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P.M.'s Death halts Israel week

ISRAEL WEEK was brought to an abrupt halt on Wednesday owing to the tragic death of Mr. Levi Eshkol, the Israeli Prime Minister. A planned folk festival was postponed, and other festival events were cancelled for the day, but were resumed on Thursday.

Also, the Israeli Ambassador, who was supposed to speak in the Rupert Beckett theatre, was forced to cancel his visit and will send a representative in his place.

Tribute

A special meeting was called on Wednesday evening to pay tribute to Mr. Eshkol. It was addressed by Sir Karl Cohen, a prominent member of Leeds Jewry, who said: "Mr. Eshkol was there at the right time, when Israel needed him, and Israel was there ready to be led by him." He also said: "Mr. Eshkol would have brought Israel the peace she desires and needs."

The Week had been very successful up till Wednesday.

U.C. in brief

- LASTED four hours and:
 - Ratified the new election rules.
 - Discussed the question of Hop Security and referred the question of gates to seal off the first floor to an O.G.M.
 - Elected Martin Evans to the little wanted job of Catering Secretary.
 - Recommended that the University look into the possibility of insurance for loss from lockers in the Medical School out of the fees paid for hiring them.
 - Accepted the resignation of Ian Heywood and Adrian Sugar from U.C. and Janis Lemon from S.C.A.R.D. Sec.
 - Accepted the report on future catering in the University.

day. The emblem of the week was the 'Kibbutz Hat', a blue, tall conical hat worn by the workers on the kibbutzim, the communal farms in Israel.

Amongst the events of the week were films on Israel's scenery and development and social life. Also, there was a bazaar in the Union Foyer, and there was an ample supply of Israeli food, including Felaffel, described as a "cheap, exotic lunch", which consisted of fried chickpeas, served in rolls, with salads and spices. Also, there was a festival of Jaffa oranges, and grapefruit sold from a stall in front of the Union steps at lunchtime, and a travel desk.



BIOLOGIST CLAIMS 'FANTASY' REAL

by Union News Reporter

DR. ALEX COMFORT, the internationally-known biologist and social psychologist, visited the University yesterday to give a public lecture on "Research on Ageing".

Dr. Comfort is Director of the Medical Research Council Group on the Biology of Ageing at University College, London.

He has for some years specialised in this aspect of human biology, as well as in the study of contemporary social and sexual behaviour, for which he is best known to the general public.

In his lecture, Dr. Comfort said that control of human ageing and the prolongation of life rate with moon-travel as one of the oldest human fantasies.

This fantasy has come,

over the last fifteen years, increasingly into the realm of practical possibility. It is now the subject of a massive and growing biological and medical research programme, and is likely in the next few years to be adopted as the biological counterpart of the U.S. aerospace programme.

Lifespan

Man's normal lifespan—between 75 and 90 years—has not changed since the time of Moses. Ordinary medicine cannot lengthen it—its only achievement has been to make more of us reach it.

The aim of the operational attack on ageing now being mounted is to identify and, if possible, tamper with the "clock" or "clocks" which time the onset of deterioration and failing repair.

Biological interference with ageing would mean that a man of 70 could have the vigour of a man of 65 now. This initial objective might be realisable soon. How big an eventual gain could be made will depend on what the leading age processes turn out to be.

The most likely processes seem to be those involving accumulation of errors in the reading of blueprints within the cell, or in the blueprints themselves. Some errors may be due to "perishing" of irreplaceable molecules, like that of rubber or leather.

Some measure of control over our ageing is at least as likely as was space travel ten years ago, though the problem is of a different and less technological kind, and may require widespread advances in our knowledge of biology. Longer life is a major human goal.

It would not add to existing population problems, provided that more years did not mean more children, says Dr. Comfort, because the aim is to increase productive life and reduce dependency. But the effects on our self-estimate and our attitudes of any major increase could be profound.

"This is contrary to any concept of academic freedom"

STRAW TALKS ON POLICE ACTIVITIES

by Andy Chapman

POLICE interest in the political activities of students was the subject of a talk given to the Council of Civil Liberties Press Conference last week by Jack Straw, Deputy President of N.U.S. He said that N.U.S. was very concerned about reports which have reached it on police activities on the campuses of universities all over the country.

One of these incidents has already been reported in the Press. A mature student at Nottingham University has said that he was approached by two policemen last June who intimated that he might provide information about "groups in the University." He said one of the policemen mentioned "violence among students", and "the racial problem".

Newcastle

The October 27th demonstration in London also produced incidents of this kind. At Newcastle University, the President of the SRC was approached last October by telephone, to give information on the demonstration.

The Warden of Goldsmith's College, London, reported that during the long vacation a member of staff had been contacted by a police officer to give information on three students. He thought that the policeman had a search warrant and gave information, but it was later discovered that he had no warrant.

Protest

A letter of protest was sent to the Home Office, but the facts of the case were not disputed.

Mr. Straw said: "N.U.S. is collecting evidence on these and other cases and intends to take up the whole question with the Home Secretary. If it is true that police are taking an active interest in the

political activities of students on campuses, then it is a situation which is totally to be deplored.

"From the evidence we have, there is at least a prima facie case that this is going on. Probing into political activities is quite contrary to any concept of academic freedom, and traditional freedoms of speech and assembly. It represents an intrusion into the rights of the individual."

At the meeting with the House of Commons Select Committee recently, this problem was discussed.

Mark Mitchell said: "What we do object to is that Special Branch men and plain clothes police have been on the campus."

He alleged that there had been instances reported at Leeds University where students had been approached by Special Branch men and asked to pass on information about the political affiliation of students.

Vietnam

Then there was the case of the American student who had wanted to complete his studies before going to Vietnam. He was suddenly spirited away with the help of the Leeds police and taken to the American Embassy. It had required a great deal of negotiation by Jack Straw and the Council for Civil Liberties before he had been released, said Mr. Mitchell.

Shona Falconer, Union President, when asked about the University Security Force, said she was certainly disturbed at any keeping of files on students.

PERSONAL VIEW

THIS WEEK WE VOTE FOR THE NEW VICE-PRESIDENTS. WHAT ARE WE VOTING THEM IN FOR?

THE change in the Vice-Presidential structure, which we have just undertaken, is significant, in so far as we will now have a system which recognises the role which the Union is developing.

The Union is no longer just a nice social club. It has responsibilities inside the University and outside.

The Lady Vice-President, who had very little work—the senior Vice-President, in fact—was an anachronism.

What did the Lady Vice-President do, generally? Hand round tea and buns and make polite conversation.

Duties

The duties of the Vice-Presidents as laid down in the constitution were: (i) Exercising the powers of, and being charged with, the duties of the President in his absence; (ii) being responsible on behalf of the union for (a) the co-ordination and organisation of all hospitality and of social functions, and (b) the co-ordination and organisation of Internal and External information services of the Union.

The duties now have been changed. Deputising for the President still stands. The Internal Vice-President will be responsible on behalf of the Union for the co-ordination and organisation of internal information services and Education and Welfare policy.

The External Vice-President will be responsible on behalf of the Union for the co-ordination and organisation of External and N.U.S. affairs and services.

The functions of the Lady Vice-President will now be undertaken by the Union hostess (an ex-officio member of U.C.). This is possibly not the best title, as it suggests a Union prostitute, which is not what the A.G.M. voted for, or at least

I hope that it did not vote for such a system.

So far, we have only tinkered with the structure that exists. I think that the Executive should not get any larger than it is at the moment. However, the responsibilities of the individual officers should be reconsidered.

Manchester, for example, has five Vice-Presidents; some Unions have a two-tier Executive, which I would disagree with.

Intransigence

I think that it is necessary to set up a standing committee or a working party to consider the entire structuring of the Union, this could then bring to the A.G.M. next year proposals for change in the structure of Union government. The intransigence of the Executive must be overcome.

The Link report put forward recommendations. Individuals have put forward ideas for reform of the Union. Many of these ideas were very practical, but those representing sectional interests have continued to accept a status quo, which is neither efficient or democratic.

Changes are coming slowly. The open elections for Secretary, House Secretary

and Treasurer are to be welcomed as we will now have the majority of the Executive elected by members of the Union.

This will also take some of the hatcheting out of Union Council. I would hope we have seen the end of the nights of the long knives, as the supporters of candidates for an Executive post attack the rival candidate with varying degrees of venom.

We must accept that the Union is a political entity, but this should not mean that party politics are dragged into administrative matters affecting the running of the Union. Policy-making is a situation where one expects political conflict.

Policy, however, should be made by the General Meetings, not by the Union's in-set Social Club (U.C.). What we need is efficient administration. People may vote for members of Union Council on political grounds, but the elected representatives do not have to vote on administrative issues as though these were the be-all and end-all of politics.

The whole structure of the Union must be reconsidered. The duties and functions of the Union must be reconsidered. If we decide to enter into commercial enterprises, should they simply be limited to services for students, or should the Union spread its tentacles into town and cater for the full market?

Something is now being done to change the accepted state of things in this Union, but let us not leave it there. There is still a lot which needs consideration and alteration here, and simply because the light of change is shining briefly, don't let's sink back into our apathy as soon as the first blaze is over.



STUDENT WORLD

BIRMINGHAM

A row has started, and meetings have been called, over the sacking of Roland Chaplain, of the Edgbaston Observatory, by the University. Mr. Chaplain received a letter from the Personnel Officer stating that his work "had been such that your employment with the University should be terminated." He was offered three months' pay in lieu of notice and was asked to stop work immediately. Mr. Chaplain has refused the offer of pay as he wishes to fight for his reinstatement.

Mr. Chaplain claims that the University has been completely unrealistic in their running of the Observatory since they took it over. He also says that the Observatory Committee have taken little interest in the way it is run.

A meeting has been called in the Union to discuss means of getting the University authorities to reinstate Chaplain, and it is expected that several hundred staff and students will attend. A formal General Meeting of the Guild may well be called as a result to discuss the matter further.

Aston seems to have proved itself completely incapable of running their part of the Festival programme with Birmingham. Among their failures so far have been: an attendance of 27 at a Campoli/C.B.S.O. concert, as a result of virtually non-existent publicity and failure to produce tickets in advance of the concert date; cancellation of a blues concert because of double-booking; and

only two of the five planned community projects have been carried out.

