

Flat Tenants Unite To Fight Eviction Threat

Committee to meet V.-C.

Brian MacArthur Criticized

THE angry tenants of the 95 flats recently bought by the University are organizing a formidable resistance to the eviction orders which were served on them on Monday. Eviction will cause acute personal difficulties for many.

Great resentment has also been roused against Union President Brian MacArthur, after he sent a letter to the Yorkshire Post on Monday pointing out the tremendous need for student accommodation. "Would your President feel the same way if he was in our shoes?" asked one of the flat-dwellers.

In his opinion, the letter minimised the human problems which the notices to quit raised.

The tenants are fighting their eviction in every way open to them. They have formed a committee which includes Councillor Mrs. Mary Sexton to represent their interests. The committee has taken legal advice and is to meet the Vice-Chancellor on Tuesday. The Housing Minister, Mr. Henry Brooke, has also been contacted.

Mrs. Sexton has said that those affected by the eviction order should put their names on the housing list. This list, which already contains some 27,000 names, has, however, been frozen temporarily because of the recent gale damage. One tenant at least has been on the list since 1949. "It's pretty hopeless," she said.

Bursar's Letter

In spite of the fact that some tenants have lived half their lives in the flats, the first indication that they received that the property had been sold was a letter from the Bursar apologizing for the fact that they would have to quit. This was followed by the official notice asking them to leave by May 31st.

Boy's Brigade

CALLING all those interested in the work of the Boys' Brigade. It has been proposed that a club be formed in the University with the following objects:

- to form a rallying point for B.B. to discuss B.B. work and be kept in touch with the movement during their student days.
- to spread knowledge of the B.B. amongst other members of the University.
- to give practical help to local B.B. companies where possible.

The inaugural meeting of the club will be on Friday, 2nd March, at 5-30 p.m. in the Christian Centre.

News Brief

Dance to the Steel Band tonight—African night. For only 2s. 6d. refreshments are provided, with dancing in the Social Room from 7-15 to 10-15.

Tenants feel that the sale took place behind their backs and that they should have been given first option on the property. Others feel that a safety clause should have been inserted into the deeds of sale by the trustees of the late Robert Wood, the vendors. But the University is legally correct—notice has been given in the terms of the agreement the tenants signed when they initially rented the flats.

Independence

Most of the flat-dwellers are elderly retired people and they have formed a community in which they all help each other, which enables them to maintain their personal independence and self-respect. Some tenants are bed-ridden or cripples, and others will have to enter homes if the eviction order is not rescinded.

In spite of the tremendous difficulties the eviction orders

will create, the tenants still look on the student housing problem with a sympathetic eye. Some of them have even been landladies. One of them said: "It's not the students but the system that we hate."

Stick Day Revived

Damage Foreseen

STICK DAY lives again! Today sees the re-incarnation of this unusual ceremony which was born thirteen years ago.

At lunchtime today the engineers will officially christen a beer barrel "stick." In attendance will be six choir boys and a preacher dressed appropriately in jeans and surplises.

The service over, the Engineers will parade their newest recruit through the Union for all to see. Obviously some opposition is expected, but the engineers are confident their plan will not be thwarted.

After a hectic dash through the Union, the Engineers will attempt to reach the Engineering Block, where a full barrel of beer awaits them. The Houldsworth have other



Some of the flats to be vacated within three months by order of the University.

ideas, however, and a full-scale battle cannot be ruled out.

In previous years the Engineers used to roll their barrel from City Station to the Engineering Block, dressed in the traditional Stick Day garb of cloth caps, shirts with the letter "E" printed on them and walking sticks. The practice was to roll the barrel via every possible zebra crossing, and as a result of the chaos caused, the city police stepped in and banned it.

Police Action

Two years ago Dr. Stick was cremated with due pomp and ceremony, because of the police action. Last year the Houldsworth challenged the Engineers to a football match cum battle for his ashes. The Engineers won, and this year the Houldsworth have stolen the ashes which they will be auctioning today to rival the Engineers' stunt.

Rumours that the actual march through Leeds was to be revived have not been proved. It was also rumoured that the Engineers were going to block Lewis's escalators.

Today we shall see what really will happen. However, in anticipation of damage being caused, the Engineering Society has instructed the Union and the University to send all bills for damage incurred on Stick Day, to the Society.

Bodington Art Bid

BODINGTON wants the nymph statues in City Square!

Several students at the Hall read last week that the nymphs were being sold, and, with the backing of the Bodington Art Society, they wrote to Councillor T. H. Jessop, chairman of the city planning committee. "We can give them a good home at Bodington," they claimed.

Yesterday, Tim Grover, secretary of the Art Society, got a letter from Councillor Jessop promising that the offer would be referred to the next committee meeting, and thanking them for their interest.

"Be Good Union Men As Well"

—Hall Warden

OVER 50 guests from the University and elsewhere attended the Hall inaugural dinner at Bodington on Wednesday.

The Vice-Chancellor, Sir Charles Morris, said it was a cheering thought that whatever buildings were put up, human beings very quickly formed themselves into creative communities. This, he said, was what had happened at Bodington; the Hall was rapidly gaining a character of its own.

Replying to Sir Charles, Mike Mellor, chairman of the Presidents' Committee, said that 40 out of the 69 nationalities on the Union register were represented in Bodington.

The Wardens' representative, Dr. Kilby, expressed the hope that Bodington would be complementary and not a rival to the Union, and that "good Bodington men would be good Union men."

TEXTILE BALL

"When men were bold." This is the theme of this year's Textile Ball, held on March 9th. A woven tag placed in the ticket is this year's ticket gimmick. Those who buy one will have the great pleasure of dancing to Johnny Dankworth and his Band.

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Ian Channell Opposes

Anthem Debates Motion

IT looks as though the republicans and anti-monarchists in the Union will have a greater chance to fulfil themselves in the near future.

For a motion by Ian Channell, at Wednesday's debate, stated "That we, the students of Leeds University Union, being fully aware of the respect due to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, request that the performance of the national anthem after Sunday cinema be deferred for three minutes. This would enable those members who do not share in our wholehearted respect for the monarchy to leave the hall if they so desire, thereby enabling those who remain to participate fully in the solemnity of the occasion."

The motion, which will have to be passed at the next Union Committee, was carried by a large majority.

"Les Paras"

Another successful motion was one by Tilak Gunawardhana deploring the fact that French paratroopers are to train in this country.

However, a motion from J.V.P. Dave Eastwood that private members' business be shortened constitutionally was overwhelmingly defeated.

It was learned yesterday morning that Lieut.-Col. Bowring, owner of Welprigg Estates at Kirby Lonsdale, where the two trogs, Greenwood and Fincham, got trapped in a pothole, is likely to send them a bill for dynamite damage to surface property while freeing them.

STOP PRESS

VICE-PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

Paula O'Neill is the only candidate at time of going to press for the S.V.P. elections next week.

Nigel Rodley, Dave Merriman, and Tony Evans are said to be standing for J.V.P. at the same time.

Union Travel Agency Next Session

"THAT the N.U.S. travel scheme should be approved in principle." This was the motion passed by Union Committee on Tuesday. Just what does this mean? It means that work can now go ahead on the detailed planning of the new travel agency which, it is hoped, will be opening in the Union next session.

Better facilities for cheap travel for students is the aim of the scheme. When the agency opens, it will be possible to book a holiday abroad, or even a railway ticket home at the end of the term through the Union. Students wishing to go on N.U.S. holidays will be able to book here in the Union, instead of having to engage in a flood of correspondence between themselves and the N.U.S. in London.

It is hoped that the Union will be able to charter flights to the U.S.A. and Canada, and organise other ventures to meet the particular needs of the University.

Alterations

During the next few weeks the N.U.S. sub-committee will be discussing the details of the plan. Arrangements will be made with the N.U.S. Travel Department in London, with British Railways, and with the Union House Secretary so that alterations can be made to the N.U.S. office here.

More staff will be needed, and at every stage of the planning the details will have to be discussed with Union

Committee. If you have any ideas on travel — student travel—then the N.U.S. Secretary would be glad to have them.

Hops to End at 10

IT has become obvious that on a Wednesday night people are staying in the bar until it closes, knowing that they can force their way into the social without paying.

Although societies are entitled to charge admission after 10 p.m., they are very rarely able to resist the howling mob of people who assume that it is their god-given right to enter the dance free at that hour. This inevitably leads to a general fracas and even fighting.

In order to avoid such hooliganism and irresponsible behaviour, two societies (French Society and Rhythm Club) are holding their socials this term from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m., instead of the traditional 8 p.m. until 11 p.m.

The two societies hope that other societies will take note.

It Happened Elsewhere

Keele students are demanding to know why a ten-foot zig-zag wall is being built between the men's and women's residential blocks. The official explanation is that it is a vital architectural link, but the students ask: "Is it really intended as a thing of beauty—or is it meant to be a 'Berlin wall' to keep us apart?"

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What Leeds do today, Cambridge . . . Three undergraduates kidnapped Krishan Kumar, the founder of the Anarchist Society on his way to a meeting. He was tied up and deposited in a field eight miles outside Cambridge. They had wasted their time, however. Kumar had formed the society for a £10 bet and disclaims "any connexion with anarchy."

