

## STUDY NEARER HOME

### V-C's space solution

SIR ROGER STEVENS, the Vice-Chancellor has suggested that because of accommodation problems students should be encouraged to go to a University near their home. He told a meeting of the University Court on Wednesday, "For the time, at least, it may be necessary to devise means for encouraging applicants to go if they can—physically and academically—to a University within reach of home."

### U.C. in brief

MONDAY'S Union Committee lasted three and a half hours and:—

—agreed that all Union society accounts be transferred to the Union bankers by December 1.

—heard that football machines will be installed in the Social Room and Machine Room, since there are no other places available.

—heard that purchase of an apron stage, costing £200, for Riley-Smith Hall is being looked into by the Union Steward.

—agreed that Union members should be able to apply for postal votes while they are studying out of Leeds and that copies of Union News be sent to them.

—heard that it's still the policy of the Union to recommend to the Catering Officer that no South African fruit be sold in the University.

—heard that provision be made for two members of Executive Committee to be in Exec. Office between 12 o'clock and 2 p.m.

—heard that Vicky Flek has resigned as Catering Secretary.

—agreed not to allow the formation of an Anglo-Rhodesian Society within the Union.

—elected Ian Shuttleworth to the post of Catering Secretary, Graham Oakes as House Secretary, Miss Sue Shafer to Press and Publicity Committee, and D. Macfarland to the House Committee.

—heard that six Magiboards be purchased at a cost of about £30 for use inside and outside the Union.

### Debates

By JOHN JONES

THE cream of four universities combined to make Wednesday's debate perhaps the best of the term. Alan Hunt and Victor McColl made a most welcome return to speak with Jack Straw and Ian Taylor on the motion that "This House would be a Radical Student."

Proposing, Alan Hunt maintained that pressures outside university discouraged radicalism and it was too easy to sleep through three years at university. We should oppose even trivial matters threatening the future of education. He concluded that the inability to counter the "Acceptance" society by radicalism indicated failure as human beings.

Victor McColl, of Strathclyde, Chairman of the Federation of Conservative Students, asked the House not to confuse radicalism with the ability to change events. He said that he differed from Alan Hunt in that he believed in speaking in society's own language and in getting results. Demonstrations alienated public support, whereas non-radical, reasoning behaviour was more effective. He showed real mastery of hecklers during his speech.

Jack Straw saw no inconsistency between demonstrations and pressure-group tactics. Politicians listened to pressure-groups not because they were well dressed and conservative, but because they had power behind them. Students had no economic power over the Government but did have the power to cause inconvenience.

Ian Taylor, of Keele and L.S.E., opposed student radicalism because it was too much involved in external politics. No student group such as the N.U.S. could speak with the authority of all its members and pronouncements on external affairs frequently lost public support. Politics should be confined to political societies.

From the floor, Mark Mitchell explained that education competed with defence in the national budget and, consequently, students could not be divorced from such issues as defence.

Despite having been preceded by lengthy Private Members' Business, the debate was well attended at the end, when 63 voted for the motion and 37 against, with 16 abstentions.

### REAPPRAISAL

"Many, I know, will be shocked to hear this. But if we want to make a University education available to all who are willing and able to take advantage of it at a time of heavy competing demands on limited national resources, some cherished practices may have to undergo an agonizing reappraisal."

Suggesting stay-at-home students, Sir Roger said the whole problem of accommodation—a national problem—was being urgently examined by the committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals.

At Leeds, student population increased by 780 this year and almost all of this increase had been accommodated in lodgings and flats.

No new university-built accommodation had been opened this year and very little further building was in sight. Additionally, almost all the increase was made up of undergraduates.

### DRASTIC

After the meeting, Sir Roger said he did not envisage anything terribly drastic. At the moment a student rarely put his home university on his U.C.C.A. application forms. He was suggesting that where the student was within range of his home university, and providing this taught the course he wanted to study, that university should be put on his U.C.C.A. form. Scottish Universities already had a higher percentage of students living at home.

