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THE UNION IS B.N.P. TARGET

Comment

TO many of us the aims and policies of the British Nationalist Party are thoroughly objectionable, some may find them amusing and harmless, and doubtless there will be quite a number who will whole-heartedly support them.

Yet how many people in the Union, for instance, are well enough informed about the movement either to support or oppose it? A mere handful one would think.

Nevertheless many members of the left will immediately brand the movement as being Fascist without any real knowledge of it or even knowing what a Fascist really is.

Mr. Haines Worth, the Leeds organiser of the B.N.P. told our reporter that he did not consider the movement to be Fascist, that it was in no way connected with Mosley's Union Movement, and that the movement was against violence and deplored Hitler's action against the Jews.

Let us not sentence the prisoner before he is proved guilty. Mr. Haines Worth has indicated his willingness to speak in the Union and has offered to get the National organiser Colin Jordan to speak too. Why not let them speak and then pass judgement?

Engineers Triumph in Mud Battle

THE game of skill to commemorate the Death of Stick Day, which took place on Woodhouse Moor on Wednesday afternoon between the Engineering and Houldsworth Societies ended in victory for the Engineers, and the match being stopped by one policeman wearing leggings.

A medium-sized barrel (it certainly couldn't have held forty beers for each of the Engineers) was placed in the middle of a flat, verdant, sodden strip of grass about the size of a football pitch, a penny banger was set off and the match was on.

About thirty Engineers and twenty Houldsworthians charged towards the barrel. They were well rigged out for the occasion — styles ranged from old boiler suits with 'H's and 'E's marked on the back to the traditional red sweater, cloth cap and khaki trousers.

Fifteen mud-splattered minutes later the barrel had been moved about twenty-five feet towards the Houldsworth goal, and fifteen of those feet had been gained when the Engineers succeeded in reaching the barrel in the initial charge.

Kick and Rush

It was, in fact, the proverbial kick and rush — with more kick than rush. All the spectators could see was a mass of crawling, fighting, mud-caked bodies, and all they could hear were the time-honoured choruses of "We are, we are..." and the one which casts aspersions on the parentage of all Engineers.

Bang! Another banger and it was half-time, but nobody could make the scrum hear what time it was. Then the Park Superintendent, who had vainly attempted to break up the match five minutes earlier, returned with a policeman and a parky.

After a few minutes consultation above the din of "All policemen are born..." the policeman began to try and reason with the odd Engineer who was hanging about on the edge of the fracas. But all was to no avail. In the end the three of them had to make a concerted effort to get to the barrel.

"You should have asked for permission to play a game like this," said the Park Superintendent. "If you had asked I wouldn't have given it to you." Then addressing a remark to an Engineer he said "Who's supposed to be organising this anyway?" And the Engineer replied "It isn't organised!"

The triumphant Engineers picked up the barrel and the Houldsworth followed meekly behind; everybody felt that it had been a good half-hour's entertainment.

"Go Home" Posters Pasted

By a Special Correspondent

"HAS a Jew got your job yet," "Help coloured immigrants to return home," "Thousands of foreigners are living off the dole in this country." These were some of the slogans which were on a small poster which was plastered up on several outside walls of the Union and the University last Monday. The poster was published by the British Nationalist Party which has its headquarters in London's trouble spot Notting Hill. It invited those interested to write to them for further details of the Party.

Since the beginning of September the Party has been publicly active in Leeds. On one Saturday afternoon there was almost a riot in Albion Street when half a dozen members of the B.N.P. drove up in a Land Rover and began selling the magazine 'Combat' — their official organ.

Several people in the area at the time took exception to this and were beginning to organise themselves in small groups when the police arrived. The B.N.P. members, dressed in brown shirts and black ties, were led by school-teacher Colin Jordan, the national organiser, who lives in Coventry.

Y.E.P. Letters

More recently letters have been published in the Yorkshire Evening Post which both supported and opposed the B.N.P. and some of its policies. One letter called the British 'the mugs of the World' and the writer objected to paying rates to help to subsidise foreign students at Leeds University whilst so many English Students were finding it so difficult to gain entrance.

In order to find out more about the B.N.P. I tracked down Mr. Derek Haines Worth who is the Leeds organiser. I eventually found him in the Billiard Room of his local, and as he potted the red he told me "We want Britain for the British."

I asked him what he thought of the letter about foreign students at the University — "I sympathise with British students who have found it difficult or impossible to get into a University because of the competition which may be caused by the high number of foreign students applying to the Universities," he replied.

"I don't think it is fair that we should subsidise foreign students at the University whilst old age pensioners live on £2-10-0 a week."

I told him that there was not a British Nationalist Society in the Union and he commented "Then it's about time that you had one."

What does the B.N.P. think of coloured immigration? "They come here as beggars, liabilities to the community, and when they come they expect to be kept."

How strong is the movement? "Our numbers are not for publication, but I can tell you that Leeds has the biggest branch outside London." Where else were these branches? "In lots of other big cities."

Finally I asked him whether he would speak in the Union if he was invited and he said "I would be delighted."



"Nuclear Weapons are essential to our survival" was the motion for the Annual Political Debate. The result was For: 149, Against: 250, with 39 abstentions. Speakers were (left to right): David Eastham and Lt. Col. S. K. Cordeaux (for the motion, and K. Zilliacus, M.P. with Alan Andrews (against the motion).

Claire

Slates

Commission

SPEAKING at a meeting of Liberal Society last week, Miss Claire Graham, prospective Liberal candidate for Skipton said she had opposed the formation of the Monckton Commission because it was dishonest in its aims and in its findings.

She said the British Government wanted federation in East Africa for the wrong reasons, that the Government were behaving in such a way that Marx's prophecies concerning the fate of the Capitalist society were being fulfilled, and that Nyasaland had become a protectorate on the firm understanding that it would ultimately become a self-governing African state.

The Africans, she warned, would eventually regain their continent for themselves by one means or another.

HUMAN TROPHIES FOR SHEFFIELD

Seven Leeds girls were abducted — four by a trick — and taken by seven brawny Sheffield students as trophies for their Ragmans' Ball on Wednesday. Five hours later, the seven girls, led by President of Tetley Hall, Diane Jordan, escaped from an unguarded Women's Hall in Sheffield and caught a train for Leeds.

Unwilling accomplice was Union Committee member Margaret Maden who bartered her freedom for that of four Freshers.

Kidnapped with two other girls outside the Union at 2 p.m. Maggie offered to trick four other hostages in returned for her own release.

At Tetley Hall, where she herself lives, she asked four 1st years to "help her with a job down Town."

"They didn't suspect a thing. I had no alternative. Three Sheffield lads were with me, threatening to take me with them if I let the girls know where they were going. I lied to them when they asked where Sue Khozi lived. I said I didn't know," she added.

At Sheffield stunt leader Brian Johnson, said disconsolately, "I left them to change into borrowed clothes for the Ball. When I went back for them they had just sloped off."

"I expected a bit more co-operation. We were going to auction them. Our girls in Hall slipped up, letting them escape."

Five of the girls, Pauline Martin, Margaret Gartlan, Margaret Gracie, Juliet Lord and Sheila Brook, live in Tetley Hall.

Rebels Disrupt Devon Race

By Union News Reporter

DEVON Stream Race — ordeal by water, ink and flour which was abolished last year — rose from the ashes of its former self during Devon Freshers Week-end with a new name, Devon Ridge Race, and in a milder form.

This year there was no flour, no ink, no splashing through the stream and no compulsion on the years' newcomers to Hall to keep up the 30 year old tradition of initiation.

EXPLOSIVE DEBATERS

Voluntary or not, the race was evaded by about sixty of those who took part. Instead of running the gauntlet along the prescribed course along Woodhouse Ridge, carrying the compulsory burdens of bedsteads, bicycles and buckets of water, ten of the competing teams were redirected by senior Freshers to the steps of the Parkinson, where they deposited their burdens. Only two teams completed the prescribed course.

