

Worst accommodation problem for years

NO BEDS CRISIS: 300 HIT

Hundreds of students have been left homeless this week as college authorities grapple with the city's worst accommodation crisis for nearly a decade.

Since the beginning of the week over 300 students have been sleeping in makeshift accommodation ranging from temporary beds in sports pavilions to rooms in a £6-a-night local hotel.

It is feared it may take as long as a month to find them all a permanent place to live.

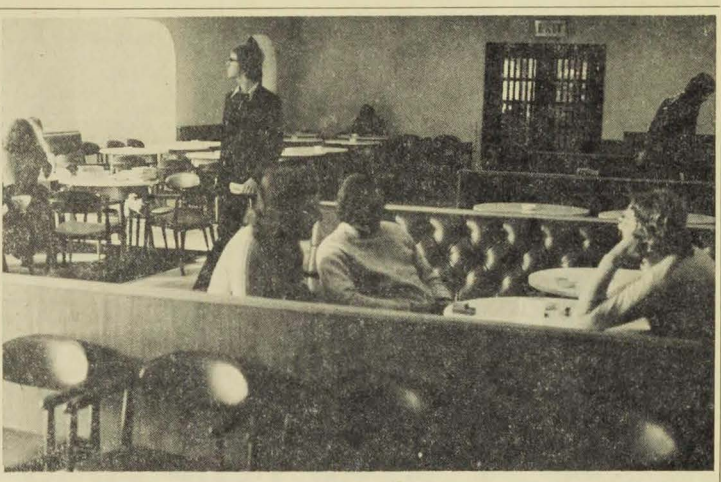
by Nick Witchell

An increase of 500 in the intake of freshers by the university has turned the customary start-of-session scramble for housing into a nightmare for hundreds of newly-arrived students, many of whom have been forced to knock indiscriminately at houses in attempts to find somewhere to live.

At the beginning of the week about 40 students spent two nights in the University Sports Hall; many others have been taken in by staff.

At the Polytechnic, where the student intake has been increased by over 100, some students who have been unable to find accommodation say they will pack up and go home unless something is done to improve the situation.

Poly Union President Linda Vaughan described last night how many students had been living in common rooms for



The re-designed Old Bar in the University Union. The conversion took only 18 days and cost £5,500. Story in full page 2.

nearly a week. Others, she said, had been forced to commute up to 40 miles a day from their homes.

"It's no wonder they are becoming disillusioned and considering packing in their courses," she said.

Among the 300 or so homeless University students are 50 girls, most of whom are staying at The Mount Hotel where they are being charged £10.50 a week for bed and breakfast. The normal hotel charge is £6 per night; the difference is being paid by the university.

All spare rooms at the University halls of residence are being used. At two girls' halls, Oxley and Weetwood,

girls are sleeping double in some single rooms.

At the all-male Bodington Hall about 30 homeless students have been sleeping in the sports pavilion and in 6 caravans hired by the university for £50 each a week.

Andrew Harrop, a student supervising the emergency accommodation at Bodington said they hoped to find all the students permanent accommodation by the beginning of next week.

The university's Accommodation Officer, Harry Davies, who is in control of the emergency sleeping arrangements, said yesterday that it was the worst he had known the start of session since the mid-sixties.

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Boyle quashes quitting rumours

Rumours that Lord Boyle might resign as University Vice Chancellor unless the government eased its squeeze on university finances were firmly denied by him last week.

In the interview with 'Leeds Student' he said there was "no truth" in the rumours, which have been circulating the university during the vacation.

"Life will get more difficult as the financial squeeze continues but I think it would be a bad time to go and I have no thoughts of doing so," he said.

Commenting on the university's critical financial state, Lord Boyle disclosed that the deficit last session had been £400,000; a reduction of £200,000 on the figure that had earlier been feared.

Improvement

The slight improvement had been brought about by the massive economy measures taken last session. Although the measures would be strictly continued this session he said he doubted whether any new classes of cuts would have to be introduced.

The Vice Chancellor declined to comment on the prospect of a rent strike in halls of residence where fees have been increased by over 3 per cent but said he would be contacting hall residents to try to explain to them the reasons for such large increases.

"The university is naturally very concerned at the possible hardships which face students this coming session", he said.

Threat to Roxy hop

Fears that the Roxy Music concerts over the weekend would have to be cancelled were averted on Friday when University electricians withdrew their threat of strike action.

The electricians, who are members of the NUPE union were threatening to strike in support of a pay claim. Their claim was considered justified when put to arbitration by the University but was refused to accept it.

The union called off the threatened strike on Friday after negotiations with the University. The negotiations are to continue on Tuesday. Cultural Affairs secretary Paul Loasby said he was greatly relieved that the union had called off the strike. "If the Roxy concerts had been cancelled we would have lost over £7,000", he said.

Deputy President Bob Rae said he was very thankful for the NUPE union's decision and added that University students union would give them full support in their claim.

Boocock resigns but says—"I'll stand again"

John Boocock, who resigned as Poly Union Vice President for Administration after only a few weeks in office over a cheque fraud scandal, intends to stand for election again.

Mr Boocock resigned three weeks ago after it was discovered he had forged Poly President Linda Vaughan's name on four cheques made out to himself.

The cheques, all in amounts of £30 each, were drawn on the Leeds Area National Union of Students account, of which Boocock was treasurer.

When the fraud came to light, Mr Boocock immediately resigned his duties as area treasurer, and a few days later, as Poly Vice President.

"There is no confidence in me now," he said at the time. "I have no other option but to give up my duties."

by Chris Elliott

At a meeting of Leeds Area NUS last month, it was agreed that Mr Boocock would pay the £120 back at the rate of £5 a week. It was also agreed to ask the bank not to take police action on the matter.

The area finances had to be bolstered up by loans from the main constituent organisations; the University, Carnegie and Poly Unions.

Chris Pratt, Chairperson for the Area Committee said that while he deeply regretted what had happened, the Area



John Boocock

Committee itself had to take some of the blame:

"The security on our finances wasn't as tight as it should have been. But in future, our chequebook will be in the hands of Ron Fair-

burn, the Poly Finance Officer."

Mr Boocock's decision to stand again for Vice President when nominations open this Monday could well cause constitutional problems. It has been suggested that his re-election would go against the union constitution.

★ Ex-Poly Union Treasurer Robert "Buzz" Windley was jailed for a year by a Leeds court after bouncing cheques worth more than £3,000 on the Union.

Windley, 37, of Park Villas, Roundhay, Leeds, was found guilty on 11 charges of theft and deception at Leeds Crown Court in July.

Since being sentenced, more than half of the money Windley stole has been returned to the Union. More than £500 is still outstanding.

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Crisis of their own making

There can be few more disconcerting experiences for a newly-arrived student than to find himself or herself having to 'rough-it' in makeshift accommodation for days or weeks.

The university has deliberately increased its intake in order to reap the benefits of larger grants from the government. Such a strategy is understandable in the present difficult economic situation.

However to accept 500 extra students without considering whether there are adequate housing facilities for them is the height of irresponsibility.

They must now direct all their resources towards remedying a situation which is entirely of their own making.

Fraud or Folly?

One packed off to prison for a year, another coming close to following him in the same direction. The vagaries and corruption of the Polytechnic Union seem to be endless.

When an elected official in whose charge lie vast amounts of money deliberately appropriates some of that money for himself, there can be no excuse. He has betrayed the trust of the students who voted him into office.

In the case of Windley, he coldly and calculatingly bounced cheques on the union to keep his flimsy 'business' afloat. It was not as if the money he 'borrowed' was going to some charitable cause — it was going into his own pocket.

Boocock presents a slightly different problem. Why should he be so foolhardy as to commit what amounts to a criminal fraud when there was no chance of his getting away with it?

He claimed he could get no social security payments, and that his parents were unable to help. Perhaps so.

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Storm breaks over catering fee increases

The council decision to implement huge increases in catering prices at the Poly and Park Lane has brought a storm of protest from the colleges' student unions.

At the Poly prices have risen by nearly 60 per cent since this time last year. For some meals the increase is as much as 115 per cent. The price of a chicken salad, for example, has risen from 23p to 49p.

At Park Lane prices have increased by an average of 35 per cent and are now roughly comparable with those at the Poly.

Poly Union President, Linda Vaughan said there was no way that the local authority could justify such

large increases. "The cost of living has only risen by 35 per cent yet some of these prices have increased by over 100 per cent."

The Poly union executive are hoping to pass a motion at next week's OGM to authorise a catering boycott.

Miss Vaughan said that students were becoming increasingly hostile towards attacks on their living standards and were now more prepared to take definite action to prevent them.

Park Lane President, Gary Horsman, said he was "disgusted" by the increases. "The union executive are now considering the best way in which to fight them", he said.

Facelift to bring back customers

The main bar in the University Union has been given a complete facelift in an attempt to entice students back into the union and increase ailing bar profits.

Union Treasurer, Tom Burke said there had been a lot of complaints last year about the scruffy appearance of the old Bierkeller and its general lack of atmosphere.

by Nick Kehoe

He said the executive are hoping that the new bar with its plush carpeting and alcove seating will provide a more attractive and genial atmosphere which students will enjoy.

The bar, which was opened on Wednesday, took only 18 days to complete at a cost of £5,500. The executive are hoping that the increase in bar profits will pay for the renovation costs.

Mr Burke said: "We are aiming to 're-establish the union as a social centre for students and improving the appearance of the bar was only one step towards doing it."

The Executive also intend to provide more entertainment such as discos and cabaret shows and are tightening up on security in an attempt

to keep undesirables out of the building.

"From now on only bona fide guests will be allowed in the union and those people waiting outside the building asking students to 'sign them in' will be asked to leave the premises," Mr Burke said.

Pleased

Union bar manager, Les Taylor, said he was pleased with the efforts the executive were making to increase security and brighten the place up:

"If we can keep the place clean and attractive then I am sure that more students will come back into the union will come back into the union."



A well-known and well-liked face to regulars in the University Union Mouat Jones lounge — Mrs Olive Cooke, who retired last week. Mrs Cooke had worked in the Union for 26 years, and was the longest standing member of staff. She retired in fine style, attending a party given in her honour in the President's Reception Room.

PARK LANE FURY

Feeling is running high at troubled Park Lane College after students were moved into classrooms which President Gary Horsman described as "bombed-out air-raid shelters".

The move followed the closure of the college's St Peter's annexe last session. Since the closure, the students' union have been pressing the local authority for alternative lecture accommodation.

The new site, the 'hutments' on the main college, is far from suitable, says Gary Horsman. There are holes in the walls of most of the buildings and there is no heating.

Students from the college staged a protest march which climaxed in an occupation of the offices of the education department.

They were given a hearing by education Director Stuart Johnson, but afterwards said they were dissatisfied with the answers he had given them.

The main complaints of the students centre around the discretionary awards system, canteen price increases and the accommodation problem.

Councillor Patrick Crotty, chairman of the Education Committee which recommended the increase said the price rises were made to bring the Poly and Park Lane into line with other council run establishments.

"It would be unfair if prices were less at these colleges than elsewhere", he said.

He also stressed that in previous years the council had been paying up to £14,000 in subsidies to Poly catering. "We decided to discontinue this because we did not feel it was justified spending so much ratepayers money to provide cheaper meals for students", eh said.

Union should be open on Sundays — Rae

The University Union should not be closed on Sundays says Deputy President Bob Rae.

The union building has closed on Sundays since June as part of a cost cutting exercise implemented by Union Council. Speaking at an Executive meeting during the vacation Mr Rae said: "The Union provides many services for its members. The fundamental one being access to the Union itself."

"It is important that the service is open to students on Sunday. The very day when they are likely to be at a loose end because the rest of the town is closed."

It had been costing over £5000 a year in porters' wages alone to keep the Union open on Sundays. There were other costs, such as heating, lighting, and night cleaners' wages, on top of this figure.

House Secretary Brian Smith said he could not see where the money would come from to pay for Sunday opening. The budget for the building had been decimated already.

Mr Rae said he felt the budget ought to be reanalysed. It was possible, he suggested, to run the building

on Sundays with only two porters, opening 2 pm — 12 midnight. His proposal was accepted, and will now go to the first Union Council for approval.

Commenting on the matter yesterday Mr Rae said: "I think the decision taken by last year's UC to close on Sunday's was the worst possible example of their convoluted ideas of financial expediency."

Leeds man to head CAMRA

A Leeds University graduate is to take over the key job in an organisation fighting for better beer.

David Gamston, 30, a Sociology graduate, is to become national administrator for CAMRA, the Campaign for Real Ale.

Dave has been managing the campaign head office since April, after finishing a one-year research programme at York University.

Staff freeze creates havoc

The City Council's decision to continue freezing some staff vacancies is causing havoc in the Polytechnic.

During the last two weeks 11 posts have been filled but there are still about 25 vacant positions which is making administrative and clerical work extremely difficult.

There are no secretaries in the Architecture Department. This has led to considerable problems in dealing with applications for courses.

The Art library is having to close two nights a week because of the shortage of librarians.

It is now feared that the 'F' Block refectory will have to close due to lack of staff.

The council's policy of not filling positions when they become vacant has met with criticism from Polytechnic Directorate and the Poly Union Executive.

Dr Tony Hamblin, who is in charge of Polytechnic administration said: "Staff shortages are causing serious administrative difficulties and are lowering the standard of the services offered."

He said the council's policy would have a progressive effect and that standards would get worse as long as the vacancies

remained.

Poly Union President, Linda Vaughan, said: "The Polytechnic will not be able to function if there are any more positions left vacant. The council should stop trying to provide education on the cheap and appoint necessary staff."

Councillor R. A. Challenor, chairman of the City Council's Personnel Committee denied that any of the positions at the Polytechnic were actually frozen.

"Some of the posts have had to be temporarily suspended because of the economic crisis, but they will be filled as soon as finances allow it," he said.

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Fresh ideas needed — Smith

A call for a complete restructuring of Freshers' Conference came this week from University Union House Secretary, Brian Smith, who played a major part in the organisation of this year's conference.

Mr Smith said there were now too many people applying to come to the conference for it to continue in its present format. This year a record 1800 students attended the meeting which had been organised to cater for only 1700.

A further 300 people had to be turned away because there were no more places available.