Referring to the current lodgings situation, he said there was scope for finding good lodgings within a 10-mile radius, but students would prefer to pay a less economic rent for closer accommodation rather than having to travel.

### NEGATION

Union President Jack Straw said Sir Roger's suggestion was a "Negation of what a university should be."

"Universities like Leeds have only gained in status since they stopped being local universities," he added.

"I think that if regionalisation of intake was to be adopted on a large scale by Leeds, there would be a decline in standards and certainly in extra-curricular activities, which are such an important part of university life."

"This policy is quite incompatible with the Government's stated policy of rationalisation of university courses," he said.

### FINANCES

WARNING that the University was facing a period of severe financial stringency during the next four years was given by the Vice-Chancellor on Wednesday.

He gave the warning after telling the University Court that Leeds had been told by the University Grants Committee what grants they would be receiving.

### STRINGENCY

Mr. Douglas Crockett, Chairman of the University Finance Committee, said the Committee's prime object was likely to be the maintenance of existing standards in a time of increasing financial stringency rather than the expansion of activities to which we had grown accustomed.

Although more students meant more fee income the actual cost of providing a place in the University greatly exceeded the fee.

Accordingly, to maintain teaching standards with an increase in student numbers, the University would be dependent on increasing grants from the Exchequer.

Fees at present produced just under one-tenth of the amount received direct from the Treasury, £532,000 a year against £5,356,000 (76% of the total income).

Commenting on the introduction—in January—of the system of making University accounts available to the Comptroller and Auditor General, he said the Finance Committee would co-operate.

### VOLUNTARILY

It was better that the University should do things voluntarily rather than as a result of the Controller and Auditor General's investigations.

But, he warned, "In this field the cheapest is not necessarily the best in the long run."

We all hoped the Auditor General would be aware of this and also aware that "men and women distinguished in the academic world cannot work effectively if they are subject either to regimentation or to petty restrictions."

Above all, he should be aware that this University learnt the virtues of economy during a long period of self-help and "watching the pennies" years ago, long before the period of massive State assistance.



Flashback to February, when 2,000 Leeds students marched in protest at the rise in overseas students' fees. Nine months later, the Government reconsiders.

## Govt. climbs down on overseas fees

THE Government is to introduce an award scheme for students from developing countries, to help offset the increase in fees for overseas students. It will come into effect in the Academic Year 1968/69.

Announcing the scheme in the House of Commons on Thursday, the Minister of Overseas Development, Mr. R. E. Prentice, said that the awards will cover fees at Universities and other institutions in this country. "Funds for the scheme," he said, "will be provided over and above those already allocated to overseas aid." He will invite the universities and other bodies to discuss the details.

### CRITICISMS

It is expected that the scheme will cost £500,000 and when fully in operation, 2,000 students from developing countries will benefit from it.

Mr. Prentice admitted that this award was a reply to the criticisms heaped on the ex-Secretary of State for Education and Science, Mr. Anthony Crosland,

after the rise in fees was introduced last January.

Mr. Geoff Martin, President of the N.U.S., considered the award to be "More than just a face-saving measure," but a genuine attempt to rectify any impression that the original increase was racially discriminating. He said that the original Government action resulted from various mistakes. He believed that the Government may have been obliged to attempt to end an open-ended situation, but blundered in the execution.

He agreed that the measure was an attempt to help underdeveloped countries rather than industrialised countries. African and Asian students need more help than students of America and Scandinavia and that if choice were necessary, the Government had made the right one.

The original intention of the Government when it increased fees was to save £2 million. £500,000 has already been allocated to the Hardship Fund, and this new scheme will cost a further £500,000. When allied with the increased cost met by the universities themselves, which will eventually rebound on the Treasury, the overall saving is likely to be minimal.

Mr. Martin said that the universities had played a significant role in influencing the Government, but had not played the primary role. He went on to say that the universities did not pay enough attention to the problems of overseas students.

