

TYACKE & KELLY GO

U.C. in brief

MONDAYS 4 hour Union Committee

- examined the Union Accounts.
- referred the proposed Anglo-Venian Society to Cultural Affairs Committee.
- decided not to order six copies of the 'Beano' each week despite a Debates request.
- deplored Czech police violence against student demonstrators and supported students at Milan Catholic University in their demands for administrative reforms.
- recommended that sandwiches be available outside the Riley-Smith during meetings and that tea be served in the M and J and Evans lounges.
- deferred decision on sending to Greek students money collected for Spanish students.
- gave Student Christian Movement money for a teacher. A Biafran students teacher for December 9 was allowed a room in the Union.
- recognised the campaign for Soviet Jewry Society.
- elected Amiral Haidri to Press and Publicity Committee.
- called, after an involved wrangle, an SGM on the formation of an Anglo-Rhodesian Society to coincide with the OGM of December 5.

INCOURAGE FOWL PLAY

ONE of the props for "Mother Courage," a dead chicken, is causing some difficulty. It was originally hung out of a Union window in the hope that Leeds weather would keep it fresh. This proved unsuccessful and after complaints about the odour it was shoved in Mr. Greenhalgh's meat store. A stage hand remarked, "I've heard of plays getting the bird, but this is ridiculous."

Debates by David Durman

WEDNESDAY'S well attended debate took on added interest this week, for the motion that Legal Marriage is no longer socially necessary was being debated for the Observer Mace Trophy. Speaking for Leeds, Mark Mitchell and Phil Kelly were joined by Geoff Eagle and David Logan from Didsbury College of Education and Mike Walker and John Whittle from Salford. The three judges, drawn from various colleges in Leeds, thought the quality of the debate "not outstanding" and complained of the excessive use of notes and lack of preparation. Mitchell, the first of the University speakers, was obviously nervous. His speech was serious and well delivered, though the judges complained of the monotonous tone of his voice. Generally, he fared well, making some good points that our legal code was also the basis of our moral code—the two had to be considered together. He drove the point home that if we dispensed with marriage, society would cease to exist. Mitchell made one great flaw, which was not taken up by the opposition, that if mar-



Andy Tyacke, soon to go

Union News Reporters

PHIL KELLY, Union Secretary and Andy Tyacke, Union Treasurer, are to resign at the end of the term. Both officials have been under intense pressure over the last term. Their resignations will be announced at the last Union Committee meeting of term on the 12th December to become effective immediately. They are appointed by Union Committee so no election need be held in the Union.

Andy Tyacke said that the Union was getting a lot bigger and embracing so many facets of student life that the workload for Union officials had reached a crucial point. He said both he and Phil Kelly had wanted to remain for a full session.

PRESSURE

Tyacke said, "A great deal of pressure came from the fact that if you work in Exec. office, people tend to wander in with queries for Exec. members who

aren't there and you have to deal with them."

Tyacke said that he considered that this was an argument to support the Link Report which recommended that more work should devolve on the permanent staff.

"We need a permanent typist in Exec. and we need someone who can take dictation." Union President Jack Straw said: "I'm sorry to see them go. They've done a good job for the Union."

LINK REPORT

He said that this tended to support the Link Report in its recommendation that more work should fall on permanent staff. He denied that this would give him more power but said that the idea of the Sabbatical Year was to put greater responsibility in the hands of the President.



Philip Kelly, Secretary

NUS TO ASK FOR BIGGER GRANTS

AS a result of the decision made at the NUS Council in Magate last weekend the NUS Executive are to submit a claim for an increase in grants to the Advisory Panel on Student Maintenance Grants, under Professor A. J. Brown of Leeds University.

At present the Government expenditure on grants is £120 million; if the claim is accepted expenditure would rise to £120 million, an increase of 50%.

The Advisory Panel reports to the Government next Spring so that any adjustments can be made in the following October. Under the proposals outlined at Council the maximum grant would go up from £370 to £450 at Oxford, Cambridge and London, and from £340 to £435 at other universities. Students in lodgings at teacher-training colleges would get £455 maintenance grant as opposed to the present £370, as students in colleges have longer terms.

This was the most important policy decision that came out of the four day Council, which devoted much of its time to reform of its own structure. There was an 11 hour debate on the recommendations of the Structure Commission set up a year ago under the chairmanship of Jack Straw.

A report on procedure at Council was also discussed and many recommendations designed to increase the amount of time for discussion on education and welfare policy were passed. The Structure Commission's proposals for NUS regions, special conferences and the setting up of a Finance Committee were also accepted. There will also be an increased NUS Executive to further communication between NUS and its constituent Unions, and it is hoped, exert more pressure on the Government to implement NUS policy. Lack of communication has been one of the major causes of dissatisfaction with the NUS. Now there will be four full-time Exec. members and four Vice-Presidents, each with a specific responsibility for various aspects of NUS. In addition, a further seven members will sit on the Executive, all of whom will be students when they stand.

Little time remained to discuss matters relating to education. In discussing grants, the idea of student salaries was rejected, as was the introduction of a loans system; exams were again severely criticised; representation on governing bodies of universities and colleges was called for, so that students could have more say in shaping policy; the Latey Report on the Age of Majority, which recommends lowering the Age of Majority to 18, was welcomed; and Council voted to stay in the International Students' Conference even though it had recently been financed by the CIA. The Bachelor of Education Degree course was condemned on the grounds that it was causing confusion and chaos, and a 'rethink' was demanded on this degree.

A full report of the NUS Annual Council is on pages six and seven.

RAG CASH DOWN

THIS year's Rag profit is £8,250. This is £2,000 short of target and is due to a slump in car competition takings. Other Rag activities either broke even or made a substantial profit.

The great slump in Car Competition profits—only £3,820 this year—is attributed by Rag Committee to the move of Rag from summer to autumn.

"Freshers received the tickets too late to sell them before coming up to Leeds and 2nd and 3rd years got them too early to think urgently of selling them," they claim.

A prize draw as run by Sheffield Rag is being studied as a possible replacement for the car competition.

Rag Day Hop was a sell-out and made £350 profit, while the June and October Rag Balls lost £80 in all. The format of future Rag Balls will be changed to resemble hops more closely.

Rag Revue made £650 profit and Tyke sold 33,000 copies to give £3,000 profit. A further £1,320 was collected on Rag Day on the procession route.

Red carpet treatment

THE length of red carpet in the serving aisle of Refec is part of a research project by 2nd year postgraduate textile student John Ferguson.

He described it as "the first experiment to be carried out in this country to develop a new anti-soiling treatment for synthetic fibre carpets."

"These carpets appear to get dirtier than the usual wool tufted carpets. Different finishes will be applied to small squares of ordinary tufted carpet, which will be inlaid to see which appears to remain the cleanest."

A photo-electric cell is measuring the number of people who walk across the sample, which is not going to be tested for wear.

Anti-Brotherton moans abound

A FLOOD of complaints about the Brotherton Library has provided Exec members with useful ammunition to fire at Library officials when they meet on December 13th.

Since a complaint box was placed in Exec. Office early in the term, irate bookworms have been handing in practical suggestions ranging from "better ventilation in the stack" to "padded turnstiles."

Said Mark Mitchell, who initiated the complaints scheme:

"We are very pleased with students' reaction to the scheme. There is a good chance of getting some of the proposals implemented when we report to the Senate Committee."

BONUS

Many of the complainants thought that the Library fine of 6d. for overdue books was excessive. Commented a Library spokesman: "The fine had been fixed at a penny for fifty years—up until the last session. I think we deserve a bonus from Mr. Wilson for keeping prices steady."

One of the most constructive proposals is for a manned cloak-room for the library.

REPRESENTATION

The complaints will be put to officials at a meeting of the Library Joint Sub-Committee—which only meets once a year. President Jack Straw, however, is hoping to obtain permanent student representation on the Senate Library Committee, which has final authority in the running of the Brotherton.

Parkinson get culture on display

"SCULPTURE BY THE YARD" is an exhibition of the architectural sculpture of Mitzi Cunliffe being held this week in the Parkinson Court.

Born in 1918 in New York City, Mitzi Cunliffe came to England and after a stay in Manchester, moved to Brighton, her present home. She has designed textiles, pottery, tiles and jewellery, but the bulk of her work is architectural sculpture. One of her works was commissioned for the Man-made Fibres Building in Leeds University in 1956, and she has recently completed a fibre-glass mural for the new offices of the Eagle Star Insurance Co. Ltd. on South Parade in Leeds.

TEST MURAL

Miss Cunliffe builds her sculptures up by repeating basic units. These units contain abstract patterns or stylized images, such as those in her mural for the River Test Supply Scheme building in Southampton, consisting of an arrangement of panels, some of which have a design based on piping and valves, and others which depict swirls of water. These lend themselves to "mass production" techniques and Miss Cunliffe creates her architectural sculptures from arrangements of the panels.

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THE STATE OF THE UNION

MID-TERM Executive resignations are becoming standard practice. Every year now we get a spate of resignations due to pressure of academic work, but normally they come and are expected at the end of Easter term. The departure of both Treasurer and Secretary before Christmas leaves us in a real mess, as there is a glaring lack of experience in the Executive Committee at the moment. And President Jack Straw must bear the workload.

We revert again to the impossible situation at the beginning of term where Straw was doing his own work and the work of both the Vice-Presidents. This may be all right for the President, and it may be O.K. for us in the short term but basically it is bad to be dependent on one man, however able he may be. Bear in mind, also, that Straw is Vice-President of NUS.

Judging from the inept performances of the Vice-Presidents at Monday's Union Committee meeting, Straw is now in an unenviable position. Mukhtar Awan is still unable to chair a meeting and had to be led word by word through the process by Straw. John Tough hasn't gained enough experience and expertise yet to know exactly what his duties are. The "Student Life" episode (page 12), where he vacillated horribly, made an important decision (later reversed by U.C.) without referring to the Executive Committee, is just one example.

What is the answer to this resignation problem? Heaven forbid if this problem is used as an excuse to adopt the Management Report proposals to employ permanent officials to run the Union. Students should participate in running the Union and the answer lies with the students themselves who stand for Executive posts. You can't change the system of elections. Whatever happens, you're going to have finalists on the Executive because they have the experience and are usually the only ones available for the jobs. Students then who stand must be willing to compromise between the amount of time spent on academic work and the amount spent on Union work. Many do compromise and get good degrees and also contribute fully to Union affairs.

Obviously, resignations must be expected from finalists on the Executive in the second term and allowance is made for this. But these two sudden resignations mean that continuity is upset and the President is left with a virtually non-existent Executive.

These posts must be filled quickly; if the work is too much for one man now that the Union is so large and more complex, then an Assistant Secretary and an Assistant Treasurer should be appointed, not only to ease the workload but also to maintain continuity.

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LETTERS

'Misguided' Communism

DEAR SIR,

It was with growing alarm that I read Neil Williamson's article in last week's issue, in which he expounded the Communist policies for our economic recovery. So misguided were some of his ideas that I hope you will permit me to rebut them in your columns.

Increase in the taxation of profits would sap still further the little incentive that now remains in this country. The export rebate has now been abolished, likewise the S.E.T. premium (thereby defeating the original purpose of the tax) and corporation tax is now fixed at 42½%.

