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Union Committee Toe The Line

By a Special Correspondent

Comment

PROSPECTIVE candidates for Union Committee will have to consider this new move (see our lead) before they decide to stand. The situation next session will be entirely novel, when the elected champions of our little democracy will find themselves the only ones deprived of speaking their minds.

Should any member disagree with a motion passed in committee he will have the option of resigning before he speaks out in public or keeping his mouth shut. In other words, although Union someone on to Union Committee, members have the power to vote they may have difficulty in keeping him there should he hold a strong minority view.

The question which must now be in everyone's mind is: Have Union Committee taken a step backwards in denying complete freedom of speech to its members, or will this new rule strengthen their standing in the eyes of the Ordinary member?

One thing is certain; it will help J.V.P. elect Roy Bull to keep his promise of putting the Committee and Union before his other interests.

Whether the move will turn out to be a blow for freedom or against democracy remains to be seen.

UNION Committee members may no longer oppose majority decisions of the Committee in Public. This was the effective outcome of a fifty minute debate at Tuesday's Union Committee on a motion proposed by Junior Vice-President, Alan Andrews, that "This Committee calls on all its members, ordinarily to assist in the implementation of its decisions and under no circumstances actively to work against them." Mr. Andrews called on the "Shadow Cabinet" and other "Rebels" to toe the line.

This motion was passed by twenty-two votes to one against with no abstentions, after a very long and sometimes heated discussion.

Proposing the motion, Mr. Andrews said that he was greatly concerned at the lack of dignity and authority which Union Committee enjoyed at the present time. He made references to the formation of shadow cabinets by committee members and claimed to have seen a notice advertising such an organisation on one of the Sub-committee office doors. He felt that this loss of dignity was partly due to the lack of cohesion which has been evident since the last A.G.M. when Mr. Laycock spoke against a committee decision (he was subsequently chastised by his committee colleagues); hence the motion. In a spirited reply, Mr. Laycock accused the J.V.P. of woolly thinking and moved an amendment to delete the words after 'decision'.

Mouat Clique

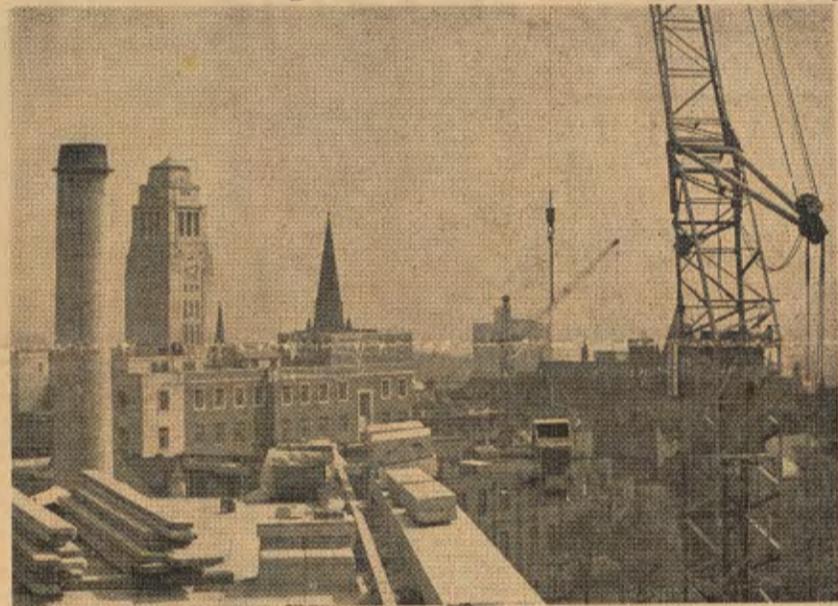
The President-elect, David Bateman thought that it was Laycock who was the woolly thinker and deplored the amendment. He said that the Union members regarded the Committee as a crowd of people with nothing to do. They used to be regarded as a Mouat Jones clique and although this feeling had died somewhat last year, it was beginning to creep back.

Mr. Nwzugo supported Laycock because he felt that if there was good will on the Committee there would be no need for Mr. Andrews' motion. The J.V.P. agreed with him on this point, and then went on to claim a better insight into things as a member of the Executive Committee, which was not just there to wield a big stick.

He was asked by Mr. Nwzugo if he was aware of the difference between major and minor issues in Parliamentary proceedings. "I'm fed up with people thinking of this committee as a miniature House of Commons," replied Andrews.



Vincent Nwzugo



A builder's eye view of the present level of development in the construction of the new Engineering block on Woodhouse Lane. The building should be opened by the end of the year. The projections on the sky-line illustrate the diversity of design in architecture in and around the University.

New Faces on the Sky-line



Roy Bull

Tories Take New Marxist Society In Tow

By our Political Correspondent

A SPORADIC Tory d' coup etat succeeded at the inaugural meeting of the Marxist Society in the face of paltry opposition. Three Tories, including Michael Laycock, were elected to a committee of six. This was after Roy Bull, J.V.P. elect, just failed in a deliberate sabotage bid, denouncing the new society as "a cloak for anti-Soviet and anti-Communist activities." Mr. Bull and his half-dozen supporters unsuccessfully opposed all initial proposals, which were approved by Union Committee on Tuesday.

The meeting was primarily intended to approve of a constitution and elect its officers. There were numerous interruptions when Roy Bull made a long speech against any such society but he managed to say that one cannot divorce theory from practice and therefore Marxism cannot be studied independent of the working class struggle.

"Name Them"

When Mr. Laycock was nominated for President most of the Communists left the meeting. Laycock eventually withdrew and Dick Treloar became the new President. Objections were raised at this point questioning the validity of these elections and the integrity of many of the people present was questioned. Shouts of "name them" rose from the floor and Laycock remarked that "it looks pretty fishy to me." Further nominations for other officers were called for but most of the politicians present made it clear that they were not interested.

Other speakers asked "what it meant by 'independent' studies of Marxism?" The chairman, Mr. Long, replied that this meant independent of any political organization, which prompted a question—"Is this to be a branch of the Philosophical Society?"

The meeting came to its first vote, for the name of the Society, and to the amazement of all present Messrs. Bull and Laycock both voted against the proposed name, Bull saying that the sponsors were not being honest. But the name was adopted, 13 for and 11 against.

The chairman then moved that the 'aims and objects' clause should be adopted and again two votes saved the day.

Absent Committee

Finally officers were found who were not present and the meeting ended with an announcement that the A.G.M. of the Society would be held next November.

Asked afterwards how he reconciled his conservative beliefs with his acceptance of office in the new society, Mr. Laycock said that "I am interested in Marxism as a theory, but do not want to see it put into practice."

During the move of acceptance of the constitution at Union Committee later in the day Roy Bull again stressed that the new society had nothing to do with the Communist Society. Michael Laycock immediately agreed and expressed the hope that in the near future the anti-red aims of Marxist Society would become more evident.

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Academic Work Hits N.U.S.

THE N.U.S. sub-committee has officially disapproved of the action of Mr. Whitehead in withdrawing from the delegation to the N.U.S. Easter Council. This withdrawal at short notice involved the Union in a loss of £6.12.0 conference fee. The reason he gave for withdrawing was the large amount of academic work he had to do.

GENERAL MEETING MOTIONS LEFT ON TABLE

ACCUSATIONS of incompetence were denied this week by Eric Schumacher, President of the Union. There is feeling amongst some Union Members that Executive Committee is failing in its duty to the Union because it has decided against holding a referendum to decide the remaining items on the agenda of the Annual General Meeting.

The result of this is that there are still motions on the table—mainly those put forward by private members.

According to the Union Handbook a referendum will be held, if the President of the Union considers it necessary or if two-thirds of a quorum necessary for an AGM or SGM (approximately 460) sign a petition demanding one.

President Schumacher told Union News "Nobody attempted to take ad-

vantage of presenting a petition and I have decided that a referendum is not necessary."

"Only minor constitutional reform proposals remain on the agenda," he continued, "and the fact that they have not been decided will not hamper the running of the Union."

"Union members' support for the two AGMs does not encourage me to think that there was any overwhelming desire for them," he concluded.

Schumacher Elected Vice-President Of National Union

Double honour for Leeds

A DOUBLE honour for Leeds came during the vacation when Eric Schumacher was elected vice-president of NUS at the Easter Council, and Alan Andrews was elected to the Steering Committee for the next Council.

Over 400 delegates and observers were present at the conference and the Leeds delegation consisted of Eric Schumacher, Sue Kozai, Alan Andrews, Ruth Butson, David Bateman, Roy Bull, Martin Forrest, Dave Pollard, John Roberts and Peter Schroeder.