### BLUNDER

Jack Straw, President of the Union and N.U.S. Vice-President, thought that the scheme was "Part of the Government's backpedalling operation to cover up the blunder of the original decision to raise overseas students' fees. It is very unlikely that when the cost of the hardship funds, and funds allocated by individual universities and the cost of administration are taken into account, whether any saving at all will have been made as a result of the rise in fees."

### Arts Sec with Irish marchers QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY, Belfast, staged a Republican Club march on Wednesday.

The club was formed after the Government had declared Republican Clubs subversive organizations and banned them throughout Northern Ireland.

Queen's students marched through the streets of Belfast accompanied by a few foreign students wanting to show international student solidarity.

Among them was Dick Wilcox, Leeds Arts Festival Secretary, in Belfast to debate at the University.

Full story in next issue—External page.

## Stop press

John Sprack, President-elect of the National Union of South African Students, who was recently deported from South Africa, is to speak in the

TV Lounge next Wednesday at 1 p.m.

Dennis Healey, Minister of Defence, will not be coming to the Union today after all. No reason has been given.

### Pop-group slates Steward

PETE QUAIFE of the Kinks has criticised the Union Steward, Mr. Graveling, in the pop magazine "Melody Maker". Mr. Graveling was not mentioned by name, but other sources make it clear to whom Quaipe was referring.

### SMUGGLED

While talking about the bad image of the pop world, Quaipe mentioned an incident during Rag Ball in which beer was taken out of the Bar and given to the Kinks in their dressing room. Quaipe said, "Students had to smuggle it in under their coats, and we thanked them for doing us a favour. Then suddenly this bloke walked in and all the students stiffened."

According to a witness, one of the Kinks then said, "Look here, little man, what do you want?"

### YOBBS

Quaipe claimed in the article that Mr. Graveling had called them "a load of yobbs" and that he wanted them out of the Union half an hour after their appearance.

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## STUDENTS AND HOME

**THE VICE-CHANCELLOR** said on Wednesday in his statement to the Court that he belonged to a school of thought which would encourage students, in the future, to attend their home town university to help ease the serious accommodation problem.

This week, Union News has spotlighted this problem, and it is evident that in Leeds many lodgings are far from satisfactory, and that no U.G.C. subsidised accommodation is being built over the next five years. Therefore, something must be done. But a regionalisation of intake is not the answer. It is admitting defeat in the face of the Government and this is not the attitude that any university body should adopt. Universities must stand firm and convince the Government that this problem is all too serious, and that money for accommodation must be given, if not as a capital grant, at least as a loan, to be paid back over an extended period. Failing this, every effort must be made to streamline Lodgings Offices.

The question of regionalisation of intake raises so many issues important to the idea and purpose of a University. A University education is important, not only for the course of study it involves, but for extra-curricular activities, which allows the student who indulges in them to widen his experience and develop his personality. A student living at home, as is often the case at the moment, will be unlikely to take advantage of these activities.

Many students would prefer not to take a degree at all if they were told to take it living at home. A new environment for three or four years is a challenging experience and one that is very much part of a University education.

If this scheme were introduced, even on a small scale, for those students involved, a University would be simply an extension of school. Students have often been called immature and irresponsible. There would be an element of truth in this if students were tied to the apron strings of home. At the moment about 16% of students at Leeds live at home or with relatives. This is too many. Students should be encouraged NOT to live at home or with relatives.

It may be more comfortable and it may ease the accommodation problem, but what's more important, home comfort or a full University education?

## ANGLO-RHODESIAN SOCIETY

AS you can read on Page 3, last Monday's Union Committee passed the Debates motion calling for it to prohibit the formation of a Union Anglo-Rhodesian Society.

This prohibition virtually tells the 50 people, who as a Constitutional necessity signed the petition requesting the formation of the Society, that their views are extremist, dangerous, and may not be expressed in the Union.

Marxist Society, Communist and Conservative Societies and Direct Action are scarcely majority groups, but their formation was never contested in this way.

Nor is Union Committee a unanimous voice, especially with an 11-5 vote with three abstentions, a vote for which an overseas student requested a secret ballot to ensure the free expression of views without the fear of, perhaps, ostracism, if a politically unacceptable vote was cast.