Other rebels among the newcomers to Devon kidnapped Hall President Mike Alcott and left him trouserless in a women's hall of residence at Beckett's Park. Similar treatment was given the next night to Pete Kelly, a member of House Committee, who after escaping from Oxley Croft made his way home in his socks. Malcolm Totten and Sam Saunders, held prisoner in Ridgeway, were released at 4.30 a.m.

NEVER AGAIN

One of the rebels, planning future action for next year, declared afterwards "One thing is certain, the Ridge Race will never be run again."

But Ram Singh, a member of Union Committee who took part in this year's race, commented "I think that everybody enjoyed the Freshers' Week-end, and there were no ill feelings."

Commander Evans, Warden of Hall, said he did not know why the race was run, but that the recent modifications in the initiation ceremony had been brought about partly by publicity in Union News last year and in the Yorkshire Evening Post and not by "pressure from University officials."

He added that previous articles in Union News about the Devon Stream races were "rubbish, garbled and exaggerated."

NEWS IN BRIDG

NEARLY a quarter of a million cigarettes were bought from the coin-in-slot machines in the Union lower corridor in the twelve months ending 20th October, an average of about fifty per Union member. The exact number of packets of ten totalled 23,757.

IT is to be meals and reels in Refec on 24th February when the Highland Ball and the Northern Universities Geographical Conference have made a double booking. The whole question has now been sorted out, and the Geographers have

promised to be all cleared away and out of Refec by 6 p.m., two hours before the Highland Ball is due to start.

The Scottish Dance Society are to have their own bar inside Refec, leaving Union Bar for the 600 delegates to the Conference, who are holding a dance in the Riley-Smith.

NOMINATIONS for Rag Chairman 1960-61 have now closed and the following have been nominated: David Harmer, Clive Phillips, and Malcolm Totten. Nominations for the Union Committee Bye Election close tomorrow (Saturday) and unofficial sources say that four or five candidates will be standing.

STEADY rain brought the feast to an end half way through the History Society barbecue on Saturday evening. Hot dogs, chops and coffee had already been eaten by the warmth of a Boy Scout-style fire in the secretary's garden before the rain forced the historians into her flat.

MUSIC WHILE YOU MUNCH?

MUSIC for the masses is planned with an idea now being investigated to instal a juke box in Caf.

One difficulty is that Caf would have to be licensed for music, and there is a possibility that the licence fee may be assessed on the basis of seating accommodation. "It might be as much as £1,000. If

so, we'll drop the idea," said House Secretary Brian MacArthur.

If the juke-box is installed it is proposed to have 50% of records classical, 40% of Ella Fitzgerald and similar artists, and 10% pops.

Four of the Union's six pianos are a complete write-off — one was bought "haphazardly" last year. A tuner called in to examine them says they are not worth repairing, and a fifth will cost £62 to repair.

The sixth, the grand piano in the Riley Smith, is never used, except by the Light Opera Society.

Union Committee have decided to move the grand piano into Refec, where it can be used by London bands who on previous ball-dates have insisted on having one hired. They also decided to have the repairable upright overhauled, and three more pianos bought at a total cost not to exceed £320.

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Peace Row in N.U.S.

“BACKSTAIRS METHOD” — ROY BULL

DISAGREEMENT on the question of politics in N.U.S. came out into the open in a bitter scene at an NUS committee meeting. The row may lead to an SGM on the issue. Union President David Bateman ruled out or order a suggestion from Junior Vice President Roy Bull that the Leeds delegation to the NUS Council meeting in Margate next month call upon NUS to ‘interest itself in the peace movement in Britain.’

Bull's motion added that “any future nuclear war will render our present discussions on improving conditions of study quite pointless, since there would then be no Britain to study in.”

Challenging Bateman's ruling, he said he wished to broaden the scope of Union activities, and if the Committee were against this, they should defeat the motion in open argument and not by “the backstairs method of throwing it out from the Chair.” Bateman replied that the motion, designed to alter the NUS constitution, should have said so.

Open Argument

Reintroducing his motion, Bull invoked Clause 2 of the constitution, referring to “the general and social interests of students,” claiming that “whether we live or not is definitely of general interest to us.” Ruled out of order a second time, Bull again challenged the President's ruling.

A compromise motion calling upon NUS to identify itself with all peace movements in Britain was accepted for discussion and rejected, Bull attacking the President again, for “landng the Committee with a motion much more difficult to discuss than the original.”

Term-time Jobs

Six motions were accepted for presentation to Council, most calling upon NUS to deplore various attitudes and conditions. Perhaps the most important were closed undergraduate scholarships to Oxford, Cambridge and other universities, financial difficulties of students, and restrictions on students taking paid employment in term-time.

The Leeds delegation will again bring up the question of the continuance of racial discrimination in American colleges, and on the lighter side will advocate organisation of the NUS Drama Festival jointly with SUS, and the introduction of more

OVERCROWDING OUTSIDE THE UNION

ANY solution to the world population problem was either impossible or extremely complex and long-term, was the conclusion reached at UNSA's first meeting of the session, when Prof. Grebenik of the Sociology Dept. gave a talk on “Problems of Population.”

Giving a well-balanced picture of the problems of Asian countries, with a description of some of the relevant social and sexual habits of Asian peoples, the speaker put forward as his main idea the dichotomy between low mortality rates recently brought about through improved public-health conditions, and the rapidly rising birth-rates which at present seem unlikely to be lowered.

Quotes of the week

“You take her out into the courtyard, find out which way the wind's blowing and shove her under the bank.”

—Member of Sadler Hall on how to park a car there.

“Accidents to women are less frequent if you keep them warm, whereas with men the accident frequency increases with temperature.”

—Textile Department lecturer.

“No, I'm not doing finals this year — they couldn't quite fit me in.”

—Engineer.

“... that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with inherent and unalienable liberties.”

—Blue Rag, quoting American Declaration of Independence.

“Lot 95: Grand sows and store pigs viz: Three sows due late October. Two

sows due mid November. Three girls (recently served). One empty sow. Gilt and litter of ten . . .”

—advert. Chorley Guardian.

“Yours bang, mine do nothing and he hasn't got any.”

—3rd year metallurgist.

“Last Mischief Night they threw tartis out of the window to the men below.”

—Member of Oxley Hall.

“Have your class tickets ready please”

—Roy Bull at Union Registration.

“The University is the only mental institution in Yorkshire where the inmates are allowed to govern themselves.”

—Arts Prof.

“Here at Leeds the Union offers to us all unequalled opportunity for free and vigorous intercourse.”

—Union Handbook.

Catering News

SMALL SUPPORT FOR BREAKFAST

UNION NEWS interviewed Catering Secretary Pat Watson to find out the latest news about the University eating establishments.

Future of the breakfast service, which this term includes cooked dishes at a la carte prices, is uncertain. “Support is not really enough, and if Mr. Greenhalgh decides to discontinue it, I will back him up” she said.

Plans to turn the Soup Kitchen or Caf into a cocktail bar on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Ball nights have run against a snag—the University

officials object that an alternative bar of this kind would mean that the present bar would become an all-male affair and be intolerably rowdy.

The University authorities are against the idea of a men-only bar, and although it is already allowed to use Soup Kitchen as an overflow bar, no drinks will be served there until it is certain that behaviour in the bar itself will not suffer.

The Joint Catering Committee, which was meeting yesterday (Thursday) was also considering complaints of slow service in Caf. This is believed to be partly due to the fact that some of the staff are not yet used to operating the cash machines.

Science, Christianity, And Coulson

SPEAKING as a scientist and a Christian Professor C. Coulson addressed 200 people at a Methodist Society meeting on Sunday on the scientific and Christian interpretations of creation, which, he said, showed a remarkable similarity.

The story of creation as revealed in Genesis, he said, was that God was responsible for the whole of creation, and was therefore God of all things as well as God of the human world; that behind the world was a pattern that was not haphazard or meaningless; and that this pattern and purpose was brought to a climax in the realm of human beings. He explained that humans were part of creation, in whom responsibility was delegated, and that when Man showed himself incapable of exercising this responsibility, Christ was sent into the world to reveal how it should be done.

