be otherwise. It must, therefore, be able and prepared to defend the interests of its membership whenever the need arises.

At the present time, if the quality of the education that we receive and our standard of living are not to deteriorate further under the dual impact of the Cuts in government spending on education and inflation, it is crucial that the Union lends its full support now to the Committee formed last year uniting all the Trade Unions affected by the Cuts.

Further, it is imperative that the Union mounts campaigns in all areas where the anomalies and discriminatory nature of education make themselves felt: e.g. a thorough, critical approach to Course Content and Assessment must be developed by the Union; the massive rise in fees facing Overseas students must be resisted; the provision of Nursery facilities on campus must be extended and the University pressured to pay for this provision.

The success of such campaigns rests on the extent to which students feel these issues to be of relevance to them. "Apolitical" gerrymandering or dispirited absenteeism can only serve to render L.U.U. impotent at this crucial time.

My concern, as a Communist and a supporter of the Broad Left, will be, if elected, to work consistently to promote the policies sketched out above, with the aim of building a strong, democratic Union relevant to its members and promoting their interests; enlisting the support, participation and action of the majority of students around their demands.

Bob Evans.

Candidate's Name ... **SIMON JAMES FAULKNER**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **ECONOMICS**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **N. LAMMING**
 Seconded by ... **A. KIMBER**

Union positions held: Vice-Chairman L.U.U. Lib. Soc. (Liberal Society)

THE UNION

ROLE OF:

The Union is here to provide entertainments and services for the students. However it is NOT a glorified Youth club, it must actively campaign for, and act in, the interests of its members.

THE BUILDING:

Would you honestly want to come down to the union for a drink in the evening, in hte state its in at the moment? It's filthy, drab, and lacks atmosphere. Action must be taken NOW to stop the rot — no words.

CLEAN UP THE BARS!

PROVIDE MORE ENTERTAINMENT!

FAIR GRANTS

Although NOT A RADICAL, I support the Grants campaign. We must campaign now to end discrimination and give students a living grant for '75.

REPRESENTATION

The Union has little or no influence on issues in the World outside — So stop wasting time and union administration on matters which do not concern us. Many of the political lines taken in the union do not truly represent students anyway.

AS a member of L.U.U. Lib Soc I am standing on that basis, I hope that you will give my fellow candidates and I Your support, and vote for us in this election.

YOU have elected moderate Sabbaticals, so elect a moderate union council to help them with their work.

Simon Faulkner.

Candidate's Name ... **STEPHEN FOLEY**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973/74**
 Proposed by ... **PAUL MATHER**
 Seconded by ... **ANN DAVIS**

Union positions held: None (unless you include M.S.R.C. rep.)

Writing this manifesto would be made much easier if I didn't have one to write: that is if all the functions of the Union could be directly controlled by all of the students. However the size of such bodies makes any such direct control impossible meaning that responsibilities must be delegated. Now, let me ask you just how much do you know of the attitudes of the people for whom you vote, or for that matter the functions which they control? The answer would be very little. All I can therefore suggest is that if you agree with me on the following few points then I may be a suitable representative for you on Union Council:

All union activities should be open to all student members but those who

actively participate should have the greatest say in control of that function.

Besides having a central building the union should, either directly or through negotiation with the University, more substantial departmental common rooms than at present exist.

The union's buildings and furnishings should be cleaned and repaired faster!

More accessible information on all the union committee meetings (including those boring 8-hour U.C. meetings).

All those who can't fight should wear big 'tats.

Stephen Foley.

Candidate's Name ... **GRAHAM P. FOX**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **LAW**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **A. GROVES**
 Seconded by ... **R. C. BARKER**

Union positions held: None.

The basic reason for my decision to stand as a candidate for Union Council is that I feel the necessity to maintain the prevailing ascendancy of moderation in Union politics. The time has come to end the over-representation of the extreme left.

I am a supporter of the campaign for an £845 grant for next session and agree that there should be an end to the means test and other repugnant quirks of the system. I should like to point out, however, that I disapprove of some of the methods employed in the furtherance of this cause.

Finally, I would propose that Union Council should establish a working party to investigate and advise upon the improvement of social facilities and activities within the Union, so that the Union building can become a place from which all students can derive some social benefit.

Thank you for reading this and I hope that you will seriously consider voting for me on March 10th/11th.

Graham P. Fox.

Candidate's Name ... **CHRISTOPHER FREEL**
 Candidate's Dept. ...
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **CHARLIE WHITE**
 Seconded by ... **KEVIN HAWKINS**

Union positions held: Member Elect Planning Committee, Secretary Liberal Society.

UNION:

The number of people who actually come into the union is still going down and down, most of the week only the Bierkeller "drinking factory" is open. An effort must be made to turn the union into the kind of place people will go to meet each other. It must also be made less elitist and more relevant to ordinary students.

FINANCIAL:

Grants must increase for inflation but it must not be forgotten not everybody gets a full grant, you must not have to scrape along because your parents earn more than the ridiculous sum of £1500 or you are married.

University financial cutbacks have already begun to pinch on many students, in lack of demonstrators in labs and larger and fewer tutorials. These cuts must be resisted as much as possible. Education on the cheap means inadequate education.

I AM A MEMBER OF THE LIBERAL SOCIETY AND I ASK YOU TO VOTE FOR ME AND THE OTHER LIBERALS IN THIS ELECTION.

Chris Freel.

Candidate's Name ... **H. J. FULFORD-WILLIAMS**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **POLITICS**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **PETER BOWEN**
 Seconded by ... **ROBERT WHILEY**

Union positions held: None.

The Union should be many things to many people: social club, welfare organisation, representative body inside and outside the University, organiser and supporter of our clubs and societies.

Is it?

If not, why not?

There is no real choice of social venue and the building as a whole is a slum. Action must be taken. We should look critically at Union campaigns and redirect our efforts to more relevant ones.

The Union has a history of poor representation of minorities. I will attempt by consultation with all minorities to improve this.

We need some new people running the Union. People with new ideas and the energy to make them work. I put myself forward as a Social Democrat, independent of all the present Union cliques.

John Fulford-Williams.

Candidate's Name ... **CARL GRAY**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1972**
 Proposed by ... **JOHN HARVEY**
 Seconded by ... **JOHN FEAR**

Union positions held: Committee LUU Medical Society 1972/74, Treasurer LUU Medical Society 1974/75, Member of Union Council 1974/75 (Resigned November 1974 owing to nastiness of then UC, my opinion has been substantiated recently by the forced resignation of nine members of that council over the Irish issue.)

In the event of my election, I shall use my vote in such a manner as to curb the activities of the extreme political elements in the Union; and to promote the services, facilities and societies which contribute to the wellbeing of the great majority of the students of this university. It may be in your interest to vote for me.

Carl Gray.

Candidate's Name ... **ANDY GREEN**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **CHEMICAL ENGINEERING**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **ROGER SEDDON**
 Seconded by ... **ROBERT SHAW**

Union positions held: Chairman LUU Shelter Group Action Executive Member, Chem. Eng. Staff/Student Committee, Holdsworth Soc. Publicity Secretary 74/75.

Over the last two years I have worked in the City as a member of Shelter and have seen the need for an improvement in City/Student relations. I have also been an active member of the Union and am aware of the many things wrong with it.

Therefore, if elected, I would work for the following:
 An improved information service on welfare and housing, dealing with: tenant rights, maximum gas and electricity charges, D.H.S.S. payments, etc.

Free live music — the pubs can provide it — why can't the Union? Participation and curtains to make the union more attractive.

More Union support for action groups and community associations; union campaigns to help the disabled, the homeless, and the emotionally and educationally deprived in Leeds.

Full grants for all students whatever their course, sex or marital status. The indexing of grants against the cost of living.

Investigations into the present voting systems and the state of union/medic relations to see where improvements might be made.

Thank you for reading this:

Please Vote

Andy Green.

Candidate's Name ... **ROGER M. GREEN**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **DENTISTRY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1972**
 Proposed by ... **J. HARVEY**
 Seconded by ... **L. SHARP**

Union positions held: Lipman Management Committee.

IF ELECTED:

- I promise to attend all U.C. Meetings, O.G.M.'s, etc., etc.
- My actions on U.C. will be guided by what I believe to be the needs and wishes of the majority of students.
- I will attempt to prepare brief reports on each U.C. meeting and get these distributed in as many ways as possible — Notice Boards, Hand-outs, Feedback, Leeds Student.

IF NOT ELECTED:

I shall continue to attend U.C.'s, O.G.M.'s, etc.

Roger Green

P.S. — Thanks to those who voted for me last time!

Candidate's Name ... **DAVE GRIFFITHS**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **ENGLISH/ART**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **NICK LAMMING**
 Seconded by ... **PAUL LOASBY**

Union positions held: Ents. Committee, Arts Fest. Committee, Ents. Publicity Working Party.

It is obvious that the Union, at present, is not as healthy as it might be. One good indicator being the continued fall in bar-takings. The standard answer to such problems seems to be the re-carpeting of the extensions, but important as this is it is hardly a complete answer. The lack of interest in the Union suggests that students find identifying with it difficult, which is not surprising as there is, in reality, very little to identify with. The Union could do far more, in terms of practical help, for students — in their relationship with the University, in housing, in legal and financial aid, in pressurising L.E.A.'s to get grants out on time, and in contacts with the City, as well as its present campaigns. Greater activity in such areas would make issues of policy and finance of far more relevance to the ordinary member, and I would press for improvements.

Our entertainments policy also needs a rethink. Ents. is fine at putting on big gigs, but surely the Union should offer some alternative to paying £1 or so to see the current "Big Name". In Ents. and Arts Fest. I have supported the inclusion of cheaper and more varied events, with results showing in the "Rockspots" I have put on for Arts Fest. over the last two terms and in the M.J. Jazz and Folk.

Ents. and Arts Fest. are too busy with their own duties to deal with events throughout the year, and I suggest a new committee to organise and co-ordinate free discos, rock, folk, theatre, performances an exhibitions of all sorts, and to open creative opportunities for students. Such activities are a central part of the Union's social function, and any expense incurred would be justified by the revival of the Union as a social centre.

U.C. deals with many detailed and conflicting problems, so the job needs patience, and a wide-ranging contact with members and staff, so that important decisions are made on an informed basis. Through my efforts on Ents. and Arts Fest. (and my time spent in the bars) I feel I have both these requirements.

I am not a member of any political group, and so will vote on no directive save that passed by the ordinary member through General Meetings. However, I recognise the importance of politics inside and outside the Union, and I am confident being able to sort out the real issues from the jargon.

I am in the Union every day, and would be happy to talk with anyone interested.

Dave Griffiths.

Candidate's Name ... **JOHN NEIL GUNTON**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **COMB. STUDIES**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **D. MASON**
 Seconded by ... **ROGER SEDDON**

Union positions held: None.

Look here!
 Now that I have attracted your attention why not stay and read the rest of it? (I hope you don't get too bored).

It was during the Ireland issue that I decided to stand for UC at the earliest opportunity bringing what I thought was sense to chaos. So, for experience, I went along to a UC Meeting as an observer to witness this hot-bed of revolution but was pleasantly surprised to see not irrelevant and impersonal issues being discussed but rather ones that effect us all. I was pleased to see questions referring to such matters as the Union Nursery, Catering and No Smoking areas in the Union being put forward.