As for taxing the wealth of the "rich", apart from being a purely vindictive policy, in view of the fact that the return would be insignificant in terms of the national income, is not the steep rate of surtax primitive enough as it is at the moment? Germany, France and the U.S.A., to name but three, are prospering with much lower rates of personal and direct taxation.

To decry the export of capital for investment is to show a blatant lack of understanding of the long term benefits of such action. As for the ending of sterling's role as a reserve currency, I suppose this would make it much easier for a future Socialist Government to devalue the pound again.

A Communist manifesto would not be complete without a demand for the Nationalisation of major industries (why not minor ones as well?). If one looks at the overmanning of the coal industry; the deficit of the railways; the sluggishness of the gas and electricity industry—not to mention their high prices—this would seem to be the shortest route to stagnation and, finally, ruin.

What, then, is the solution to our problems? The short answer is competition, incentives and the cutting out of Government waste. This can be achieved by increasing

Unjustified

DEAR SIR,

Yet again we are facing price increases in Refec. On this occasion, however, the price increases are completely unjustified. For Mr. Greenhalgh's decision to put up prices by 10% due to devaluation, can only be justified if 89.3% of expenditure on food is on foreign food (allowing for expenditure on wages, etc., at 33½% of Refec. prices); clearly most unlikely. Ian Shuttleworth must forgo his political motivation and oppose these increases most strongly.

Further to the leader in last week's Union News, the effect of a 10% increase in coffee causes an increase of less than ½d. per cup. Any greater increase must be opposed. It should also be pointed out that Ceylon's devaluation of 20% and India's expected new export arrangements will reduce the price of tea. Mr. Greenhalgh—can we look forward to a reduction of price? I doubt it.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID A. WALKER.
Civil Engineering Dept.

export incentives; increasing personal effort and initiative by cutting direct taxation; cutting Government expenditure, such as by restoring prescription charges for all except old age pensioners; and halting unconditional aid to countries who insult us at the U.N. and yet feel at liberty to break off diplomatic relations while at the same time receiving our people's money in the form of aid.

Yours etc.,
G. WEINBERG.
Bodington Hall.

Protest on Rag

DEAR SIR,

We recently had occasion to meet the 1968 Rag Chairman. Previously we had been unaware that such an official existed, due, no doubt, to our negligence in ardently pursuing union affairs.

Whilst we are unwilling to criticise the gentleman in question, whose name we have permanently forgotten, he seems to us to be totally unsuited for the position of Rag Chairman. No doubt the reliability, steadiness, and pale efficiency which shone from his face are desirable virtues for the holder of such a responsible position, but no sign did we see of the verve, enthusiasm and imagination which are surely of equal, if not more, importance.

This year's Rag was financially most successful, but socially a flop. This character is hardly the man to improve matters. To our horror we then discovered that he was chosen by the previous Rag chairman. As very ordinary union members we should like to register a strong protest against this undemocratic procedure. Something should be done to remedy the situation as soon as possible.

How can future Rags improve with this family tree of committees planted in the path of innovation and initiative. How was this chairman installed in office without popular knowledge and consent? By the seemingly burglar-proof closed shop of a nepotistic system. Believe us, we've tried to break in.

Yours faithfully,
PAMELA E. HENSON
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Hop was a 'farce'

DEAR SIR,

Last Saturday's Hop was yet another farce. John Mayall's much-hailed bluesbreakers failed to produce the kind of music needed for a dance.

Their individual displays on guitar, saxophone and drums proved the group had talent, but their orgy of musical self-indulgence was really more suited to the concert hall. How on earth they imagined anyone could dance to that much too prolonged drum solo is beyond comprehension and it rightly deserved the slow hand-clapping which broke out!

The groups take far too long to prepare themselves and their equipment—at Saturday's hop everyone started to stamp the floor in protest at each delay! And can one blame them, considering the time wasted over this? A fair objection to this complaint might be that any less time taken in tuning their equipment would result in a

A Marxist on A-R Soc.

DEAR SIR,

I must take up the points raised by the two letters on the Anglo Rhodesian Society in last week's Union News. The letter from Ian Shuttleworth of Conservative Association stated that criticism of himself and the A-R Society "was based on blind prejudice and lack of knowledge of the true nature of the Society."

Yet, in his letter (and, to my knowledge, anywhere in the Union) he has given no details or concrete arguments for an A-R Society, while on the back page of the same edition of Union News we see that Shuttleworth has cited, in his precise and reasonably argued way, that members of Union Committee are examples of "the ever increasing power and control which Communists and fellow travellers are gaining over the British Universities"

and other statements which even the Yorkshire Post refused to print.

Peter Knight, in his letter, earnestly argues that the principle at stake is democracy and certain people have preconceived ideas about the A-R Society. Is this "articulate group" which he mentions "who might embarrass us" the forementioned Shuttleworth associated with the herd of fascists whose reactionary statements are forced on us in such an absurd fashion at Debates? I would ask Mr. Knight whether he has ever heard of the Anglo-German friendship associations formed before the last war which also contained respectable Tory gentlemen and active fascists. These societies supported the massacre of millions of trade unionists, socialists and communists and later most of the European Jews.

As a Marxist I am completely against freedom of speech for fascists, no matter who they are associated with, and I would ask members of the Union (including the Engineers) to seriously think about this and vote against this racist Society at the O.G.M.

Yours,
VINCE HALL.

Luther

DEAR SIR,

After reading the criticism of the play "Luther" in Union News last week I would like to present an alternative view as seen by a member of the audience.

The production was hampered by a general lack of talent amongst the actors. Movement was slow and action mostly lacking. Any life that this rather dull play may have had was lost in the meandering performances of a large part of the supporting cast.

Certain individual performances stood out bringing relief to the prevailing monotony. Iain Mathieson, Stuart Nunn and Paul Spregue were the only actors of note and their presence saved the play from complete failure.

The proliferation of lighting equipment did not prevent the actors from often being in shadow or in half-light. The producer made good use of the limited space available and she must be commended for getting the play on stage in face of financial, space and cast limitations.

In summary, an evening's entertainment based largely on the individual performances of a few talented actors.

Yours sincerely,
MIKE BROUGH.

Serve less food

DEAR SIR,

I see that Mr. Greenhalgh said in Union News last week that one alternative to raising the price of Refec meals was to serve less.

How much of the food served there goes back to the farm in swill-cans? Can you eat a ton and a half of chips—Refec chips, that is—without the most disastrous blowbacks?

If Mr. Greenhalgh reduced the quantity in each helping the price-increase would not come into effect. And the quality might improve.

Yours,
CHRIS CLADDING.

Engineers' takeover?

DEAR SIR,

The sentiment expressed by an engineer in last week's issue that there is discrimination against engineers here is very disturbing.

It seems to me, as a non-engineer, that this rift is operating in the opposite direction; for, because of the numerical superiority of the engineers, they are in a position to influence Union policy in whatever direction they wish, should the university become divided by faculties.

There is some evidence that this is beginning to happen: two first year engineers told me that they voted for John Tough in the recent election 'because they were told to'. They did not even know the names of the other candidates, let alone what their manifestoes said. I have nothing against Tough (indeed, I voted for him) and I do not suggest that he initiated this campaign; but these academic divisions are surely a retrogressive tendency, and negate the idea of a university (as opposed to separate colleges).

As your editorial pointed out, Tough could have helped to reduce this problem at last Monday's meeting, and to silence those childish elements which are at the present proclaiming that 'Next year the engineers will take over the university'.

Yours,
RODERIC LYNE.
Charles Morris Hall,
Leeds 2.

POLEMICOS

By NIGEL DE LEE

(Mr. De Lee is a leading Paretist)

LAST week, Andy Tyacke supported a motion in debates, moved by Tony Boyden, calling upon the Union to invite Sir Oswald Mosley to speak. He has since been censured by the Socialist Society.

At the debate itself, a faceless voice in the left-wing crowd opposed the invitation to Mosley on the grounds that the practice of not allowing Fascists to speak had become a policy of the Union.

In previous debates, motions and speeches have been heard which are virulent in their condemnation of any attempt to suppress free speech, freedom of association, and various other political rights.

Yet, in this Union, there are those who would ban others from speaking their minds, simply because they do not agree with their views. Most of these gentry are noted for their left-wing views. So far, no effort has been made, no suggestion been mooted, for action to limit the activities of any leftist organisation. In sharp contrast to this was the intolerance shown towards the possible formation of an Anglo-Rhodesian Society, a body for which there has been vociferous opposition springing from ignorance and paranoid superstition.

Thus is the woeful hypocrisy of the left shown, enshrined in their apparent principle of learning, free speech and association, for the frenziedly avowed purpose of presenting these same values. None of those to whom this view can be attributed seems to realize the inherent contradiction in it. Any suggestion that by banning a right wing organisation they are resorting to the very practices for which they ban it, are greeted with laughter or smiles of placid self-indulgence.

This attitude of mind is not only expressed in concrete actions, for any attempt to voice an opinion that is not in line with the current attitude required of the Union by its political mentors is met by storms of abuse. I was last week twice accused of having the ideas and ambitions of Adolf Hitler by speakers who know nothing of me and probably know nothing of Hitler either. Once more, this example demonstrates a general procedure of intolerance, which is totalitarian in its tendencies.

When opposing the Anglo-Rhodesian Society, Philip Kelly said that its formation, if allowed, would besmirch the name of the Union. Here he fell into the usual trap of regarding the Union as a single united entity, and not as a complete mass of individuals and movements, which it is in reality. Yet the support for him would seem to indicate that his view is generally accepted. This is alarming—for if it continues, then his view will be correct.

Finally, what IS the value of democracy as such? To my mind, a Hitler is the fate and logical culmination of populist democracy, for he rose from the rabble, by their support, and his ideas were their ideas. The German people were only able to be gulled into accepting him because Germany was democratic and allowed him to speak—and Germany became democratic because of popular pressures on Lloyd George and Clemenceau on the conduct of Versailles.

So, all the fuss may be futile anyway, and the Shibboleth itself unworthy of all the energy put to its defence; I think it is.

Censure at Socialist A.G.M.

SOCIALIST SOCIETY President Andy Tyacke was censured at the Socialist Society Annual General Meeting while he was away at the N.U.S. Margate Conference on Friday. An attempt by Chairman John Anson to defer the motion till Tyacke was present to defend himself was defeated.

Dave Rudkin moved a motion that "This A.G.M. of Socialist Society censures the President, Andy Tyacke, for supporting a Debates motion inviting a Fascist leader to the Union."

Rudkin then referred to a motion in Private Members' Business, moved by Mr. Boyden at the last Debate, when he proposed that Sir Oswald Mosley, leader of the Union Movement, and John Gollan, Secretary of the Communist Party, should be invited to speak together at the Union. Boyden said at the Debate that he considered to invite these people would demonstrate the Union's support for free speech.

Tyacke then supported the motion. He said that the Left-wing was not afraid to meet the Right-wing in open discussion. He considered that Mr. De Lee and Mr. Boyden were unfit to cross swords with the Left-wing and that "it's time that we had some decent opposition to debate against instead of the half-baked facts that these (Boyden and Lee) bring up against us."

The motion was passed and letters were sent inviting Mosley and Gollan to speak in the Union in the near future.