The root of the trouble seems to be a highly-inefficient committee headed by a bureaucratic chairman, and a refusal by Aston to accept an overall Festival co-ordinator from Edgbaston. So far, they have incurred a loss of £700 out of their £1,000 "float" as a result.

HULL

After the resignation of five of the seven members of the Exec, and the passing of a motion of no confidence in itself by Council, changes in both the election and constitution of Exec and Council are expected. The proposals are that a seven-man Exec should be elected directly from Union and that three Exec members should be "members without portfolio".

The President has said that he would like to see representation on a constituency basis, which should diminish "block voting" and the effects of "party ticket" voting. Each member of the Union would then have a Council representative with knowledge of and responsibility to his own "constituency".

NEWCASTLE

The City Council has decided to go ahead with plans to censor an exhibition of Sculpture in the Civic Centre, originally planned as the centrepiece of the Arts Festival.

One piece of sculpture—Genesis, by Jim Smith—has been

described as "obscene and disgusting" by some of the councillors. Students dispute whether a civic committee can act as "arbitrators of art". Meanwhile, Mr. Smith is determined to exhibit the offending piece of sculpture, even if he has to hire a lorry and drive down the main streets with "Genesis" on the back to do so!

OXFORD

When O.U.C.A.'s Audit sub-committee came to look at last term's accounts, they were faced with a slight problem. There were no accounts. So they had to make them up, and constructed them from bankers' statements and bills.

Paragraph 19 of the constitution states: "The Treasurer . . . shall keep the accounts of the Association and shall be required to present the accounts of his term of office to the Committee and the Audit sub-committee".

Asked if he felt last term's Treasurer—Viscount Lewisham—had been incompetent, a committee member said: "No comment."

LOUGHBOROUGH

Despite organising a separate bar for the players and supporters of Newcastle and Aberystwyth Rugby clubs on a recent visit, considerable damage was caused at closing time in the main bar. The bill for the damage has been sent by the University to the U.A.U., and College Principles have written to the U.A.U. pointing out that if this sort of behaviour is to be tolerated in future, then U.A.U. matches will not be held on Loughborough pitches.

LONDON

The Centre for Voluntary Action at University College has been struck by bad luck in its attempts to start a centre for old people. They were converting an old theatre, and had spent their time ripping down the internal walls. Next day they returned to find that the whole place had collapsed, leaving only a pile of rubble.

The centre will now spend the next two weeks demolishing the rest of the building, and are already inviting tenders for the rubble. A member of the group, undeterred, commented: "We should make enough on the sale of the rubble to get the design and foundations of the new building laid."

EXEC. BULLETIN

ELECTIONS

The polling for the Internal and External Vice-Presidential posts will take place on Monday and Tuesday, the 10th and 11th of March, as will the bye-elections for the nine vacant seats on Union Council. Nominations for these positions closed last Wednesday.

Notice for the elections of Secretary, House Secretary and Student Treasurer will appear on 6th March, closing date for nominations will be noon on Thursday, 13th March. Hustings will be on 18th March, and polling on the 20th and 21st.

Don't forget, there will be only three polling booths available, one in the Union foyer, one in the Civil Engineering Dept. and one in the Lipman Common Room.

DISCIPLINE

Recently, 26 people called for a meeting of Convocation to discuss the motion on discipline put forward by the University. The Union contacted as many postgraduates as possible, and a Union briefing meeting was held at one o'clock yesterday. This because the resolutions put forward to the meeting of Convocation appear somewhat biased at the present moment.

O.G.M.

The next O.G.M. will be on Wednesday, 12th March, at one o'clock. Please submit business five working days before the meeting so that agendas may be prepared in good time.

MINUTES

Union Council minutes will now appear on the notice board in the M.J. lounge. Combine serious reading and humour while drinking your Blue Danube, specially flavoured, brewed and boiled coffee.

HOPS

Hop Questionnaire. It now appears possible that a discotheque will be provided in the Union, as well as the possibility of varying the Hop night.

This because groups could be obtained at a cheaper rate. Food is likely to be provided if demand requires it. These moves arise out of the Hop Questionnaire drawn up by the House Secretary. Replies so far have been surprisingly forthcoming; if you have ideas on Hops, questionnaires are still available from the porters' office.

BATTLE AT HENRY PRICE

by Terry Bottrill

THE heavy fall of snow last week brought trouble again to the Henry Price Building, and people outside were again showered with assorted objects.

At about 10.30 p.m. a large group of students and local youths gathered outside the building and on top of the reservoir on the other side of Clarendon Road.

Snowballs were hurled at windows in the building and the inmates replied fiercely in the battle. Objects flung from the windows included milk cartons, paper and polythene bags, garbena bags, streamers, toilet rolls and hot water.

By midnight, the group outside had grown to about 50 people and the lower flat units in the building were receiving such a barrage that two windows were broken in "C" block and one in "D" block. A final student, whose flat had two windows broken, commented:

"The situation assumed the appearance of a pitched battle at one stage and if the police had not arrived, considerably more damage might have been done."

RUBBISH

Soon after midnight the police arrived in force with at least four cars and the attackers retreated without any attempt to stand and fight. Several names were taken and warnings were given to many people

as several policemen were actually hit by snowballs. After everyone had left, the pavement and Henry Price car park was littered with assorted rubbish.

The flat President of the Henry Price was in Bristol for an interview at the time of the incident but the secretary, Mr. Battacharyya, denied that residents were throwing objects out of the windows and maintained that the residents in the building did not retaliate in any way to the provocation from outside. He also denied that passers-by were in any way interfered with that evening.

There was also another snow-fight between the Original Oak and the Skyrack last week involving at least 100 people. Cars and buses were heavily hit and at last the police arrived. The police were in plain clothes and at first did not show their warrant cards and so at first they were largely ignored. Eventually, order was restored and nobody was actually arrested but many warnings were given and names were taken.



Buying oranges outside the Union during Israel Week.

Unreliable groups make marquee close

THE MARQUEE CLUB closes this evening with a first and last performance by the Nice. The club has only been open for five months and is closing down for three main reasons. First, lack of support from the population of Leeds; second, groups not turning up; and, trouble resulting from selling tickets for an advertised programme for which groups don't honour their contracts.

The owner of the club, Mr. Peter Brent, of Brent Enterprises, said: "I am sickened by the groups not turning up. The club was making a profit but it could not stay open under these conditions.

Tyrannosaurus Rex, Jeff

Beck, Traffic and the Nice were all groups which failed to turn up for performances. Mr. Brent said that groups can break their contracts at will. When groups go to America, the result is that they often raise their prices considerably, making it difficult for small concerns to compete. He expressed concern for those people who had bought tickets for the performances to which groups did not turn up.

The Nice, who should have appeared last Friday, told Brent Enterprises on the Sunday before that they were going to Berlin and would not be able to fulfill their contract. They offered an alternative date (today) and anyone who had a ticket for last week will be able to use it tonight.

Mr. Brent said: "If they don't turn up this time, we will sue them."

The Marquee is mainly patronised by students. The teenyboppers have little taste for what is commonly known as the 'Underground'. Peter Brent Enterprises are planning concerts in the near future at the Town Hall.

The groups that will appear, it is hoped, will include the groups the Marquee had booked for future performances.

O.G.M. SUPPORT VIETNAM DEMO.

AT last Thursday's O.G.M., Allen Woods proposed a motion supporting the forthcoming demonstration at Sheffield, organised by the trade union movement, "to unite all those opposed to the war in Vietnam, and recommends an immediate donation of £5 to the campaign fund." He stressed the point that this was the first demonstration against the war to be organised by the working-class movement, and that students ought to show their solidarity with them.

Bernard Diamant proposed that the motion be scrapped and replaced by a stronger one. He said that the demonstration was being organised by those people who wanted to "push Wilson to the Left," but what was required was to remove the Wilson government, to "affirm support for victory and to throw out capitalism." The amendment was almost unanimously defeated.

Chris Swann then spoke against the motion. He said that the motion was too biased, as was the demonstration. The way to end

the war, he said, was to see both sides of the argument. To blame only one side for the war was totally wrong.

Narrowly

Pat Tombs, summing up, said that in his opinion, the war was a war of aggression, and only the allied forces were in the wrong. The motion was then put to the vote, and was narrowly carried by 95 to 83, with 20 abstentions.

Next, Leo Smith announced that he was withdrawing his motion attacking Union News for not adequately covering O.G.M.'s and U.C. meetings, at which point a fairly large contingent of the audience left the hall.

Frank Moore proposed that the Union fully support the

Congress of Racial Equality (C.O.R.E.) and support it in every way, especially by affiliating itself to C.O.R.E. and donating £10.

The motion was opposed by Richard Burkitt, of Action Soc., who said that the motion was attempting to stress the political aspect of the subject, instead of stressing the action side. What was needed was not to talk politics, but to get on with the actual work involved. Nevertheless, the motion was carried overwhelmingly.

Mr. V. Borg proposed a motion deploring the fact that one-third of the world was starving, and calling for a committee to take action and increase awareness. He also urged the government to implement the proposals embodied in the Haselmere declaration, to give underdeveloped countries more aid, without strings.

The motion was opposed by Ken Davies, who said that the real enemies were the people who held the wealth; the capitalist world. What was needed was socialism in these countries, and a revolution to make the capitalist West give up their wealth.

Drama Festival not at Leeds

IT has now been decided not to offer Leeds Union as a venue for the 1969/70 N.U.S. Drama Festival. This is because of uncertainty about the new Union extensions.

It is possible that some of the decoration and fitting out of the new Union may not be completed by October, in which case these may be left and finished during the Christmas vac. This would mean a great amount of extra work, and to have the Festival here at this time would put too great a load on the porters.

It is hoped, however, that it may be possible for Leeds to be offered for the 1970/71 Drama Festival. As regards this year's, Edinburgh, Manchester and Bradford have already been offered as possible venues.

INFOMANIACS ARE ON THE RUN · CATCH ONE

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ERIC TREACY, Bishop of Wakefield.
Wednesday, 12th March
1.10 p.m. R.B.L.T.

NEWSHIFT *Crime in the University is on the increase.*

Thefts range from the Royal Standard to a live lobster. What can we do about...

CRIME ON THE CAMPUS

CRIME is on the increase in the University. It ranges from theft to forgery, from indecent assault to arson. Despite the fact that many people think that we are a society of saints, and can all be trusted, there is an ever-increasing need for both students and staff to become security conscious.

