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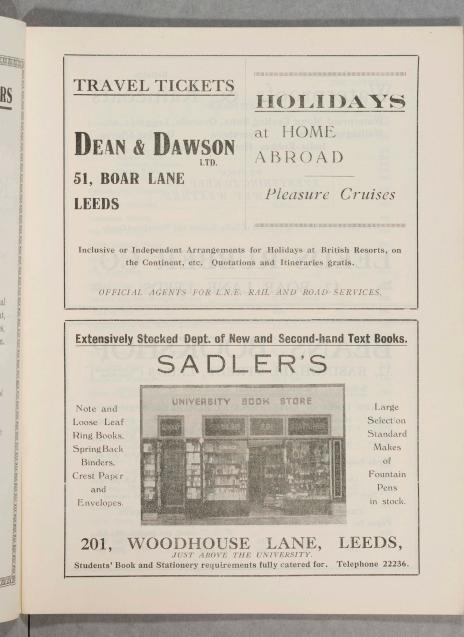
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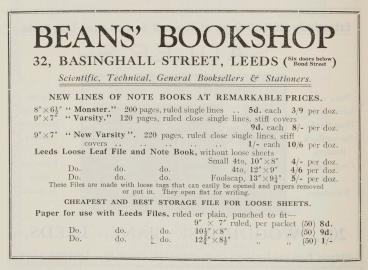
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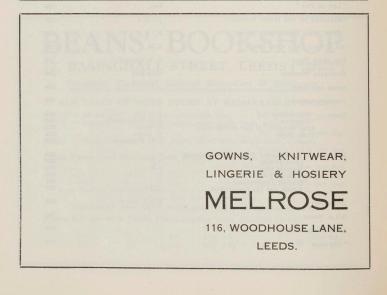
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Editorial.

A ND so another year is drawing to a close ! It seems but yesterday that we were talking of beginnings—of new faces and fresh activities as the academic year dawned. Some of us were coming to Leeds for the first time and others for the last, but with all there was the intention to build—or renew—a solid foundation for our post-University work. And almost before these good resolutions could be put into practice, the end of the year has come and has found us perhaps unprepared and, at least, with half our intentions unfulfilled.

Vet in spite of all broken resolutions, in spite of disappointed hopes, the year 1931-32 may be described in the words of "1066 and All That" as a "good thing." From the material point of view we have seen the extension scheme casting out its tentacles in all directions. The new Physics building has given fresh inspiration to that Department, while the chemists have watched daily the walls of their future home rising to a majestic height. And even the hearts of the Arts students—doomed apparently to be housed for so long in the ancient interior of the original buildings—are lightened by the sight of preliminary work on the magnificent Brotherton Library, which will be completed before many present students go down. Down at the Medical School the new Pathological Institute will be ready next term and will enable that valuable branch of the University to be extended. In the building line, at least, great progress has been made.

But, as we said at the beginning of the session, a University is more than mere brick and mortar-or, as we should say in these modern times, steel and concrete. This past year will only have been a "good thing " in so far as those who compose the University have been successful in all branches of its activities. From the academic point of view, the list of examination results will reveal our success or failure. On the sports field we have not quite reached the standard attained last year, but "the game's the thing " and Leeds has maintained its reputation for good, clean sport. That knowledge must be our consolation for lost cups and Socially, the year has also been successful, although many championships. Secretaries will fully endorse the general appeal for new Union Buildings wherein their Societies may disport themselves to better advantage. The Annual General Meeting of the Union provided the most hopeful feature of the session ; the maintenance of the wonderful esprit-de-corps displayed there cannot fail to have beneficial results on the corporate life of the University if only it is put into practice.

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And what of the future? To those who are going down this year, we would offer our most sincere wishes for a successful and prosperous career in which we trust the influence of this University will play its due and proper part. We would remind them of their continued membership of the University even although their new life may take them to the ends of the world. By joining the Old Students' Association, they will be able to make their link with the University real and living through its various branches and activities.

To those who are left behind in Leeds we would appeal for fresh and more determined efforts. We are still in the foundation stage and there is a glorious chance for the students of to-day to build up what will be a fine tradition in the future. There is that new Union Building to be constructed, some of those lost Christie Championships to be won back, the standard of debating has got to be improved, general Union activities must be supported much better than they have been in the past—and of course there is always some scholastic prize before us that has to be won if we are to justify our existence in the University.

And so as we leave the editorial chair, we would again run the risk of sermonizing and repeat the words of our opening article last September, which applies equally to those who are going out into the world and to those who remain within the University for another new session :

> "'Tis not in mortals to command success But we'll do more, Sempronius—we'll deserve it."

Notes and Comments.

Thank You !

It would be lack of courtesy to retire from the editorial chair without thanking all those who have helped in the production of *The Gryphon* during the past year. It would be impossible to thank them all personally, but we hope that this brief note will serve for the really deep gratitude we feel to every individual helper.

Men versus Women.

As a Thursday afternoon was chosen for the fixture—probably in the sure and certain knowledge that lectures and lab. work would keep away any would-be spectators—we feel that it is our bounden duty to call the attention of the University as a whole to the fact that the "weaker sex" has at last proved the falsity of this appellation by defeating the President's Eleven at hockey in the closing week of last term. Admitted that the men, by dint of many tactics quite alien to this game, although inseparately associated with more robust sports, beat the women at lacrosse, but that failure at hockey has placed the women on a pedestal from which they can only be removed by defeating them, so to speak, "at their own game."

O.S.A. News.

For some time it has been felt that more prominence should be given in *The Gryphon* to News of Old Students, since it must be remembered that it is the official journal of the O.S.A. as well as the University. Present students—who will shortly, of course, join the O.S.A. themselves—will agree that Old Students are worthy of a larger share in this magazine than has been given in the past. It is proposed, therefore, to fix the position of the O.S.A. News by placing it always immediately before the Union and other Notes, marked off from the other contents by a distinctive heading. But it will be impossible to make this

feature more prominent without the co-operation of all Old Students. We would appeal, therefore, firstly for designs for a suitable heading, and secondly for a continuous supply of news and articles likely to be of interest to those who have left the University. Designs for a block for the heading and all contributions to the feature should be submitted to the O.S.A. Editor, The University, Leeds.

Competition Result.

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In our Competition for the best humorous and serious articles submitted for this issue of *The Gryphon*, prizes of one guinea each have been awarded to Miss R. E. Speight (Education 1926-27) for "The Open Road" and Mr. K. M. Monkman (Chemistry) for "All's Well that Ends Swell."

Another " Gryphon " Poet.

Despite much criticism, Gryphon poets seem to go on from strength to strength. Mr. Rayner Heppenstall, who has contributed much verse to these pages in the past, is to issue in June a book of poems, "Patins," published by the Literary Guild. He is an English student in his third year.

Semper Labor.

Vacations come, vacations go, but work goes on for ever. Anyway, that is the impression gathered from the appearance of the library during the Easter break. If the number of hours put in is any criterion, then we are assured of an unusual number of brilliant results in June.

University Colours Abroad.

Perhaps because they are so familiar, the University colours do not cause much comment in Leeds. This, however, is not the case elsewhere. Two students, who are at present in the south of France, ventured to attend an air pageant in all the glory of their blazers. This caused such a sensation that the pageant was completely outdone as a spectacle of interest!

Universities' Congress at Oxford.

THE Universities' Annual Congress was held at Oxford during the Easter Vacation under the auspices of the National Union of Students. The 150 students present from the Universities of Great Britain, Ireland and the Continent were housed in New and Somerville Colleges.

The discussions on "The Future of Britain" could have had no more inspiring background than that which the Colleges of Oxford gave in the beauty and screnity of their setting. The names of the speakers, notable among whom were Dr. Delishe Burns, Sir Arthur Salter, Sir Arthur Keith, Sir Nigel Playfair and others, each leaders in their own sphere of life, alone will suffice to show how ably the discussions were led. Nor was that the only attractive part of the Congress; the river, the excursions, the dance, all added renewed zest and one left Oxford having made many friends and with a realisation that in each walk of life, whether economic, political or otherwise, a turning point had been reached.

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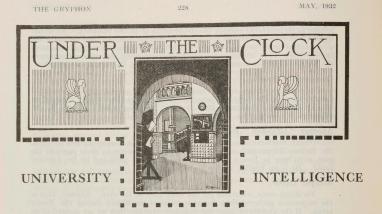
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New Professor of Philosophy.

The Council of the University of Leeds has elected Professor J. W. Harvey, M.A., to the Chair of Philosophy in succession to Professor C. M. Gillepsie, who retires at the end of the present session. Professor Harvey, who at present occupies the Chair of Philosophy at Armstrong College, was educated at Bootham School, York, at Rugby and at Balliol College, Oxford. He took a first class in Classical Honour Moderations in 1909 and a First Class in the Final Lit. Hum. in 1911, being admitted to the M.A. degree in 1914. After studying in Germany, he was appointed as Lecturer in Philosophy at Birmingham University, where he remained until 1927. In addition to a number of minor publications, articles, reviews, etc., he is responsible for a translation, with an introduction, of "Das Heilige" by Dr. Rudolf Otto.

An Anonymous Gift.

The gift of $\pounds 100$ from an anonymous donor for use in research and experimental work in connection with concrete has been gratefully received by the University Council.

Honour for Leeds Professor.

Professor F. M. Rowe, D.Sc., F.I.C., Head of the Colour Chemistry and Dyeing Department, has been awarded the Dyers' Company Gold Research Medal for 1930-31, for a series of three papers on the chemical and physical effects of kier boiling on insoluble azo colours on the fibre. This is the third occasion on which Dr. Rowe has received this Medal.

Appointment.

Mr. D. W. Roberts, tutor in Economics at Coleg, Harlech, has been appointed staff tutor at Leeds University.

East and West.

Kipling's lines about "ne'er the twain shall meet" were disproved by the friendly atmosphere existing between students of all nations at the social evening arranged by the East and West Friendship Committee and the International Society in the Great Hall at the end of last term.

Professor Gillespie.

Retirement from the Chair of Philosophy.

THE end of the present session will see the departure from the University of almost the last of the old Guard, or as it is sometimes called in affection or derision, the Old Gang. After Professors Gillespie and Seton are gone there will be, I think, but one member of the Senate left who was on the Staff of the Yorkshire College in the days before the Disruption.

My first acquaintance with Professor Gillespie was in 1891, when he came to Leeds in haste to take up the teaching of Greek and Philosophy (if there was any), and invaded my room in 13, Beech Grove Terrace, now the Union Office, to borrow books with which to begin work next morning. After that for some years he occupied rooms in No. 13, where Professor Rogers also was lodging, and naturally I saw a great deal of him. He was an eager youth, keen to work, with a healthy appetite for social functions and other frivolities, and a variety of hobbies, one of which was photography, a pursuit which he still follows with, I doubt not, his youthful son for a victim. One of his exploits was to produce a composite photograph of himself and his fellow lodgers. The result was interesting and deplorable.

From the first, and throughout his career, Professor Gillespie was devoted to his students and the teaching of his subjects. In those days the business of the Federal University was transacted at Manchester, and he and I used to go together to the meetings. On one occasion I remember that I was bringing over the results of the examinations, which I used to announce to an anxious throng in College Road, as it was then called, and we discovered an error in the addition of the marks which put one of his men in the Second Division instead of the First. He promptly took an early train to Manchester next morning and had the matter put right. (I think the man concerned always had a lurking notion that there was something hanky panky and underhand about the business, but there wasn't). He has always held that whatever the true functions of a University may be, one of them is to teach, and he did his share. At one time he was actually engaged in class teaching between twenty and twenty-five hours a week. We often discussed problems and methods of teaching together. He was not content to follow the beaten track, but devised methods of his own. In logic it was his habit to train his students to reason correctly by setting them to detect the fallacies of others, and many of his illustrations were drawn, as might have been suspected, from the political platform and the daily newspaper.

Outside the class room he has always shown his interest in the affairs of students. As Staff Representative on the Union Committee for many years he gave them the benefit of his experience and judgment, and from its beginning he has been prominently identified with the O.S.A. as Chairman of Committee and in other ways.

By his colleagues on the Senate and the Board of Faculty his value has long been recognised. His many years' experience and ripe judgment have given him a title to be heard, especially when new departures are contemplated. He has always and rightly attached great importance to the maintenance of the traditions in the building up of which he has had such a share. As I look back on the many years of my association with him, one of the things that strikes me most is his good nature and readiness to undertake any job of useful work that he was asked to do, and the energy and zest, the efficiency and attention to detail, with which he would carry it through. This characteristic makes itself conspicuous when one considers his Chairmanship of the Joint Matriculation Board, together with all the work he has done for the C.O.S. and other Societies concerned with social

welfare, and as Chairman of the University Belgian Relief Committee and the Committee for dealing with grants to demobilized soldiers after the War. It will not be forgotten how for two years, during the absence of Sir Michael Sadler in India, he acted as Vice-Chancellor, and how efficiently he performed the duties of that office.

He will be greatly missed by everybody, and colleagues and students, past and present, will unite in cordially wishing him in his retirement many years of philosophic leisure in which he will be able to cultivate his garden and make a philosopher of his son.

B.M.C.

Professor Eurich.

THE following resolution has been passed by the Council with reference to Prof. F. W. Eurich, who will retire from the Chair of Forensic Medicine at the end of the present session :—The Council desires to record its appreciation of the excellent service rendered by Professor Eurich in the Chair of Forensic Medicine which he has occupied since 1908. The course of lectures has been given with unfailing regularity and with a zest which, by securing the interest and attention of students, has promoted a high standard in the subject in the professional examination. The Council desires to convey its sincere thanks to Professor Eurich and its best wishes for his health and happiness in his field of professional work.

The Long Vac. !