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Two Lincoln (Oxford) students have built themselves a harpsichord, "because Bach on the piano stinks and harpsichords are so expensive." They have actually been working on the instrument for a year, and when they started they knew "almost nothing" about harpsichords. They had to start from scratch on working out the length of the strings and the shape of the case.

NO ROOM IN THE BROTHERTON ?



Exams draw nearer. Some students will study just anywhere!

"Felix," Imperial College (London) fortnightly news production, is now in colour—with a front page printed in red. This is part of a move to increase sales. The trend is towards more sports news and more controversial content.

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Union Committee has decided that in future, results of the Union Disciplinary Committee be published widely, not mentioning names, but stating the reasons for disciplinary measures.

Student Bids for Bank of England

A STUDENT at Liverpool has made a take-over bid for the Bank of England. The amount involved? Ten guineas.

That's the size of the cheque Peter Woolsey sent to the Bank's directors with his offer on Monday—and he claims, it should give them a ten shilling profit into the bargain.

Peter, who does Economics, says the Bank values its main building in Threadneedle Street at only ten pounds in its accounts, owing to depreciation. "I think it's a very fair offer," he said. He has arranged with his bank manager that the cheque will be cleared should it be presented.

However, a Bank spokesman refused to make any serious comment. "After all," he pointed out, "this is Rag Week at Liverpool."

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More Psychology Needed for Medics?

BY the time you read this, 2nd M.B. will have begun. Upon this exam 70 medics have lavished blood and sweat for 18 months so that after Easter 45% of them will become clinical students, dealing with other people's blood and sweat.

In September the rest will try again for that ticket to cross the road to the General Infirmary.

After Easter the first consignment will be somehow different. Stethoscopes will spill out of their pockets, the lodgings office will allow them to live in sinful flats, vacations will amount to five weeks per year, and they will actually encounter people who are ill. Probably the moribund medical society will flourish for a few weeks before returning to its normal lethargy. Another phase in the cycle of doctor production will be over.

And yet, how well equipped will these people be to face a full waiting room on a wet Wednesday morning?

Medicine is concerned with the norm. Deviations from it are the subject of the doctor. Hence



Medical Bulletin

by

SOREBONES

medics tend to distrust the extreme. Progress seems to be a deviation, for medicine is so isolated that the status quo seems to be the norm. Habits do change slowly, even in Leeds. The new medical school itself is more than 30 years overdue; for that length of time two prominent members of staff have, in popular lore at any rate, not spoken to each other. Collars and ties are obligatory in some departments and one imagines some staff members sighing while they try on their unworn frock-coats.

For medicine is as classical as Greece. Were not Hippocrates and Galen founders of it? Freud has dealt medicine a staggering blow; many still consider it below the belt, a cowardly punch by a young thug at an old man.

Forty per cent. of patients in surgeries are said to have psychological roots or complications to their ailments. How well is the medic trained to deal with this? Certainly he has none before 2nd M.B. and only 24 hours of instruction in psychological medicine afterwards.

It is time that medicine became more dynamic, less bemused by Lister and Alexander Fleming, and by anatomical detail and inspired guesswork. The days of the god-like surgeon are going and newly-qualified men must cure not unhealthy bodies alone, but unhappy men. Science, even psychological science, is closing in around it.

One hopes that in Leeds, at least, far-sighted men are re-thinking the nature of medicine.

Once Upon a Tyne

From Union News of March 18th, 1947. A vital move in Union history!

"Raise your hats, gentlemen, and bow low and reverently to the Senate, who have recommended (technical term) to Council that the Union shall be granted facilities for a permanent bar! But get on your knees and offer up a little prayer for Council when they meet tomorrow afternoon to make the final decision."

THEY SAID IT

"Let's face it, sometimes you want to go common."
—First year Geographer.

"Parrot cage wanted — exchange A35 engine."
—Advert. in Exchange and Mart.

"I'll show you a gorgeous picture in a minute."
—Fuel Science Lecturer.

"When are the presidential elections?"
—Overheard on a No. 1 bus on Monday morning.

"That's the last time I share a bed with anyone."
—Malc Totten, after changing digs.

"Let's ignore the facts and get at the truth."
—Tilak Gunawardhana at debates.



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IN PERSPECTIVE

A CHORUS of protest has arisen over the University's decision to purchase 123 flats for conversion into Student Houses for the use of 300 students next October.

Inevitably the university will seem ruthless to the tenants, some retired, others elderly or bedridden, who will have to surrender their homes to students. Their forced removal has given critics of the university, ever alert to exploit controversy, an ideal opportunity to attack its recent initiative, oblivious of the difficulties involved.

It is therefore important that members of the university see the problem in its true perspective, sympathising with human hardship, but recognising the importance of maintaining the expansion of higher education.

In the belief that university education should be available for all those qualified to benefit from it, universities throughout the country have undertaken vast programmes of expansion. Few, however, can equal the record of Leeds University, where it is estimated that by 1966, it will be able to cater for 6,900

students, an increase over present student numbers of 1,700.

Expansion at this rate poses complex problems for the university administration. Hamstrung by a lack of the necessary capital, which is not forthcoming from the government, the university is provoked to desperate measures—it cannot build Student Houses, so it must buy them. The consequences are bitter for those who are to be dispossessed, but the university continues to keep its doors open to good students.

It is the government which should be the tenants' scapegoat, not the university which has to find somewhere for its students to live—as the Grebenik Report warned only a fortnight ago. If the money were more forthcoming desperate measures would not be necessary and every qualified student could be assured of a university place.

Apart from public controversy, the purchase will allow the university to make welcome experiments in the provision of student accommodation. For the first time in the country undergraduate students will have the opportunity to live in unsupervised flat accommodation and it is also hoped to experiment in one block of flats for overseas students and British students in equal numbers.

Students have asked for these moves for many years. It is only right now that they should support the university in the present controversy.

POLITICAL FORUM

THE CASE AGAINST C.N.D.

by A. J. Smith

A LARGE movement has appeared with a relatively large following. Almost every day the Press devotes some space to C.N.D. views and marches. Yet the vast majority of the public remain apathetic, and put this surge of enthusiasm down to students and "weirdies."

However, little has been heard from the other side, who wish to keep nuclear weapons. I offer a sensible solution to the problem.

In the world today, two powerful forces have emerged: capitalism and an advanced form of socialism. In the middle stands Britain, rather more rational than the two extremes on either side of her, and also many times less powerful. In fact, it is no use deluding ourselves; we are a nonentity on our own.

Since this is so, whatever we say will not affect America, and still less, Russia. Nuclear disarmament by Britain will have no effect on the Big Two whatsoever.

What would happen, though, is that the present precarious nuclear balance will be destroyed. America

will lose her bases in Britain, as well as Britain's support, and Russia will gain dominance. What would she do? We don't know, but certainly she would not settle over Berlin or reduce her arms to restore parity.

By disarmament, we will jeopardise our own population, as well as world security. Krushchev has told us that we are already in too deep. If the balloon goes up, Britain, disarmed or not, will be first to get it, and would radioactive dust respect an unarmed Britain?

When Mr. Patrick Pottle recently demanded of an R.A.F. officer if he would press the button that would kill thousands of women and children, did he not consider the fact that, by all the laws of rationality, not threatening to press that button would cost far more lives, including our own?

Some of my professed C.N.D. acquaintances argue that economically, the cost of nuclear arms is very heavy and will go on rising. I absolutely agree, it is a burden on the economy that we could well do without. Even economists will agree that it is preferable to find a way round this problem than to have a nuclear war on our hands.

What if a successful organization like the C.N.D. had existed 1930-39? We certainly wouldn't be studying here. Who can study with the Gestapo breathing down his neck. By present war standards, we wouldn't even have a neck to be breathed down.

Again, some C.N.D. members do not think that Russia or America will disarm. They say (whilst watching our own women and children die from radioactive burns) that we did not have anything to do with it. We are morally justified—for what? Causing a nuclear war by burying our heads in the sand? Let's be realistic. Morals and scruples long since went by the board, and what good are morals to dead men?

What are the chances of nuclear war? Small. The one fault in this game of Huff

has been eradicated. The old cry about only a bird having to appear on Distant Early Warning System radar screens, and the rockets take off, has been stifled.

An American colonel confessed that signals have been received many times from "moonbeams." Not just once, but many times, a "rocket" has appeared on the screen. Yet the supposedly trigger-happy colonel sitting in front of it did not press the button. Why? He was afraid to, and so are the Russians; the human element is too strong.

Therefore, a nuclear stalemate. Expensive? Yes. Nerve-racking? Yes. But don't let's all panic. So long as parity exists, nothing will happen, but if we try to monkey with that balance—well! We are supposed to be intelligent! C.N.D. has obviously misunderstood the Russians, the Americans, and British public opinion—and even that "idiotic" American colonel who is thought to be as much a machine as the object he sits in front of.

I suggest C.N.D. place a bit of faith in humanity, and in the instinct of self-preservation, which they seem to lack.