As I shall be moving out of Bodington into Lupton Flats the Union is going to increasingly become a second home to me. I want it, as one presidential candidate put it, to be a place where you will be proud to bring your friends. I want it to be a place where you can get a decent meal and enjoy a certain amount of evenings entertainment. In connection with the first point, the quantity and quality of refec meals has been declining... why?

Union Council is the place where investigation into social and domestic matters often begin I want to be part of such a body.

Occasionally due to inordinate O.G.M.s Political issues appear on U.C. Minutes and therefore I feel it necessary to give some idea of my standing on such matters. I am conservative by nature, though not radically so. I don't see student life as one great struggle against this mysterious thing called capitalism, I firmly believe in discussions before demonstration and reasonable rather than ridiculous demands. Two points, for debate, on grants a) though an increase is going to be necessary, I am not convinced that any of the suggestions put forward offer a real and satisfactory solution. Personally I am in favour of a flat rate for all students circum £840 and instead of a means test let h dentpresu and instead of a means test let the student pay back an agreed sum when he has left University and is earning a suitable income.

b) Another question in overseas students. Faced with increased fees many are experiencing minor crisis but is it fair to ask the government to pay completely for these increases. It is calculated that the tax-payer now subsidises each foreign student to the tune of 2,750 p.a. I am not suggesting that the burden be placed wholly onto the overseas student but instead of protesting to our own government couldn't we sound out the possibility of getting partial sponsorship by the governments of countries concerned. It is surely worth a try.

Politically the important thing to remember is that we have a moderate President. If he is backed up by a moderate U.C. I'm sure we can have a successful union. Not only will realistic policies be formulated but public relations will also take a turn for the better.

Finally may I add that if elected I shall take a special interest in Union sports, an area in which I am actively involved. Thank you for reading this manifesto. I wish you fun with the 60 or so others.

J.N.G.

Vote for me, folks!
Vote for Commonsense not Morimund Dogma.

Election for 25 Members of Union Council for Session 1975/76

Candidate's Name ... **ALAN D. KIMBER**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MINING**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **J. VERNCOMBE**
 Seconded by ... **KEVIN HAWKINS**

Union positions held: Editor of Orange Peel Cultural affairs Committee

GRANTS AND EDUCATION CUTS

The primary task of the Grants Campaign should be to end discrimination in awarding grants and the parental contribution. Cuts are taking place throughout education and I believe Students should oppose all cuts affecting academic standards and the financial position of the Union. An increase must be obtained from the University in the money allocated per student of about 20% to maintain present standards.

STATE OF THE UNION

The Union Building is a social facility available for all Students. I believe the major problems with the building stem from overcrowding. People do not use the Bierkeller because it is often a 10 minute push to get a drink, nor just because the place is covered with flag ends and pools of spilt beer. Long term improvements are impracticable in the Union's present financial position.

Short term improvements should include refitting the Bierkeller to provide more room, getting rid of those tables and benches, carpeting the floor and installing bench seats along the line of Bod, bar. Employment of more staff to keep the place cleaner and shorten the serving time. Staff cost money but unless we are prepared to pay out no improvements can be made.

POLITICS

I am a member of the Liberal Society and I ask you to vote for me and the other Liberals in this election.

Alan D. Kimber

Candidate's Name ... **DAVE KING**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MINING & MINERAL SCIENCES**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **K. DEVANEY**
 Seconded by ... **SARAH WARD**

Union positions held: House Sec. (2nd term 74/75). Debates 73/74, 74/75. Involved in Grants & Chile Solidarity Campaigns

Having been on U.C. as house Sec for the last term, I am aware how boring and trivial it can be! However, as O.G.M.'s have a habit of being inquisitive, or not getting through all the business on their order papers, U.C. in practice makes a great many important decisions. A lot of complaints are received about the state of the building, and part of the answer to this is more cleaning, etc. But cleaning is very expensive. So for this, and many other things, we need a Union Fee increase. The other half of the answer is less simple but somehow we must get people to treat the union as they do their own sitting room — somewhere to be proud of and comfortable in.

Finally we all need to fight for a better, fairer, Grant: Against the Education cuts, for better student housing; and many more things ie. we need a strong democratic Union that makes campaigns effective. So vote Dave King, I am standing as a member of it.

Vote Dave King.

Candidate's Name ... **IAN KNOX**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **ENGLISH**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1972**
 Proposed by ... **B. MORGAN**
 Seconded by ... **A. P. BLACKBURN**

Union positions held: None.

It's not really advisable to say a great deal in a manifesto because you don't know what it is possible to do until you actually carry a job out. However, a U.C. member should do all he or she can to ensure that the Union has the best facilities for its members. This should be the prime objective. If elected I will do all I can to improve the amount of people who will use its facilities. The policy forming side of U.C. I will approach, I hope, with an open mind, trying to keep some idea of the opinions of people I come into contact with each day.

That's about it.

Ian Knox

Candidate's Name ... **KRISTIAN LARSSON**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **LAW**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **TOM BAYLISS**
 Seconded by ... **RHIANNON GRIFFITHS**

Union positions held: Vice Chairman, Conservative Association 1974/1975. Acting Chairman, Conservative Association, 1975.

I firmly believe that Union activities should be restricted to matters of direct interest to students.

It is, in my opinion, the duty of Union Council to provide you with attractive and convenient, but economical, facilities and services. Much has been said about the Union Building; seeing its present state, I refuse to believe that it cannot be improved.

The Union should, in a peaceful and reasonable manner, make your views on educational policies (grants, etc.) known to the relevant authorities.

It is vital that union affairs are made more "popular", that union meetings become less boring, etc. I believe one way of doing this is to be to avoid endless rows of long motions on matters without the slightest connexion with you or your union, like solidarity with the miners, the Eritrean Liberation Movement, etc. Some of these cause may be worthwhile, but the Union is not the right place for their propagation.

I am opposed to the waste of Union Funds on political and other, to students irrelevant, matters, such as the Shrewsbury Pickets and the Hon. Paul Foot's (of "The Socialist Worker" and Janie Jones fame) legal costs.

The leaders of the National Union of Students are, politically, very unrepresentative of their members — You, Moderates are now beginning to be heard within N.U.S., but it is still necessary to interest many more moderate students, in order to bring about any change within that organisation.

As a Conservative, I will represent the views of the non-socialist majority of Leeds University students.

Kristian Larsson

Candidate's Name ... **CLIVE P. LINNET**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **HISTORY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **C. HONNOR**
 Seconded by ... **LUCY BAKER**

Union positions held: None.

If elected to Union Council as an ordinary member I will be neither a delegate nor a representative of any particular body.

However there are two factors to which I should like to draw attention.

(1) I will, if elected, deal with problems of a less directly political nature bearing in mind the resources of the Union as a whole. But — (2) It is idle to pretend that political problems will not present themselves. I cannot present myself as 'apolitical'.

Thus, though I am best described as a socialist, I stand independent of any party machine. I have put myself forward as a candidate because of a general lack of responsibility in student life. Voting is a valuable statement of political activity and responsibility, so please vote — preferably for me — in the interests of a Union both representative and undiscriminatory.

Candidate's Name ... **JOHN A. MCKINLEY**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **LAW**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **T. BAYLISS**
 Seconded by ... **C. SCHLIACK**

Union positions held: None.

It is evident to every student that those controlling the Union do not represent the views of Leeds students — either in policies within our Union in Leeds, or in those relating to wider issues both in the N.U.S. and nationally. I would hope to put forward views held by the majority — not of the unrepresentative few.

1) The Union's major function is to serve the interests of the students. I do not believe that such facilities have been provided to the satisfaction of the students. The Union is dirty and used at the minimum by the majority of students. A redress of expenditure must be implemented and money found to clean and improve facilities provided by the Union.

2) Our views must be represented within the N.U.S. nationally; It is a powerful instrument in striving for student recognition to be it in accommodation, or present grant issues. That power has to be used sparingly and implemented by those having student support.

If you believe in the two above issues of importance, VOTE FOR ME. With other members of the council of similar views — THE UNION WILL CHANGE. VOTE FOR THE CONSERVATIVE ALTERNATIVE. John A McKinley.

Candidate's Name ... **RAYMOND MCVEERY**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **P. CLAPHAM**
 Seconded by ... **PAUL GREENE**

Union positions held: None

Like many others, I was very disappointed and disillusioned with the Union on my arrival at Leeds. The building is a mess and the Union hierarchy often seems more concerned with international affairs than with looking after the best interests of the membership. Below I have outlined areas in which, I believe, changes are needed.

Politics and the Union

At the moment General Meetings tend to give political motions priority over proposals concerning members more directly (e.g. housing, welfare). This is often achieved by Suspension of Standing Orders, a ploy often used by the Radical Left and just one example of how the Union bureaucracy may be manipulated by minority groups for their own ends. Though politics should be important to students, the Union should not, primarily, be a platform for political debate. I would, therefore, like to see political motions given low priority at meetings so that more relevant matters could be dealt with first. This is important as there is usually only time to discuss the very first few motions on the agenda.

Union Expenditure

With grants at their present miserable levels, the Union must help to ing and bar prices must be as low as possible; this will require a review minimise the effects of inflation on the student's standard of living. Catering expenditure in other fields to see where money can be saved.

I wonder, can we really afford to subsidise those more prestigious trading concerns which are in debt, and which are, perhaps luxuries rather than necessities.

Surely, too, the Union should not be expected to finance political societies. After all the political parties outside the Union, to which these societies are affiliated, are in a much better financial state than the Union. Why vote for Me?

As I am not associated with any political grouping or power clique within the Union, I feel I could represent the whole student body fairly and totally independently. I am aware of the problems which affect every student and would do my very best to ensure that Union Council decisions were in line with the feelings of the student body.

Candidate's Name ... **CHRISTOPHER J. MATTHEW**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **SOCIAL AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **ROGER SEDDON**
 Seconded by ... **JOHN YENN**

Union positions held: None

I wish to become a member of the Union Council because I feel that I would represent the interests of the average student in the University. In the past the Union Council has, to a large extent, been a political platform for the extremists such as The International Marxist group, The Communist Party, and the International Socialists, and other Radicals who appear to have no genuine intention of working for the good of ALL Students, but for the political aims of a minority.

MY INTENTION IS TO WORK FOR THE INTERESTS OF THE MAJORITY. To fulfil this aim, I will, if elected:

a) Attend all the Union Council meetings.
 b) Not join any political organisation and so remain independent of any specific political ideology, this includes the Three major Parties — Liberal, Labour and Conservative.

c) Support the Grants campaign with an emphasis on ending the system of discretionary awards, ending parental means testing, and ending discrimination against married Students.

d) Attempt to improve communications between the Union and the Students it is supposed to represent, with special regard to encouraging members to attend all O.G.M.'s and to publishing the decisions taken there.

e) Attempt to improve the Union Buildings, which at present are in a deplorable state. This means that less and less students are using them. I believe the effort would justify the large sums of money that may be needed to render the buildings presentable.

If you agree with these aims I hope you will vote for me, or any other candidate who holds similar views I think it will be obvious to you that I am a MODERATE and will represent your best interests.

Remember to vote for a STUDENTS Union. Chris Matthew.

Candidate's Name ... **JOHN MAY**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **FACULTY OF LAW**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **T. BAYLISS**
 Seconded by ... **W. E. DOONAN**

Union positions held: Disiplinary Tribunal 1974/75 Secretary, Conservative Association.