LET DOWN

Rudkin said at the A.G.M. that he considered Mr. Tyacke had let the Society down. He added

that Mosley's followers had a history of beating up Socialists, and to help get him invited to the Union was to further Fascist policies. He concluded that Tyacke had a position in the Society and he should be responsible to that Society.

Only one member defended Tyacke. He said that Tyacke had served the Society well and was clearly expressing his own views and had not tried to suggest that he was speaking on behalf of the Society. He also claimed that it was unfair to move a censure motion in the absence of the person who was being attacked.

OVERWHELMINGLY

On a vote the censure motion was overwhelmingly passed. A second motion declaring the Society's opposition to Mosley speaking in the Union was also passed.

When Tyacke returned he attacked those who moved the motion in his absence.

"This is typical of a small section of the Society to wait till I'd gone before attacking me."

A senior member of Socialist Society told Union News that he considered the whole affair to be organised by the Trotskyites in the Society.

Tyacke declared that he had no intention of resigning from his office. He said that the views expressed were not the views of the Union left-wing but of a small minority who had packed the meeting.



Steward of the Union, Mr. R. Graveling, sold off Lost Property to a packed Riley-Smith on Monday.

U.C. SPLITS ON BALL BAR

UNION BALL, to be held later this session, is to have a Committee Bar after all. A motion describing the principle as "morally wrong" was thrown out by Union Committee on Tuesday. It is estimated that it will cost the Union £100 to operate the bar.

Ex-Rag Chairman Brian Glover, in proposing the motion that the idea of running a bar be dropped, said: "This is obviously going to be a 'free drinks for the boys' affair." He considered that while spending a thousand a year on hospitality, Union Committee had no justification in extending it to themselves.

PAT ON BACK

House Secretary Graham Oakes opposed the motion on the grounds that Committee members deserved a free drink. Graham Holling, General Athletics Secretary, agreed that the Union Committee deserved "a pat on the back". He added that future Union Committees ought not to be bound by the decisions of the previous year's Committee.

Vice-President John Tough explained that the bar was intended for guests as well as for Committee members. If there were no bar, guests would have to pay for their own drinks in the Union Bar. As it is, the President's room will be available to the Duchess of Kent for a pre-Ball reception.

FREE TICKETS

Summing up, Brian Glover pointed out that U.C. members will get a free ball ticket anyway, which amounted to a "pat on the back." He complained that when it came to sending Hop profits to Rhodesian students, U.C. held a lengthy debate "in camera" but took no time at all to vote themselves free drinks. He asked the Committee whether this was morally right.

The motion was put to the vote and was defeated by 11 votes to 4.

Asked to comment on the decision, students generally agreed that the bar was a misuse of Union funds. A third year Economics student said, "I think it's a bloody waste of our Union fees. I don't mind getting drunk on my own money, but paying for Union Committee members to get drunk is quite a different matter."

A second year Chemist commented: "Committee members don't do their job for fun. If they want to use their position as a stepping stone to higher things, why should they use our money for their entertainment?"

FINALIST NOTES APPEAL

FINALIST Arts Student Pete Crossley had a book of French notes stolen on Friday last.

Repeated tannoys from the Union porters failed to bring about the return of the notes, which disappeared from the MJ on Friday morning.

"I hope the thief has a change of heart and returns the notes as soon as possible. They are irreplaceable."

RUGBY CLUB'S "FIRST"

THE University Rugby Club I. claims to have scored a "first" on its recent tour of Scotland. While staying in Glasgow, which has its men's and women's halls of residence and Unions at opposite ends of the city, the team claims to have "smuggled" a girl into the men's hall of residence for two nights.

They stressed, however, that the girl had a room of her own, and that their sole purpose in bringing her in was to prove "that it could be done."

On the return run from Scotland, the Rugby Club's minibus, hired from Binns, the Union approved vehicle hire firm, broke down at the top of Shap for six hours.

SKI-SLOPE FOR LYDDON HALL

LEEDS is the first university to have an artificial ski-slope. The slope has been borrowed from Heckmondwike Carpet Manufacturers and has been placed outside Lyddon Hall. It will probably be there until the end of term.

Robert Bottomley, the captain of the University Ski Club, who was responsible for borrowing the slope, is hoping that the University will eventually buy one. "There is one in the plans for new sports facilities," he said, "but we want to try and speed up the process of getting it."

SURVIVOR

Bottomley, who was the sole survivor of an avalanche in the Alps last year, said that the slope would be of enormous use

for teaching and training a team for the British University Ski Championships. The main problem is finding a suitable site for it, since the slope outside Lyddon Hall is not really steep enough. "The slope down from the path to the new Maths block would be better."

The slope, which can be rolled up like a carpet, is made of polypropylene. It costs about 84/- for a square yard.

"It's weatherproof and almost everlasting," continued Bottomley, "but we want to find out all the facts about it before putting in for the money."

IAN McNAY, who was Union Treasurer from 1965 to 1967, and ex-Freshers' Conference Secretary Pam Pilsbury were married in Liverpool last Saturday.

"We met at Union Committee when I was presenting the Annual Budget, and cemented the relationship at the Vice-Chancellor's sherry party," said McNay.

The stop-go policy of recent Governments provides a near parallel to the ensuing romance which led everyone to believe they would marry.

Ian graduated in English and stayed on for a year to get a Dip.Ed.; while Pam read Maths, but now will teach whilst Ian remains in administrative charge of the Schools of Engineering and Chemistry at Strathclyde University, Glasgow.



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INTERNATIONAL
EUROPEAN universities have received a strong appeal not to let standards decline with the increase in numbers. This appeal was delivered by Sir Robert Aitken, Vice-Chancellor of Birmingham University, to the Unesco conference of European Ministers of Education in Vienna last week. He said that while Ministers were right in continuing to plan for more and more students in higher education, when finance was not available they either had to slow down access or make it cheaper by lowering standards. He begged them to choose the first option rather than the second. He added: "Universities are, after all, human, with pride in their work, and nowadays they have more and more opportunity to measure it against international standards. They resemble artists more than soldiers; they must not be over-directed or over-driven."

CALCUTTA
MOB violence spread through Calcutta in the days following the dismissal of the Leftist

Government in West Bengal by the State Governor. Police opened fire twice on Thursday near Calcutta University; first during pitched battles between stone-throwing students and the badly-harassed police force and later when a bomb was thrown at the official in charge of a local police station.

TURKEY
TWO THOUSAND student demonstrators went on the rampage in the centre of Ankara last Thursday night, smashing windows of American offices only a few hours after Mr. Cyrus Vance, President Johnson's special envoy on Cyprus, had arrived there. The students threw stones at the windows after they had battled with police outside the United States Information Agency's office. They also tried to hoist the Turkish flag in place of the American, and earlier hundreds of demonstrators, some lying on the runway, had forced the diversion of Mr. Vance's plane to a military airfield. Several people were injured in the demonstrations.

MANCHESTER FOOD BOYCOTT

MANCHESTER students boycotted their Refectory last Friday, following an outbreak of food poisoning which attacked over 100 students after eating there. An E.G.M. of the Union unanimously passed a motion calling for a general boycott of Refec. unless a Health Authority report on Refec. was published and its suggestions implemented.

A committee of nine, composed of Council and ordinary Union members, was elected to supervise the boycott and plan future action. Leaflets and petitions were circulated and the boycott appeared successful on the day, with the majority of students eating bread and cheese meals provided by the Varsity Oxfam Committee at 2/- per head.

However, support for this action was by no means unanimous.

In an open letter to Union President Dave Worsley, the Moberly S.R.C. said:

"We, the Student Representative Committee of Moberly Tower, would like, on behalf of our members, to dissociate ourselves from the proposed boycott of Refectory which is planned to take place within the next ten days. We do not consider that the decision to have that boycott, at the Union EGM of 15th November, 1967, was made by a representative cross-

section of the student body and intend to recommend to our members that this decision does not apply to meals served in the Moberly Room.

"We regard the decision to hold an immediate boycott without allowing the Refectory Committee, which does not meet again until Wednesday, 29th November, 1967, in reply to the points raised, as irresponsible, detrimental to the main part of the motion proposed at the EGM, and not in the best interests of the student body as a whole."

Buddhist ban

OXFORD UNIVERSITY Buddhist Society has been threatened with 'excommunication' because of their alleged connection with drug-taking. Their national leader, Judge Christmas Humphreys, wrote to Philip Hodgson, the society's secretary, saying that "We understand a large number of your members are actively concerned with psychedelic drugs." Last Easter, a member of the committee was fined £150 and rusticated for possessing LSD and cannabis, and several people at meetings complained that the society was 'saturated with drug-taking.' However, Hodgson has firmly denied the accusations. "Last year these accusations might have been true," he said, "but not now. This society has never advocated drug-taking."

Contraceptive controversy

A ROW has blown up over the installation of contraceptive machines in the Manchester University Union. An earlier motion calling for their installation was rescinded last week after a motion by Bill White was passed with a majority of 381 at a General Meeting.

White denied that the installation of contraceptive machines would extend people's freedom; in fact, the reverse would happen because students would become environmentally conditioned to a more promiscuous way of life. He declared that a machine in the men's lavatory would merely increase irresponsible sexual libertinism.

SCEPTICAL

He was very sceptical about the efficiency of such contraceptives. Because of his concern over the number of unwanted pregnancies, White emphasised the need for an Advice Centre, and said that the bad publicity given to the University by the installation of the machines was influencing the University Council unfavourably and was making them view the setting up of an advisory clinic with dislike. He insisted that to install the machines would be an act of political naivety.

UNRELIABLE

The point was also made that responsible people would have taken precautions anyway, and emphasis was placed on the notorious unreliability of such contraceptives.

The University newspaper, Manchester Independent, said in an editorial last week: "The most pressing reason for installing the machines was to reduce contraceptives to the level of food, or any other commodity on sale in the Union. We need to create a situation in which the use of contraceptives is as habitual as eating."

Girls at Canterbury University are complaining that they are unable to get the Pill at cut prices. Some girls can get the Pill from their doctors on sociological grounds where pregnancy is undesirable. These girls say that the full retail price—8/9 for 21—is too much to find out of their grants. If the Pill were to be included under an agreement between the Union and local shops, students could save a halfpenny on each.

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in brief

SHEFFIELD UNIVERSITY
SHEFFIELD UNIVERSITY Athletics Council has protested against the ban on the South African rugby team, who they were to play on January 24th. The team is from the 'all-white' University of the Orange Free State. The executive of the University Union, through which funds are allocated for athletics, voted to refuse the name, facilities and equipment of the Union to any team playing the South Africans, because they come from a segregated University. Union president John Bush said: "If students do play against them they must do so as private individuals, not as representatives of the University." But the president of the Athletics Council, Philip Pool, insisted that: "If they are prepared to send a team like this, I do not see why the University should not play them. Any member of the team has a perfect right to say he doesn't want to play."

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY
Proctors and S.R.C. are planning a joint campaign to combat the recent outbreaks of anti-undergraduate violence. In an effort to obtain the necessary information as to the number and character of the assaults, students who are attacked are being asked to give details of the incident on a questionnaire. The students who fill in these forms may remain anonymous if they wish. Senior Proctor Rev. D. Cupitt said that the S.R.C. would see to the distribution of the questionnaires: "By means of these we hope to get a clear idea of which streets to watch, what time of day and so on. We hope to be able to pass on lots of useful facts to the police."