'Boycott' again

During the Session on Grants and Welfare the Council passed a motion deploring the lack of safety regulations in 'Institutions of Higher Education.' In the same session the Council asked that restrictions on the earnings of students during the vacation should be abolished.

Once again 'the boycott' figured prominently in discussions. The Leeds delegation decided to take the same view as it did at Margate last November—namely that a boycott is outside the NUS constitution, although the delegation considered that individual Unions could support the boycott.

Spoke well

David Pollard, secretary of Leeds N.U.S. office, told U.N.: "The Leeds delegation was again effective and although most of the Leeds motions received a rough handling, all delegates spoke well and sincerely."

New colour-bar policy for Vac. Work

A NEW policy has been decided for the L.U.U. Vac Work Sub-Committee. As a result of this, they will not deal with Firms which refuse to accept Overseas Students for Vac. jobs, where such refusal cannot be shown to be due to the unsuitability of the students for reasons other than Creed, Colour, or Race.

Also, Vac Work will not advertise "jobs which encourage members of the Union to break Strikes." This point was accepted by Union Committee only after the word 'break' had been inserted into the ruling instead of 'black Leg' which was felt to be too slangy for the Union Handbook. An amendment to include only Official Strikes in the wording was defeated. This means that The Union will not unwittingly be drawn into Industrial disputes.



ALEX WELSH will probably be the Star band at the Goodbye Ball on June 17th.

THE J.V.P., Alan Andrews, is to contact the Bishop of Johannesburg in the near future to ask him if he will give a talk under the new Union Lectures scheme.

THE Union Building's twenty-first birthday is on July 3rd. It is hoped to celebrate it at the Goodbye Ball.

ICARIAN and Minotaur, two of the latest duplicated dreadfuls, have now been officially recognised by the Union Periodicals sub-committee and thus become eligible for financial aid.

THE Committee rooms on the first floor of the Union Building have been booked from 9.0 a.m. to 6.0 p.m. on June 15th for Blood Donation.

TEN Pounds has been allocated to cover the cost of the Publicity activities of the South African Boycott Sub-committee.

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Understanding Vital in International Field

Civic Send-off to Exhibition



Sue Khozai, Chairman of the Exhibition Committee, examines exhibits.

UNDERSTANDING is the keynote of international relations. This was emphasised by all the speakers at the Great Hall opening of the University's third International Exhibition, which is on all week in the Riley Smith Hall.

Eric Schumacher spoke first: "It is with very great pleasure that we invited Sir Charles Morris to open the International Exhibition this afternoon. He is on several committees of international significance."

U.N.O. Destiny

Sir Charles Morris, opening the exhibition, began: "This exhibition has been designed in the interests of international understanding. That cause deserves as much effort as we can afford. Somehow or other our destiny must be in the hands of ourselves and the eighty six sovereign nations getting together, in our time, in the United Nations Organisation."

"We seek a universe governed," he continued, "not by emotions, prejudices and fears, but by reason. There are two hopes for the future, both of which concern students to a large degree; travel—there is still nothing like enough of it—and living together in universities. We have here students from sixty-four nations."

Tremendous Power

Eric Schumacher then introduced Councillor Brethrick, the Deputy Lord Mayor of Leeds, who was representing the city at the opening. "Mankind is entrusted with tremendous power in atomic energy," Councillor Brethrick remarked, "and may use it to destroy or create. This power must be used for the future benefit of civilisation."

"Exhibitions of this kind bring about better understanding which leads to tolerance which in turn leads to international understanding."

He also congratulated the University on its contribution to education.

Senior Vice-President Sue Khozai, Chairman of the Organising Committee, thanked the previous speakers with the words "we are now able to show you something of what goes on in our own countries."

Twenty seven countries are represented in the exhibition by four thousand exhibits. The organisers have had tremendous support from London Embassies; fifteen sent about two hundred exhibits each.

Exhibition Ends Tomorrow

INTERNATIONAL Exhibition week does not come to a final stand-still until tomorrow evening.

This lunch-time at 12.30 the Italian film "La Strada" is on show in the Union. Tonight is "African Cultural Evening."

To-morrow morning the last outstanding event, the Food Fair, begins. The week is due to close at 5 p.m.

The organisers have provided over 80 hours of solid entertainment, including five feature films and two cultural evenings.

Commented one Union member: "I think this Exhibition has been a monumental effort on the part of the organisers and it was well worth seeing."

Hooligan Vac-Work



John Smith ruefully surveys the damage done to his car by hooligans during the vacation.

WHEN 2nd Year Fuel Technologist John Smith returned to Leeds after the Easter vacation a surprise awaited him—he arrived at the Union to find that his pre-war Austin 7, which he had left there for the vac., was completely wrecked. The hooligans of Beech Grove Terrace and Tonbridge Street had taken the car down the tarmac slope to the grass slope outside the Physical Education department—a distance of about 50 yards.

They then proceeded to smash up the instrument panel and to throw a stone through the windscreen. And at half-past twelve on the second day of term the car was towed to a scrap yard. "A complete write off" was John's verdict.



Colwyn Williamson in Hospital

PACIFISTS STALLED — FOR THE MOMENT

Union News Reporter

AN attempt by prominent Union pacifists to convene an SGM to call upon the Union and the University to dissociate itself from the OTC and the Air Squadron, has been temporarily postponed.

Dick Atkinson, one of the sponsors of the idea told a Union News reporter "Because of the pressure of academic work and the illness of Colwyn Williamson we will have to abandon our attempt to get the necessary number of signatures for an SGM until next session."

Two hundred signatures were collected last term after Colwyn Williamson, President of Nuclear Disarmament Society, had attempted to get the Debating Society to ask the University to cut its connections with the OTC and the Air Squadron and to ask the Editor of Union News to refuse to accept advertisements from them.

The attempt failed because Alan Powell, who was in the chair at the debate, ruled that the motion was unacceptable. This was greeted with dissatisfaction by the majority of the Union Members at the debate.

NO 'POST' BAN OUTCRY LOOMS

UNION POST, the one day wonder newspaper which appeared at the end of last term 'as a result of the wide-spread dissatisfaction with Union News, as a counter-blast to Union apathy, and to show what a combination of enthusiasm and severely limited resources can achieve' is to appear no more — according to reliable sources.

The paper sold 2,000 copies and is believed to have made a loss of somewhere in the region of £50.

It is expected that there will be an outcry when the Union learns that the 'Post' (which most read — claimed the posters) will not be published again. Rumours that the paper has been banned from the Union have been unofficially denied.

Appeal from California

CALIFORNIAN University students are very interested in corresponding with students of overseas countries, according to Christine Evenson, secretary of the Correspondence Council of the University of California. They believe, she says, that the only hope for peace lies in the personal friendships of the people of the world.

If you would like to 'correspond' with a Californian student write to Miss Evenson at 301D Stevens Union, University of California, Berkeley 4, California.

Norwich and York get Universities

By a Staff Reporter

PLANS to establish Universities at York and Norwich were approved in principle by the government last week.

Apparently it has been a cherished hope of York's for some 300 years to see a University founded there and she has already raised £450,000, much of which comes from the Rowntree and Morrell trusts.

Possibly the most significant fact in the siting of these two new Universities is the fact that both towns chosen are old-established market-

centres rather than large industrial towns or cities which were invariably chosen in the inter-war University development period. The students at York and Norwich will inherit a tradition already created for them, of quaint "olde-worlde" pubs and tea-shops, and there should be an interesting blending of an "Oxbridge" town environment with the vitality and originality of the new academic institutions. The expression "Redbrick" university would thus seem to be outdated for this latest form of University development.

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Union News Tops Provincials—but Cambridge wins cup

"UNION NEWS is an attractive well-balanced paper and almost in the professional class. It is undoubtedly the pride and joy of its producers" — according to the judges of the 1960 National Student Newspapers Competition for the Daily Mirror Cup.

Union News took fourth place — the first three places were taken by Varsity (Cambridge), Cherwell (Oxford) and Sennet (London). "Union News can now claim, with some authority, that it leads the provincial student newspapers," says Union News Editor Trevor Webster.

The Cup was presented at the National Student Newspaper conference which was held at Passfield Hall, London University during four days in April. Over thirty student papers were represented at the Conference and student journalists had an opportunity to get together with their contemporaries to discuss problems.

Lectures were given to the conference by a number of distinguished personalities of Fleet Street, including Colonel Astor, Chairman of the 'Times', Roy Thomson, Editor-in-Chief of the 'Sunday Times' and Chairman of the Thomson Newspaper group and Jack Nenner, Editor of the 'Daily Mirror'.