I am a Conservative, don't just keep the Left out — vote for someone with some other policies. Vote for me.

My ideas are to scrap the present Union Council and substitute a Union Parliament elected by Faculties. O.G.M.'s represent only the minority political groups who attend, if they cannot represent the majority their power must be removed. The Union has no money for luxuries such as the Nursery — losing £14,500 this year alone on entertaining just forty children — if it can pay I favour retaining it — if not I favour closing it.

Don't let the Union stagnate further — vote for May. John May.

Candidate's Name ... **MARCUS R. MISSEN**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1971**
 Proposed by ... **P. L. ARCHER**
 Seconded by ... **P. S. EVERETT**

Union positions held: Board of Faculty of Medicine — Student Representative 1974/75

The University Union has the majority of political and social functions which must be determined by the importance of aware students: directly, through O.G.M.'s and indirectly by electing representatives to Union Council and the Executive.

Perhaps the most important political function of the Union is the ne-

gotiation of the level of Grants. This may involve direct action which must be carefully organised so that it does not alienate the public, but instead, actively gain their support.

The Union is also supposed to be a "social club", but at present it is under-used; not because the selection or condition of the beers and spirits is bad (in fact it's probably the best in Leeds) or that Popular groups are not booked by Ents, but because of the squalid condition of the bars and toilets and the poor organisation of Hops. This is not going to be altered just by U.C. passing new Bye Laws, but by encouraging a more responsible attitude (do I hear cries of Sieg Heil? I call myself socialist, but am often called communist — among other things) I am not a member of any Political Society, but that is because of other commitments rather than any opposition to them.

I want the Union to give value for money. How many students feel they get that now? The income from Local Authorities alone is well over £200,000 p.a. Some income. It needs watching and careful allocation.

So I hope you will vote for me and hopefully help make the Union more effective politically and socially.

Marcus R. Missen.

Candidate's Name ... **SALLY MITCHELL**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **RUSSIAN STUDIES**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **MIKE HOLBROOK**
 Seconded by ... **KIM GORDON BATES**

Union positions held: None

THE UNION

The country's present economic crisis is hitting students directly — their grant is insufficient, prices are rising, education cutbacks will bite deeper as the session passes. The Union building has become squalid, and the overall financial position of the Union is precarious. Some facilities — the nursery is the most obvious — could be axed if the situation does not improve. Combine this with the below standard refectory food, and the low heating levels (especially in the Arts Block) and it is obvious that we are in a mess.

THE GRANTS AND CUTS CAMPAIGN

Students are not responsible for an economic crisis that has been caused by the capitalist system, nor must they be made responsible by a drop in their living standards. We must take direct action now to stop attacks on education, the National Health Service and the social services, directly linking the fights of students and workers. In the student sector, we must rebuild the grants campaign, through direct action with the involvement of the mass of students. The militant action taken by over 10 colleges last term has not lasted into this term, because the Broad Left leadership of the NUS provided no lead for those students, and they have become demoralised. We must fight for: *A grant increase to £900 linked to an automatic cost of living index *An end to discriminatory awards *No price or rent increases *No cutbacks or mergers at students/workers expense.

NUS WOMENS CAMPAIGN

It is essential that active womens groups be established in all universities, colleges etc. Women must be prepared to initiate and direct campaigns themselves, because they come up against male chauvinism within the NUS and will often find their campaigns relegated to the sidelines. The Womens Campaign must be a central part of future NUS campaigns on other issues. It is important for the development of self-confidence and political experience that women be allowed to have meetings where no men are present. We must campaign for free nursery facilities in Leeds for students and campus workers, and support the Working Women's Charter.

UNION COUNCIL

The people elected to UC assist in the day-to-day running of the Union, including financial decisions. If elected I will argue for an increase in the per capita fee to prevent us losing Union facilities and so that we can redecorate the building; for all committees being open to all students; for the retention of the democratic OGM system, and the election of delegates to sub-committees and bodies outside the Union to go through OGM's, not UC. As a member of the International Marxist Group I will also fight for: Troops Out of Ireland — Self Determination for the Irish People; No Platform for Fascists and Racists; Against the EEC — For A Workers Europe: Five Days Work or Five Days Pay for all workers.

Sally Mitchell.

Candidate's Name ... **ANN MYATT**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1971**
 Proposed by ... **LIZ MASON**
 Seconded by ... **DEREK SEEX**

Union positions held: UC 72/73 Accommodation Committee

UC 74/75 Student Health Committee MSRC 72/74 74/75

Staff/Student Committee. Med. Soc. 73/74 Board of Faculty. Despite the relative efficiency of this year's Exec and improved publicity and communications, the meetings continue to be poorly attended and the Union becomes more and more a place to be avoided.

Apathy and the financial situation become this year's scapegoat, taking the blame for the decline.

The basic problem lies, I believe in the size of the University. A measure of decentralization is necessary. UC and Exec cannot be expected to be able to control efficiently all that takes place on a campus which caters for 10,000 students.

(1) Societies, sports clubs and SRC's should be left to run their own affairs with minimal interference from Exec and UC.

(2) UC should represent all parts of the campus on a proportioned representation basis. A balance of opinion should eliminate the tendency to run the Union as a vehicle for political opinions.

(3) General meetings should be less frequent, with a higher quorum and empowered to discuss issues concerned with this University only.

(4) Union money should not be used to subsidize campaigns. Costly publicity etc would be unnecessary if the wholehearted support of the student body can be obtained for an issue. It is a fallacy that the more money poured into a campaign the greater is the enthusiasm generated among the students.

VOTE FOR A MODERATE, NON TIME-CONSUMING UCI

Candidate's Name ... **EILEEN NEIL**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **K. IBADULLA**
 Seconded by ... **JANE SKELTON**

Union positions held: None.

The main purpose of Union Council is deciding policy for the Union — YOUR union.

I'd like to increase student interest in policy decisions, by widening publicity in Leeds Student and Feedback. Also, as a member of Network 4, I could be active in expanding the new MJ radio-link.

PRIORITIES:

(1) GRANTS. I fully support NUS policies on grants and educational cuts. I would also emphasise the special needs of eg. language students abroad, those undertaking field courses, medics and dentists.

(2) STUDENT HOUSING. Expansion of Unipol. Wider diversity of benefits available, such as rent and rate rebates.

(3) FAMILY PLANNING. Acceleration of the plans to provide a free family planning service on campus.

(4) FACILITIES. Improvements in the Union as a social centre and to press for improvements in departmental facilities eg. in the New Arts Block.

I am politically aware, but believe more emphasis should be placed on increasing support for community welfare groups, such as Action, Age Concern and Shelter, where student action can have a more constructive effect. If you think UC is unrepresentative, apathy is not the answer. Use your vote, and make sure that YOU are being represented.

VOTE FOR EILEEN NEIL.

Election for 25 Members of Union Council for Session 1975/76

Candidate's Name ... **DICK PARSONS**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **CHEMICAL ENGINEERING**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1972**
 Proposed by ... **ROGER SEDDON**
 Seconded by ... **TOM BAYLISS**

Union positions held: Delegate to N.U.S. Margate Conference 1974. Disiplinary Tribunal Member. Cultural Affairs Committee. Houldsworth Society President (1973/75).

These are my policies:—
STATE OF THE UNION:

The state of the Union at present is almost intolerable. The past three years have seen such a deterioration that now very few people go there at all. For it to be improved, money needs spending, but spending properly. We must save money in as many areas as possible so we can provide more facilities and make it a place worth visiting, namely:—

- (1) The Bierkeller Bar.
 - (2) More free disco's in the Union, heavily publicised.
 - (3) Free entertainment, e.g. folk-singers, jazz, etc.
- I would try hard to instigate some (any!) improvements, and also economies in wasteful areas of expenditure.

REPRESENTATION:

In the past, Union affairs have been dominated by the ultra-left. I joined the Conservative Association to oppose them. We should not have the situation where any political group (especially minority ones) can, by itself, almost run our Union.

I would like to see changes, namely:—

- (1) Election of U.C. on a Departmental basis.
- (2) Reduction of the number of O.G.M.s to 4 or 5 per term.
- (3) Increase of the quorum from a ridiculous 150 (1½%) to 350, which is still a low figure but still practical and more democratic.

CAMPAIGNS:

Present campaigns seem to alienate the student — they must have more general student participation and acceptance to be effective. Demonstrations would be more effective if the big red banners didn't hide the actual campaign banners!

I would attempt to involve and interest people in matters that concern us as students, e.g. education cuts and grants — only then can we have more effectiveness.

N.U.S.:

I believe the Executive of N.U.S. must be elected by general ballot, NOT in the clique atmosphere of N.U.S. Conferences — how many people know who are on our National Executive?

We spend £9,000 on N.U.S., do we get value for money? I think not. I am dissatisfied with the current organisation and wish to see changes. However, I do believe that N.U.S. serves a useful function.

Thanks,

Dick.

Candidate's Name ... **KENNETH JAMES PATTERSON**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **COLOUR CHEMISTRY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **PAUL CONLAN**
 Seconded by ... **ALAN RHODES**

Union positions held: Treasurer L.U.U. Labour Club. Counseling Service.

I BELIEVE THAT:—

1. The Union is both a social and a political organisation and should be active in both fields representing its members, but the social side suffers from the appalling state of the Union building.
2. The final arbiter in all matters must be the General Meetings of all Union members.
3. The prime aim of Union members campaigns should be to ensure adequate finance for education, the Union and individual students.

I have had some experience of administration as a secretary of my previous college Union and as a Bar Member in that college.

I am a socialist, a supporter of the Broad Left, and a member of the Labour Party.

Ken Patterson.

Candidate's Name ... **VALERIE PERROT**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **ENGLISH**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **BOB RAE**
 Seconded by ... **THOM BURKE**

Union positions held: None.

Each of us knows the problems facing the Union, they can be found on any Sabbatical Officer's manifesto and don't need to be restated here in detail.

The most important ones are those which involve every student himself, after all it is we who constitute the principle part of the Union, besides the building itself etc.

I spent my first term here as an apathetic student, part of the majority who felt that the Union was not relevant to them, was a dreadful hole to hang around in, and had better things to do or too little time to bother about O.G.M.s. The rot set in, you might say, when having met some of the Hacks, I didn't agree with everything they said, and certainly objected to power politics being involved with Union affairs. I was finally incited to speak, — and none contradicted me when I proposed in the debate, that the Union 'was going to the dogs'.

I am standing because I believe I'm fairly representative of the ordinary student, except that I'm prepared to get up and say what I think. I do not accept the vast majority of the students want to have anything to do with political factions — the only political decisions they want to make are those concerning relevant topics such as housing, welfare, grants etc.

After this my interest is in the Union building, constantly in need of renewal and repair, and which ought to be more of a social club than a series of bars connected by flag ends.

The Union governing bodies should not be an opportunity for egoists to get on their political soap-boxes, and further the aims of their right or left wing groups; they are there, elected by us, to organise, represent and inform us. I would like, on the question of information to encourage communication and feedback between ordinary students and their elected representatives who have access to information important to us, and not all confidential. This is something which is improving, but still needs fostering.

Most of us do not live down to the public image of the student, we are here to work as well as to play; and I would like to help U.C. in their fight to improve the image. We might find it easier to get things done if we were more popular.