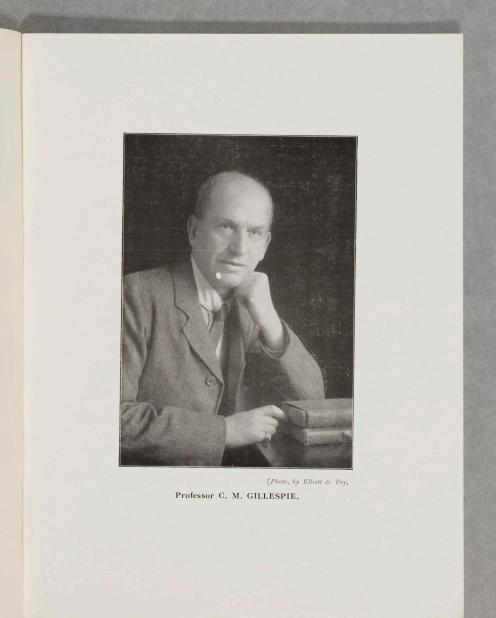
HREE months-think of it-three months, with nothing to do ! Work, you say? You may think so now; but you'll find yourself thinking rather differently in July and August and September. But you may also find yourself getting rather bored before those three months are finished ; it's a big slice of time—over a quarter of the year, nearly a hundred days (which was once nearly enough to change the world's history), and a good many other things that I'll leave to the mathematicians to work out. Well then, allow me to suggest that you make some provision against the furure. No, I'm not trying to sell insurance-I merely suggest that you guard against dullness in the vac. by undertaking some sort of "social service." It's not as bad as it sounds-the name seems so patronising, doesn't it ? In fact, even if you don't like the idea at first, try it, and you'll soon be enjoying yourself. Is there anything more enjoyable than helping others to find themselves, in whatever way? There's plenty of scope. Your local Toc H would welcome a real worker, with open arms; there are boys' clubs and unemployed clubs that are cracking up because their leaders are overworked and crying for helpers. If your bent lies that way, your Vicar could probably find plenty of work of that sort for you to try your hand. Or if you like manual work, there's the I.S.S.; or the Service Civil, which has four schemes this year, two in Wales along with other bodies, and two in Switzerland; or a rather different affair in Cleveland, near Saltburn, which really requires rather special men-you may be just the type that's needed.

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N.U.S. Summer Tours. Preliminary Arrangements for 1932.

THE Congress of the Internationale des Etudiants—an annual meeting of students from everywhere—will be held this year for the first time in Riga. For the fourteenth successive year a fortnight will be spent in talking, meeting, dancing and making friendships, some of them surprising, all of them interesting. To live for a fortnight as a continental student is an unforgettable experience, and the complete cosmopolitanism of the atmosphere is more enriching to one's experience than almost anything else can be.

The English party will sail to Riga early in August and return by rail through Berlin. The cost of the tour, lasting some three or four weeks, will probably be between f_{25} and f_{30} . An optional excursion to Leningrad and Moscow is being arranged, at an extra cost of from f_8 to f_{10} .

Elaborate arrangements have been made to celebrate the Goethe Centenary throughout Germany in the spring and summer. Festival performances of Goethe's plays are being given in the places principally associated with his life and work. A tour of some of the principal of them, such as Weimar, Erfurt and Frankfurt, would cover some of the finest parts of Germany.

Walking tours in Germany, making use of the Jugendherbergen, and touching some of the best camping country, are being arranged in co-operation with German students. It is hoped to arrange, for the first time, a walking tour in the Pyrenees.

The first N.U.S. centre in England was held during the Christman Vacation at Matlock. The experiment was extremely successful, and two other centres will be held in August. One will be in Derbyshire, the other in the South of England. Both will be in Schools. The cost will be low, and living will be of a simple standard. Tennis courts and the other kindred amenities of civilisation will be available, but a good deal of the time will be spent in hiking. The centres will be visited by a considerable number of continental students.

A Walking Tour in Scotland will last some nineteen days and will include a week's walking in the Border Hills and the Scott country, three days in Ediburgh and eight or nine days in the Highlands. It is hoped that the latter part of the tour will include walking and climbing in the Trossachs and the Macgregor Country, two days on Loch Lomond, and a day's sail from Inverary, down Loch Fyne, round the Kyles of Bute by Tighnabruaich and up the Firth of Clyde to Gourock. Use will be made so far as possible of the Scottish Youth Hostels and the whole cost of the trip, including fares from London to Moffat and back to Glasgow, will not exceed £10 or £11. The party will be restricted to a dozen in view of the limited accommodation available in the hostels.

Other tours in France and Sweden are also being considered. Further information can be obtained from the N.U.S. Secretary at Leeds, Mr. E. A. Metcalle.

Leeds University Travel, 1932.

THIS year a tour in Scotland is being arranged, details of which will shortly be placed on the notice board. It is hoped that there will be a good number who will go on this tour, as the cost will not be so prohibitive as in other years. The party will leave Leeds on Wednesday, July 6th for Edinburgh by train, after which travel will be by private motor coach. Several places of interest and beauty will be visited without rushing, and one or two days will be spent far from the madding crowd in the Highlands of Scotland. The Tour will be for eight days. Please watch the notice board for deatils.

Any student desiring particulars of oversea travel is asked to see me as I have several pamphlets relating to this matter. G. H. Foss, Travel Secretary.

The Refectory.

Improvements to be made by the Committee of Management.

HERE are few members of the University who are not interested in the Refectory either as a place of refreshment or as a subject of controversy. There are none who will not be glad to know that this important centre of University activity is to undergo a much needed process of re-modelling. Mrs. Beck and her staff have for many years fought a good fight against circumstances. They have been loyally supported by the great majority of their cliencs. The University owes them thanks for the excellent things they have done with inadequate resources. But an improvement in the conditions is overdue. The Committee of Management has spent much time this session in considering the problem and has been greatly helped by a number of regular users of the Refectory who have given first hand information with regard to present difficulties. Their representations, all of which have been offered in a spirit of helpfulness rather than of complaint, have been most fully investigated, and the Committee finds that they can only be met satisfactorily by an enlargement and rearrangement of the premises. The Committee is hopeful that a satisfactory scheme for this purpose can be carried out during next session after the wooden hut in front of the Refectory has been vacated by the Physical Chemistry Department. The existing dining rooms are not without their good points, and the building as a whole has many happy associations for past as well as present students. It is fortunate, therefore, that there seems no need to interfere with the main structure, but merely to erect a new kitchen block in front of it. It will then be possible to clear away the group of miscellaneous cubicles in the middle of the dining rooms, leaving one long room which could be divided in two by means of a sliding partition. This work must necessarily stand over till next session, but in the meantime some improvement in the amenities is to be made during the coming Long Vacation by the provision of a new oak floor for the dining rooms.

Tyke Day, Saturday, June 25th. Rag Day, Saturday, July 2nd.

THANKS to the new publishing arrangements, it should be possible this year to attain a record sale of The Tyke, but it is hopeless to expect this unless every student is willing to do his share on June 25th. Examinations will all be over and done with by this date, so the excuse of work is not tenable. A circular will shortly be issued giving an organising scheme in the selling of Tykes, and if this is adhered to all the possible ground should be well covered. Particulars of the arrangements for Rag Day will also be published in the near future, and here again a strict adherence to the authorised plan will bring much better results than random work.

The great point—the complete co-operation of students, men and women alike—cannot be too much stressed. On this the success of both *The Tyke* and the Rag depends, and success or failure will be decided largely by the numbers who turn out. Many people, we know, are anxious to go home as soon as possible at term end, but it is the duty of all students to stay up long enough to ensure the complete success of both ventures.

Anyone sending a minimum sum of one shilling to the Editor of *The Tyke*, 1932, will receive a copy post free on June 25th. Old Students please note !

TURN OUT EARLY. TURN IN LATE.

Geneva and the Modern World.

F^{EW} have not heard of Geneva; few are more than passively interested in the developments, of primary importance in contemporary World history, which are taking place there. In Geneva, world currents of thought meet in a strange whilppool of internationalism, in which the mind may either revolve in an almost hysterical excitement, or work its way through the turbid waters into a wider and deeper stream of understanding and sympathy.

There is a certain je ne sais quoi about Geneva, something in the atmosphere which may lead the student of world affairs to dispense hot air with a foolish and irresponsible superficiality, but may send him forth with a new humility and understanding of the complexity of human life. A keen student of the modern world was heard to remark recently : " I hate Geneva ; everyone there is so international." Even such an inspired commentator on modern tendencies as Punch has noticed the evolution in Geneva of the sort of person who is so completely international that he (or more frequently she) has lost all trace of his own nationality. We would rather wish that he that is an Englishman, let him be English still, he that is a Frenchman, let him be French still, and he that is a German, let him be German still. For we are only able truly to understand the national heritage of another through a true appreciation of our own, and realising that the achievements of our own nation have been gained through the painful progress of our forefathers, we shall be better able to understand such problems as the aggressive nationalism of Germany in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries and the attitude of France in our own time,

It would be easy to be superficially philosophical in the charmed atmosphere of Oxford or Cambridge; in our own grim Leeds, the vision of most people is too deeply obscured by the depressing realities of modern industrial life ever to extend to thought at all. Our attitude to life is inevitably coloured by the circumstances of a particular social environment, itself built up through the strivings of men who have gone before us. Geneva, by the very nature of its population, part French, part German, part Italian, was influenced by widely divergent cultures, and the difference of allegiance was brought to a head during the Great War. Although most Genevese speak two or even three languages, there are War Memorials to French and German soldiers almost side by side in the town. All three peoples have contributed to the cultural life, and in the numerous Art Galleries and Museums their artistic and scientific achievement is represented with that of the numerous other nations included in a very cosmopolitan population. In religion, Geneva is associated with the hard, stern reality of Protestantism; in the Old Town one is taken back to the sixteenth century, when Calvin ruled with a sternness and vigour almost unbelievable to the twentieth century mind. The bell of the great Protestant Cathedral still rings each Sunday, but Catholic and Protestant to-day live together in the same community.

Even the cafés, so important and delightful a feature of the social life, combine the wines of France with the beers of Germany, and in the famous "Bavaria," where Chamberlain, Stresseman and Briand talked over the affairs of modern Europe, people of all nationalities may be seen; at one table, true American "whoopee" is made, while at the next a Continental professor, happily provided with a lager and a German sausage, sits down with his circle of eager students, drinking as they try to solve the problems of the world.

The tradition of Geneva as the gatherer of human achievement for the enrichment of the community is developed in the activity of the League of Nations

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and the International Labour Office. The movement towards international co-operation is undoubtedly one of the main trends of contemporary history; its ultimate aim is to ensure that national development in the modern world shall be for the benefit of the whole of mankind.

To-day nations are brought into closer contact than ever before; in our own time we have seen the effect of belief in destructive activity as the true human achievement. Our ever -increasing knowledge must be turned to reconstruction in our own time, however cruelly we may be hampered by the centuries that lie behind us. There never was an age in the world's history with richer possibilities, when all whose spirits are high and minds alive must enlarge their own range of experience and thought that they may be worthier members of a community which will ultimately, through economic necessity, be a world society. This does not ban the nationalisation of the individual; one is an Englishman still, but a thinking Englishman, entering more fully into the life of the University, the city, the nation, and through the understanding of human life there won, seeing the possibility of a New World, where through the positive achievement of the struggling individual, the striving nation, a new level of life is attained. This has been done in the community of Geneva; it must be done in the world if the industrialised civilisation of the present day is to have any end but that of the annihilation of man through his own knowledge and power.

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Let Us Pry. Reflections on Vacation.

FEW words overheard by chance always lead the thoughts of the hearer along strange paths of conjecture—a relentless search for the ultimate end of the scrap of conversation.

Such a few words came my way on Easter Monday, when, after leaving the Fulham F.C. ground, where I had revelled in eight goals for a shilling, a typical Hammersmith girl carclessly remarked: "Ernie and me are goin' to 'Amstead to-night."

I tried in vain to picture the exact relationship between this girl and her Ernie (perhaps after all "'e was 'er bruvver') and to visualise the outcome of it all—perhaps marriage complete with the usual meriment of the locality and all the "mates" of Ernie and the girl out-doing each other in hilarious, cheery (and beer-y) wishes. Perhaps a family, according to his position, and maybe at the height of ambition, a council house in the mushroom suburbs of the Metropolis. A happy-go-luckiness about everything......

Ere I could pursue this further, a fine Rolls Royce nearly put an end to all thoughts. There, seated behind a sedate chauffeur, were two calm young people; he an athletic man of about twenty-five and she a platinum blonde with scarlet lips (or should I have said "delicately made up ?").

More food for thought—first nights at the theatre, Ascot, a Mayfair wedding and a town and country house ! Family according to inclination and so perhaps happiness in a cool calculated way—but what of this staid five foot of manhood, overshadowed by a better half who enters the tram with me ? A bowler hat is worn at a strict level, the tie is black with very demure white spots, and he wears a stiff collar and carries a furled umbrella. The lady who is addressed timidly as "midear" at intervals is the counterpart of the stage "nagger "—and sniffs. Poor little hero ! He probably sets off to business at the same time each morning, lunches and works to routine, puts the cat out at nights and leads, in the exalted opinion of the onlooker, a drab, monotomous existence.

But still I might have let my thoughts run riot with the prim lady with modesty bodice opposite, the elderly gentleman with red nose and Royal Garrison Artillery tie, or the "flapper" who showed Pepsodent teeth to a delighted conductor who possibly at home is.....

But here is the "Commodore" and stalking magnificently through the ornate lounge—to stand in the 1s. 4d.'s—I turn my thoughts to "Guilty Hands." So that's that—but is it ?

As I mount the stairs I feel the all-piercing eye of the page boy who screnely, even sconfully, surveys my colours tie, the roving eye of the lady with a lamp and the quizzical review of the stiff shirted under-manager's assistant. So I am mentally undressed and the "biter is bit."

O, to see ourselves as others see us ! But would we, or could we, swallow our pride and appreciate the condemnation or supposed conclusions of others ? They're only ordinary folk !

After all, all the world is queer save thee, my reader, and me—and even "thee's a little queer."

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Character of the Happy Student.

To name the object of her scorn, the muse Reluctantly but firmly must refuse And leave it to the gentle reader's views.