The scientist, said Professor Coulson, said things things remarkably similar. Whenever an experiment was conducted a scientist realised that there was someone or something behind it which he might call Truth or Reality, the dictates of which must be obeyed. He was tacitly confessing a belief in God. Secondly, science itself was the establishing of a pattern, and it would be hypocritical to conduct experiments without the belief that a pattern would emerge to impart meaning and knowledge. Thirdly, the scientist revealed this pattern and proved that man was an essential element in creation towards the attainment of truth.

MILK AND WATER

PEOPLE living in an Indian village have a clean water supply because students last year ate bread and milk lunches once a week.

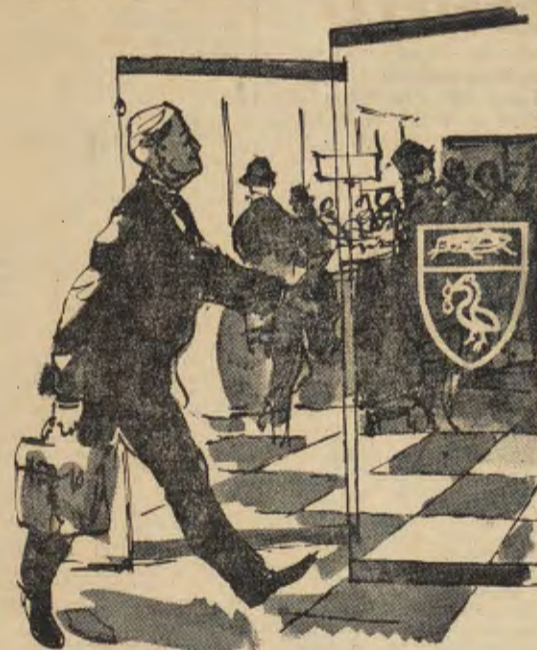
Nearly £130 was raised during the year, the money coming from those who donated the cost of their usual midday meal each Tuesday, while lunching on bread and milk on the Union top corridor.

Average attendance on Tuesdays this year has been fifty people, and last week more than £5 was collected. The “War on Want” organisers are aiming at an average of £8 a week.

So far the project to be supported this year has not been chosen. It will be decided on next term when it will be clearer, how much money will be available.



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It Happened Elsewhere

Paris:

STATE subsidies paid by the French Ministry of Education to the National Union of French Students have been cancelled because of the Union's concern with politics. One active anti-deGaulist had his National Service deferment withdrawn. Now a demonstration in favour of a negotiated peace in Algeria has been banned.

London:

THE Chelsea College has formed a new society for tee-totalers.

Sheffield:

NEWS of a Blood Trophy! A new competition is starting between Sheffield, Leeds, Manchester, Nottingham, Loughborough and Leicester to “see who can donate the highest percentage of blood during Rag Week”. Does this combine with Sheffield's new Moral Purity Society — non-denominational, non-political — just moral?

China:

AS for the future, we are resolved as an opposition party to support the pleas of many professors who belong to the Democratic League, that they be relieved of excessive duties in attending cocktail parties and given more time, opportunity and facility for research and study. This is vital, you understand! — Su Kung-Liao, pleader of opposition in Chinese Parliament.

St. Andrews:

STUDENTS are asked not to climb in over the window-sill, as it damages the new paint.

Lets Face It . . .

GWYN WORKS FOR DEGREE

B. A. (Soup Kitchen)

WORKING her way through University in American style is 19-year old Gwyneth Williams, who takes time off from clearing tables in Soup Kitchen each day to attend lectures in the Theology Department. Gwyneth's Middlesex County Council grant was withdrawn after she failed two of her four first year subject at a resit in September.

She came back, got a job in the Catering Dept., and applied for permission to attend lectures in her two fail subjects in her free time, and take the exams again at the end of the session. Permission was granted two weeks after term began.

"American students work their way through College, and I suppose half our course is equal to their whole course, so I should be able to do it" she said.

"I am being allowed to pay my fees by instalments out of my pay. I get only about £5 a week, but I think I can manage. I'm living at the Y.W.C.A. hostel, because I can't afford approved digs."

Gwyneth, who plans to become a Minister of the Congregational Church or a missionary, said she did

not want to borrow money for this year's repeat course. "On the sort of pay I shall be getting I should never be able to pay it back" she explained.



Gwyneth Williams clears tables in Soup Kitchen

by
Gilbert Darrow

Initial Payments

FROM a girl with no grant to a girl who has two — third-year student of Russian, Denise Bradbury.

Denise, who comes from Manchester, has a grant from Lancashire, and last week had a letter from Derbyshire Education Committee asking her to fill in a form accepting another grant from them.

The letter, addressed to M. A. Bradbury Esq. at the house next door to Denise's last-term's digs in Roundhay, was forwarded to her.

"There weren't any students living next door, so they assumed the letter was for me. It says I'm to have a grant of £244. That's more than I get from Lancashire, so I've a good mind to accept it," said Denise.

"I've no idea who the letter is really for. I don't think I've ever even been to Derbyshire."

My Fair Lady

THE trial of Lady Chatterley's Lover has at least been the funniest thing since Liberace beat Cassandra on points, and goes to show that it can be worth while being a juror.

It is however, difficult to pinpoint the motives of one of them who sped through the book in four hours. Perhaps he'd seen the play, or wanted two readings for the time of one. Most likely he was showing off.

Not unnaturally two Americans have already transformed the thing into a musical which was to have been filmed in Supertotalscope on location at Woburn. Unfortunately this had to be abandoned after shooting on the set had been held up for three weeks by the leading baritone, whose voice had (in breach of contract, by the way) failed to break.

Comic Amalgamations?

ONE cannot appreciate the extent to which democracy will be devastated if many more publications follow the precedent set by the Empire News, News Chronicle and Star. Where would our liberty be if, say, the Beano swallowed up Superman and Chicks Own? Food for thought, eh?

People who suggest that we amalgamate Poetry and Audience with Short Story must therefore be met with hot tempers and/or a flying brick. Thus it be with fitting emotion that I announce this paper's calculated disapproval of the proposal that the Daily Worker should be absorbed into its kindred bastion of integrity—Billy's Weekly Liar.

Gryphons' Shabby Grant

THIS year Gryphon, the official Union magazine, is to be edited by Peter Hall, a pat editor both of that journal and of Union News. Anyone who read the last Gryphon will have seen the need for improvement.

The lay-out was too condensed, the articles were not long enough, and it lacked in photographic illustration. However, it attained financial security, which the Union Committee obviously seems disposed to upheave by a shabby grant of £75 for the year.

This is just half that of last year and an utter disgrace considering the importance and value which a well printed and sizeable magazine (such as Nottingham's 'Gongster') would be to the Union.

Perhaps Mr. Hall, a debater of some experience, can talk his way into some more. Maybe the Student Treasurer could acquire a sense of values, but there I may be asking TOO much.

Politico's Diary

UNITED PARTY

"THANK God the Tories won the General Election". This is the cry which went up all over the country while the Labour Party was holding its annual pantomime at Scarborough.

This is true from at least one angle, in that there is a fairly united party at present holding the reigns of power. The Labour Party as it was in Oct. 1960 managed to paper over most of the cracks and present a fairly respectable policy to the British electorate, but this could not last and it is well that, while it has the chance the Labour Party is attempting to thrash out a policy which is not only acceptable to the British people but to themselves.