Why can I do the job? Well, I'm keen and pretty enthusiastic, which you need to be to want to sit until maybe 3 a.m. I'm prepared to work, and to make sure I'm on the ball for meetings — i.e. that I've read my agenda and know what I'm talking about. I have had committee experience over many years and enjoy it. I am a practising Christian and this will obviously affect my moral viewpoints on rights and welfare etc. I can express myself and argue tolerably well, and having watched U.C. in action, think I can contribute something worthwhile on your behalf.

V. Perrot

Candidate's Name ... **NEIL G. REYNOLDS**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1971**
 Proposed by ... **JAN ANISKOWICZ**
 Seconded by ... **ANN MYATT**

Union positions held: Union Council 1974. M.S.R.C. Committee 1974, 1975.

I am standing for Union Council because:—

1. I believe Medical students are grossly under represented in Union affairs.
2. The time is right for a tide of moderation to hit Union affairs.
3. I think I can do a better job than many of those people who are on Union Council at present.

PLEASE VOTE FOR ME.

Neil Reynolds

Candidate's Name ... **ALAN L. RHODES**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **INTERNATIONAL HISTORY AND POLITICS**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **PAUL CONLAN**
 Seconded by ... **JOHN SEYMOUR**

Union positions held: None.

If elected I shall press for the main aims of the Union.

To fulfil its functions as a Social Centre and as an organisation which truly represents the wishes of the majority of Students and represents them democratically.

I shall try, if elected, to promote more democratic organisation, and in so doing encourage Students to attend O.G.M.s whereby truly representative policies will be put forward. Power should be delegated much more from the Union Council and Executive to O.G.M.s. The Union should become more of a useful place than the bureaucratic organ it has become.

On a local level, if elected I would:

1. support the move for a working party to look into the grievances of medical students.
2. press for an improvement in the state of the Union building and the services provided.
3. press for a more active Union policy on education: course content, staff/student ratios, methods of assessment.
4. fight the cutbacks in education which threaten the general well being and education of students.

On a national level I fully support the demand for a grant of £845, the end of parental contributions, discrimination against married women, and overseas students.

As a member of the Labour Party and a supporter of the Broad Left I would campaign for a Progressive and democratic Union which would support the fight against social injustice, and racism, and campaign to give students an influential voice in society.

Finally, if elected I shall endeavour to put forward the views, ideas, and complaints of as many students as possible.

Alan Rhodes

Candidate's Name ... **MICK RIDLEY**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **CHEMICAL ENGINEERING**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1972**
 Proposed by ... **PETE GILLARD**
 Seconded by ... **SARAH LANGRIDGE-SMITH**

Union positions held: Union Council 1974. NUS Area Committee 1974. Delegate to 2 NUS Conferences.

This year has seen a positive decline in the Union, in terms of the Union as a building and as a body fighting for students' needs. The recent victories of 'moderate' candidates must be seen as part of a swing to apathy rather than moderation.

The Union as a building will not be improved by cutting services which some people propose as a means of balancing the Union's books. The solution must be in improving services to bring people back—and hence increase income. We must also campaign for an increased capitation fee because the value of ours has been eaten away by inflation.

The campaigning the Union must be involved in centres largely around the fight for education as a right for all.

There is the field of cutbacks made by the University which are many and individually often appear minor but altogether represent a severe worsening of standards — cuts in demonstrators and low pay for them, larger tutorials, reviews of all vacant positions and bigger items like the delayed Economics and Social Studies block. Also the University gets more money in by charging higher fees for overseas students.

Lack of nursery facilities is a block on some students. The situation here is that we too small a nursery heavily supported by the Union. We must campaign for facilities for all students, academic staff and other campus workers provided by the University.

Last year grant increases may have seemed a lot but its value has clearly been eroded and the grant system still has many inequalities e.g. over married students, parental contributions, discretionary awards etc.

Housing may be an important issue with the possibility of action like that in Nottingham with a landlord's ban on students because they go to rent tribunals to get fair rents. The University will also be trying to increase hall and flat fees.

These and other issues such as the NUS campaigns on women and gays must be taken up by the Union with an active leadership from Union officials if the Union is to mean more than the shell of a building.

I believe that the problems facing us cannot be seen in isolation from the outside world. We must act with sections of the working class fighting back against the ruling class and their crisis. I am standing as a member of the International Socialist Society.

Candidate's Name ... **TREVOR GEORGE SARGISON**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **POLITICS/SOCIOLOGY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **SARAH WARD**
 Seconded by ... **ROB EVANS**

Union positions held: Delegate to "The Leeds Campaign Against Cuts in Educational Expenditure". Elections Committee 1974/75

The recent elections for sabbatical posts, have resulted in success for candidates advocating our involvement only in issues that immediately affect us as students. I refuse to subscribe to this philosophy that students merely wish to wallow in their own self interest, impervious to the problems of, and the changes within, the wider society in which we live and of which we are also members with responsibilities for the future progress of that society.

Within the University and the Union, discussion on the cuts in educational expenditure has been centred on the way in which it will affect us at the University. These cuts are being applied and having an adverse effect on all levels of education. The Leeds Campaign Against Cuts in Educational Expenditure is a body supported by all trade unions and professional associations engaged within the educational sphere in the Leeds Area. To support and work for this is one example of how, as students, we can both attempt to safeguard our position and help maintain or extend the educational opportunities of future generations. Economies in education are irreversible. A university education is already a privilege out of the reach of the majority of young people. The further overcrowding of classrooms, coupled with a lack of facilities can only result in a further deterioration in the situation. If we in our privileged position, are to sit back and allow it to happen, we are as guilty as the successive governments which have adopted this policy.

We need to campaign for increased grants; for improvement in the union buildings and services; to end all forms of discrimination within education, which should be a right and not a privilege. The finance for all of these things is determined outside the university complex, through government bodies. As a member of the Communist Party, I support the Broad Left policies, aimed at mobilising the mass of students behind these essential and realistic demands. In order to win these demands we need to campaign for them. The Broad Left have shown themselves to be the only organisation capable of uniting students in this way.

Make your vote count.

VOTE BROAD LEFT FOR A STRONG DEMOCRATIC UNION

T. G. Sargison.

Candidate's Name ... **DEREK M. SEEX**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1970**
 Proposed by ... **JOHN SPINER**
 Seconded by ... **ELIZABETH MASON**

Union positions held: Open Seat — Medical Students' Representative Council 1973/74. Secretary — Medical Students' Representative Council 1974/75. Member of Union Council 1973/74.

I, like you, am tired of the perpetual mess which the Union seems to be in, and am sure that this is the main reason for the lack of interest

shown in Union affairs and facilities by so many students. The majority of students resent the image which is being thrust upon them by a minority.

The way to run the Union is through co-operation and moderation; there is no place for conflict and intolerance. I believe in social democracy — in a policy of justice and equal opportunity for all.

The Students' Union also has a part to play outside the campus; we must demonstrate by our actions and policies that we are concerned about other people as well as ourselves. We must show that we too believe in a fair and compassionate society.

Leeds University Union needs efficient members of an effective Union Council — please vote for me on March 10th or 11th.

Derek M. Seex

Candidate's Name ... **STUART ANDREW SHEARMAN**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MATHEMATICS**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1974**
 Proposed by ... **R. G. PARKHOUSE**
 Seconded by ... **R. D. PARRITT**

Union positions held: None.

On Union Council at the moment are people who's power relative to that of the ordinary student member is out of proportion to the number of students at the University. This is due to the fact that Union elections are partitioned only by a few who have political motives which are out of step with those of the majority of students or those who "just happened to be pulling the polling booth." The result of this is that Union Council is not truly representative of the Union membership. In fact I believe this would only be so if Union Council members were as apathetic to the running of the Union as apparently most students are.

The remedy is very easy. All you have to do is to use your vote to elect the people who most accurately reflect your opinions on how your Union should be run.

I believe I am typical of a lot of students. I know my views are very similar to those of my friends, so by extension to the whole Union, I believe I would have the sympathy and support of most of you who have bothered to read this far (for which I am most grateful).

One of the reasons why OGM's have such little support is that the majority of motions emerging from Union Council are of small interest to the average student. Is this because Union Council cannot find enough wrong with the Union to warrant discussion and correction or because it cannot be bothered with such "trivia" while concerning itself with wider issues?

The Union is the representative body of the students of the University. It's job is to ensure that the interests of students are no trampled underfoot by the various bodies in the interests of economy and an easy life.

At the same time though it must give support to those people who have it's sympathy, but not at the expense of the student.

I believe I could strike the right balance between these two aims if I were to be elected to Union Council.

If you would like your views reflected on Union Council please USE YOUR VOTE.

— VOTE FOR COMMON SENSE — VOTE SAS —

S. A. Shearman.

Candidate's Name ... **BRIAN SMITH**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **HISTORY**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1973**
 Proposed by ... **CLIVE CLAPSON**
 Seconded by ... **W. D. ANSELL**

Union positions held: Union Council 1975. Disiplinary Tribunal 1975/76.

The Role of the Union.

The Union exists for two purposes: To provide cheap and efficient services for its members. E.g. the Bookshop, Supermarket, etc.

To act as a focus for the many social and cultural activities which the Union sponsors through its societies.

I believe that these basic aims of the Union have been ignored for too long by the governing cliques of socialist revolutionaries, who have used the Union as a platform to further their own political ends. Their evident lack of concern for the needs and views of Union members has taken the Union outside the mainstream of student life. A pity, because the Union has much to offer.

The Problem

Less and less people are using the Union's facilities, especially in the evenings, when the Union should be one of the main centres of social activity. This is adding to our financial problems which are already great.

The Solution.

(1) Get more money for Union funds. We must press the University for a sizeable increase in the £21 per capita grant to the Union for each student. With the effect of inflation, this is essential just to maintain our present usage of services, let alone to attempt to improve them.

(2) Clean up the Union buildings, so that the improved atmosphere would encourage members to make greater use of the building, especially in the evenings. The Bierkeller needs completely redesigning to make it less like a converted canteen, and more like an intimate bar, so that people will again come to the Union for a drink, because the surroundings are pleasant and congenial.

(3) VOTE FOR A MODERATE UNION COUNCIL. It is an important body for policy-making and supervision of the running of the Union. It should represent YOU, the FCS, IS, IMG, or any other of the turgid political apparatuses which abound in the Union. My experience on U.C. this year will enable me to contribute to bringing about a more responsive and a more responsible Union. You have the opportunity to mould Union policy for next year — USE YOUR VOTES WISELY.

Thank you.

Brian P. Smith.

Candidate's Name ... **JOHN SPINER B.Sc., Ph.D.**
 Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE**
 Year of Entry to Leeds ...
 University ... **1971**
 Proposed by ... **ANN MYATT**
 Seconded by ... **LIZ MASON**

Union positions held: Senate Academic Committee 1975. Vice President M.S.R.C. 1975. Secretary M.S.R.C. 1974. Sub-Committee on Teaching Techniques 1975. Staff Student Committee 1974. Hospital Planning Committee 1974.

In my final year at University I have decided to offer myself for election to Union Council because:—

1. I believe in common sense and moderation.
2. I wish to steer the Union on a midline course and away from the shipwrecked course to the left.
3. I would like to see that Post Graduates get a better representation in Union affairs.
4. To ensure that the ordinary student member has more consideration rather than the hard core Union minorities.

PLEASE VOTE FOR ME, AND YOU WILL VOTE FOR COMMON SENSE AND MODERATION.