Letters

FLATS ACTION "WILL ALIENATE MANY"

SIR.—I note with deep concern Mr. MacArthur's letter to the Yorkshire Post of Monday last. Surely he, as a student, realises that the goodwill of Leeds residents is absolutely necessary to the University?

It may be very true that the accommodation is urgently needed by students, but the fact that the University intends to give the residents only the legal minimum notice, in spite of the fact that the housing list has been frozen after the gale damage and that no other accommodation has materialized, is bound to alienate many.

In addition, and let us be realistic here, the fact that a number of these will be used for foreign students is bound to aggravate the discontent.

Until now the attitude of the tenants has been "It's not the students we're against, it's the University." I cannot see this continuing if the impression is given, as it would appear by Mr. MacArthur signing himself "President of the Union, Leeds University," that this is the official attitude of the Union.

Yours, etc.,

R. WAGNER.

Leeds University Union.

Motorized Thugs

SIR.—Your shoddy editorial of last week surprised me, particularly as I had always accredited Union News with a greater degree of perception than was then evident. You imply that the actions of C.N.D. may have brought the Union into direct disrepute in the same way that the Land-Rover thugs did.

C.N.D. only court publicity and show willingness to break the law to forward their views, to attempt to get publicity for their cause and promote discussion. In so doing they cause suffering only to themselves in terms of fines and wet backsides. By show-

ing that they are willing to private themselves, they want to bring home to people the sincerity of their views and the immediate nature of their cause.

But who suffered during the vigil incident? It certainly wasn't the big, strong people who were willing to use violence if the two pacifists refused to co-operate. There was no principled sincerity in the actions of these motorised thugs.

Such mob thinking and mob action is becoming more prominent in the University. As one who asked many people to sign the petition for the S.G.M. I was shocked by the number of people who thought that the kidnapping was a good lark; and these are the same people who think that all people who demonstrate on grounds of conscience should be locked up (and probably flogged into the bargain).

Yours, etc.,

DAVID S. ATKINSON.
Leeds University Union.

President Attacks Editorial

SIR.—It is unfortunate that you should publish a distorted and inaccurate editorial alleging the deliberate omission from the delegation to the next N.U.S. Conference of a Union News representative.

It is even more unfortunate that you should attempt to justify the naive and hysterical assumptions behind the editorial with the implicit sneer that the delegation is afraid of a critical report of its performance.

It has never been the custom to invite a member of Union News to travel with the delegation. Perhaps Union News would be interested to know that the Union has a Junior Vice-President whose responsibility it is to publicize Union affairs. In the event of his not being chosen, Union News has total freedom to

choose whosoever it likes from the delegation to report the Conference.

Yours, etc.,
BRIAN MACARTHUR.
Leeds University Union.

Hot-house Plants

SIR.—I find Mr. Billam's condescending attitude very objectionable. Most of his comment is destructive and he has put forward nothing new.

He states blandly that obscenity is an inseparable part of life. This may be so, but it depends on individual persons, and even so it is not necessary to dwell on it and push it into the limelight. Kenneth C. Barnes in his book "He and She" says that Christianity has rescued sex from depravity and obscenity by making it a deep personal relationship full of commitment.

This is appreciated by most intelligent adults, and in this appreciation they develop discretion about what type of books to read, etc.

The student at University is in a different world along with all types of men and women, in which there is a deliberate fostering of the admired impulse to shock. Strange plants easily thrive in this hot-house. Witness the above average following of C.N.D. and the strange standards of some of the Union magazines.

I am against the situation when things swing too far to one extreme and take that as the norm. Then I feel it is time some comments are passed—as I did over a certain issue of "61." One of the poems in this issue read rather like a horror comic, its vocabulary being very weak and inane.

I don't deny the existence of obscenity, but I see no reason in spreading it around any further than seems necessary.

Yours, etc.,
D. M. LEWIS.
Leeds University Union.

Refectory-type Art

SIR.—Mr. Billam's reply to Mr. Lewis's letter (about obscenity in "61") completely missed the point. I happen to know Mr. Lewis, and I know he was merely selecting one item of this Refectory-type menu of "art" for his criticism.

Mr. Lewis, I am sure, would be the last to deny the existence of obscenity, or even that "art must in some aspects encompass it." But this is a far cry from the gleeful, gloating morbidity in which "61"—and others—seems to indulge.

The real point, of course, is that anyone has the nerve to refer to much of what "61" serves up as "art." In the issue in question there was a critique of the work of one "Joans." When I read this, and the accompanying samples of Joans' poetic efforts, I could hardly believe it was serious. The writer seemed to me incapable of producing a straightforward appreciation of a Wordsworth poem, say, at fifth-form standard.

A friend of mine whose subject is English Literature said if there was a connection between the "poems" and the review he could not see it.

It would be funny if it was not lamentable. Imagine the effect of this on the already prejudiced public.

Yours, etc.,
B. THORPE.
Leeds University Union.

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COMPANIONS IN PROTEST?



A rare shot of antagonists Laycock and Atkinson in conversation at last week's C.N.D. rally by the Town Hall.

C.N.D. Strike Idea Spreads Day of Mourning

TO strike or not to strike. That will be the issue facing the students of this University, and possibly of other universities throughout England.

Personal

JUMP—HOP—DANCE. Stick day dance in Headingley Pavilion. Engineers' R.U.F.C. Bar until 12-00. Dancing 8 p.m.—1 a.m. When? Oh, yes! Today, of course. 3/6.

INAUGURAL LECTURE. Professor P. J. Fitzgerald on "Crime, Sin and Negligence." Arts Lecture Theatre, 5-15 p.m., Monday, March 5th.

TO THE GIRL I arranged to meet in City Square wearing green jeans and knee-length purple sweater with dyed blonde hair. Please do not go there as you are likely to be arrested.

UNIVERSITY LECTURE. Dr. T. E. Allibone, F.R.S., on "Nuclear Energy." Great Hall, 1-45 p.m., Tuesday, March 6th.

FLAT WANTED for one (female) for next session, near University.—Contact Box No. L.29 U.N.

STICK DAY.—Engineers' reincarnation of the great occasion. Today.—See notices in departments. Promising biggest rabble ever.

UNION CINEMA. Sunday, March 4th. "Les Belles de Nuit," with Gerard Philippe.

I WAS a 7-stone weakling before I went to Club Casey and now I... most nights.

HOULDSWORTH to auction Engineers' ashes? Today? Watch for details.

Opportunities for Indian Students

Opportunities may be available in India for young Indians with good degrees in Engineering or Allied Fields and/or sound practical experience. Graduates (or undergraduates who may be interested in the future) should write to—**TELCO DEPT., TATA LTD., 18, GROSVENOR PLACE, LONDON, S.W.1.**

Union Reps. Invited to Prague

Gwynn Morgan warns I.U.S.

"WHAT did you fear from our knowledge of this little affair?" This was in a letter from N.U.S. President, Gwynn Morgan, to Jiri Pelikan, the President of the International Union of Students.

Mr. Pelikan (who is 42 years old) had extended an invitation on behalf of the I.U.S., to representatives of University Unions, to visit Prague in the spring.

The stay in Prague, and the return trip to the Czech border, would be financed by the I.U.S. The visit was intended to include opportunities to meet the members of the Secretariat and see over the various departments to learn something of their work, as well as to become acquainted with the activities and work of the I.U.S.

The N.U.S. disaffiliated from the I.U.S. in 1960, when it became evident that the I.U.S. was not a student organisation serving the true interests of students all over the world, but a communist-dominated organisation, one of whose major aims was the propagation of communist propaganda and policy.

In inviting representatives of local Unions to Prague, the I.U.S. did not have the courtesy to inform the N.U.S. This was despite the fact that the date of the invitation was three weeks before the Council Meeting of the N.U.S. It seems even less explicable when the N.U.S. concerned is not even a member of the I.U.S.

In his letter Gwynn Morgan wrote: "If the motives of your invitation are as genuine as you claim, then you will have nothing to fear from your visitors. If, however, your motives are false, then I fear that you may well have cause to respect the acute nature and the powers of perception of student leaders in the country."

Brian MacArthur has already refused the invitation to Prague.

Hall Resigns as Labour President

DANNY CONNELLY was unanimously elected President of Labour Society at an S.G.M. on Wednesday. He was the only nomination.

Peter Hall said that he was resigning the Presidency of the Society because "I've got 340 files to read so that the wool won't be pulled over my eyes by slick committee-men," before he became President of the Union.

Of his time as President of Lab. Soc. he said that he had been unable to give the Society the leadership it needed because he was not in the Union on three days in the week and had not had the time to "chase up" the leaders of the Society's Action Groups, who, in several cases, had not been forthcoming.

CHANGES AT THE TATLER

RADICAL changes are to take place at the Tatler. The cinema will now begin showing repertory material, such as "Jane Eyre," "High Society," and "The Reluctant Debutante."

Up to now, the Tatler has been famed in Leeds for its showing of films from the Continent. The manager, Mr. Cusack, commenting on the change, said: "We feel that films from the Continent are getting into a bit of a rut, so we are bringing the Tatler into line with other cinemas on the same circuit, which have always specialized in repertory."