Last year 329 crimes were reported, of which over 300 were concerned with theft, ranging from the theft of the Royal standard from the top of the Parkinson Tower, and a live lobster from the zoology department, to large amounts of cash and expensive machines.

Why is there this crime wave? Who is responsible? How can it be stopped? Union News will attempt to answer these questions and more.

Accessible

The person directly in charge of security in the University is Mr. Donald Smith, the head of the Security Service. He believes that one of the causes of the increase in crime is the fact that the University is freely accessible to outsiders.

He said, "The policy of the University authorities is to have an open house for ordinary members of the public, and to encourage visitors in any way possible.

He continued, "While commendable in many respects, it poses serious security problems, as all too often the wrong kind of people take advantage of such a situation."

Mr. Smith considers that students and staff are not security conscious, and tend to invite crime.

He said, "Recent investigations which led to the arrest of thieves, known to be frequent visitors to the University, have made all too apparent the ease with which undesirable characters gain access to offices, laboratories, workshops and even lecture rooms."

Although there are some people who come to the University to steal, and will stop at nothing in the furtherance of their aims, how do they get away with their crimes? Are opportunities created for them? Mr. Smith believes so.

He said, "90% of thefts in University buildings could have been prevented if a little more care had been taken by the users." He added, "In many cases people are all too trusting, careless or forgetful, or a combination of all three, but this does not prevent them from complaining bitterly when robbed."

This view was confirmed by Chief-Inspector Holley, the head of Leeds Crime Prevention Squad. He said, "Carelessness is the main cause of theft, as it creates opportunity for the thief, who is looking for such an opportunity."

"By eliminating opportunity crime will be reduced."

This then is why the crime wave is increasing. But who is behind it all? Is it students, staff or... who?

Mr. Smith is quite adamant in his view. He said, "Most thefts within the

Research by John Josephs



University are committed by outside people coming in and wandering along corridors and in and out of offices, workshops and laboratories."

He continued, "In 1967, the ratio of thefts committed by outsiders as compared to University personnel was seven to one."

How is it that they are not detected. Although there are thousands of legitimate personnel at the University, some faces are familiar. Are these outsiders never challenged?

"Excuse"

Mr. Smith commented, "These people have a ready excuse if someone accosts them, and it is not uncommon for a member of staff or a student unwittingly to assist the thief when he pretends to be lost or to be looking for a job."

Finally, he said: "It is not generally appreciated that a number of people habitually visit this University, and others, for the purpose of stealing."

"On one occasion when a man was arrested, he admitted stealing in Leeds and Sheffield Universities. He admitted 27 cases at Leeds, and a similar number at Sheffield."

How can these thefts be stopped? Chief Inspector Holley is making great strides in this direction. I went round his department, which is full of locks, alarm systems and an assortment of gadgets.

He said: "We know that we are being successful, but it is difficult to say how much. There are cases which we do know of, but there are many, many more when the thief will have seen the lock, etc., and will have been deterred."

Mr. Smith also has ideas about crime prevention on the campus. "Doors and ground



Brotherton black spot. This student's case was here a couple of hours ago when he went in. But, now

floor windows should always be locked when leaving at the end of the day, and at coffee breaks and lunchtime, which are the favourite times for "sneak-in" thieves in this University."

The main blackspots for thefts is the Brotherton Library and, more especially, the floor in the Parkinson outside the Brotherton, where people insist on leaving their cases, despite the fact that free lockers are provided.

Mr. Smith commented about the number of thefts from the Brotherton. "When discarding coats or jackets, never leave cash or valuables in the pockets. In any case, put garments and cases in lockers where possible. Many people are too lazy to use lockers, even when provided."

Also, many crimes are concerned with cars. Chief Insp. Holley said: "These occur when there is a large concentration of vehicles in an area left unattended for a long period of time."

Perhaps the most surprising thing about car crimes is that many owners seem to take no precautions at all.

Mr. Holley commented: "Valuables ought to be kept in the boot, which should be locked. Also, although these are expensive, anti-theft devices should be fitted. Some are visible, and are a deterrent while others immobilise the car completely."

So, then, this is the story of crime in the University. As in many walks of student life, apathy and carelessness is the cause.

As things are at the moment, the crimes show no sign of decreasing. Mr. Smith's security force does an invaluable task, but they cannot be everywhere. Students and staff need to be more security conscious, in their cars, homes, halls, and on the campus, or else the number of crimes will continue to rocket.

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Yippee! It's election-time again. and what an inspiring bunch of candidates for Exec. There's not even anyone worth voting against.

No, I'm not going to give a list of who's standing. The charlatan who took this column over last term tried to just before the Presidential Elections and didn't get one prediction right. He's been ousted by the return of your real 100% G.D. and I won't risk that game.

Neither will I use this column to push the candidates I don't like into the shit. Sorry vampires, but I've found that I've got a principle. Besides which my reputation would never recover if I was wrong.

Still, we can always look at the scene in general. It's just like the Wars of the Roses. But now they're Red and Blue.

Scotland's revenge for Glencoe, Mike Redwood, will be working to see that he isn't the only person who'll speak to Mike Redwood on Exec. He'll also want a good few Tory Party members on U.C.

The hard-line left will be pushing as hard the other way. In fact plans were being made by GULF (what's that?—see next week) to boot Deadwood out before he'd even taken office. After all, what's a majority of 700 odd?

You, dear voter, will be smack in the middle. If you vote for one extreme or the other we're going to have two Unions next year.

And a hell of a lot of students who are sick to death of being made the butt of party politics.

Just what are the people standing for Union Council Bye-Elections letting themselves in for? Last week U.C. spent half an hour discussing a motion from Debates that U.C. members should recite their manifestoes there once a month. It got thrown out eventually and Rag, who passed an amendment that all coins thrown should go to Rag, were the only people to benefit.

Even Garry Davies, who proposed the motion at Debates, was so bored with it that he didn't bother to turn up.

The whole thing could have been dealt with in five minutes. Should it never have been brought up in the first place?

But that doesn't excuse Neil Williamson. It wasn't just during that motion but all through the evening that he sat correcting answer-books from the school where he's on Teaching Practice.

That joins the demon knitter Janice (Defarge) Lemon as a classic example of how not to work for the people who voted you onto the Council.

The thing that made me laugh the most last Monday was the way in which only five members of Union Council voted against a motion calling for a reduction in the numbers of polling booths for Union elections.

Five have gone, from Parkinson, Refec. foyer, Charles Morris, Ellerslie and Devonshire halls.

This might knock five or six hundred votes off the poll next time, but that's not many out of 2,500. Only a fifth.

And I bet that more than the five who voted against this pay lip-service to involving students in elections. But maybe a low poll suits them.

Rumour has it the the Virgin Queen of this paper, editor Jane Fickling, accepted the hand of Chris Swann the other day. (Nothing else until after they're married.)

The proposal and acceptance are all a joke, they tell people. But there are a lot of worried faces around: is The Whiskered Wombat trying to take over the paper and set up a dynastic rule? Or is the maiden trying to buy off one possible critic on Union Council?

Walking along the Bottom Corridor the other day I saw that Action Society were advertising for helpers.

"Teaching English to Immigrants . . ." Any immigrant want a job teaching spelling to Action?

I got stoned for free at the Theatre Group party for the Swedish company that put on plays last week.

One of T.G. wasn't too happy with the way that the beer was coming through from the keg. So he made some very professional-looking adjustments to the mechanism.

Pity that he got the wrong knob, turned up the cooler and froze the beer solid.

Whose Lazy charm is irresistible then, Martin?
WUZ for ever!
Is Debbie running for PRESIDENT?
WALTER bumbled again.
QUASIMODIFY Fitzsimans.
Want to practice RAY.
Did DESPERATION succeed, Mike?
Plus ca change.
I hope YOU stay sane.
ANARCHY.
I've got you under my SHEEPSKIN.

Paul Barker, Editor "New Society" speaks on "COMMUNICATIONS" Tuesday, 4th, L.G.15 5:30, Social Studies Society.
GR. 16/13-16 (3.59) = CONSTANT.
BUMP has arrived!
JOHNNY'S at the COBBLERS
MARTIN'S got beautiful teeth?
Success After Rave, AT Home?
ANTI-personality are in.
Crabtree L.T. TEACH-IN Today and tomorrow.
Meeting of L.U.U. Meth/Ang. Socs. at Oxford Place Church, 4.15 p.m. Sunday, March 2nd.
Congratulations to DINA and MARTIN on their marriage last week, and on the birth of their twins yesterday.
All this reading been building up your leg-strength, DAVE?
WHO bounces on whom at Week-ends?
Howard SNIFFed at his CHRISstening.
COONfusion. Your turn!
POP goes the Ezor.
I hope you realise this.
THE CONSTANT COUPLE are coming at BODINGTON. Witness the spectacle in four week's time.
Mind you Pearson CUES.
PAMELA needs COD-LENVINE oil.
BAKED BEANS.
Hard luck, Jane. SWANS keep one mate for life! . . .
John's are like two dried PEAS.
Are PETE and ANDY hermaphrodite? ----ing hell, Dick.
JACKIE fries?
They're called bloomers in WORCESTERSHIRE.
For the really big bounce ring Andy 621980.
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Jeff is a FATSILib.