When but a babe he slew with careless case The snakes of knowledge, like young Hercules, Then stormed his prep. school, an invertate foe, Armed with more lore than we shall ever know : Reduced his masters to incompetence By battring them with learned commonsense. Thence graduating, he attacked a school And taught his gasping Head the Golden Rule, Mildly rebuked his lack of learning's store, And taking courses never known before, Yet grieved because his subjects were not more.

So like an Alexander came he here, Though damned as for "a brilliant career." Now, now he wallowed in his element And studied every hour that heaven sent : Cut down his meals to minimum that he Might study with still more ferocity, Subordinating for the spirit's good All gross material, including food. Here was indeed a gesture quite sublime ! (Though some suspect he only grudged the time). No blow of fortune pierced his stout defence— He countered all with vast indifference, And hid his spleen 'neath smug beneface.

He learned there were two sexes readily, But never paused to wonder or ask why. Women, like dies, must have some useful place Else they would not be here—such was his case. Where others fell to sirren's lurings, he Strolled on in ignorant serenity. Women can cope with love or even hate— Impossible indifference to abate ! A glint would light his commonly dull eye Not when a girl, but when a prof, went by, And all the haunts that he was known sequester Were those where, undisturbed, he still could pester With rambing discourse long and erudite His patient profs., worn out but still polite. The only time he shed his aspect mild And battled like a mother for her child Was when he bore in triumph gloatingly, Poring its new-cut leaves with horrid glee, Some new addition to the library.

Of sport he'd heard, but in a twilight way, And what it was, was at a loss to say. The "thannelled fools" and "muddled oafs," by right He cast with scorn to folly's outer night: And Weetwood's greenness served (when not too muddy) But as a quiet sport for outdoor study.

Thus he obtained a First by toil and sweat, But seemingly was not contented yet, And toiled and sweated more and more till he Had pocketed M.A. and Ph.D. Heaven knows the finish of our prodigy !

Should he with this Hericc e'er be faced, He'll nought but murmur things about "good taste," Or grin a feeble, vague apology, Or vent a weak protest, "No, reelly, I—— "

But here a solemn warning I append As from a loving but discerning friend. Those who are nothing more than volume-lovers Assume a vellum look and leather covers, So that, bewildered, let him say who can Which is the book and which may be the man : Those who at study never cease to strive May earn a name, but never were alive.

J.C.K.A.

"Thou Still Unravished Bride."

NowADAYS, when working from Dewey Morn to Dewey Eve (symbolising a Refectory Dance), I come to the English Library for comfort. An hour's communion with the Symbolist, the Papist and the Journalist has a most soothing effect on even the Educationist. There a day or two ago, a friend of mine voiced a suggestion with which I had long been toying in my own mind. He suggested that each of the bays of the Library should be provided with a little shrine to the tutelary deity of the place or, at any rate, with some suitable emblem.

I should like to bring this suggestion before the notice of those in authority.

Perhaps when, in the General Library, your eye has slowly travelled from the printed page to the discretely bent head of the fair maiden (or Clark Gable man, depending on your sex, dear, gentle reader) seated opposite to you, and then to the windows giving on to the Clothworkers' Court you have remarked a sort of truncated Marsden statue. We don't want anything like that in the English Library.

Personally, I should vote for a head of Aquinas, so placed as to gaze benignantly on all incomers, because the English Library usually looks quite medieval. To appreciate the atmosphere properly, one ought to visit it at about 5-20 p.m. during the dark winter months, when it will be empty and darkling and just switch on one light so as to throw most of the shelves into a mere half-light. One can almost imagine a cowled figure bending over a huge chained folio.

The greatest difficulty would undoubtedly be experienced in dealing with the end bay, which is walled in with, on one side, modern literature, and on the other, some dusty old bound periodicals. As everyone knows, of course, one can only work on one side of the table there, viz., facing the expressionless faces of the Athenaeum. When one is at the other side of the table the eye travels from that chatty little section on i/j mutation to the Collected Poems of J. E. Flecker and—Well.

What could adorn the window recess—an Epstein bust of T. S. Eliot, a bronze head of G. M. Hopkins planning out " the Windhover," or two little statuettes of James Joyce and D. H. Lawrence comparing beards?

The English School would be stirred from its lethargy in defence of its various heroes.

The most suitable emblem for that bay of the Library which faces the curious and tragic publications of the Early English Text Society would be a Memento Mori—a skull with a peacock's feather drawn through its eyes....

I leave the fourth bay to you, dear, gentle reader, to exercise your thoughts in suggesting something for it other than a head of William Shakespeare.

Oh well-

Little attempted, Nothing done, Has carned a night's repose.

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"All's Well That Ends Swell," Shakespeare in a Modern University Setting.

LL those who use their eyes for other purposes than delivering ocillades will have noticed that the newspapers have been saving rather a lot about Shakespeare recently. We have read of the opening of a New Memorial Theatre ; we have seen pictures of it from all conceivable angles ; we have noticed many letters in the correspondence columns, written by irate persons who have probably never seen the thing, condemning the building as being too modern, instead of being built in the style of Shakespeare's age. (A thought : it would have been rather jolly to have had an open air stage and auditorium, à la seventeenth century, especially with weather à la twentieth century. Or wouldn't it ?); and so on.

Unfortunately, all this interest in one of our greatest writers is only a passing craze, and will subside when somebody else flies, crawls, or walks backwards to Australia, or elsewhere, in record time. However, while it lasted it has seriously rivalled Hollywood as a subject for conversation, and it would seem only fair, since we have already had a proposed 'Varsity film scenario, that we should give Shakespeare his due, and publish the script of a 'Varsity play as he might have written it.

Hence, as it were, the following. (Incidentally, it will be noticed that the heroine of the play only has one speech to make, and that consisting of only two words. This, while it may not be true to life, is certainly a refreshing change).

"ALL'S WELL THAT ENDS SWELL." A Play, in Three Acts.

By WILLIAM ("BILL") SHAKESPEARE.

Dramatis Personae :-

STANISLAUS, hero; SIGISMUND, villain; VERDIGRIS, friend of Stanislaus ; VANILLA, heroine.

Several Serving Maids, Varlets, Rascals, Wenches, Students, etc.

ACT I.

An Eating-house. Several varlets, rascals, wenches, fair and otherwise, are partaking of a mid-day meal. There are also several serving-maids.

Enter SIGISMUND and STANISLAUS.

STAN. :

How now, Mistress? What's to do?

MAID :

Alack-a-day, good sirs, we are run short. In short, sirs, there is naught in the way of meat, except a little roast beef (cold), with beet.

Go to, thou saucy old cod's-head. Must we, Who are compell'd by circumstance unkind To work in some dim-reeking lab. till now, The time being just gone one-o'clock. Must we, I say, be so ill-served as this? Cold meat ! Unkindest cut of all-the very name doth rouse Dim thoughts of fest'ring bones in some dim charnel-house,

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MAID :	What's in a name? That which we call cold meat, By any other name would smell as sweet !	
STAN. :	Come, gentle Sig., let's cease these follies, We'll go to Schofield's, Field's, or Polly's.	
SIG. :	Alas! good Stanislaus, I fear me, no. To-morrow, and to-morrow, and to-morrow Creeps in this petty pace from day to day, Yet am I bound to stay and stick it. Stone walls do not my prison make, but a term-ticket.	
Stan. :	Alas! poor fool! I for mine own content Will get me hence, and leave you to repent At leisure. Farewell, good Sigsimund. But stay: what sweetly-pleasing girl is this? Sat on the left, with locks like finest gold. It seems she hangs upon the check of day	
	Like a rich jewel in an Ethiop's ear. Did my heart love till now? Forswear it. Nay, For I ne'er saw true beauty till this day.	
Sig. :	'Tis passing strange, I know her not. Perchance She is but late arrived. Her lily brow Is yet unspoilt, by reason of much study. I'll warrant she's a Fresher.	
Stan. :	'Sblood! I am struck hard. I will not rest Till I discover more concerning her. But first I'll sit where I may feast mine eyes And drink a cup of ale.	
	ACT II.	
	Scene I.	
A public	place. Enter a crowd of Students.	
1st Stud. :	An't please you, sir, I crave some good advice I have, by rights, a lecture to attend, But I am weary, and do wish instead	

2nd STUD. :

Nay I know not. For some say Greta Garbo is the goods, While some praise Clara Bow. The fault, dear friend, According to my own idea of it, Lies not in the stars themselves, but in their voices That they are nasal, and I like it not.

To buy some entertainment. Tell me, sir, which flick

1st	STUD. :	I will enquire elsewhere. I pray you sign	
		My name upon the list when you, being virtuous,	
		Go to the Hall of Lectures.	

2nd STUD. : I will."

Exeunt.

Enter severally, STANISLAUS and VERDIGRIS.

Is best recommended?

STAN. : Good friend, did you see a wench pass this way?

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VERD. :

VERD. :	I did not.
STAN. :	Ye gods !

gods! There are strange things afoot. I did but for a moment take mine eyes Off her sweet form, and now she's gone. 'Tis strange--Strange indeed, but many things were stranger. For some do say that near this very spot There is a new-built lab, wherein strange sights Are seen. The floors so finely polished are That men may scarce stand up, and chairs possess Unnatural powers. And some do say a switch, Being merely press'd, will change day into night, Or vice versa, with loud, rumbling sounds." Believe me, Stanislaus, that these are things Which Art Students in their philosophies Dream not of. Aye, and some do even say In days to come new Buildings will arise, Wherein the Union Rooms will have their place And where e'en stranger things will be; but there, I've heard it said 'tis but an idle tale Told by an architect, full of sound and glory, Signifying nothing.

STAN. :

I care not for these thoughts, dear Verdigris, Now, having lost the chase, I will repair Unto some shady place where I may sit And, armèd with a pin, the fates being kind, May prick out from the list the first horse in the Derby Whereby, the odds being good, I shall amass much gold. I have a date myself. Farewell. [Execut.]

VERD. :

SCENE II.

A secret place. Enter STANISLAUS.

STAN. :

Behind yon tree would seem to be the place Where I'll the fates foretell. Now let me see, Is not the page turned down where I did find The list of running horses. Here it is. Now let the fates be kind : speak, pin, for me !

(Enter SIGISMUND, furtively).

SIG. :

'Tis true : she is a sweetly-pleasing wench. Methinks I must soon hide me 'gainst some bench On Woodhouse Moor. Then, with the set of sun, Perchance she'll wend her way, her work being done, Back to those strange halls which men call Oxley, And Weet. Thus will I patiently attend Her coming ; and, stealing a march on friend, Stanislaus, claim her for mine own.

Enter STANISLAUS, from behind tree.

STAN. :

Et tu, you brute? Ye gods! Oh woe is me! That I should find out such a traitor friend.

Exit.

Yet I'll outwit him still. Where is my sword? Where is my pike ? My halberd, and my bow ? E'en tho' I swing for it, I'll lay him low. The dirty dog.

ACT III.

Night. A blasted heath. Thunder and lightning. Alarums and excursions.

Enter SIGISMUND. SIG. : Methinks this is the very place Wherein my object will be best performed. See how the elements have so conspired Together, so to drown all noise or shout Which she may make. But soft ! Who cometh here. Enter an APPARITION, unsteadily. This but some fool, a reveller perchance, Who plods his way to some far Hostel bed. There are many such. He'll not disturb me. 'Tis good, he fears me not, APP.(aside). For little does he think that this foul garb Conceals his erstwhile friend, I, Stanislaus, Exit. Who will outwit him yet. Enter VANILLA, daintily. Ho! Halt, fair maid, at last I have thee in my power. SIG. : VANILLA shrieks. Enter STANISLAUS, hurriedly. [They fight and SIG. falls. Turn, hell hound, turn ! STAN. : [Dies, in agony. Thwarted ! VAN. : My hero ! I only did what any man should do. STAN. : See where the sun, my love, with envious streaks Doth lace the severing clouds in yonder east : Night's candles are burnt out. Ring out, you Bells Ring out ! This is our wedding day.

[Exeunt, arm-in-arm. A sound of birds singing afar off.

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[Exit, fuming.

The Open Road.

 $\prod_{i=1}^{T} T_i \text{ is good to be out on the road, and going one knows not where," sang the Poet Laureate, whilst R.L.S. talked of the "broad road that stretches, and the roadside fire." Alas! the only "roadside fire." I see nowadays, is the watchman's brazier, and the "broad road that stretches" is in constant throes of being stretched still broader.$

Perhaps the poets spoke more truly than they knew, for it is certain that if cne is walking on the road in these days, "one knows not where" the next step will be, since gymnastics seem the only possible mode of progression, it one wants to dodge the traffic. Of course, one ought not to grumble, since it is a cheap and easy way of keeping fit and agile, though I am not sure how long one can keep heart disease at bay.

For four years, I travelled on a certain road two or three times a week, in the very heart of England. It must have been a paradise long ago, and one could imagine Shakespeare strolling along what must then have been a "leafy lane," between deep hedges of wild roses and honeysuckle, with wide meadows on each side, whence larks soared into the sky. It is a pretty road yet, in spite of the trimming and pruning it has undergone. There are cut-back hedges that still dare to flaunt hawthorn in May, and a wild rose or two in June, but alas for the larks! They haven't the ghost of a chance. When big drums are thundering, the little flute is drowned.

The road surface is smooth tarmac, where, incessantly, motors tear along, 'buses roar by, motor lorries lumber past, and motor bicycles gasp and chug on their way to the Midland capital. For scancely a single day in the whole four years, was that road intact, for the distance of five and a half miles that I travelled. Some part or other was "up." For six months, the hill was in a state of siege, because semi-circular sets were being laid to prevent skidding. The hill was safely finished, when a huge reservoir scheme brought half the road up, so that enormous drain pipes could be laid to the nearest town—and then, the road was up once more, for electric cables.