"We did not like to turn people away but we were getting more applications every day as students received confirmation of a place at the University through the UCCA Clearing House", he said.

"We never knew from day to day how many people to expect and in the end we just had to call a halt or there would have been chaos on the day of the conference," he said.

In spite of being oversubscribed Mr Smith felt that the meeting had been an administrative success but added that there would need to be a serious rethink before next year's conference was organised.

"We never knew how many people to expect"

Mr Smith suggested extending the conference over four days to allow for the increased numbers and creating smaller groups to get a less formal, friendlier atmosphere.

The union is to hold a special Freshers' NUS day in order to introduce new students to their National Union.

Speakers

The conference should take place towards the end of October and will include speakers from the NUS executive who will explain the aims and policies of the National Union.

There will also be a number of displays showing some of the services that NUS has to offer.



Pictured above, University Union Treasurer Tom Burke with bride Valerie Craven after their wedding during the vacation. 20-year-old Valerie, a Leeds girl by birth, completed a year of an Economics course at the University before taking up a full-time job in the Union bars for six months. Tom, a frequent customer in the Old Bar, first met her there. Now the couple are looking forward to the birth of their first child, due in late November.

Better prospects for Poly graduates

Students who fail to get into university but go to a polytechnic to read business studies as a second best, earn more money than their university counterparts when they start work, a report disclosed last week.

On average, Poly students earned about £400 more than university graduates when employed, the report said. Prepared by the Political and Economic Planning organisation, it went on to praise polytechnic courses as "something quite new and distinctive in British higher education."

Percentage

A far higher percentage of Poly students went directly into a job after completing their courses than did university students. Many university graduates, said the report, prefer to continue in higher education after completing a course.



IRRITATING PROBLEM

Car owners in the Clarence Road area of Hunslet don't like to leave their vehicles out on the street for long — for fear they rust away.

The problem is a regular black dust cloud which scars paintwork and can only be washed off with a poisonous substance, oxalic acid crystals. The particles also cause irritation.

The dust, which is believed to be fallout from a local factory, may well be damaging to the lungs.

PLUSH PADS FOR CANINE COPS

Plans by the West Yorkshire Police to provide accommodation for dogs at a cost of £2,000 per animal received severe criticism this week.

County Councillor Kenneth Davison complained that the police kennels being built at Wakefield would cost nearly £60,000.

"This means a startling spending of about £2,000 per dog at a time when the figure for corporation housing per person is only £1,800," he said.

REDUCED TO RUBBLE

A Leeds man who returned home one day to find his house had been demolished is demanding full compensation from Leeds Corporation.

Mr Thomas Callaghan who has recently been living outside Leeds said he was driving through the area when "to my amazement I found the house was just a pile of rubble."

Mr Callaghan has contacted a surveyor who has valued the house at £800. The Corporation, however have so far only offered £50 compensation, as they claim they have received confirmation from Mr Callaghan's surveyor that he was prepared to accept this amount.

OBSCENE PROBLEM

A Kirkstall housewife has had some of her work banned from the Ilkley Art exhibition for being 'obscene' and 'aggressive'.

Her sculptures were mainly of nude figures including one called "Woman/Goddess" showing a woman with arms outstretched and legs spreadeagled.

She said she could see nothing obscene or aggressive about the "Woman/Goddess" sculpture. "I am sure people are only upset because a woman's genitals are shown."

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Grants may be held up

Delays of up to several weeks in the payment of this term's grant cheques have been forecast by local authorities.

The authorities are blaming the Government's late announcement of the grant increase for the hold-ups.

Had the Department of Education and Science been quicker in circulating lists of new regulations and a letter explaining the 22 per cent increase in the grant, the delays might have been avoided, the authorities say.

Outsize prize

A student from Jacob Kramer has taken third place in the Outsize Fashion Design Awards sponsored by Evans Outsizes and the Royal Society of Arts.

Annette Pettengell received a prize of £100 for her design of a tiered cotton summer dress in a fine floral print.

Drink girl found dead in loo

A 19-year-old girl student from Leeds suffocated in a seaside lavatory because she was too drunk to help herself, a Home Office pathologist told an inquest at Thanet, Kent.

Julie Palmer, a student at the University, had drunk almost five times the legal alcohol limit for a motorist when she was found, the inquest was told.

Her body was discovered by a council cleaner in a locked compartment of a ladies' toilet at Cliftonville, Kent, with her head pressed against her chest. In this position, the inquest was told, breathing would have been difficult. The girl was so "deeply intoxicated" that she was unable to help herself.

Ms Palmer, of Frank Lane, Thornhill, Dewsbury was in Cliftonville on holiday and had taken a job with Hov-

lloyd in Ramsgate. According to evidence given by Mr Richard Nudd, a fellow student at the University, the girl had a drink problem and had been under a psychiatrist.

She had received help from Alcoholics Anonymous. The weekend before her death, she had been on a "drinking spree", Mr Nudd said. A verdict of death by misadventure was recorded.



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NUS Teacher Education Conference BINGLEY —

Report by Ian Coxon

Students jailed without trial

Many black students, who have never been brought to trial, are being held in South African jails, conference was told during a moving speech by a fraternal delegate from the African National Congress.

The speaker was given a minute-long standing ovation after his address.

He described how it is impossible for students in South Africa to hold a debate without scores of special branch men turning up and noting down everything that is said.

The speaker went on to highlight the plight of blacks in the country: "In the tenth most industrially developed nation in the world over 80 per cent of African workers live below the poverty line," he said.

Lowered

"Today standards of education for blacks have been lowered by law," delegates were told.

The ANC member explained that there are three universities for the three different tribes: "The aim being to divide African people and not even allow them to mix at an intellectual level."

Bradford

Bradford is the only university still refusing to charge higher fees to overseas students.

Oxford and Cambridge had also stood out against the Government policy of charging students from abroad more for their education than British students but were forced to fall in line due to economic pressure.

Russia

Three English students were left stranded late at night by Soviet police after they had been involved in an accident in which they sustained serious injuries.

When they managed to get to a hospital they found the equipment old fashioned and the treatment inadequate. No X-rays were taken of one of the men who was later found to have a broken ankle and some glass fragments embedded in his arm.

Now the three, who are all from Liverpool University, have registered an official complaint against the Russian police. One of the students, Gillian Garside described the police as officious and unhelpful.

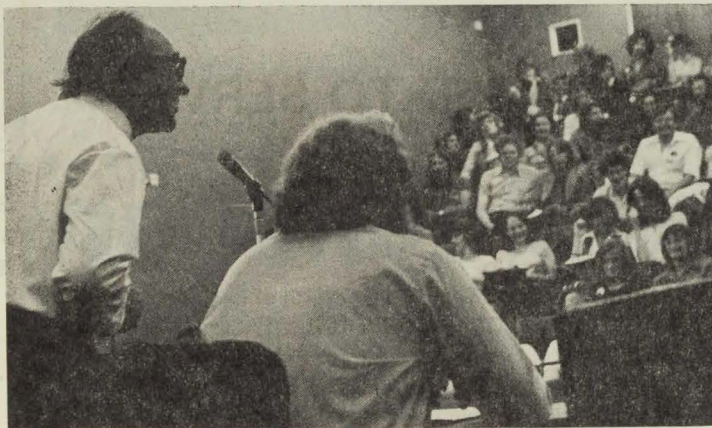
"Now I know why British policemen are considered so wonderful", she said.

Cambridge

A female pressure group is demanding that more girls be

Mulley implores students to buy British

Meet half way or give up



Fred Mulley explaining Labour's policies

DES devoid of ideas

Strong criticism of the Government's "unimaginative" education policy was made by Eric Robinson, Principal of Bradford College, when he addressed the conference.

"The policies of the Department of Education and Science express the psychology of Paschendale — Just slog along and smash the opposition with no imagination, no finesse, not a single constructive idea," said Mr. Robinson.

He described the DES plan to reduce the number of teachers as destructive. Teacher training courses will be replaced, he fears, with liberal arts courses which don't lead to jobs.

"The Government seems frightened of having people with marketable education value. It is almost as if it is planning the unemployment of graduates," he said.

"The great danger to the content of teacher training at present is that it will degenerate into a liberal arts macedoine with a thin topping of professional training and academic study of education in which the only unifying principle is to keep staff in jobs," added Mr Robinson.

He laid some of the blame on the Universities which validate college of education degrees: "They are prepared to validate a bunch of bus tickets to retain control over courses."

Mr Robinson went on to express fears about the merging of colleges of education

with polytechnics: "When a college merges with a polytechnic there should be a complete restructuring. It is no use merely adding the college into the set up," he said.

DAVE PATERSON, President of the National Union of School Students, told delegates to the conference: "There can be no democracy in schools until pupils are granted freedom of speech and the right to organise."

He criticised the teaching trade unions for not recognising NUSS and called for support from student teachers.

Mr Paterson urged delegates to fight for progressive school councils: "Many teachers won't work directly with NUSS for fear of victimisation. But they will work in conjunction with a school council," he said.

600 students have arrived and applied for them.

Some Government quarters have suggested that black nationalist groups in Rhodesia are responsible for deliberately misleading these students into believing free education is readily available in England.

Professor Roland Oliver, professor of African history at London University said that the groups have been organising a campaign since January and it has been increased over recent weeks: "The idea is to make an impact on the British conscience by bringing in an embarrassing number of students all at once," he said.

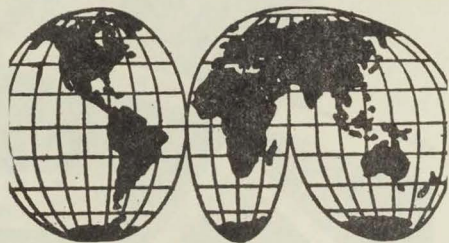
St Andrews

The high failure rate of Scottish students compared to their English counterparts at the University is causing a great deal of concern amongst Scottish educationalists.

Last year 30 per cent of Scots failed their courses in the first year whilst only 4 per cent of English entrants were unsuccessful.

John Pollock, General Secretary of the Educational Institute of Scotland, said part of the problem arose from methods at St. Andrew's being geared more specifically to the English rather than the Scottish educational system.

He also suggested that a closer look should be taken at the transition period from school to university.



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admitted to the University.

In an article published in the union handbook they accuse the authorities discriminating against women and making only half-hearted concessions to sexual equality.

The University is described in the publication as an institution in which the "ethics of male elitism and arrogance" still remain.

The article comes down in favour of co-residential colleges although it says that with girl students in such a minority the strain on living in such an unbalanced community would be intense.

Edinburgh

Homeless students are being offered special 'dosshouse' accommodation for 50 pence a night by the Lothian Regional Council. Schools, gymnasias

and other suitable premises are being used until more permanent homes can be found.

The scheme has met with opposition from some members of the local council who feel that the ratepayers should not have to subsidise the accommodation of students who do not come from their area.

They want the Government or other local authorities to pay the bill.

Rhodesia

Hundreds of Black Rhodesian students have arrived in Britain with no financial means to pursue their courses.

Free education is available to Rhodesian students in the form of grants from the Ministry of Overseas Development. However, there are only 200 grants and so far this year

The National Union of Students must compromise or it will be finished as a union, delegates to the annual NUS Teacher Education Conference were told.

"There must be no mistake. What we are saying on grants and education cuts has no chance of success unless we are willing to work with all the other people in education", NUS President Charles Clarke said.

"It is important to sink differences between ourselves and mount a united attack over public expenditure."

"Now is the time more than any other to put some flesh on the bones of the policy we have been passing for three or four years on links with the Trade Union movement," Mr Clarke continued.

However, NUS Executive member Pete Gillard although agreeing that links should be developed with trade unions said: "We must make it clear that we are not going to limit our demands just because times are hard."

But Education Minister Fred Mulley who spoke on the opening night of the conference didn't hold out much hope for NUS demands being met. He pointed out the seriousness of the economic crisis and implored students to stop buying Japanese hi-fi sets and start "buying British." Then he went on to say that some qualified teachers wouldn't be able to get jobs this year and that there would be no significant increases in student grants: "There has never been and

never will be a time when people think student grants are adequate."

"But under the present economic climate the Government would not get public support for large additional amounts of money being made available for students," said Mr Mulley.

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Stop school canings

A proposal to campaign for the abolition of corporal punishment in schools received almost unanimous support.

"Not until all beatings are made illegal can democracy work in schools," said a delegate from Trent Park College. "Corporal punishment flies in the face of progressive education," he added.

Student teachers were also urged to lend support to the Society of Teachers Opposed to Physical Punishment.

Proposal to give unions more say

There was heated debate over a motion aimed at further democratising NUS conferences.

The motion was proposed by James Overy from the University College of North Wales who wants composite meetings to be held two weeks before the annual autumn and Easter conferences.

"At the moment people at

national conferences are voting on motions that they have never seen before," said Mr Overy.

The composite meetings, he said, would allow individual unions a chance to find out about and debate motions due to come up at conferences and tell their delegates how to vote.

However, Paul Flatt, a member of the NUS conference steering committee said: "I think the motion, although well intended, is a dangerous step backwards."

Mr Flatt said that to allow the proposed composite meetings to take place, motions for autumn conferences would have to be submitted at the beginning of October, before most universities re-assembled.

National Treasurer Hugh Lanning did not agree that motions would have to be submitted so early and said that Mr Overy's proposal was a real step forward: "It will enable local unions to have a real say in policy making."

Mr Overy's motion was eventually passed by only eight votes. It will now have to be accepted by a full conference before it can take effect.

24 hour smoking

The fight for 24-hour visiting in college hostels is to continue.

Conference accepted a motion proposed by John Pedley of Carnegie College calling on all colleges to remove visiting restrictions in their hostels.

However, one delegate said he thought that a considerable number of people did not want 24-hour visiting. There were howls of laughter from delegates when he suggested that colleges should allow 24-hour visiting in some halls and continue imposing restrictions in others: "Just as there are smoking and non-smoking compartments on railways."