What right has U.C. to take this sort of decision, to say which political viewpoint may be expressed in the Union and which may not?

Last time it tried, attempting to keep a ban on Sir Gerald Nabarro and Peter Griffiths from entering the Union, the matter was taken to an O.G.M. by the ban lifters.

The establishment told us that the Ordinary Union Member did not want such evil men to enter the portals of this building. But the O.U.M. voted conclusively for the lifting of the ban.

The question of the formation of this Society will go before an O.G.M., where reason rather than petty political and personality issues decides the voting.

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## Parry Report — fears justified

DEAR SIR,

Mr. Pipe's reply to my letter on the Parry Report indicates I think some of the problems of trying to see education in this country as a whole, rather than focusing on a particular aspect of the system.

I agree with Mr. Pipe that the Parry Report is in many respects a good document. The motion proposed by NUS sub-committee showed that in fact we did not totally disagree with it.

However, while I agree with Mr. Pipe that in abstract terms, University Libraries can be viewed "by themselves," concretely, it is preposterous to suggest that "we must not confuse (grant and means test problems) with the question of the best way to administer a book grant." If £35 of a student's grant is replaced by book vouchers, this will most certainly increase student hardship, regardless of whether the voucher scheme itself is efficient or administratively unworkable.

I also agree with the reasons behind the Parry Report's suggestion that if students were to buy more of their basic text books for themselves, this would leave the Universities more money to purchase additional texts for further reading.

But again, Mr. Pipe is refusing to see this suggestion in its wider educational perspective. The present Government is looking hard at the Universities to try and save public money in this field. The classic example of this penny pinching was, of course, the increase in overseas students' fees: an increase that will save the country a mere

five million pounds in five years' time, and much less than that in the intervening years. The continued fears of student loans, the cut back on equipment and research grants—all of these indicate the Government's determination to 'save money' in higher education.

Thus, I believe our fears over the Parry Report are justified—after all, no matter how worthy the original motivation of the members of the Committee, in the final reckoning, it is the politicians who will put the plans into operation, and with the Government's past, we just cannot afford to take the risk.

Yours sincerely,

MARK MITCHELL.  
Leeds University Union.

## Car Park problems

DEAR SIR,

Further to the complaints about the lack of safety precautions on the building site route to the car park, may I point out that the said car park leaves much to be desired in other respects.

Firstly, the long route to it, for anyone coming from the Otley direction can add about a quarter of an hour to the time taken over the journey, for after going virtually into the city centre, then up in the car park, there is a considerable walk up to the University.

Secondly the state of the road surfaces around the car park is deplorable. After three weeks at the university I had to change a badly-pitted and broken-walled tyre on my car which before I

DEAR SIR,

We have been told that student participation in University government is an important aim of this Union. Too often this remains an abstract slogan to most Union members. May I, however, bring to your attention an administrative decision on which students could and should have been widely consulted.

All arts and social studies students are aware of the shortage of library books. Despite this, the Brotherton Library has doubled the time period for which books are lent from two to four weeks, and no explanation has been given to library users. This decision inevitably slows the circulation of books. We are all guilty of keeping out books we are not using—now it is a month before we are reminded of their idle existence on the bookshelf. Moreover, it is now two weeks before a book can be recalled. This is totally inconvenient for students working to a weekly tutorial system. Searching for books becomes a disheartening task. Social studies students

spend literally hours a week looking for books which are rarely on the shelves when needed.

This administrative decision has worsened an already bad situation, in my opinion, a good case for a shortening of the lending period to one week, as successfully worked by certain departmental libraries. Considering the present book shortage, the recent change in rules seems a drastic step in the wrong direction.

It is to be hoped this decision will soon be reconsidered, and that some attempt be made to consider the opinions of students, who form the great majority of users of the library.

Meanwhile, the perennial problem of too many students chasing too few books gets ever worse.

Yours faithfully,

ANN M. ROBERTS

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## Reel let down

DEAR SIR,

I have just returned from the fourth Sunday Cinema film of this session — depressed for the fourth time.