Copies of Varsity, Cherwell, and Sennet and other newspapers may be seen in Union News Office.

Landladies must live with Students; Miss Abell

STRICTER enforcement of the student flat regulations next year will affect a large number of the students. The rule stating that landladies should live on the premises, which has been somewhat loosely observed, will in future be more strictly adhered to.

Miss Abell, the warden for men's lodgings said that she is aware that many students are living in flats where there is no landlady or caretaker living in. "This rule is not for supervision of the students," she said, "but exists in order to ensure that the flats are cleaned and kept in order. We shall not of course turn out any students before finding other accommodation for them, which comply with the regulations."

When Union News pointed out that it might prove difficult to find enough flats where landladies live on the premises, Miss Abell replied, "We can only do our best."

Offers of flats for student accommodation are being turned down resolutely as soon as it is learned that there will be no landlady living on the premises.

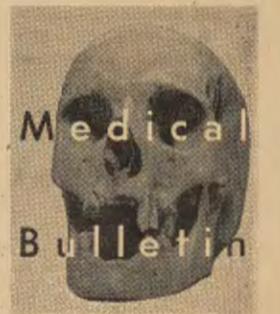
Political's Diary:

Marx goes blue

AFTER my repeated pleas for the Tories amongst us to act, I was not altogether surprised to see them turn up at the inaugural meeting of the Marxist Society and indeed accept office. It must be obvious to them that the Capitalist theories which they subscribe to are becoming a little totalitarian and I hope they will do their bit towards co-existence. The Trots were conspicuous by their absence, although Mrs. Slaughter did put an appearance in, if only to be accused of "abusing her privilege."

When the farce really got under way with the nomination of Laycock for President, the Communists left. I thought it a great pity that this society originated. Surely there are enough channels of Marxist discussion in Labour and Communist Societies, as well as the proposed United Left Club. The proper place for an academic discussion of Marxism is in the Philosophy Society without trying to form a new faction inside the Left. These people are trying to divorce a theory from practice and on this I would agree with Roy Bull.

Union Committee elections are coming along. There appear to be quite a few nominations and one hopes that they are of sufficient intelligence and ability to create a decent poll. Perhaps one of them will be interested enough to find out what happened at N.U.S. Council and tell the rest of the Union before the next Council comes along.



THE Tonbridge end of the University is frantically endeavouring to divide its time amongst the trivia of exams and the overwhelming mass of activities connected with preparing for this year's big-night, when they will intoxicate the Union with the "Arabian Nights."

Enthusiastic workers have been bludgeoning everyone at scalpel point into helping with the preparations. Lunch-time sees a lorry-load of aspiring doctors collecting raw materials for the Ball. We privately wonder what exactly this can be for. In an attempt to out-do all previous balls, the medics are "looking for Arabs."

If there are any dark-eyed beauties, or tall, dark, and handsome men willing to help supply a new "angle," we're sure they'd be welcome in this Medical School.

As a footnote, May 6th is also important for another section of the community — or had we forgotten the Royal Weddings?

By the way, Junior Medics are relieved to get their common room back, now that the Junior Dental card-school has moved back across the road to their own common room. Possession is nine-tenths of the law.

★ Letters to the Editor

FAULT AT THE TOP

SIR,—Apathy, according to your lead article in the last edition of "Union News", is the great insoluble problem of the Union.

I cannot agree with the common image put forward at present of a mass of mentally indolent and indifferent students. Partial proof against this idea is in the large attendance and active interest shown in such events as the Danilo Dolci lecture, the Birth Control debate, or University lectures. All of these things have a common denominator of a chance to absorb new and original knowledge. Surely a reason for the lack of interest shown in Union affairs such as the recent elections or A.G.M. is rooted in staleness and the worst forms of traditional conformity exhibited chiefly in the so-called "leaders" of Union life.

For example, Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates over the past three years, at least have repeatedly professed "grave concern" for the lodgings-flat situation, for lunchtime queuing, for Refectory chips, or for Union overcrowding. Admittedly these can be regarded as important, but we are all aware they exist and that Union Committee will plot on, agitating for their solution. Revolutionary ideas, original and widespread publicity, and a fresh, alert outlook are essential in everything if active support is to be gained.

I for one refuse to accept criticism, invariably levied by our Union "establishment", that the majority of Union members are apathetic. This is a two-sided problem. I would therefore advocate a sub-clause to Parkinson's law, namely, that "Apathy is inversely proportional to stimulating and intelligent leadership".

Yours, etc.

MARGARET MADEN.



Bangor Challenge

SIR,—May we use some of your valuable space to deplore the decline in the noble art of custard-pie throwing. Bangor College of the University of Wales, self-appointed World Custard Pie Throwing Champions, hereby challenge the lesser Universities to an International Custard Pie Throwing Championship to be held in Bangor in June.

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Quotes of the Week

"I've never thought of an original sin in my life."
—ex president of Cath. Soc.

"Frailty, thy name is woman; go—get thee to a monastery."
—1st year member of Hostel of Resurrection

"I didn't like the landlady's tea and I'm going to bring it up when I see Miss Abell."
—student in lodgings

"Even as the hunter knows the bushes where the birds are to be found."
—Professor translating

"She's not really platinum, she's an impure blond."
—male student referring to member of Tetley

"Mummy said I had too many toys."
—post-graduate sociologist

who wish to enter should write for further details to:—
P. E. Nicolson, Creig Fryn, Garth Road, Bangor, Caerns, N. Wales.)

An Old Problem

SIR,—Is it not time that somebody made a firm stand concerning refectory food? Refectory has a guaranteed custom of several thousand, is able to buy in bulk in the grand manner, and makes a regular loss. Despite these advantages, the food continues to deteriorate.



A la carte—or is it?

U.N. has exhausted criticism of Refectory in its Editorial Columns. The items ringed on the picture above are those causing most complaints. Chips 5d., Fried Fish 1/2, Eggs 9d., Ice Cream 4d. and Boiled Ham 1/5d.

Why was fried fish on the menu three times during the week that we were told by the B.B.C. that fish was to be scarcer because our trawlers were ceasing to fish in Icelandic waters?

Why, today, was my soup inedible and my fish stone cold?

The other week, I took the opportunity of pricing the English meal on the lunch time menu of one of the Chinese restaurants, using Refectory prices. The total was 3/11d. The restaurant price, for a delicious meal served promptly under luxurious conditions, was 3/9d.

Even in the army, the orderly officer walks round at mealtimes, in order to hear complaints.

Dare the Catering Manager do likewise?

Yours, etc.,

G. M. FRYER.

Capitalist Union

SIR,—I was very interested to see the main front page news item in the last Union News. Members of the Union have suspected for some time that the administration left much to be desired, and those who have really seen the committee in action know how unsatisfactory the arrangements are.

The Union is run on the lines of a Democratic country, with a president, cabinet (Executive Committee) and parliament (Union Committee). I suggest that the fault is here: such a system is not suitable for a union with a large and compulsory membership. I wonder if a better system would not be one modelled on a factory, with a Chairman, board of directors, and a managing director. The Chairman and Board would be the policy makers, and be popularly elected. The managing director would be a full-time paid adult, trained as a youth leader.

I do not agree that Union membership should be made voluntary to solve the problem. It would mean a

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rise in the subscription, and large numbers who would have used a compulsory union would be deterred from joining, to the detriment of their education. And whilst the Union is compulsory, I am sure that no one should be accused of apathy. People who have been forced to pay must be allowed the freedom of not joining.

Yours, etc.,

A. J. K. HAIGH.

Charity Replies

SIR,—With reference to Political's comments on legislation being more help to the country than charity, I would like myself to make a few comments. Politicians tell us that power comes from below—then is this power to come from the thugs pictured in the Guardian cartoon "The New Generation," or from the people who work for the poor and needy.

What is needed is not some tub-thumping political party proclaiming some marvellous doctrine (which no doubt will need half its clauses changing once a year), but a genuine sense of charity and brotherhood among all men. All the political parties condemned racial discrimination in this country, but did this stop the Notting Hill riots? A Christian sense of Charity and feeling for one's fellowman would have stopped this.



Hungarian Refugees in Austria. These are the people charity is helping to begin a new life.

I would like to add that however charitable the legislation is, if the people themselves are not charitable, then the law won't function. If the people themselves are charitable, then a similar legislation will automatically follow. Long live the good work of the refugee helpers and "War on Wanters"; down with the political demagogues and theoreticians!

Yours, etc.,

CHRISTOPHER E. D. WHICHELO.