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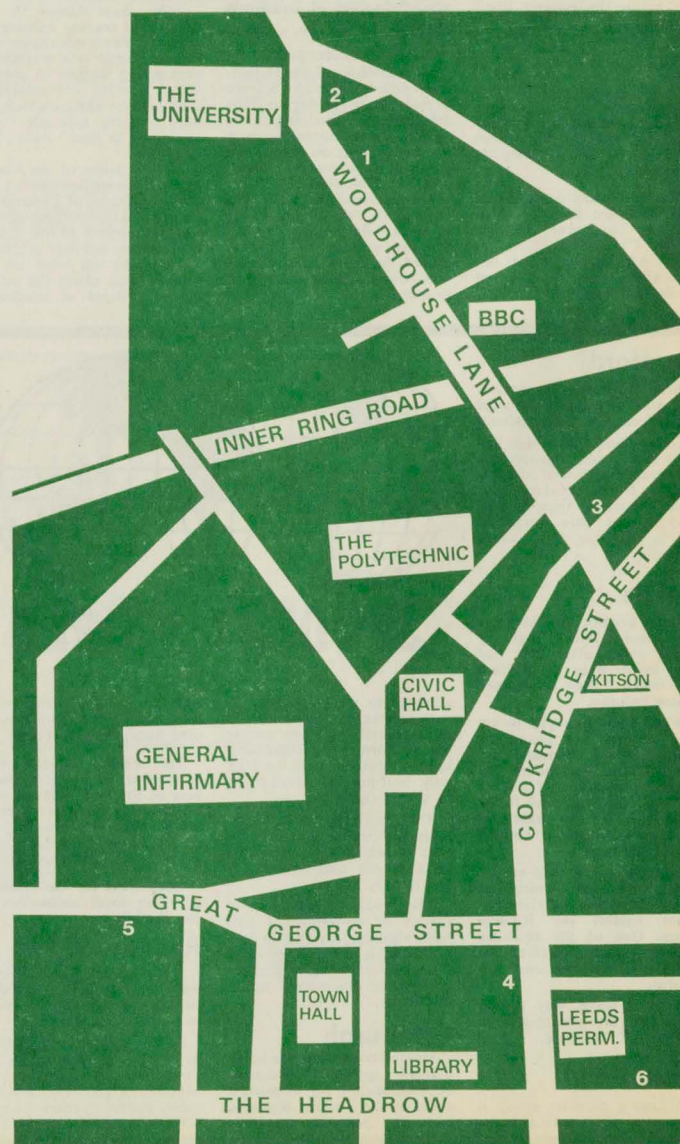
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IAN COXON'S COLUMN

Plot found in bookshop

A discovery made in a local bookshop by a University Professor led to the staging of Catch 22 at Leeds Playhouse.

Ian Rattee, a professor in the University's Colour Chemistry Department, of Chemistry Department, found the text of the play in Books on Woodhouse Lane and told his friend Michael Attenborough that it was there.

Attenborough realised that Catch 22 had never been performed in this country and decided to put it on at the Playhouse, where he is now Associate Director. "The book and the film were successful, so the play has a built-in reputation," says Michael.

Twenty five year old Michael, son of film star Richard Attenborough, came

to Leeds last year after a spell at the Mercury Theatre in Colchester. Unlike his famous father, Michael has never acted professionally. "I wanted to act when I went to University but there I realised I would never be more than an all right actor," he told me.

He read English at Sussex where he became President of the drama society. It was at University that he first tried his hand at directing. He found he loved it, graduated to Brighton's Gardner Centre Theatre as Assistant Director and then moved on to Colchester where he stayed for two years.

Unaffected by paternal success, young Attenborough is intent on making his own way in the theatre, spurning for the present the lucrative

worlds of films and television. His commitment to the stage led to the breakdown of his marriage to actress Jane Seymour.

Now Michael is also committed to Yorkshire and Leeds Playhouse. He hopes to develop a studio theatre in Leeds and is keen to see the Playhouse move into new premises away from the University. "I think the theatre needs to be part of the town. A place for people to pop in for lunch as happily as they would pop into Schofields."

Currently he is working on the production of Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice which is being staged at the Playhouse next month under his direction. It is being set in the mid-eighteenth century and the cast will include Charles Kaye and Angela Down.

Report any deficiency

The management of the Odeon in the Merrion Centre obviously has a greater concern than usual for the welfare of its customers.

There is a notice on the wall of the gents in the cinema which reads: "These toilets are checked regularly throughout the day but the management would be grateful if patrons would report any deficiency."

Apparently there isn't any ham in a hamburger. It states on the menu in Some Like It Hot in Headingley: "All Hamburgers are made to our own recipe with Double Minced Lean Beef."

A hamburger it turns out is really a Hamburg steak.

I wonder if it comes under the Trades Descriptions Act.

I would have thought that now accommodation crises have become annual events in the student calendar everyone would have learnt how to spell the word accommodation. But I was wrong.

As I was passing Unipol, the city's student housing bureau the other day, there was a sign in the window with it spelt 'accomodation.' ...

No thanks

Poly Social Secretary Ian Steele didn't get much thanks for staging the Union's most successful Freshers' hop on Tuesday night.

In fact just as he was about to go on stage to introduce the main attraction of the evening, 'Streetwalkers', he was ejected from the proceedings.

It turned out that he hit the President, Linda Vaughan. It seems that Linda started arguing with him and he thought she was going to hit him, so he 'retaliated' in self defence.

Sticky wicket

The supporters of George Davis were not the first to think of tampering with the wicket at Headingley Cricket Ground.

Ten years ago students daubed paint on it in the name of Leeds Rag. But University Information Officer Ian Morrison, who helped to organise Rag that year, denies that the prank had the official blessing of the Rag Committee.

He reckons it was the work of some students, not connected with Rag, who were holding a social in the Headingley pavilion.



Michael Attenborough

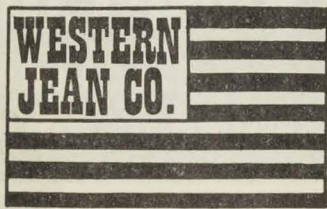
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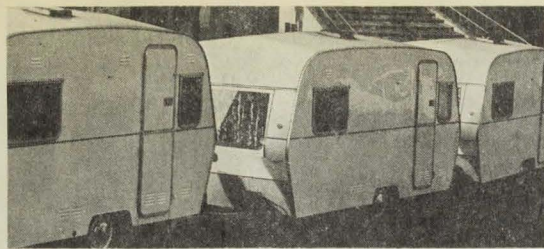
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CARAVANS AND HOTELS TAKE OVERFLOW

Emergency measures have had to be introduced this year to house the largest ever influx of new students into Leeds.

At the University, caravans have been used to ease the pressure on the overcrowded halls of residence. The caravans are sited at Bodington and Devonshire Halls. The space in Bodington's

central block and the sports pavilion could house over 100 of the new arrivals. Devonshire has provided sleeping space for an extra 40.

All the other major halls are being used to "crash" students who cannot be fitted in elsewhere. In addition, University Accommodation Officer Harry Davies has found

bed and breakfast accommodation for 32 women and 23 men in the Mount Hotel at £6 per night.

Mr Davies estimated that about 300 students had been found temporary accommodation in these places by Tuesday.

At the Poly, the Assembly Hall is being used to sleep about 20 homeless students each night.

It is estimated that there are at least 200 students staying with friends.

Many students have booked into hotels and on Wednesday it was almost impossible to get accommodation of this kind in Leeds.

The Albert Horsbridge College in the city has offered to take a small number in an emergency.

The ins-and-outs of squatting

One way of getting a roof over your head is to squat. Although it has yet to gain wide acceptance by students as a valid answer to their accommodation problems, squatting has aroused a great deal of interest nationally in recent months.

In August, National Union of Students' President, Charles Clarke issued a statement saying that students would have no alternative but to squat, in view of the present accommodation crisis. NUS, he said, would not specifically advise students to squat, but it would back them as long as they moved into disused property and did not deprive anyone on the council house waiting list of a home.

Leeds Area NUS Committee went a stage further. They passed a motion supporting the "legal occupation of any property left vacant until such time as the Local Authority honours its responsibility to provide adequate accommodation for the students concerned.

A list of empty property was also to be produced and circulated to all the unions in the area for display on notice-boards.

But Ralph Joiner, manager of Unipol, dismisses squatting as "counter-productive." "I don't want to know anything about it," he says. "A good relationship has been built up with many landlords in Leeds, and we seem to be making some progress. We are a recognised institution. Students squatting might cause all sorts of problems."

Whatever the pros and cons, prospective squatters in Leeds will find direct action difficult, if it is to take place in Council property. Because of lack of money, the Council has suspended plans for clearance of large areas under Compulsory Purchase Orders. Most of these unoccupied properties have either been demolished or would require a considerable amount of money to be made habitable. So there are few places where squatting could be successful.

"Squatting is counter-productive"

If you decide to squat, it's important to know the law on the subject. There are several loopholes. For example, it has emerged that squatters who occupy a house while the owner is away cannot always be evicted by the police, even at the owners' express request.

In fact, squatting in vacant properties is, in itself, perfectly legal. However, squatters can be evicted from a property by the landlord in the same way as normal tenants are evicted. Also, there are five charges on which they lay themselves open to arrest by the police:

1. Criminal damage — entering the premises forcibly, that is, breaking doors and locks to get in.
2. Burglary — failing to inform a police officer that they are not burglars but de facto occupants.
3. Vagrancy — failing to move as many of their belongings as possible into the house to prove they are not vagrants.
4. Conspiracy — on the count of breaking civil law by trespassing, and thus conspiring to trespass, which is a criminal offence.
5. Theft — removing or damaging any permanent fixtures in the house, and using gas or electricity.

It is unlikely that the housing situation in the city will force many students to take the plunge and decide to squat. But if you have to, stay well within the letter of the law. It will make life a lot easier.

The 1975 Accommodation Crisis

STOP PASSING THE BUCK

For the housing officials whose job it is to deal with the problem of finding beds for students, the flood of people wanting accommodation must seem impossible to stem. For the past two weeks, they have been working round the clock trying to sort out a mess that is not of their making.

A tired Harry Davies, Accommodation Officer for the University, said that most of his staff had put in as many as 50 extra hours in a matter of days. Ralph Joiner, head of Unipol, the student housing bureau run jointly by the University, the Poly and the respective unions, has been working a twelve-hour day seven days a week trying to cope with the steady flow of homeless students. Poly Lodgings Officer Alan Taylor was up one night last week till 1 am dealing with enquiries.

Breakdown

This year the housing crisis is worse than it has ever been. Despite the intention stated earlier in the year that departments would be cutting back on student numbers in the coming session, the University authorities have taken in an extra 500 new students. At the Poly there will be an extra hundred to find homes for.

Other universities and colleges in the country have drastically reduced their student intakes to suit their particular accommodation situations. But in Leeds the attitude seems to be, come one, come all. In the face of an impending housing breakdown, the authorities blithely carry on as if nothing were happening.

In Leeds, the accommodation problem has three main roots. The first is simply the increasing numbers of students who pour into the city every year, a tide unchecked by the college authorities. Secondly, the economic squeeze has forced many landlords to put property previously occupied by students off the market. Why lay a house for a yearly profit of 44 per cent when it can make more

money for less trouble standing empty?

Closely allied to this is the problem caused by the new Rent Act, which gives a greater security of tenure, and thus makes it more difficult for landlords to evict troublesome tenants. Relationships between landlords and students have never been good, and the implementation of the Act has strained the delicate thread of interdependence to the snapping point.

The third cause of the problem is a lack of action by the City Council on building new houses. Demolitions of uninhabitable properties over the past year have

tional offer of a place last January to see someone else who applied only a few months ago go straight into hall, while he has to sleep on a floor somewhere."

Ralph Joiner: "The whole thing's a farce. It's sickening to see overseas students turning up with their wives and kids, and being told there's nowhere for them to live. The organisation is terrible, particularly by these students' governments. The drop-out rate for people from overseas, particularly at the Poly, must be over 30 per cent."

Despite the loss of some of the landlords on Unipol's books because of the Rent Act, Joiner and his staff have succeeded in creating another 250 places for students by sheer hard work.

Drying up

But Joiner knows, as does anyone else with any common sense, that the supply of houses is going to dry up sooner or later. Unipol is now registered as a Housing Association, and is pressing the Government for cash grants to initiate its own building programme.

There are also plans in the pipeline to persuade landlords to licence their properties to Unipol, thereby making more houses available with less worries for the landlord. Collection of rent and so on would be in the hands of Unipol itself, while the responsibility for any repairs needed for the houses would lie with the landlords.

Unipol also has some 75 houses on Short Life, a scheme in which the council allows houses due for demolition to be restored by Unipol and converted into student accommodation with a life of 3-5 years.

Wrangling

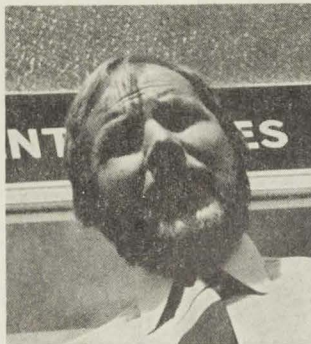
"But new buildings have got to start going on the ground NOW," says Joiner. "There's no shortage of land, materials, skills or even finance. It's just the political wrangling that stops it, getting people to agree on certain points."

For the past two years, this newspaper has carried articles highlighting the seriousness of the housing situation in the city, and the need for positive action by the authorities. Nothing, or very little, has been done. As usual, it is the hard-pressed administrators like Davies, Taylor and Joiner who have to carry the can. The time has come for the buck-passing to stop, and for those in authority to take a long hard look at accommodation and the immense problems it creates every year. If they insist on flooding the city with homeless students, then they themselves must be willing to take the responsibility for providing them with housing.



Above: Alan Taylor — he worked all night.

Below: Ralph Joiner — hard pressed at Unipol.



More of your grant goes on rent

People lucky enough to find accommodation this year are having to fork out more of their grant on rent than in the past.

Two years ago, the average hall of residence fee was £253 per annum, a figure which represented almost 50 per cent of the student grant, which then stood at £485.

University hall fees are now the second highest in the country.

Hall fees second highest in country

Since then, hall fees have rocketed by about 36 per cent, while the student grant has been increased by no more than 23 per cent. Hall fees for this session will now range from £430 to £494.

The University Union has called a Special General Meeting to discuss the new hall prices

on October 7th. Until then, it is advising its members not to pay bills sent by the University for hall residence. It regards the huge increase in hall fees as unfair, and is pressing the University to fix a 22 per cent fee increase in line with the new grant.