Can PETER carry CHRIS'S niblicks?
DO fishes have organsms?
THANKS for nicking my coat, somebody. I hope you get mistaken for me and beaten up.
KNICKERS!
CRABTREE 28th February at 5.15 and 1st March 9.30 a.m.
ASH gets WREILLIED.
Pixis CAN reProduce. Jean's giving it, UP.
LIB SOC lives.
M.R.B. and C.P. = Real thing.
KINKham for LIGHT amusement.
P.S. It was triplets.
ROT my DOZEY Dorey.
HAVE you seen DINA'S 8½?
All Union members are requested to get their KNICKERS down.
Jeremy's 4th position . . .
G.O.D. died on Wednesday.
Alan puts spirits in METHS Soc.
Have you seen MARTIN'S 8½?
UNDERCUTS is a dirty word!
See your SHILLINGS in the Union Foyer. Ta very much.
Bamber le BRETON.
SUE's a lorry-driver.
Is Jack OVERWROUGHT? or even PENT up?
Sorry NEIL, we love you . . . really!!
Any more dirty tricks like that one, JOE?
Czechoslovak student appeal fund—look at your BOBS today! Thank You.
Watch for the return of SQUATI
EL ROBERTO will rule after the smoking revolution.
LINDA lives on DATES.
WENDY is a sadist.
O.K. my dear, it's a CATI
ELLERSLIE is full of Eastern promise.
CRACK on ROZI!
Thanks a bunch, JOEI
LINDA likes Marshwiggles. Under the BED!
WHALES are sinking under political influence.
KNICKERS will rule!
The RAG-MOG is now dead.
Goodbye, dear friends.
Is HELEN'S future illegal?
THE DEFINITE END

personal column

Has IVY got a RAY of sunshine?
O.K. So I'm asking. BERYL.
DINA and MARTIN would like to announce their policy of non-involvement, and wish all their friends a happy EASTER.
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Who's got 500 Engineers at his beck and call then, CHRIS?
Has your placebo got a sugar COATING, George?
SWANN's in for a ducking!
Go home RICKY.
HOCKEY Club Discotheque—Friday, February, 28th. Tetley Hall 7.30. 3/6. Bar extension—all welcome.
To members of T.G., P.E. is better than P.T.
LIB Soc. lives!
Watch this space for LIBERAL news every week.
Killey for POPE!
S - S - SOCK it to me.
Howard says he HAS had it in his flat!
LOST—Dunhill lighter and Gold ring (inscribed R.M.) Richard Moll, Psychology Dept. REWARD!!

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1959 *Street Offences Act, 1959* CH. 57

CHAPTER 57

An Act to make, as respects England and Wales, further provision against loitering or soliciting in public places for the purpose of prostitution, and for the punishment of those guilty of certain offences in connection with refreshment houses and those who live on the earnings of or control prostitutes.

[16th July, 1959]

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1.—(1) It shall be an offence for a common prostitute to loiter or solicit in a street or public place for the purpose of prostitution.

But ten years later, the girls are back on the streets. Why? Are they fulfilling a social need? West Germany has legalised them — Should Britain?

In Paris, the queues in Les Halles are dotted with gendarmes.

In Hamburg, the Reeperbahn is a legalised sexual jamboree, with all mod cons.

The red light area of Soho keeps the London Underworld in business.

But in Leeds, the prostitutes of Chapeltown have to rely on newsagents' boards and kerb-crawling cars.

"It shall be an offence for a common prostitute to loiter or solicit in a street or public place for the purpose of prostitution."

The Street Offences Act of 1959 drove the prostitutes off the streets, but now, ten years later, the girls are back.

Clients know where to find them. In this country, magistrates' courts sentenced 2,422 people in 1967 for offences arising out of prostitution. But prostitution is big business and the fines are no deterrent. The real professionals have their trade to a fine art. They move from city to city. They have regular customers, and earn a steady living.

In London, £70 a day can be earned with little difficulty. But for those who work at home, overheads can be high. Rent, advertisements and maids can cost over £100 a week. This is why the streetwalkers are still common.

Chapeltown

Chapeltown is a pick-up area in Leeds. The customers kerb-crawl and their business is conducted in cars. The police find it harder to trace the prostitutes this way.

But the real victims are the women pestered by the kerb-crawlers. In Chapeltown Road area various vigilantes committees have been set up to fight the kerb-crawlers. These are mostly made up of men whose wives have been approached by men looking for a girl for the night.

Union News sent a girl reporter into Chapeltown at midnight. Within 500 yards she had been approached four times by kerb-crawlers.

We also inserted an advert. at a newsagents describing a 'young lady seeking attractive work at home, evenings and afternoons'. We quoted a 'phone number. Within three days we had received 42 replies. They all wanted the same thing. And it wasn't typing. . . .

The most common areas for prostitution are those with immigrant

'I do it for the money, because I earn more on the game than I could doing anything else'

PROSTITUTION — FOR LOVE OF MONEY



This girl can earn £50 a week. On she will know little or nothing about the man who pays her: "He cares anyway . . . he doesn't want me for my brilliant conversation and I only want his money."

populations. They seem to have taken over from the armed forces camps. This may be because in most cases there is a preponderance of males in immigrant areas.

The girls are going back to the streets because they know there is a willing and ready market to be exploited there. Gloria is 28, but she looks at least 40. She is a hard woman, unintelligent.

"I went on the game about two years after my husband left me. I took the kids to my mother in Bradford and tried to get a job. Nothing seemed to work out, but the first few weeks were all right because I had some money.

She drew heavily on a king-size cigarette. Her children still live with her mother.

"Oh, my God, I hope they never find out. I'll never let them come back to me. I do it for the money, because I can earn more on the game than I could at anything else."

She's been warned twice by the police, but has never been convicted of soliciting. She is typical of the streetwalker in Leeds.

"My clients are usually older men. The young ones have their girlfriends. . . ." Her face creased in an ironic smile.

"Often, they just talk for a while. They seem lonely, unwanted. I sometimes wonder whether they're married and what their wives are like."

The law shows no equality between prostitute and client, only the women can be prosecuted for soliciting, her clients, the kerb-crawlers and pavement prowlers can do so without fear of prosecution. Attempts are being made to equalise the law. Lord Chorley, for example, has been trying to encompass men in the category of 'soliciting or loitering in public places'.

As the law shows itself to be inadequate in preventing prostitution perhaps a serious alternative would be to legalise it. Ideas such as those put forward in Birmingham whereby Borough brothels would be set up could prove the answer to the problem.

Clients would, for the most part, be those men who had previously employed the services of the streetwalkers and call-girls.

Dr. Lars Ullerstam, a Swedish psychiatrist, believes that the sexual needs of all sections of society should be examined with the view to providing some kind of satisfaction for those who have no sexual relationships.

It seems obvious that whatever form new ideas take, the prostitute stays,

doing the same work but doing it without the fear of being taken to court or persecuted by the police.

In London, prostitution is more widespread than in the provinces, the methods of making contact with clients are far more varied and the sort of services offered cater for every kind of perversion.

Public relations girls on the books of disreputable firms may be employed solely to give in to potential buyers.

The card-girls get their clients from ads put in windows of newsagents; these may cost her £25 a week and are usually to be found in Paddington, North Kensington and the West End and, more rarely, in the suburbs.

Some West End clubs allow prostitutes membership to hunt for trade.

It is the metropolis that can cater for all night sessions which might cost as much as £100. There tend to be more brothel-type establishments in London than in other cities because a considerable financial investment is involved.

Profit

The money that a London-based prostitute can earn will be far greater than the Leeds girl—£400 a week as opposed to about £50. The provincial girl will have no special premises, she will probably spend little or nothing on advertising and almost all her money will be clear profit.

This is what a young Leeds prostitute had to say about the life she leads. She is typical and is unattractive, untidy and has had a very limited education.

"I am twenty and was thrown out of home five years ago. I usually hang around cafes and pubs and get picked up mostly by West Indians and Pakistanis. I ask about three quid a time, but if they don't pay, there's nothing I can do about it.

"At first, I used to enjoy it. But now I find business rather boring, most clients don't care what they get, so I just give them the usual.

"Chapeltown is the best place for customers. I only have to walk a hundred yards before someone will stop his car; we both know right away.

"Sometimes the whole thing is finished and we won't have said a word to each other. Who cares, anyway . . . he doesn't want me for my brilliant conversation and I only want his money."

Increase

Prostitution in Leeds is on the increase. The figures for 1967 for people convicted of offences under the Street Offences Act are greater than any previous year.

Women convicted for soliciting for immoral purposes, 70.

Women for whom writs were issued but failed to appear, 8.

Men convicted for importuning for immoral purposes, 61.

Men convicted for living off immoral earnings, 3.

Convictions in 1968 will almost be double those of 1967. The streetwalkers and the kerb-crawlers have appeared in far greater numbers than ever before.

The police are no longer taking the 'Laissez-faire' attitude that has existed for so long. They are clamping down hard on both prostitute and client and especially the kerb-crawler, but it is very hard to prove that a man is actually importuning.

We are in the age of the casual prostitute.

Women who would never consider themselves as such, will give themselves in return for a night's drinks.

Perhaps this shows the sexual freedom of our age. The world's oldest profession is flourishing. And however much we legislate we can never hope to drive the prostitute off the streets completely.

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REVIEWS

discourse

ERIC Clapton, Jack Bruce, Ginger Baker. I saw them on their first public appearance as the **Cream** about 2½ years ago on a summer's eve on Windsor racecourse. By joining forces then they were doing the right thing. Last year however it was becoming apparent that creatively, they were nearing the end of their musical trip . . . so they disbanded, to go their individual ways and form new bands.

Out today on Polydor is 'Goodbye' . . . the last set of recordings by the **Cream**, some 'live' in concert, and others done in the studio. The 'live ones are **Cream** standard: "I'm So Glad", "Politician" and "Sitting on Top of the World" . . . need I say more? The other recordings are all new to me: "Badge", "Doing That Scrapyard Thing" and "What A Bringdown". These three are very much the product of the studio, and I've never heard the group play like this before.

They're all written by the lads themselves with the assistance of Pete Brown, and feature Melotron along with a groovy guitar on "Badge" played by L'Angelo Misteroso . . . who I think is not entirely unconnected with a well known group who recently released an album in a white sleeve.

At present this is the 'last' **Cream** L.P., although I gather there may be another double album out in the States in the Spring. Anyway, this record . . . be it the final one or not . . . is terrific, and well worth obtaining.

C.B.S. are releasing another **Rock Machine** L.P. today. This one's called "**Rock Machine I Love You**", and although most of the tracks are taken from existing records it looks good. Featured on it are . . . **Blood, Sweat and Tears**, **Mike Bloomfield** and **Steve Stills**, **Byrds**, the **Don Ellis Orchestra**, **Big Brother** and the **Holding Company**, **Taj Mahal**, **Leonard Cohen**, **Simon and Garfunkel** and lots more. "Hey That's No Way To Say Goodbye" by Cohen and "America" by Simon and Garfunkel alone make it worth the mere 15/-.

POSTSCRIPT . . . the **Nice** really will be on at the New Marquee tonight . . . **Heavy Jelly** is **Skip Bifferty** . . . **Idle Race** and **Alan Bown** at tomorrow's hop . . . book now for the **Incredible String Band** at the town hall a week tomorrow.

by **Martyn Stuart**

theatre

"**AMBITIOUS** and original" these are likely to be the chief comments made about '**Doctor Faustus**', **Marlowe's** brilliant but difficult play, which Theatre Group are presenting next week in the **Riley Smith**.