Summer Term Events

ALTHOUGH for the next four weeks at least, the Brotherton will be the centre of attention, this term is not without its highlights:—

- May 6—Medics. Ball.
- 9—Lecture: Alan Bullock.
- 16—Selig Brodetsky Memorial Lecture by Prof. Morris Ginsberg.
- 19—Honorary Degree Ceremony.
- June 13—18—Rag Exhibition in Parkinson.
- 17—Goodbye Ball.
- 18—"Tyke"—Tyke Hop.
- 18—25—Rag Week — Rag Revue.
- 23—Rag Man's Ball.
- 25—Rag Procession.
- 25—July 2—Light Opera Performance.
- July 2—Degree Day.

D-Day Tomorrow

NOMINATIONS for 1960 Union Committee elections close on Saturday, 30th April. There are fifteen open seats and four first year seats to be contested. Polling will take place for two days — 9th and 10th May.

How they spent the Easter Vacation

RIGHT:

Members of the Youth Hostelling Society dancing to the music of Mike Bromley's accordion, outside the Snowden Summit Hotel which is 3,000 feet above sea level.

From left to right they are: Gordon Court, Frank Ellis, Tom Butler, Geoffrey Jones, Maria Lipp, Ian Rowston, John Sully, Pat Hughes, Barbara Clark, Margaret Robson, Brian Candle, and in the foreground, Mike Bromley.



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BELOW:

Political activity in the Union does not stop during the vacation, as our picture shows. These five Leeds students took part in a demonstration outside the Leeds Market in Vicar Lane, supporting a boycott of South African goods. The demonstration took place on the Saturday morning after the Sharpeville shootings and the organisers of the demonstration were quick to tack on extra slogans about the shootings, on their placards. Dr. John Rex, lecturer in sociology, lead the demonstration.



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FORTNIGHTLY FORUM

ARE YOUR EXAMINATIONS REALLY NECESSARY

Compiled by the Features Editor



WITH controversy raging yet again over that old bone of contention, the 11-Plus, Union News decided to take a look at the examination system in general, but with reference to Leeds, in particular; it has often been held that examinations are not an accurate academic yardstick.

How do examinations affect you? What do you think of the present system of measuring ability? Do we have exams at the best time of the year? U.N. has been out getting opinions from various parts of the educational system on these questions.

Dr. Daws

First we interviewed Dr. Daws, of the Psychology Dept. He was of the opinion that the present method of exams, by writing essays, was not altogether the best, as different lecturers could not always reach agreement about one essay.

He thought that the American method of exam papers, where the examinee has merely to state three or so facts in answer to a question, and answers a large number, produces easier marking, "But can test only a limited aspect of a student's abilities, and might give an unfair advantage to students well able to take in facts."

Dr. Daws continued to talk about psychology tests to eliminate "Marker Error", where the answer is an unambiguous right or wrong, and the candidates ticks the various answers presented. "But," he said, "The qualities one looks for in students are not found by that sort of



A typical scene during the pre-examination panic period. This is how the Brotherton looks the month before exams, with every seat taken. Is this swotting really educational?

test — which ties you down to the essay exam."

On "examinitis" Dr. Daws said, "I don't see how you'll ever get rid of that, unless you have a system where exams are spread over a long period. In general, though, the most nervous student has done less work than the others, and is guiltily aware of it. But there are always some temperamental differences."

Arts Finalist

A third year English student had this to say, "I don't believe in exams. An assessment should be made by having more tutorials, and on the work done through the year. I have an essay to write in 3 hours, and I have a week to prepare it in. I'm also allowed to take in any book I want. I think this is a better exam, and that it is unfair just to soak up material. Examinitis? "I'm not affected."

This student believes in comprehensive schools. Of the G.C.E. she said, "You need some indication of ability, but it doesn't always show what sort of a degree you will get. It would be better to take notice of the Headmaster's report and the personal interview."

She thinks that exams are better now. "Because if they were at the beginning of the year, we would have to spend all the holidays working for them."

Science View

George Neil, a final Physics student said, "Yes, this is the right time of the year for exams, because we need the amount of time it affords us to do the work. If a person is not going to work, what sort of weather it is makes no difference, you still don't work."

He thought it would be better to stagger finals—have half the second year, half the first.

Education Officer

One of the Assistant Education Officers of Leeds gave us her opinion on the G.C.E. as a means of entering University. She said that it was difficult for schools to run a successful curriculum because of the excessive specialization required for University entrance.

She said, "Faculty requirements are the complicating factor because schools try to satisfy as many as possible. It would be simpler if they all had the same requirements, and a clearing house to deal with applications, or something like the Civil Service Commission, and the Universities pick from the people applying."

About when exams should be held, the A.E.O. said, "Summer is not a particularly good time, but there is always more illness in February."

Stephen Baird Meets Jack Smirfitt



Retiring this week from a job he has held for nearly six years is probably the most retiring member of the Union — Jack Smirfitt, Business Manager of Union News.

The familiar rags-to-riches legend of how the humble news-vendor rose to become a Press Baron is eclipsed by Jack's meteoric rise in the Union News firmament. The Press Baron took several years to reach his seat in the Lords — Jack applied for a job as news-vendor and in fifteen seconds flat was appointed Finance Chief.

There the resemblance to the familiar legend ends, for there are neither rags nor riches in the Smirfitt story.

Black Russians

Perpetually broke, he advertises his rare moments of affluence by filling U.N. office with dense clouds of Black Russian cigarette smoke. Always nattily dressed he gives as cryptic explanation that he has a Saturday and vacation job with a firm of gents outfitters — for whom he for one period managed a branch in Scarborough.

Leeds born, Jack lives in Armley — "between the prison and the cemetery" — and went to West Leeds High School, where Union House Secretary Derek Cook was a contemporary.

The two have had curiously similar University careers: a year reading Science, Jack Chemistry and Derek Physics; then a simultaneous switch to Textiles, both graduating three years later.

For the past two years Jack has been doing research into knitting — not the two-plain-two-purl variety practised in the Union Henhouse, but the high-speed, multi-thread variety produced yard by nylon yard on several tons of machinery in the Textile Department.

Six years a Union member, Jack has never sought election to Union Committee, always shunning the spot-

light and remaining firmly in the background.

Last year he was Secretary of Freshers' Conference, after assisting Derek Cook the year before. This year he is applying his financial wizardry to the job of Rag Vice-Chairman, having just completed a tricky piece of Easter Vac-work in revising and much reducing the Rag budget.

Quiet Efficiency

Behind his deceptively quiet exterior Jack conceals an astonishing tenacity. In the turmoil of Union News office he gets things done with quiet efficiency and without any volatile temperament, serving also as unofficial Father-Confessor to the whole staff.

Somehow he finds time for an absorbing interest in space travel and rocketry, claiming with justification that from his voracious reading of Russian scientific papers he was able to foresee years before most people the launching of the first Russian Sputnik.

His tenacity is illustrated by his use of a Russian dictionary — he knows no Russian — to plough through scientific papers not yet translated. Yet Jack is no egg-head — he also enjoys the wildest flights of science-fiction escapism.

Fourteen Editors

In U.N. office his dark, curly-haired head with the director-type horn-rims are usually bent over abstruse mathematical calculations, yet his habitual calm is unruffled by constant interruptions.

After all, a man who has seen thirteen or fourteen editors come and go — even Jack can't remember exactly how many — without ever seeking the editorial chair for himself, can afford to preserve his unruffled calm in the face of all the crises, catastrophes and chaos of newspaper production.

Recent Publications

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

Image

THE latest magazine to arrive in this office is 'Image' — a new glossy from Cambridge. Technically Image is of a high standard, superbly illustrated and printed on the luxury art paper usually reserved for advertising brochures. The issue embraces science, art, and sport.

Future issues will have similar wide coverage, and presumably will maintain the same sophisticated approach. This approach is the great weakness of the magazine. Although each article in itself is sincere and convincing the grouping together of such dissimilar topics, with a slightly over-slick photographic treatment, gives an impression of forced conviviality.

Like some modern furniture 'Image' is arresting in the shops but a little too overpowering to live with. Perhaps the next issue will not look so much like an entry for a design competition, in which case it will be more readable.

Light Blue Dark Blue

THE recent publication by Macdonalds of "Light Blue, Dark Blue" is the first collection of student writing ever to be published. This anthology consists of the work of the most prominent students in the field of literature produced by Oxford and Cambridge over the past six years.

These writings represent undergraduate thought after the top Universities have undergone the metamor-

phosis from a playground for the rich to the serious home of culture. The stories, articles and poems range from extreme left-wing thought to fantasy, all in the modern vein, and are exceeded inly well written.

The publishers announce that they hope to publish a similar anthology covering the work of the best writers from other Universities in the U.K. Would-be authors are advised to contact the Editor, Union News.