Although "X" films did not make a loss, Mr. Cusack said he expects to see a rise in box-office takings after the change.

The Tatler's aim, he continued, was to keep standards as high as possible, and they considered the way to do this was to bring back some of the "good old films" rather than go on with Continental films which were declining in quality.

Not Just Sex

We asked one of the managers of the City Varieties, Mr. Josephs, whether he thought the change at the Tatler was indicative of a waning of public interest in sex entertainment. "No show relying on sex alone will succeed," he said, adding, "Our programme isn't just sex, you know; we aim to put on a good show."

One Union member does not welcome the change: "This means that no cinema is now prepared to specialize in serious films with minority appeal," was his opinion.

It seems that time alone will tell whether the Tatler has made a wise move or a mammoth mistake.

BEER!

TETLEY

Leads

The Brewery, Leeds, 10

Rag News

Street Collections Banned

NO Rag collections in the streets of Bradford this year —by order of the Bradford City Watch Committee. Rag Chairman Nigel Rodley's request for permission to hold collections in the city in aid of Leeds Rag during every day of Rag Week has been refused.

In a letter, the Chief Constable said it had been thought desirable to reduce the number of street collections in Bradford, which had been increasing every year.

Nigel Rodley said he was disappointed at the Watch Committee's action and felt there might have been some ulterior motives. He added that every year Bradford charities have received all the money collected in Bradford.

The first three teams to finish will win barrels of beer —which they will share with their supporters!

News in Brief

At an S.G.M. held in Tetley Hall on Monday night, the women students unanimously passed a motion welcoming the Grebenik Report and supporting the suggestion for an immediate reassessment of the accommodation situation. The motion pressed for a re-consideration of the curfew rules for women and the under-21 flats regulation, and deplored the fact that the Report could not make recommendations.

The Universities Federation for Animal Welfare will hold its Annual Easter Congress from 5th to 9th April inclusive in Edinburgh. The Congress will include lectures, discussions, a visit to a Vet. Field Station. All enquiries and applications should be sent to U.F.A.W. (Easter Congress), 7a, Lamb's Conduit Passage, London, W.C.1.

This week in The Listener

THE THREATENED COUNTRYSIDE
In this, the third article of the series of articles which discusses the threat of "Subtopia" to Britain's places of beauty, PATRICK MONKHOUSE turns his attention to the Peak District.

DID THE PEASANTS REALLY STARVE?
Pierre Goubert's book *Beauvais et les Beauvaisis de 1600 a 1730* has been published recently in France. It is here reviewed by PETER LASLETT, Lecturer in History at Cambridge University, who is engaged in a work of social history of the same period in England.

SWEET MANGOES AND MALT VINEGAR
The scenes and language of the Indian novelist, R. K. Narayan, author of *The Man-Eater of Malgudi*, are discussed by WILLIAM WALSH, Professor of Education at Leeds University.

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Poor Turn-out Against Fascism

Yet another march left the Union on Saturday! This time, 75 members of the Afro-Asian Society straggled into and around the city. This being the follow-up to the meeting of last week — remember Baird.

They terminated at the Town Hall steps—as ever, and as ever the meeting was chaired by Tilak Gunawardhana. He introduced G. S. Pande, Adnan Alganabi and Mustafa Said, each of whom spoke a few words, heckled by a by-stander under the impression that this was a C.N.D. rally.

On the whole it could not be said that the demonstration was successful, but Leeds has been informed that the O.A.S. are assassins and that **ALGERIA MUST BE FREED!**

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The Case for Independent Socialism

OUT OF THE MIRE

IT has become increasingly obvious that the Labour Party has lost its social impetus. Socialists within the party are constantly forced to fight a defensive battle against the right-wing control instead of presenting a positive socialist alternative.

Why has the Labour Party become so impotent as a socialist organ? Is there an alternative, or have we Socialists reached the end of the road?

Perhaps a brief analysis of the Labour Party will give a clue to its sterility. There are three factions prevalent at the moment: firstly, members who accept the Crosland-Gaitskell compromise, secondly, members of the left who believe that eventually they will be able to gain control and change the policy of the party to a socialist point of view and thirdly, those who work in the party to produce eventual rupture in the most favourable terms.

Attachment

Binding all these three groups together is the strong emotional attachment to an organisation which has represented the voice of Labour for so long.

From a socialist standpoint we can immediately reject the Gaitskell line as being nothing more than an attack of mild radicalism. The case for staying in the

by

Mike Templeman

Labour Party and reforming it is more difficult to answer, and for this to be done in any detail the very roots of Reformism and the Parliamentary Road to Socialism must be challenged.

It can perhaps best be answered in the form of a question. What in fact has the left succeeded in achieving? Granted during Labour's brief regime they introduced the Welfare State but look at the situation now, they are even incapable of restraining the constant Tory erosion of basic human rights.

Split

Finally there are those in the party who are waiting for a split and then intend to take full advantage of the organisation and finance thus made available. It is now safe to assume that the split is inevitable. Since the Scarborough shock Gaitskell and Co. are now firmly entrenched and will never repeat their mistake of allowing leftist domination. Thus with an appeal for a united party and the majority of Labour votes behind him he will be able to fragment the remaining opposition at his will. So much for the split on favourable terms.

Is there any way forward? Unfortunately we have no panacea and we can only explain our personal choice: why, after thirty years of political obscurity we have decided to attempt to rejuvenate the Independent Labour Party.

Firstly it is a Socialist Party. Some quotes from the constitution will indicate this... The Independent Labour Party... will combat Imperialism in all its forms... has as a main aim the establishment of a World Socialist Commonwealth in which there will

Harold Wilson looks anxiously to his leader. The I.L.P. have also looked, and turned away in disgust



be no forms of hereditary, monarchical or bureaucratic government... recognises that the organs of government in Britain have been established to maintain and administer a capitalist society and their nature would have to be revolutionised in a socialist society. On the whole, the left wing of the Labour Party has similar views.

A second advantage of the I.L.P. is its fluidity of constitution, for it can be revised every three years. This enables us to accept many differing interpretations of socialism and makes us into a potential popular front organisation.

Transformation

As indicated above we see a radical transformation to a socialist society as opposed to a gradual reformation of the existing capitalist system. This can only be realised within the context of a general trend towards world socialism. This all sounds very remote and it may well be asked how we expect to achieve this. Once again we can only give our personal opinion and this is based on the realisation of the vast potential released by the anti-nuclear demonstrations. For the first time since the general strike we have a popular movement which has risen above the realms of party politics, a movement that is not bound by rigid dogma but based on deeply felt concern for people and human welfare, and which if carried to the industrial front could provide the necessary impetus for social change. The I.L.P. gives full support to C.N.D., while realising that for success its field of influence must be broadened.

Our final and most practical reason for starting the Leeds Central Branch of the I.L.P. is based on our inter-

pretations of the role of the student in politics. As a group of students with similar views, if we were to stay in the Labour Party we should be faced with two alternatives: we could either submerge ourselves in the party bureaucracy and be reduced to one vote per year, or for the more committed there is the possibility of the endless stand outside the factory gate. Within a month of forming the Leeds branch of the I.L.P. not only have we received financial support to rent a branch headquarters but in the next few weeks we will restart the I.L.P. youth paper, The New Generation, as well as a regular theoretical journal.

Finally, in special circumstances we will nominate candidates to oppose Right wing Labour seats. Our first task: Leeds South and Mr. Gaitskell.

REPORT ON YOUR FOOD

by PAULA O'NEILL
Union Catering Secretary

OF the various complaints heard regularly from Union members, perhaps the most persistent of all are those directed against catering.

Of all the eating places, the Union derives profits only from the Bar, which is thus the only part of the catering organisation controlled directly by the Union. Refec., Caf., the Soup Kitchen, and the M.J. are all controlled by the University.

Our efforts to improve the quality of coffee in Caf. and the M.J. have resulted in the acquisition for the M.J. of a bona coffee machine and of new coffee stills for Caf. The latter, in addition to improving the quality of Caf. coffee, will make possible the sale of hot chocolate. The bona coffee machine for the M.J. has now arrived and should be operating by the time this article is in print. The price of coffee in both Caf. and the M.J. will remain unchanged.

The experiment of providing an increased variety of sandwiches in Caf. and the Soup Kitchen having proved successful, we are now pressing for a wider variety of biscuits to be sold in the M.J.

The most vexed question of all is that of the quality of the food served in Refec. It is a problem which we are now tackling. By the introduction of fixed meal

prices in Refec., it was hoped to improve the standard of food.

However, the quality and variety of the food has deteriorated rapidly since the beginning of last term. In an attempt to halt the decline a questionnaire has been drawn up, by means of which Union members can indicate their preferences among the various meals served in Refec. By filling in the forms intelligently and constructively, they will provide Catering Committee with a basis of Union opinions from which to argue when working for improvements. Blank questionnaires and ballot boxes will be in Refec. from today.

The problem of queuing has been accentuated this year by the increased number of twelve-to-one lectures. It is hoped that next year, when even more students will be eating in the Union at midday, the University authorities will agree to stagger lecture hours, and so help to alleviate a difficult situation.