"Ambitious" because the production involves a cast of 50—making it the biggest play ever put on by the group. And "original" because producer **Paul Sprague** claims to have given the play "an entirely new interpretation. What I have done is to use part of a text never performed in the play before," he said. "And as a result, we have attempted to stress the tragic rather than the farcical element in 'Faustus'."

Marlowe's play is the story of a man with an aspiring mind which gradually declines and the play ends when **Faustus**—played by **Steve Dodd**—is taken down into Hell.

It's not a popular play among theatre companies because of its complexities and demands for both producer and actor. A company of 70 have been working since Christmas to get the play ready for Monday.

"It's been a feat in co-ordination which I've never seen before," said **Katie Gurling**, stage designer.

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*Lilla Teatern, one of the best student theatre groups in Europe, is based at the University of Lnnnd in Western Sweden. They visited the Union on Monday for their final show while they were in England. They performed *The Stamper*, an hour-long piece.*

She's made an impressive set for the stage, and made costumes for all the cast, which are "timeless, and I suppose stark. It's all been exhausting."

Sprague hasn't stopped there—an original score for the play has been composed by **Ian Heywood** as well.

This from the producer who attacked Theatre Group in a recent newsletter for being lazy and complacent. Whether the group can change this image may well depend on the artistic success of his production.

We can judge for ourselves on Monday.

by **Dave Durman**

JUNO AND THE PAYCOCK by **Sean O'Casey**. English Society production in the **Workshop Theatre** tonight and tomorrow.

Passing by the **Workshop Theatre** in the **New Arts Block** and remarking upon a poster advertising a forthcoming theatrical production by the **English Society**, I was forcefully reminded of my Dutch friend who asked me if I knew the work of the great **Nigerian** playwright **Sian Okasi**.

When I informed him of the correct pronunciation of that illustrious Irishman's name he seemed abashed.

If you haven't made contact with **O'Casey** yet, here is your opportunity to change the situation. **Juno and the Paycock**, along with **The Plough and the Stars**, is one of his best plays.

It is basically about a family living in a **Dublin** tenement. The father of the family is "Captain" **Jack Boyle**, the paycock, or rather "peacock" of the title. His wife is **Juno**.

The family encourages an affair between the daughter, **Mary Boyle**, and a schoolteacher with high prospects, but then have to come to terms with reality when the teacher puts her in the cart and leaves her there.

While this is going on, son **Johnny** is busy betraying his comrades in the local battalion of the **Irish Republican Army** by getting them to walk into an ambush, bewailing the fact that he lost an arm with them in action previously.

The peacock, meanwhile, has received the promise of large sums of money from the will of a dead relative. He avoids work and buys furniture on the strength of it.

It is from these situations that the play develops.

by **Dick Wilcocks**

films

FOR simple entertainment I wouldn't recommend the **Bofors Gun**: throwing your weight around the **Yorkshire Hussar** on Saturday night would be more relaxing.

This is not a film which gently laps around you: by its sheer honesty and directness it penetrates more intimate pastures than the cardboard killings or stereotyped sets of lush features can hope to achieve.

The **Bofors Gun**, directed by **Jack Gold**, is showing at the **Tower** this week and stars **Nicol Williamson** and **David Warner**.

The setting is a **British army camp** in occupied **Germany** in the early '50's. Six men under the command of a lance **Bombardier** (**David Warner**) are duty guards for the night in which the actions take place.

The film develops around the conflict between the great **Irish hunk** of **Gunner O'Rourke** (**Nicol Williamson**), who has no love for the **English**, **Protestantism**, or **life**, and the young **National Service Bombardier**, who commands.

The other five members of the guard fall naturally between the two camps.

As regards both screenplay and acting, they provide an excellent supporting structure to the conflict. So also does the setting, which gives a tight network of military, restrictions upon which the contestants can bounce. Perhaps this is a misleading description; it is a fight that becomes a massacre.

At first my sympathies lay with the **Bombardier** a pleasant character, but insufferably weak, who desperately longs for the morning, when he will return to **England**.

Against him is pitted this destructive brute, an old soldier who has known every house, of the glass and whore variety, from **Korea** to the **Cape**. Slowly, however, my sympathy for the **Bombardier** died. (Not that it wasn't warranted, it was, but it was no longer relevant. This **Irishman** was showing us the inside of his head. The vision was frightening.)

Whatever you think of the **Bofors Gun**, its effect won't easily rub off; and that, surely, is some test of a film.

by **Andy Fielder**

books

"The Man who was Magic", **Paul Gallico**. Pan 5/-.

The latest **Gallico** novel is described as a fairy story for all ages. It is a miniature masterpiece of literature, that can be read easily in one evening. It tells the tale of a simple, kindhearted but unusual stranger who comes to the artificial and self-interested city of ubiquitous magic, **Mageia**—to enter the annual competition of magicians.

He comes with the humble intention of learning from the magicians, whom he reveres, but uncovers a plot by the crooked group of chief magicians, foils them, astounds them all with his incredible feats of magic, and leaves, having completely demolished their artificial way of life.

This most entertaining book has greater depth than appears at first glance, and repays careful reading. It is worth a look if you wish to escape the tedium of routine studies, for a couple of hours.

by **Keith Haines**

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In an idle moment someone said let's bring the world's top stars here. And Batley Variety Club did for Batley what Winifred Attwell did for the piano—but we'll come back to that later.

Meanwhile, just imagine this town of 40,000 people working in clothing mills all day, and applauding the biggest names in show-biz 60 minutes later.

Louis Armstrong, Liberace (yes Liberace) Tom Jones, Engelbert Humperdinck have all been here.

Gracie Fields came out of retirement—again—just to spend a fortnight at Batley.

And I do mean the biggest names.

And Linda Russell and Bruce have been there for 83 weeks doing a 25 minute spot every night. She sings. He accompanies on guitar. "It's good fun—and we haven't got bored once. Of course, it's done us a lot of good. We've just done a record together," she says proudly. Bruce takes out a Daily Express cutting from his wallet and looks at a review of the record. It predicts a hit.

Gimmick

And at Batley, they're using every gimmick known to any publicity boy worth his weight in press releases to get people to buy it.

"Don't forget to mention it's on Pye, and called 'We've got a need for each other' will you?" demands Bruce. That evening, during intervals and breaks, the song is

played no fewer than 8 times. The compere, Jerry Brooke, says that copies of the record can be bought in the club's record bar which is open and Linda will come out and sign them personally. On stage Linda says she hopes everyone likes it and will buy it because she gets a penny for very one sold—and a penny can come in useful sometimes for a girl.

No-one laughs but the record's not bad.

Backstage Bruce grumbles something about his name not being on it because "they thought it would be better if she was single." They're happily married, live not too far away in the town that's accustomed to housing similar big names—the Bronte sisters lived there—and Linda used to work in a slipper factory.

When the local people use word 'Batley' they're talking about the club—not the town. It's partly because there's nothing to say about the town anyway, but more it's due to the fact that quite simply there is nothing there beside the club. No cinema, no newspaper, no dance hall.

Before the club opened, people just stayed indoors. "Now these stars that we saw on the telly, are just 10 minutes up the road," said Mr. Tom Dyson who sat with his wife watching Solomon King. They both make a regular weekly visit regardless of who's appear-

ing. And that's probably the whole secret of the club's success.

Because for once in dreary drab Batley there is glamour. And there's the smaltz. All laid on—boy, is it sugary.

And that's where Winny comes in.

Winifred Attwell ageing piano pounder and top of the bill.

Winny

The drums roll, the lights dim. "And now the star of our show—a star I know you'll enjoy, the fabulous Winifred Attwell." Jerry extends his arm—there's a pause—and then in walks fabulous Winny in red wig and a shimmering blue gown bordered in frills. She walks the entire length of the stage arms raised and acknowledges the applause.

The mill is forgotten. The work, the looms, the walk home in the rain. For the predominantly working-class audience this is culture

And enjoyable it is, too.

She plays the predictable, the sing along songs, and the comedy comes. And when it's all over, she even has 20 year old young men standing on their chairs applauding. She leaves the stage and plays just one more tune "that really must be the last". It gets a little weary the fifth time. Just a

little though. We have to go through it three more times before she finally disappears.

Five minutes later she sits exhausted in her star dressing room. She's looked after there by Bill Roberts, who's a steel worker by day and a star-keeper by night, and enjoys it.

"The one I liked best was Jayne Mansfield," he said. "She was here a few weeks before she died you know. She was good to me." His job is to prepare the stage for the artistes and run errands for them when they're in the dressing room. He's envied by the rest of the staff and has collected autographs of everyone who has appeared there. His friends pull his leg about it all—"They call me a friend of the stars and I suppose I am really—they always say 'Thank you Bill' for everything I do for them when they leave."

The man who runs Batley is a local man. Jimmy Corrigan started life putting lead into windows, and is currently enjoying it by putting money into the bank—and lots of it at that. He's a difficult man to get hold of but as someone dear to him said—"You can't be signing such top people as Liberace and be around for everyone's little whim; can you?"—she sounded indignant.

So I left meekly.

Coach loads come from Germany apparently just to spend a night at Batley and they're expecting the trend to continue all over Europe. "The only reason you know, is we're the best Variety Club in the country," said one of the stewards.

And if they can get stars like Winifred Attwell all the time, they needn't worry about losing that position.

by Dave Durman



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INTERNAL VICE-PRESIDENT

Candidate's Name: **TIM CAUDERY**
Candidate's Dept.: **ENG/HISTORY**
Year of entry to Leeds University: **1967**
Proposed by: **MARK COOPER**
Seconded by: **PAUL YANESKE**

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

Male Vice-President 1968-69, U.C. member since 1967, Past or Present member of some 20 Union and University Committees, Working Parties Etc.

I was elected Vice-President of the Union during last term, to serve until the end of this session. Due to a change in the Vice-Presidential structure, I now have to re-stand in order to continue the work I have already started.

The job of Internal Vice-President falls into two distinct parts: firstly, the specific duties allocated to him; secondly, responsibility as an Executive Member and a Deputy President. The V.P. will be assuming overall responsibility for Education and Welfare and Publicity, and consequently will have to co-ordinate all Internal information services. My experience gained as Male Vice-President, both in the field of printing and publicity distribution, will be of great value here. I feel sure that my knowledge and experience of the Union will enable me to do any other jobs allocated by the President.