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Gryphon

I cannot be right. For instance if I said that the last Gryphon was a "sell out" and, all told, a happy success, that would be boasting. If I were to say that the Vice-Chancellor has written an enthralling article in this coming May edition on the state of the Universities, I should be burying "Gryphon" under a heap of proverbial toffee. Of course, I could mention that Pete Hochstein's adaptation of Shakespeare into beatnik is the funniest thing since the Registrar's examination circular, or that Roy Bull excitingly discloses an exotic and hitherto secret affinity to Communism—but I shan't. As you've guessed I am therefore too modest even to think about articles highlighting such topics as Gaitskell, The Olympic Games, The bomb, the Archbishop of Canterbury, or an unforgettable/givable journey into Space. Considering that there will be more of it than last time, and that what there is will be well illustrated with cartoons and photographs, I think I shall probably read "Gryphon" this term. But perhaps (blush) I'm biased.

GEORFFREY RIVLIN, Editor.

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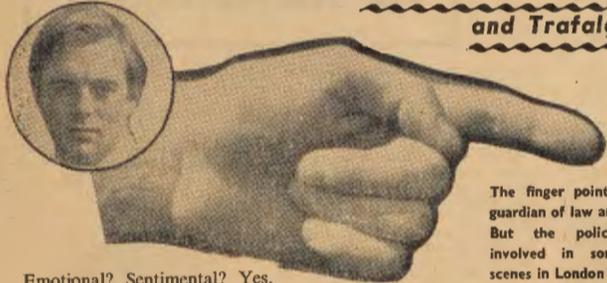
MASTER MIND!

In the wake of Sharpeville

LONDON WITNESSES SCENES OF VIOLENCE

THROUGH the eyes of 100 policemen Downing Street complacently regarded the silent procession of 50,000 people as they turned up Whitehall to the applause and cries of "Bravo" from the many thousands who lined the route. Nelson, sword in hand, visibly wilted at this unprecedented invasion of his demesne. 100,000 people, flat caps, jeans, bowlers and umbrellas, sleeping bags, dog collars, grey hair, long hair, united in objective if not in dress.

Dick Atkinson reports on Aldermaston and Trafalgar Square



The finger points at the guardian of law and order! But the police were involved in some ugly scenes in London recently.



Emotional? Sentimental? Yes, but backed up with stone cold logic. 100,000 people confident in the knowledge that any argument levelled against them whether political, moral, economic or military when followed to its logical conclusion reduces itself to the absurd.

Effort to Help

But I had seen many of these faces three weeks before when 20,000 people marched from Marble Arch to Trafalgar Square to protest against the Government's attitude to Apartheid. 20,000 people who realise that the freedom movement of Africa can do little to help themselves. They have tried and failed, they can only commit suicide in front of police and army guns.

Do we stand by complacently regarding this systematic exploitation of innocent people perhaps offering our condolences, our platitudes, or do we act?

Millions support the boycott; this is one way, but there are others. The South Wales Executive of the National Union of Mineworkers proposed a one-day token strike. The voice of 11,000,000 friends cry out for help; is any sacrifice too great that we should not heed their cry?

Move to Mosley's

These were the questions and comments which were discussed at that open-air meeting. From time to time people had been interrupted by Mosley's boys, and when the huge crowd dispersed, some 400 people went to Mosley's Union Offices to protest. Twice the police attempted to break the crowd, but with little success. There were some ugly incidents in which the police were involved, particularly when they dispersed the crowd which had gathered outside Mosley's Offices. A coloured man was set on by three policemen. I didn't see him again. A man with a bike apparently wasn't moving away fast enough — two policemen grabbed his bike and three more hurried him off.

Below the Belt

A young student was hit low down in the stomach and collapsed on the pavement, his girl friend was hit in the back. A friend of mine was taken from behind, hurled into a shop doorway and given 5 seconds to "move on or else I'll do yer."

As I went slowly down the street, I looked back and up at the windows to see the complacent grinning face of a "loyalist" as he saw the police brutally and systematically break up the crowd.

Despite these trivial but disturbing interruptions by Mosley and the police, Trafalgar Square this Easter has witnessed an awakening of the social conscience of the English people, but this is only the start of an uphill struggle against manipulation and oppression from above which can only finally succeed if there is complete unity amongst those who oppose these evil forces.

Students to run Service

AN Interdenominational service is to be held for the first time in the University on Thursday, 5th May in the Great Hall. It is being run by students.

Doctor Green is to lead the service and it is hoped that it will be supported by many Christian students and that it will become a termly event of united fellowship.

Old System

DECISIONS to change the method of distribution for the Rag Day Competition were taken during the Vacation. Originally they were to be distributed via the Union Societies but Rag Committee found that support from them was lacking. They therefore had to resort to sending two books of tickets to every student, which is the system used in the past.

THIS IS MY VIEW



By Pe's'ex

ONE would think, naturally, that the Universities would be bastions of reason, sanity and dignified procedure. No trace, one might suppose, of the Paul Slieck standards of outside life; the let's-climb-over-your-face scramble of the twentieth century, would penetrate learned walls, red or otherwise.

The fallacy of this naive assumption is revealed on examining many aspects of University life, but the prize example is, of course, the examination system. Many of my friends have prosecuted their studies in a rewarding manner by assiduous use of various examination techniques; how to win without actually cheating.

NOMOGRAPHS

I, myself, make extensive use of nomographs based on past examination papers and find that it is possible to predict sufficient question content to guarantee forty marks. A close study of the character, habits, behaviour and psychology of question-setting staff pays good dividends. As a last resort, one could try working but this should be regarded as a sign of lack of inventiveness and initiative on the part of the candidate. Candidates should note that while strict honesty may give you success in the examinations it will be a grave handicap in later years.

It would, of course, be fatuous for me to point out that, having decided to use the examination system to measure (?) the worth of its students, the Authorities decide that the maximum effort at study should be made at the time when the weather is such as to afford the greatest temptation to swim, hike, row and play all manner of healthy games. Ah, but then no one really expects rational thought from academics, do they?

DARK GLASSES

How often in the past have we laughed at girls in short skirts, stockings coloured by the spectrum, and hair-styles to rival Pisa? Now on the scene, from both quarters this term, comes the "dark glasses" brigade.

Sigh for your brethren, children! Let your heart bleed! These handicapped mortals cannot let their extrovert tendencies flow the way of most flesh via Rag Revue, etc. They choose the oh-so-difficult path of gingerly picking their way between the coffee tables of the M-J, through a world of deepening gloom.

Hush, don't let anyone know, but the sun is shining at last — but don't let's look, we might look normal.

10 Years Ago

Freddy May gave his celebrated rendering of 'Carlotto' for the Theatre Group Carnival.

A Year Ago

The Union showed its concern about Apartheid — there was an S.G.M. of protest against the policy.



THE Arts Faculty Society have engaged the Liverpool Music Group to give a "Nuts in May" Concert in Leeds Town Hall on May 19th.

The Group, now famous in Lancashire and all the less serious music circles, invariably receives high praise from the National Press. Such compositions as "Mind the Handel's Hot!" or, "Overture: William Tell goes to Hell," have induced "The Guardian" critics to describe the concerts as "superbly funny from beginning to end" whilst Fritz Spiegl and Antony Hopkins who devise and produce the concerts are called the "two wittiest musicians in the country."

Reduction for Members

Without doubt this event should be well worth attending especially for all the society's members who will be allowed a 25% price reduction on all tickets. This at last would appear to be the sort of highly original and more ambitious cultural event with promises of which the society initially attracted its members.

Beat That Ball, Technologist

By Ball-goer

IT'S all over now, even the shouting. A layer of dust has formed over the rows of evening suits in the hire shops, the women have embalmed their flowing robes. The peak of the Ball-Season is past. Shortly we'll have the Medics, and the Good-bye, but these are swamped by sheer weight of numbers by those which went before. Of the nine formal balls held this year, five took place last term.

And what was the salient feature of this year's season? All surpassed those of previous years and, more significant still, a tremendous rivalry has burst into being between the technological balls—the Engineers', the Houldsworth and the Textile.

The Engineers' Ball, long the ball of the year, was dramatically jerked off its laurels by the immediate success of the first Houldsworth. This year the organisers determined to recover its previously unquestioned supremacy in no uncertain fashion. The advance publicity was great and, as in previous years, it was a big ball sell-out. Again refec. entrance was transformed into a grotto, again the place became alive—with the 'Moon's Back-side', and the West Indian Steel Band.