Finally I would like to remind students that there is a Catering Complaints Book in Union Office. Gone are the days when crucified chips glowered in greasy and eloquent self-condemnation from its pages: very little use of it either for complaints or for suggestions. I would be happy if more students would use this book to give coherent expression to any feelings of dissatisfaction they may entertain.

"Try Again, Lord Beaverbrook!"

LORD BEAVERBROOK is using all his very considerable influence and resources of money to oppose Britain's entry into the Common Market.

As part of his campaign he has recently published a pamphlet, "You and the Common Market," a splendid fairy tale whose theme is Britain and the Commonwealth ensnared by Germany and the "New Order" in Europe.

In this pamphlet, Lord Beaverbrook sets out to warn the unsuspecting against the consequences of membership of the Common Market. But how do Lord Beaverbrook's forecasts measure up to the views of those who really know? What do the experts think? Let us take some examples.

Lord Beaverbrook: "Some trades—like hosiery... will be undercut." Mr. Alasdair Donaldson, Chairman of Donaldson Textiles, makers of "Berkshire" nylons: "We do not minimise the challenge... but... I see no reason why we cannot meet this."

Lord Beaverbrook: "The car industry... will certainly be a casualty if we go into Europe."

The Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders: "Membership of the European Economic Community ("E.E.C.") would ensure for the motor industry easy access to the greater part of Europe... the industry does not fear the possibility of more competition in its home market."

Lord Beaverbrook: "The leather goods industry... will be badly hit... There is the footwear industry." Mr. J. Webber, President of the British Footwear Manufacturers' Association: "The European Common Market offers tremendous potential to which the British footwear industry is fully alive."

Lord Beaverbrook: "Then there is coal, the European Coal and Steel Community... will have power to close down British mines!" Lord Robens, Chairman of the National Coal Board: "At present we are hitting the ceiling of our export quotas to Europe. To join the Common Market would be a good thing."

Lord Beaverbrook: "The men who have most to lose in the Common Market are the ordinary workers." The T.U.C. (which represents over eight million workers): "The T.U.C. Congress... has emphasized the need to move towards the economic association of Europe as a whole... the General Council therefore agree in principle with the Government's decision to open negotiations with the E.E.C. with a view to joining..."

One of the sections of Lord Beaverbrook's pamphlets is called the "Myths and the Facts." There is a moral somewhere!

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PROF. P. M. S. BLACKETT ON
PROSPECT FOR DISARMAMENT
—SPECIAL 4-PAGE FEATURE

FRENCH WEEK

“WE AIM TO HIT THE UNION”

say French Society

THE word “Wogs” has been stretched so far in this part of the country that it has virtually come to mean anyone residing south of the Humber.

Despite the apparent approach of the Common Market, people in this country still tend to regard anyone from across the Channel with suspicion. It is the aim of French Society to try to reveal something of the French and their civilisation, a civilisation which has played an enormous and central part in the formation of Europe.

During French Week (4th to 9th March), we hope to present you with a wide programme on contemporary France. For never in our history has the fate and life of France been so important to us in Great Britain.

Sunday Cinema on 4th March will be showing “Belles de Nuit” with the late Gerard Philippe, whose skill and versatility as an actor is undisputed.

On Monday, there will be a talk by Professor Clapton, of the French Department, on Georges Bernanos, author of “Diary of a Country Priest,” the film shown in the Union this week by Film Society. Professor Clapton is the sort of man who can talk about any subject and inspire his listeners with his own deep enthusiasm.

Full Day

Tuesday is certainly a full day. At lunch-time the Record Library will be giving a concert of French music. At 5-15 p.m. in Room 238 of the Parkinson, Professor Genestier, of Hull University, will be giving a talk on existentialism. The admiration for the learning of Professor Genestier amongst his colleagues at the Sorbonne is unqualified.

And the first performance of our play, “Les Mains Sales,” by Sartre, will be presented in the Riley-Smith at 7-0 p.m. There will be a matinee of the play on Wednesday afternoon.

For those who enjoy “La Grande Vie” we shall, of course, have the usual French Week Hop in the Union. I must not omit to mention that Film Society will be showing on Tuesday and Wednesday “La Bete Humaine,” Zola’s tremendous novel animated by Jean Renoir. It is so difficult to remember everything we are providing for you. There

—by—

NIGEL RODLEY

President of French Society



Jean-Paul Sartre

will also be another French film on Thursday at lunch-time.

On Friday, Marie-Louise Thyss, of the French Department, will be giving a talk on “Algeria—Its Land and People,” which no sincere student of French-Algerian affairs should

miss. Mlle. Thyss talks persuasively on a subject she has studied searchingly and sincerely. Finally, there will be an evening of French music at Bodington.

And just to prove that French Week really aims to HIT the Union there will be jazz in refec. every lunch-time.

TARPAULINS & STAGHUNTERS

I HAVE a thing about blood sports. I find something indescribably inglorious in the remorseless hunting down of a defenceless creature and its subsequent cold-blooded slaughter. From being a small child I have rooted for the stag. This may, in part, explain my aversion to Union hops.

There is something vaguely soul-destroying about the “Gold Leaf” haze of the Riley-Smith on a Saturday night. The bands are enough to send any self-respecting musician racing for the ear-plugs, and the standard of dress — well, my dears! Would you go to the Rugby Club Hop at home in a dress reminiscent of the worst type of loose cover? Would you attend the Scout and Guide Social looking as if someone had thrown a tarpaulin over you from a distance in the event of a sud-

den shower? No? Then why do it here?

Admittedly the male contingent are hardly the epitome of sartorial elegance, but for the sake of femininity everywhere I beseech you

by

FATALE

—please make an effort. It isn’t that I have anything against women wearing trousers. It’s just that I feel there is a time and a place for everything, and Union hops are neither the time nor the place for Fair Isle sweaters and Alpine boots.

Your grant may not run to haute couture, but C. & A. do quite a nice line in heavy cottons, and if you are really feeling affluent M. & S. (Marks and Spencer’s, not Marshall and Snelgrove’s) can be relied on for their thirty-shilling knitwear. So be a pet and please leave the sack-cloth and organza at home.

LES MAINS SALES: A Sartrean Conflict of Means and Ends

THE French Society’s initiative in producing in French “Les Mains Sales” by Sartre, that most difficult and controversial of plays, shows both courage and imagination.

Much has been said and written by critics and by the author himself about the meaning of the play. The title “Dirty Hands” should have given a clear enough indication. “Crime Passionel,” the title of the English translation, was a foolish failure to see what the play was about; the American “Red Gloves” appears to be a deliberate shift of emphasis to give support to what was at the time in France a common prejudice that it was an anti-communist piece a these.

The right-thinking bourgeoisie who had already found Sartre’s analyses distressing and his problems uncomfortable, by a subtle piece of self-deception, interpreted the play as another pillar of the established order. The best way to solve a problem is to deny its existence, and if the play involved the death of two ardent and sincere communists in open defiance of society, the good conclusion to draw is that such an outcome is inevitable, since their cause is a bad one.

On the other hand the Communist Party, since the play implied to some degree a criticism of their methods and was not wholeheartedly Marxist, disapproved violently. In spite of his very definite Marxist tendencies—his existentialism is in his own terms a “parasite” on Marxism—Sartre’s relations with the Communist Party have been far from happy, and the production of “Les Mains Sales” did nothing to improve them, so much so that now, although it is his best play, he prefers it not to be produced.

Importance

The importance of “Les Mains Sales” lies beyond any direct or implied criticism of the Communist Party: it is an existentialist play, showing the conflict between two radically different moral attitudes.

On the one hand we have Hugo, the very young bourgeois intellectual, tormented by doubt, seeking purity and absolute values in total



Hamar Karnon as Hoederer and Mlle. Poppot as Jessica.

allegiance to the Party. Morality for him is not a constant creation, it must consist of universal truths given a priori. The Truth is the only power which can deliver him from his doubts, from the crushing absurdity of the world, from the feeling that life and events are unreal, inauthentic, just a game. He needs politics to be a science whereby he can prove that an action is right or wrong.

Purity

But Hugo’s purity is a means of self-salvation and not one of changing the world or society. In spite of his desire to be involved in “direct action,” his deep ambition is not to DO but to BE, and it is for this reason that he refuses to compromise with the reality of the political situation (i.e. to deceive the rank and file of the Party and to agree to a temporary coalition with the reactionary parties)—he refuses in short to dirty his hands.

His death, which is tantamount to a suicide, is absurd, serves no useful purpose, and is the inevitable outcome of his ethic.

To this Hoederer opposes a practical ethic. A political party, he believes, is a means towards one end, which is power. We suspect that in his heart he shares Hugo’s thirst for Purity and Truth, but these are for later, for the future society; they have no place in a corrupt, bourgeois society.

He thus goes beyond Hugo’s idealist queeziness, courageously inventing his ethic according to the exigencies of the situation. Like Sartre himself—and there can be no doubt that Sartre sympathises with Hoederer—he does not try to shirk his responsibilities by retreating into belief in the Eternal and Universal or in the historic process.