Equally important is the work of Deputy President, which I have already been doing in considerable volume, and the work as a member of Executive. Since my election, I have ensured that I have spent a large amount of time in Executive Office, and have answered countless inquiries from those who come asking for help. I shall, of course, continue to do this.

If elected, I give two assurances; Firstly, that I will devote the large amount of time necessary to do the work of Internal Vice-President well. Secondly, that my primary concern will continue to be, as always, to ensure that your wishes are carried out.

UNION ELECTION MANIFESTOS

EXTERNAL VICE-PRESIDENT

Candidate's Name: **PETE JENNINGS**
Candidate's Dept.: **COMBINED STUDIES**
Year of entry to Leeds University: **1967**
Proposed by: **MARK COOPER**
Seconded by: **MARK MITCHELL**

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

N.U.S. Chairman, Executive Committee, Union Council, Accommodation Committee, Education and Welfare Committee, University Staff-Student Committee, University Accommodation Committee, Academic Advisory Committee.

Future Development of the Union
I see the Union as having two equally important functions. One is to represent the interests of the Student body, and the other is to provide social facilities for its members.

I believe that the services provided at present are inadequate. With the extensions opening, we shall be able to consider many changes. Among these changes I would like to see is a means of opening the Union to non-hop goes on hop nights. I would like to see the commercial enterprises extended. The profits of such enterprises could then be ploughed back into the Union for the benefit of the ordinary member. If elected I will work to provide a Supermarket/Grocery shop and a launderette. This is the general direction in which I envisage commercial enterprises developing. I would also like to see cut price text-books being sold in the Union, if possible, as an extension of the book exchange facilities.

As regards the services provided by the Union, I believe that the Union should take over the operation of the lodgings office, as soon as funds become available. This is a service, which directly affects students, and as such I believe it should be made responsible to the student body.

On the subject of Student Participation, I believe that it should be extended greatly. With review of University committee structures taking place at the present time, we will have an excellent opportunity to press for the changes. I believe that the student members of University committees should be elected by general meetings, not as at present, where membership is by virtue of posts held in the Union. This procedure has been adopted for some members of some committees, it should apply to all members of all committees.

Information

It is ridiculous to talk of Student Participation, without giving students the means by which they will be able to participate, namely information. If students are to participate, they must be kept informed about what is happening. If I am elected I shall make every attempt to ensure that information is available to everyone. At present we have the ridiculous situation, whereby, information instead of being disseminated goes round and round Union Council in ever decreasing circles.

Candidate's Name: **JUDY LEA**
Candidate's Dept.: **ENGLISH**
Year of entry to Leeds University: **1968**
Proposed by: **NEIL ELDRD**
Seconded by: **MICHAEL REDWOOD**

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

One important reason for the decline in the Union and its activities has been Union Council's preoccupation with matters external to the Union—to the detriment of the Union itself.

This situation must change if we want a more active and more lively Union.

I'm not saying that we should close our eyes to what is happening elsewhere—only that we must achieve a reasonable balance in our affairs so that, not a minority but a majority of Union members always benefits.

Increasingly often in the past "external affairs" have been made the pretext for bitter fighting and the peddling of assumed political doctrines. This has resulted in catastrophe for the Union. I feel sure that the only solution to this is to elect candidates who are prepared to do their jobs for the interests of the Union and to co-operate with each other for the benefit of everyone.

There is much to be done in terms of "external affairs" right here in Leeds. We must try to regain friendly relations with the University Authorities and I believe that we can make progress in obtaining our legitimate demands of them only when our representatives are reasonable and responsible. We can improve relations with the city for this University can contribute a lot to Leeds and the Union must play its part to the full.

Another matter of interest to the "external" Vice President is the National Union of Students. Although we send the largest delegation to the N.U.S. Council, to most people in this Union, the N.U.S. Council means nothing. The fact that this is so is a criticism of N.U.S. as a whole and particularly of the Union's N.U.S. Committee. I believe we have a responsibility to put forward and support policies based upon a knowledge of the facts and common sense. This has not been the case in the past.

There are other responsibilities which I shall have to undertake as a member of the Executive, if you elect me. In particular I should like to see the sports clubs being allowed to run their own affairs without the frustrating and time-wasting interference of U.C. This can be done by amending the relevant bye-laws.

If elected I should do my best to help co-ordinate Union activities and co-operate with the other officers of the Union to make Union government a matter of teamwork.

UNION COUNCIL

Candidate's Name:
RODNEY GORDON BATH
Candidate's Dept.: **SOCIOLOGY**
Year of entry to Leeds University: **1967**
Proposed by: **PETE DEAN**
Seconded by: **TIM CAUDERY**

Positions held:

Member of Theatre Group 1967—, Advertising Manager of Union News 1968—, Secretary of U.N.E.B. February 1969—, Ex Officio member of U.C. February 1969—.

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

"Politics is the art of the practical" is perhaps a cliched definition, but still a useful one.

If there is to be politics on Union Council this is what it should be. There is no doubt that at present there is a large amount of ideological politics on Union Council. I believe that this element should be removed from U.C., not because I belong to the ranks of the apolitical but because on the grounds of statistical probability, the ideological opinions of a body of some 25 members is hardly likely to correspond to those of the 8,000 members of the Union.

Why is U.C. beset by political philosophy rather than politics? The root cause of the trouble lies in iniquate O.G.M.'s. Any Union member has a right to voice his political opinions. The O.G.M. and A.G.M. are the place for this—that's why U.C. is subordinate to them. Because O.G.M.'s are iniquate, any matters arising in O.G.M.'s nearly always are referred to U.C. As a result, those who wish to be heard are forced to stand for U.C.

Don't blame Union Council for ideologies, blame iniquate O.G.M.'s

It has been the trend of late to make as many promises in one's manifesto as will secure the votes of as many groups as possible.

I shall make two—and can only fulfill them as far as any individual can.

1. To eliminate ideology from U.C.—I do this by standing for Council.

2. To put ideology where it belongs—at the O.G.M. For that I need a quorum.

Candidate's Name: **GARETH DAVIES**
Candidate's Dept.: **POLITICS**
Year of entry to Leeds University: **1966**
Proposed by: **GERRARD STUBBERT**
Seconded by: **P. J. S. DANIELS**

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

There are about three U.C. meetings between now and the end of the session. I haven't time to go to any of them. I said in a letter to 'Union News' that I wasn't standing for any election—so technically I'm a liar. But read on—this is more a personal news-sheet than an manifesto.

Lots of people in this election are on 'Union News'. This paper is the most powerful organization in the Union. You can't fight a monopolistic news medium. So consider how to oppose a body which not only says how the Union should be run, but has a large interest in running it as well.

If a lot of Union News candidates are elected, do you think they'll be held to account by their own paper? Please don't be deceived—this is a very dangerous merging of functions.

I should know a bit about this—I spent eighteen months on 'Union News', feeling very invulnerable.

Other grouses—Elections are expensive; so are bye-elections. Most of the people who signed in the past few weeks did so for specific reasons (exams or boredom)—very few on principle. Perhaps if they said they were likely to resign in mid-session you wouldn't have voted for them.

How come the publicity for this thing didn't come out until 24 hours before nominations closed? The printers let the M.V.P. down, but what's wrong with hand-written posters?

The Union is getting a juke-box. Support is dubious. The people behind it have been told it'll be wrecked with chewing-gum. It's coming all the same.

Remember Pat Wall? 1,000 people wanted to see him in November. Only 700 got into the Riley-Smith. 300 who turned up very early and formed a neat little queue didn't (a few did, but they had strong shoulders). U.C. and Exce. got in. 'We didn't think there'd be such an interest' somebody on Exec. said. Who cares?

The Union is backing a Vietnam march in Sheffield this Saturday. For Communist victory of course. Last November President Johnson stopped the bombing to get peace talks going. Did you see Exec./U.C. run a demo as a sign of relief and in memory of half a million dead? Did you hell!

O.K. I'm prejudiced. If the electorate is naive enough to be conned, why worry? I don't think you're naive; you don't—and can't—know much about what's going on. And if you were confident enough to propose motions at O.G.M.'s to get things done about the things which mark you in this Union, you'd be on U.C. anyway—seeing things from a different point of view.

If you abstain, the candidates who make you sick will get on anyway. If you vote remember whose eyes the wool's being pulled over.

Candidate's Name: **MICHAEL DILLON**
Candidate's Dept.: **Chinese Studies.**
Year of entry to Leeds University: **1967**

Proposed by: **PETE JENNINGS**

Seconded by: **SUSAN BARON**

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

At the last election for Union Council, a great many candidates stood and were elected on an accommodation platform.

Since then, the post of Accommodation became vacant, but none of the elected members of U.C. saw fit to take the one chance they might have to do something practical about Student Accommodation.

I accepted the post of Accommodation Secretary, and have been representing the Union on the major policy committees of the University since then.

As Accommodation Secretary, I sit (ex officio) on U.C., and have thus been in a position to get to know the way it works. I do not however have a vote—not having been elected by members of the Union—and so I am standing for election in the hope that I will get a mandate to take more effective action in the interests of the Union members, especially in the field of accommodation.

I shall not however, if elected, confine myself to accommodation. I am well aware of the general dissatisfaction with the running of U.C., and would hope that in my time in the Union, the committee structure could be altered—radically altered—to enable more student participation in the decisions taken.

Candidate's Name: **R. NICHOLAS FENTON**
Candidate's Dept.: **CIVIL ENGINEERING**
Year of entry to Leeds University: **1966**

Proposed by: **CHRIS SWANN**

Seconded by: **BILL HARVEY**

Entertainments Committee 1967/68, 1968/69, Rag Organisation 1969—, Engineers Ball Manager 1969—.

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

Nick's work on the above Committees is well known and makes us happy to propose him for Union Council.

Whilst realising that he is only one person on a large committee and therefore that he is unable to make any firm manifesto promises, Nick will try to implement the following ideas:

He wishes to see a Caf-style hot snacks service at week ends, and to press for this he will stand for Catering Committee as soon as there is a vacancy.

The range of Entertainments provided by the Union could and should be extended: Nick will continue his efforts to do this.

As a student whose Department is physically distant from the Union, he is concerned with the lack of knowledge amongst similar students about Union services.

By this he does not mean coffee-bars, political fora and symposia, but more widely useful services such as Legal Aid and Student Loans.