Toytown

The leading question then became, could the Houldsworth do it again? They followed up their immensely successful 'Africa' theme with 'Toytown'. Very little about the decorations needs to be added to a comment of an Engineer, who remarked that, "if anything, the ball was over-decorated." That, by way of a criticism, was a tremendous tribute. The bottom corridor was lined with toy soldiers, shoulder to shoulder, the models of Owl and Pussy-Cat towered over the Riley-Smith. They even found space for Yogi Bear... Another praiseworthy innovation was the steward in the cartoon show. For music they turned to Ken Macintosh—the scheme being to alternate him with Dankworth as the lead band.

Chinatown

After that no-one expected much of the Textiles. Their theme of 'Chinatown' did not suggest anything extraordinary. But it was, the best single piece of decoration I have ever seen at a ball (and I've been to every one for the last two years) was the 6-armed Buddha in the corner of the Riley-Smith. They even threw in chop suey—or was it curry—and Bill Savill for good measure.

There you have it. To try to compare them and say so-and-so was the best is a waste of time. Let it suffice to say that the Engineers' Ball was the biggest, the Houldsworth was the best decorated over the area they decorated and the Textiles was the shock ball of the year. Let's hope the general standard continues to improve under the stimulus of this keen competition.

I leave you with this thought. It's a good job that these balls are in the Easter term. If they were in the summer the technological failures rate would soar.

Below: The Textile's Buddha. "The best single piece of decoration ever seen at a ball."



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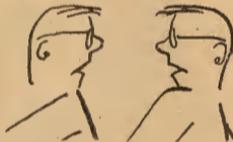
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Terms and Exchanges with Pleasure

An increasing number of the leaders of young countries in Africa and elsewhere are turning to Moral Re-Armament for a workable ideology. Six million pamphlets explaining M.R. are being distributed in this country. What is the relevance in the field of . . .

IDEOLOGY AND CO-EXISTENCE

ILYCHOW, the head of the Agitation and Propaganda Dept. of the Soviet Union (Agitprop) wrote last December for the Marxist Review a major policy article in which he dealt with ideology and coexistence saying, "Peaceful coexistence between ideologies", about which some muddlers speak, is as unthinkable as reconciliation between light and darkness". The head of Agitprop then singles out Moral Rearmament: "That these ideas are unsound is obvious", he comments, and quotes Lenin as saying: "The only choice is either the bourgeois or the Socialist ideology. There is no middle course, for humanity has not created a third ideology. And moreover, in a society torn by class antagonism there can never be a non-class or an above class ideology." What is Moral Rearmament against which Ilychow finds it necessary to invoke the Marxist-Leninist principle that there cannot be a "third" ideology, an ideology above class?

To answer this question we would like to quote from "Literature i Zhizn", the Communist organ of the Soviet writers. It says: "Moral Rearmament has announced its intention of creating the new type of man. He must be a man with a moral ideology, a new motive for industry and trade and a new basis for united action . . . This new type of man which Moral

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Is Moral Rearmament achieving this? Does it have effects on a national and international scale? Recent

by
Francis Brown
(Who has spent many years studying the subject in Europe and America)

achievements in some of the most difficult situations of the world are an ample justification for Moscow's

growing concern over the creation of a superior ideology to Communism.

Hope for Arkansas

Moral Rearmament is also waging a long term fight to answer the racial situation in America. A dramatic step forward was the meeting last month in Little Rock between Governor Faubus and the Arkansas president of the National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People. The photo of their handshake was flashed across the newspapers of America. The Negro leader said: "that MRA had made this possible."

Just over a year ago, for instance, Cyprus was wrecked by violence and bloodshed. After the settlement the Greek minister in London cabled to the MRA Assembly at Caux, "MRA has largely contributed to the just solution of the Cyprus question." Archbishop Makarios, in a message sent through his personal representative to the same assembly expressed his appreciation for MRA's "contribution to the solution of the Cyprus problem." "We are convinced," he went on, "that the world can solve peacefully its most fundamental problems if it equips itself morally and spiritually."

War Averted

Similarly, Masmoudi, the man who negotiated Tunisian independence with Franch while Bourguiba was in prison says that but for MRA there would have been in Tunisia a war as bitter as in Algeria. In Morocco, the startling volte-face of the Pasha of Marrakesh, which led immediately to the return of the exiled Sultan from Madagascar, and the granting of independence to Mor

rocco, was also the result of an action inspired by MRA.

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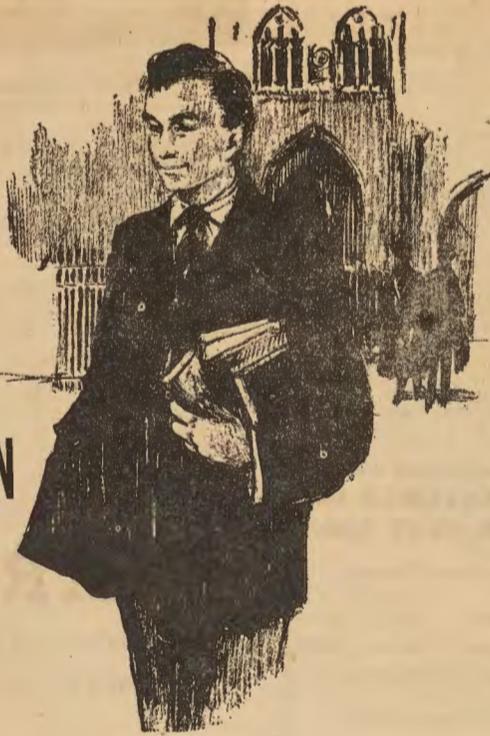
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★ FILM NEWS ★

The Girl Rosemarie

(TATLER)

THIS is a story of a girl (Nadia Tiller) who rises from the gutter to become a highly fashionable call-girl. She uses the information she gains from her clients to try to blackmail them and is murdered by them. This sordid little tale is told with broad social comedy with numerous pointed digs at the decadence of German capitalist society, while the action is interspersed with bitter-sweet songs from Rosemarie's former protectors which add symbolic comment. The net result is an unusual and interesting film. And even if the arty direction does not appeal to you, Nadia Tiller makes a fascinating variation on the standard sex-kitten type. "I'll defend you my love"—the English title to a French film—is a melodrama about scandal-sheet journalism with Martine Carol. It is interesting enough to keep one out of mischief for an hour or so.

Never So Few

(ODEON)

TAKE two safe box-office attractions like Frank Sinatra and Gina Lollobrigida, add one or two more star names like Brian Donlevy and Peter Lawford. Give them a colourful, war-time, jungle setting, with an extensive arsenal and an unlimited supply of Chinese extras. Don't worry about a story, etc. This seems to be a Hollywood formula, and is well-exemplified in "Never So Few."

This is the poor man's "Bridge over the River Kwai" or How Frank Sinatra won the war in Burma. Amidst tropical vegetation Sinatra heads a band of guerillas on G.I. iron-rations (chewing gum, whisky and Christmas trees). He is a hero who cannot make a wrong move, always gets his own way however superior the officer of the enemy—and never has a hair out of place. Periodically he returns to base to woo Gina.

The technicolor panoramas of South-East Asia were magnificent, but couldn't excuse two hours ten minutes of worn-out clichés, lapses in contin-

uity, and technical anomalies—too many to list.

The credits at the beginning were very enjoyable.

Can-Can

(MAJESTIC)

THE filmed version of Cole Porter's "Can-Can" owes much to the Todd-AO production process, and the lavish sets and costumes (including the 2,200 dollar fig-leaf Eve costume worn by Shirley MacLaine for the Adam and Eve ballet sequence).

The Can-Can dance is banned in the Paris of the naughty nineties. Maurice Chevalier is a judge with a generous streak, Frank Sinatra an advocate with what might be called a soft spot for sex and Louis Jourdan the attorney who aims to put a spoke in their wheel. Instead he gets caught in cafe owner, Shirley MacLaine's, tender trap—and that is some trap. But in the end she gets the man she's meant for.

Stock pops such as 'Let's do it', 'Just one of those things', and 'You do something to me' have been added to the original score. The title dance itself is spectacular but Oscars for choreography go to the Adam and Eve ballet, which is as good as anything they've seen 'Slaughter on Tenth Avenue.'

A three star film—one for Todd AO.

Oklahoma

(A.B.C.)

"OKLAHOMA" is as gay and charming to the eye as ever, as Todd A-O is a perfect vehicle for the numerous dance sequences, and displays them beautifully. This is a musical above the ordinary, not really surprising since it is by the Rogers and Hammerstein team. The songs are all well known, while the ballet numbers are extraordinarily well done and provide an effective contrast to the light-heartedness of the film.