BIRMINGHAM MARATHON
MARATHON walkers from the University have raised over £200 for medical aid to Vietnam. About one hundred students set off at 11 a.m. last Saturday to walk twenty miles round the outer circle ring road. All the students were sponsored at a minimum of 1/- a mile and although some have not yet found sponsors, Rosemary Gillham was being guaranteed 8/9 for every mile she walked. The first people to finish arrived at the end of the course at 3.42 p.m. and by 5.30, seventy had completed the walk. The participants' only real complaint, apart from the blisters, was that they had not received enough support from Exec., although Guild Council had backed the walk. Also absent was Mark Burke, who organised the effort.

CARDIFF UNIVERSITY COLLEGE
Cardiff, are planning to purchase twelve out of an anti-

icipated two hundred houses as the experimental beginnings of a student village. The houses will be renovated and converted to contain several study bedrooms, and communal kitchen and living-rooms. About eight students would live in each house. The area chosen for the project is close to the intended site of the new Students' Union, and both the University and the Welsh C.A.T. are involved in the scheme.

OXFORD PLANS
are under discussion for colleges to abandon their award system. The plan was put forward by the Balliol S.R.C. and is being considered by Oxford's thirty-one colleges and the Admissions Office; a final decision is expected by Christmas. "Many schools do not have the staff or the facilities to compete in the award rat-race," said Mr. R. W. Ogilvie, Senior Tutor at Balliol. "This will encourage comprehensives and grammar schools who would have sent people elsewhere to try for Oxford. It might discourage poorer students, but the basic fault there is that grants are too small." Under the scheme, scholarships would be given out at the end of the first year on tutor's recommendation. If the scheme is rejected, co-proposers Balliol and Magdalene may go it alone and drop entrance awards.

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An Act of Parliament was called for, as people felt their rights were being taken away. Was this a superfluous expense? Mr. Williamson, the University Bursar, and a major agent in the negotiations thought not.

"The Act was expensive," he said, "but it was only an essential in facilitating future developments."

Now, the University Grants Committee has made £50,000 available for expenditure on the cemetery. "There is no need for students to begrudge the money not being spent on accommodation," said Mr. Williamson, "because the U.G.C. made the award specifically to be spent on the cemetery."

"Anyway," he continued, "there has never been any question of building on the site, because being in the

middle of a built-up area, it would make the land overcrowded."

Now they've got the money and the land, nobody seems very sure what's going to be done with it. The University wants to clear the ground, remove the headstones and monuments, and make a garden of rest. But the Architect wants to retain the atmosphere of the graveyard. "But," says Mr. Williamson, "work must start before the end of March." So some sort of an agreement must be reached pretty soon.

Professor Beresford, head of the School of Economics,

agrees with the Architect. He is at present supervising a thesis on the historical aspects of the cemetery.

"The buildings in the graveyard cannot be touched," he explained, "because of their architectural importance. There is a Greek-style chapel and the entrance gates, which are in early Egyptian style. The Ministry of Works has now agreed to preserve these."

"The graves themselves are fascinating. Two types of graves exist. Those with headstones and monuments are for the middle class. The rest have fifteen or twenty names on each one for the working classes."

When the University first published its proposals to close the cemetery, in 1964, a public protest was organised by Mr. Robert Rawley. "People were scandalised and alarmed by the University proposals to close the cemetery." But the protest went unheard. The Act was passed, giving the University full rights to remove the gravestones as it wishes.

"It might have a bad effect on public opinion," said Mr. Williamson, "if the cemetery wasn't cleared, now that it has been publicised that the University intend to work on the cemetery."



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INDO JAZZ at the Union

by Martyn Cox

AT 7.30 tonight, in the Union Refec., there is a concert of Indo-Jazz fusions.

Fusions is unique in musical conception. Eastern and Western music are widely different in many respects, but in this orchestra, musicians from three continents—Indians, Jamaicans, Europeans and one Canadian—combine to perform the music of John Mayer. He, himself, is an Indian who has the unusual advantage of excelling in both Eastern and Western composition.

John Mayer, born in Calcutta, plays the violin and harpsichord, and has been a professional musician since he was fourteen. Joe Harriot, from Jamaica, is considered one of the finest alto-saxophonists in modern jazz. He played with Tony Kinsey and Ronnie Scott, before forming his own quintet. He pioneered early 'free-form' jazz where the soloists are not tied to any harmonic or rhythmic anchorage.

The fusion of the John Harriot and John Mayer quintets took place in 1965, when they recorded their first L.P., 'Indo-Jazz Suite'. The idea for Indo-Jazz fusions first came from 'The Dancer of India', which Mayer wrote in 1958, for three Indian instruments and symphony orchestra.

The musicians improvise on the scores, provided by Mayer, which are mostly based on Ragas—an Indian scale of at least five notes—played in ascending and descending patterns. With the inclusion of jazz and symphonic techniques, Fusions has given the musicians fresh and exciting challenges, in demonstrating a working co-operation between different cultures and rationalities.

Says Mayer on the future of Fusions, "After two years' experience, I think we work closely together as a unit. All the musicians feel freer and we're happy about the repertoire. What I am happy about is that the barriers are broken. There is but music, whatever form it takes. But neither Joe nor I are people to kick at a thing for too long. We want to take the technique of Indo-Jazz further afield."

"But it must be with the whole group," explained Joe Harriot. "I cannot do it with my own group and John can't do it with the Indian musicians. It takes the Double Quintet to play Indo-Jazz, and its unique."

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Still disillusion as reforms go through but . . .

New hope for NUS

by **BRIAN GLOVER**

BY the end of November Council of NUS there was considerable confusion and disillusion amongst many of the Unions represented. This resulted from all sides having won on some points but losing on others. There were no real winners.

The overall theme was one of reform. Everybody freely admitted that NUS was not succeeding as far as students were concerned and a Structure Commission had been working for a year discussing how they thought the position could be changed for the better. This Commission gave its recommendation at this Council during a ten-hour debate.

It was these recommendations that caused the major issues and caused a split in the Council. Colleges of Education thought that too much time was being spent on structure debates and wanted only to discuss education and welfare. They could not see that with a new structure, education and welfare would be discussed at length and the many political wrangles of the past would not be repeated again. Consequently they were voting against the recommendations or abstaining.

The Executive of NUS having set up the structure Commission decided that they did not like the pro-

posed new structure and had put amendments to all the major changes that meant completely different concepts. The traditional supporters of change in NUS — the Northern Universities together with some of the larger Southern Universities — thought that the Structure Commission recommendations were a step in the right direction and decided to support these proposals.

DISILLUSION

This situation itself would have led to a complicated debate in itself but an even bigger contribution to the disillusion factor was the fact that most of the changes recommended needed a majority because they involved a change in the constitution.

Consequently there was the chance for people to "block" proposals by not letting the recommendations receive the necessary majority and so maintain the status quo.

On the issue of voting the situation became so sad that Jack Straw, Chairman of the Structure Commission told the Council that he was "Bloody disgusted with the tactics used in attempting to stop discussion on the proposed voting change".

The commission had recommended that the Single Transferable Vote (STV) be used in elections at NUS rather than the present Multi Transferable Vote (MTV) as at present. STV is the system used at Leeds where candidates are chosen in order (1, 2, 3, etc.) on the ballot paper and the person with the least first choices is eliminated from the election and his votes redistributed. In MTV the person with the most votes is removed and his votes redistributed.

The criticism with MTV is that in elections for more than one place (eg electing 3 people from 7) if 51% of the people put the same candidates in the same order they will be automatically elected, the candidates supported by the other 49% will not be elected. This leads to a ticket vote.

In the past, people have polled 49% of the vote on first choices, but have failed to be elected when second, third, etc., choices have been considered.

WRONG WORDING

Before this motion was discussed at Margate, there was a move to rule the whole motion out of order, due to a wrong wording in the preliminary drafting. The chairman supported this view, but after a wrangle the majority of people decided to vote for the discussion. The council was then subjected to the disgusting scene of the Executive members of the Structure Commission resigning over a technicality and going back on to the platform to fight the proposals of the commission.

Map of Regional Boundaries



The final vote showed that 60% of the Union were in favour of a voting change, but a two-thirds majority was needed, and so the new system was not adopted.

This, alone, is perhaps the major contributory factor for the disillusionment in NUS, for this change in voting has been recommended now five times and four of the times it has been passed with just under the necessary two-thirds majority.

Thus, we have the ridiculous position in NUS where the majority of people are dissatisfied with the voting system but cannot do anything about it. The fact that the minority group can stop these constitutional changes to enable a truly representative election is one of the main factors for the existence of such animosity from the floor of Council against the Executive. With such clear evidence of a majority wanting to change the voting system, it is hard to see how the NUS Executive can repeatedly recommend no change—in the eyes of this majority they are simply ignoring their mandate of being representative of a majority of Council.

This majority has three choices after the consistent refusal for STV by the Executive. They can either disaffiliate from NUS, stay in NUS and give up the fight, or stay in and fight the Executive at their own game. At the next Council the elections for the Executive take place. If the supporters of STV stood for the Executive then the majority of Council should carry them on to the Executive and at last the Council would be rid of having to fight Executive on this point and could decide for itself exactly which way it wanted to vote.

REGIONS

What did emerge from the structure recommendations, though, was that the NUS has been divided into regions. There are nine of them in all and Leeds is in Region 1—along with Newcastle, Hull and all the North-Eastern centres of education. These regions have organisers who can sit on the Executive of NUS without voting rights.

The idea behind the region is that they will help with communications within NUS, produce some decentralisation and give machinery for discussing problems on education and autonomy at a regional level rather than having to wait for the bi-annual councils.

REFRESHING

One refreshing aspect of this Council was the success achieved by Region 1, where universities and colleges worked together in harmony. Whilst other regions were suffering from growing pains and wrangling within themselves, Region 1 worked together discussing all items amongst themselves and on many occasions voting en bloc against the Executive recommendations for the running of regions. At least, the Leeds delegates returned from Council feeling that their ideas had all not been lost in a great amorphous mass that Council was in previous years.

There have been threats of Region 1 breaking away from NUS in disgust because of the state that Council has degenerated into and the handling that it received from the NUS Executive.

Possibly the best argument against breaking away came from retiring NUS Treasurer Roger Lyons, who said, "Because you are so strong you should stay in and fight."

In retrospect, when the memories of this Council are not so vivid, both sides may be able to see they have got grounds to make new advances within the NUS.

Providing everybody keeps calm and discusses ideas unemotionally and rationally, then this will be for the good of NUS and could see the National Union become a viable, constructive and respected organisation. What must be avoided is a head-on clash of ideals at the next Council, which would only lead to the destruction of NUS and all that people have worked for over the past years.

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B. Degree

There was an overwhelming decision with the Bachelor of Education course and NUS Executive asked to make a thorough investigation into its workings. Present a report for next Council. A "rethink" was demanded on the concept of the B.Ed., for causing confusion and chaos in B.Ed. courses, educationists were only an option and of the anomalies of the system student teachers and children suffering.

The College of Education, South called it an 'academic orgy' waste of human material. They said the whole course be handed to the UNAA (who run the Council) that a simple national standard be established, but Phil one of the Leeds delegates said this would lead to 'consistency', and Council decided a report was the first priority. NUS policy would follow this.