I originally queued up clutching my precious five bob to get a ticket for doses of quick-action, forget - about - money, Christmas-presents and Charles-Morris-Hall-food potion, but have been thoroughly disillusioned by the choices so far.

Are the morbid mob who choose these films without any sense of humour? Please can we have a bit of light relief sometimes; a comedy or two would be desirable, but not essential—just something that isn't about people who are complete failures in life.

I can't last out on "Tom and Jerry" much longer.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Annette Ferrar.

Charles Morris Hall,  
Leeds 2.

## Trying to help

DEAR SIR,

Is the Debates Committee scared? The aim of Mr. R. Lyne as quoted in Union News, November 10th, was surely to help the Debating Society. Despite this, he appears to have provoked a defensive reaction amongst its chief members. If someone feels strongly enough to prepare and deliver a reasoned criticism of the Society, I would suggest he should not be ignored. He is representing many people's feelings; membership of the Society comprises the 7,500 members of the Union; average attendance for the debates is about 100. Something is wrong and Mr. Lyne has provided a constructive basis for reform.

Yours sincerely,

John Parbury,

Leeds University Union.

## The missing ENTS men

DEAR SIR,

A lot of people in and around the Union have said to me that they thought last Saturday's Hop, social or whatever was sub-standard. In couching their criticism in these terms they imply that Ents fell from its own high standards.

Ents have a basically sound approach; get a good group and a good crowd and let it happen. It usually does! If, however, things start to go wrong, why can't an announcement be made as soon as it starts. The incident which prompts these remarks is that of Stevie Winwood having to shout out that "Traffic" were without microphones, in order to keep the audience from becoming more than disenchanted. This announcement should, in my opinion, have been made by a member of Ents, and I noticed several on hand at the time.

Surely someone on Ents doesn't want to see such good groundwork wasted for want of the proper finishing touches.

Yours sincerely,

M. J. P. BURNS.

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## Pastures for P.G. Agric ?

DEAR SIR,

We were greatly distressed to hear of the disappointment of the P.G. AGRIC and his friends in the Union Bar, at the Saturday Union Hop. He has our greatest sympathy, but the atmosphere of a cattle-market is not exactly conducive to friendly relations between the sexes.

Girls hate the "ordeal" too, and this is our first experience of the "great university life". Most, having experienced the horrors, avoid the hop or go merely for the dance surrounded by females to ward off the wolves.

Written sincerely,

FEMALE FRESHERS.

DEAR SIR,

As members of the fair sex, we would like to contradict a 'Disappointed P.G. Agric' in last week's Union News. As for our point of view, it is hardly any wonder that we look miserable, as it takes approximately three hours and 10 pints for the opposite sex to build up courage to ask us poor under privileged wallflowers for a trot round the palais and a swig at the bar!! If we all make a supreme effort with the proposal, "It's all 'appenin' ere", we might make some progress.

Come on, fellas, 'You can do better than this', even if you do like propping up the bar.

(Signed)

11 HOPEFUL FEMALES.

## Russian telegram 'untimely'

DEAR SIR,

The decision of Executive Committee to send a message of congratulations to the Russian Ambassador on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the Revolution is in my opinion both an untimely and unjustified gesture. At the present time there are few more clear indications of the cruel and barbaric nature of the Soviet regime, than its intransigence in the case of the imprisoned British lecturer, Gerald Brooke.

It is significant that the Russians didn't take advantage of the amnesty during the Revolution celebrations to release Mr. Brooke, whose state of health was then described as very poor.

It might be added that Mrs. Brooke has not seen her husband for eighteen months.

For Executive Committee, speaking as it does for the whole of the Union, to offer congratulations to such a regime is an action contradictory to certain basic human ideals, which are, or ought to be, dear to every Union member. Fifty years of totalitarianism is a sad and disturbing thought; it is lamentable that Leeds University Executive Committee feels itself obligated to commend it.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,

GARY WILLIAMS.

Leeds University Union.