The plot is well-known—Gordon Macrae in love with Shirley Jones, woos her in face of the opposition from the hired hand Rod Steiger. Of course, like all good musicals, Macrae wins through in the end.

Gloria Grahame is an excellent comedienne, and her song "I'm just a girl who can't say no" will bring back happy memories to many of the audience.

Sink The Bismarek

(GAUMONT)

THIS latest war epic from 20th Century Fox is the usual piece of history with some human interest introduced to relieve the monotony.

Kenneth More plays a Naval Director of Operations, who takes over just before the Bismarck breaks out. Scenes in the operations room are interspersed with action shots. Some of these are good, but a lot is melodramatic, in particular, when the Bismarck is sinking and bodies are flying all over the screen.

On the whole, this is an above the average war film, but Britain has made better.

Fugitive Bishop May Speak In Union

JUNIOR Vice-President Alan Andrews is to contact the Bishop of Johannesburg, Dr. Ambrose Reeves and invite him to give a lecture in the Union.

Dr. Reeves has figured prominently in the news recently in his condemnation of the Sharpeville shootings in South Africa. Because he expected to be arrested under the new emergency regulations there he was advised to leave the country and is now in England.

SQUADRON GOES FOR KARTS

THE University Aid Squadron have formed a Kart Club—Britain's newest motor-racing craze. They already have one machine and they hope to acquire more in time and to race them on the Squadron airfield near Leeds during their leisure hours.

The 'Go-Kart' is a four-wheeled petrol-driven bogey with a low capacity engine with a remarkable performance—considering the fact that they are little more than six feet long.

Servicing them will serve for experience for the Squadron's mechanics, and will also, it is hoped, help to attract new people into the squadron.

Victory in Vineyards

By a Special Correspondent

ALTHOUGH the Rugby Club won both its matches on tour in South West France this Easter, this hardly seemed to be the object of the exercise. French hospitality was unbelievable and no one could say that he did not have enough to eat — or drink. In fact some members of the team were quite overcome by it, as those who had to be carried away from the tables will testify. The town dignitaries all received the team most warmly and soon the aperitif ceremony became an ordeal for Messrs. Haley, French and Collins.

It is a tribute to the stamina of the team that they managed to win both games under these conditions. The first match against Ste. Foy-la-Grande was won 21-14. It developed into a stirring struggle with Ste. Foy twice taking the lead, before a decisive try by Rees put the issue beyond doubt. The pack at first seemed sluggish and the backs were too cautious, but with prompting from Jennings and Tolley the team pulled themselves together to treat the large crowd to some good rugby in the second half.

Run Away Win

For the game against Royan, team changes brought in Coleman, Absalom, Sutherland, Roberts and Williams for Jennings, Clasper, Hurst, Wrench (all injured) and Grahame (alcoholic poisoning). The team ran out winners 31-5 after a brilliant exhibition of football. The backs, Williams, Abel and Tolley, repeatedly made openings which the forwards, notably Dovey, Coleman and French, avidly seized. Leeds superiority in the scrums and line-outs was clearly shown by the score.

All in all, the tour was voted a great success, by those still capable of raising their hands at the finish.

Sailing Club Miss The Boat

LEEDS were unlucky to draw Oxford in the first round of the British Universities' Sailing Championships in London last weekend, and they lost only narrowly.

In the losers' sail-off for a place in the second round, they thrashed Durham, finishing 1-2-3, and then scored a narrow win over Cardiff to reach the final of the repechage. Here they had a close race against Nottingham, but failed to hold their early advantage and finished 2nd, 5th and 6th. Nottingham went on to the final of the competition proper, where they were beaten by London.

SOCCER TOUR FAILS

TWO defeats and a draw was the somewhat disappointing result of the Soccer Club's Easter Tour in the Kettering area, but though without any material success it did raise some pointers for next season.

In the absence of Mills and Rolls two second team players, Ted Lanigan and Terry Metcalfe, took their chances well. Lanigan in particular has the makings of a very sound and constructive full-back and will be a serious contender for the right back spot next season.

Crompton Stars

Cyril Crompton was undoubtedly the outstanding success of the tour. Some of his saves had to be seen to be believed. He has been a model of consistency and a pillar of strength all the year and will be hard to replace. His wit and unflinching humour have done much to preserve team spirit even after the heaviest defeats. The first fixture against Rushden Town ended in a 2-2 draw, Edwards scoring in each half.

The match against Stamford was a mix-up from start to finish. The home team started with only nine men and actually scored through their "guest artist" Ken Woolmer before the rest of the side arrived. Woolmer almost repeated the process in the second half. Lack of punch among the Leeds forwards prevented them from getting an equaliser.

Leeds lost their last match against Kettering Reserves in dubious circumstances. After Holmes had put Leeds ahead at the interval Kettering suddenly brought on three first team players. In spite of Crompton acrobatics the home side managed to score twice.

The tour was extremely well organised, thanks to Ken Woolmer, who worked hard to ensure that the party had everything laid on.

Science Are Top Athletes

THE Science Faculty dominated the Inter-Faculty Athletics last Saturday, finishing up seven points ahead of Technology with no-one else in the hunt. They won no less than ten out of the sixteen events.

ANSON IN FORM

Outstanding among a rather limited number of competitors was Anson, the U.A.U. sprint champion, who doubled the 100 and 220, winning the former in 10.2 secs, by five yards and the latter in 22.2 by ten. These are excellent early season times and augur well for the future.

A promising newcomer was Zucker, who won the long jump and triple jump.

TRACK STRENGTH

Taking into account the excellent conditions, however, the general standard was only average, although peak fitness cannot be expected for another month yet. Even at this stage, however, it seems likely that the University's strength will be on the track.

Results:		
100 yds.	Anson	10.2 secs.
220 yds.	Anson	22.2 secs.
440 yds.	Wood	52 secs.
880 yds.	Duckworth	2.1.1
1 mile	Duckworth	4.29.8
3 miles	Wood	14.43.6

GYM STARS IN LEEDS



TEAMS from five Universities met in Leeds at the end of last term for the U.A.U. Gym Championships.

Coming third behind Cambridge and Loughborough, Leeds disappointed some of their supporters, who thought that with a little luck they might have pulled it off.

Sharpe, usually the star of the Leeds side, was a little off form, probably due to nerves, but nevertheless managed to finish fifth in the individual ratings.

220 Hurdles	Wright	29.8 secs.
440 Hurdles	Larkinson	61.3 secs.
Relay	Science	
High Jump	Swinburne	5' 6"
Long Jump	Zucker	21' 6"
Triple Jump	Zucker	42' 14"
Discus	Mathick	123' 4"
Javelin	Brown	165' 4"
Pole Vault	Dunkerly	10'
Shot	Cockburn	40' 10"

ON THE WATERFRONT

... in London

LEEDS showed a big improvement when they rose no less than twenty-two places in the finishing order in the Head of the River Race at Putney during the vac. From seventy-second they went up to fiftieth — and if this doesn't sound too good, remember that there were three hundred crews entered, and that the winners, Barnes Cottage, were of Olympic standard.

Unfortunately this could not win them the U.A.U. Eights Championship which was incorporated in the Head, but their final placing of fifth in this event, only twenty seven seconds behind Reading, who retained their championship, was a fine effort. Reading went up from twenty-first to fourteenth in the overall rating — this despite rumoured splits and ructions in their crew — and they were closely followed in the U.A.U. order by Durham, with Bristol third and Nottingham fourth.

... in Dublin

SAILING in unfamiliar conditions of high winds and rough water, Leeds were narrowly defeated in the semi-final of the Northern Universities Sailing Association Championships held in Dublin recently.

Leeds reached the semi-final by convincing wins over Glasgow and the Irish College of Surgeons. In the semi-final they met University College, losing the first race by 44 pts. and winning the second by 14. The final was an all-Irish affair, Trinity College beating University College by a close margin.

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STUART KING COX was again picked for British Universities in match against France and finished first in both his races.

Meet Jennifer Lee



Leeds Only W.I.V.A.B. Champion

In the broader meadows of "Junior" and English Schools Championships, Jen has acquitted herself well. Though never a winner, she was consistently in the first four. Her conquerors are now on the verge of the International field and given more time to train, Jen herself would have been with them.

MODEST and charming, Jen will only admit to her swimming success on close questioning. In her first year, Jen is already established as a star of the Ladies' Swimming Club, with many wins to her credit.

Jen's home is in "civilisation" — that is, of course, South of the Thames, and she has represented her home County Surrey for the past three years. Swimming for Croydon Ladies, whom she sadly describes as the second best club in Surrey, she has won County and other "Minor" honours.