The result was picturesque at night—red lamps twinkling along the dusky highway, like so many rubies—but it was far from picturesque to come to grips with mounds of thrown-up earth, piles of planks without warning lights, and stones and rubble where you expect a mere earth-causeway. The "open road" is open with a vengeance, and you are lucky if you don't drop into bits of it !

That is not the least of the horrors of the modern road. You literally cannot hear yourself speak for more than two or three consecutive minutes. Forty motors whizing by in three minutes is no exaggeration. Mere specks in the distance approach. They rush past with a whirring swish, and they are not out of hearing, when more whizzes and rushes swoop down on you, and your ears are tired, and eyes and brain dizzy with the unceasing whirl—to say nothing of the choking dust.

Imagine then, this "open road" with one-way traffic along sections of it, because of repairs, reservoirs and electric schemes. This particular corporation has a sense of humour, for they post "DANGER" signs in bright red, and some yards farther on, a poster planted squarely in the road, cheerfully reminds you "WE HAVE WARNED YOU!" After that it's on your own head (in more ways than one) if you upset yourself in the middle of the road. In the daytime you walk along, picking your way delicately, like a hen looking for grit, and you are too occupied with your feet to notice whether or not the sky is blue. You are too deafened by the thunder of hard tyres, and the "honk-honk" of horns, to hear any birds that might be trying to sing—but then very few birds stay within hailing distance of the road nowadays.

At night it is even worse ! In addition to the noise, you have to face blinding headlights that bear down on you like Spanish galleons, out of the dense dark. It is impossible to see where you are walking, with searching headlamps dazzling your eyes, and there is every possibility of your stepping into the road, in front of overtaking traffic. Only those who have tried walking on a dark country road will appreciate these remarks. And this, please remember, is a real "country road" not a crowded city street, with well-lighted pavements. It is the road that Masefield and Stevenson describe, but the modern eraze for speed has cut away the soft green turf borders, and shorn the lovely hedges to regulation height, for it is "Safety-first," not beauty, that matters now. What if the hedgerow blossoms are fast disappearing, so long as the speed hog can cut the corners on two side wheels, without risking his neck ! We have still Kew Gardens, if we want to see a few flowers.

Some people will say this is all exaggeration, but it is a sad fact that our English hedges are not such a riot of wild roses and honeysuckle, or a tangle of sweetbriar and traveller's joy, as they used to be. Petrol fumes are not exactly encouraging for blossoms. Some bye-lanes are certainly as gay as in Shakespeare's day, but they are mostly lanes not marked on the Ordnance Map.

This is not a tirade against cars, because motoring can be a most delightful source of enjoyment, but it is a great pity that there is so much noise and dust, so many scarlet and cobalt petrol pumps, and such repeated upheavals of roads. Many of the disfiguring objects could be buried without decreasing their efficiency. There would be a great outry if Corporations laid their drain pipes above ground, so why shouldn't other unsightly things be hidden below ground? If only we could bury the noise as well! The inventor who discovers a silencer for all machinery will confer a greater boon on humanity than the man who succeeds in driving a car or boat a little faster than anyone else. The cost of burying ugly objects, and of fixing silencers, would be more than paid for in the rest secured for farged nerves.....and we should, one and all, have a chance of inding out what the song of a lark or a thrush is really like !

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Mountain Worship.

(Extract from a learned journal of 2,500 A.D.).

T is said that in the olden days there were those who worshipped mountains. There were many such believers at the then newly-established University of Leeds, and their faith is said to have manifested itself in many ways. There were those who carried their belief and worship almost to an extreme, lowering themselves to the level of animals, scrambling up the rock faces for sheer lust of conquest. There were both male and female devotees of this folly, and their belief is best illustrated by their name, the Goats.

But perhaps the greatest example of this mountain worship was the great pilgrimage made each year to the mountain of Ingleborough by the stone worshippers. It is interesting to note the sanctity and importance of the hill from the earliest times. Here, in those days, still remained the earthworks of still more primitive men than the stone worshippers.

Many and strange are the stories about this great annual pilgrimage. The worshippers were carried from the ancient university city in conveyances without wings, slowly moving but richly ornamented. These "charabancs," as they were called, were driven by a mysterious substance which the stone worshippers obtained from the ground by almost magical means.

On reaching Craven there took place a mystical ceremony, the exact significance of which has not yet been satisfactorily determined. This was the crossing on foot of a mountain torrent by the entire party of men and women. Whether this was a heathen baptism to this ceremony of hill worship it is difficult to say. Professor Knownowt, however, suggests that its origin was much more prosaic, being merely the evasion of some creatures which guarded the portals of the sacred hill and demanded tribute of all who passed that way. Such a view, however, remains to be proved.

After crossing the stream, the party proceeded in the peculiar clothing worn for this great event, to a great waterfall—Thornton Force. Here they celebrated and toasted the spirit of the waters by a great banquet and some washed their feet again in the holy stream.

Now the real ascent up the sacred mountain began. Only the hardiest of stone-worshippers had the strength to assail that white-capped peak. Many were the groans and mutterings of the feeble-hearted, and many of them found it necessary to rest by the wayside. Up cliff they scrambled, through swamp they plunged—but ever onward. There was one—the leader of the pilgrims and a renowned stone worshipper—who made the pilgrimage every year, not so much because of his reverence for the mountain as for his unflinching sense of duty as leader of the pilgrims.

Great was the honour to the first pilgrim to achieve the summit and he received the plaudits and wonder of his fellows. It is further said that on reaching the summit the afore-mentioned leader made an historic remark which symbolised the striving of the climbers and their ultimate triumph in words as follows: "My fortune for a bottle of Tetley's!" The meaning of the phrase is lost in the mists of antiquity, but is held to be that he was prepared to sacrifice all for the honour and glory of the stone-worship. Professor Dolittle identifies Tetley with a revered supporter of the ancient University, but the connection with the passage is somewhat obscure.

The ascent being complete, the party now descended the mountain to the strains of ancient melodies, waving in the air vividly-coloured scarves and caps, rejoicing in their triumph.

The day was ended with a great banquet at a famous hostelry at the foot of the mountain and, when recovered from their trials and rejoicings, the pilgrims returned in state to their ancient University.

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"Life," said the student of Gothic (as he committed suicide on receiving back his test paper) " is a paradigm : it has different endings in different cases."

(U.C.M.).

Rhyme.

Little girl, on roof so high, Thought she'd like to try to fly. Mother said, "You should have seen her— We'd to use a vacuum cleaner.

(G.U.M.).

A University.

Land of Hope and Glory Diploma and Degree, Some are here for one year And some are here for three. Wider still and wider Does our first year get; Brighter still and brighter May they be brighter yet!

The Old Problem.

Q. What is mind? A. No matter. Q. What is matter? A. Never mind.

Prof. L. WOOLF.

Mad Ballads.

Things are arranged In the strangest way A horse can't whistle And a cat can't bray.

An 'owl can't swim, Nor an earwig sing— Yet YOU are the most Extraordinary thing. It suddenly struck me That walking was queer, Left leg—the right leg— You're no longer here!

Then what of the rabbit? Quick loppity-lop, Compared with a fish's Peculiar flop. (C.I.A. in *The Serpent*).

Bars for Students.

A Leeds lecturer, annoyed by the late arrival of certain students, threatened to "procure a lock and key" to bar their tardy entrance. We are sure they wouldn't mind !

A Come-down.

A member of the History Department, at a lecture the other day, talked of a man's reputation "coming down through history." Ours usually do in a lifetime.

In a University Car.

This is the place where such as I, To change averse, would wish to die, Assured that when they were no more Their fun'ral ride could not be slower.

(G.U.M.).

(G.U.M.).

Rhyme.

New stroke :

Poor bloke.

Swimming lesson,

Gurgling sound-

Cutting.

In Vivisection Lots believe, But—bear in mind—it Gave us Eve !

(THE RAM).

A Word to Women Undergraduates.

Dress well, sweet maid, and let who will be clever; Dance, flirt and sing ! Don't study all day long; Or else you'll find the other girls get married, While you—sing a different song.

(THE RAM).

Quatrain.

I'd like to be a college boy And live a life of ease, For even when he graduates He does it by degrees.

(G.U.M.).

One lecturer demands silence during the calling of the register. Well, after all, that's the part of the lecture worth listening to !

A certain young gentleman who shall be nameless, after gazing long and earnestly at the Union Committee photographs for 17—, swore that he had seen one of the fair damsels walking gaily down University Road. We advise him to keep in touch with female fashions.

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(The Editor lays our columns open to all points of view, provided moderation is used in expression, but accepts no responsibility for the opinions of correspondents).

THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS.

The University, Leeds,

and the second

26th April, 1932.

To the Editor of The Gryphon. Dear Sir,

Mr. P. J. Reddy published a very useful letter in the March issue of *The Gryphon*. I would here like to thank Mr. Reddy for doing what I had hoped would have been done earlier in the year. I very greatly appreciate his views upon the lack of interest shown by the University at large in their own Presidential Election.

I have felt for a long time that there was not enough competition for the Presidency. True enough, that Devonshire Hall has regularly put forward its candidate, not only for the position of President, but also for other offices on the Union. We must all realise that it is really impossible for a woman to hold the office of President, since many of a President's duties would be so unfitted for a woman : although it must be remembered that there is nothing in the constitution of the Union which bars a woman from holding the position of President.

Although this magazine is not the correct place to judge or criticise Devonshire Hall's attitude or method of nomination of Candidates, this attitude is very apparent, since a quarter of the votes recorded come from Devonshire Hall.

If a small community like this can take such a pride in housing Union Officials, surely the rest of the many groups could do likewise and thus ensure that the successful candidates are elected to the positions by an enthusiastic and interested Union. A Hostel person is no better than a Day-Student as far as capability is concerned, but a Hostel man is more convenient as being on the telephone.

Thus, from the above facts, I think Mr. Reddy and his follow interested Union members will see the reason for the tendency for Hostel persons to hold office. I do not say I agree with this principle, but until the Union as a whole stirs itself to action conditions cannot be altered.

As one who has been unfortunate enough to have been elected unopposed as President, may I say it is very difficult for such a person, on commencing official duties, to know whether the lack of opposition means lack of interest or total confidence on the part of the Union.

I hope this letter will not only answer Mr. Roddy's question, but also awaken a spirit of enthusiasm and patriotism in the hearts of *Gryphon* readers, and that they will realise that their inheritance of power to govern themselves will go into abeyance unless those remaining at the University set a better example to those coming up each year and put their backs into the work of keeping the Union at lourishing and self-governing body.

ours, etc.,

J. H. HALLER.

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To the Editor of The Gryphon.

Sir,

Will your readers bear with patience a word from an old student who served in the War?

It seems to me that many pople to-day are confusing cause and effect, and in generalising on War as what they call an "Institution," they convince themselves that by abolishing its symbols they can abolish the Institution. These symbols are supposed to be the uniforms, and the weapons of the immediate past. But wars took place before soldiers or uniforms existed, and when weapons were improvised from agricultural implements. It is necessary to go much deeper than this. Wars are not started by soldiers. They are started by statesmen, and finished by soldiers. War is, in fact, the liquidation of bankrupt statesmanship, and the black coat and silk hat appropriate to Whitehall and Westminster are more truly symbolic of be cause of War than are the uniforms of the Army. It would be, therefore, more logical to ban the back coat from the Armistice Ceremony. Much depends, of course, on what we mean by this Ceremony. Is it to commemorate

- (1) the sacrifice of our fellows in what they felt to be their duty, or
- (2) the termination of a dangerous and unpleasant episode for the people at home, or
- (3) a set of political changes whose advantage is not so far very obvious, arising out of the War, and called, euphemistically, Peace ?

To the men who served, of whom several millions are still living, and in most cases strugging to recover some part of what they lost by serving, the uniforms and weapons, and above all the heart-searching notes of the bugle, are the symbols of that comradeship in sacrifice which is their one sacred memory of the War period.

Your correspondents, of both sexes, are entirely wrong in confusing these things with the lust of domination which, combined with political incompetence, has caused the recurrence of wars through the ages, and will continue to cause them until mankind learns to choose its rulers with more discrimination.

Yours, etc.,

F. L. WATSON.

[As plenty of opportunity has been given for the expression of all shades of opinion on this subject, this correspondence is now closed.—EDITOR].

THE OVERSEAS STUDENT PROBLEM.

THE MEDICAL SCHOOL,

LEEDS.

To the Editor of The Gryphon. Dear Sir,

Never has there been greater need for sympathetic understanding between nations than at the present time, and a satisfactry solution to the problems that stand in the way of international co-operation can be achieved only by open discussions and frank exchange of views between the youths of different countries. It is during the days of collegiate life that our minds are most impressionable, and contacts between youths of different nationalities is liable to have deep psychological reactions.

The fusion of interests in art, cults and ideals, the extinction of inter-racial prejudices, and indifferent callousness born of insularity, could only be brought about by youth meeting youth on a common social basis.

The International Society of this University during its brief course of eight years has done much towards this. The relations between home and foreign students are more harmonious than in any other big University in England. Still, it leaves much to be desired. Racial prejudice exists in the University. While knowing that racial prejudice is an admission of ignorance due to lack of contact, the majority of the students take not the slightest interest in the Society, whose aims, they admit, are good, and whose existence absolutely necessary.

May I appeal through these columns to all students for suggestions regarding the ways and means of improving Inter-Collegiate relations between the youths of different nations. It would serve the cause of internationalism greatly if these suggestions reach me before the Annual Conference of the Society on June 24th, where the chief subject for discussion will be this particular problem.

Yours, etc.,

S. SUVI.

WINTER TENNIS.

To the Editor of The Gryphon.

Dear Sir,

To sympathise with the unsuccessful efforts of your correspondent is difficult when I find that no member of the tennis Club Committee has been interviewed by him. Our names appear in the Handbook ; but perhaps his enthusiasm does not extend to the purchase of one.

The rule as to the wearing of white flannels exists as a result of a request from the Vice-Chancellor, and we give it our whole-hearted support. I do not agree either that it is snobbish or stupid, and very few object to it on the grounds given, or on any others. It is impossible without it to draw a clear line between what is permissible and what is not.