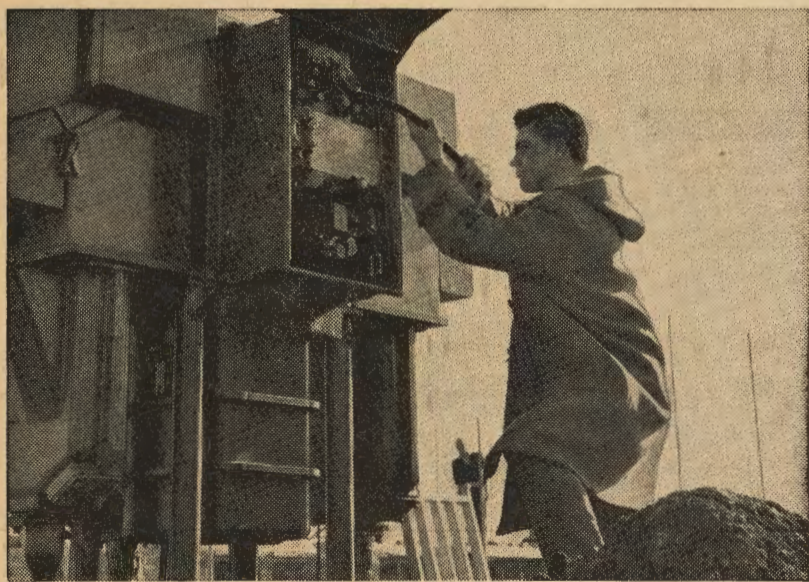
The present political situation of the country is to a certain extent reflected in the Union. We have the Conservative Association who are happy to let their party get on with the job of running the country, are content to imbibe their ever-flowing coffee with tranquil complacency. It is quite ludicrous that the Communists should have almost as many members as the Tories and it is to the shame of the latter that they have not attempted to get a membership more proportional to the number of potential followers in the Union. The Liberals have a fairly large and active membership and echo their National hopes of a possible revival in the near future.

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FROM TIME TO TIME somebody explodes on paper against newspaper critics and criticism; almost always an offended writer, painter, film director or other vulnerable creator. This battle is historic, perpetual and bloody—sometimes literally so—like the Wars of the Roses and the War of the Sexes.

Perfectly natural and absolutely excellent. It releases adrenalin and teaches the critics a lesson . . . Whenever the running fight breaks out anew my first instinct, I must say, is to side with the artist against the professional marksman—though with melancholy, for it is like watching a duel between an eager young lover and a cruel Sir Jasper.

But first sympathies tend to wilt a bit when the first furious shots have been fired. Sir Jasper, as often as not, is seen to be aiming at his opponent's legs. And the offended painter, novelist or singer, skipping frantically to and fro, makes perhaps such extravagant claims for his sanctity as an artist that we suddenly realise that the critic can be an artist, too—with duties to his public which are not simply those of a reverent thumb index.

Who, seriously, denies that? Do all the readers of The Observer, for instance (would

you?) regard its critical pages as a Baedeker to the books they intend to read, the plays they ought to see? If so, then half the thinking world is a better man than I am. I read reviews to know what's going on, to show some spark of consciousness among daunting strangers and at home . . . and for the sheer happy hell of it.

Take Maurice Richardson, watching and commenting on the T.V. screen. Is he unfair? Sometimes, inevitably. But do not the involutions of his mind and the flicker of his wit give far more to the enjoyment of television than ever they take away? A. Alvarez, potshotting at poetry behind his blank, bland initial—you or I may not agree with his view of Yeats, but we must read him; C. A. Lejeune with her real and human understanding; Philip Toynbee with his deep, bass prose; the perceptive John Davenport on novels . . . Peter Heyworth on music—"every observation sensitive and telling" says that celebrated critic-whacker Walter Legge of The Philharmonia.

No room or time for more. But next Sunday, all the room and time in the world—if you're taking The Observer. J.B.L.

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RAILWAY SOC. TAKE OVER

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Railway Soc.'s bid to save this historic line began in January, 1960 when it seemed likely that scrap merchants would move in and pull it up. Now, ten months later, it is certain that the line has been rescued from extinction and will operate regularly—and at a profit.

About 500 tons of goods were carried in the first month of working, and the first two weeks of October saw an increase on this. An annual tonnage of 16,000 tons is expected. Passengers will be carried on special occasions and holidays.

The railway, 67 years ahead of the Stockton and Darlington line, normally considered the earliest, ran from Middleton Colliery to Leeds Bridge to supply the city with cheap coal.

SUCCESSFUL

In 1812 the first commercially successful steam locomotive was running there, two years before Stephenson built a locomotive. At one time the railway comprised an extensive system, and still has two connections with Big Brother British Railways.

Part of the line was sold in 1948 and ten years later the owners went into liquidation and the National Coal Board, who worked it, withdrew their locomotives. Since then the line has been derelict, apart from traffic to and from the colliery sidings.

Railway Soc. now work and maintain nearly half the original 3½ miles. Members and friends outside the University turned navy during the Summer Vacation to repair the neglected track, putting in new keys, chairs, sleepers and fishplates. The railway is operated by a historic locomotive, the first diesel to be built—in 1932—for a British main-line railway.

Yet Railway Soc.—one of the smallest in the Union with forty members—are not finished yet. Next plan is to establish a railway museum, for which already they own the last coach from the first passenger railway, the Swansea and Mumbles (closed this year) and several Leeds trams.

This is an historic locomotive, for it was the first diesel to be built—in 1932—for a British main-line railway. It now operates on Railway Society's line at Middleton.



Eye on Woman

SO winter has come at last dears? We see it everywhere; in the black-stockinged legs twinkling briskly above the thick crêpe soles, in the shapeless "woolies" worn one on top of the other and crowned with gay abandon by the collar of a frilly nylon blouse, and, most of all, we see it in the ebullient young Fresher whose

pirouetting gaily among the Middle English Lit. but Red Riding Hood? Unfortunately the wolves seem singularly unperturbed.

The social scene seems to have settled down comfortably. "The one I met last night" has become "The one I met last week", and we are all nicely established with a cinema escort, Lewis's paper bag carrier (don't forget the benevolence of your local authority is not inexhaustible) etc.

by Lucretia

When the Leeds thermometers creep down to the 30 mark. We were down in Caf. the other day but, oppressed by a forest of green legs, stripey blazers and oh-so-honest red shiny faces, we fled into happier spheres, namely the Brotherhood. And whom should we see

little Hall cliques, those sweet little gatherings of pussies whose only excursions from the nest coincide with lectures, and who spend their Saturdays evenings entertaining each other to coffee.

We are not advocating a sudden descent into frantic vice, and little girls who answer cloakroom invitations to 21st parties deserve all that they get, but one should remember that one is first and foremost a member of the University and only secondly a member of the jolly female community in Hall.

STOOPID RAT EPISODE 5
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FORTNIGHTLY FORUM

THEY LIKE US HERE

Leeds speaks its mind about Students

Compiled by the Features Staff

STUDENTS tend to bold aloof from city life and to be bound up completely and selfishly in themselves, is a complaint often heard. U.N. sent a team of interviewers around town, to find out the city's opinion when town and gown mix.

Since most of us have to travel by bus and do plenty of grousing about the service, we decided to ask a couple of the conductors what the daily battle looked like seen from the other side. Two of them had entirely opposing views.

"Quite a lot of students get on my bus and I honestly cannot say a bad word about any of them. I do not care what people say about them, I find them all right. In fact, I wish I was at University myself, especially during Rag Week."

But another conductor does not seem to have such a happy time with us. "I suppose most of them are all right, but I do not get on with them very well, especially the ones who think that they are the kings of the world. I have seen quite a few of them making nuisances of themselves."

Beatniks on Buses

When it came to Rag he supposed "Rag is for a good cause, but it does not give the beatniks any reason for behaving on the buses in the way they do."

A little light refreshment seemed called for here, so we tripped off to the 'Tonbridge' and, over a pint, got chatting to the Publican, himself an ex-Notts University bar-man.

"I would not like the Pub if it were not for the students, even though they are less mature nowadays. He added that he had never known any group of people capable of making more mess in a pub, but at least they thoroughly enjoyed themselves and anyway they were little trouble apart from the usual badly behaved types."

Student's drinking capacity he thought was "bloody pathetic," though there were a few stalwarts such as Sam Saunders.

From here we went to the Grand. The manager there had this to say, "I think it is a wonderful thing to have a university in a city like Leeds. I do not come very much into contact with the students myself, but those I have met have been quite charming. As nothing like the ridiculous affair of the students at a Liverpool theatre has ever happened here, there is nothing to prejudice me against Leeds students. I regard them as a normal, integral part of society."

From the theatre it seemed natural to drift to what appears to be a popular resort on a student's night out—a Chinese Restaurant, where we received this comment "Student's all very good. Oh yes. All come in here and enjoy the food. Oh yes. Not cause any trouble. Oh no."