This lack of knowledge is due to poor publicising of the services and Nick will push for leaflets and posters telling students about these via Departmental coffee-bars and notice-boards.

If elected, Nick will work for these ideas and will approach other matters with common sense.

Candidate's Dept.: **SOCIOLOGY**
Year of entry to Leeds University: **1967**
Candidate's Name: **JANE FICKLING**

Proposed by: **MARK COOPER**

Seconded by: **BILL HARVEY**

Union News, News Editor Oct. 1968-Feb. 1969, Member of U.N. Ed. Board Oct. 1968—, Union News Editor Feb. 1969—, Member of N. 4 Ed. Board Feb. 1969 Member of Rag Committee ex officio Feb. 1969—, Member of U.C. ex officio Feb. 1969.

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

As a member of Union Uews I have watched closely and reported on Union events for one and a half years and have gained considerable knowledge of what has to be done in the Union, how it is done and who does it.

I have also attended many U.C. meetings and have watched them degenerate into long-winded quibbles over rival ideologies. These are all very well there is a time and a place for everything and that time and place is not U.C. at midnight when there are more practical and more relevant issues to be discussed.

A student can work out his own ideology but he needs U.C. to deal with the material aspects of his environment. And these issues—accommodation and catering are the most important ones at present—are ones I have seen U.C. bring up, swamp under a morass of irrelevant detail and then shelve, time and time again.

With a voice and a vote on U.C. I would hope to put the knowledge I have gained of these matters to some practical use, get things moving and get things done.

UNION COUNCIL

Candidate's Name: CHRIS HALL

Candidate's Dept.: LAW

Proposed by: RICHARD F. BURKITT

Seconded by: D. DURMAN

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

The in loco parentis rule of the lodgings office should be abolished—the lodgings office should be responsible to Exec. and the Union in the same way that Services Section is. One member on U.C. won't achieve this, but persistent pressure and public opinion might. Enough talk has gone on, now is the time for action. This is in your interest, meetings to decide on what to do and how to achieve this aim must take place. Most people are fed up with the lodgings office. It must be changed.

A referendum should be put out on the idea of having elected representatives by departments.

Candidates for U.C. would then at least be known by the people in their own departments, if no one else.

Candidate's Name: JOHN HOWARD JOSEPHS

Candidate's Dept.: LAW

Year of entry to Leeds University: 1967

Proposed by: TIM CAUDERY

Seconded by: PETE DEAN

Positions held:

Secretary of Bridge Club 1967-68, President of Bridge Club 1968-69, Newsight Editor of Union News February 1969—, Secretary of Free Radio Association January 1968—, Tyke Sub-committee January 1969—.

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

At the A.G.M. I voted in favour of retaining Union Council. This was because I believed and still believe, the U.C. has a vital role to play, as a reasonably small committee has far greater potential to deal with day-to-day policy than has an O.G.M., which tends to be a parge, unwieldy body.

However, U.C. has obtained a bad name, because of the continual petty squabbles between different factions, and it is for this reason that most people consider Union politics a bore and they only use the Union as a social club. I believe that an effort should be made to win back these people. The Engineers, Medics and Dentists are at present isolated, but I would do my best to bring them into the picture.

What the Union should be concerning itself with are the issues that are of the greatest importance to students, such as accommodation and catering.

The Lodgings Office is in a state of chaos at present. At the start of each session, there is an accommodation crisis, as the number of students who arrive is greater than that which the Lodgings Office has accounted for. This situation arises because there is no efficient co-operation between the various University departments.

Moreover, the Lodgings Office considers itself to be 'in loco parentis' yet it does not ensure that lodgings and flats are up to standard, or that rents are fair. Nor does it greatly assist in the helping of students to find flats, but it gives all students the same out-of-date list.

The solution is for the Union to take over accommodation. By this means, the Accommodation Office would be run for the student's benefit.

So too, the Union should run catering. At present, catering is sub-standard, slow and expensive. It is incomprehensible to me that the University should charge such exorbitant prices and still make a loss. Furthermore, it is abhorrent that the University should attempt to make a profit at the students' expense.

If you vote for me, I shall do all in my power to implement all that I have mentioned, and above all, to represent you.

Candidate's Name: DAVID LOURIE

Candidate's Dept.: POLITICS

Year of entry to Leeds University: 1967

Proposed by: G. H. DAVIS

Seconded by: PATRICK DANIELS

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

I am a dedicated 'petty-party politician' I haven't yet decided which petty party to join but there are many about.

If elected I shall go along to those incredibly boring U.C. meetings and, heckle those Fascists on Exec. who do all the work and have all the power—which I want. (Any prospective U.C. member who promises to do more than heckle Exec. is making promises which he cannot fulfil. I promise that my heckling will be as coarse and boorish as those who know me know I can be.

I shall always be open to complaints by ordinary Union Members. Just write them on the nearest bog wall and I shall get them eventually. I shall have appointed females to read inaccessible inscriptions for me. If you are to embarrassed to write obscenities into the Union Complaint book, let me know and I shall do it for you.

My respect for this office (which I do not want) is reflected in the non-typing of this manifesto, as well as my solemn under-taking to write apologies to every meeting of U.C. whether I attend or not.

Above all, I promise to defend and uphold the constitution of the Union.

Candidate's Name: ALISON MALLALIEU

Candidate's Dept.: HISTORY

Year of entry to Leeds University: 1967

Proposed by: MARK COOPER

Seconded by: CHRIS SWANN

Positions held:

Member of History Society Committee before becoming President of History Society in 1968/69, Secretary History Dept. Staff/Student Committee 1968/69, Appointments Board Sub-Committee 1968/69, Freshers' Conference Working Committee 1968/69, Union News Staff 1968—.

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

Alison is no "pretty face = votes" candidate: she is standing with serious committee-work behind her and with the aims of continuing to work hard.

Her interests have until now been centred mainly on her department where she works in the society and on the staff/student committee. In both fields she has held responsible positions.

Her interests in Union organisations are in areas where there is a job to be done, often without public acclaim, but still demanding work and good sense.

Feeling that there is a widening gap between Departments and the Union and that she can work towards stopping the split, Alison is standing for U.C.

We believe that someone going onto Union Council from a Departmental Society is less likely to waste time on ideological conflicts than someone going on from any of the political societies.

Alison has shown her ability to work hard and without thanks: she has a wide committee experience and can only be a useful member of U.C. who is worthy of your vote.

Candidate's Name: C. G. MUNDY

Candidate's Dept.: LAW

Year of entry to Leeds University: 1968

Proposed by: PAUL SPRAGUE

Seconded by: JON HOLMES

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

Since arriving at this University last term, I have found a deep interest in Union affairs. I carried out a campaign in the M.V.P. bye-elections last term, have since become an editor on Union News, and have a keen interest in Union affairs in general. I make no promises in this manifesto as promises of this type are almost inevitably broken when the promisor is elected, so it seems wrong to compromise my position thus. Quite simply, I intend to represent the ordinary student in his political and social needs with any tool I can lay my hands on, to the best of my ability.

Candidate's Name:

KEITH DE WINDSOR PEPPERELL

Candidate's Dept.: LAW

Year of entry to Leeds University: 1968

Proposed by: JON HOLMES

Seconded by: IMOGEN CAIN

Positions held:

Features Editor for Union News Feb. 1969—, Member of the Royal Archaeological Institute, Choirboy and cup-bearer to the Bishop of Chelmsford, Refectory pot-clearer, Union President 1937-58.

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

I remember my grandfather was First Lord of the Admiralty at the time, and as we strolled through the Palace, he turned to me, adjusting his sword, and he said: "Keith boy, you're destined for high places." My mother, a distant relative of the Queen, and former Tiller girl, almost married Mr. Baldwin just after he returned from Munich, but her father, Viscount Pepperell of Chapelton, refused to give the dowry.

During my recent archaeological excavations, which included the opening of Joanna Southgate's box of sealed writings, it occurred to me what a splendid idea it would be to have a member of the Windsor family on U.C. Not only have we the world's best-headed notepaper, but our dogs are the most violent that ever fouled the footpaths of the Mall.

During my term of office as financial adviser to Lord Cohen, Head of Tesco's, he said to me: Keith boy, you're destined for high places." And as I sit reclining in an armchair given to me by my very good friend Aristotle Onassis, I felt moved deeply to thrust myself into the hurly-burly of Union affairs. So, seizing my opportunity in both hands, I had my secretary, until recently Parliamentary Advisor to the Ministry of Agriculture and Piggeries, get her finger going on the typewriter, having got her going on the typewriter chair.

My motto, "Extractus digitum", until recently inscribed high up on Westminster Abbey, where many of my family lie interred, should echo round the walls of these hallowed buildings. Let us cast out the bungling pigs and slimy toads. I need your support, so take off your truss and let them hang akimbo.

VOTE FOR ME! I am nice.

Candidate's Name: MICHELE STANLEY

Candidate's Dept.: ENGLISH

Year of entry to Leeds University 1968

Proposed by: TIM CAUDERY

Seconded by: S. R. ANDREWS

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

There is no room for politics on Union Council. Clearly strong political affiliations will interfere with the running of any institution that provides a service for students. Union Council is not a political body and should not be used to further, or express, political views.

I do not stand for prestige reasons—I have observed Union Council at work: many people sit there and vegetatively doodle over their agendas which they haven't read, anyway; there are at least half asleep.

I am prepared to work for this Union, to sit on committees, and to represent the Union member, and to do the mundane tasks such as manning polling booths and distributing caf slips. The fact that no Union Council members were prepared to stand for the posts of Accommodation Secretary, or Catering Secretary, recently, is appalling.

After a term and a half, I am no longer satisfied with being a passive observer, or criticiser of Union politics—I now want to do something constructive. I am a member of Freshers' Conference Committee, and have a vested interest in the affairs of Lodgings Office.

Union Council has been shaken by a number of destructive personalities recently—now it needs someone constructive.

Candidate's Name: NEIL WILLIAMSON

Proposed by: ANNE SUFFOLK

Seconded by: JACKIE TENNANT

Positions held: N.U.S. Secretary

CANDIDATE'S MANIFESTO

U.C. is not quite dead. Despite the majority that voted for its abolition at the A.G.M., U.C. lingers on, a relic of the days when O.G.M.'s were rarer than good cheap meals in Refec. I supported its abolition at the A.G.M., and I still think the alternative structure for Union government which was presented there would be both a more efficient and more democratic way of running the Union. However, we must accept the fact that U.C. exists, and until we have another chance to abolish it, we must ensure that it presents as few obstacles as possible to the smooth running of the Union.