The primary cause of the lack of winter tennis is the fact that the courts suffer from frost, and play is rendered impossible unless there is a mild spell to thaw them out. Mr. Jordan has the courts at Oxley fit for play whenever it is possible during the winter.

The repair of the netting around the Beech Grove courts (which are closed in any case during the winter) had already been started when your correspondent's letter was written.

Yours, etc.,

T. EMMERSON, L.U.L.T.C.

THIRTY YEARS AGO.

Weaponness, Manor Road, Cheadle Hulme,

CHESHIRE, 13th March, 1932.

To the Editor of The Gryphon, Sir,

Reading your report of the Annual General Meeting I was more then ever convinced of the truth of the French proverb "Plus ca change, plus c'est la même chose." I was a student from 1896-99 at the Yorkshire College and took an active part in the formation of the Students' Union, being a member of the Committee which drew up a draft constitution. At the request of Professor Connal I moved the resolution at a General Meeting of students that membership should be compulsory. In moving the resolution I attacked strongly students playing for outside clubs. As secretary of the Soccer I was aware the team suffered severely from this fact. Evidently the same condition of affairs prevails twenty and thirty and forty years on.

Yours truly,

C. M. WHITTAKER.

CHRISTIE BOXING.

To the Editor of The Gryphon.

Sir,

As one who went to see Leeds gain a brilliant victory in the finals of the Christie Boxing Championships, I draw attention to the deplorable conduct of the students present.

It is, or should be, understood that strict silence be maintained during each round. Shout as hard as you wish during the interval; a minute is quite ample, I am sure. Whispering, though to be deprecated, may be tolerated, but full-throated shouting as was heard on that occasion shows no understanding of the position of those in the ring who are trying to uphold the position of their, and our, University.

Again, in spite of a clear notice prohibiting smoking, the air was fetid, and smoke-laden almost before the first bout had been completed. Men boxed under conditions which were entirely opposed to the ideal.

I feel sure that much of this trouble is due to ignorance, and that with great self-control by all, boxing will take place next time under conditions more favourable to the participants. It can be done.

Yours, etc.,

J. W. WOOD.

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THE UNIVERSITY, LEEDS, February, 1932.

To the Editor of The Gryphon.

Two letters which have appeared recently in your magazine on the subject of lectures in the modern University suggest that there is something very much wrong with the system. I would suggest that this is part of a much greater evil, and in particular that it has a close connection with the comparatively low cultural tone in these Universities of which we have recently heard so many complaints.

In the first place, so far as I can find out, it is not until the student has actually entered the University that he discovers what books he is expected to make himself acquainted with in his first year's work. In this way two months, which might be devoted to at least a little work, are wasted and, what is more serious, the University fails to exercise any influence over the student before he enters its gates. He is not made to feel that he is entering upon the broad highway of knowledge, but that he is about to qualify himself for a job. This impression is likely to be strengthened when he enters upon his University life. He finds himself a stranger in a strange land—at least for a certain time. He feels he has a great deal of work to do and consequently lets sport slide. The fact that he has too many lectures to attend cannot fail to have bad effects. Lecturers are overworked and content themselves in many cases with merely repeating the text books. The student is studying perhaps five subjects, many of which he has to drop at the end of the year and with which his acquaintance is not too wide. A love of knowledge has not been inflated within the student and consequently he is only doo sthe Fresher often feel at first that he has not too much time, but the seeds of culture have not been planted within him and he often feels he has only entered "a glorified secondary school." Next year the student is to elevate most of his attention to one subject, but in how many cases, may task, is he asted to go see those responsible for the supervision of his study to discover what books he has read and advise him what books to be reading during the Long Vacation? If the goes to ask about this how often does he find that careful attention has been devoted to the problem? Let us remember, too, his family tradition is not one of learning. During the scond year things are, I admit, much better, but uninspiring lectures for the reasons already indicated are still the rule and the student lacks that individual contact by whic

Yours, etc., " X."

THE CHEMICAL SOCIETY.

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY,

THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS,

May 2nd, 1932.

To the Editor of The Gryphon. Dear Sir.

The transformation of the "Cavendish Society" into the "Chemical Society" is a step which needs explanation. During the last few years the support of the old Society has come almost entirely from the various Chemical Departments; this has necessitated a complete change in the outlook and aims of the Society. Radical alteration in the type of lecture delivered has become essential in order to meet these new demands. Before the Society was voted as a Chemical Society the type of lecture was too diverse in character to interest the Chemist wholely. This position may have led to a severance of the major support of the old Society, therefore, we were faced with the complete decay of the Cavendish Society unless the constitution were so altered as to satisfy those who most regularly gave their attendance. It was only after careful deliberation that the change was undertaken.

We deplore that a society with the ideals and aims of the Cavendish Society should not meet with the support necessary for it to continue with a general scientific programme. It should be the aim of individuals to broaden their outlook with knowledge of subjects other than their own; this can only be accomplished through the medium of a new federation of Scientific Societies. The Chemical Society is willing to co-operate in such a scheme and has offered considerable innancial help to enable this project to go forward.

Yours, etc.,

NEVILLE B. DYSON. JOHN B. M. COPPOCK.

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Vindication.

The beautiful was made to draw our love, And where it is not love can never be; The dim-draped wanderings of memory The highest only has the power to prove. Yet beauty motionless could never move The yearning which assailed the heart of me— Another heart to beat in harmony. Which loves the wordless thought all things above. These things I found, and with them somewhat more, Some deep quintessence no man could define, Created from the spirit's unknown core And saying immortality was mine. The batterings of earth, is half divine.

J.

Vesperale

(" Inferior sunset sentiment."-N.A.B.).

Poet, sing no more of sunsets; Leave them voiceless to their shame. I have learned the bitter secret Of their seeming-lovely flame.

Once I loved and sweetly pondered On the rapturous purple light, On the gold and red and silver Fading softly into night.

Now I know from Goddës anger All these rosy stains derive, All the blushing deep-dyed bruises, For he flays the Heavens alive. Night with fragrant salve and bandage Gently binds the quivering brawn, But again you see it quietly Suppurating in the dawn.

And the ruthless heat of noonday Sun inflames the frightful pain; And as soon as dusk brings healing Off will come the skin again....

Poet, sing no more of sunsets, Lest you aggravate their wrong. Weep a little, sigh, but elsewhere Find a subject for your song. J. R. HEPPENSTALL.

After Reading "A Pair of Blue Eyes."

Elfride belov'd, Luxellian is gone, Harry and Stephen too; and here alone I mourn thee with a love thou'st never known.

Say not my heartbreak futile is indeed, Say not I am but mocked by what I read : I bleed for lives unliv'd, but yet I bleed. Thy tale is at an end : the sorrowing men, Stephen and Harry and Luxellian Have gone their ways into the dark again.

But I remain, Elfride, I live, and I Am hourly haunted by your memory; And could not rest until I came to cry:

Elfride, Elfride belov'd, abide, abide ! Whose is the pain to be now you have died, And whose the love, and whose the love, Elfride ? R. REEVE.

Three Ships.

One afternoon at day decline I saw three ships come down the Tyne And cross the harbour in a line Alike as three young protect Colliers they were, all souty black, Each clogging in the others black, And each behind the others black Seemed minicking the others, black as droll as regimental ducks, Or silly fabses from the brooks I thought they were : but lo : their looks, Suddenly as they reached the open sea. Lost the mask of mock and mining And the chacking chug-chug chiming And the chacking chug-chug chiming And the langhter raising riming chiming And the langhter raising riming one-two-three : As seaward with their liftend gone-two-three All snorting salt-spray from the sprit, I saw they plunged and in the dusk diminished : Dhe first three letters to be writ Of a defant alphabet

I left them then, and homeward trod : But all that night within my sleep I saw them dotted on the deep Like commas in the gaping code of God.

R. REEVE.

Chant.

(For G., an aged wayfarer, on her death-bed).

Life-light fades, dying, Twilight shades, sighing Through red death-leaved-clad-branches Black-antiered from boles, palled In eve-tide swisps of cheek-cold Mist and grey. Rose-leaves Fall, curled, and clothe With pink-snow-soft-flake (memoried loves Memoried friends) the way That straggles out, lonely, lonely, To the twilight verge of day Where death-and-life immerge, and all, is Grey, dimmed in the loneliness Of life-tide's cold-end-of-day. A moment, she tarries; one Back-gaze across the path, Warmed with the rose-claf-flake, dying, Strewn as day-droop's nighing, Then passes, passes, whence all, hath Rest. To God be glory, To For beauty of love, thought, ded, immemoried Deep, warming life-droop's eve-cold mist-before Sleep.

J. H. HIGGINSON.

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"Experimental Electrical Engineering."

ERBOSITY is a fault laid at the feet of the Arts rather than of Science, but the scientific writer, since he must use the written page as the medium of expressing his views and conclusions, often falls also into a " superfluity The result is that many scientific books intended as mere guides of wordiness." to experiments fail to achieve their purpose by constant and wordy references to relative theories. The author of this book has avoided that error and in a very clear and concise manner has covered the whole of the experimental work necessary for students taking the Ordinary and Higher National Certificates in Electrical Engineering and also the B.Sc. and A.M.I.E.E. examinations. No attempt has been made to include any explanation of theoretical principles since the author maintains that these come within the scope of existing text books, but in the belief that a proper interpretation of test results forms a very valuable part of students' theoretical training, he indicates some of the conclusions which should be drawn from experiments wherever possible. If the order of the experiments appears somewhat arbitrary, it is due to the compensating fact that experiments of a similar nature have been grouped together conveniently into chapters. A feature of the book is that a lucid diagram accompanies each experiment.

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By E. T. A. RAPSON, A.M.I.E.E. etc.

Sir Isaac Pitman & Sons, Ltd. 3/6 net.

"Quiet Helens."

I N a foreword to his book of poems, Mr. Botterill states that he allows his metres and poetic forms to be decided by the train of thought as it advances. This is undoubtedly an advantage in conveying the atmosphere necessary to poetry, but his partiality for short, staccato lines with unusual emphasis on the rhymes is not always successful. Whilst the rhymes come easily and without straining, their emphatic position and frequency rather tends to spoil the smoothness of the whole effect. His sonnets, too, though correct in the flow of thought, often vary from the normal metre—a dangerous thing in a poetic form so "esticited. In free verse, however, Mr. Botterill really finds himself. The poem "Love in these days" has an atmosphere and technique so suited to the matter that it is difficult to imagine any more formal unit than free verse achieving the same effect.

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By DENIS BOTTERILL.

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"Morning Mist."

M^R. APPLEBY'S poems have considerable originality and freshness. He is quite frankly a follower of Keats, and no young poet could have a better master. The reaction against Romanticism has now gone too far and in condemning some of the abuses of an overstrained sensibility, has also attacked that genuine sensibility of the heart, that immediate freshness of approach which in Keats at least is a great poetic glory. After reading some of the tortured and hyper-intellecturalised conundrums offered as poetry in a recent volume entitled: "New Signatures" (in which all the sap and dew of poetry are withered by the arid arc-lights of mere cleverness), it is very agreeable to read verse in which the writer is not ashamed to express simple and direct emotions and primary truths, and to use the metres consecrated by traditional usage. With some exceptions, Mr. Appleby has avoided the use of well-worn phrases; his diction and ideas, though traditional, are not derivative, and further experience should deepen and increase an essential originality, which will lose nothing from having once acknowledged the authority of a Master. Here is a typical poem :--

RAIN.

With sullencess and lowerings the rain Descends upon the bleck described town; Relentless, cold and black described town; A ghastly screen on weaping with the second But in the fields it quickens life again pane. And for sweet flowers forms a glistening crown. As thirstily they suck new life, no frown From heaven they see, nothing to them is vain. The heart all cold and hard by worldly touch Rebels against the sorrow that it knows, And hates with fear the justly chastening rod. But he who knowing little hoops for much By seeking for the good, and humbly bows His head to providence, is nearer God.

Poetry may be sometimes justly concerned with the recondite and abtruse, no doubt; but to object to poetry because it is direct and simple is to fly in the face of a vast amount of overwhelming evidence.

By JOHN APPLEBY.

Shakespeare Head Press, 2/6 net.

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"A Man's Job?"

 \mathbf{M} a world of ever-increasing specialisation, the individual finds himself with a full knowledge only of his own particular job, but in spite of this he has not yet lost the belief that he knows most about other callings in life. This is particularly true of the priestly vocation : the man in the street, in bland ignorance of the true facts, has formed gross misconceptions of the parson's life. He thinks, as often as not, that all the clergymen of to-day has to do is to take services on a Sunday : he knows nothing of all these other multifarious duties that occupy every minute of the week if the priest is really fulfilling the demands of his office. It is to rid men's minds of these misconceptions that several Anglican clergy, led by Canon Cunningham, have combined to produce this little booklet, with its explanatory sub-title of "What it means to be a Parson." It is notes the accusation that the priesthood is not a man's job. It proves its case, not by the logical argument, but by a bold statement of facts which can leave the reader with no doubts as to the necessity for removing the question-mark from the title. The most critical must perforce admit that the priesthood is indeed a man's job if these pages really give a true picture of various

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aspects of the office. More than justification is found even for that person so much accused of laziness and sloth—the country parson, whose life is shown to be of tremendous value to the tural populace. All the newer phases of Church-work in the modern world are discussed in chapters on "The Boys' Club Parie," "The Priest in the City Parish," "The Public School Chaplain" and "Work Among Mobile Men," the latter in particular suggesting a most practical supplement to the parochial system which is proving so powerless to deal with certain modern movements.

Contributors to the book are the Revs. C. W. Hutchinson, A.K.C., Cyril Tomkinson, M.A., Canon Peter Green M.A., H. Rollo Meyer, M. A., Henry R. Rogers, M.A., Harold E. Hubbard, M.A., D.S.O., M.C., G. H. Woolley, M.A., V.C., and P. B. (Tubby) Clayton, M.A., M.C. F.

Edited by Canon B. K. CUNNINGHAM, M.A.