John Spincer.

Election for 25 Members of Union Council for Session 1975/76

Candidate's Name ... **RICHARD STEIN**
Candidate's Dept. ... **POLITICS**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1974**
Proposed by ... **KEVIN DEVANEY**
Seconded by ... **SARAH WARD**

Union positions held: None.

In recent years one of the major functions of LUU appears to have been ignored, ie, that of working to improve the quality of education at Leeds. By this time in the session many students who came to Leeds expecting stimulating and relevant courses have become disillusioned. They find many of their courses irrelevant, badly structured and often boring. Many accept this as being an inherent part of Higher Education. I DON'T. There are a few courses which must have a rigid structure — eg Medicine however most courses could be much more flexible. The present assessment structure plays an important part in controlling areas of study. Control of the exam, syllabus effectively controls the fields covered. The dominant attitude, that learning consists of being "taught", also makes courses boring. Very few courses allow time in lecture periods for discussion of the topics raised. Students also have no say in deciding what they study.

I feel that the Union has an important role in improving this situation. A Union survey will shortly be carried out, looking at people's attitudes towards their courses. The findings should be formulated into Union policy and fought for on department staff/student committees, coordinated by the Union. Pressure must be put on departments to recognise the authority of Staff/student committees on questions of course content, structure and assessment. All these are important areas in making education democratic by giving students the right to participate in the directing of their education.

Closely related to this question is the vital campaign on grants and cuts. If we hope to improve standards of education we cannot allow the government to cut expenditure at a time when it needs extending. The argument that we must all share the brunt of the crisis is fallacious, not only in this sector but also in the rest of social services expenditure, while the government can afford to waste £3,000 million per annum on arms. The present discrepancies in the married women's grant and discretionary awards, along with parental contributions, illuminate the inequality of opportunity in education, and as such must be fought against.

Many people claim that Leeds University Union is undemocratic. True, decisions taken at O.G.M.s only involve a fraction of the members. But if people are really interested they will turn up to hear and participate in discussions. If not, it is unreasonable for them to complain about the decisions taken.

As a Broad Left candidate and a Communist I think you should vote **BROAD LEFT** because, being an alliance of Labour, Communist and unaligned socialist students, it is the only group which can involve the mass of students on issues which concern them.

Richard Stein.

Candidate's Name ... **ION STEWART**
Candidate's Dept. ... **MEDICINE**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1973**
Proposed by ...
Seconded by ...

Union positions held: Ents Steward.

DEAR MEMBERS,

I claim no political affiliations (I grew disillusioned with student politics after my first week at university. The noble beliefs of the politico's seem to me to be although well intentioned, somewhat immature and lacking in a basic grasp of reality).

I feel that the union should be the hub of student life, and can only act as such if it has efficient management.

U.C.'s prime concern should be the running of the union for their electorate, the students who put them in their respective positions.

If elected, I claim that I shall be primarily concerned with the responsible running of all aspects of union life in an attempt to improve our own environment.

Use your vote wisely.

Candidate's Name ... **GORDON PETER STOWELL**
Candidate's Dept. ... **COMBINED STUDIES**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1973**
Proposed by ... **RICHARD STEIN**
Seconded by ... **PAUL CONLAN**

Union positions held: None.

Union Council

Much controversy has revolved around the policy-making bodies of the Union in the last year especially of the composition of O.G.M.s and of Union Council. Suggestions have been made for structural changes in these bodies, but as yet, none of these can be considered constructive. Union Council and the O.G.M.s attempt to make policy on issues submitted by members of the Union. This is done, in a democratic way, by the vote of Union members, and the problem of representation can only be solved by these members themselves. I don't wish, therefore to see any basic changes in the structure of these bodies but feel that much more can be done on a departmental level especially in relation to feelings on education and on course content. I would like to see more liaison between the University, both on administrative and educative sides, and the Union.

The Union

The Union has a very important role to play in every student's life, not only as a social club but on the general welfare of students and the furtherance of their opinions and beliefs on a national and even international scale. For this to be possible there must be a co-ordinating body for, firstly, the policies of students, and secondly the running of day to day life in the Union. Unfortunately a crisis is occurring in the Union and unless something is done this is going to end up in the loss of the Union. The Union promises to sustain record losses this year. This is reflected also in declining use of the building due to its abysmal condition. It is essential to set up a working party which can review the situation and co-ordinate plans to attract back Union members.

Education Cuts!

Education cuts are a fact!! They are affecting education right from nurseries through to postgrad levels, and are painfully evident in the University with drastic cuts in services, staff and postgraduate opportunities etc. We must act now to try to reverse these cuts.

Campaigns

Many problems face the Union and the only way of solving them is by implementing active campaigns. The success of any campaign depends on participation thus leading to RELEVANT campaigns — the product of democratic debate.

Myself

I am standing as a Socialist but am not a member of any party. However, I feel that the Broad Left can best represent the interests of the majority of students and that in order for these interests to be heard there must be active participation by as many students as possible. If elected I will obey all mandates and endeavour to further the objects of the Union.

Gordon P. Stowell.

Candidate's Name ... **ROGER STREET**
Candidate's Dept. ... **COMBINED STUDIES (SCIENCE)**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1972**
Proposed by ... **RAY BULMER**
Seconded by ... **ROGER SEDDON**

Union positions held: Disiplinary Tribunal Chairman & Secretary Cultural Affairs Committee, Combined Studies, Biochemistry & Physiology Dept, Staff/Student Committees.

The following are some of my views on issues related to Union Council:

FINANCES:

U.C. must continue to make a careful review of all expenditure over the coming session. Societies and facilities used by the majority of students should not be the object of cuts. We must attempt to negotiate

an increase in the per capita fee paid by L.E.A.s to the Union as this will be the only long-term solution to inflation.

CAMPAIGNS, ETC.:

I believe we should be aiming at a grant which would increase in relation to a student cost of living index, (Threshold Agreement to the Tories and Sliding Scale to the Marxists!). This would make it unnecessary for the annual 'struggles' to increase the grant and would mean we could concentrate efforts in trying to get things like equal married women's grants and the abolishment of the parental contribution.

I dislike the way various political organisations use these campaigns to further their cause as I feel this puts off most of the people the campaign is supposed to involve. I do not belong to any political organisation and I am not bound by their policies.

UNION STRUCTURES:

We need a system in which the Union is more relevant to its members and whereby students can become interested in the running of the Union without it becoming a full-time occupation. Therefore, I favour:—

*Departmentally-elected Union Council.

*Fewer O.G.M.s (once per fortnight) with a higher quorum.

*Closed N.U.S. Policy Committee, elected by the normal election procedure (NOT O.G.M.s).

For these changes eber to become high enough on the A.G.M. agenda to be discussed, U.C. must agree to submit them.

Over the last three years I have been interested in the running of the Union and this has given me a good knowledge of the Union system. If elected to U.C., this background would be very useful in helping me to carry out my job.

Thanks,

Roger Street.

Candidate's Name ... **MARK TURNBULL**
Candidate's Dept. ... **POLITICS**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1973**
Proposed by ... **KHURSHID ALAM**
Seconded by ... **MIKE HOLBROOK**

Union positions held: I have been to many NUS and SU conferences, held by many Union positions at my previous college, been involved with this Union for two years and taken a particular interest in colleges in the Leeds Area. I am a well seasoned Union politico and therefore I think you need only consider what I have to say below.

I am a member of the International Marxist group (British Section of the Fourth International).

Next year will be crucial for the future of this Union and for our educational and living standards. The Union hasn't enough money to support itself, our grants fall in value as inflation increases and education cuts continue as the government tries to solve the present crisis at our expense. In sheer £ s d terms this must be obvious to even the most short-sighted student. So what are we going to do about it — how are we going to fight.

DIRECT ACTION — WINS!

The grants campaign has been going on for 3 years and now includes the fight to defend education in general. And over those 3 years we have learned that certain tactics work while others do not. Most candidates for UC will probably agree on what we want — the difference is how we get them. Writing letters to MPs, dossiers on hardship cases, talking to the authorities etc., DOES NOT WORK. 3 years of fighting has shown that the only way we will win is by taking direct action — as was shown at Oxford, Essex & Kent Universities.

We must fight for a single grant for all students as this will include every student and therefore give us the necessary unity from which to build. The figure of £845 was made 5 months ago and inflation is such that this figure needs to be £900 by today's prices.

However, given the extent of inflation, we need automatic increases in our grant every time prices rise. This is why the IMG has been calling for the sliding-scale of grants tied to a student cost of living index. Similarly we must demand the reversal of all cutbacks in education spending which have meant an increasingly inadequate education for fewer students.

A FIGHTING UNION — A POLITICAL UNION

If we are to FIGHT against the attacks on our education then we must have a Union that can lead us — not one made up of careerists who want to do nothing, but a Union that is thousands of students becoming involved in fighting for their education.

We must support other people who are fighting to defend their living standards eg, the Imperial typewriters workers who have occupied their factory to defend their jobs. If we are to become an EFFECTIVE Union, then we must recognise the importance of taking positions on fighting racism, Ireland's struggle for national unity and women's liberation. If you read the manifesto of the other IMG candidates they will deal in more detail with those issues — I shall say why we think the EEC vote is crucial and why LUU should campaign for 'NO' vote.

EEC-NO, SOCIALIST EUROPE-YES

The EEC was formed to strengthen European capitalism and Britain's membership can only strengthen British capitalism at the expense of the working-class and student movement. However we say 'NO' not because of prices (Non-members who want to join the EEC have HIGHER rates of inflation than us) or because of 'sovereignty' (capitalists are the same whether British or 'European') but because we want the overthrow of capitalism. Anything that will weaken it — like leaving the EEC, can only be to our benefit. This must be seen in the perspective of building a United Socialist States of Europe. Meetings should be called by NUS of all European student organisations to discuss an International campaign for the destruction of the EEC.

Mark Turnbull

Candidate's Name ... **JULIAN R. VEARNCOMBE**
Candidate's Dept. ... **EARTH SCIENCES**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1973**
Proposed by ... **TOM BURKE**
Seconded by ... **KEVIN HAWKINS**

Union positions held: Earth Sciences Staff Student Committee 73/74. Editorial Board Orange Peel.

THE UNION BUILDING is fast deteriorating. I support the moves to rebuild the Old Bar and favour more and better cleaning of the building. Expensive as these will be they are essential.

The Unions FINANCIAL POSITION is bad. We desperately require an increase in per capita Union Fee, if the Union is not to stagnate, with no society grants etc. I consider the Union along with University Staff must oppose all EDUCATION CUTBACKS affecting academic standards, and combine such efforts with a GRANTS CAMPAIGN emphasising abolition of parental contribution and discriminatory grants for married women. Economies in education are false economies.

I have been active in GENERAL MEETINGS over the past year. Despite the I.R.A. affair they remain as unrepresentative as ever. The Union should have a strong mandate from a well attended general meeting before embarking on major campaigns. It would help if all motions to general meetings were relevant to students.

POLITICS: I shall treat all issues on their own merits. I am a Liberal and ask you to vote for me and the other Liberals in this election.

Julian R. Vearncombe

Candidate's Name ... **SARAH WARD**
Candidate's Dept. ... **ENGLISH**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1973**
Proposed by ... **K. TOON**
Seconded by ... **R. STEIN**

Union positions held: Union Council 1974, 1974/5, Leeds NUS Area committee 1973/4 NUS National Women's Campaign Committee.