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Council decided to claim a grants increase of £60 million of the higher cost of living at the real value of awards be maintained. This would be the Government's grant of £30 million, an increase of 50% claim will be made to the Panel on Student Maintenance, chaired by Professor A. J. of Leeds University.

As part of the motion, proposed salaries tabled by Woollytechnic, was rejected. Digby speaking for Woolwich, suggested students should be paid salaries "it would put students on an equal footing with others of society. We are adults should be paid salaries." In a vote to Jacks, Executive member Evans said that the majority would regard this proposal outrageous. "If you start about being a student you have to start talking about working for 52 weeks and clocking on at eight o'clock off at four."

Student workers would be regarded as apprentices. "We do not want that," he said. "We want a decent system of education supported by grants."

Trevor Fisk, Secretary of NUS, also rejected the idea, which would cost the taxpayer £290 million a year. In demanding higher grants, he said, "The purchasing power of our grants has been eroded by inflation. Some people think student grants are a form of charity. We don't accept this. The money is a vital part of the investment in education for this country."

In passing overwhelmingly the demand for increased grants, NUS also asked for a single grants policy covering all types of student; the removal of the anomaly in the status of married students, so that students getting married during their course of study receive the higher grant received by students married before entering a course of study; vac grants for all students in financial need, to be paid before the vac course, not after.

Council again reiterated its rejection of the means test in assessing student grants and opposition was again expressed to any introduction of the loans system.

Housing

In moving the interim Housing Report NUS Exec. member Ian Cunningham, Chairman of the Working Committee on Housing, stated that students should not receive better accommodation or be expected to accept worse accommodation than the rest of society. He went on to suggest that student accommodation responsibility should be transferred to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government.

The report outlined 30 suggestions on student accommodation. Among these was a recommendation that there should be more buildings like the Henry Price; residential blocks should be mixed, and regulations on student residence should be drawn up by the residents solely. The suggestions were all passed, but the working party were asked to investigate racial discrimination in student accommodation before presenting their final report for next Easter Council.

ISC and CIA

THE Council also decided to stay in the Dutch-based International Students' Conference despite the disclosure by an executive report that some of this world body's finances used to come from the Central Intelligence Agency, the American Secret Service.

It was agreed that instead of disaffiliating from the ISC there should be a 'Clean-up campaign'. This included the ruling that no more than 25% of the funds should be obtained from any one country, and that no funds at all should come from the U.S. It was agreed that if these proposals were not accepted, the Union should recommend a withdrawal from the ISC.

Trevor Fisk, introducing the executive report on the possible CIA subversion of the ISC, said that the situation today was that no American funds were entering the Students' Conference and there was no evidence to show that the ISC deliberately acted in the interests of the CIA.

Roger Lyons, also on the Executive, felt that the report was the result of people "who looked in mirrors and liked what they saw," and he asked that NUS should quit ISC immediately.

Also supporting the amendment that NUS should quit ISC, Phil Kelly, one of the Leeds delegates, said that by staying in ISC we will be cutting ourselves off from other organisations. If we leave ISC it won't affect our travel organisation services. He thought that it was impossible to know what CIA were up to, and that NUS were "like small children in a world of grown-ups."

The amendment was narrowly defeated after a call vote, and the NUS agreed to stay in ISC, but only if education was made a top priority, and the other proposals were accepted.

Exams

ONCE again, Exams were severely criticised; Council felt that the present methods of teaching and examining failed to reflect the capabilities of a certain number of students.

Neil King, of Hull University, felt that there must be some form of assessment but not the present system, which wastes so much. He thought that there should be immediate reform so that there could be an appeals procedure, more exam information, not more than one exam in one day.

Viv Hopkins, of Leeds, felt that the NUS had not fulfilled their mandate for a progress report, and that they had forgotten what examinations meant. "We must fight the whole system of exams in universities and colleges, this is one of the central issues facing students today."

The motion, on which there was little time for debate, was passed overwhelmingly. It asked for appeals procedure to be established in all universities and colleges and for more opportunities for students to opt out at various points in their academic career and, if necessary, to return to study at a later stage. The Executive were asked to make an investigation into all exam failures, and especially to press for changes, including automatic rights of resitting exams, and appeals procedure.



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DARROW AT NUS

AWD by the sea at sunny Margate. Parties of training college girls, and all on expedition just could not resist this, so off I went Council on Saturday.

I think that I had made a mistake when I drove. I kept passing open pubs on the way south he missed the M2 altogether, I knew I should have stayed in Leeds.

"We'll be the fields and scatter the good seed on the harvest festival hymn. Flower power certainly must have had this in mind as he drives off the road—he is always going off to find into a ploughed field, much to the annoyance of the farmer and some of Kelly's supporters. They travel with him again and all jumped on to the wagon for the return journey.

To be slower but he does have a habit of staying in the middle of the road.

When we arrived at Margate, our lads soon got down to the real job of canvassing for support. This consisted of going around drink-sodden late night parties earnestly to as many people as are sober enough to listen.

Phil Kelly got hold of the wrong end of the stick though, and spent all his time canvassing our School delegation. Or just one of them, to be sure. She must have been a young liberal, I suppose.

I was sitting there wandering about with a dazed look in my eyes. In the sight of 1,000 people gathered together under a tent was too much for 'teach-in' Leo Rumbold. He's now organising a teach-in on NUS at Dartford. "I like a captive audience."

The Executive was busy buttering up the public. As you know, the first rule of flattery is to give an impression of intimate knowledge of your subject. The result of this was John Tough chatting to Geoff for over an hour to stop him talking to

anyone else. Finally, a bored Martin asked Tough where he came from. "Er, Kesteven College, near Bradford," invented John. "Yes," replied NUS President Martin, in his oily Irish brogue, "I know it well." Kesteven is near Lincoln.

The problems with socialising so much in the evenings is getting up in time in the mornings.

Human dynamo Mark Mitchell solved this problem by appointing himself "knocker-up in chief". It went like this:

- 7.45 a.m. Mark Mitchell broke me from my dreams. I raised my hand to vote for the motion.
- 8.00 a.m. Mitchell again, "Wake up, Darrow, it's kippers and jam for breakfast." I reached for the aspirins.
- 8.15 a.m. Mark Mitchell dragged me from bed. I hate Mark Mitchell.
- 8.30 a.m. Leeds delegation dragged me from bed again.
- 8.45 a.m. Reached conference hall.

Outside the hall there were placards announcing that the Winter Gardens—I believe this is where the Council met—was staging "International Wrestling" and "The Creation". Oh, boy, there are cynics everywhere.

The Conference finally came to an end. Jack Straw, but not the Leeds University President, I understand, took his place on the NUS Executive. Everyone had noticed the presence of Leeds, if only for the number of coffee trays dropped. Even the beach behind the hall had been canvassed with Leeds written in twenty foot letters on it.

The parting nail in Gilbert's coffin came when a college girl actually approached me.

"Where are you from," she asked.

"Leeds."

Oh, you're lucky having such a big delegation, it means you can have some time to enjoy yourselves." "Yippee!"

Gilbert Darrow

I HEARD that Jack Straw was baking his own bread, so I dropped round to check up. I found him ankle-deep in water. He CLAIMED he left his socks in the sink while he went out for a pint and found the place flooded when he came back. It's more likely that John Tough thinks his only chance to become President is to have a mid-session by-election. Having had his poison attempts thwarted, he tried drowning. It's no good, John; if the rats are too cagey to eat the poison, you have to trap them before you can drown them. (Purely an analogy—nothing personal intended, Jack.)

ISN'T it strange that whenever anybody goes anywhere at our expenses it costs us the return rail fare, but when they go on their own account it costs them a few bob in shared petrol expenses. If we were to give people rail warrants Union wouldn't save anything—but a few individuals might lose quite a bit.

I WANDERED over to see the Engineers chucking darts and flour at Exec. last week. On reflection, only two points worry me. One, most of the darts didn't get anywhere near the target and they were constructed by missile-makers of the future. Two, some of the flour was self-raising. Suppose they'd hit Tyacke's paunch or Straw's head?

THIS last weekend was the annual pilgrimage to Margate for the N.U.S. Conference. As usual, the majority of Exec. trooped off. The remaining few were unable to take any important decisions in their absence and Exec. Office was deserted and impotent. I went up five times last Friday, to find it empty; only Graham Oakes was in there. We all know that Exec. are men of straw, but these days they're harder to find than a needle in a haystack.

THAT sleeping Giant, the Engineers' Society, is stirring again. Lewd, the Engineers' bible that the week before last exhorted its readers to throw flour at Exec., contains a questionnaire on Engineers' all too partisan voting habits, coincidentally accompanied by an article from an anonymous engineer entitled 'Your Next President'. Perhaps Arts students had better start learning how to make flour bombs.

AT last there was some action in the bar. The time: 9.30 p.m., Sunday, the 26th of November. The place: the Union Bar floor. The culprit: a dirty, unshaven mouse who crawled across the floor in sinister fashion. The scene: terror from the women and disbelief from the men. I don't know which was more ridiculous, a mouse bathing in Newcastle Brown, or one of the barmen asking to see his Union card.

MR. SHUTTLEWORTH, the Tory politician who last year failed his politics exams, obviously sees himself as a second McCarthy. He has denounced the whole of U.C. as Red agitators.

Needless to say, the Party has come back at him. Dick Wilcocks, that eminent middle of the road entrepreneur, has been driven to the extreme of running round the Union shouting, "Dick Wilcocks, the Red Leader, says Shuttleworth is a S - - t!" Quite so, Dick, but "Red Leader"?

DAVE SUMMERS, Network 4 boss, stormed into Union News Office last week and complained that someone had stolen his TV manager's and script files from his office. "I can't understand it," he moaned, "they're B'all use to anyone else."

Well, considering the price of lavatory paper these days, I should say that some economy-minded staffman has thought of an appropriate use for them.

Jazz Corner

REVIEWED this week: Bud Powell—"Hot House", Fontana F.J.L. 903, 21s. 9d., with Johnny Griffin (ten.), Powell (p.), Guy Hayat (bs.), Jacques Genais (dms.). France, 1964. Side one: Straight; No Closer; St. John's Abbey—20 minutes). Side two: 52nd Street Theme; Hot House—19½ minutes.

At the price this is excellent value for money. Some of the best latter day Powell is contained on this record with very little of the fumbling that can be heard on some of his records. Powell is inventive and exciting, and in top form throughout, especially on Straight No Chaser. Johnny Griffin also plays very well, unmistakable on those exceptionally fast runs for which he's noted. However, the record is marred by

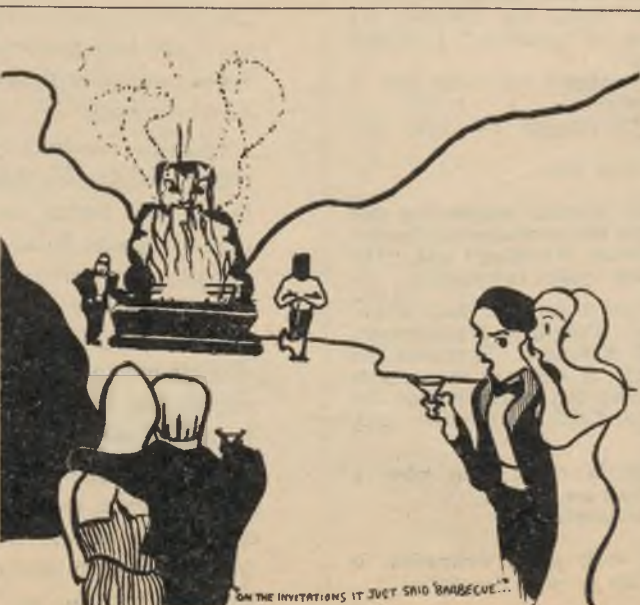
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poor recording (from a private tape) and also by a poor rhythm section, which doesn't do justice to Powell and Griffin. Apart from this, a fine recording by Griffin and Powell, not to be missed by Powell fans, especially at the price.