For private tenants, particularly Poly stu-

dents, the situation is equally bleak. Although they are protected to some extent by the 1974 Rent Act, the shortage of private housing on the market this year has sent rents soaring.

It is expected that rents will have risen between 50 pence and £1 per week compared with last session. Bedsit rents are now between £4.50 and £5.50 a week, while rooms in houses shared by a number of students range from £4.50 to £5 per week.

by
Chris Elliott

Examining the social effects of epilepsy

Little is known about the cause of epilepsy. It is an illness which still excites suspicion and fear among people who do not understand the problems the sufferer has to face.

The popular image of the epileptic — as someone who suffers from sudden paroxysms or fits — only touches the surface of the problem. The social and psychological effects such as the fear of rejection, anxiety and humiliation, though less dramatic than the actual attacks, can be just as devastating to the epileptic.

An estimated 50-100 people in the University alone suffer or have suffered from epilepsy. For about half of them no physical cause will be known; for the rest, epilepsy occurs as a direct result of brain damage caused by tumours or accidents.

The fits are due to a sudden and abnormal release of energy in the brain, which temporarily upsets its smooth working. The brain starts to work normally again after the fit is over and continues to do so until the next attack.

Although the attacks pass quickly the social stigma of being an epileptic remains, causing numerous psychological problems which many sufferers find overwhelming.

It is this aspect of the illness which particularly interests Gill Wade, a research student in the department of psychology. By analyzing the views and experiences of epileptic students she aims to produce a detailed study on the social problems facing epi-

by Nick Kehoe

leptics who are not so handicapped by their condition as to be unable to lead a 'normal' life.

The purpose of studying this sector of sufferers is to see whether their sociopsychological problems are, in practical terms, more troublesome to them than the illness itself. If this is so, then it is a tragic reflection upon society which needs to be corrected as quickly as possible.

Techniques

A secondary but equally important aim of Ms Wade's work is to explore the problems using techniques not commonly employed in most contemporary psychological research. Most of the previous studies in this field have involved large scale experiments on epileptics in institutions and clinics. Relatively little work has been done concerning the attitude and experiences of the epileptic who is an active member of society.

Ms Wade hopes that by making extensive use of interviews and case histories (as given by the sufferer not the doctor) it will be possible to

study to epileptic's psychological problems in a way which will have a fresh meaning for the epileptic himself.

She has chosen to concentrate upon students for two main reasons. Firstly, any epileptic who has managed to reach the dizzy heights of being a student is obviously capable of leading a normal life. Secondly it is hoped that students will be less reticent about discussing their experiences than other people might be.

Ideally Ms Wade would like to base her research on the experiences of about 50 people. She would like any student who has a history of epilepsy to come forward. All information will, of course, be treated anonymously and confidentially.

As she says herself: "I hope that the fact that I have a history of epilepsy myself and that I still do not believe that I have fully come to terms with it, will encourage epileptic students to volunteer for this study, and act as a reflection of my sincerity with regard to the importance I attach to this work."

Anyone who wants to know more about the study, or who is willing to take part in it, can contact Ms Wade through Leeds Student, the psychology department or at her home address 51 Ash Grove, Leeds 6.



Gill Wade

SEX

The campus sex scene can be a bewildering experience for many students coming to college or university for the first time.

No parents to tell them what to do and what not to do. No need to be home at a fixed time. No need to even come home at all. It's a situation which many students find difficult to cope with in their first few weeks at college.

Caught up in the atmosphere of liberality and sexual freedom, some will try desperately to live up to the popular image of students as demised satyro/nymphomaniacs, ready to have a go at anything, however kinky, with anyone who's willing. Sleeping around is an accepted part of college life, and those who don't do what is expected of them often end up being ostracised by the people they live with.

On the other hand, some students will revel in their new-found freedom quite cheerfully, having sex as often as possible with as many different partners as possible. For some, sex at university or college can become a means of finding themselves, a way of releasing inhibitions and getting to know themselves better. The normal sequence of college life seems to be a wild, exploratory first year, a slightly confused and sexually steady second year; and a sober, sex-every-Saturday final year, with marriage in mind.

Sex on the campus is more active than in any other section of the community. At the University alone, well

During his year as a top Tory politician Edward Boyle was among the staunchest advocates of an expansive university system: today he remains one of its greatest champions in its struggle through what he has recently called its greatest crisis since the war.

His capacity for handling sensitive issues discreetly, a legacy no doubt of his political days, his liberalism and his deeply held commitment to education make him probably the most respected Vice Chancellor in the country; even local student activists have to admit that Leeds has a chief of exceptional calibre and find it difficult to level anything other than token criticism at him.

He came to Leeds five years ago having, as he said at the time, "cut himself adrift from politics." As a former Education Minister (from 1962 to 1964 under MacMillan) who did much to foster the massive university expansion programme of the 60's he was uniquely qualified to undertake the responsibility of heading Britain's biggest provincial university.

Indeed, at the time of his arrival in Leeds in October 1970 he told a meeting of the Students' Union Conservative Association that: "I have never started a new task with greater pleasure."

His enthusiasm for the new position stemmed, in part perhaps, from the relief it afforded from several unhappy and turbulent years in the Conservative party. For Edward Boyle was an unusual combination. He possessed all the hallmarks of the old Tory hierarchy in his Eton and Oxford education and was a veteran of the old MacMillan, MacLeod and Butler era yet his philosophy always placed him squarely to the left of the party.

In 1956 he resigned from a junior Treasury post over Suez and his subsequent policies on race relations,



Lord Boyle

Rhodesia and his limited approval of comprehensive education made him a liability to the Conservative Opposition in the late 60's. Despite the support of Edward Heath, with whom he shares bachelor status and a deep love of music, his departure became 1970 the man who had once been both imminent and necessary. In 1970 the man who had once been considered a possible contender for the Tory leadership left politics for what, to him, was the refreshing prospect of service to the country's higher education system from within one of its great universities.

Pleasure

Today, at 52, he says he harbours no ambitions to return to an active political life: "With the periodic speculation about coalition governments," he says, "it is sometimes suggested that I might be a member of one but I really have no thoughts of going back into politics."

He has retained few of his personal links with the Tory world and has

even allowed his official membership of the party to lapse.

Despite the financial gloom which is casting a particularly ominous pall over the country's entire university system, Lord Boyle says he still receives the same pleasure from his involvement with it as he did on starting at Leeds five years ago.

Was it not, I asked him, particularly galling for a man who did so much to build up the country's universities to see them suffering so deeply from the cuts in government spending?

His answer is diplomatic and precise. He does not think universities could have been absorbed from the Government's corrective measures to the economy. He has never been an advocate of expansion at all costs. However, almost as an afterthought, he makes the proud and slightly rueful observation that in comparison to the £8 million being spent by the present government on university building, the Government of which he was a member spent £30 million every year.

Here at Leeds, the University enters the new academic year reeling

Diplomatic defence of the Universities

Interview by NICK WIT

from an unprecedented £400,000 deficit on the 1974/75 session. The massive economies implemented throughout last session were successful in that they reduced the figure from the anticipated £600,000. It is, however, an improvement which brings little relief to the University's financial chiefs.

"We are still only just managing to keep our heads above water," commented Boyle, "if we relax too quickly we could very easily go under."

Accordingly, there will be a continuation of the stringent economy programme: staff posts will not necessarily be renewed as they fall vacant and the all-round tightening of non-essential expenditure will continue. There will not, however, be any new categories of economy introduced, promises Boyle.

Consultation

Is the Vice Chancellor satisfied that his pledge that the economies would not harm academic standards has been fulfilled?

He says that he is and adds, by way of proof, that no decision which

might affect the University's academic departments is taken without close consultation with members of the teaching staff.

"I am particularly thankful for the presence of students on Senate and Council as a result of the constitutional change made last year. Their presence and their contributions to the discussions has been particularly valuable at the present difficult time."

He is clearly a great believer in the concept of university education and expresses concern at what he sees as a change in emphasis by the present Government in their handling of the different sectors of higher education:

"I am one of those who think that universities and polytechnics are different. Ministers from time to time fail to recognise the special nature of universities. Universities will want to feel assured that the Government does appreciate the particular value of institutions where all the faculties are together and where the centre of gravity is teaching in the context of learning and research."

Lord Boyle's skill, or perhaps one should say cunning, in dealing with

ON THE CAMPUS

CHRIS ELLIOTT destroys a few myths surrounding student mating habits

third of girl students are on the figure which amounts to more 200. At least a hundred others are not registered with Student Health and seek sexual safety through out-actiioners.

Some cases, girls go on the pill out of any real desire to have a sex life, but because they feel they ought to — it's a cultural pressure which they are obliged to give

Paternalistic

Students living together are much more aware of this pressure. The only pressure on them come from land-owning academics, both of whom opt a paternalistic attitude to cohabitation before marriage. Landlords couldn't care one way or the other. As one of them who owns in the Leeds 3 area said: "I don't mind if my students screw their heads off as long as they keep the house in repair."

The attitude of the college or university authorities to student sex is difficult to gauge. There are many academics who still regard students as children, incapable of forming relationships sexually. Others assume a more relaxed view, that students' sex lives are their own business and no one else's. Where many draw the line is when sex begins to affect the student's academic progress. A third faction have a benign, almost patronising concern for the morals and welfare of their students, and believe that the university or college should introduce controls as a defence for the student against his or her naughty impulses or bad company.

Most university authorities, Leeds being no exception, have not yet reached the stage where they would contemplate allowing male and female students living on campus to occupy rooms next to each other. Halls and flats are segregated, and a strict control is kept on night visiting. Anti-sex devices such as narrow single beds and room-mates are all employed in the

continuing fight to preserve the student from succumbing to his or her mis-conceived intentions (Charles Morris Hall was built on the design of a Swedish women's prison).

Another problem is parents. Many couples who feel they would enjoy living together hold off out of fear of parental reaction. And the student image of drugs, drink and debauchery does little to allay many parents' fears.

On the practical side, students can often encounter problems in having casual affairs because of where they are living. Those in hall must run the gauntlet of the ever-watchful warden, and steal their pleasures clandestinely in the confined space of a single bed.

On the whole, the idea that students are promiscuous is a false one. According to Dr Ian Fraser of the Student Health service, most students find one partner and stick with him/her for a period of time: "There is very little of this pillar to post business, with students jumping between the sheets with a different partner every night."

As far as Dr Fraser is concerned, the moral implications of sex are "entirely the students' own affair". We aren't paternalistic about this. If we feel that a girl is being pressured by her boyfriend to go on the pill, and doesn't really want to, then we say so. But we don't refuse anyone who is set on getting some form of contraception. It is our job only to make them aware of the few but relevant snags certain contraceptives have.

Despite the ready availability of free contraceptives, there is an extraordinarily high pregnancy rate. At least half of the female student population in a college or university will have sexual intercourse before graduating. In the 1960's ten per cent of unmarried girl students became pregnant over the



Above and Below: University students fraternising in typical fashion

three-year university course. Few figures are available for the number of abortions among students, mainly because terminations are concealed. Nobody goes about broadcasting the news that they had an abortion yesterday.

Alan Dabbs of the University Psychiatry Department is a volunteer on the Union Counselling Service. He recognises a trend in the sex scene at the start of each session: "A lot of the final year male students prey on the new intake of young girls at the start of the year, taking advantage of their inexperience of college life." Mr Dabbs says many of these students pair off and end up living together.

Celibacy

This too can cause problems. Many girls in this situation show, according to Mr Dabbs, a staggering lack of sensitivity for the other girls they may be living with. Girls in the house without boyfriends often find the 'burden' of their 'celibacy' increased tremendously by the constant presence of a man around the house, especially when his Y-fronts are always hanging up to dry in the bathroom. They feel even more left out of things.

student unrest by the forcible application of authority.

On the question of the rent strike which the University Union will be proposing in protest at hall fee increases of up to 33 per cent after a grant increase of only 22 per cent, he declines to comment: "We've been around this course before but I would rather not try to forecast how many students will take part."

The University is, he says, most sympathetic towards the Union's case over fee increases and is concerned at the potential hardships which individual students will face: "All I would ask students to realise on their side is that these decisions to raise fees are not easy. Balancing the claims of students on one side and academic departments on the other is not easy either. It is never easy to decide what is the right thing to do but because we are faced with difficult decisions it does not mean that those taking them don't care."

He rejects as impractical the Union's well-worn suggestion that the University should simply run itself proudly into bankruptcy: "The real problem is a cash flow one," he says. "It would be no good going to the Government and saying 'We will have to close down next week unless you give us £1 million' partly because they might not give you the money and partly because you have to consider what the price might be in terms of independence."

Lord Boyle is, however, at one with the students' Union in predicting a difficult year for everybody connected with the University. No doubt in the coming months there will be much bitterness generated about how best to go about solving the financial plight of both higher education and the country as a whole. Small consolation though it may be to some in the Union, Leeds does at least have a shrewd and experienced man at its helm.



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ties which have on occasion arisen between the University and its students' Union as, in the past been up by the present Tory shadow Education Minister, Norman St John-Steal, as a model which other Vice-Chancellors would do well to follow. Lord Boyle himself has this to say:

There is no substitute for trying to handle any situation with patience and skill. The idea that there is any magic, legal or otherwise, by which one can try to resolve certain problems and for all — that is a naive approach of which I am very sceptical."

Conciliator

Early on he is a disciple of, as he calls it, "Churchill's philosophy: 'Jaw, not war, war'." It is an approach which has kept the Leeds campus relatively free from conflict since his arrival. Apart from the brief 1973 situation over the Union's demands for a sabbatical secretary his record as a conciliator is impressive compared with Vice-Chancellors on other campuses who have tried to suppress

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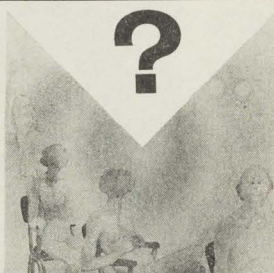
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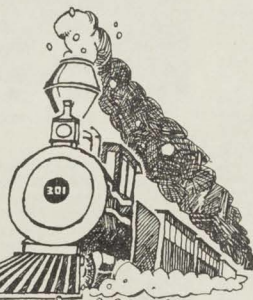
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PRAGMATIC

IAN COXON assesses a plan for the new Polytechnic

Patrick Nuttgens' plan represents the first genuine attempt to come to terms, in broad detail, with the complex problem of uniting Leeds Polytechnic, the City of Leeds and Carnegie College and James Graham College by this time next year.