By now we were beginning to feel virtuous, so we went into Lewis's, thinking that in such a large store we surely could not be held in such high esteem.

The Publicity Manager told us that there were no complaints from the assistants about the rudeness from the students. The general impression is that students are rather colourful characters. They have an effect on the lives of the shop stocks, such as coloured stockings which had an especial appeal for students. He said that many girl students worked there in the vac. and this he felt helped to establish a good relationship between the town and the University. Both socially and financially he thought it an excellent thing to have a University in the city.

Very Nice Chaps

This latter view was also held by an assistant at Lawson Hardy's, who added while talking about students, "Personally I think that they are very nice chaps, and extremely well-behaved."

Questioned about whether freshers seemed bumptious and rude, he replied, "Oh no, not at all. In fact some of them are rather shy. There is perhaps, a small minority of layabouts, but most of them do not give this impression."

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REPORTERS AT WORK



Valerie Ann, one of the host of interviewers we sent into the city, is seen here with a woman she stopped in Woodhouse Lane.

From here to the City Varieties, where we know there had been trouble in the past. The manager said, "As individuals we find the students all right, but when they are together in groups they seem to be a law unto themselves." "This, he thought was due to high spirit, and usually happened at the end of term. He added, "I think you must be tolerant of students as a whole, because since they are not yet at work, but rather at school, they therefore lack responsibility. But this will disappear once they start earning a living."

A rather different outlook was obtained from the Piazza coffee bar when the owner said, "Perhaps the students could do a little more but all the enjoyment they get, they deserve. She thought that Rag was a little disappointing, as not enough happened, and it was too tame."

Damn Good Times

Finally, we stopped several people in the street. A woman with two children, said, "I think students are very nice apart from the odd one who goes mad. The University is something for Leeds to be proud of."

Of Rag—"My children and I enjoy Rag, except when they start squirting water about."

We also met a woman magistrate who had come into contact with the anti-social motoring student, and thought that in general students were allowed more license than the rest of the population.

Other comments were:—
Leeds Prostitute—
"I've had some damn good times with them."

Two Teenage Girls—
"No worse than the normal run of teenager".
Publican—

"It's all a pose, everyone has to have a gimmick".
Middle-Aged Man—

"There is a small element who behave badly, and these get a bad name for students as a whole."

A taxi-driver thought that we were, "Irresponsible, scruffy, and you drink too much."

"A den of vice, men and women living together," was how one shop assistant described the University."

Now the other side of the picture. A random selection of students, asked for opinions about Leeds, replied as follows.

"Leeds is like Leicester, it stinks."

An economics student said, "Leeds is quite a pleasant town, with a fairly good selection of things to do, and it is surrounded by good, walking country, not too far away."

A Barbaric Wilderness

1st year Dental Vivienne Llewellyn said, "I come from Coventry, and Leeds is just that much larger, and more modern. It's rather dirty though."

A giggling first year geographer said, "Leeds is alright, but I'm not absolutely thrilled to bits. I find it terribly depressing, since we have a long bus ride from our digs through all the worst parts."

"Nice theatre and shops" was how Helen Royle, French student, put it, "but we never have any money."

"Leeds is a barbaric wilderness" was how one 2nd year history student summed it up.

IONESCO SETS THE RIDDLE

"You see the Theatre's a riddle and the riddle's a thriller. It's always been that way".

Theatre Group's first production this term is to be Ionesco's one act play "Victims of Duty," which will be performed on Monday November 7th until Wednesday November 9th. The producer, second year English student Keith Brewster, says, "The play is one in which Ionesco states his attacks on the unnecessary rationalism, realism, and, to his mind, stagnation of the conventional drama. The resulting experience is akin to following a 'will o' the wisp' force, which tantalizes the senses, puzzles the emotions, and fires at the intellect an enfilade of illogicalities! Classics?—refined detective drama."

The cast includes Susan Lee, who will be remembered for her performance as Portia, and also played Patty in "The Sport of my Mad Mother," Ronald Pickup, whose parts include the lawyer Fairbrother in "The Making of Moo," and Lorenzo in "The Merchant, and Ray Crossley, noted comedian.

Can Evelyn Grant Help YOU

I have been going out with a third year Engineer for over a fortnight now. Do you think this is love?
—Blonde Fresher.

*Dear Blonde Fresher,
He'll probably call it that. I should watch out if I were you.

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I am a first year, and have just left a Convent where I was Head-Girl. Since coming to Leeds I have heard a good deal of discussion about sex which has rather shocked me. Please would you tell me what you think about free love among students?
—Anxious 1st year.

*Dear Anxious first year,
It all depends on what you mean by free. Layettes and prams cost quite a bit these days, so be wary of the words "free love", especially if spoken by the opposite sex.

★ ★ ★

As an ex-student who left Leeds in 1921, may I say a word through your column to all female freshers just embarking on their University careers? They possess something beautiful, which they should cherish in spite of them in the next three years. They will always be grateful if they retain it unblemished and unaltered until the Right Time. I do hope that you will publish this letter, as it may help them in time of stress, as a little talk

from my old headmistress once helped me. I shall be eternally grateful that I never gave this precious feminine gift away.
—Headmistress.

*Dear Headmistress,
Did anyone try to get it?

My boyfriend wants to spend Sunday afternoon communing with nature. My flat mate, also a keen nature lover, has offered to accompany him. Do you think it necessary for me to go too?
—Curious, (Social Studies Dept.)

*Dear Curious,
Remember, two is company three is none.

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To Worried Blue-eyes, Devon:
Your problem is too personal for me to discuss on this page. If you will send me a stamped addressed envelope I will send you details of the organisation you wrote about.

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To Sex-kitten, M-J:
I don't think so.

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Evelyn Grant will be pleased to help you with your problems. Write to her care of Union News. All letters are treated in strict confidence.

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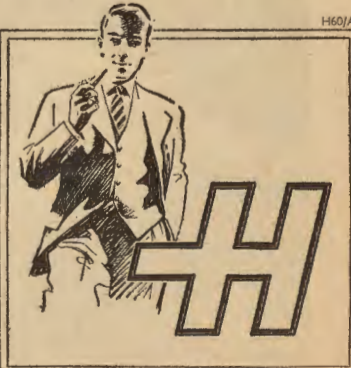
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LOVE IS MY PROFESSION

Letters to the Editor.

SURVEY ON GOOD DIGS

"Hostess" wants fair play

SIR.—How about a survey on good digs? I think the survey a good idea but I should like to suggest some form of committee set-up with a representation of the hostesses on it which would ensure fair play for both sides.

I consider I give good service—I take only one student who has a large well furnished bedroom and the use of the sitting room to study.

I do not agree that food standards can only be judged by the students, surely some basic standards could be worked out giving quality and quantity for a well balanced diet. I serve fruit and cereal with a cooked breakfast plus jam, bread and butter and tea, a three course dinner in the evening, and sandwiches and coffee for supper. I try not to serve the same meal twice in a week. I also do all personal washing except handkerchiefs without extra charge. I have yet to have even one packet of washing powder brought in.

I agree that there are plenty of bad digs, but I would never ask anyone to sleep where I myself would not. I disagree strongly with any student sleeping in an attic. They are ice boxes in winter and hot houses in summer and in my opinion are not healthy.

All I have ever asked from my students is fair play, give and take. But not matter how many privileges I have given I have, in most cases found that they are abused. I charge £4 per week with no retaining fee.

Students expect good digs. We expect good students—without dirty habits such as spitting in the sink, not washing before breakfast, untidy rooms and a reluctance to bath.

Don't forget those of you who have good digs should appreciate them, those who have not—change your digs.

Remember you are all guests in our homes. I have no objection to constructive, healthy criticisms.

Yours faithfully,
A Hostess,
Leeds 6.

P.S. I dislike the word landlady.

NO BEARDS

THANKS

SIR.—May I use your columns to protest against the immature male members of the Union who feel that the only way to draw attention to

themselves is to hide their faces, though a worthwhile consideration in itself, with a mass of dirty growth of hair.

Are we going to allow ourselves to be classed with these Beatnik parasites?