(2) Earl Hines—"Blues in Thirds", Fontana F.J.L., 21s. 9d. Side one: Tea for Two; Velvet Moon; Blues After Midnight; Shiny Stocking—22 minutes. Side two: Blues in Thirds; When I Dream Of You; Sweet Lorraine; Stanley's Dance—19 minutes. Earl Hines (p.). Paris, 1965.

Although not the best Hines available, this is still an excellent record. Hines' winging piano tone comes over especially well on "Tea for Two". "Velvet Moon" and "When I Dream Of You" are two ballads exceptionally well played; the improvisation is startling, although at no time does Hines lose the threads of the melody. The power and the rhythm of Earl's playing comes over especially well on "Blues After Midnight", but for me the best track on this L.P. is Hines' arrangement of the Basie standard "Shiny Stockings", very powerful and rhythmic.

At the price, both of these records are excellent value, so stop spending money on luxuries such as food, and get them.



JAN bowls his little woman over. PETE IS SUPERVE. CROSSLAND'S a sub-standard bed warmer.—PAUL. FOR the cards and wishes, Presents, drinks and wishes, 21 thanks.—JANICE. HOW'S THE BABY, MAC? THE EMBASSY is at last on the move. WATCH the Embassy. THE EMBASSY is out for blood. JOHN—it's Fifi I love.—ROD. CLIVE—that's the last time you end up in print. SNIF'S GOING TO VARY HER RESISTANCE. PENNYDILLON—the new wonder drug. HE-MEN from Canada required for advice, contracts, help, etc., etc. . . . by two young girls intending to spend summer '68 there. — W.P.H., M for MARIANNE. IS blackmail breaking the law or just bending it? NOT in the back of a PREFECT pauper. KIL-LOVE rides again—WEETWOOD beware. CONGRATULATIONS, LIZ AND ALAN. VIV, I can't live without you.—STEVE. PEARCE off, John. FAIRY TOM LACKS. NICK'S come dotty. BOD, CIN., "LADY L" at 6.45 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. in the Main Junior Common Room, BODINGTON HALL. BOYANCY APPEAL. A.C. goes to work on E.G.S.S. JOURNAL NOV. 21st. JENNY has a cold. KATE has a cold. SUE has a cold. PAM is sick. JUDY has mumps. BUT JANE is well. LONG LIVE JANE! SLOW down PERV your ball can't stand the pace. RICK should find GILLETTE satisfactory. TOM d'HORNCHURCH. THE majority of CLUB SECRETARIES do not like publicity. WHY? S.E.N.4. GETAWAY people get indole. ROGER—call round some time. — RICHARD. CHRIS, I've got this column censored from now on.—SHIRLEY.

Reagan for President—California must be dreamin'. REDUCED RATES FOR STUDENTS. St. Christopher Driving School, 44 Mt. Preston, Leeds 2. Tel. 24510. (1 minute from Union, Henry Price or Charles Morris buildings) or 11, Hyde Park Corner, Leeds 1. Tel. 53636. Lectures, slides, and practical lessons given by Ministry of Transport and R.A.C. approved driving instructors. Member of I.A.M. and R.O.S.P.A. Advanced and R.A.C. junior driving courses available. IS R*F*D missing out? And it's not short for Ralph. WHAT happened to ALAN WRIGHT'S moustache. Moustache! Just a short circuit. LOTS of love, Sheila. Get well soon. GRAN'S moved to Manchester. THIS paper prints the truth. Well, nearly. It tries hard.

personal column

DENNIS—if this is what JERSEY does for its young men, God help its young women! We are sure you could pick up a few basic hints from TOM, PAUL or IAN on good manners. WANTED. Young ladies to work in HASSANS restaurant. Evenings only. Good pay.—APPLY Hassans, Fenton Street, near BBC. COME IN NUMBER 7. PROPHECY. Number 10 in 2 weeks. CHORLEY CAKE is phallus shaped. A CHORLEY CAKE makes the best RAKE. WHO pinched my LIBIDO? CLUE: What comes between a CORNER-Stool and a pedestrian? ANSWER: Bullet proof tights. LEO is lion-hearted. CORNER feathers his nest with SUE'S personal column. WHAT enSUEd with the non R-C, RC, at R.C.? POMEGRANATES are by far the safest.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1
OXLEY HALL, double-ticket 22/6, food included, bar extension. Mandy's Movement, The John Martin Sound, plus Discotheque.

Ballroom Dance Soc.: SOCIAL. Tetley Hall, 7.30-11.00 p.m. Tickets 2/6, drinks free.

Sociology Soc.: Lecture on INDUSTRIAL CULTURE" by W. Baldamus, of the University of Birmingham, at 5.30 p.m. in the New Arts Block, L.G.15.

Railway Soc. Meeting: "ELEVEN PASSENGERS PER SECOND" by Dr. R. F. Youell, in the Houldsworth School, 1.30 p.m.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4
PAKISTAN WEEK, Dec. 3rd-8th. Celebration Programme organised by Pakistan Society. Sales of Pakistani Handicrafts in the Union Foyer daily from 9.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Pakistan Soc. Cultural Evening, film show, songs and music, G.R.C. at 7.00 p.m.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5
MEDIC-LAW DEBATE. Motion: This house will not take its own advice for at least five years after graduation. 7.30 p.m. at the Medical School Common Room. Drinks available.

Pakistan Soc. Debate. Motion: "This house believes that world peace can never be achieved." G.C.R. at 7.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6
Pakistan Soc.: Full-length Pakistani film. Admission free. G.C.R. at 7.30 p.m.

Music Society: CHORAL AND ORCHESTRAL CONCERT at 7.30 p.m. in the Great Hall. Combined Studies Soc.: SOCIAL at the Swan With Two Necks at 7.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7
Address by the Bishop of Ripon on "The Implications of Vatican 11." R.B.L.T., 5.15 p.m.

Drama Group 16 presents Edward Albee's 'The Zoo Stoky' and Arthur Kopit's 'Oh Dad, Poor Dad', in the Main Common Room, Bodington Hall, from Dec. 7th-10th. 7.30 p.m. Tickets at the door. Pakistan Soc. Dinner in the Refectory. Dinner cooked by expert Pakistani cook.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2
Union Hop with Tamla Motown Stars — GLADYS KNIGHT AND THE PIPS, plus Denny Laine's Electric String Band. Sociology Soc. Seminar in the Large Departmental Seminar Room — All welcome. Scout & Guide Club TRAINING WEEKEND, 2nd-3rd Dec., Fir Tree Lane, Meanwood.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3
Methodist Soc. Meeting with the Rev. Fr. L. Rimmer, at 4.30 p.m. in the Brunswick Rooms. Bodington Cinema Soc. presents "LADY L", 6.45 p.m. and 9.30 p.m.

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REVIEWS

FILMS MUSIC BOOKS

Music Soc. Present Haydn

BETWEEN 1796 and 1802, Haydn completed the six great settings of the Roman Catholic Mass which are the summit of his achievement as a composer.

The last of these, the famous *Harmonic Messe*, correctly translated as the "Wind Band Mass", and not the more usual "Harmony" Mass, on account of the sonorous writing for wind instruments, will be the main item in the University Music Society's annual Christmas Term Concert on Wednesday, December 6th, at 7.30 p.m. in the Great Hall.

This Mass is really a symphony with voice parts added, and it is amazing how Haydn combines the drama of the symphony with the exalted spirit of the words of the Mass. One does not need to be religious, however, to appreciate the pious dignity of the "Kyrie" nor the freshness and fervour of the opening of the "Gloria".

The Mass is full of good tunes, and the only signs that it is one of the last works that Haydn wrote are the heart-searing dissonances which are a feature of all the last works of the composer who, perhaps more than any other, enjoyed life and lived it to the full.

Also on the programme is Beethoven's warmly serene *Romance in F* for violin and orchestra. The soloist will be *Emyr Walters*, musician and engineer, one of the best violinists to have studied at the University.

The seasonal items on the programme are *A Christmas Carol* by the highly thought of modern composer *Kenneth Leighton*, and *Vaughan*

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Williams' Fantasia on Christmas Carols, which contains many tunes which will be familiar to the audience.

The concert begins with Beethoven's *Egmont Overture*.

The University Orchestra and Chorus will be conducted by Messrs. *Brian Newbold* and *Jack Pilgrim* of the Music Department, and tickets are available outside Refec. between 12 noon and 2 p.m. daily, or from *Barker's*, Albion Place, prices 2/- to 6/-.

On Monday, December 11th, at 1.20 p.m. in the Great Hall, there will be the traditional singing of carols, led by the Music Society. Admission is free and all who wish to attend will be very welcome.

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New Cowboys for Old

THE Western is perhaps the most disciplined of screen genres. Years of trial and error on a pretty massive scale have led to certain conventions which can only be broken at peril.

Thus, the Western town must have a saloon with swing doors and dancing girls. A moustached doctor, beautiful local heroine, and resident baddie who has the town in his

pocket, are further necessary pieces of equipment. Ever since *Shane*, this format has been the most popular, ousting the cavalry v Indians-type of Western.

Now, within this framework, Director *Arnold Laven* has produced a surprisingly intelligent film, *Rough Night In Jericho* (HEADROW ODEON next week).

His unlikely cast (Dean Martin, baddie; George Peppard, itinerant goody; Jean

Simmons, b. heroine) are given the maximum opportunity to develop a first-rate script—and they do so with enthusiasm and aplomb.

The plot is standard town-clearing-up stuff; it is the little points of invention that make this film so pleasing.

And there is one gem of a scene where Simmons and Peppard down half a bottle of whiskey apiece, each love/hating the other, each solidly

refusing to touch the other's booze.

The denouement, where Peppard flushes Martin and his mob out of Jericho so he can stir up the locals against Martin, is beautifully worked out.

The fights are modishly violent, and the photography good. In short, a film to appeal to all tastes.

confronted with distasteful moral attitudes and illiteracy in his class.

Poitier's struggle with the sentimental script (by James Clavell, who wrote *King Rat*) is a losing battle. Wincing sanctimoniously when he catches a boy smoking in the lavatory, he emerges as a latter-day Christ, and very irritating for it.

And then there's the same trouble with *The Dirty Dozen*, i.e. beneath their low class roughness, Poitier's class turn out to have hearts of gold.

But if the film's ideas are excessively Utopian, some of the performances are good, notably from pop-singer Lulu, surprisingly engaging as a brassy tart.