The Leeds merger has been on the cards now since 1973. However, because many people have been reluctant to accept the inevitability of it, negotiations between the three institutions have been moving along at snail's pace. In fact, Dr Nuttgens' package appears no less than nine months after the Interim Academic Council was created to put the merger into effect.

Until last week, except for a fleshless framework for the new institution accepted by the IAC in July, two years of deliberation had produced little more than a couple of rather philosophical papers from the Director himself and a number of conflicting proposals aimed at solving limited aspects of the overall problem.

Now, although the new institution won't come into being until September 1976, there are effectively only three months left to find acceptable solutions to the crucial questions posed by the merger. This is

because the Department of Education and Science have asked to see detailed plans for the new institution soon after Christmas.

Therefore there is a danger that, because members of the IAC have taken so long to come to grips with the situation, decisions will be made without full consultation with staff and students in the three institutions.

Alternatives

Expansive as Dr Nuttgens' 33 page "draft development plan" is, it actually only outlines one possible way of achieving the amalgamation although he tries to create the impression that he is offering a series of alternatives. He suggests two possible academic structures for the new institution but then says that one of them can only be viewed as a long term objective.

However, two suggestions are offered on the siting of the School of Education. It could be either at Beckett Park, the home of Carnegie College, which accounts for over 60 per cent of the city's present complement of teacher education students; or on the main Polytechnic campus, says Dr Nuttgens. Putting the School of

Education in the city centre would allow the Beckett Park site to become an academic centre for First Year Studies, he suggests.

"It would have the advantage that the majority of first year students would study together and meet students from other disciplines, that places in halls of residence (all of which are in the same vicinity, mostly in Beckett Park) could be offered to new students, that sport, drama and music could be centred there and encouragement could be given to the development of student activities, societies and relationships from the beginning of courses."

This latter proposal appears to be the one that Nuttgens himself favours. He has come up with the idea of a first year studies centre at Beckett Park before and in the draft plan he argues: "It is more logical to house the School of Education along with other professional schools in the centre of the city."

Dr Nuttgens makes it clear that he would like to see the School of Education concentrating on the professional aspects of teacher education with intending teachers starting their academic work in a department other than the

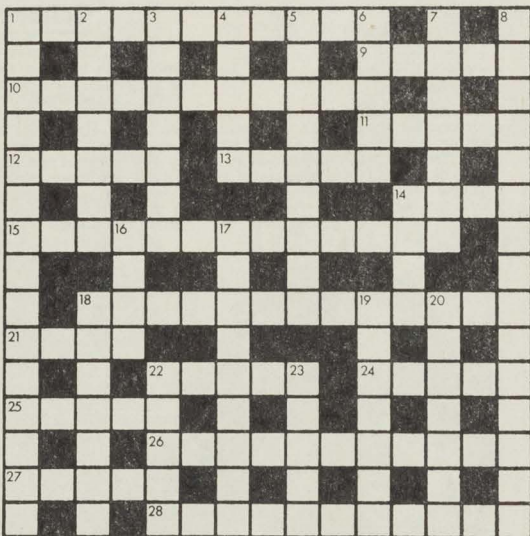
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Questions answered

The merger will affect the lives of all the 11,000 staff and students at Leeds Polytechnic and Carnegie and James Graham Colleges.

In the months leading up to the formal amalgamation of the three institutions, due to take place in September 1976, decisions to close down existing courses and radically change others will be made. Also proposals have already been accepted which will significantly alter the present structure of the existing Polytechnic and the Colleges and more are being discussed by the Interim Academic Council.

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AND PRACTICAL

Dr Patrick Nuttgens, 45, pictured right, has just published his "draft academic/development plan" for the new Leeds Polytechnic Institution of Higher Education of which he is Director-Designate.



The 33 page plan outlines his ideas for the amalgamation of Leeds Polytechnic, the City of Leeds and Carnegie College and James Graham College to form the new institution.

education department. In other words, he envisages a break from the concurrent system in operation at the moment where teaching practice is completely integrated with academic work.

He argues that this would allow people to delay their commitment to teaching and other professions. "The essential academic proposal in this report is that students should be required to commit themselves to a course and professional direction by the end of the first year," he states.

Decision

"The main pattern of study," Nuttgens goes on to explain, "would be one in which the student concentrates on academic subjects in the first year, makes a decision about his professional interest by the end of that year, and then proceeds either to a Dip HE finishing at the end of the second year, or to a BEd at the end of the third year and in some cases a BEd (hons) at the end of the fourth year, or a BA or BSc in a particular subject at the end of the appropriate number of years.

"This first year would thus be a subject year planned in such a way that it can lead to a number of professional qualifications."

It will take time, probably five or six years, to develop these multiple output courses, says Dr Nuttgens: "But initially it should be possible for all intending teacher training

it: "Only the best and most enthusiastic students need be accepted."

Another major change proposed in the nature of teacher education is that in future all qualifications should be validated by the CNAA. At present all the teaching qualifications offered by the Colleges and the Polytechnic are validated by Leeds University.

The existing Polytechnic is already moving towards the situation where all its qualifications will be validated by the CNAA: "It must be the aim of the new institution to achieve powers of self-validation, and thus far establishing its own standards, as soon as possible. In the present state of affairs, the only way to do this is through the CNAA," states Dr Nuttgens.

He suggests that it will take two years to devise new CNAA-validated Teacher Education courses. In the meantime he proposes that the existing teaching courses continue with a reduced intake but that from next September onwards no more new students be enrolled at James Graham.

Happy

This would mean the end of teacher education at the 400-strong college for mature students at Farnley. However, Dr Nuttgens told an IAC meeting following the publication of his plan that a significant quota of mature students should be admitted onto teacher education at Carnegie and the Polytechnic next September. It is understood that a majority of the staff at James Graham are happy with this proposal. Also it was one of the Government's stipulations regarding the merger that teacher education should end at Farnley.

Essentially the development plan is an amalgam of proposals put forward during recent talks on the merger and some of Nuttgens' own ideas thought out over the summer. The scope for radical change, as Dr Nuttgens points out, is restricted by the strengths and tradition of the existing institution.

Nevertheless he views the future with great optimism,

preferring to look upon the Government's ultimatum that the number of teachers in training must be rapidly run down as "an opportunity for imaginative growth and change" rather than a serious setback.

Reiterated in his plans are many of the hopes and ideals he has for the present Polytechnic: "The basic aim of the new institution might be defined as communicating the nature and significance of skills and teaching a student to practise a skill, to develop it and use it in the service of society," he suggests.

Dr Nuttgens goes on to say that the new institution must be pragmatic and practical and that his intentions are to make it flexible and humane as well.

However, the major shortcoming of the whole blueprint is that its success appears to depend on finding 1,000 extra students by 1981 to replace those that will be lost by the decimation of teacher education.

"The reduction in the number of teacher training students will make available a considerable number of highly qualified and experienced academic staff. If some of them join departments appropriate to their specialist qualifications and skills, many existing courses might be expanded and, inevitably modified by that expertise," Dr Nuttgens argues.

I doubt that the total expertise of the teacher education staff who will find themselves relieved of their current duties will be sufficient to develop other courses in a way that will attract 1,000 new students assuming that the present economic climate prevails.

Let's hope that some other attempts to derive a formula for the new institution are forthcoming. If not, there must at least be wide-ranging discussions over the Nuttgens blueprint during the next few months.

The future of non-university higher education in Leeds until the end of this century is to be determined by Christmas.

The main points of the plan

- First year studies centre at Beckett Park
- No more teachers at James Graham
- All degrees validated by CNAA
- Commitment to profession at end of first year
- Professionally based School of Education

Dr Nuttgens 33 page plan includes two suggested academic structures for the new institution. The first is based on the departmental system currently operating in the Polytechnic. The other, described as "a medium or long term objective", could only be achieved by a major upheaval.

Both suggestions are based on the already accepted principle that the City of Leeds and Carnegie College and James Graham College should be integrated with the Polytechnic's 22 departments and be redesignated schools.

1. The first of Nuttgens' two alternative proposals structures the new institution around 19 schools. There are six Polytechnic departments which he sees as becoming schools but initially remaining unchanged — Librarianship, Management and Business Studies, Law and, Accountancy and Applied Economics. A further six departments — Life Sciences, International Studies, Mathematics and Computing, Town Planning, Social Studies and Institutional Management — should retain their existing identity, he proposes, while taking staff and students from the colleges under their wings when they become schools.

The three departments which form the present Polytechnic Art Faculty get reorganised into two schools — Art: embracing the existing Fine Art Department and the music and drama outfits in the colleges; Design: formed from the Communication Design and Three D Design Departments and the Craft sections of the Colleges. Nuttgens sees Electrical, Production and Mechanical Engineering, as well as all work in Physics, incorporated into an Engineering School.

The four new schools he suggests in the first alternative are: Education, Human Movement, Humanities/Civilisation and General Sciences. Work in Chemistry and Biology would be incorporated into the General Sciences School. The Humanities/Civilisation School is created to embrace English, History, Religious Education and Contemporary Studies.

Recreation for the whole of the new institution, Nuttgens visualises as being undertaken by the Human Movement School which would be based upon the existing Carnegie School of Physical Education.

The School of Education, says Nuttgens in the plan, should be responsible for the organisation of, and recruitment to, education courses in addition to the monitoring of students on such courses.

Two schemes for siting the 19 schools are offered in the plan. The first puts Human Movement, Life Sciences, Social Studies and Education at Beckett Park, where Carnegie College is currently situated. In the second, Education is housed in the main part of the present Polytechnic with Human Movement and First Year Studies at Beckett Park. This latter suggestion relates to a proposal to base all full-time first year students on the same site regardless of the disciplines they are pursuing.

Under both the schemes for siting the 19 schools, General Science turns up in the main part of the Polytechnic with all the schools based on existing Polytechnic Departments staying put.

Nuttgens suggests two different uses for the James Graham site at Farnley. One proposition is that it becomes an art and drama centre so that the Fine Art studio in the central Polytechnic building can be turned into a sports hall. The second suggestion is that Farnley is developed as a centre for short courses and research work.

2. In his document Nuttgens goes on to amend his first proposal and develops a two-tier system with 11 schools each sub-divided into departments.

The sub-sections of the 11 schools correspond closely to the existing departments in the Polytechnic.

Four of the schools are composed of the same elements in both proposed structures — Accountancy and Applied Economics, Art, Design and Education. However, in the second alternative Accountancy and Applied Economics is renamed Finance and the School of Art becomes one of Expressive and Creative Arts.

English is extracted from the Humanities School to be lumped with Librarianship and Languages to form a School of Information and Languages. Engineering grows to encompass the Maths and Computing School while Architecture is merged with Building and Civil Engineering to form a School of Construction.

The other three schools which complete the second alternative are Human Movement and Leisure, intended to incorporate Physical Education, Community Health, Parts of Home Economics, Life Sciences and Biology; Urban and Community Studies, which embraces Social Studies, Town Planning, Geography and Law; and Management Studies, which links Management and Business Studies with Institutional Management and Parts of Home Economics.

There are no details on the siting of the 11 schools.

Choosing the top brass

The superstructure of the new Polytechnic is beginning to take shape.

Director-Designate Dr Patrick Nuttgens announced last month that six deputies are to be appointed to assist him with the running of the new institution. These posts are being advertised internally in the Polytechnic and Carnegie and James Graham Colleges and applications have to be in by Monday.

There will be three deputy Directors who will be responsible respectively for academic affairs, personal and resources, a Head of Administration and two assistant directors. One of the assistant directors will be responsible to the Deputy Director for Academic Affairs. The second will work jointly under the two other deputy

directors.

The decision to advertise the posts internally means that the three Polytechnic existing Assistant Directors will have to reapply for their own jobs. It is likely that they will be appointed to three of the posts and that senior staff in the colleges or Polytechnic Heads of Department will take the other three.

Dr Brian Gent, currently Assistant Director of Academic Affairs in the Polytechnic seems a certainty or the £11,300 a year Deputy Directorship dealing with the same area of work in the new institution. The obvious choice as Head of Administration is Dr Tony Hamblin who is at present the senior administrator in the Polytechnic.

The future of the third of the existing Polytechnic Assistant Directors, Gordon

Wright with Evans being ap- the moment he is principally concerned with resources but he also deals with personnel. It is possible that he will be more interested in the Deputy Directorship for Personnel than the post in charge of resources. However, which of these two top jobs he is given will depend on who the other applicants are.

Neither the Principal of Carnegie, Dr Leo Connell, or the Head of James Graham, Joyce Harland, will be after posts in Nuttgens' management team because both are due to retire. The most likely contenders from the Colleges for top jobs are John Evans, Head of the Carnegie PE School and James Graham, Deputy Principal Arthur Nicholas.

Both Evans and Nicholas were members of what Nuttgens

calls his "little gang" who helped him put together the draft academic development plan for the new institution and it is known that the Director-Designate is keen to have them in his new team. Nicholas' background makes him a suitable candidate to be Brian Gent's assistant on £10,400 a year.

An outsider being tipped by some staff to take one of the Deputy Directorships is Bill Stark, Head of the Polytechnic's Management and Business Studies Department. Stark would be a logical choice for the personnel post leaving resources for Gordon Wright with Evans being appointed to assist them.

Although the appointments will be made by the end of the month it has not yet been decided when they will take effect.

Arts

Sydney Pollack Picture... James Dean on BBC... Roxy Return... The Year Ahead...

Frills and Thrillers

3 DAYS OF THE CONDOR (ABC)

Thriller devotees can find their own particular paradise at the ABC this week. The film is taken from the novel 'Six Days Of The Condor' by James Grady. Director Sydney Pollack undoubtedly thought the suspense of the full six days would be just too much for the unsuspecting viewer.

In fact three days of Robert Redford's life as an American Michael Caine figure in the CIA proved to be quite enough. As Joe Turner, codename 'Condor', employed by the network to read and censor books, he stumbles upon an international mystery which results in the death of his colleagues.