Thank goodness that a spell in the outside world has brought some of the more intelligent people to their

joy for ever and should not lightly be subjected to the barbarities of the razor.

No sir, the cultivation of a beard is sacred and may not be undertaken by the faint-hearted. Once something new and precious has been brought into this world it is one's duty to "love, honour and obey, in sickness and in health, till death do us part."

May I hope that we see no further examples of this paganism in future.

Yours faithfully,

B. Caudle.

BRIAN MacARTHUR

REPLIES

SIR.—First of all I would like to ask you two questions: (1) Did Freshman supply his name to you? (If so, why was it not printed?). (2) If he did not, why print an anonymous letter?

Freshman seems to lack the initiative and the sense of inquiry which is supposed to be the criterion for a university education. It may help, then, if I explain to him why certain things are done in this Union.

Notices are put up because some people like to know that they can have baths in the Union; they like to know when the Union is open, and if it is shut, why it is shut. They like to know that there's a Lost Property Sale or that the Union is open on Sundays. These notices are supposed to help, not to hinder.

The same is true of the new card check on Wednesday nights. For the Union to be recognised as a private club, its constitution has to be examined annually by the magistrates. And it is law that no non-member may enter the Union unless signed in by a member, and it is law again that no visitor may buy drinks in Union Bar.

In a newspaper like Union News, with a circulation outside the Union, it is impossible to state the dangers involved in the bar, but, believe me, they do exist.

I think it would be a tragedy for a great many people if the bar had to be closed because a few people (mainly outsiders) want to enjoy for nothing the facilities for which we pay £7 a year.

I don't think many people appreciate all the issues involved. I hope this letter makes them a little clearer; ill-informed criticism can help no-one.

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN MACARTHUR,
House Secretary.

Editor Replies: No, Sir, Freshman did not supply his name. As you may well appreciate some anonymous letters have a malicious intent and come have not. I believe that Freshman's letter was serious. Some people do resent bureaucracy even if it is for their own good.

OVERCROWDING CONTINUES

SIR.—This session it has become more apparent than ever before that our Union is overcrowded. We hear many complaints but few constructive ideas. Too many lectures finishing at 1 p.m. and our failure to utilise satisfactorily the limited amount of space available in the Union has resulted in chaos during the following hour.

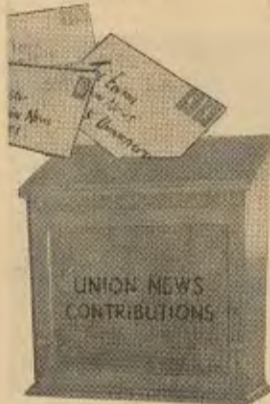
Firstly to alleviate long queues for lunch I would suggest that Union Committee press for the continuance of negotiations with the University according to Chapter 1 Section 2c of the Constitution with a view to decreasing the number of 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. lectures. Results of such communications should be published.

Secondly to avoid large gatherings trying to force their way into the already packed T.V. lounge or Social Room—this happened twice last week—I suggest larger meetings be held in the Riley-Smith Hall. It is obvious that Dr. Hill, Mr. Gaitskell and other prominent figures will attract large audiences. Admittedly bookings for rooms have to be made well in advance but surely there is enough unity amongst the composite bodies of the Union to enable an exchange of rooms if this would allow more Union members to attend.

Even if only these two proposals were put into practice at least an initial step would have been made towards solving the present problem.

Yours faithfully,

D. J. Sloan.



senses and that some at least have the courage to appear clean shaven.

It does seem strange, however that it is the most attractive beards which are the ones that have disappeared.

Yours faithfully,
TOM BUTLER,
(Hostel of Resurrection)

MORE BEARDS

PLEASE

SIR.—I feel it my duty to point out that several members of the Union, previously of good record, have been blatantly ignoring the laws of the land regarding indecent exposure.

I refer, sir, to those jelly minded, sheep-like persons who discard their beards during the summer vacation as a snake would shed its skin.

Sir, who do these people think they are? A beard is a thing of beauty, a

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FILM NEWS

Letters to the Editor (continued)



A scene from the French farm-yard frolic "Green Mares' Nest" retained at the Tatler. (Reviewed in our last issue).

Watch Your Stern (A.B.C.)

THE blurb for this film advises patrons not to laugh too much at each joke in case they miss the next; this advice is unnecessary.

The trouble with the film is that this kind of naval comedy has been done so many times before, and the plot (?) lacks imagination. Heading the cast, Kenneth Connor plays a captain's steward with a flair for electronics—with inevitable results. The supporting cast includes Leslie Phillips, Eric Barker, Hattie Jacques, and Sidney James as a bearded C.P.O. endeavouring to breath life into the still-born, without much success.

This is yet another naval comedy, and a poor one at that.

The Giant of Marathon (MAJESTIC)

FOR a gorgeous hunk of man like Steve Reeves there can be no cinematic setting more tailor-made than Ancient Greece, where the well-dressed male could wear suntan and bikini briefs and still be sartorially elegant.

Fresh as a daisy after his 23-mile sprint from Marathon to Athens, he plays submarines for half an hour sinking the enemy ships. Then he huris flaming javalins with unerring aim; rescues heroine Mylene

Demongeot, who at this stage has changed her Greek high-school gym-slip for a dress torn decoratively thigh-high; and finally sends the Persians home from their day-trip with some energetic hand-to-hand fighting.

There is of course a cast of thousands, and the director has been helpful enough to kit out the Persian baddies in lilac and black and the Greek goodies in either saffron and red or in Brand X-white swimtrunks. Steve of course is unmistakable in any get-up.

The Angry Red Planet (PLAZA)

THIS has all the ingredients of a typical horror film — the first rocket ship to Mars, the crew encountering various monsters, in cluding a carnivorous plant, a giant amoeba, and a few three eyed men, and the return to earth with the hero covered with an infectious growth.

The film starts quite well, but when the rocket reaches Mars everything disappears in a horrible red haze, presumably intended to hide the painted backclothes. By the way, it is in Cinemagic and the new Eastman-color 5250.

The supporting feature, "Slave Woman", is much more entertaining. It is in the best "historic epic" tradition, with sword fights galore, prisoners being thrown to the crocodiles, the heroine almost burnt at the stake, and a villain with a black beard and bushy eyebrows.

LONDON BELONGS TO YOU

ARE you thinking of living it up in the Metropolis sometime during the future? If so, do you know, for instance, where to buy a drink at 5 a.m. in the morning, how to find your way round London's dockland, or when the last Underground train leaves Charing-X for Redbridge? If you don't, or even if you think you do, you wouldn't be wasting your money buying "The Student Guide to London" published by the National Union of Students. In fact, its well worth three bob of anybody's lucre.

This excellent 80 page booklet is primarily designed to cater for the enquiring London University Fresher but it is the sort of book I would recommend to any country bumpkin who wants to enjoy himself in London.

It is not a guide for tourists who are loaded with cash. In fact, just the opposite. Only here can we find the names of restaurants where you can get a well-cooked continental meal for under 10/-. Only here can you find the names and addresses of London firms who give concessions to students if they produce their Union Cards when paying for goods. And only here can the foreign student get a few tips on 'ye customs of the big city.'

Indeed, what this little book doesn't tell you about, it tells you where to find out about it.

Thirty-nine articles cover every aspect of London that a student may wish to know about. A few of the topics dealt with are "Down by the Riverside," "Gallery-go-round," "Theatre Guide," "Choosing a Church," "Postal Districts," "Museum Lore," and "Buying Books."

Everything, in fact, except a street map of London — unfortunately the Guide doesn't even recommend one, and this is my only criticism.

D.A.G.

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Lucretia Scratches Freshers

SIR, — As Freshers we find Lucretia's articles positively objectionable. Miaow, miaow, miaow — how catty can she get.

Lucretia is obviously so wrapped up in the Mout-Jones lounge, that she has failed to seriously consider for a long time, whether the social life in general at the University, really merits the extreme concern for fashion which she advocates.

The appearance of the average male undergraduates here has lead us to feel that Lucretia would be better advised to turn her attention to some constructive criticism of male dress.

A few well-turned out engineers might be more of an incentive to our fashion consciousness, than Lucretia's uninspired and ineffectual counsel.