Swimming, however, requires early specialisation and concentrated training which is time consuming. Instead Jen preferred to devote her time to academic studies and getting into University. But she would like to see swimming a compulsory subject in all schools, and many people will agree with her.

Nevertheless, although she is good at it, Jen never forgets that sport is a pastime and only a pastime.

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FIRST XI OUTPLAYED BY LANCASHIRE

10 Wicket Defeat

By Cal Ebert

THE first eleven were thrown in at the deep end in their first match of the season when they played a full Lancashire side bar Pullar at Old Trafford last Wednesday. Their performance was by no means as disgraceful as the score—a ten wicket win for Lancashire—suggests.

Several of the batsmen shaped up well to bowlers of the class of Higgs and Statham, and, while the bowlers seldom looked like taking a wicket, they were quite steady and reasonably accurate. One feels that had this match been played later in the season, the Leeds team would have emerged more creditably.

Leeds win toss

When Jim Knapton won the toss for Leeds he courageously put his side in to bat, and for the first fifteen minutes it seemed as though his confidence was justified. Len Clark batted easily, taking two fours off Statham and one off Higgs, but after he was out, the batsmen were always struggling.

The other opener, Cartwright, a newcomer to the side, played solidly for more than an hour, but no one else looked so safe. Higgs and Statham, the latter bowling at half-pace, were both swinging the ball prodigiously and whipping the ball through off the green wicket.

Batting fails

After Slater had ingeniously run himself out, the middle batting collapsed against this onslaught. Seven wickets had fallen for 50 runs before Clarkson came in and saved some of Leeds' honour.

Attacking the bowling with a full swing of the bat, he drove Higgs beautifully past mid-off for two successive fours and then lifted Greenough back over his head for six. The innings closed at 84, which in the circumstances was quite a respectable total.

Wharton stars

However, when Lancashire batted, it was shown just what a perfect wicket this was. Wharton and Barber both played confidently stroking the ball casually to all parts of the field. Both the opening bowlers, Clarkson and Lennard, were fast and reasonably accurate but could make



Captain Jim Knapton at the nets

Leeds Win Lacrosse Plate

BY defeating London University 8 goals to 5, Leeds won the English Universities Plate at Weetwood, on Wednesday April 20th.

From the outset, this was a very hard fought game and after only 3 minutes play, London scored. Immediately Leeds retaliated and at the end of the first quarter had a well deserved lead of 3 goals to one.

The Leeds defence played the open style and this confused the Londoners, who never seemed able to shake off their opposing number. The attack played very well with King, Wilson, Sharples and Hayes leading a series of attacks on the London goal which put the final Leeds score up to 8.

Thorley on form

The London attack got the better of the Leeds defence several times and only some very good work by 'keeper Thorley coupled with some bad shooting kept their score down to 5.

This was an excellent performance by Leeds and puts them not so very far behind the "top three," Oxford Cambridge and Manchester. This result shows that the team have completely recovered their early season loss of form and that with the right spirit no obstacle is too large to overcome.

little impression. The fielding, with Clark in the covers outstanding, promised well for the season.

LEEDS UNIVERSITY 84
(Clark, 19, Cartwright 18, Clarkson 23)
Higgs 4 for 28.
LANCASHIRE 85 for 0
Wharton n.o. 59, Barber n.o. 25.



Joan Lang loosens up before the start of the season.

THE NEWEST SPORT IN ENGLAND



Bowling is the latest import from America—and Union News is there to try it out. Advertising manager Joan Lang tries her hand at the Regal Bowl, Galders Green watched by other members of the staff, who were invited along by the management. Owned by Rank Bowling Lanes, this claims to be the most luxurious alley in the country. Biggest snag—the expense. At 3/- a game, lasting only 6 or 7 minutes, it's hardly in the student class. But the price doesn't seem to deter its growing public.

Tennis Captain Derek Wilshaw reviews prospects for Union News

TWO STRONG TEAMS

WITH most of last year's first and second teams still at the university, and a promising number of freshmen showing a good standing in the trials, the club seems to be on the threshold of a very good season.

The first team looks particularly strong. One freshman, Ron Sul-lam, is included for the first match at Sheffield, and he is partnering Henri De Jong, who

Below, left: Men's captain, Derek Wilshaw tries out some new members of the tennis club.

Right: Cynthia Bibby and some members of her committee watch a practice game in the search for new talent.



was playing very consistently for the team last season.

At second couple are Ken Harkness and Graham Taylor, both "colours" men and long established players. At first couple the club captain Derek Wilshaw is partnered by last season's star Mike Harvey, who, incidentally, is playing better than ever this year.

The second team looks equally strong and it will be very surprising if any other university reserve team manages to beat them. In particular Dave Bingham, this year's secretary, will be challenging for a first team place before the season is much older if he continues his present form.

The U.A.U. Championship is the major goal of the season, and from what we know of the make-up of other university teams there seems little to stop us reaching the final at least.

In addition to the University fixtures we hope to play a number of local clubs during the term, and these always prove to be most relaxing occasions, especially the mixed-doubles

matches. The innovation of last season was the amount of mixed doubles played, and there seems every prospect of the practice being continued.

Women's Tennis Team Building

FROM the women's tennis trials held at Weetwood it appears that there is plenty of first team material. However only one complete couple from last year remains, the Moorhouse twins, Ann and Elizabeth, who both hold full colours.

Former Junior Wimbledon player Cynthia Bibby, who captains the club, hopes during the next few weeks to build up suitable partnerships so that a steady first six can play regularly throughout the season.

The 1st VI will be competing in the W.I.V.A.B. team championships as well as the individual champion-

ships to be held in Manchester in June.

The second and third teams also have a full fixture list and as the general standard in the club is high, the competition for places will be very keen.

Leeds Regatta Plans

LEEDS University Boat Club are again organising the Leeds Regatta at Roundhay, held this year on June 11th. Events include one for shell eights, not a common sight in the north, all status fours, and sculling. There is also a clinker fours event for women's crews.

A big innovation this year is the introduction of three-abreast racing on the four-furlong course. This is largely due to the co-operation of the City Council in making alterations on the lake and with their continued help it may even be possible to race four abreast in the future.

SPORT IN SHORT

WOMEN'S Swimming won Leeds' first W.I.V.A.B. title of the session at the Empire Pool, Cardiff. They came third with 28 pts. behind London (65) and Edinburgh (34) but as neither of these is a member of W.I.V.A.B. the title comes to Leeds.

Architect of their success was J. Lee, who won the 110 yds. backstroke and came 4th in the 55 yds. butterfly. J. Carver came 2nd in the backstroke and 5th in the freestyle, while J. Wright came 3rd in the springboard diving and P. Hughes 5th in the breaststroke. Leeds came 4th in both relays.

LEEDS men Holling and Bradfield both appeared in the English Universities Judo match against Scotland.

Entirely composed of students from Glasgow University and all of lower grades, the Scots were weaker than their English counterparts and their tactics were extremely defensive.

Holling (brown belt) defeated his opponent, with an hehi-mata makikomi, for a full point to put England in the lead. Bradfield (blue belt) countered his defensive opponent with a 'changing hip' and won a half point to help increase England's lead.

MALCOLM BANKS achieved a well-deserved and long overdue honour when he was chosen to fence for U.A.U. against Scottish Universities. He won two out of three of his epee fights to help England to a 14-13 victory.

IN the semi-final of the Leeds Senior Cup, Soccer Club lost 1-2 to Robin Hood Athletic, and they also went down 2-3 to Liverpool in the Christie Cup decider. However they came back with a bang to win the Yorkshire Old Boys Shield on Monday by beating Hull Old Kingstonsians 2-0. Scorers were Edwards and Parry (pen.).

GYM CLUB won the Northern Counties team championship over Manchester University and two boys' clubs teams. Unfortunately they did not enter for the individual event—but two of the team would have come second and third if they had.

End-of-Term Sparkle

LEEDS UNIVERSITY ... 13 CHORLTON ... 3

THIS was a victory which took very little earning, apart from one or two injuries, and the supremacy of the Leeds team was evident from the opening minutes.

The attack were as brilliant as they chose to be for the simple reason that whenever they combined together a goal or a near miss was the inevitable result. Sharples was probably the most outstanding player of a very good attack.

The defence was competent and

kept attacks out, except for the three errors that led to the Chorlton score. Thorley again played well in goal.

This was a creditable performance by Leeds, but at times they were lulled into a false sense of security by Chorlton's surprisingly bad play, only to be rudely awakened by a sudden burst from one of the Chorlton men. It was on these occasions that Thorley showed how good he is, for he stopped at least four shots at point blank range.



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