Hunted by a ruthless killer, attacked by the people

Films

he trusts most, Mr Redford seems to have an inexhaustible run of luck in his escapades.

The cast includes Cliff (Wells Fargo) Robertson as Higgins, the 'Head of Operations'. Happily for Joe Turner, he must be the most inept boss in the intelligence business as he turns up, several times, at the wrong end of Joe's gun.

In spite of this lapse in credibility there is enough dry wit in the dialogue to turn what might have been an ordinary secret agent film into a good thriller.

BLACK CHRISTMAS (ABC)

No it isn't Bing Crosby in negative. 'Black Christmas' is another, more mac-

abre thriller. Heavy breathing and a series of gruesome murders in an American university sorority house are the essence of the film. And to add pathos to the situation, it's Christmas.

Sensationalism proportionate to the amount of blood spurting out at the time is the main impression.

THE HAPPY HOOKER (Odeon)

This is an account of the life of Xaviera Hollander, a New York brothel Madame. But it's so soft core that Lyn Redgrave, who plays Xaviera, justifiably described it as 'almost family entertainment'. Lyn is aptly cast, playing the tarty, long-legged, engaging Madame, in this chaste and cheerful romp. An amusing film, though unmemorable.

Rosemary Sutton



Get "fixed" up with the Acid Queen — Tina Turner in a scene from Tommy at the Odeon, Headrow



Sunday: BBC1 7.25 "Pol-dark", a romantic serial set against 18th century Cornish background based on the novels by Winston Graham. 8.15, "Zorba the Greek" starring Alan Bates and Anthony Quinn

BBC2 7.25, "The Explorers". This week: "The Story of Burke and Wills" who crossed Australia with a caravan of wagons, horses and camels.

10.45, "East of Eden" with James Dean, set in California in 1913.

Yorshire TV, 9.10, 1968 "Pendulum" starring George Peppard and Jean Seberg. An American detective thriller.

Monday: BBC2, Panarama looks at Ulster and the career of William Craig.

BBC2, 7.05 John Cleese starts a new comedy series "The Selling Line".

9.00, "Madame Bovary" the third part of Giles Cooper's dramatisation of Flaubert's famous novel.

ITV Granada's "World in Action."

Tuesday: BBC1 11.0, "The Old Grey Whistle Test" Bob Harris is joined by Andrew Bailey to present Druid, Sadistic Mike Band and the latest reviews.

ITV Thames 9.00, "Shades of Greene", Donald Pleasence in the "Root of All Evil" a dramatisation of Graham Greene's short story

Wednesday: BBC2 Arena, this week Art and Design begins a new series with George Melly who will be looking at advertising in the 70's, also a regional look at new exhibitions and activities.

9.30, "Under Western Eye's", a dramatisation of Joseph Conrad's novel set in St. Petersburg in 1904.

ITV, ATV 8.30, "It's A Lovely Day Tomorrow" the story of 1943 Bethnal Green Tube disaster.

Ruth Fox

Caught again

We've had the book and the film, and now Leeds has the first British production of the play. Those of you who have read "Catch 22" in print or seen it on the screen, may be wondering, as I was, how it can be fitted into the limited space of the Leeds Playhouse. The answer is — condensed, but basically still all there. The author, Joseph Heller must be satisfied with the adaptation since he wrote the play as well.

The small cast becomes a large number of characters by the old device of changing hats and wigs. And yet all the characters are individual and credible. More than that, they are the people we laughed at and loved in the book and the film. Tim Hardy excelled as the bombastic Colonel Cathcart, who shows tremendous bravery in volunteering his men for dangerous missions, and whose mania for getting feathers in his cap is expressed by his red indian headdress.

Catch 22 by Joseph Heller PLAYHOUSE

The time is the Second World War, the place Italy, but the underlying theme is that of one man's seemingly arbitrary control over another man's life or death in any time or place. "Catch 22" is the code referred to every time a senseless edict comes through from a commanding officer. Sometimes this leads to the loss of a tomato, sometimes to the loss of lives.

I thought the play could well have done without the phoney American accents which lapsed frequently, Richard Kane as Yossarian, the hero who has had enough, was a little too incredulous when it is revealed to him that all the injustices in the military world are covered by "Catch-22".

Julia Taylor

Charms of Autumn

Music, films, ballet, opera, drama — whatever your taste, they're all catered for in the coming season.

Musical entertainment is dominated by an impressive list of planned University and Poly Union hops. These will include Roxy Music, Be Bop Deluxe, the ever popular Fairport Convention Spike Milligan's one-man show and Robin Trower who was enthusiastically received when he played here last session.

Lovers of Beethoven can look forward to a series of lectures and concerts connected with the composer's Violin Sonatas, organised by Leeds University Union Music Society. And a variety of other orchestras and composers can be heard in the Saturday night concerts at the Town Hall.

Reviews Editor Julia Taylor looks ahead

The Grand Theatre is treating us this season to the Prospect Theatre Company, The Royal Ballet, and The Ballet Rambert. The Prospect Players are well-known for their ingenious productions, and their adaptations of E. M. Forster's "A Room With A View" and Turgener's "A Month In The Country" should be worth seeing. The Playhouse intends to strike a contrast with Damon Runyan's "Guys and Dolls", followed by "The Merchant of Venice". Both theatres turn to pantomime in December with the Grand presenting the traditional "Cinderella",

while the Playhouse will baffle us with "The Plotters of Cabbage Patch Corner". By the same author as last year's "The Owl and the Pussey Cat Went to See" this new pantomime should be equally as interesting.

The most prolific form of entertainment is, as usual, films. It is certainly possible to see a different film every night in or around the University. LUU Film Society has two series of films on Tuesdays and Fridays, among them the classics "Duck Soup" and "Frankenstein", and the acclaimed "Zazie Dans Le Metro" and "The Discreet Charm of the Bourgeoisie". Or if you miss this film at the University it can be seen at the Hyde Park Cinema (see feature page 15).

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Tonight and Tomorrow: Three Days of the Condor @, with Robert Redford and Faye Dunaway; 2.30, 5.25, 8.20, plus Wednesday Country @, 1.45, 4.35, 7.30.

Next Week: Programme retained.

ABC 2

Tonight and Tomorrow: Naughtly Mandingo @, with James Mason, Susan George, and Ken Norton; 2.15, 5.20, 8.20, plus The Long White Trail @, 1.20, 4.20, 7.30.

Next Week: Programme retained.

ABC 3

Tonight and Tomorrow: Olivia Hussey and John Saxon in Black Christmas @, 1.35, 5.10, 8.50, plus Vanessa Redgrave and Susan George in Out of Season @, 3.20, 7.00.

Next Week: Programme retained.

ODEON 1

Tonight and Tomorrow: Ken Russell's Tommy @, 2.05, 4.40, 7.45.

Next Week: Programme retained.

ODEON 2

Tonight and Tomorrow: Lynn Redgrave as Xaviera Hollander in The Happy Hooker @, 1.55, 5.20, 8.50, plus The Fiend @, 3.35, 7.00.

Next Week: Bruce Lee in Enter The Dragon @, plus King Boxer @.

Check cinema for times.

ODEON MERRION

Tonight and Tomorrow: — Monty Python & the Holy Grail @, 4.00, 6.45, plus Donald Sutherland and Elliot Gould in S.P.Y.S @, 2.00, 6.55.

Next Week: Barbara Streisand and Ryan O'Neil in Peter Bogdanovich's What's Up Doc? @, plus And Now For Something Completely Different @, with Monty Python. Separate progs. 2.00, 7.00. Sundays: continuous performances from 4.10.

TOWER

Tonight and Tomorrow: Sean Connery, Candice Bergen and Brian Keith in John Millius highly entertaining The Wind and the Lion @, 1.00, 4.40, 8.20, plus Stuart Whitman and Robert Wagner in One Hour to Doomsday @, 3.00, 6.40.

Next Week: Kirk Douglas in Posse @, plus Diagnosis Murder @.

PLAZA

Tonight and Tomorrow: — Erotic Inferno @, 3.00, 5.55, 8.50, plus Hot Acts of Love @, 1.30, 4.30, 7.25.

Next Week: The Violators @, plus Abbey @. Times unavailable at time of going to press.

CLOCK

Tonight and Tomorrow: — Sidney Poitier & Michael Caine in The Wild Bilby Conspiracy @, 6.00, 8.00.

COTTAGE ROAD

Tonight and Tomorrow: Rod Steiger, Lee Remick, Richard Johnson and Trevor Howard in Hennessy @, 5.35, 8.35.

HYDE PARK

Tonight and Tomorrow: — Peter Sellers in I Love You, Alice B. Toklas @, 7.00, plus The Adventures of Barry McKenzie @, 8.35.

Next Week: For six days (not Wednesday): Greene Blundell in Alvin Purple @, plus Mel Brooks' Blazing Saddles @. Progs: Sunday 6.45, weekdays 7.05.

LEEDS FILM THEATRE

Tonight and Tomorrow: — Saturday 11.15 p.m.: Lindsay Anderson's This Sporting Life @, with Richard Harris as the ruthless Rugby League star.

Next Week: Sunday 28th: — Fred Zinneman's A Man For All Seasons @, with Paul Scofield, Robert Shaw, Leo McKern and Orson Welles.

BRADFORD FILM THEATRE

Tonight and Tomorrow: Alain Resnais' Stavisky, starring Jean-Paul Belmondo, 7.15.

YORK FILM THEATRE

Next Week: Sunday Oct. 4th: Mankiewicz Sleuth with Michael Caine and Laurence Olivier, plus David Cronenberg's Crimes of the Future, 7.00. Thursday Oct. 9th: — Louis Malle's Lacombe Lucien, 7.45.

FILM SOCIETY UNIVERSITY

Next Week: Tuesday at 7.00 in Lecture Theatre 21: Douglas Watt's famous documentary Night Mail, plus Bill Douglas's highly acclaimed documentaries My Childhood and My Ain Folk.

theatre

CIVIC

Until Oct. 4th: I Remember Mama, by the Cosmopolitan Players, 7.30.

Oct. 7th—11th: Lady Windermere's Fan, by Leeds Art Theatre.

GRAND

Oct. 6th—11th: The African musical, Ipi Tombi. Perfs. Mon. to Fri. 7.30; Sat. 5.00, 8.00.

PLAYHOUSE

Catch 22 — Joseph Heller's dramatisation of his own novel. Nightly 7.30, Tuesdays 8.00.

SWARTHMORE

The Harmfulness of Tobacco, by Chekhov; three revue sketches by Noel Coward; and Village Wooing, by G. B. Shaw. Nightly 8.00, until Saturday.

YORK THEATRE ROYAL

Until Oct. 4th: Alan Bennett's Habes Corpus. Perfs. 7.30.

LEEDS TOWN HALL

Wednesday, Oct. 8th, 7.30: The Vienna Boys' Choir (a new programme containing full costume version of Tales from the Vienna Woods). Tickets: £2, £1.50, £1.25, £1.75p, from Barker's, 91 The Headrow.

A Hemdale

How many times have you seen **Tommy** AA

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Restless arses reseeded

ROGER YELLAND examines the metamorphosis of a favourite student haunt — the Hyde Park Cinema.

"Let's go upstairs. The seats are better", used to be a familiar phrase at the Hyde Park Picture House, but it is unlikely to be heard again.

Manager Len Thomson has completely re-seated the stalls. The new seats are wider, and when I spoke to Mr Thompson he proudly described them as the best in Leeds: "Before the change I couldn't stand going into the auditorium, because of the noise," he said. "And it sounded even worse from the cellar — like an army of restless arses."

Independent

The Hyde Park, of course, needs little introduction to returning students. It is one of less than a dozen cinemas in Leeds, and the only one that is still entirely privately owned and independent of all chains. Len Thompson and his cat Ginger are the only full-time staff, although they are ably assisted by a small band of dedicated part-time employees.

The city claimed 74 cinemas in the "Golden Age" of the Thirties and Forties but most were eventually forced to close down. Not so the Hyde Park, which survived

and prospered by catering for student audiences. Indeed — situated as it is on the corner of Queens Road and Brudenell Road, in the heart of the city's largest student area — it has become affectionately known to students as 'their' cinema.

Its programmes are timed to end at 10.20 p.m. so that students may stride briskly along Queens Road to 'their' pub — the Royal Park. "We're good for business at the Royal Park", says cinema relief manager Norman Mortlock.

To complement the transformation of the stalls the circle is being renovated, although the seats do not need replacement. They originally came from the now defunct Leeds Gaumont which Mr Thompson managed, and were installed in that cinema in the late 1950's for a visit by the Princess Royal. Mr Thompson said that he does not remember exactly which seat she sat on, but it's somewhere in the Hyde Park circle now. He recalled that the Princess saw 'Around the



The same on the outside - but different inside

World in Eighty Days' during which the Gaumont's new projection equipment broke down four times. "She was very nice about it," he said.

And then added with a playful smile: "Unlike some students who greet the occasional fault at the Hyde Park with merciless catcalls."

Unfortunately, Mr Thompson has found it necessary to raise his prices by 5p a seat, but he points out that it is still the best value in Leeds. Even sadder news is the demise of the local advertisements. The old advertisement films are worn out and the cost of replacements is prohibitive. No more will the exotic oriental delights of the Sagoo Stores be extolled on the big screen. Apparently Mr Sagoo received the news calmly. "He took it philosophically," said Mr Thompson "But really, the local advertisements were horribly corny, too naive for words."

Highlights

Even without the compelling Sagoo saga the Hyde Park programme is impressive, as a glance at the highlights listed on the far right of this page will show. Stravinsky, directed by Alain Resnais and featuring Jean Paul Belmondo and Anne Duperay, will be having its Leeds premiere at the Hyde Park, making it the third occasion since June that the cinema has introduced a film to Leeds. Mr Thompson also hopes to show 'Slaughterhouse Five', 'American Graffiti' and 'Catch 22' in the near future, though details have not yet been confirmed.

If you would like to make any suggestions for 1976, Len Thompson would be pleased to talk to you.

Autumn Films

The Hyde Park October programme includes:

Mel Brooks' riotous comedy 'BLAZING SADDLES'

Billy Wilder's classic 'SOME LIKE IT HOT' starring Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis and Jack Lemon

The film that epitomised the Cinema of the Forties 'CASABLANCA' with Humphrey Bogart in the lead role.