“Les Mains Sales” is essentially a dialogue between ends and means, absolute values and practical

action, between being and doing. Whatever one’s interpretation of the play, two facts should be kept in mind: Hugo’s “suicide” and the ultimate triumph of Hoederer’s policy.

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The Arts

Debates

LIKE RAG REVUE

Kidd in the Rear

IT was like an audition for Rag Revue. There was Mr. O'Driscoll on the platform quoting wildly from "Boys' Own Annual of 1902" and Mr. Eastham gesticulating from the floor like the second lead in a Whitehall farce.

Mr. Kidd brought up the rear. He was the hind legs of the pantomime horse—tied together.

by

JOHN MOWAT

The serious business of the day was taken care of in the Private Members' Business. A motion was passed stating that "This House Regrets the Severity and Selective Nature of the Trial and Sentence passed on six members of the Committee of 100." There were twelve abstentions. There should not have been any.

After voting, the curtain went up. Mr. O'Driscoll opened the bill. The motion was "That This House Would Abolish the Monarchy." He proceeded to deliver a potted, and at times somewhat original general history of Western Europe. He reminded us that the present queen is not, in fact, British to the core. She is of German stock. Mr. O'Driscoll did not wish to sound racist. All he meant was that he "would not like her to marry his brother"; that was all.

However, he did finally get to the point. The very idea

of a people by birth being as it were a race apart, above their fellow man, was totally abhorrent to him. This, he said, was the only reason he was against the monarchy. Apart from this he did not give a damn. He advocated that we shoot the lot.

Mr. Victor Johnson opposed. The monarchy to him is an institution through which the loyalties and emotions of the people can be channelled. Without it he visualised national chaos, a country in ruins.

Mr. Atkinson opened the second half of the show. "The monarchy is not a king or a queen, it is a crime, a desecration," he thundered to tumultuous applause. He sees it as the supreme inequality, its members the arch-criminals in this world. He ended as he had begun. "Either you are blind or you are evil if you support the monarchy in this country."

Mr. Ian Morrison was the last to appear. He was not in charge of mid-week entertainments in Rag last year for nothing. He envisages in the near future a "streamlined modern royalty." I can hardly wait.

The debate was thrown open to the floor. The floor flung it back with more than usual gusto. Miss Khozai was nearest to the crux of the matter. She stated that, because of the lack of any really substantial arguments from the proposers, she would have not option but to vote against the motion. She was not alone.

The motion was eventually carried by 105 votes to 104 with 20 abstentions. The voice of the Crown was never heard. Dunmail the Second, King of Cumbria, remained silent. This was a pity. I would back His Majesty against Mr. O'Driscoll any day.

Theatre

IMPRESSIVE ACTING

The 1962 Machiavelli

STRANGE contrasts, impressive acting, and laughter from way down below the belt—these were the characteristics of Theatre Group's double-bill presentation of "The Resounding Tinkle" by N. F. Simpson and "The Mandrake" by Niccolo Machiavelli—translated from the Italian by Frederick May and Eric Bentley.

Simpson and Machiavelli make curious ingredients in the same meal and one cannot believe that the hors d'oeuvre did justice to the main course. Now one is either for or against this sort of thing, and I, for one, am against, but the qualities of Simpson's dialogue were not here given a chance.

The experience of Michael Brennan as Bro Paradox brought a sustained performance as the testy but conventional man of the house, but inexperience was sadly in evidence elsewhere. Touches of self-confidence and lack of variety in tone do not help to convey the everyday nature of the conversation—clothed as it is in an impossible garb. The audience must be convinced of its normality, its experience should be assaulted by the truth of Simpson's situations.

There was, too, a disturbing symmetry about the positioning and movement—though let us not here underestimate the task undertaken by Geoff Wilson, who produced the play. The whole point of the thing resides in the dialogue and his scope lies in this almost exclusively.

In "The Mandrake," Noel Witts, who produced, had more experienced material, and took liberties with this pre-Shakespearean adventure in sex which amply repaid him. Exploiting the crudities of usual device, heavily loaded innuendoes, and interplay of well-drawn

characters, he produced a hearty, full-bodied entertainment.

The play was introduced by a faultless Ron Pickup as the confidential prologue, and carried along by Callimaco, the Florentine beau (played by Ian Burton) who lusts after Lucrezia. At his best in the "Latin scene" when dispensing mock exudition and chemistry, his was an assured performance. Perhaps sometimes he was peevish rather than impassioned with desire, for although Machiavelli's concept is far from the romantic love of today, its material counterpart for the 16th century cannot have been taken less seriously.

Clearly the well-chosen kingpin was the lecherous parasite Ligurio, played by a maturer and complete Wilf Carr. Giving the play most of its momentum he obviously relished the part, lending authenticity to Machiavelli's "realism" and controlling Callimaco's interests admirably.

We saw a fine performance, too, given by Martin Glynn as the corrupt friar,

Timoteo. His false logic and gleeful sensuality cajoled Lucrezia into taking the potion. Complete in pose and gesture he became at once a figure of fun and an indictment of Machiavelli's clergy.

Perhaps Peter Kennedy might have quickened his pace as Messer Nicia, where the momentum of the play faltered—but this was a sustained and credible performance.

Other members of the cast were Robin Wells as Siro, Priscilla Walker as Sostrata, and Margaret Dugdale as the Florentine woman—a delightful little portrait, this. Lucrezia was played by Sandra Wood and proved suitable, decorative and persuadable.

Laudable efforts by the team behind the scenes produced a set which invoked Florence rather than depicted it, and costume lived up to its promise, having been designed and handmade by members of the group.

A worthy inheritor of Theatre Group's traditions, the production proved robust and stimulating. Don't leave it there Mr. Witts!

C.S.C.

It now seems likely that Theatre Group will be taking "The Mandrake" to Oxford and Cambridge towards the end of this term.

Jazz

JAZZ GRATIA GRANTZ

IT is astonishing that as little as ten years ago the first visit of Norman Grantz Jazz at the Philharmonic Show was greeted by the critics with ecstatic cries. Now, engraved on the jazz-pop calendar, its appearance raises hardly a murmur.

This was shown most heart-breakingly in Ella Fitzgerald's performance in which she very carefully turned her broad back on the blues. In an interview she gave me I asked how these days she decided to include a number in her repertoire and received a long reply about giving the public what it wants: what it buys over the record counter and claps on the wrong beat.

Though she lacks the range of Sarah Vaughan and the originality of Billie Holiday she still has a superb velvet voice and brilliant rhythmic sense. But the rest, "C'est Magnifique," "All of Me," and the comedy numbers are best forgotten; pathetically she demonstrated the twist, imitated Louis and clowned to an audience who probably wondered where her guitar was.

The highlight of the evening was hearing tenor-player Coleman Hawkins again. Surrounded by the brittle off-key blasting of Roy Eldridge and the mechanised drumming of Eddie Locke, he and Tommy Flanagan (piano) played some nice jazz.

Films

IF you missed Only Two Can Play, directed by Sidney Gilliat, do take the opportunity of seeing it at the Tower next week.

Based on Kingsley Amis' "That Uncertain Feeling," it is the most amusing British film for a long time. Sellers' playing of John Lewis is a brilliant portrayal, but don't fail to notice Virginia Maskell's beautiful performance.

Like most films, even this has its off moments, such as the overdone car antics and the final shots of the film, but the rest is wonderfully funny. Note Lewis's exchanges with the landlady, and his conversation with, and book suggestions to, Mrs. Griffydd-Williams (Mai Zetterling). There are interruptions from Graham Stark, and, particularly, the most authentic husband-wife row ever filmed, or staged.

Another comedy, American this time, will be at the Tatler. The Apartment is about a clerk (Jack Lemmon) in a New York insurance office who gets to the top through allowing his bosses to use his apartment

SELLERS RETURNS

Amusing British Film

for some fairly sordid affairs. This is a witty and polished production and is certainly worth seeing although it has some fairly obvious faults, the worst of which is an extraordinarily sentimental ending. Shirley MacLaine is the heroine.

The Valiant (Odeon) tells of Captain Morgan (John Mills), who wears a naval uniform and cap several sizes too large and commands his ship "Valiant." Two beastly Italians put a mine on the splendid British captain's good old ship and so he and his entire crew stand to attention and wait to be blown to blazes. The ship happens at this time to be in harbour but it doesn't occur to our fine captain to send his men ashore until it's almost too late. One Roy Baker directed this.

The film version of the stage musical South Pacific will be at the Majestic. This is unconvincingly acted, and eccentric lighting gives odd colour effects. The musical numbers remain obstinately stagey. Shot in the new Todd-AO, it will please the sentimental.

At the Plaza is Room At The Top, with Lawrence Harvey and Simone Signoret, supported by The Kitchen.

This Week

Elvis is still drawing the fans to the A.B.C. in Blue Hawaii, and so Splendour in the Grass will not be at this cinema until Sunday.

Best of this week's films is undoubtedly Caged, at the Tatler. Better go to see it today or tomorrow and at the same time pay your last respects to this cinema's now terminated policy of providing us, however occasionally, with the only opportunity of seeing recent outstanding films made in other European countries. This is a sad day for the cinema in Leeds.