The present problem of alienation from the Union must be solved. Students need a Union that can be a centre for their interests, social, cultural and political, and a strong campaigning Union that can protect the interests of its members. To achieve this, coordination and initiative from the Union is essential, as well as full participation from student members.

The whole of education is under serious attack from the present Government's policy on education cutbacks. Leeds University is not

excluded from this policy. In joining with all the Unions representing people involved in education in Leeds in the fight against the cuts, we students can make an important contribution in the campaign to reverse the cuts, increase equality of opportunity in education and protect and extend our education facilities here.

The present structure of the Grants system means that discrimination against women, blacks and working class people in higher education is allowed to exist — eg, the binary system of discretionary and mandatory awards, the anomaly of the married women's grant and the Overseas students fee. Women are further discriminated against by the whole structure of education. The setting up of a women's studies course in the sociology department is an important advance. Likewise we must ensure that the proposed family planning clinic is established soon, and that the nursery facilities are extended — to ensure that women are not excluded from continuing their courses.

I believe that students have an important contribution to make on issues of international solidarity. Our Union could do far more to create understanding here about the situation in Northern Ireland, Chile, Vietnam and South Africa.

The present Executive and Union Council have shown themselves incapable of initiating action, and organising to carry it through, especially over such an important issue as the campaign against cuts. I have participated in policy making and Union activity since I came here, as a Communist and as a supporter of the Broad Left alliance. This is the basis on which I am standing for Union Council. I think that all candidates should state clearly what their policies are, and should act on them consistently if elected.

Sarah Ward

Candidate's Name ... **CHARLES YVES WEREKO-BROBBY**
Candidate's Dept. ... **FUEL AND COMBUSTION ENGINEERING**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1971**
Proposed by ... **PATIENCE BOAKYE**
Seconded by ... **NOEL WHYTE**

Union positions held: Social President, Bodington Hall 1972/73 President, Grant Hse. Bodington Hall, 1972/73. Staff/Student Committee, 1973/74. Executive Member, United Nations Students Association.

Much as I would like to impress you with my endearing political or non-political qualities, I feel it would be a great waste of time. NO doubt, for the addicted, you will read around ninety versions of the everlasting pronouncement:

"I am anti -FASCIST, anti -COMMUNIST, etc."

I can only remind you that this union is not run as a Presidential Dictatorship. Recent events have shown the futility of the present situation, whereby an acceptable President has been frustrated by an unacceptable Council. This is your chance to add substance to your overwhelming view, as expressed by your choice of President.

Well, folks, the "ball" is in your court.

P.S. I almost forgot. VOTE FOR C.Y. WEREKO-BROBBY

Promise (I might as well make one)

I shall, if elected, use my office to help exterminate the "stamp-grabbing" mob operating in the Union.

What did you expect? MEL BROOKS?

Charles Weroko-Brobby

Candidate's Name ... **CHARLIE WHITE**
Candidate's Dept. ... **CIVIL ENGINEERING**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1973**
Proposed by ... **K.HAWKINS**
Seconded by ... **A. PADMORE**

Union positions held: Social Secretary Liberal Society Committee Member Parachute Club

VOTE FOR A FRESH APPROACH TO UNION POLITICS

The Union

Is what its all about, and it badly needs some life put back into it. The building is in a bad way and needs cleaning up and redecorating. The Old Bar is one of the places most in need. More and better paid bar staff would reduce the crush for drinks that develops at midday and latter in the evening.

The farce of some O.G.M.s where 150 people decide the policy for 10000 needs looking into.

Membership fees from the L.E.A.s must be increased to prevent the Union getting into serious financial trouble.

The Union spends £21 of YOUR money each year make sure it spends the way you want.

Grants

I stand for full grants for all the abolition of parental contributions, discretionary awards and discrimination against married women.

I am a member of the Liberal Society and ask you to vote for me and the other Liberals in this election.

Charlie White.

Candidate's Name ... **SIMON WILSON**
Candidate's Dept. ... **LAW**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1973**
Proposed by ... **BOB RAE**
Seconded by ... **PAUL LOASBY**

Union positions held: "Leeds Student" staff member.

'I AM STANDING FOR U.C. AGAIN BECAUSE . . .'

Since last year there has been a favourable growth of critical awareness and participation in Union matters. This trend MUST continue to ensure effective and efficient Union.

My involvement in "Leeds Student" has given me a useful insight into the running of the Union, knowledge which will be important if I am elected to Union Council. Also it has encouraged me to be "politically aware" without my being drawn into any political faction.

Union Council must be a RELEVANT body, concerned with students' welfare and interests. With your help I hope to deal with such relevant issues as ACCOMMODATION and the state of the UNION BUILDING itself.

ACCOMMODATION is an ever increasing problem, for as the number of students increases the amount of houses available to students is on the decrease; whether through unnecessary demolition or grossly inflated rents. Therefore such bodies as the newly proposed "Housing Association" which aims to provide homes for as many as a thousand students should be given support and encouragement.

MUCH NEEDS TO BE DONE to "clean up" the Union building; this can NOT be achieved in one "blanket operation" but only by constant surveillance and action.

These are only two of the many issues I hope to actively take up with YOUR HELP. PLEASE USE YOUR VOTE.

Simon Wilson.

Candidate's Name ... **EDWARD WOODCRAFT**
Candidate's Dept. ... **LAW**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1973**
Proposed by ... **BOB RAE**
Seconded by ... **PAUL GIBBS**

Union positions held: Business Manager "Leeds Student", Member: Leeds Student Editorial board; General Athletics Committee; Disiplinary Tribunal. Captain Fencing team.

HERE WE GO AGAIN. Same old boring cliches. Union goes to the dogs, grants too low, drugs in the Union, etc. So what makes this prospective hack and this boring manifesto so different

I think I have an awareness of Union affairs and the everyday problems of the majority of students:

1. Clubs and societies must not bear the brunt of cutbacks in Union expenditure. They are a vital service to the membership both socially and culturally. I will fight strongly against such cuts.

2. Rents: Did you know that you could take your landlord to the Rent Tribunal and get a reduction? In Nottingham, the Union is doing it on a mass scale. Why not Leeds?

As Business Manager of Leeds Student, I have gained wide experience in administrative matters and a working knowledge of how the Union runs.

If elected, I intend to continue this work on Union Council.

Edward Woodcraft.

Election for 25 Members of Union Council for Session 1975/76

Candidate's Name ... **FRANK B. WRIGHT**
Candidate's Dept. ... **LAW**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1974**
Proposed by ... **SARA ROBINSON**
Seconded by ... **ALAN ROSS**

Union positions held: Union Council (Accommodation Secretary) Disiplinary Tribunal Delegate NUS Easter Conference (Accommodation) 1975. Board of Managment Unipol Student Homes. Senate and Council Committees and Sub-Committees Accomodation Committee (Convenor). Leeds M.D.C. Working Party on Student Accomodation.

The job of a Union Councillor is to act as a check on Executive
If I am elected I will work to stop
● executive overspending (the budget was overspent last year by £3,381 producing a total deficit of £9,800).
● meaningless resolutions on foreign policy such as the motion on Ireland in the first term last year (which brought national disgrace on this Union)

I will work for
● an increased grant which takes inflation into account
● an improvement in the state of the Union building
● better communication between the Union and its members
● an end to the education cuts
On accommodation where I have executive responsibility we have
● taken up individuals grievances with landlords and the University authorities
● reformed Unipol, to make the manager more accountable
● compiled a register. We now have over seven hundred private landlords on our books
● a working relationship with the local authority to work for ways in which more student accommodation can be made available
If elected I will ensure
● That leaflets are provided to guide students on their housing rights rent rebates and allowances, insurance, rent tribunals, getting house repairs done and illegal evictions.
● That policy is formulated so that in future there will be no shortage of student accommodation in Leeds.
Let us have a down-to-earth attack on the real issues. I ask for your support. Please vote for me on March 10th and 11th.
I am not a member of any political party or grouping

Frank B. Wright

Candidate's Name ... **MICHAEL R. YATES**
Candidate's Dept. ... **SCHOOL OF HISTORY**
Year of Entry to Leeds
University ... **1974**
Proposed by ... **BRIAN SMITH**
Seconded by ... **CLIVE CLAPSON**

Union positions held: None.

The Union at the present is in need for moderation more than ever before. At a time when the Union is in difficulties, in particular financial, the interests of the average student i.e. good efficient services, pleasant bars to drink in, are being sacrificed for the sake of extremists, who are diverting attention towards political questions in which the vast majority of students have no interest whatsoever.

Recent elections have shown that there is a genuine desire for a moderate, sane influence in the management of the Union. You now have the opportunity to extend that influence.

USE YOUR VOTE

Michael R. Yates

Times of Polling

MEDICAL SCHOOL COMMON ROOM

12 noon to 2 p.m.

(For Health Students only)

UNION BUILDING

10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

(For all other Students)

and after 2 p.m.

(For Health Students also)

PLEASE

USE YOUR VOTE!

The University of Leeds

Election of Students

TO MEMBERSHIP OF THE SENATE
AND OTHER UNIVERSITY BODIES

**Voting will take place at the
following times:**

MONDAY 10th and TUESDAY 11th MARCH 1975,

9.30 am-4.30 pm

For students in the Faculties of Economic and Social Studies and Law, Science and Applied Science, polling will be in the **PARKINSON COURT** only. There will be no polling for students in the Faculties of Arts and Medicine as all candidates from those faculties are unopposed.

Please note that a student will be permitted to vote only if:

- (a) he carries a current Registration Certificate/Union Card, and
- (b) his name appears on the appropriate Faculty list of voters.

Rules for the Conduct of the Election and lists of those entitled to vote may be inspected in the Information Bureau in the Parkinson Court and in the Students' Section of the Registry (Room 10/01 on level 10 of the Physics/Administration Building).

Details of nominations received and candidates' manifestos are given on this sheet.

J. MacGREGOR
Registrar.

REPRESENTATION ON THE SENATE

Faculties of Economic and Social Studies and Law

4 Nominations

TREVOR KENNETH HARRISON

Scheme of Study: Law

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1973

Nominated for: SENATE

Nominated by: Sue Thatcher (Geography/Sociology)
Pete Hendy (Geography/Economics)



The election of students to Senate gives us the opportunity to participate in the supreme governing body of the University and to make student opinion known to it. To this end I will try to improve links between individual students and to take note of Faculty and Departmental Staff/Student committees and their proposals however difficult it might be in practice.

Whilst realising that the various student faculty groups may have differing interests it is important that as far as possible all of the students on Senate (and there are only 7 of them) attempt to present a united representative front of genuine student opinion in the University.

I do not pretend to know everything about the workings of Senate or the University but I will at least be able to make intelligent suggestion and criticism on those proposals of importance to students.

Union policy, although often irrelevant to the workings of the university, if important cannot be overlooked and I will endeavour to take note of it. No-one on Senate can achieve anything stupendous but we can at least make our position as students clear and our opinions known. And as far as students in this Faculty group are concerned I believe I believe I am the best person to do that job.

MAURICE GILBERT HOWARD

Scheme of Study: M. Phil. Transport Economics

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1971

Nominated for: SENATE

Nominated by: Philip A. Hobbs (Econ/Geog B.A.)
Kenneth R. Mason (Transport Econ M.A.)