S.C.M. Press, 2/- net.

"Student Development."

HIS is a most interesting book if only for the insight it gives into American outlook and method. Its contents are explained by the sub-title. "How to Make the Most of College Life," though to English minds they may appear rather bold in their claim. It is not in the nature of the Englishman to study his own make-up so that he may model his character on lines which are intended to direct him along the path-way to success. He does not like those blatant advertisements in the newspapers that bid him to take only half-a-dozen College and so rise to the top of his profession. But an lessons with inherent dislike of the method should not blind him to the great value of psychology and self-examination, such as most of the courses suggest to the student. "Know thyself " is indeed an important factor in achieving material as well as spiritual success. The average American—perhaps unlike his brethren on this side of the Atlantic-is obsessed with the idea of "getting on" and clings eagerly to anything that will fulfil that idea. The author of this book-the President of the American College Personnel Association-has noted in his wide experience that in America only about one third of the Freshmen complete the undergraduate college course. He claims that, since the average student is very plastic during his college years, a proper understanding of the sound principles of development based on experience and data will lead to a rapid increase in the number of graduates and useful citizens. It is his carnest belief that success in college can only be achieved if every student develops his mind, body, character and personality to the utmost. We cannot conceive of any English Universities adopting those personality rating scales and methods which Mr. Walters suggests, but behind their complexities are admittedly many useful principles. We are convinced that an English student would prefer to lose something of college life than to develop himself on these lines, but he would be well advised to read the book and garner from it those portions which are undoubtedly suited not only to the American student but to all men.

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By J. E WALTERS.

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"Edison and His Competition."

THE introduction gives a very interesting and comprehensive survey of the life of Thomas Alva Edison. Part I deals with some of Edison's discoveries and the type of man he was. It next gives details of his competition, and these give a good picture of the American way of doing things. Each State had to send in its best scholar for the competition, and they spent some days at Edison's home. Here receptions and visits took place, complete with film photographers and hosts of reporters. The questions set in the competition were in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics and a General paper. The general paper is very anusing and includes such questions as "When do you consider lying permissible?" and "What did James Watt discover?" Part II of the book deals with the value of the questions and forms the critical study. It is pointed out that the Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics papers require book knowledge mingled with intelligence, and are, in fact, quite ordinary examination papers. The questions of the general paper are then studied and A. Horschitz comes to the conclusion that most of the answers are dependent on circumstances and are largely a matter of personal opinion. Thus we get such questions as : " If you were marooned on a tropical island in the South Pacific, without tools, how would you move a three ton weight, such as a boulder, 100 feet horizontally and 15 feet vertically?" Presumably there are trees on a tropical island, but why should one want to try and accomplish this task? Altogether the book makes very interesting and amusing reading, particularly as we get a glimpse of American life. G.H.F.

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Music Notes.

END OF SEASON'S MID-DAY RECITALS.

R Y the time these notes are in print many of the Concerts noted will be almost ancient history—still, Fate decrees that they shall be recorded.

The Mid-day Recital on February 25th, was given by the well-known pianist, Miss Harriet Cohen, and she presented quite a representative programme considering the short time available. For a beginning, we had two Choral Preludes by Bach, both well played, though the second, "Beloved Jesus, we are here," arranged by herself, was the more enjoyable. Mozart's Sonata in C Major was rendered in a sentimental style and several liberties taken which were not acceptable to those who prefer a sterner treatment of Mozart's compositions. Then turning to modern composers the tragic landscape "Winter Waters," by Arnold Bax—a very picturesque piece—gave Miss Cohen her first chance to produce a heavy solid tone. Three humorous mimical morsels by Eugene Goossens provided a light conclusion to the recital.

Two works by the first and the last of the three great "B's" of music constituted the programme of the 'cello recital given by Miss Antonia Butler, aided by Mr. E. W. Allam at the piano, on March 8th. The reversal of the order of the items on the programme was a good move, as the Brahm's Sonata in E minor is far more fiery than that in G major by Bach, and provided us with a stirring climax. The fierceness of Brahm's work appeared to suit Miss Butler's temperament better than the quieter Bach one, and we were treated to a rich interpretation. The piano part is an integral portion of the work, being almost as exhausting as that of the 'cello, and the combined result was really brilliant.

At the final recital on March 17th, the first soloist, who is becoming quite well-known, was the local pianist, Miss Irene Utting. Her first piece, which has been heard frequently of late, was Bauer's transcription of the César Franck Prelude, Fugue and Variations, played in a clean style and free from unnecessary emotion. The colourful Rhapsody in G minor by Brahms was well interpreted though it would probably have benefitted by a little more snap. A late leader of the Berlin Orchestra, Mr. Henry Holst, provided two violin solos, the first a Sonata in G major for violin and pianoforte by Tartini, which was disappointing in its thinness. However, matters were retrieved by a magnificent performance of the difficult unaccompanied Ciaconna by Bach.

The Hirsch String Quartette concluded their series of Chamber Music Concerts on March 9th. The Quartette in E flat by Cherubini, a fairylike and logical piece, demanded delicate playing. The Sibelius Quartette in D minor (Voces Intimae) Op. 58—peculiar in possessing five movements—is a suave work which becomes rather tedious. On the other hand the Brahms' Quartette in A minor (Op. 51, No. 2) contains far more character than the previous two and was the most satisfactory work of the evening. The technical difficulties of that piece were well overcome and the players drove the final allegro to a sparkling finish.

Messrs. Hirsch, Matthews, Ward and Rogerson are to be congratulated in so efficiently carrying out this series of concerts.

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A Fine Performance.

LEEDS UNIVERSITY MUSIC SOCIETY'S CONCERT.

A REALLY keen critical sense and a wide technical knowledge would have been necessary to detect faults in much of the choral and orchestral concert given by the Leeds University Music Society in the Great Hall on March 11th. And since those faculties are possessed by few, a fairly large audience thoroughly enjoyed a programme of music drawn from many sources and chosen with a fine appreciation of popular taste. There was no doubt as to the definite progress made in both branches of the Society's work even since last term's performance and the credit for this must be given to Mr. Edward Allam, whose energies as conductor brought both orchestra and chorus to such a high standard.

It would be useless to pretend that the orchestra is anywhere near a state of perfection, but it has improved almost beyond measure and struggled—that is the right term—manfully through a most exacting programme. Its share in Act II of Gluck's "Orpheus" was a great test of endurance on the performers and yet they managed to give quite a creditable accompaniment to the chorus and soloists apart from their own orchestral interludes. The Ballet Music from Schubert's "Rosamunde" was played with pleasing vixacity after a shaky beginning in the Overture. The Andante and Minuet from "Italian Symphony" were given the stately, graceful interpretation they required, particularly by the strings, while Berlioz's "Marche Hongroise" was approached courageously and effectively. The quality and the quantity of the wood-wind was again below that of the strings and we would support the appeal of the Society for fresh players in this branch of the orchestra. Mr. Noel E. Kay was the leader of the orchestra.

It was the chorus that passed almost beyond the bounds of criticism. A previous paucity in male voices was absent, with the result that both men and women combined to produce a most pleasing harmony. In "Orpheus" the choir framed a magnificent background to the work of the soloists, while three part songs "Bushes and Briars" (Vaughan Williams), "After many a dusty mile" (Elgar), and "Full fathom five" (Wood), revealed its flexibility and vocal quality. Palestrina's Motet "Tu es Petrus" showed a certain diversity of Latin pronunciation, for which due compensation was made by careful attention to phrasing. In "Dixit Dominus" the chorus fulfilled all the requirements of Handel's work.

Miss Betty Bannerman and Miss Dorothy H. Brierley were the soloists, of whom the latter is a student in the University. As Orpheus, Miss Bannerman sang with effect and her voice was well suited to a group of songs in modern style by Armstrong Gibbs. Miss Brierley brought a refreshing soprano voice to the part of Euridice, while her singing of three songs was delightful if we except Pergolesi's "Gentle Shepherd" in which her vocal range proved unequal to its demands. "The Lass with the delicate air " was a much-appreciated encore.

The attendance was rather disappointing : such work deserved a crowded audience.

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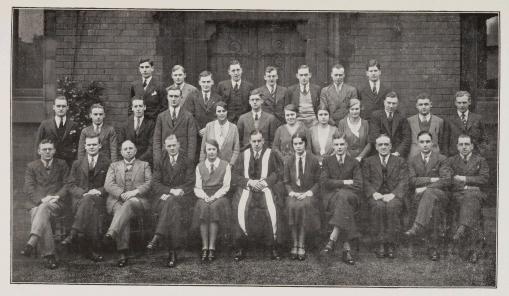
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S UMMER is here according to the calendar and by the time these Notes appear we shall be making arrangements for the function we are accustomed to hold about Degree Day. As our members will remember Degree Day used to be on a Saturday, but for some years now the Saturday has been handed over to the Rag and the Degree Ceremony takes place on the following Monday; also it was our practice to have our Annual Meeting on that Saturday afternoon. It was, therefore, possible for an Old Student to attend the Degree Ceremony, get involved in the Rag, take part in Annual Meeting, and finish up the day with the informal dinner in the Refectory. Now all is changed except the Rag; Degrees are given on the Monday, the Annual Meeting takes place in December and the question arises whether the Summer Dinner still fulfills a useful office or has outgrown its usefulness.

Last year a special effort was made and the Dinner held at Devonshire Hall but this cannot be repeated and we shall have to decide whether to arrange a small Dinner in the Refectory, to organise some other function or to drop it altogether. A garden-party with tennis and other outdoor games has been suggested and if we could count on perfect weather such a scheme would probably receive a welcome. But it is impossible to be sure of anything in our climate and there are few functions more depressing than a wet or cold garden-party.

We are anxious to carry out the wishes of our members and carnetly invite those who would like to continue this summer re-union to write to us AT ONCE, giving us their views on the form the function should take. We will then try to carry out the wishes of the majority. We shall have to hold a meeting and make a decision a few days after this issue appears and if we do not hear from enough members to make it seem worth while holding a re-union we shall have to drop it.

IF YOU WANT IT, DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.

A reader has drawn attention to the fact that in spite of a double mention in *The Gryphon*, the annual report contains interesting matter not dealt with. It need hardly be added that the O.S.A. Editor welcomes criticisms and suggestions of this kind that will enable him to make sure what Old Students expect from *The Gryphon*: but definite contributions to its pages, if of general interest, must be submitted to the student editor for acceptance or rejection. Further, items of interest concerning Old Students will be appreciated : the Editor has observed several O.S. on recent flying visits to the University, who seem to get no further than the porter's office. Library House is not impenetrable. 

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UNION COMMITTEE, 1931-32.

Seated (Left to Right): J. D. SYRES (Pres. D.C.R.), G. H. FOSS (Student Treas.), Professor GULIGAN (Staff Rep.), F. BELL (G.A.S.), Miss E. M. CALDWELL (Sec. W.R.C.), J. HALLER (President), Miss C. B. WELFTON (Vice-President), W. S. SKIDMORE (Secteary), Mr. W. R. GREST (Treasurer), J. H. LAWRENCE (Pres. S.R.C.), A. D. T. GILLEAN (Pres. M.R.C.).

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Back Row: W. A. P. DAWSON, P. MACEY, C. N. ENAW (Editors): Conference of R. M. LEWING, Miss M. BARRACOUGH, Miss C. B. VOASE,

Absent ;

W. A. P. DAWSON, P. MACKAY, C. N. FRANK (Editor : "Gryphon"), C. G. THOMPSON, J. F. WARIN, J. BALMER, H. ANDERSON, W. BIRKENSHAW, Mr. A. E. WHEELER (Administrative Staff Rep.), J. S. GOURLAY (Vice-President), F. HAYTON, MISS K. S. BRUCK (Pres. M.W.R.C.).



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We are continuing our efforts to interest going-down students in the O.S.A. and in addition to our routine methods, which are fairly comprehensive, we are trying one or two new schemes. One of them, organised by the West Riding Branch, was a joint party for Going-down Students and Old Students on May 5th. Our efforts in past years have not been as successful as they ought to be and we shall welcome any suggestions for increasing their efficiency. We shall be glad to tell any member who is interested and prepared to help exactly what we are doing now and there are, further, several schemes which we have had to turn down for the present on grounds of expense, but which we hope to put into operation later on.

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The two questions of recruiting members and of keeping the life-blood flowing in the Association as a whole are occupying the minds of the Committee and have done so for some years, but the response to our appeals for assistance from members as a whole has been almost nil. If you have any suggestions to make let us have them. We will even welcome criticism. It is at any rate a sign of interest, which is much to be preferred to indifference.

The Library is anxious to complete its set of the University calendars, etc. Will any reader who can supply calendars for the first three sessions of the Yorkshire College, the reports of the Department of Agriculture for 1913-20, or any early documents of interest please communicate with the O.S.A. Editor?

Notes on the Buildings.

The bricklayers seem to have fled from the Chemistry block in Woodhouse Lane, taking with them bit by bit the scaffolding and leaving the facing of the building to shine in its splendid newness. Most of the windows have been fitted in, and a significant lime-pit near the Mining building looks like a paddling pool and sand-pit. The rectangle formed by the sides and juts of the scheme has an impressive magnificence viewed from the back entrance of the University, and suggests mass and efficiency, and a scorn of Victorian knick-knack.

There is still a suggestion of the battle-field about what used to be the top half of De Grey Terrace ; we watch the workmen camp for their meals in a lean-to shed behind a blazing fire, surrounded by the debris of brick, scrap iron and overturned trolleys.

London Letter.

Hon. Treasurer : Mr. G. HELPS, Hon. Secretary: Miss F. R. SHAW, Bedford College, Regent's Park, N.W. 1.