Other films still with us until the new programmes begin on Sunday are—Odeon, The Day the Earth Caught Fire (possible); Tower, Comancheros (puerile); Majestic, Stork Talk (putrid).

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International Sport

Chile Awaits Soccer's Cream

WITH the draw for the final rounds already made, the seventh World Soccer Championships are almost in their concluding stages, and the 16 top soccer nations are busily preparing to fight it out in Chile.

Starting on 30th May, the four final groups of four will play-off until on 17th June, the destination of the Jules Rimet solid gold trophy will be decided.

England it is known will play in the group centred around Rancagua, with Hungary, the once mighty Magic Magyars, Bulgaria, a mediocre team, and Argentina providing the opposition. Regarded by many as the easiest group of all, England have an excellent chance of reaching the quarter finals for only the second time ever.

There are four grounds being utilised for the finals in Chile. They are at Santiago, Vina del Mar, Arica, and Rancagua. It is expected that like the 1958 competition in Sweden, the host country will play all its qualifying matches in the capital. This is Santiago, which is the largest city in the country and the fourth largest in South America.

Vina, known as the South American Riviera, lies six miles north-east of Valparaiso the principal seaport of Chile, and eighty-five miles from the capital.

Arica in the far north is a six-hour flight away in the desert, though the local stadium with a 25,000 capacity has an excellent watered grass pitch despite a rainfall of almost nil.

Peruvian

The nearness to the Peruvian border was probably the reason for the choice of this centre with the prospects of thousands of Peruvian Soccer fans flocking across the border to see their team in action, but alas, they were surprisingly eliminated by Columbia who won 1-0 in Bogota and held the Peruvians in Lima, much to the astonishment of South American and, indeed, world opinion.

Rancagua, 50 miles, or an hour and a half away by rail, is the fourth centre. Although the entire population is only 40,000, the stadium, owned by the Broden Copper Company, has a capacity of 25,000.

The stadium at Santiago, Estadio Nacional, is undergoing an immense improvement programme, which will increase the capacity to 97,000 upon completion. The terracing is being extended downwards into the area at pre-

sent devoted to cycling and athletic tracks. Only five European countries have played here: Spain in 1953 and 1960, England in 1953, Czechoslovakia in 1956, and West Germany and Russia in 1961.

Seeded

The Chairman of the World Cup organising committee, Carlos Dittborn, wanted to see some sort of seeded draw for the stage up to the quarter finals, and it was decided to segregate the South American entries in different groups.

The 1958 series was determined by geographical grouping. A team from the United Kingdom, Western Europe, Eastern Europe and the Americas was allocated to each league, and the two teams with the most points after playing all other teams went forward to the next stage.

Unfortunately England is the only team from these shores this time, so the same kind of geographical draw is impossible. It would be farcical to put Mexico, Colombia, Switzerland and Bulgaria together in one league, so giving two weak teams an easy passage, while the "big guns" have to knock out each other earlier.

After the preliminary games the remainder of the series will be contested on the "sudden death" lines of an English Cup series. This at least ensures that the teams from far afield do not go all that way for one game in which they are defeated.

The inexperienced Chilean team attempted to improve its position world rankings by a long and tedious European tour last season. Despite their lack of success they gained the experience of playing against a variety of European styles which is usually denied of South American teams apart from the four yearly meetings in the World Cup.

Chile's team hopes rest on a plan by Fernando Riera, the national team manager. Already a "super-selection" of 50 players from Chile's leading clubs, Universidad de Chile and Colo Colo F.C. are in training. These "possibles" are to be eventually whittled down to 22 to train together at the national football school, known as the Juan Pinto Duran, where both "all-weather" and grass pitches are available. This school is in the Macul district of Santiago quite close to the national stadium. The money to build it was raised by a small tax on admission tickets at Chilean League Matches despite the fact that attendances are usually lower than English fourth division "gates."

The team with the hardest path to Chile has been Mexico. After winning their North American group against the United States and Canada they met and beat Costa Rica, the Central American group winners. This entitled them to play Para-



The Brazilian soccer team, present champions, in practice before their match against England in the last World Cup.

guay for a place in the final stays and they promptly beat them by 1-0 and drew 0-0 to qualify.

One surprising and welcome feature is the progress of African Soccer. The Black Stars, the Ghanaian National team who have a 5-0 victory over the touring Blackpool professional side a couple of seasons ago, to their credit, beat Nigeria, and in turn were beaten by Morocco. The North African side had the impossible task of defeating the "international" national side from Spain. Spain qualified, of course, but the scores showed no discredit to a Moroccan team reinforced with French league players.

Spain had already put paid to Wales' hopes of repeating their excellent performance of reaching the last eight in Sweden. Scotland bowed out to a much improved and under-rated Czechoslovakian line-up after a play-off which meant that the Scotsmen failed to qualify for the last 16 for the first time since they entered the competition.

The England international team and other potential international players, twenty-five in all, gathered at Lilleshall in December for training. At these get-togethers a great deal can be gained from discussion, tactical analysis and practical work, even without match play. Films are shown to illustrate the different

The Swedes had only to draw in Switzerland to earn their passage to Chile but failed to do so, and the play-off in Berlin resulted in a Swiss win after the opposition had taken an early lead.

Probably the best team that won't be seen in Chile is Austria. Their administrators, after having seen their international team in the soccer wilderness, decided not to enter the 1962 tournament and must have regretted their action ever since. They have proved to be one of Europe's best performers in the last

year, and have a win over England in the Prater Stadium to their credit.

Seven matches will be played during the finals, at Arica and Rancagua, including one quarter-final; Vina will have eight, including one quarter-final and one semi-final; while Santiago has ten in all—one quarter and semi-final, the match for the third place, and the final on 17th June.

It is interesting to note that a European team has never won the World Cup in Latin America, while Brazil in 1958

were the first non-European team to succeed in that Continent.

Now that Jimmy Greaves has returned from his ill-fated Italian expedition and reinstatement in the national side should not be long-delayed after recent selection for Young England, the chances of the founders of football are considerably enhanced and success would provide a great boost to the game in this country, six months before the centenary celebrations of the Football Association commence.

by
Ronnie Griffith

methods of play used by other national teams. Films of recent England-Brazil games proved particularly valuable in this respect.

Regular sessions of this kind and a full international and intermediate international fixture list right up till the time the party leaves for South America have been planned. Games against Austria and Sweden at Wembley, Scotland at Hampden Park, under twenty-three's fixtures against the Scots and Turks, plus the annual pro-Cup Final match against Young England, and possibly a fixture in Buenos Aires or Lima on May 20th should give much-needed match practice after the winter international lay-off. Brazil, the current champions, qualified without a game because of that fact, while Chile qualified as host nation, since it would be disastrous economically if the home supporters were not catered for, and had nothing to shout about.

Surprise

The biggest surprise was the non-qualification of 1958 finalists Sweden, who seemed to have a simple task against Switzerland, who in the last few seasons have been the chopping-block of European soccer. With a few old hands and many inexperienced youngsters, the Swiss team were blended into a passable international outfit.



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Leeds Get Sharpe Pointer

LIVERPOOL 5, LEEDS 1

A GREAT opportunist hat-trick by inside-right Sharpe both won the game for Liverpool and served as a lesson to the Leeds forwards in how to snap up half chances.

Although Liverpool won by four clear goals this does not represent their supremacy. In fact, the only thing it does show is that the home team knew how to get the ball in the net while Leeds did not. Most of the game was played in the Liverpool half, with one promising attack after another being started only to end with the squandering of scoring chances.

In contrast the Liverpool attacks were crisp, direct and far more effective.

For nearly all the first half Leeds were pressing, but with chance after chance being missed it looked as if it would be a goalless half. However, minutes before half-time the home team surprisingly attacked and before the danger was realised had scored through Quayle.

Soon after half-time Leeds were level when Edwards put the finishing touch to a Robinson header, but their equality was short-lived when soon Liverpool regained the lead with two goals from Sharpe.

The University hit back but by now desperation had crept into their attack and many long-range shots were tried, none of which troubled the home defence. Sharpe and Dicken scored the other two goals for Liverpool, once again demonstrating the easy way to score.

None of the team can be satisfied with this display. The forwards had a chance of glory but failed miserably, while the defence did not have much to do but made hard work in doing it.

GOLF

Confidence Not Enough

On Wednesday, 21st February, Leeds entertained Liverpool University at Alwoodley Golf Club, and conditions were much better than had been encountered in most matches this year, which made the games much more enjoyable on a fine course such as Alwoodley.

Leeds had won the away match at Royal Birkdale last term and felt confident of beating Liverpool on home ground. However, that was not sufficient and Liverpool halved both the foursomes and singles matches, making the match a 6 points each draw.

Victory Snatched from Vaux

NEVER have the words "so near yet so far away" rung so true as they did for the Leeds University Cross Country team in the Hyde Park road relay in London last Saturday when victory over 86 teams was snatched from them by Imperial College in the last half-mile of an eighteen-mile running duel. The University team seem pre-destined to finish second in every major race they run in.