'THE GARDEN OF THE FINZI CONTINIS' - Vittorio de Sica's stunningly beautiful portrait of fascist Italy.

The Leeds Premiere of 'THE PAPER CHASE'

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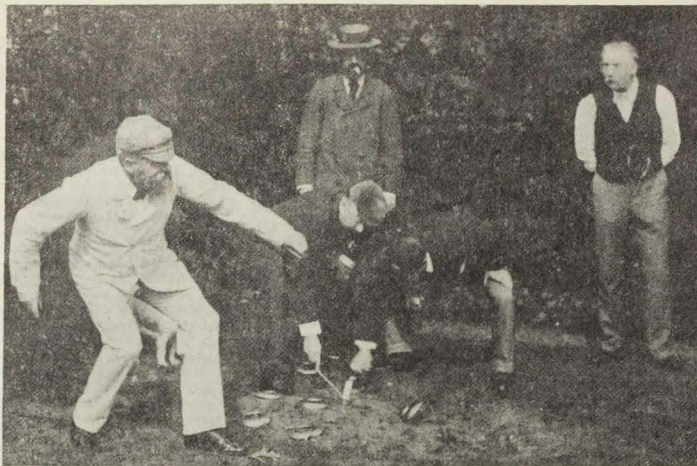
Now Look
by Ronnie Wood
WARNER BROS.

The similarities in overall sound between this and Clapton's Derek And The Dominoes' album are remarkable. Wood's slightly nasal delivery has that same "man about it" Musically, "Now Look" steers a completely different path to the Dominoes album starting off with a brisk track called 'Big Bayou' which sadly ends too quickly. Most of the eleven songs on this LP have been written by American soul man Bobby Womack. Womack, who jammed with the Faces in Los Angeles on their last US tour, plays guitar and sings on some of the tracks. Wood himself has written four numbers. Other guest musicians include Keith Richard, Mick Taylor, Ian McLagen, and the inevitable Willie Weeks and Andy Newmark.

My favourite track is the last one 'I Got A Feeling', with Wood showing his precision and power on guitar. His slide playing throughout is superb, and Weeks and Newmark in the rhythm section provide all the kick the Occasionally, the unmistakable Faces' riffs slip through, particularly on the track run-down when they're all jamming away like mad. I wasn't ecstatic about his first solo work, but he now seems to be evolving a definite style of his own. Music needs to keep moving.

Wood is currently touring with the Faces on their second US tour this year, due to finish on October 12th.

Chris Elliott



I can't quite get the hang of this game, Albert ...

Tastless Heep

Return to Fantasy
by Uriah Heep
BRONZE

I have never been much impressed with Uriah Heep and I'm afraid their latest album 'Return to Fantasy' does little to increase my enthusiasm. It's not that it's a bad album — there are some good songs. But there is also some very mediocre material, and it is this inconsistency that spoils what might otherwise have been a fine record.

Side One begins with the title track 'Return to Fantasy'. It's a nice opener, fast

and direct, with a pleasant intro using mellotron and synthesizer. The rest of the side tails off by comparison, however, with the songs spoilt by tasteless arrangements and overproduction.

Side Two helps to redress the balance with the emphasis on simplicity rather than ostentatious musicianship. 'Your Turn to Remember' is perhaps the finest track. A slow twelve-bar blues number with a beautiful melody, it shows what Uriah Heep are really capable of. If they could maintain this standard they would receive the acclaim so many people feel they deserve.

Nick Kehoe

The Hoax of Freudism

by R. M. Jurjevich
DORRANCE

Sigmund Freud's theories of the mind have become household phrases in the twentieth century, but how much scientific validity is there in such popular notions as the id-ego-superego, or the Oedipus complex, for instance?

'Freudism' (the word was coined by Jurjevich) has been accepted as the last word in psychological theory by lay and professional opinion in both Europe and America. In the USA, for example, anyone arguing a non-Freudian line may find it difficult to get work, patients, or a publisher. Yet it has been known for some time that compared with some other forms of treatment (eg 'direct' psychotherapy), psychoanalysis is inefficient, and in some cases may even do more harm than good.

From his position as a clinical psychologist, Jurjevich has brought together some incisive criticism from members of all the related disciplines — psychologists, psychiatrists, sociologists and physicians — to throw light on what he calls the 'questionable practices of the Freudian School.' He integrates their comments with his own highly polemical text.

Jurjevich is no theoretician. He seems quite happy with Analytic Psychology, though Jung's theories are certainly no more 'scientific than Freud's, and he is even capable of using one Freudian concept to throw doubt on another. What he has done, however, is to assemble a formidable battery of evidence against Freudianism.

Peter Littlechild

Little big town

Picture Books

A CENTURY OF MURDERERS (by Edgar Lustgarten - Eyre Methuen £3.95)

This is a rather gruesome work, and this is only partly due to the distastefulness of its subject. It gives me the impression that the author and publishers have tried to put a book together without having to spend too much time on it. A few words, lots of pictures (less effort than writing), wrap it up and sell it. The pictures convey precious little information, the commentary is perfunctory, and in places there is nearly half a page of bare white space on a single page — for the readers' graffiti, perhaps? On the last page, with an audacity that elicited admiration from me, the author uses the phrase 'many words ago'. What words? Perhaps the sub-editors deleted them.

I certainly never caught sight of them.

The book aims to spotlight some of the fiendish murderers who are representative of their epoch — the century between Waterloo and Mons. Mr Lustgarten, a well-known radio broadcaster of reconstructed murder trials, and a former barrister, has a style that Peter Gillman, writing recently in the Sunday Times magazine, described as perfectly suited to the traditional British Sunday newspaper, with its liking for articles that offer simultaneous titillation and

moral disapproval. Edgar Lustgarten should have stuck to that market.

A COCKNEY CAMERA (by Gordon Winter - Penguin £1.25)

This large format Penguin has an advantage over a lot of picture books — 'Old Leeds' in photographs for example — for it includes a well researched commentary that not only describes the shots, but also explains and provides background information as well. Author Gordon Winter is a former Chief Assistant Editor of Country Life.

Divided into sections which include Domestic Life, The Day's Work, Shops and Markets, and Public Services the book succeeds in conveying extremely vividly the reality provides background information the vast differences in living conditions between the splendour of High Life and the squalor of Low Life, indicating that street life was richer and more colourful in the era before the Welfare State — with pie makers, old clothes men, street corner concerts, bootblacks, apple women and Temperance Society teasaltis; and shows, through such pictures as 'Earls Court Farm' and Swiss Cottage 'The heart of the country', that London was a much, much smaller place before the Great War.

Roger Yelland

Penetrating Pauline

Deeper into Movies
by Pauline Kael
CALDER & BOYARS

Pauline Kael is an extremely distinguished film critic, though she is not widely known in this country. Six months of the year she spends writing for the New Yorker while the remaining time is taken up with lecture tours all over the world. Deeper into Movies, an imaginatively designed book contains most of her 'New Yorker' pieces for the period September 1969 to March 1972. As such, it includes reviews of a wide variety of films, among them Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, MASH, The Last Picture Show, Clockwork Orange, Le Boucher, and The Godfather. Ms Kael obviously doesn't structure her reviews beforehand; she doesn't dress them up with clever phrases that read well but are ultimately vacuous and she doesn't deliver neat, crisp judgements. What she does is to write spontaneously, conversation-

ally, the result usually being an acute, penetrating analysis of the film in question. She doesn't label, deodorise, and pigeon-hole the movie, inviting us to forget it. She throws out a lot of ideas, illuminates the film, and stimulates her readers into thinking for themselves. Furthermore, she recognises that film-makers are the products of a society, and not just money-making manipulators of the Dream Machine. This helps to give depth to her reviews.

The blurb's confident description of her as 'one hell of a writer' may sound rather over-dramatic, but it's probably not far wrong.

Roger Yelland

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Zappa reaches new peak

One Size Fits All
by Frank Zappa
DISCREET K59207

"One Size Fits All" represents the culmination of Zappa's work since 1972. The first track, "Inca Roads" sets a high standard which is kept up for the whole album, and features some particularly nice synthesiser work from George Duke. The material is wide ranging, and goes from the solid rock base of "Can't Afford No Shoes" through the more relaxed style of "Sofa No. 1", which is the only instrumental track, to the sardonic humour of "Evelyn, A Modified Dog".

It is difficult to pick any

one track which stands out in this collection, they are all well above average. Except "Florentine Pogen". This is one of the two tracks that was partially recorded live (the other was "Inca Roads") although, thanks to the excellent quality of the remix, it is impossible to distinguish the live from the studio. This track has an impressive rock

Alan Lenton

MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR MONEY

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Cashpoint corner

The four big banks, Lloyds, National Westminster, Barclays and the Midland, all have branches huddled together near the main entrance to the University. Lloyds is across Woodhouse Lane, out of picture.

Gunning for your grant cheque

The student account of today is the business account of tomorrow.

This is the attitude of all the major banks, which explains their feverish and often extravagant efforts to attract student accounts.

Every year students are coaxed and cajoled by the banks into entrusting their crisp new grant cheques to their care. The bank account 'draculas', as a cynical student once described them, tempt potential investors with offers of vouchers, gifts and free accounts whilst in credit.

Gifts

Midland give out a free 82 page booklet called "Student Start". Lloyds promise new customers a £2 voucher which can be spent in most bookshops. Nat West offer a cheque book with scenic drawings in it. Barclays, so they claim in a massive and costly advertising campaign currently being mounted in the national press, scorn such titbits. They are the first bank to stop treating students like children, they say. Their offer amounts to a cash card, on production of which students can draw up to £10 cash at any Barclays branch.

Rivalry develops into pitched battle

This year the rivalry of the banks to secure students accounts looks like developing into a pitched battle. Lloyds, much to the annoyance of their competitors, have set up a sub-branch in the University Union, and are now ideally placed to benefit from the huge influx of students, looking for somewhere convenient to lodge their grant cheques.

Nat West, the biggest of the four main banks, already have a sub-branch well-established in the Poly (situated on the third floor of B Block).

Even the normally staid Midland Bank have decided to enter the fray. For the first time, they, like Lloyds and Nat West are to set up a mobile caravan outside their branch in Blenheim Terrace, where students can open an account.

The idea of cash dispensing machines, too, is spreading. Linked to a computer, these machines will produce cash on insertion of a special card

and the registration of a personal code on a panel of buttons. Lloyds have one machine in their branch in Woodhouse Lane, and another in the University Union sub-branch. There is also one in Lewis's store on the Headrow. You can take up to £100 a day out, providing your account can stand it — the computer does an immediate check. If you're overdrawn, the dispenser swallows your card.

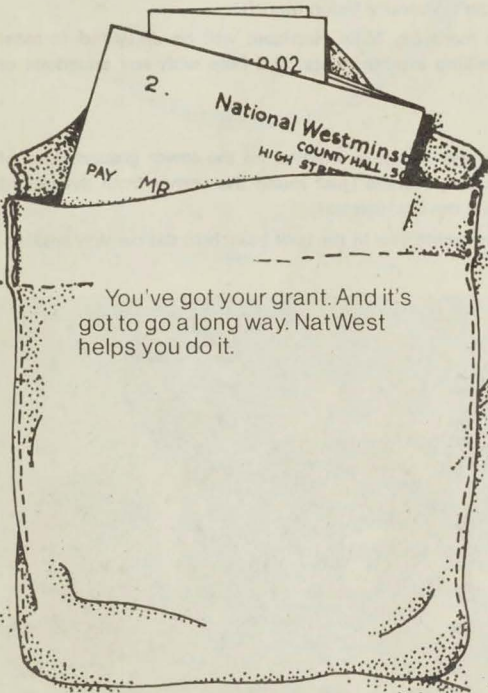
Cheque Master

Nat West have installed a similar machine outside their branch in Blenheim Terrace. Amounts of £10 can be taken out of this one, and it operates on a 24-hour service.

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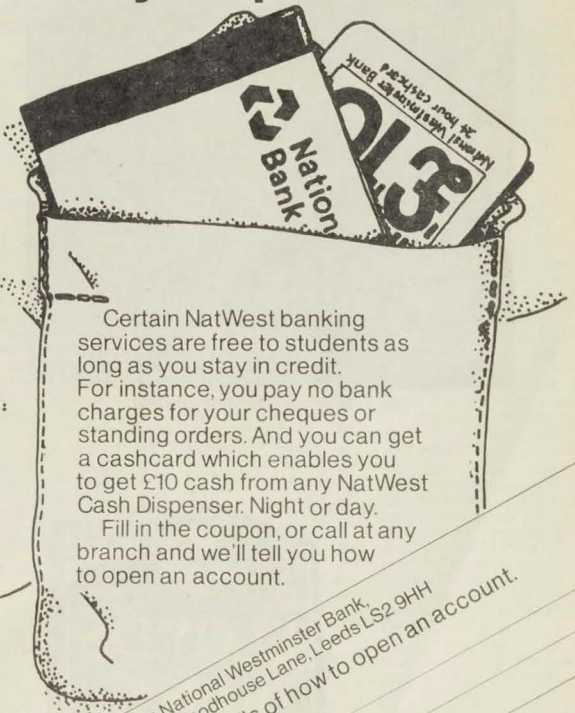
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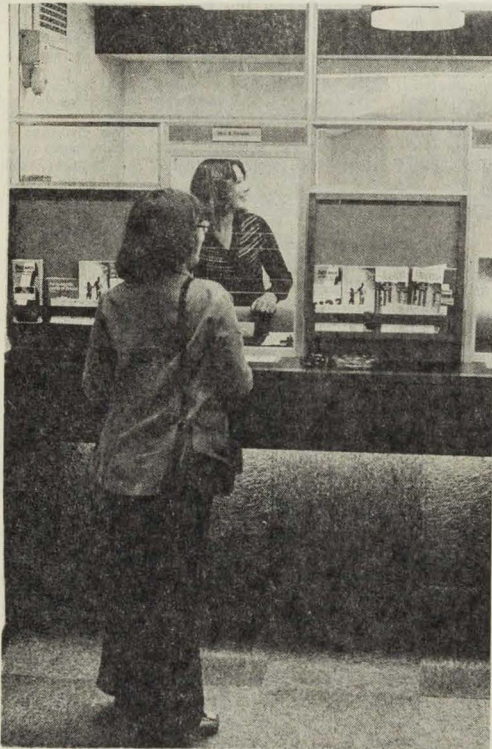
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Lloyds Bank already have a branch outside the main entrance to the University in Woodhouse Lane, but customers will be quite free to use whichever of the two branches they find most convenient. If you have an account with a bank other than Lloyds, arrangements can be made to enable you to cash cheques in the University Union branch.