G. HELPS, 18, Churchill Avénue, Kenton, Middlesex.

Our Spring Term Dinner, which was held on February 27th, at the Coventry Restaurant, seems now a thing of the past. Although we were somewhat few in number, we had a very enjoyable and informal evening, and welcomed as our chief speaker, Dr. Ethel Osborne, of Melbourne. The President announced that next session would be our 21st birthday year and that we are consequently to celebrate in an appropriate manner. Perhaps the history of the London Branch is not known to all. The first movement towards a combined society of men and women Old Students took place at the house of Dr. and Mrs. Chapman in Hendon, in September, 1911, when fifteen people were present. It was decided then to arrange for a meeting in Town, which was held at Eustace Miles' Restaurant, in January, 1912, when the O.S.A. was inaugurated. There was, however, a nucleus to work upon in the flourishing Women's Association, which had been founded in 1901, by Miss Emmerson, Mistress of Method. Dr. and Mrs. Chapman acted for some years as Treasurer and Secretary respectively. When the Central Association was formed after the War, both the Women's Association and the London O.S.A. joined in. We sincerely hope that all the members of the London Branch will help to make the coming year a most successful one, and any suggestions will be welcomed.

The last meeting of this session will be the Luncheon and Annual General Meeting at the Craig's Court Restaurant, Whitehall, on Saturday, June 11th, at 1-30 p.m. (Meeting 2-30 p.m.). As we shall discuss the programme for the forthcoming important session, we hope that there will be a good attendance. Please come and don't forget to bring with you any suggestions you may have for the celebrations.

Merseyside Letter.

Chairman: Mr. H. P. LUPTON. Hon. Secretary: Treasurer : Miss E. BARRAN.

Mrs. E. M. WORMALD, 25, Buckingham Avenue, Sefton Park,

Committee :

Mr. H. THOMAS.

Mr. J. E. HAWTHORNE. Miss I. SIMPSON.

Although it is some time since our last letter, we have not become extinct. Since Christmas we have been meeting on the fourth Thursday of every month at the above address for gossip, coffee and dancing.

On Wednesday, March 16th, twelve of us descended on the Liverpool Play-house and enjoyed "Michael and Mary," preceded by a hilarious curtain-raiser, " The Referee.

We held a General Meeting on April 28th, at the same address, which was well supported by regulars as well as two recruits.

After the election of officers for the current year, the following proposals were adopted from the many bright ideas forthcoming for the summer monthseven if there aren't any.

(1) Walking Club. Energetic Old Students are invited to gather (complete with iron rations) at the Pier Head, Liverpool, near Woodside Ferry stage at 11-30 a.m. on the second and fourth Sunday of every month. Those living on the other side of the Mersey will meet our boat at Woodside at 11-50 a.m. First meeting May 22nd. Weather naturally permitting ! We have no professional hikers, so long distance records will not be aimed at.

(2) Social Evenings at 25, Buckingham Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Wormald continue to extend a welcome to all members to roll up on the last Thursday of each month at 8-0 p.m. So far we have 34 Merseyside members on our list, but far too many of them have not yet made their presence felt. May 26th is their great opportunity to remedy this.

(3) Annual Dinner. We are booking an outsize table at Reece's Restaurant Clayton Square, Liverpcol, for May 28th, at 7-45 p.m. Dinner will be followed by dancing in the Ballroom for those feeling sufficiently attracted-and attractive. Will all those wishing to reserve a place let me know by May 21st at the latest,

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so that arrangements can be made? (Dinner 3/6, Dancing extra). The Commissionaire will direct all comers to our table. (This is by way of avoiding further correspondence on the matter).

(4) Day in Southport. Will anyone feeling the need of a few sea breezes, a little motoring in the Amusement Park, a swim—or a paddle—in the open-air swimming pool, to be followed by tea and possibly a cinema, assemble at the Bandstand in Southport at 3-30 p.m. on June 25th.

It is understood, of course, that members bring as many friends and relations as they like to the above outings and innings—the more the merrier.

If there are any newcomers in the district (from Cheshire to Cumberland) I shall be glad to hear from them so that they can receive our notices.

As many people seem to be in doubt, there is no extra charge for Branch membership—it is covered by the annual or life subscription.

ETHEL M. WORMALD, Hon. Sec.

Manchester Letter.

Hon. Secretary : Miss I. K. MARTIN, 465, Bury New Road, Kersal.

Manchester.

Since I last wrote to *The Gryphon* we have had another very enjoyable social evening at the Textile Institute, and learnt one game at least which wasn't taught in Yorkshire.

The visit to Allied Newspapers Ltd. proved very interesting. While we were there the news of Newcastle's victory came over the wire, and we collected various interesting souvenirs. Mr. Greening proved a very able second guide, and was welcome as we could not all hear the explanations of one man owing to the noise of the machinery.

Tea at Mary Parker's was refreshing. I can answer for the savoury omelettes they were very good. Afterwards we held a meeting in a comfortable room upstairs and were glad to see many new faces. If all members and intending members (we hope to see a great many more in September) would bring one or two other Old Students along, we should soon need the Free Trade Hall for our meetings.

We are looking forward to the ramble on Saturday, May 28th, Higher Poynton --Whaley Bridge via Lime Park. We have found Tea Gardens with a glorious view and hope to have tea on the lawn.

I. K. MARTIN.

Co-operative Research by Old Students.

A GROUP of Old Students has been engaged for some time on an investigation into French teaching problems. So far they have attacked only one piece of work—an analysis of the vocabulary used by authors of beginners' French courses, and a comparison of this vocabulary with the recent findings of the American and Canadian Committee on Modern Languages, modified by classroom expediency. The scheme as it stands was initiated by Dr. T. V. Benn (Mods., 1920–25), and the committee of four includes two other Old Students, H. Milton (1920–24) and H. E. Hebb (1919–23). Mr. Milton, assisted by Dr. Benn, is collating the work of 18 collaborators, 10 of whom are Leeds graduates : Miss H. Holder (1921–25), Miss M. G. Wright (1925–29),

Miss D. Haigh (1925–29), Miss K. Mercer (1920–24), Miss M. Woledge (1925–29), Miss C. Voelter (1923–27), Miss U. Voelter (1925–29), Mr. F. W. Moss (1920–24), Mr. N. Cooper (1919–23) and Mr. N. H. Burnell (1920–24).

Investigations in this field, with a scientific basis and with limited and definite terms of reference, are rare; it appears that after all has been attributed to office labour, there is still a huge scope left for co-operation between practical teachers

Dr. Benn and Mr. Hebb are issuing a series of bibliographical articles, in *Modern Languages*, dealing with the various books used in the teaching of French in schools.

News of Old Students.

- BROOK.—G. L. Brook (English, 1928-31) has been appointed Assistant Lecturer in English Language at the University of Manchester.
- BROWN.-C. K. Francis Brown (History, 1924-28) has been appointed to the staff of the Royal Grammar School at Guildford.

Mr. Brown's pamphlet, reviewed in our last issue, has received a most enthusiastic tribute in the April issue of the *Journal of Education*; we are only sorry that Mr. Brown's departure South will deprive us of a series of talks on local churches, which was to have been broadcast in the evening programme of the North Regional Station in the near future.

- GREENWOOD.—We wonder whether Old Students, on noting the return of the Right Hon. Mr. Arthur Greenwood as M.P. in the by-election at Wakefield last month, also remarked on the fact that he replaced another Old Student, Dr. G. B. Hillman, who died in March; this must surely be a rare coincidence.
- OWEN.—A. D. K. Owen (M. Com., 1929) was the author of a broadcast talk on Monday, 18th March, at 8-40 p.m., his subject being "Housing Problems of the Industrial North—the Value of Surveys." We did not recognise the voice, but the matter was familiar.
- WOLEDGE.—On April 25th, the Earl of Crawford opened the new Library of the Selly Oak Golleges at Birmingham, of which G. Woledge is Librarian. A picture of the Library appeared in *The Times*; Mr. Woledge made an excellent and most appropriate little speech, in which he made a fitting reference to the Library of his *Alma Mater*. The University was represented by Dr. Offor, the Librarian.

BIRTHS.

- ANDERSON.—To Mr. (Science, 1920–24) and Mrs. F. A. Anderson (Arts, 1920–24), on February 11th, 1932, at 130, Gunnersbury Lane, London, W.3, a daughter. Mrs. Anderson was formerly Winifred M. Carter, of Leeds.
- APPLEYARD.—To Mr. C. E. (Mech. Eng., 1919-21) and Mrs. Appleyard, at 170, Delaval Road, West Benwell, Newcastle, on January 23rd, 1932, a son, Edwin.
- THOMAS.—To Mr. (Dental, 1919–24) and Dr. H. H. Thomas (formerly Gretta M. Wardle, M.D., Med., 1918–23), on February 22nd, 1932, a son. Address : Boundary Cottage, Moortown, Leeds.

MARRIAGES.

- BEDFORD-POTTS, -Dr. William Donald Bedford (Medic., 1921-1926), of Gildersome, to Margaret R. Potts, of Sunderland, at Holy Trinity Church, Sunderland, on April 8th, 1932.
- BOTTERILL-TAIT, —Denis Botterill, to Elsie Mary Tait (Classics, 1929-30), at Huddersfield, on March 26th, 1932. Mr. Botterill, late of Leeds, now of Bedford, contributed verse and prose to the pages of this journal some years ago; Mrs. Botterill was a member of the Library staff for some years.
- DIBB-SOMMERVILLE, —On April 30th, 1932, at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Stockton-on-Tees, Robert Hugh Dibb (Engineering, 1920-24) to Elizabeth Stirling Sommerville.
- LE FEVRE-HESP.—F. L. LE Fèvre (Col. Chem., 1918-23) to Edith Hesp, at St. Mary's Church, Bradford, on November 25th, 1931.
- PLATT-SHUTER.—Dr. B. S. Platt to Muriel Bessie Shuter, at Christ Church, Woburn Square, London, on March 23rd, 1932.
- POWELL-BARKER.—John David Powell to Edith Margery Barker (Law, 1925-28), at Pontefract Congregational Church, on March 26th, 1932.
- SANDERSON COLLEY. John W. Sanderson (Chem. and Educ., 1921-25) to Nancy Powell Colley, at St. John's Church, Melbourne, in March, 1932. Mr. Sanderson, of Normanton, is now Chemistry Master at Coburg Grammar School, Melbourne.
- WAYNE-HALLORAN.—Dr. E. J. Wayne (Chem., 1920–25. Med., 1925–29) to Honora Nancy Halloran, B.A., at St. Mary's Church, Cloughton, near Scarborough, on April 2nd, 1932. Dr. Wayne gained numerous distinctions at the University and was for some time a member of staff; he is now attached to the Medical Research Council at University College Hospital.

DEATHS.

- HILLMAN,—Dr. George B. Hillman (Med., 1887–92), on Saturday, 19th March, 1932, at London. Dr. Hillman, who was 64, was M.P. for Wakefield, and formerly Mayor of the city, and had spent his medical career entirely in the West Riding.
- HININGS.—Dr. John William Hinings (Med.), aged 78, on February 28th, 1932. at Scarborough. Dr. Hinings had an extensive practice at Hyde Park, Leeds.

HIRST.—Dr. Geoffrey Hirst (Med., 1924-30), aged 25, on April 28th, 1932.

MOORHOUSE, Dr. Charles Herbert Moorhouse (M.B., Ch.B., 1905), aged 59, at Shire Oak Road, Leeds, on March 27th, 1932. Dr. Moorhouse's civic activities were well known in Leeds; he was an Alderman of the city and a J.P.

Long Vacation Tours.

Subject to conditions which may be obtaining in August there will be a tour to Switzerland, in connection with which we have had a very special concession. Those who went to Zermatt last year will have vivid recollections of the fine time we had at the National Hotel. Both accommodation and the fare provided were excellent, as everybody said, and this we owed to our kind host, Mr. Zimmermann. Now Mr. Zimmermann has come forward with the offer that, if we will spend the whole time in Zermatt instead of six days only, the charge will be such that we can do a fortnight's tour from London back to London for 17 Guineas. We should leave London on Saturday, August 6th, and return on August 20th. Full particulars will be supplied on application to the Hon. Treasurer, L.U.O.S.A. Needless to say, the price quoted is at the present rate of exchange, and those interested must remember that the arrangements are subject to alterations.

For those who want something quite different this year, we can strongly recommend the Danish tour. Please note carefully the dates selected, which will enable those interested in educational matters to visit schools and High schools under working conditions. People who join this tour may proceed from Hull and spend two days each way on the sea or they may join the main party which will travel from Harwich via Esbierg. In either case, the fortnight's tour, which includes a day's excursion to the Castles of Southern Sweden, will be about $_{2}17$. It is impossible to give details of the many beautiful excursions which can be made from Copenhagen and other good centres, and all interested should write to the Hon. Treasurer for full particulars. Among other interesting trips will be visits to Elsinore, to the Royal Porcelain Factory, to the birth place of Hans Anderson and a day or two will be spent at one of Denmark's pleasantest sea-side resorts. We have many offers already from Danish friends in Copenhagen to act as guides. They all speak English !

UNION NOTES.

A T this time of the session there is little to report of Union activities, as exams for most people are drawing uncomfortably near. However, at the close of last term the preliminary meeting of the Committee for session 1932-33 was held, in order that the new officials might obtain some insight into the running of the Union before taking over the reins of office.

The following were the principal elections :--

Vice-Presidents	841-1	Miss C. B. VOASE. J. HALLER.
Hon. Secretary	1 septent	C. N. FRANK.
G.A.S	-	J. BALMER.
Treasurer	C. (. 2 ¹⁴	Mr. W. R. GRIST.
Hon. Assistant Treasures	r -	G. H. Foss.
Entertainments Secretary		G. H. Foss.

Since the last issue of *The Gryphon* the S.R.C. elections have been held, resulting as follows:-

President		-	-	-	R. T. RUSHTON.	
Secretary	-	-		-	J. F. WARIN.	
Committee	-				H. L. L. V. WILSON. R. L. LAMMING. G. W. BLOMFIELD.	

It is too early in the term to give any resumé of the activities of the Union during this session, and, therefore, a full report will appear in the October issue at the beginning of session 1932-33.