Following on the wave of success of *The Untouchables* and *Bonnie And Clyde* comes an all-gangster programme—*Al Capone* and *Dillinger*—to the PLAZA.

Both very old films, but both immensely enjoyable, these two star *Rod Steiger* and *Lance Tierney* respectively.

Finally, there's the second of the three-part Bronston revivals at the MERRODEON, *55 Days At Peking* this time.

Again the Samuel Bronston formula comes over loud and clear. Again there's the good but obscure plot (the Boxer revolution in China), again there's the action, the intrigue, all superbly directed.

I suspect that *55 Days* is the most immediately likeable of the three Bronston films currently being revived (*El Cid* finishes tomorrow, and *The Fall Of The Roman Empire* follows *55 Days*—get down to the Merrion Centre and see it.



No noose is good noose, as this neck-tie party guest in "Rough Night In Jericho" (reviewed) would probably agree.

films frank odds

AWAY from Hammer films, Christopher Lee is still keeping his horror film image in *Theatre Of Death* (A.B.C. next week).

Despite the plot, which flirts coyly with the occult, hypnotic control and vampirism, the abundance of time-honoured devices like the secret panel in the fireplace, a stone chamber with cobwebs, and a darkly cloaked murderer show *Theatre Of Death* to be a routine offering. As such, it is enjoyable.

Not so good, however, the support film, *The Deadly Bees*. Here, the script is so impossibly deadly (at one stage it recapitulates everything that has happened in case anybody has missed the very obvious point) that even the excellent acting of *Frank Finlay* and *Guy Doleman* fails to raise the overall standards.

To Sir, With Love (TOWER next week) is an amiable but rather pious story about an immigrant engineer (*Sidney Poitier*) who is forced to take a job in teaching, only to be

case in *Trusted Like The Fox*. *Sara Wood's* works are rapidly establishing her hero as an English *Perry Mason* without

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Mason's somewhat sickening slickness. (Fontana, 3/6.)

One of the most callous and brutal murders ever committed is in *Ngaio Marsh's Artists In Crime*, but the whole is not overbalanced by this, and another masterpiece by one of the great fiction writers is the result and is available from Fontana at 3/6.

An archetypal murder victim gets well and truly clobbered in *Elizabeth Ferrars's Murder Moves In* (Fontana, 3/6) and the author's knowledge of criminal psychology is striking.

MIXED BAG OF BRIEFS

SILAS MARNER and *Little Dorrit* have been added to the 'Penguin English Library' at 4/6 and 10/6 each. Both are well up to the high standards of the series, with useful notes and introductions accompanying definitive texts. The provision of 24 of the original 'Phiz' illustrations to *Little Dorrit* is an attraction.

Penguin have also added to their range of Classics: *Childhood, Boyhood, Youth* (6/-), by Tolstoy, and an *Anthology of Chinese Literature* at 10/6.

As *Miss Edmonds*, the translator of Tolstoy, remarks, we can see in these writings "the man that Tolstoy was to become." The warmth and immediacy of this work lies at the heart of our enjoyment of it.

AMAZING INSIGHT

I expected the anthology to bore or bemuse me. In fact, it gives an amazing insight into the Chinese civilization which flourished between 1,000 B.C. and A.D. 1,400. Songs, prose and poetry are all presented. My preference is for the poetry, which is at times almost incredibly beautiful and always economical. Many modern poets, regarding themselves as iconoclastic innovators, would be well advised to see how the Chinese of A.D. 1,000 were writing on the same subjects and in much the same

style—and how much better they were doing it.

Pan's 'Bestsellers of Literature' series has two new titles, *Lorna Doone* and *The Last Chronicle of Barset*, at 7/6 and 10/6 respectively. The introduction to Trollope's novel is by *Walter Allen*, author of *The English Novel*, and is especially worthwhile.

Christie fans will find a treat in *Hercule Poirot's Christmas* (Pan, 3/6) and *Evil Under The Sun* (Fontana, 3/6). The former contains some fine characterization and an intellectually satisfying plot and in the latter, the standard Poirot method of examining personalities to solve crimes is well demonstrated.

Paul Chavchavadze was an eye-witness to many of the events of the Russian Revolution and based his novel

Because The Night Was Dark on these experiences (Pan, 7/6). As a novel it succeeds in giving a good picture of the troubles of an aristocratic family in this period. As an historical novel, I wouldn't praise it highly for accuracy.

MASS-MURDER

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SPORTS DESK

R. League collapse

Kirkstall Forge ... 26 pts.
Leeds University ... 3 pts.

ALTHOUGH they took an early lead, the Rugby League first team found the heavy conditions they encountered very much against the open style of play they have developed this season.

The University opened impressively, with forwards Corson and Shoemith breaking strongly down the middle. Finally, the pressure led to Shoemith resisting a couple of tackles to crash over the line near the posts.

SUITED

This appeared to instil some life into the Kirkstall Forge team, whose heavier back division, more suited to the conditions, began to profit from a slow-moving cover defence. Together with some over robust tackling, which the referee apparently overlooked, this seemed to put the University out of their stride, and eventually two very good tries gave the home side a 12-3 half-time lead.

HANDICAP

The second half followed a similar pattern, with Kirkstall's backs finding plenty of space in which to move and back each other up, although the University were handicapped by the loss, after 50 minutes, of scrum-half Davies with a leg injury.

Although they were well served by Hanson and Shoemith, some of the team's inexperience was shown by their reluctance to dive on the loose ball, and the giving away of too many needless penalties through being offside at the play-the-ball.

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1st XI WING FALCONS

LEEDS UNIV. ... 2 SHEFFIELD FALCONS ... 0

LAST Saturday, a much changed Leeds 1st XI took on Sheffield Falcons at Weetwood, and made quite hard work of what should have been an easy task. The side included newcomers Pope at right-back, Pike at centre-half, and Neely at outside-left.

ATTACK

The Leeds team lined up in a 4-2-4 formation at the kick-off, and went straight into the attack, thus setting the pattern for the first-half. In spite of this, clean strikes on goal were few, due mainly to the slowness in working the ball to the opponents' penalty area, giving Sheffield time to employ their main tactic of crowding in defence, and playing for a breakaway goal. Good defensive covering by Pike and Strong, as well as excellent tackling by linkmen Davies and Salisbury, minimised the quick attacks of Sheffield.

FIRST GOAL

After a goalless first-half, the Leeds team turned round determined to increase the pace of their attacks, being aided by Pope, who overlapped well on the right to put over several good crosses into the penalty area. The first

goal soon came, after some excellent running by Farrar, a hardworking centre-forward, and a quick passing move via East to Griffiths, who put the ball in the net.

ENCOURAGING

Sheffield tried to get more into the game and, indeed, had several shots at goal, although these were limited to long range as a result of good defensive covering. Leeds were rewarded with another goal when a quick attack found gaps in the Sheffield defence for Davies to finish off the move.

This was quite an encouraging, if not initially overconfident, performance by the Leeds team, with Thompson emphasising his soundness in goal, and Neely making a promising debut.

Team: Thompson; Pope, Strong, Pike, Grundy; Davies, Salisbury; Griffiths, Farrar, East, Neely.

D. Mackie, a 1st XI linkman, last Saturday played for the Northern U.A.U. against Manchester Amateur League at Manchester.

1st Water Polo win

Bradford defeated

CROSS-COUNTRY

MOST important race of term, "Christie" championships, will be run at Manchester on Saturday. See Union News for full coverage.

LEEDS UNIV. ... 2 BRADFORD UNIV. ... 1

LEEDS played and defeated Bradford in this first round U.A.U. championship match, the score being two goals to one. It was the first win of the season for Leeds, but this was due more to the opposition than to Leeds, who showed only a slight improvement over their last game.

However, the trend is in the right direction, and considering that half the team are new to the game, and that available training conditions are very poor, Leeds did not do too badly.

DOMINATE

The game started with Bradford looking the slightly better side, but Leeds soon began to dominate. Surprisingly, it was Bradford who scored in the first quarter, but the equaliser soon came from a shot by Rog. Bridges a few minutes from the end of that quarter. The winning goal came just one second inside the last quarter, scored by A. Bluhm with a superb long shot into the left-hand quarter of the net.



Goalmouth scramble in first XI match with Sheffield Falcons

HIGHEST AVERAGE AT MERRION BOWLS

WITH his second 600 series of the season, in the Midnight Trios League, J. P. Straka now holds the highest average of any bowler at the Merrion Centre, with 185 over 12 games. After his summer trip to the U.S.A., where his first series (in New York) was a 600 and where he received some coaching from 190 and 200 average bowlers, Jan has demonstrated a considerable flair for trios play.

If he can maintain a 180-plus average by the end of the season he will rank just below the top level of bowling in Britain—a magnificent achievement. His 185 probably gives

him the highest average of any student in Britain at the present time.

Now in his third season with the Bowling Society, Jan also holds the University all-time Double League high game, with G. L. Tait, of 411, set two years ago.

Result of last Sundays' Inter-University fixture against Newcastle

Leeds 1st team: Won, 3-1.
Leeds 2nd team: Won, 4-0.
Leeds 3rd team: Won, 4-0.
Leeds Ladies' Team: Won, 4-0.

High Series: S. A. Hatton, 534 (2nd team); J. P. Strake, 528 (1st team); J. Bassett, 508 (3rd team); B. J. Burton, 500 (1st team); Enid Allen, 474 (162, 132, 180, Ladies' team); Cheryl Kenchington, 441 (Ladies' team).

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OVERWHELMING WIN

U.A.U. Hockey victory

LEEDS UNIV ... 3 LANCASTER UNIV. ... 1

FOR the U.A.U. game, Leeds fielded a strong side, and were bidding for their first victory in this year's championship.

Playing into a bright sun, Leeds started slowly and it was Lancaster who showed to advantage at the start; but this was short lived for after ten minutes the University attacked strongly, and kept the Lancaster defence fully extended.

DOGGEDLY

Leeds were playing some good hockey and Lancaster were defending doggedly. The

hockey

University pressure paid off for it was soon after that, following a corner on the left, that Burton, moving up from half back, deflected the ball for a goal. Leeds kept the pressure up, and soon after Leeds scored their second; this time following a cross by Wall on the left wing, being neatly

deflected by Bywater moving in fast on the goal.

SCRAPPY

Lancaster replied almost immediately with a rather scrappy goal, after Taylor the Leeds goalkeeper had been felled in the circle.

The goal set Leeds going again, and they were unlucky not to score again before half-time. The University in the second half where they had left off in the first, and were again unlucky. Play became somewhat scrappy, as the game fell to the rather agricultural depths of the Lancaster style; but Leeds pulled themselves together, and attacked almost constantly but could only add one further goal, a good individual effort by Wall. Preston and Dyde were sound at full-back, and the Leeds defence generally looked safe. This win put the University in second place in the group behind Manchester.

Judo slam Nottingham

YET another victory was chalked up by the Judo club on Saturday, when they beat Nottingham University in a friendly at Nottingham, by 37-0.

SPLIT

Leeds took down ten Judoka and, after a lot of waiting, found themselves up against five Nottingham representatives. The Leeds team was split in two and D. Jones relegated to the "B" team, to allow B. Priest to fight with a low-graded opponent. In his first ever contest (he took up Judo at the beginning of term), Priest beat his yellow-belted opponent with an excellent hold-down.