Under the new University constitution, we can elect five students to represent us directly on Senate, which is the supreme academic body of the University. It is therefore of great importance that we choose people to fill these positions who will represent us as we should like to be represented, in a diligent, imaginative and sensitive manner.

As you will notice, I have hitherto been an undergraduate here in this faculty group, and therefore consider myself to have a modicum of knowledge of the concerns specific to students in the fields of Economics, Social Studies generally, and Law, if not at first hand, then through my close contacts in the various Departments.

A candidate for Senate should, in my view (and doubtless in the view of the Union, but for other reasons) have a much wider concern than this.

My attitude to the job, should I be elected, will be untrammelled by disillusion, but fired with a passion to see commonsense and constructive imagination carried through into action. You may not think that Senate is the right place for idealistic mentality, but all the broad issues ultimately arrive on its 'desk', and it is vital to have a representative who can think for himself, listen sympathetically to the ideas of his constituents, and exercise constant vigil over their interests, forging their concerns and suggestions into coherent and powerful arguments, to ensure that University policy as finally evolved is well-proportioned in taking due account of the views of those for whom it exists — the students.

Am I trustworthy and diligent enough to be your representative? Only time could tell that, but I would not put myself forward if I did not think so myself. I am prepared to put in the necessary work, and Senate *does* take a lot of work; I am prepared to be accessible and impartial to sectional interests within the Faculties or outside, and to co-operate to the fullest extent with our representatives on the Committees, for which voting takes place separately.

Elect me as your representative and I will not disappoint you.

PETER T. G. WALKER

Scheme of Study: Economics/Politics

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1973

Nominated for: SENATE

Nominated by: Iain Muir (Sabbatical Deputy President Communications)
Paul Conlan (Social and Public Administration)



The Cuts

Block '19' to rehouse Economics and Social Studies — postponed indefinitely. Vacant posts — from professorships to cleaning staff — unfilled. Less tutorial time. Vacation grants and scholarships cut. The list of cuts made in university education is already lengthy and this is just PHASE ONE!!

Senate

Composed largely of professors and senior academic staff secure in their posts has accepted rather than fought these cuts. The idea of a 'steady state' university is being accepted — a university where to start a new course another must be axed.

Student Representation

On Senate and other university bodies is only token and can only offer token resistance to the cuts. *However in all issues* it is essential that a representative student view is put. For this reason I will press for all elections of student reps to be conducted through the union so that all reps are mandatable and recallable. I will follow union mandates and resign if no-confidence.

Education Policy

I believe there is a need for students to have a far more effective say in their course structure and the manner of assessment. I believe that far more 'mature' students should be given the chance to take a full-time university course. I will attempt to maintain contact with staff/student committees and all others interested to ensure proposals put by students are backed at all levels.

Please vote for me on March 10th and 11th (in the Parkinson Court). Further details of my experience and views are in my manifesto for the Planning Committee.

FRANK B. WRIGHT

Scheme of Study: Law

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1974

Nominated for: SENATE

Nominated by: Alan Ross (Law)
Sara Robinson (Law)



Experience

Joint Committee Council and Senate on Student Accommodation; Sub Committee, University Council on House and Estates; Leeds Metropolitan District Council Working Party, Student Accommodation; Management Committees of Unipol Student Homes and Methodist International House; Disciplinary Tribunal; Union Council (Accommodation Secretary); Honorary Member, British Council Centre at Leeds.

If elected I will:

- Report back to Students through the Union and Leeds Student.
- Identify issues, which are likely to be of vital concern to students both as a body and individually to
- Enable the Student body to influence Senate in its decision making.

Grants

The student grant is now inadequate. As it rapidly erodes through inflation the University seeks to increase its Hall and Flats rents.

- Until the grant is increased there *must* be no further increases in Halls charges and Flats rents.
- The University must actively campaign for an adequate student grant.

Accommodation

The recent Rent Act, the local authority's demolition programme, the squeeze on University resources plus the refusal of the Department of the Environment and Local Authorities to accept responsibility for student housing will mean a slow but certain fall in the number of houses available for student letting in this city.

The University, the Union, the Polytechnic and Poly Union are therefore about to launch an important new Housing Association with a proposed loan of £1,000,000. *This will be one of Senate's most important responsibilities in the coming year.*

- Elect me and I will ensure that ACCOMMODATION receives top priority in Senate.

Overseas Students

There are more overseas students in this University than at any time over the last twenty years. One eighth of all students come from overseas. As a past President of Methodist International House, an Honorary member of the British Council Centre at Leeds and past delegate to the United Kingdom Council for Overseas Student Affairs Conference, I take an active interest in Overseas Students' welfare.

- If elected I will ensure that the well-being of Overseas Students is a top priority in Senate.

These are just some of the important issues which should and will be brought before Senate in the next twelve months. Whether I am able to implement these proposals lies in *your* hands. If you agree with what I've said I ask for *your* support.

Faculty of Science

3 Nominations

P. T. HEYWOOD

Scheme of Study: Operational Research with Computing

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1973

Nominated for: SENATE

Nominated by: R. Crosson (Comp. Science)
J. A. Burk (Maths/Comp. Science)



You are probably wondering why you should vote for me. Well, there isn't a simple answer. I am fed up of the same people seeking election to committee after committee and following policies which are merely representative of a political minority.

I believe that the majority of students want to see the University continue to be run along the same general lines as in the past. Naturally items of student expenditure, such as Hall fees, University flat rents, etc., should be linked to Student grants. Consequently, there would be no increase until the grants improve. The University itself could also be more vocal in its support of student grant reassessment.

There are other areas in which improvements can be made, but they are merely points of detail and not constitutional changes. If I am elected I will, I hope, be able to express the moderate feelings, which I believe to be those of the majority of students.

I therefore ask for your support, and your vote.

JULIAN R. VEARNCOMBE

Scheme of Study: Earth Sciences

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1972

Nominated for: SENATE

Nominated by: Roger Street (Biochem. Physiol.)
Kevin Hawkins (Combined Studies)



With the Government saving money by:

- keeping the Universities' grants down
 - cutting the building of the L.G.I. and Social Sciences block
 - restricting the level of student grants and maintaining the parental contribution and discriminatory grants for women
- it is essential that students be properly and fully represented on Senate. If elected I shall oppose any cuts affecting academic standards, such as those on demonstrators, staff and equipment. There are many financial cuts both within and outside education which could be made with little adverse effect, such as the cleaning of the stonework of the Parkinson.

This is only the second year students have been represented on Senate. Communications between students and representatives are poor (do you know who *your* representative is?). To facilitate better communications, Senate and committees should be open to observers and the Press. I consider it a pity that the Union's role in Senate is restricted by students being elected independently of the Union and not even mandatable to their faculties. A strong Union and University staff alliance is necessary to oppose Government cutbacks. At the same time, I am not a Union hack. The Union and University can be forums for representative activity, if we do not spend all day sitting around Union Executive.

I am a member of Liberal Society and as such feel we must oppose the authoritarian nature of Senate, and make it more representative, and its committees and make them more representative, increasing their relevance to students. I shall treat *all* issues on their own merits.

ANDREW WARRISS

Scheme of Study: 1st Year Comp. Science

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1974

Nominated for: SENATE

Nominated by: Stephen C. Holden (2nd Year Comp. Science)
Geoff H. Bratt (1st Year Maths)



I am standing for election to Senate because I feel there is a lack of communication between this, and other, university committees and the student body in general. If elected I shall do my best to let the members of the student bodies I shall represent know what subjects are coming up for discussion before meetings and what, if anything, has been decided after them.

No matter who is elected, please take an interest in the Staff/Student bodies which govern your working life in university. You have taken the first step towards dissolving the 'silent majority' by reading this and, presumably, other manifestos. Please take the second by voting and the final one by keeping an eye out for notices and agendas of meetings and letting *Your* elected representatives know what *Your* views are on the subjects they will be discussing in *Your* names.

Faculty of Applied Science

2 Nominations

ALAN D. KIMBER

Scheme of Study: Mineral Processing

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1973

Nominated for: SENATE

Nominated by: Charlie White (Civil Engineering)
Abu Bakar Embi (Chemical Engineering)



In Senate this year the student representatives will have two main points to consider:

The Cuts in Educational Spending

With the University at the moment running at a deficit of £100,000 per month and already having cut down on spending within the University, the representatives must be prepared to fight all future cuts affecting academic standards. Already demonstrators in Labs have been cut and tutorials have increased in numbers. My own tutorial started off the year with over 30 people present.

The University's policy of making cuts instead of pressuring the Government for more money will mean that when more money is available it will go to the Universities on the verge of bankruptcy, not the good boys who have saved their money and cut their standards.

The Inadequate Representation of Students on Senate and Associated Committees

With only 7 students on Senate elected separately without any common views means that Student views are completely drowned and rarely surface. Though I do not believe students should be mandatable by 150 people at an O.G.M., I do believe that students should have recourse if their representatives do not consider their views. To do this I believe students should be elected by the Union, and should resign if no confidence by an O.G.M. and resubmit their nominations to another election.

I am a member of the Liberal Party, and as such oppose the authoritarian secretive approach of Senate today. Meetings should be open to observers and reporting restrictions should be removed.

I hope that you will support me in this effort to represent *you* on Senate and use your vote in these elections.

ROGER PARRITT

Scheme of Study: Mineral Processing

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1974

Nominated for: SENATE

Nominated by: G. Beeching (Elec. Eng.)
R. Badcock (Mineral Processing)



Senate is the body governing educational affairs; it also is responsible for accommodation.

I believe in the autonomy of the university and the freedom from government intervention in our affairs. In the light of the present economic difficulties some cuts have been forced on the university; it is essential that the effects of these cuts on the academic standards are minimised and that these cuts be revoked as soon as possible. After they have been revoked I shall make every effort to ensure that the academic and other standards be returned to their previous states or be improved.

In this faculty we must continue to foster good relationships with industry whilst being careful not to be influenced by industry in the planning of our courses.

I am standing to be able to represent the views of the student members of this faculty. If elected I would endeavour to gain information from you on any matter concerning the university or your personal feelings towards your own course.

Please write or visit me at the address below, or at the Department of Mining and Mineral Sciences.

I am not standing for any political reasons as I am not a member of any party, nor do I believe that this post is concerned with party politics.

Flat 5, North Hill Court, Headingley, Leeds, 6.

POLLING DAYS

MONDAY 10th and TUESDAY 11th MARCH 1975

9.30 am-4.30 pm

Faculty of Economic and
Social Studies and Law
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REPRESENTATION ON THE SENATE

Faculty of Medicine

1 Nomination

LIAM PATRICK MCGROGAN

Scheme of Study: M.B., Ch.B.

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1971

Nominated for: SENATE

Nominated by: Nigel Webster (M.B., Ch.B.)
Claire Jackson (M.B., Ch.B.)



Positions held

- MSRC President 1973-74
- Board of Faculty of Medicine 1974-75
- Member of Senate 1974-75

Next session will be the second in which we, the students, will have representation on the major university committees and the Board of the Faculty of Medicine.

It is important that we make the best use of student representation, both as a means of airing our views and also as a means of keeping informed about the plans and decisions which will ultimately affect our lives at this University.

I have had much experience in negotiation with the authorities, both in the Medical School and in the University, and I therefore ask you to return me as your representative on Senate for the session 1975-76.