W. S. SKIDMORE, Hon, Secretary, L.U.U.

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CRICKET.—P. H. Barran had to resign on account of illness and J. Balmer has been elected in his place. L. Milner, a member of the U.A.U. team of last year is Vice-Captain. Other old members still available are Wray, Kaye, Harris and Kidd. The season was to have opened on Monday, May 2nd, against a Yorkshire eleven captained by Herbert Sutcliffe, in aid of chairty, but the weather, in its usual style, broke down on the morning of the game.

ATHLETICS.—The Sports, held on Saturday, May 7th, provided a good programme for a fairly large audience. Technology won the Inter-Faculty Championship.

WOMEN'S ATHLETICS.—Miss C. B. Voase is captain and is training very hard for the University sports and the Inter-Varsity meeting. With anyone to extend her to her utmost, records in the hundred, 220 and 440 should once again be broken. Coupled with the name of the captain are the Misses Barraclough, Thompson, Peaker and Nicholson, and if ever the women looked like bringing a cup to Leeds, now is the time of expectation; good luck!

TENNIS.—The captain is Miss A. Davy. Miss M. Smith is still a playing member of the team and better results than last year are in sight.

CRICKET.—Groans from the men's cricket team were to be heard on a certain Saturday this term, when one of their nets was in possession of the women. We only hope they are worth it, and with Miss Nutt as captain, we look forward to their fulfilling expectations.

F. BELL, G.A.S.

MEN'S TENNIS CLUE,—The Men's Tennis Club made an early start, having trials at the end of last term and at the beginning of this. Both trials were well supported and several new players have been added to both the first and second teams. However, there is still room for one or two reserves. We shall be pleased to hear from anyone who was unable to be present at the trials and who would like to be tested. The Club is fortunate in having T. Emmerson and K. S. Alikhan, who were last season's first couple. They should prove a valuable asset in the inter-Varsity contest, and should make it possible for the Christie Cup to come to Leeds.

This year the tournaments have been revived. The events are men's singles, men's doubles and open mixed doubles. For the last event there is a cup for the winning couple. We hope that these tournaments will be well supported and will justify their being revived.

D. RUTTER, Hon. Sec.

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FIVES CLUB.—The season ended with an extensive tour for the first team. We played three Inter-'Varsity fixtures on the 16th, 17th and 18th April, our opponents being Durham, Edinburgh and Glasgow Universities. We won the first two matches, but lost the third. The tour then took us down to London where we played four friendly fixtures, unfortunately, losing them all. Our opponents there were University College, Alleyn Old Boys, the Old Alleynians, and the Bank of England. The results are not very good, but we had some excellent games and received offers for future fixtures.

R. C. M. BEENY, Hon. Sec.

THE RIFLE CLUB.—This session has been the most successful the Club has had since it began. Each year records have been added and performance improved, but this year the advance has been very gratifying indeed. We have lost two shoulder-to-shoulder matches during the year, in each case by five points out of a possible 1,600. We defeated Manchester, Liverpool, Sheffield and Durham Universities. H. E. Dykes and J. Day have shot particularly well, but close behind them in the scoring lists are three men whose average scores (94%) are very close, namely, G. G. Storey, K. P. Stones and J. Hamer. Our team will be weakened slightly at the end of the session by the departure of one or two stalwarts, but our recruits show really good promise and the vacant places will be quickly filled by really enthusiastic men.

J. HAMER, Hon. Sec.

SOCIETIES.

THE SCOUT CLUB.—The ordinary meetings for this session were brought to a close with Mr. Bradley's address, a Members' Evening, and the Annual Joint Meeting with the Guide Club. Mr. Bradley ably presented the case for training courses, and provoked herce discussion. At the Members' Meeting two highly interesting talks were given by our Secretary, Mr. J. F. Garnet, and another B.-J. stalwart in Mr. H. B. Hodgson. With the Guide Club we discussed a suggestion that Rovers and Rangers should camp together. Those who took part in the Easter vacation hike had a very enjoyable time. The Annual General Meeting was held on April 28th, when reports were read by the retiring Secretary and Treasurer, officers were elected, and the programme discussed for next session. Mr. Welpton, who has served us faithfully for the last three years, consented once again to be our President. The Club is losing a number of its most prominent members, and we who are left to enjoy the fruits of their labours give them our sincerest thanks for their work, always freely and willingly performed, which has made the Club what it is to-dav.—C.E.J.

DRAMATIC SOCIETY.—With the exception of the play-reading at Weetwood on June 14th, the Dramatic Society has finished its season's work. The above-mentioned reading will be preceded by the Annual General Meeting for the election of officers for the Season 1932-33. It is, therefore, urged upon all members that they should make a special effort to attend at this reading.—D.F.

EVANGELICAL UNION—The outstanding features of the closing half of last term were the two visits from our travelling Scoretary, Dr. Howard Guinness. On his first visit, he addressed a meeting of the members of the Union, and also visited Devonshire Hall, where, through the kindness of the Warden, he was able to talk to a group of the men in the comfort of the Guest Room. As most of those present were not members of E.U., and as amogst them was Trevor Kilborn, the S.C.M. travelling scoretary, the talk led to a very interesting and vital discussion of fundamentalism—in which we think that the "dischards" were by no means defeated, although much outnumbered ! After an interim visit to Newcastle, Dr. Guinness Daid us another flying visit a week later, when he spoke to an open mid-day meeting on "Does Christ make life Narrow ²" Other meetings during the term were addressed by Rev. C. C. Beach, who gave us an intensely interesting talk on the Jews in the period between the Testaments : and by Miss Rhoda Scott, who gave us a vivid impression of "Swanwick" On the first Friday of this term we had a lantern lecture by Mr. J. Wright on his work in the wilds of Amazonia, and there are to be three more meetings this term. The Prayer Meetings will also continue to be held on Tuesdays at 1-30 p..., unless otherwise announced, throughout the term. These are in Emmanuel, and we invite all members of the University to join us in these quiet moments.—G.L.B. 1, 10

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STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT,—The Annual Meeting for the election of officers for next year was held on Tuesday, March 15th. These are as follows:—Tresident of the Movement in Leeds, G. C. Roberts; Women's President, Miss M. Rowling; Women's Secretary, Miss E. Robertshaw ; President of the Men, not yet elected ; Men's Secretary, D. H. Donkersly ; Business Secretary, R. Nelson ; and Study Group Secretary, C. F. Dunsby ; Tresurer, Miss E. May ; International Secretary, P. Storts-Fox; Missionary Secretaries : the Misses D. Edge and D. Smith and Mr. G. C. Roberts ; Librarian, Miss B. Gascoigne.

Information regarding the S.C.M. Summer School to be held at Swanwick, Derbyshire, in July, may be obtained from any of the above. It is hoped that many members, especially those in their first year, will make an effort to attend. There only is it possible to realise the work of the Movement, and both in work and play to join with hundreds of fellow members from all parts of the world. Swanwick provides a never-to-be-forgotten week, and its spirit must be imparted to the Movement here in Leeds,—C.F.D.

DEBATING SOCIETY.—There remains one debate to recount from last term, that being the debate held at Devonshire Hall on the motion "That this House deprecates the tendency of Leeds University to become a Matrimonial Agency." The motion was defeated by a substantial majority, mainly owing to the fact that the bulk of us are sublimely content in sitting back and making the most of this tendency if we can discover in which quarters it exists. We are deeply indebted to the Stafi and Students of Devonshire Hall for a happy and enlightening evening.

The Annual General Meeting was not so successful, the attendance, or rather lack or it, being deplorable to an extreme. To some of us this came both as a surprise and disappointment – a disappointment in that the meeting was to have been followed by another debate which would have enabled the sexes once again to compete in hurling doubtful compliments at each other (an occupation that does not usually pall in these latter days) and a surprise in that the report presented was unusually chering and optimistic.

It is not customary to hold debates in the summer term when "Life has other joys to prove," but this year the custom was broken at the special request of the N.U.S., and on Thursday, May 12th, we debated with an American (women's) team on the motion "That the use of Tariffs for the Protection of Industry is detrimental to world prosperity." Occupants of Women's Hostels who are being subjected to a tax on tea, despite the adoption of a tariff policy by this country, showed great interest.

Of late years debating has been rather the *bete noir* than the *jorte* of the University of Leeds. The past year has, however, convinced us that we are emerging, slow though the progress may be, from this slough of despond and we close the session in the hope that next year the Debating Society will not only seek, but actually attain "a place in the sun," $-C_{0}C_{1}$.

LITERARY AND HISTORICAI. SOCIETY.—The Annual General Meeting took place in Professor Wilson's room on March 15th. After the usual business and the Secretaries' report of a successful year had been received with general approbation, and Professor Wilson had been thanked for his keen interest in the Society, the following officers were elected for 1932-3 :--

President: Professor Noble; Vice-Presidents: Miss D. Martin, Mr. F. C. Maxwell; Hon. Auditor: Professor Wilson; Hon. Sec. and Treasurer: Miss Bradley, Mr. G. Baron; Committee: (above with) Misses Spence, Freeman, Nicholson, Kennedy, Lacey, Messrs, Appleby, Lavender, A. N. Other.—F.C.M.

SOCIALIST SOCIETY.—Once again have we failed to get a political debate between the Conservative Society and ourselves. This year Mr. Vivian Adams (Conservative M.P.) agreed to debate with Mr. John Edwards (Socialist Candidate) but could not find a free date to fulfil the undertaking. Perhaps next year our hopes will materialise. Many members of the Society have been successful in their efforts in helping Mr. Arthur Greenwood, President of the U.L.F., in his Election Campaign in Wakefield—a true indication of popular fedeling being expressed in the Socialist victory. At the last meeting of the University Labour Federation Executive, it was decided that a Magazine Bulletin of about 16 pages should be issued in future this will cost 3d, per issue (once a term). All members of the Society and any others interested in Socialism are urged to obtain this from the Secretary of the Society—it begins next victober.

TOC H.—The Lent Term finished very happily with the opening of Brotherton House by the Princess Royal and the Archbishop of York. As a prelude to the actual opening an al-night vigil was held, men from the various groups and branches in Leeds taking part throughout the night. It was a great and inspiring privilege for the University group to take part in this venture.

Of necessity the Summer meetings will be few, the first being on May 6th.

Anyone interested in Toc H is invited to pigeon-hole the Secretary, D. Foulds, who will gladly give further information.--D.F.

L.U. WORKING MEN'S CLUB.—The last debate of the session was held in the Club during March, when the question of the distribution of privileges proved an exceedingly fruitful topic of discussion, and gave some of the members an opportunity of openly criticising, both favourably and otherwise, the conduct of the Club's affairs! Despite the fact that the proposer of the motion (which was in favour of the granting of privileges as a return for services rendered) failed to turn up and the motion had to be moved by Mr. S. G. Evans, his impromptu speech, no less vitriolic than usual, carried the meeting. Mr. Brownridge seconded the opposition, in his first visit to the Club.

I feel I cannot leave these Notes without a very strong word of condemnation for the support this Club receives from the Union members. It is very rare for us to see more than six Varsity men at one of the Debates—an exceedingly poor state of things when it is considered that this is the Union's chief work in the field of Social Service. We are always most confailly welcomed at the Club, whether to debates or on other occasions; and as the brief time spent in one of these visits is amply repaid, it is to be hoped that future years will show a much greater interest on the part of members of the Union.—G.L.B.

HOSTEL NOTES.

OXLEY HALL.—It was with very great regret that we heard of the resignation of our Warden—Mrs. Moorman. We shall miss her helpful advice and sympathetic understanding most keenly when she leves u at the end of the session. Mrs. Moorman has been Warden, first of UN works her every happiness for the future, and hope that she will come to see as a strange specific the every happines for the future, and hope that she will come to see eas strange we work her every happiness for the future, and hope that she will come to see as a strange specific the every happines for the future, and hope that she will come to see as a strange we can be sure of is that her husband will be well catterd for! We wish all those students who are going down this year the best of good luck in their careers. Judging by the number of applications that go out daily from Hall, and the demand that there is for *The Timess* Educational supplement, if keenness has anything to do with it, they should all get posts early in the term !

The most important event of the end of last term was our Hall Dinner on March 12th. It was very much enjoyed by all those fortunate (or perhaps unfortunate, as it will be their last) members of Hall who were present at it. The Freshers' Social was held on March 2nd. The coming events of the term are the Hall Dance on May 20th, the Staff At Home, and an Appeal Effort which is to take the form of a Soirée Dansante. The date of the latter will be announced later, but please all turn up and enjoy the pleasures of dancing on our superb floor ! It will take place after all warries (in the shape of exams) are ended—for this term at any rate :

DEVONSHIRE HALL.—Last week saw the arrival into Hostel of several Freshmen, who take the places of some now in France and others engaged in agricultural studies. The hard tennis court, completed during the vacation, receives full patronage. Enthusiastic amateurs strive from morn till night slicing, slashing, spinning, volleying and driving with more or less success, "Barracking "appears to be an essential part of the training. A partyled by the Recteur of the University of Lille visited Hostel last week. In his after dinner speech that he invited us to Lille, promising us an excellent meal.

The Hostel Summer Dance is fixed for June 24th.

V.N.L.

HOSTEL OF THE RESURRECTION.—The lateness of Degree Day this year has added complications to our usual stay of three weeks at Mirfield after the examis. We move over on June 17th, and so will have to come back for Tyke Day and Rag Day, and the other social functions which mark the end of the year. Our preparations for the Commemoration Day Play will have to be squashed in between these as we only have three or four clear days after Degree Day. Commemoration Day this year is on July 9th, and we hope we shall again have many friends from the University with us.

.A.P.

THE WOMEN DAY STUDENTS.—The Women Day Students held their Spring Dance on February 26th, and the Professors' At Home on March 10th. The new idea of holding the latter function in the Refectory instead of in the Women's Rooms, proved yery successful, and will most likely be continued. At a General Meeting on Tuesday, May 3rd, Miss Hibgame urged Day Students to give their full support to the Association.

By the time this is in print our elections will be over, and the President and Committee for 1932-33 chosen.-S.B.

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