FULL POINT

In the earlier contest, R. Green had quickly demolished his opponent with his sweeping-leg to take the full point. The third contest was probably the hardest of the day, when S. Kaiser often came close to throwing his opponent, but in a draw. He was followed by L. Marks who managed to get a knock-down for a half line but was foiled in an effort to work in his strangle. In the last

the end had to be content with contest, R. Newbold caused the biggest sensation when he threw his heavier opponent backwards with such force that the Notts man was unable to protect his head. As a result, it took 15 seconds to revive him.

'B' TEAM

Against the "B" team, Nottingham fared much better, winning 37-10. The one successful Leeds member was A.

judo

Edwards, a beginner, who followed up a half-point with a fine throw to take the contest. M. Clark, yet another beginner in his first ever contest fought hard to last the full time, but lost the contest by a half-point.

"B" team: Newbold, Marks, Kaiser (capt.), Green, Priest.

"B" team: D. Jones, K. Jones, Curshen, Clark, Edwards.

LEEDS U. ... 112 pts. LANCASTER U. ... 35 pts
LEEDS continued their bid for the U.A.U. basketball title with a convincing win by 77 points over Lancaster University.

A tight zone defence, coupled with a piercing 1-3-1 attack, brought the score to 30-4 in favour of the home side after only ten minutes. A sudden switch by the Leeds team to a full-court press caused even more confusion to the Lancaster side, who only rarely managed to get the ball into the Leeds half of the court. By half-time, the score was 50-11 in favour of Leeds.

period during which Leeds, not unnaturally relaxed somewhat, and the visitors pulled back 12 points.

Soon however, Lancaster, having only 6 players, began to tire, and Leeds

basketball

pressed home their advantage with many fast breaks, and pass interceptions to attain their highest score this season.

PRESSURE

In the second half, Leeds continued their pressure on the ball, and scored a further 16 points without reply in the first 15 minutes. There then followed a

Top scorers: P. Taylor 24, M. Copley 17, L. Davis 16, F. Khoroushi 14, A. Greenhalgh 13, R. Yeuny 12.

UNIVERSITIES CUP: FIRST ROUND WIN

ON Wednesday, Leeds lacrosse attained their most important victory of the term, when they defeated Manchester University in a replay of the first round of the Universities Cup.

After an indifferent first quarter, Leeds played some spirited and skilful lacrosse, and in the final quarter, were so much on top that Manchester had only one scoring chance. Manchester then opened strongly, and were the first to move.

Matters improved for the home side in the second quarter, when Leeds started to put on the pressure. Between them, N. Kennedy and J. Wasiewicz scored three goals for Leeds to lead 3-2 at half-time. In the second half, the trend continued, with Leeds

gradually gaining control of the game.

Three more goals were scored by the Leeds forwards, including a spectacular one from N. Kennedy who received

lacrosse

a bouncing pass from the hobbling B. Dearing to score from close range.

In the next round of the cup, Leeds play Nottingham away, and shouldn't require a replay to proceed to the next round.

Soccer success

WITH Leeds playing confident football and Lancaster losing two men after 20 minutes, the final Junior U.A.U. Qualifying match was won with ease.

Lancaster took the lead after 10 minutes from a shot outside the penalty area. Then, as Leeds settled down and took control, the equaliser came after five minutes from A. Horne after a through ball from Samwell. Just before half-time Horne scored a second from a pin-point cross from Greening.

In the second half Leeds took things easy, although Lancaster kept trying hard to keep in the game. Horne completed his

hat-trick with another fine goal and laid the fourth on for Salter.

Throughout the game the defence played soundly with good covering all round.

soccer

Depending on Manchester 2nd's results against Liverpool and Salford, Leeds could still have a chance in the Junior U.A.U.



Another basket for Leeds in their thrashing of Lancaster University.

MANCHESTER OUTSHOOT LEEDS

LEEDS ... 581 MANCHESTER ... 583

IN a very closely fought match, Leeds failed to hold a powerful Manchester eight in the first round of the Christie Cup Competition, held in Leeds on Saturday.

In the early stages of the match Leeds did very well, keeping several points in front of their opponents, with some excellent shooting from John Ormiston (99), John Ireland (97), and Chris Madams (97), and for some time it appeared that Leeds would carry the day.

By the final detail, however, Manchester were only one point behind, and it was at this stage that the greater experience of C. North, Manchester and England captain, proved decisive. This was the first opportunity that an inexperienced team have had of pitting their skill against another University in a "shoulder-to-shoulder" match, and in view of Manchester's previous record—they have been U.A.U. champions for six years—the result is a

creditable one for the Leeds team. The two universities also held a ladies' 'friendly' match for teams of three, as an experimental venture. Here the Leeds team was completely defeated.

Leeds (Christie Cup): J. S. Hind, J. Ormiston, P. J. S. Daniels, R. J. Shipley, C. J. Madams, R. M. Ellis, J. R. Ireland, D. M. Rea.

Leeds (Ladies): S. Parker (capt.), B. Kirby, N. Wilker.

Manchester (Christie Cup): D. Thomas, R. Pizer, D. Bugler, B. May, M. Chandler, D. Daniell, B. Jago, C. North (capt.).

Manchester (Ladies): G. Lovvaas, J. Plater, G. Sokolowska.

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"Student Life" killed

Inter-hall debates by U.C.

THE first inter-halls debating competition, organised by Devonshire Hall proved to be a remarkable success, with entries from Sadler, Weetwood, Lyddon, Charles Morris and Devonshire halls.

The general standard of speech was high, with Martin Stephen and David Luce providing both the closest contest and the most entertaining speeches, in the first round to the motion: "That it is a square world." Mr. Stephen packed illustrations, sound, visual effects and even jokes into his time, whilst Mr. Luce, having eaten the prophetic roll, denounced angelically as heretics all those who did not believe in the saucer shaped world.

All the competitors showed their ability to ramble about anything, at a moment's notice, in the final stages, when Martin Stephen again excelled on the topic of "Private Eye."

The difficult task of judging was performed by Mrs. Derek Holroyd, Mr. C. Holland and Dr. Mogy.

This truly remarkable event will be repeated next year when it is hoped that all halls will be represented.

RESULTS

Clive Abbott (Lyddon) beat Viv Stuart (C.M.).
Judy Howlett (Weetwood) beat Spike Hughes (Devon).
Martin Stephen (Sadler) beat David Luce (Devon).
Tony Whip (C.M.) beat David Luce after a tie in the repechage.

FINAL

Winner: Martin Stephen drawn Private Eye.
Second: Tony Whip drawn Chastity.
Third: Clive Abbott drawn Mini Skirts.
Fourth: Judy Howlett drawn L.C.T.

Catholic

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE has sent letters to the Catholic University, Milan, expressing the Union's support for 150 students who were recently sent down for demanding administrative reforms.

The letter to the President wished the students "every success in your campaign to reform your University and assure you of the support of students at Leeds University."

STUDENT LIFE, a newspaper launched by the advertising brokers' Educational Publications (Partners) Ltd., is banned from sale in the Union Shop. This decision was taken by U.C. on Monday. An emergency motion at NUS Council which condemned the newspaper was supported by over thirty delegations. U.C.'s action follows many Unions throughout the country who have banned the publication.

'Student Life' have announced that they are aiming to get a circulation of 100,000, mainly by distribution through Student Unions. They have approached the Editorial staff of various student papers and suggested that the staff sell 'Student Life' (at 6d. a copy) and keep the proceeds. All these offers have been refused.

'Student Life' representatives called at the Union on Thursday and persuaded Male Vice-President John Tough to accept 1,100 copies. Tough agreed to suggest to Mr. Graveling that 500 should be sold in Union shop and 600 should be offered to local colleges. He then left for NUS Council.

After protests by members of Leeds Exec. at the NUS Conference, Tough agreed to phone through to withdraw the papers. He changed his mind, however.

U.C.

At Tuesday's Union Committee, Tough tabled a motion "that in spite of the questionable method which 'Student Life' used, it would be sold in the Union Shop but not distributed through the Union to Leeds colleges."

Tough said he thought 'Student Life' should be sold in the Union. He did not believe that 'Student Life' would necessarily take advertising from Union News and he considered the advertising

brokers who had warned that advertising revenue would dwindle to almost nothing if 'Student Life' became established were alarmists.

There was some laughter when Tough said that he had been seen by the 'Student Life' representatives, "who happened to have 1,100 copies with them."

He concluded by saying that he did not accept there would be a bad effect on advertising.

"KILLING OFF"

Straw said that the most important reason for ban of 'Student Life' was that their advertising rates would undercut and kill every student paper in the country. He quoted the killing off of the local Press after commercial television had taken their advertising revenue. "We stab ourselves in the back," he concluded, "if we sell 'Student Life' in the Union."

The Committee decided to reject Tough's motion and instruct Philip Kelly to write to 'Student Life' asking them to remove their copies of the paper from the Union.

Reg. Gratton, Union News Editor, said: "In the last analysis the choice is a Union subsidy of £700 a term or banning 'Student Life'. Union News has been running for twenty years—I'd hate to see it go just so someone could make a few bob!"



UNIVERSITY GET TRIBOLOGY DEP.

AN Institute of Tribology, a study concerned basically with friction and wear in metals, has been set up within the University's Department of Mechanical Engineering. The unit will be integrated with the country's existing long term tribology research programme. It has been estimated that implementation of fundamental tribological principles would result in savings of up to £515 million a year to British industry.

The new department, which was announced by Technology Minister Mr. Wedgwood on Wednesday, will have as its head Professor Duncan Dowson, who in 1966, was made the first Professor of Tribology in the United Kingdom.

A grant of £75,000 has been made by the Ministry of Technology to assist in the establishment of the department during its first two years. The department will be housed in the Mechanical Engineering building and its day-to-day administration has been allocated to a full-time manager.

UNIQUE

An M.Sc. course in Tribology has already been in existence in the University for three years. The course is unique in this country and 16 postgraduates have already obtained a second degree in it.

Thirteen students are at present pursuing the course.

The new department will integrate with the M.Sc. course and will also provide practical assistance to industrial interests. In addition to providing an advisory service to industry, it is capable of undertaking development and research work for various organizations.

REPORT IS WELCOMED

"OFFICIAL recognition has at last been given to something for which students have been fighting for years," was how Wendy Mann of Southampton described the Lately Report on the Age of Majority which recommends the lowering of the Age of Majority to 18.

The Council in passing the motion accepting the Report especially welcomed the Committee's recommendation that all students should be allowed to lease flats without the need for a parent or guarantor entering into the contract.

Sugar Lou dissolved

THE Sugar Lou Blues Band, a student Soul and Blues group formed one year ago, broke up finally last week because of lack of bookings. The group, which had played at Union Hops and the Strawberry Alarm Clock was planning to break up at Christmas due to the engagement of lead guitarist Pat Dean and the decision of singer Don Barrs to concentrate on his Finals, but decided to finish prematurely because the Union cancelled their engagement for next week's hop.

Spokesman Mike Tinsley said the group had lots of fans, but the new group formed by ex-Sugar Lou members was a complete departure from their old style. It is a soul group named 'The Hobbit Omnibus.' Tinsley hopes it will be a greater financial success than the Sugar Lous. Their first Leeds booking is planned for next term.

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