No superlative can describe adequately, however, the performance put up by the Leeds "boys"; a display of running and tactics which so enthused the thousand-strong audience that the fate of Leeds became the main concern of the afternoon and certainly the main topic of conversation.

Six Laps

The race consisted of six three-mile laps round the Serpentine lake—one lap being completed by each of the six runners. The University's representative on the first stage was Roger Pratt. Starting off slowly, he moved steadily and sensibly through the field, eventually finishing eighth and handed over to Neil Cook for the second leg only 30 seconds behind the leaders, Edinburgh and Birmingham. Cook ran a creditable race and gained Leeds University into seventh place a valuable position to put the before handing over to Malcolm Totten. The two teams thought to be Leeds' main rivals—Loughborough and Manchester—were already nearly a minute behind. Totten ran the "race of a lifetime," indeed probably one of the best races in his University career. Starting off in seventh position over a minute behind the leading man, he crept stealthily, almost imperceptibly up to those in front to secure second position for the Uni-

versity after only 1½ miles of his stage. Fears that he had started too fast were quickly dispelled when he continued to consolidate his position eventually to second only 10secs. behind the leader, still from Edinburgh. From then on the trophy seemed virtually Leeds'.

Well Back

Manchester, Loughborough, and the Oxford and Cambridge colleges were still well back; Jefferies, Wood, and Vaux had still to run for the University and the name of Leeds was already on the lips of spectators, as potential winners. Wood, running on the fourth stage, went striding out in his customary manner and at the take-over gave Jefferies a 25sec. lead, and, in so doing, recorded the ninth fastest time of the afternoon out of over 500 runners.

Jefferies, who recorded the eighth fastest time of the afternoon, increased the University's lead to 45sec. and when he handed over to Vaux, Leeds appeared to be in an unassailable position. Suddenly, however, the orange and white vest belonging to Cleator of Imperial College appeared, following close on the heels of Vaux, who, pale in the face and eyes closed,



Malcolm Totten, who ran the race of his life.

was clearly suffering badly from exhaustion. When Cleator passed him, he gallantly tried to stay with him but to no avail. He had been beaten by the better man.

The coveted Hyde Park relay trophy had slipped from the University's grasp and no one was more disappointed than Stewart Harriss, the captain, who, although unable to run through illness, had contributed much to the team's performance in the temporary capacity of team manager.

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- H. Elliott (Cam.) . . . 14m. 9s.

RUGBY

Christie Chances Fade

LIVERPOOL 10, LEEDS 0

LEEDS let the chance of winning the Christie slip slowly from them at Allerton on Wednesday. Had they beaten Liverpool they would have made sure of winning it, but this defeat means that Liverpool and Leeds both have four points with Manchester on two points.

The University will now have to play against Manchester in order to decide the final result of the Christie and if Leeds repeat their Liverpool form Manchester should have no difficulty in making it a triple tie for the championship.

The display at Liverpool was very uninspiring, with none of the fire or determination that took them to a great victory over Birmingham last week. The forwards were surprisingly subdued by the Liverpool pack and the backs were outclassed by the smoother flowing home three-quarters.

The first half was rather dull with both teams playing too negatively and with both defences on top it was not surprising that there was no score in the first half. After the interval Leeds had more of the play but failed to take advantage of their supremacy. Liverpool's first try was scored by Bates and converted by Hanson and although the visitors' defence held firm the home team went further into the lead in the last minute when Collins scored a converted try near the post after a fine dribble by stand-off Brophy.

Now the University must beat Manchester to win the Christie and this match will be played at Weetwood on Wednesday. The whole of the University's support will be needed if Leeds hope to win the Christie outright, but they will have to play much better than this to achieve such success.

LACROSSE

Defeat in Semi-Final

LEEDS UNIVERSITY 6,
SOUTH MANCHESTER 15

ONCE again Leeds University are out of the Junior Flags competition, this time at the hands of a very experienced South Manchester side which outplayed Leeds in every department.

In the first quarter, however, it seemed as if the reshuffled Leeds attack, with Lowe at third home and captain Bob Thorley at centre, would score the proverbial "packet." Shots from all angles blasted the South goal but due to good covering and some clever interceptions, it remained intact.

Then South netted twice, due to very bad covering by the Leeds defence. The Leeds attack suddenly became the indecisive mob which has been characteristic of the last four games and thereafter South proceeded to dominate.

At half-time the score was 4-2 for South, Leeds goals coming from Lowe and Sharples. Immediately after the restart Thorley grabbed another due to a clever move down the left wing, and it seemed as if Leeds were back with a chance.

South had other ideas and proceeded to play some very good Lacrosse. Goals by Teesdale, their captain (5), with every one of his fourteen years' First Division technique behind them, Burns and Butterworth had Leeds reeling. The defence crumbled and the attack became less and less effective. Goals by Thorley (2) and Wilson did break the monotonous regularity of South's contributions, but that was about all.

The final 15-6 score was not unjust and underlined the need for some new ideas by the Lacrosse Club before their league status is threatened.

Some grumbles about the ground itself, Rochdale for neutrality, were perhaps reasonable, for it was far too narrow to stage such a fixture as this, but let's face it Leeds, you threw the game away.

HOCKEY

Forwards Lack Punch on Tour

THE Leeds Women's Hockey team's annual tour to Cambridge, Oxford, and London was somewhat disappointing without a single win for the University.

The first match of the tour was against Cambridge, played at Newnham College, where a dry, springy pitch promised suitable conditions for the Leeds team, who were leading 2-1 at half-time. However, in the second half the Leeds forwards missed chances whilst the Cambridge forwards used all their opportunities scoring two more goals to win 3-2. The Leeds goals were scored by I. Gregory and H. Newman.

At Mootspur Park on Friday Leeds were lucky to force a goalless draw against a strong London University team. A missed opportunity in the first few minutes before the London defence settled down was followed by a continuous attack by the London forwards, led by the Combined Universities centre-forward. Goals were prevented only by the tireless efforts of the defence, especially S. Clayton, at centre-half, who all but managed to do the forwards' work as well, and M. Bower, the goalkeeper, who played consistently well throughout the tour. Of the forwards only E. Bell showed any push in the game whilst the others could not seem to combine at all.

The last match of the tour was at Oxford, where once again Leeds forwards lacked finishing power, and the defence, somewhat tired after Friday's game, were unable to keep the fresher Oxford for-

wards under control to lose 0-2.

Team: M. Bower; F. Turling (capt.), E. Butler; J. Entwistle, S. Clayton (vice-capt.), E. Sayers; B. Coupe, E. Bell, H. Newman, I. Gregory, V. Ash, Umpire: D. Kellett. Reserve: V. Burditt.

WATER POLO

Newts Train Hard

AS part of their toughening-up programme for the U.A.U. semi-finals, the water polo team put up a good display in losing 3-7 to York Bath Club last Thursday.

The York team, comprising two internationals, Boyes and Ebbotson, and Deakin, a Yorkshire county player, were just about the toughest opposition one could hope for. Trained by Alf Turner, the national coach, they put into operation combination tactics for which the Newts were unprepared.

Because of the cross-bath York attacks the Leeds defensive trio of Smithers, Kaiser, and Tideman, had to drop their man-for-man marking system and take the nearest loose man. It was the speed with which they learnt this lesson, combined with Evan's fine goalkeeping, that held the score to a respectable level.

JUDO

N.U. Team Championships

THIS competition was held in London where Glasgow was firstly eliminated by London University. Then Leeds met Loughborough in a 5-man contest against a strategically arranged team. As a direct consequence Leeds lost. Atkinson and Taylor were both taken over with excellent throws. Smith took his man with a counter and then held him down for thirty seconds. Holling countered his man with a superb shoulder throw and so Harpell, in a very ill condition, had to win. He put up a good performance against England's national first Dan champion, and only conceded a half point, still enough for Loughborough to win. They went on to beat London's team of three Black Belts and two Brown.

The following day, Leeds had a friendly match with London's oldest club, the Budokwai, whose team consisted of 3 British international 3rd degree Black Belts and 2 Brown Belts. The latter two won and lost to our Taylor and Thompson respectively. The best contest of the day was when Holling went to full time with Sweeney, the British Universities captain. Another surprise was when Smith took Ross with a subtle foot sweep. Houldsworth was flashed over with an ankle prop by Ryan near the end of a very hard contest. Then Holling took on Ryan for the deciding point and eventually went down to the same technique.

ROWING

Convincing Display

AT York on Saturday, the Leeds 1st VIII rowing with Oxford type spade oars convincingly beat University College, London. Leeds maintained a higher rate of striking throughout the 3½-mile race and drew steadily away to a lead of 1½ furlongs at the finish. At Nottingham on Sunday the Leeds VIII was fortunate when they raced the U.A.U. favourites, Nottingham University. The race was started in arctic conditions, with a gale force wind and driving snow. Leeds again took an early lead of ½-length, striking 36. A ½-mile later, however, the Leeds boat was swamped in heavy waves, and the race was abandoned in the interests of safety.

Despite this, the crew is confident of winning a pennant at the Head of the Trent race next Saturday.

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