Yours faithfully,
FIVE FEMININE FRESHERS.

This weeks' article by Lucretia is on page 4—Ed.

BEERS' DRASTIC EFFECTS

SIR,—As Freshers who have spent most of our carousing time in the Union Bar, we feel that the ale served in the afore-mentioned establishment is beginning to have a drastic effect on our constitutions, and on those of our fellow companions. No longer do we hasten with joyous anticipation from our various pursuits as soon as opening time comes round again. Indeed, it has now been suggested that we retire to the cafeteria for a Coke; a lamentable position you will agree for three long-suffering drinkers.

Since arriving at the University the only yperson we have spoken to who has appreciated the beer was a beer-sodden engineer who thought that orange squash was a game similar to tennis.

To inflict poor beer on a drinking man is surely a crime worse than treason. Surely this iniquitous situation can be remedied in some way?

Yours thirstingly,
Three Sober Alcoholics.

REBUKE FOR GILBERT

SIR,—I would like to protest most strongly against the attitude of your correspondent Gilbert Darrow, who in his column in the issue of the 14th inst. implied that Colour Chemists (We always think of ourselves in capitals) are thin wedy specimens inferior to the average run of students. I would point out that

we Colour Chemists enjoy the reputation of being the most ardent wooers and Romeos in the student body. Furthermore, so rare is our talent, that Mr. Darrow would find it difficult to collect 15 Colour Chemists to fill the lift he mentions, since there are barely that number in the first three years. It is hoped that Mr. Darrow will modify his attitude in response to this rebuke.

Yours faithfully,
D. M. LEWISS.

VAC WORK KUDOS

SIR,—I would like to publicly recognise the valuable work done by Vac Work Office. In my case the sum of £7-10 was obtained for me overdue from a job I had in July. All attempts of my own having proved

futile I turned to Vac Work Office and was rewarded by their efforts.

I sincerely hope that Union News will praise for once the work done by such voluntary Union Bodies.

Yours faithfully,
VIVIENNE C. WELBURN

THE VARSITY MALE

SIR,—As a regretfully ex-member of the Union, may I commend you on the re-appearance of Lucretia from the lair where she has been licking her wounds and recuperating prior to re-entering the campaign for brighter womanhood.

But when, oh when, will her male counterpart emerge to launch a much-needed attack on that prehistoric mammal, the University man?

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29 GOALS—SIX GAMES—THAT'S THE HOCKEY CLUB RECORD AS HULL AND BRUM ARE SMASHED TO DEFEAT

HOCKEY CLUB MAKE IT 'SIX'

LEEDS UNIV. 1st XI 6 — BIRMINGHAM 1st XI 0
(Played at Weetwood, Saturday, 22nd October)

The Hockey Club are U.A.U. bound. After six games this season Leeds have become odds on favourites for the title. On their present form it's hard to think of any team that can offer them a serious challenge. Birmingham, who had first hand experience of the devastating power play of the Leeds forwards last Saturday, will hardly dispute this verdict, nor will Hull who were crushed by the same score.

For the match against Birmingham Leeds were without Harvey and Gillet, both injured in Harrogate in the previous game, but with Wickham switched to centre-half and with Rhodes and Claydon brought in at centre forward and inside-right respectively, the side did not appear appreciably weaker.

The team quickly slipped into a smooth rhythm and went ahead soon after the start with a Rhodes goal scored with a powerful first-time shot. This was all the inspiration that the forwards needed and their tenacity and determination led to a period of heavy pressure on the Birmingham goal.

Merlin and Harryott were forcing their way down the wing almost at will, and were sending across a steady stream of dangerous centres which inevitably had their result. During this period of play Henri De Jong added two to his already impressive tally this season. His first came from a short corner and his second from a beautifully timed pass from Wickham, which De Jong neatly stopped and banged home.

A Solid Trio

Towards the end of the first half Birmingham showed some signs of life and the home goal was subjected to some fast raids by the visiting forwards. However Birmingham were unable to break through the solid rear trio of Wickham, Bourne, and Mills, who, incidentally, was celebrating his inclusion in the Northern



De Jong scores his second goal from a short corner. But oh! Henri — what about that stick!

U.A.U. team to meet Durham Counties. Solid, stern tackling, backed up by first time clearances, were the hallmarks of a great display by the defence.

Leeds always had the ability to switch rapidly from defence to attack, and were able to dictate the pace of the game to suit temporary whim. After Birmingham had been pressing for some time in the second half Leeds broke away and Rhodes put the home club further ahead after a goalmouth scramble.

De Jong then seized onto a short

corner to put in a shot of immense power, which passed just outside the post. But within minutes he had the ball in the net to put Leeds into an unassailable 5-0 lead. Rhodes also completed his hat-trick shortly afterwards.

Both Rhodes and Claydon had risen to the occasion in supreme style, and with reserves like these to call on, the future seems more than rosy for the hockey club.

Team: Gough, Bourne, Mills, Haddon, Wickham, Burnham, Merlin, Glaydon, Rhodes, De Jong, Harryott.

CLUB TALK

By

HOWARD HUGHES — Sports Editor

THE Communists 1st XI Soccer team swung into the form expected of them when they trounced Medics 9-1 at Weetwood. Communist Skipper, Tony Kent said, "we expect to go straight to the top of Division 1. We are being almost embarrassed by the number of 'Known footballers' who want to play for us. But we are sticking to a fairly strict 'Reds only' policy."

In their opening game of the season the Basketball team convincingly defeated Nottingham by 56pts to 35pts. Led by Captain Dave Collie, LEEDS immediately went into a lead at the start and never lost the initiative. Megral showed his class in several fast breaks, and had a personal tally of 17pts, while Milner provided the good all round Basketball expected of him. Swinbourne, making his debut, gave a most promising display, and looks like making the position his own.

With the departure of Andrews, Grundy, and Spence, it was thought that the Swimming Club would have a rather thin time of it this year. However, this season has brought replacements in the shape of Tony Holmyard, a former British Universities representative, and Mick Lewis, ex Yorkshire Schoolboys. Bill Everitt, the Club Captain, is confident that he can build a team capable of lifting the Christies Cup from Manchester.

O-Uchi-Gari

And so on to the Judo Club. The boys who practice this ancient art have had rather a full time of it just lately, competing in a match against Birmingham, and in the North Eastern team championship in which they reached the final. Don Smith was the star in a well earned 5-2 win over the Birmingham team. Ian Barge was right out of form, being thrown, surprisingly enough, with o-uchi-gari.

In the final of the North Eastern Championships Leeds were beaten by Bradford Y.M.C.A., though Bradford had the advantage of a grade in three of the four contests.

The Fives Club entered 5 pairs for the Heath Old Boys' Club Open Doubles Tournament last Saturday. The first pair, Nelson and Slater, of the first four lost by only one point in the semi-final, after 1½ hours play, to the Loughborough pair. The 2nd pair, Burgess and Carlile, were beaten by the losing Finalists.

It's been the best start to a season for quite some time for the men's Table Tennis Club. In the two matches played so far there have been three reserves in each team. An exciting match against Hull finished with Leeds winning narrowly 8-7. A scratch team, after being 1-4 down, defeated Loughborough 10-5. Peterson and Fullen have turned in some consistent performances, and have been

well supported by Williams, Clark and Ellis.

In the Leeds League, the second and third teams are unbeaten and the fourth team is more than holding its own.

Women's Hockey

Though the Women's Hockey Club has not as many members as in previous years, the standard of play is possibly higher than usual this season. The 1st XI easily defeated Idle Ladies 4-0, and then fought a 5-5 draw with Hull, although Leeds regular goalkeeper was not playing. The 1st XI is practically the same as last year — the left wing being the only change, and the team has a hard two weeks training in front of them for the two W.I.V.A. B. matches.

The Cross-Country Club's first match of the season against Manchester University at Withenshaw Park, Manchester, turned out much as expected with Manchester winning by a considerable margin. However Leeds have yet to field and finish a full strength side, for Brian Harbottle was forced to retire, having foolishly chosen to wear spikes on a course which contains long stretches of road. Despite their defeat Leeds ran well especially Harris and Gribban who tied for second place—way beyond their pre-match hopes. Result: Manchester 33 points, Leeds 38.