The Union branch manager, Mike Hartigan, will be delighted to meet you to discuss your banking arrangements, and help with any questions or queries you may have.

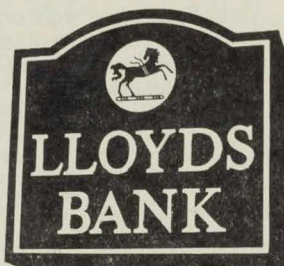
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Mr A. B. Hampton, Regional Chairman of Lloyds hands over the new branch to manager Mike Hartigan



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Banking (cont)

Barclays, whilst attracting a large number of overseas students' accounts, generally suffer from the long standing NUS boycott of their bank.

Their interests in South Africa are well-known, and new customers usually encounter a picket of the local branch at the start of session.

The smaller banks — Trustee, Yorkshire, William and Glyn's and the Co-op — freely admit to being unable to compete with the clearing banks. "We offer no carrots", says Peter Whittaker of the Trustee, "just a good service and lower charges."

Yorkshire Bank, which has just opened a new branch in Upper Albion Street, near the Poly, offers later opening hours. On Thursdays, most of their 20 branches in the city remain open 4.30 pm - 6 pm. And some open 5 pm - 6.30 pm on Fridays.

The Co-op has only 50 branches nationwide, and only one in Leeds in (Vicar Lane, in the city centre). They have, however, over 4,000 agents in Co-op shops all over the country, and are the cheapest bank in terms of charges.

All the major banks offer help with your financial planning for the future, and will give advice on insurance, mortgages and the like if requested. They will even act as brokers in the event of you wishing to take out an insurance policy.

The general attitude of the banking world towards overdrafts is one of tolerance, providing the amount that you are overdrawn is within reason. Because you are a student, and in all probability will stay with your particular bank when going into professional life, the banks will do all in their power to keep you happy.

Making a policy decision

by John Hodgson and Roger Cotterill

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This fact is not lost on insurance companies. Doubtless you will have already been bombarded with leaflets from them. Some brokers even plant canvassers on the campus.

These people who turn up on your doorstep uninvited are not always genuine, so you should ask yourself the following questions:

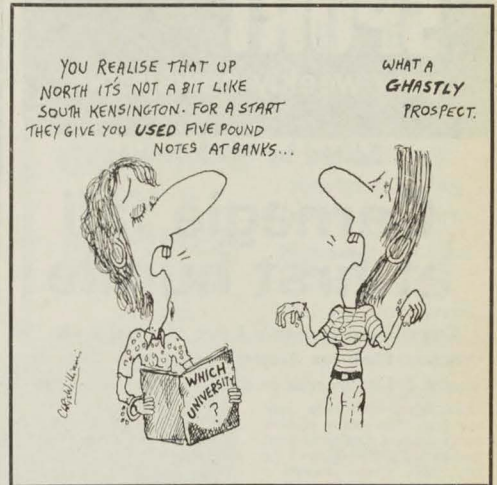
★ If the salesman says he's connected with the National Union of Students, does he have an NUS I.D. card.

★ Does he deal with all aspects of insurance? If he deals in only one area, say life assurance, and can't give you information on anything else, then he is probably not a qualified broker at all.

★ Does he have an office in Leeds? If not, you may find yourself stranded should any problems arise.

★ Does he have literature from a number of firms, or does he intend to sell you a policy whatever your needs?

The first move in taking out any insurance is to seek advice from a recognised broker. Some inexperienced investors, bewildered by the insurance field, take out ever-increasing complexity of an unsuitable policy simply because they are not aware that there is a better one available.



Broker

The qualified broker can give you information on every kind of insurance, ranging from protection for your family and property, to motor insurance and life assurance. He can also help with more specialist policies such as insurance to cover wedding expenses or education costs.

Brokers are independent of all the insurance companies, so they are able to give impartial advice as to which is the best policy for you, and

which is the best company offering the most competitive rates. They also know the varying standards of service each company offers, and can tell you which is the best. Some companies are much quicker than others to pay out in the event of a claim.

All the broker's advice should be given completely free of charge. He gets his money from the company whose insurance he sells to you.

The types of insurance mainly sought by students

are motor, property and life policies.

If you're a car owner, you will be compelled by law to have your vehicle insured for third party and passenger liability. This provides cover in the event of an accident for damage done to other people's property or injuries to the passengers. It does not, however, provide cover for the insurer, or his car. To get this you need a comprehensive policy, which costs considerably more.

So far as property and possessions are concerned, students are the likeliest victims and the most often caught. Student houses standing empty during vacations are perfect targets for thieves. Last December alone, burglaries in the densely student-populated Hyde Park and Headingley areas topped the seventy mark.

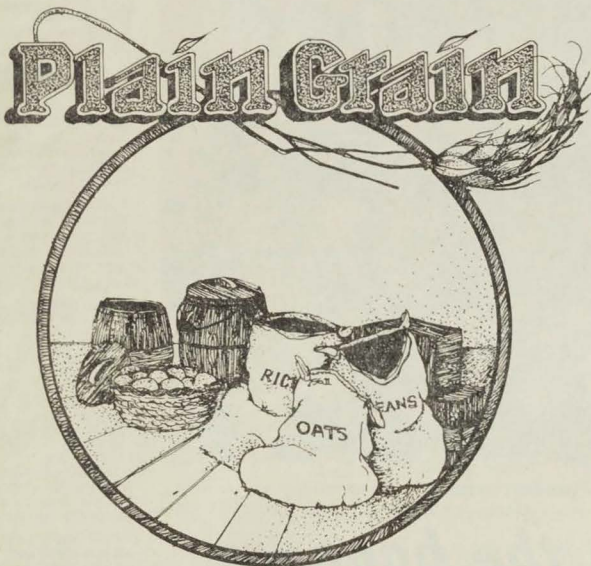
For as little as £3 you can insure your property up to the value of £500 against Fire and Theft. When taking out a policy, make sure that all thefts are covered. Some companies restrict cover to theft following forcible and violent entry.

Discount

Life Assurance is the most complicated kind of insurance so it's essential you contact a broker. If you take out a policy on your life while at college, you can get a special students' discount available through NUS, which will save you a great deal of money when you start earning. There are several schemes available from about £2 a month which will reap rich dividends later in life.

Before taking out any policy it's vital that you make sure you have told the company everything, especially the fact that you are a student. Over 10 per cent of all policies issued to students are invalid simply because the customers did not declare their status when taking out the cover.

Like everything else, insurance rates are rising (some are due to go up this month), but it never pays to try and cut corners. You'll only know the real value of your policy and the service offered by your company when you make a claim. If you have insured with a reputable firm recommended by a broker, you should have no problems.



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hand books, electrical goods, and so on. As a rule, food-stuffs are exempt.

The main clothes shops in the centre of Leeds offering concessions are: Royce (27 Albion Street, 10%); Cecil Gee 26 Commercial Street, 5%; John Graham New Briggate, 10%; and Ray Alan New Briggate 10%.

You can get discounts on sports equipment at Arthur Clues (34 Merrion Street and Ron Hurley (41 Albion Street) among others. Walkers in the Arndale Centre (Headingley) will give 10 per cent off second hand books, and Jowett and Sowry of Albion Street give 5 per cent off stationery. Cheaper albums are available from Scene and Heard on Kirkgate. Express Records in Grand Arcade, and Virgin, 20 Queen Victoria Street.

Driving instructor T. L. Taylor (61 Outland Court, Leeds 7) and the St Christopher School of Motoring offer lessons to students at reduced rates. Discounts on motor cycle and scooter repairs are to be had at Kidson Ltd. in Hunslet Lane; and if you fancy a quick rub down, the Suana Kabin in North Lane will do you one 10 per cent cheaper.

You can get a full list of establishments offering concessions in your union. Make sure you pick one up — it could save you a lot of money.

LEEDS STUDENT SPORT

your weekly newspaper

Edited by Nick Kehoe

Carnegie fall at first hurdle

Carnegie soccer team's hopes of winning the FA Amateur Challenge Trophy crashed when they were beaten 2-0 by Penrith in the first round last week.

Carnegie, who were missing four first team players, never really found their form and struggled for most of the first half. Crewe missed a chance to put the Leeds team ahead when he shot wide with only the goalkeeper to beat.

In the second half, Carnegie began to add more cohesion to their game but were unable to make any impression against a well-drilled Penrith side.

After ten minutes Penrith took the lead when their centre forward slotted the ball home after a brilliant run beating three players.

Carnegie fought hard to come back into the game but despite some good midfield work they had no real penetration.

Penrith went further ahead after 15 minutes before the end when their left winger hit a beautiful volley from the edge of the box into the top left hand corner of the net.

Leeds fought hard right until the end but failed to create

any real chances and Penrith finished the game worthy winners.

Despite their unimpressive display in the cup Carnegie have a strong team and have made a good start in the Yorkshire League winning two of their games and drawing the other.

In last Saturday's game against Witerton Rangers they fought back from 2-0 down to win 4-2.

Leeds started badly allowing Witerton to gain a 2-0 lead at half-time. In the second half, however, they fought back strongly with fast attacking football and quickly levelled the scores with goals from Davis and Sturrick.

As Witerton began to tire in the last 20 minutes Carnegie gained complete control and Sturrick scored two more goals to complete his hat-trick and give the Leeds team an easy and well deserved victory.

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GRAND SLAM

The University rugby union team returned from their North American tour the proud Winners of one of the country's major rugby tournaments.

The side won the Borderers International Rugby Tournament held at Windsor, Ontario without conceding a single point. They are the only team ever to do so in the history of the tournament.

Thirty two teams divided into eight groups of four took part in the competition.

These eight mini-leagues produced eight quarter-finalists and the rest of the competition was then decided on a knock-out basis.

by Chris Hall

Each side had 15 players and the games lasted for 15 minutes each way.

Despite being nervous before the start the team played beyond their wildest expectations and coasted through.

It was the team's superior tactical strength that enabled them to triumph over the opposition. There had been heavy rain before the tournament and the English were

able to adapt to the wet conditions much better than their opponents.

Before the major competition they played a number of 'warm up' friendlies against teams in Ontario.

Leeds won their first game against the Borderers RFC by an easy 27-0.

Tindle got two of the tries and Sparrow kicked two superb conversions. It was a scrappy game, however, with the team showing lack of fitness and speed as a result of their four months lay-off.

Their next opponents, South West Ontario, proved to be a stronger test but they too were beaten quite comfortably 7-9. Leeds played some very good rugby in

spells and were obviously improving with the match practice.

After their success in the tournament, for which they won a handsome cup and individual medals, the team moved on into Indiana and Indianapolis. They played a series of successful friendlies and experienced their first and only defeat.

They lost 16-18 to a very strong Columbus area side. Columbus grabbed an early lead and though the Leeds team fought hard for the whole of the match they could not win it back.

The American tour was a great success and helped to get the team into match fitness for the coming season.

The club travelled from Ontario through Indianapolis into Ohio and sometimes found themselves being treated as celebrities.

Televised

When they were preparing for the game against the Borderers the local television company filmed them training and interviewed captain Neil Robinson.

Arriving in Windsor for the beginning of the tournament they were met by the mayor and taken on a conducted tour of the city.

There was, however, one tragic moment. Captain Neil Robinson had to be carried off the field with a badly broken leg in the game against South Bend.

Neil had to spend six days in hospital at an estimated cost of 1500 dollars, which was fortunately covered by insurance.

Rugby is gaining popularity rapidly in America and is second only to soccer as the favourite non-American sport.

All the teams have great enthusiasm and are exceedingly keen to learn. From this aspect of the tour by the English club was considered almost as a favour.

Hospitality

The side stayed in the homes of their opponents and were treated with perfect hospitality.

Although the team thoroughly enjoyed the rough the tour was equally memorable for the active social life they were able to lead.

And there were numerous parties, including the one after the final of the tournament when the team won the Tournament Song Festival.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Leeds University 18

Flint Rogues 0

Leeds University 25

Peterborough 0

League

Leeds University 3

Whitmarsh 0

Leeds University 4

Columbus 0

Quarter-final

Leeds University 9

Doylestown 0

Semi-final

Leeds University 13

Michigan State 0

Final



Members of the University Union rugby team who toured America

Chasing the honours

Teams from all three big Leeds colleges are aiming to pull off the major honours in their respective competitions this year.

Last season teams from the University, Polytechnic and Carnegie figured prominently in league and cup finals and are expected to do even better this year.

The University are pinning their hopes on the rugby union club who reached the semi-finals of the UAU championships last season. This year with most of their senior players like Olrey and Durigen still in the side they could well bring the cup back to Leeds for the first time in three years.

The ladies hockey team will be hoping to repeat their performance of last season when they won the WIVAB tournament. However, many of their best players have now left and they will have to rely very much on new players.

Also searching for new talent will be the ladies table-tennis team who have lost their star individual Val Duffin. Val was captain of the first team for three years during which time she led them



Lost table-tennis star Val Duffin

to three successive WIVAB championships.

At the Poly the rugby union side will be aiming to go one better than last year when they lost by a single point to Lancaster in the final of the British Polytechnic championship.

Trophy

For the first time the team will also be chasing the Yorkshire Silver Trophy in which they will be competing against non-college sides.

The men's hockey and soccer teams are hoping to consolidate and improve on

last seasons record when they both reached the quarter finals of the BPSA championships.

At Carnegie the ladies hockey team aim to maintain their position at the top of the table in the Yorkshire League which they won last year. They face stiff competition from the Poly, however, who finished runners-up to them and are eager to get revenge.

The soccer team intend to compensate for their disappointing performances in the Amateur Challenge Trophy by carrying off the British Colleges Cup, which they have won three times during the last six years.