REPRESENTATION ON THE ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

Faculty of Science

1 Nomination

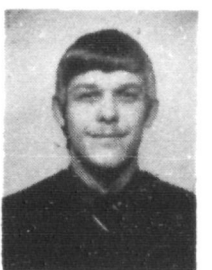
ANDREW WARRISS

Scheme of Study: 1st Year Comp. Science

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1974

Nominated for: ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

Nominated by: Stephen C. Holden (2nd Year Comp. Science)
Ashok Patel (1st Year Maths)



I feel that this committee should be brought more to the notice of the students whose academic lives it governs. Most of you know about your departmental staff/student committees but how many of you knew, before seeing these manifestos, that the Academic Committee existed? If you took part in last year's elections, quite a few, but if, like thirty per cent of the student body you were not at this university last year, I expect very few. It is a well known fact that freshers have more problems than 'old staggers' yet in many cases this will be the first time they have been told of the existence of a committee responsible for 'all academic matters outside those governed by the boards of departments', which must affect a lot of people. Having had this committee brought to your notice I hope you will use it and I promise to bring this committee to the notice of next year's freshers if you elect me to it.

REPRESENTATION ON THE EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Faculties of Arts, Economic and Social Studies and Law

1 Nomination

TREVOR KENNETH HARRISON

Scheme of Study: Law

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1973

Nominated for: EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Nominated by: Elizabeth O'Hea (Law)
Cristoph Schliack (Law)



Membership of the external relations committee gives students a chance to have a say in the way the university presents itself to the public as a whole and in particular in its relations with Yorkshire and the City of Leeds.

It also has a say in organising lectures and concerts and in the nature and form of publicity etc.

I feel I could add a constructive voice to these activities and perhaps bring them a little closer to the interests of many members of the University by arguing for more involvement and a more varied approach to some activities where this could stimulate interest.

Faculties of Science and Applied Science

2 Nominations

ALAN D. KIMBER

Scheme of Study: Mineral Processing

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1973

Nominated for: EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Nominated by: Kevin Hawkins (Chem./Earth Sciences)
Abu Bakar Nasir (Chemical Engineering)



The External Relations Committee is responsible for the image produced by the University (as opposed to the Union) of student and academic activities on and off campus.

Its duties are to consider the University's relations with the following:

- Government Departments
- Local Authorities
- Industry
- Community at large.

I believe the University should not be a closed community but part of Leeds. In the past students have tended to isolate themselves while a small minority sit and pass long, boring, turgid motions at O.G.M.'s expressing "solidarity" with another small minority within Leeds, hardly ever doing anything positive.

Today both the University and the city are victims of cuts in the Social Services, Education and Housing, both by National and Local Government. Two major examples spring to mind.

• The "delay" in the rebuilding of L.G.I. affects medical facilities for the people of Leeds and teaching facilities for medics.

• **Housing** — Do you live in a dingy old house paying an exorbitant rent? If you do it's not just because you're a student: the Council Waiting List is over 20,000 and they are too busy knocking down houses to build many new ones.

As a member of the Liberal Party I have been active throughout the City of Leeds. I feel that the experience I have gained will enable me to relate the problems of the University and the city, of students and the many different people within Leeds.

I see the position as a political one, producing the opportunity to forge improved links between the University and Leeds.

ANDREW WARRISS

Scheme of Study: 1st Year Comp. Science

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1974

Nominated for: EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Nominated by: Stephen C. Holden (2nd Year Comp. Science)
Ashok Patel (1st Year Maths)



The External Relations Committee is responsible for the image the University projects to the "outside world". In the past, though its external relations may have been excellent, this committee seems to have had little to do with the main body of students — indeed I, for one, was unaware of its existence during the whole of my first term at university.

It is my belief that all committees which have student representatives should advertise their presence, especially to freshers, and if elected I intend to do just this. If elected I shall also endeavour to hang around the departments I shall represent to learn what these students think of the matters under discussion and to let them know what I shall be doing in their name.

REPRESENTATION ON THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Faculties of Arts, Economic and Social Studies and Law

1 Nomination

PETER T. G. WALKER

Scheme of Study: Economics/Politics

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1973

Nominated for: PLANNING COMMITTEE

Nominated by: Iain Muir (Sabbatical Deputy President Communications)
Maggie Kiely (Spanish)



The Planning committee of Senate deals with a wide range of business from new computers to new schemes of study. It is a sub-committee of Senate but itself has a wide range of sub-committees just some of which I list below to give some idea of the number of areas it deliberates on. University safety, Grants for Equipment, Research and Sundry Expenditure, Audio-Visual Services, Computing Services, and Groups dealing with the appointment of new professors are just some of the things under Planning Committee's wing. Effective student representation on such a committee requires people with experience of the ways of university committees, in touch with what is and has been happening in the university, with time to ensure they are effectively briefed to enable them to put your views effectively. Most importantly they must be mandatable and recallable.

I will follow union mandates and resign if no-confidenced. For this session I am a member of the main governing bodies of the university, the Court and the Council, and of the University Staff/Student, Safety, University Health Service, Library Consultative, and Disabled Facilities Committees.

Next session will be my third at the university, but as I spent my first year on a course in the Faculty of Science, only my second year of this course. I will therefore have the advantages of experience without the pressures of finals. I believe more effective communication is needed between student reps and the general body of students and will work to achieve it. For further details of my views see my manifesto for Senate (Faculties of Economics and Social Studies and Law). Anyone wanting to speak to me will find me in the union exec. office most lunchtimes. Bring your union card to PARKINSON COURT on Monday or Tuesday, March 10 and 11 and please cast your vote for me. **THANK YOU.**

Faculties of Science and Applied Science

1 Nomination

CHRISTOPHER FREEL

Scheme of Study: Chem./Comp. Science

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1973

Nominated for: PLANNING COMMITTEE

Nominated by: Paul Hawkins (Comp. Science/Maths)
Kevin Bromley (Zoology)



Planning is one of the most important committees of the Senate. It is concerned with the future of the University both academically and otherwise. This may not directly concern you in your lectures, but it affects the kind of university you and your successors will (or will not) have in future years.

On this committee I hope to be able to represent the best interests of my fellow students, and will take an interest in the proceedings. Committees like this do tend to be a boring progression through the agenda, but in such agendas can be hidden vital points. The University central bureaucracy have made many "cock-ups" in running this place before, and it needs someone there who can give the view of the other half of the University, and keep them awake, which I think I can do. I hope you agree with me and will vote for me.

Faculty of Medicine

1 Nomination

LIAM PATRICK MCGROGAN

Scheme of Study: M.B., Ch.B.

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1971

Nominated for: PLANNING COMMITTEE

Nominated by: Nigel Webster (M.B., Ch.B.)
Claire Jackson (M.B., Ch.B.)



With the present uncertainty concerning the future of the L.G.I. St. James's and the new Medical/Dental Schools it is important that we, as students keep abreast of developments in university planning. We can do this by having effective representation on the Planning Committee. Please give me your support at the Election for our representative on this important body.

REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD OF THE CAREERS SERVICE

Faculties of Economic and Social Studies and Law

1 Nomination

FRANK B. WRIGHT

Scheme of Study: Law

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1971

Nominated for: BOARD OF THE CAREERS SERVICE

Nominated by: Alan Ross (Law)
Sara Robinson (Law)



Experience

Joint Committee Council and Senate on Student Accommodation; Sub Committee, University Council on House and Estates; Leeds Metropolitan District Council Working Party, Student Accommodation; Management Committees of Unipol Student Homes and Methodist International House; Disciplinary Tribunal; Union Council; Honorary Member British Council Centre at Leeds.

The Careers and Appointments Service exists to provide information and advice on all matters concerning employment and vocational training. It aims to help not only students who know fairly clearly what they want to do, but also those whose career aims are vague and unformulated, and those whose ideas may for one reason or another be subject to change.

If elected I will:

- Attempt to ensure that students are made more aware of the very wide range of job opportunities available.
- Attempt to ensure the better dissemination of vacancy information.
- Attempt to ensure that the quality and frequency of individual talks on Careers is maintained and improved.
- Attempt to remedy any faults in the Service.

Whether I am able to implement these proposals lies in your hands. If you want strong and active representation I urge you to vote for me at these elections.

Faculty of Science

1 Nomination

STEPHEN CHARLES HOLDEN

Scheme of Study: B.Sc. Computational Science

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1973

Nominated for: BOARD OF THE CAREERS SERVICE

Nominated by: Karen Holden (B.Sc. Comp. Science)
Harjeet Gabri (B.Sc. Comp. Science)



The Board of the Careers Service is important for two reasons. Firstly, all students leaving the university need to find some means of supporting themselves, and the Careers Service can help them. Secondly, the student representatives on the board elect one of their number to University Council, which in my opinion needs a moderating influence amongst the students.

Last year I was the only undergraduate to stand for this post. Having served part of this year, I would like to be elected for a second term. At the last annual meeting of the Board I suggested that perhaps some scheme could be adopted so that students did less paper work in applying for jobs. I am pleased to say that this suggestion has met with a enthusiastic reception, and naturally I would like an opportunity to follow this up in the coming year.

Now just a word about politics. At the moment, student representation on the University committees is overloaded with student "politicians" who are too busy following policy to react sensibly to the realities of the university's increasingly serious situation. I would like again to offer my experience in countering these influences and making the interaction between students and university more fruitful. Please help by giving me your vote.

REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD OF THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Medical Students Representatives

2 Nominations

LIAM PATRICK McGROGAN

Scheme of Study: M.B., Ch.B.

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1971

Nominated for: BOARD OF THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Nominated by: Nigel Webster (3rd M.B., Ch.B.)
Claire Jackson (3rd M.B., Ch.B.)



Positions held

- Board of Faculty of Medicine 1974-75
- Member of Senate 1974-75
- MSRC President 1973-74

The Board of the Faculty of Medicine is effectively the "Board of Directors" of the Medical and Dental Schools. The session 1975-76 will be the second academic year in which we, the students, will have representation on this most important body and it is most important that our representation be effective.

I have had many years experience of negotiation with the Medical School authorities. I ask that you allow me to work for you as a representative on the Board of the Faculty for a further year by voting for me at the election.

MARTIN TODD

Scheme of Study: M.B., Ch.B.

Year of Entry to Leeds University: 1972

Nominated for: BOARD OF THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Nominated by: P. H. Archer (M.B., Ch.B.)
Anne F. Travers (M.B., Ch.B.)



My application is a triumph against personal apathy. I hope to continue this in my representation of the views of medical students.

No nominations were received in respect of the following:

The Senate — Representative of the Faculty of Arts.

Academic Committee — Representatives of the Faculties of Arts, Economic and Social Studies and Law, Applied Science and Medicine.

External Relations Committee — Representative of the Faculty of Medicine.

Research Committee — Representatives of the Faculties of Arts, Economic and Social Studies and Law, Science, Applied Science and Medicine.

Board of the Careers Service — Representatives of the Faculties of Arts and Applied Science.

Board of the Faculty of Medicine — Three of the five vacancies for medical students and both vacancies for dental students.

POLLING DAYS

Monday 10th and
Tuesday 11th March 1975
9.30 am-4.30 pm

POLLING STATIONS will be located only as follows:

FACULTIES OF ECONOMIC &
SOCIAL STUDIES & LAW
FACULTY OF SCIENCE
FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE

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There will be no polling for students
in the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Medicine
as all candidates from those faculties are unopposed