Motor Club

Leeds did not enter an official team in the Inter-Varsity Rally held on the 22/23rd October but an individual entry did well. Jeremy Thomson in a Fairthorpe, navigated by Nigel Scott, came fifth, despite a minor accident. Marshalls are still needed for the Motor Club's major event, the Night Navigation Rally to be held on Saturday week.

A. Watson and C. Lewis, of the Rifle Club have been awarded positions in the U.A.U. Top Twenty. Using a .22" gauge the club drew with Avo. (Grimsby)—777pts each, but when the targets were scored with .25" gauge the club was narrowly defeated by 781pts—780pts.

LACROSSE:

SECOND HALF LAPSES

Leeds 11, Chorlton 18
The Lacrosse side were very much a first half team in their second match of the season against Chorlton. The opening play was lively and it was evident that both sides were well matched. The Leeds attack combined well, and, with Wilson again in good form, established a lead of 9-8 at half time. However, immediately after the interval, there came a series of bad defensive blunders which allowed Chorlton to seize the initiative and take a three goal lead.

The Leeds attack never regained the cohesion which they had shown in their impressive first-half display, and the remainder of the game was dominated by the fast Chorlton attack.

Scorers for Leeds: Wilson (6), Thorley (2), Johnson, Watts and Sharples.

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Spotlight on . . . The Lacrosse Club

THIS week we turn the spotlight on one of those clubs which seem to drift along on the tide of success, and never give a thought to whether anyone hears about it or not. Every week the Lacrosse Club brings credit to the University without ever hitting the headlines. Last year, for instance, they won the Universities Senior Flags, beating London in the final.



Ray Wilson in action.

The game is little known in Yorkshire — most teams come from the other side of the Pennines — but it is, nevertheless, both fast and exciting, and the prospects with the University club are boundless. Several members were selected for Yorkshire last season.

A Supreme Handler

The captain this year is Ray Wilson of Stockport School, who has represented Cheshire Schoolboys, and Yorkshire, and played in a Cheshire senior trial. Wilson, who can fairly be described as diminutive, is a supreme handler of the ball, and can score goals from positions which for larger men would be impossible.

Bob Thorley, also of Cheshire Schoolboys and Yorkshire, is the other star handler. Last year he had a good season in goal but now he has moved out to strengthen the attack, which has lost Paul King and Dave Hayes. The 2nd team keeper Gordon Forster has moved up, and David Cleland, after only one Season at the game, has filled the position, but Cleland still needs a lot of match practice.

Experience Needed

Mike Gore, after seven years at the University, is not too old to play

occasionally and his experience is a great asset to the 2nd team. Experience is in fact the vital quality that the club lacks, and anyone who can supply it is invited to join. David Johnston is a very promising newcomer, and Bill Curry has made a welcome return after a year's farming. Several of last year's players, including Len Hopwood, Colin Turner, Bob Watts, Tony Williams, Pete Sharples, and Doug Gregory, are still available.

A WEEKEND ON THE MOUNTAINS

The Sailing Club has booked the mountain hut for the weekend 12th-13th November. Any female union member interested should look at the club notice board in the Union.

BOXING:

Re-Arranged Fixtures

The Boxing club has two rearranged fixtures for this term. On November 11th the club is at home to Sheffield, and on November 18th away to Liverpool. Also this term there is the important home match against Glasgow. For this fixture the club might have to extend invitations to boxers from other clubs to represent Leeds against the formidable Glasgow side. Lack of training facilities has handicapped the club in its attempt to reach peak fitness. Two hours a week in the gym is all the time that the club has to train.

Not Championship Form — Leeds

HULL UNIV. 1st XV. 10 - LEEDS 0.

IN the first inter varsity match of the season Leeds were surprisingly beaten by Hull to the tune of 10 points to nil.

The Hull pack were allowed to dominate Leeds by sheer weight, good packing, and effective tackling, and Hull thoroughly deserved their win if only for adapting themselves to the conditions better.

Hull went straight into the attack following some wild passing among the Leeds backs, and scored a try near the posts after some good foot rushes by the pack. The try was converted.

The rest of the first half developed into a series of mauls near the touch-line with the Hull pack gaining the ascendancy in both line out and scrum.

Hull increased their lead after half time from another forward rush. Their continual pressure often had

Leeds in trouble. Apart from sporadic breaks by Rees and Wilson the back play was negative on both sides. The Leeds pack was sluggish in its heeling, and the incessant rain did not exactly improve their handling.

On the whole, however, once the Leeds pack had made the break, they appeared to lack confidence in carrying it through, with the result that there was an undue spate of kicking.

Apart from Jennings, Nash and Coleman, the pack was most disappointing and will have to sharpen up all round if they are to be a force in the U.A.U. again this year.

Team: Williams, Grahame, Rees, Abel, Adamson, Hunt, Wilson, Wright, Gomersal, Martin, Gilbert, Reade, Nash, Jennings, Coleman.

Soccer Club Lose at Hull

HULL 1 — LEEDS 0.

LEEDS were beaten by a goal in the closing minutes of this mud-splattered game at Hull. Though they didn't deserve to lose, neither did they deserve to win since the forwards were never able to take their chances. Both Edwards and Bamber shot over the bar when it looked easier to score.

In the first twenty minutes it became increasingly obvious that the ball was difficult to control, and passes were going wildly astray. When Hull pressed, Dawson and his wing-halves were equal to the occasion. Edwards and Bamber combined well but the inside right missed from close range. Foster, who was making his debut was never overawed by the big occasion.

Shortly after half time the Leeds forward line clicked for the first time, but the Hull keeper cut out two scoring chances after good approach work by the inside trio.

Wing half Blakely tried a surprise shot from the edge of the penalty

area, but unfortunately the ball crashed against the bar and was scrambled away.

Dawson was prominent in defence, showing all his old sense of positional play. Hardey was also having a good game, and was called upon to make a spectacular flying save to push the ball round the post.

In the 86th minute Hull took a somewhat undeserved lead, when Lanigan failed to stop the Hull winger.

Team: Hardey, Lanigan, Woolmer, Blakely, Dawson, Wombwell, Gelthorpe, Edwards, Price, Bamber, Foster.

Sportsman of the Week

Tony Thirlwell meets
Geoff Wood

WHY is it that those people who have most to boast about are frequently the most reluctant to indulge in self praise? This question springs to mind immediately when one talks to Geoff Wood, this year's captain of the thriving Cross-Country club.

Natural ability and sheer hard work have gained him many awards: the Staffordshire Youths Cross Country Championship, the North West Midlands Schools Mile title, selection for the Staffordshire senior county cross country team and selection for the U.A.U. He also gained fourteenth place in the national junior cross country championship (probably his greatest distinction), won the individual Christie title, the University three mile record in fourteen minutes eighteen point five seconds and has won forty medals and cups besides.



This is no mean achievement for someone only twenty years of age, who has also found time to represent his school at football and cricket. But with his characteristic modesty Geoff was quick to stress, "I enjoy success, but you must remember running, at least cross country, is essentially a team sport."

OUTSIDE INTERESTS

Dedication to running, however, has not left Geoff without any outside interests, although he did admit that with training five nights a week, there wasn't much time for doing anything else. He is an active Methodist and a former choir singer, but his main hobbies are reading history and listening to classical music ("nothing post 1910" he was quick to add).

The cross country club this year has its largest membership ever and Geoff believes that this overall strength, coupled with a tremendous enthusiasm and team spirit fostered, I might add, by Geoff himself, will make this year the most successful in the club's history.

About running in general he states emphatically that "athletics should remain a pastime and should never be allowed to become a profession, although much more money ought to be provided for the improvement of athletic facilities."

Unfortunately, Geoff has been hampered in his training over the past four months by an injured heel, but other members of the team feel confident that their non-smoking, cider drinking captain will repeat his successes of previous years, and not only distinguish himself among other University athletes as he has done in the past, but also lead the team to victory in the numerous contests that lie ahead.