Both as an ex-officio member of U.C., and as an interested observer, I have been attending Council meetings fairly regularly over the past three years, and reject the idea that any policy decisions are taken there which could not be taken at O.G.M.'s. Accordingly, whenever an important decision has had to be taken, I have always supported its reference to an O.G.M. U.C. rarely challenges the detailed recommendations of sub-committees and in the cases where it does, it is more out of an overpowering desire to justify its own existence than for any genuine reason. The task of U.C., at a time when a majority of the Union obviously don't want it, is to be as unobtrusive as possible.

Unlike many Union politicians who hide their real politics under the label "non-political", I have never made a secret of my politics. I am a Communist. This does not imply that I'm going to grab a gun and man the barricades tomorrow, because I am a realist. The main task facing students in this University is to make this place more democratic. We must fight mainly on domestic issues, uniting with University staff and administration where possible, and opposing them where necessary. In the course of this struggle, I hope that other students will come to the same conclusion that I have, that you cannot separate local issues from national issues.

However, it is possible to improve the University without a revolution, and this is what I shall be working for, whether I am elected or not.

You may not agree with me in everything I say, but you cannot accuse me of hiding what I think.



RIFLE CLUB

LEEDS UNIVERSITY RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB has a current strength of 170 members, runs eleven rifle teams competing in Local, Inter-Varsity and National leagues, and also organises local matches and a club championship for those members more adept with automatic pistols.

OBSCURITY

Though shooting often suffers from obscurity in comparison with the spectator sports, the club has surmounted this basic drawback to become one of the biggest and most successful in this University. The results speak for themselves. For the past two years the club has been unbeaten by any English university side (with the sole and egregious exception of Manchester, the National Champions, and last year, Leeds came second in the U.A.U. Championships.

FIRST CLASS

This sort of record comes only with first-class marksmen using high quality equipment. The club's stock consists of nine rifles and two pistols (worth about £350 in all), and, in addition, some of the members use their own guns. With the exception of some 9mm. pistols

used in outside competitions, the guns are all .22 calibre, the rifles being the most accurate type of firearm in the world, weighing up to 16lb. with sights adjustable up to 5mm. at 100 yards range.

PERSEVERANCE

Given this range of hardware, though, the most essential ingredient for success in shooting is perseverance, and the club practice schedules are an index of this, with the range in use 26 hours a week. There are two consecutive seasons a year and matches are held all year round, since firearms can be used in conditions of frost, rain, or tropical heat. (They occasionally have to be in the present dilapidated range.)

Most competitions are at 25 yards range, and most of these in the form of targets for postal leagues, one advantage of these being the immediate absence of opponents and possible gamesmanship. Despite the fact that a perfect score is technically

within everyone's grasp, the accuracy needed is extremely vulnerable to nerves, colds, and being trodden on by accident.

Even so, current minimum rifle team standard is the equivalent of hitting a three-inch disc at 100 yards with every shot, and the pistol experts can manage the same at 20 yards. If anything, the overall marksmanship this year is better than ever, and this spring the club travels to the annual U.A.U. meet with a good chance of returning as National Champions.

REPLACEMENTS

The more distant future is, unfortunately, less certain, with the perennial problem of replacing lost members accentuated by the need to train many novices from scratch. Consequently, newcomers, male or female, are welcome at any time. They receive a calendar year's membership and free equipment and instruction and, incidentally, contrary to superstition, the club has no connection with O.T.C.

This is now one of the best University clubs in the country. With enough support it could someday be simply THE best.



THE mania for £100,000 transfers goes on, and so do the postponements of Cup and League matches. Some suggest that there should be a mid-season break, others counter that this would lead to a dampening of enthusiasm for the game, and quite right, too. But what no-one seems to have realised is that there is already a break.

'Jon' in the Daily Mail seems to understand the dilemma, for in his cartoon last Monday he showed a harassed manager talking to the Chairman. "You're sacked," said the Chairman, "we lost on the Pools Panel last Saturday, again."

But the point I am trying to make is that all the money spent on players might be better spent in improving ground conditions.

Last close season, Leicester City spent £150,000 on Allan Clarke. On Saturday, they will make a seventh attempt to play Liverpool in the Cup. Bill Shankly, Liverpool manager, described the Leicester pitch as "looking as though a hundred golfers had played on it, and bad ones at that."

Surely, Leicester must realise the detrimental effort not only on their players, who will become stale during the long lay-off, but also home and away supporters tired of waiting for things to happen. Public relations are badly affected.

Arsenal has got underground heating, and the benefit of matches played is clearly apparent. I am not saying that this is possible for minor Third and Fourth Division clubs, but those who seem to make a habit of spending vast sums of money on inexperienced players should seriously consider what their real duty is to the football-watching public.



OARS MEN'S EASY WIN

ON Saturday, a Leeds University crew entered the Head of the Bridgewater race at Manchester against a field of unusually high quality. The race was held over a one and a half mile upstream course on the River Irwell at Agecroft.

The change in venue was made necessary by the frozen condition of the Bridgewater Canal.

Some concern was at first experienced when a poor time of nine minutes 57

seconds was announced, but after checking, this time was corrected to 8.57, putting the crew in first place, 10 seconds ahead of the second placed crew, Manchester University.

Leeds bowlers knock Salford

WITH an 11-5 victory over Salford last Sunday, away, the Tenpin Bowling Club remain at the top of the Northern Zone of the Inter-Universities League and are almost certain to qualify for the play-off.

The Leeds first team rolled steadily, only losing the third point by two pins. High series and game for the day were by G. L. Tait, with 569 and 224. The Leeds second team rolled well below form and lost 0-4,

but the third and Ladies' teams were untroubled in each winning 4-0. Ladies' high series went to Judy Howlett with 469.

There is now only one fixture left in the league for Leeds, against Bradford at home, and the Ladies' team has already won its Division of the Northern Zone. All the men's teams have the chance of winning their respective divisions—thus indicating the all-round bowling strength at Leeds.

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by Union News Reporter

THE Union photo-copying service comes into operation next week, and is situated in the office opposite Services Section.

There are two machines at present which are on trial from Rank-Xerox. It is intended to operate both machines initially for an experimental period and to discover if there is a marked preference for one of them by students.

After this time, a decision will be taken as to which machine will be kept, and the service will operate accordingly.

One of the machines produces copies on sensitized paper, roll-fed, and the Union is charging 4d. per sheet for this. The other makes copies on standard foolscap-size paper, and is identical to the one in Brotherton Library. The charge for this will be 5d. per sheet

Mr. Hollingworth continued: "This service is available to all students, and once we have it in full use with a token dispenser it will be available throughout all Union opening hours. Once that is done, and we have decided on which machine to keep, it will probably be put somewhere outside, perhaps in the Union Foyer."

as against 6d. in the Brotherton.

Services Section Manager Mike Hollingworth said: "This is basically to provide a better service for making copies of theses. For the same price as a typed copy, students will get a clear second and third sheet rather than a weak carbon. Also, we are aiming to undercut the price the University charges."

Ultimately, it is aimed at operating the machines by means of tokens, and a dispenser will be installed to change 2/- into six tokens for the small machine and five tokens for the large machine.

Stolen car left at Price

LAST Monday the police towed away an Austin Mini that had been parked in the corner of the Henry Price car park since last October.

Mr. Cameron, the caretaker of the Henry Price Building, made various fruitless enquiries into the ownership of the car at the beginning of last term.

Noticing that it had not been moved for at least a month and realising that warning notices he had stuck to its windscreen were having no effect, he discovered that the car was unlocked, and investigated.

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Inside was an unnamed thesis on Organic Chemistry, with a reference to Manchester University, and a pair of spectacles. He then informed Mr. Davies at the Accommodation Office of these strange findings. Mr. Davies passed this information on to the Licensing Authorities.

Last Monday, Berkshire Licensing Authority wrote to Mr. Davies telling him that the car had been stolen from a Shropshire schoolteacher last August. Mr. Davies then told the police and an hour later the car had gone.

The car had been reported stolen in the Police Gazette last September.

L.U.U. DEBATES

"This House believes that to reject God is to reject Truth and Reason"

2.30 p.m. - WED., 6th MARCH

For : Hugo Meynell, Guy Madewell

Against : Martin Verity, Dick Wilcicks

NON-ACADEMIC STAFF DINING ROOM

SIR ROGER CRITICISED

APOLOGIES for absence from the Vice-Chancellors of Leeds and Sheffield Universities to the meeting of the West Riding Education Committee at Wakefield prompted Councillor Donald Thompson to ask the last time they attended.

"October, 1954," replied the chairman, Ald. Mrs. Laura Fitzpatrick. Later, when the committee approved grants to four universities, including Leeds and Sheffield, totalling nearly £60,000, Councillor Thompson commented: "This was the reason for my question."

After the meeting, he said he thought the Vice-Chancellors should show willing by attending some meetings even if only once a year when grants were being considered.

E.V.P. NOMINATION BY MIKE REDWOOD

MICHAEL REDWOOD, the President-elect, is seconding a candidate for the new post of External Affairs Vice-President.

"This is a rather unusual and unconventional action," commented one U.C. member. There is a tradition that the President is not involved in Union elections. It dates back to the time when the President acted as the Returning Officer and necessarily had to be impartial.

There is a danger that if the President has rather a strong character, then there may be a Presidential "ticket" election if he nominated someone for all the Executive posts.

Union President Shona Falconer said: "Personally, I don't think I would do it. I intend to keep out of elections. I don't think it is a very good idea, but there is absolutely nothing stopping him, and no reason why he shouldn't do it."



TIM CAUDERY has been elected unopposed to the post of Internal Vice-President. When nominations closed at 12 noon on Wednesday, his name was the only nomination for the post.

Said Tim: "I'm very pleased with the result. This means that I can carry on with the work I started as M-V-P."

Vice-Presidential HUSTINGS

TUESDAY, 4th MARCH

1 p.m. in the RILEY-SMITH HALL

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"This House believes that Freedom of Speech enslaves effective government"

For : BOYDEN & DE LEE

Against : REDWOOD & ELDRED

THURS., MARCH 6th - 6.30 p.m.

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