## BROTHERTON LIBRARY

If you have any complaints or suggestions about the library, please let Jack Straw know by Wednesday, November 22. Any such suggestions/complaints can then be included on the agenda of the Library Committee meeting with the Union on Dec. 6.

Thank you,

JACK STRAW,  
President.

## 'Shocked' - reply

DEAR SIR,

Last week "another shocked parent" stated that he or she would like to have some information regarding the achievements of students. Therefore, I suggest that a Births, Deaths and Marriages column is included in future editions of Union News.

Yours faithfully,

J.H.M.

## Open letter to S. Burtenshaw

DEAR SIR,

Many thanks for your kind words in respect of Refectory food and service. The effect of this letter on the staff was remarkable. To know that at least someone appreciates their efforts made them feel ten feet tall. We sincerely hope that many more people feel much the same way and everybody will certainly continue to give of their best to ensure the Refectory remains "the tops".

Yours sincerely,

T. GREENHALGH  
(University Catering Officer).

## POLEMICOS

PHILIP KELLY, Secretary of Union and a member of the National Council of the Liberal Party, writes:—

Dennis Healey, the Minister of Defence and M.P. for Leeds South-East, is in the Union today, speaking in the Riley Smith Hall at 1 p.m. on "Force and Foreign Policy." He should know.

In 1966, when I was living at Beeston, I remember getting his election address through the door of my digs. I remember how he promised then that Labour, if returned with a full majority, would scrap Britain's nuclear deterrent, withdraw from East of Suez and cut down on all Defence spending. Also, there was to be renewed commitment to restructure British industry and speed on the white heat of the technological revolution.

Since that election, of course, a change has come over the Labour Government. Now they are building a status symbol, Polaris submarine fleet, at a cost of at least £55 million each. These submarines will be obsolete by 1970, assuming, of course, that none of them are still stuck on mud-banks.

They are buying American F-11 planes which are meant for pacification role East of Suez, which will be serviced from islands in the Indian Ocean like Aldabra, on which they are dumping petrol and asking people not to bomb if there's a war; these aircraft are obsolete now.

And to pay for this memory of imperial splendour they are imposing wage freezes to keep their credit good for the world bankers and, hence, increasing unemployment, destroying any hope of real change in the structure of industry, cutting overseas aid and increasing overseas students' fees, and lowering our prestige abroad.

Generally, they are behaving just like the Tories. Dennis Healey, a former Communist Party member, is coming to Leeds to defend this conservatism. I hope that as many people as can go to this meeting will not hesitate to forcibly remind him of this.

The Daily Mirror held a dinner this week to salute Leeds, one of Britain's Boom Cities. As they said, 'All the guests were V.I.P.s.' And Sir Leslie Rowan came out with typical V.I.P. sentiments when he said that Britain's attitudes were basically right, but we needed to work harder and strike less. Lest anybody take this as a subtle insight into the social and structural failings of British society, it ought to be pointed out that Leslie Rowan is Chairman of Vicker's, the company which makes a fortune out of the British taxpayer through armaments contracts. And the net result of us all working harder and striking less would be more profits for Sir Leslie and his friends. Surprise, Surprise.

# Anglo-Rhodesia Society chopped by U.C.

**PLANS to form a Union branch of the Anglo-Rhodesian Society received a further setback on Monday night. A proposal calling on U.C. not to allow its formation was passed after a secret ballot.**

Defending the aims of the proposed Society, Conservative President Ian Shuttleworth claimed that the proposers of the motion opposing the formation, passed in debates a fortnight ago, had not seen its constitution. However, amendments had been made in its wording that the Society "would now strive to help all Rhodesians, regardless of colour."

### MINORITY

He stressed that he was opposed to Apartheid or any form of race discrimination, but that in this case it was a question of whether the Union is going to support freedom of speech.

While acknowledging that the Anglo-Rhodesian Society was a minority group, Shuttleworth emphasised that the Communist, Liberal, Socialist and Conservative Societies are also minority groups.

"Even though I disagree with the aims of the Marxist and Communist Societies, I would support their right to freedom of speech," he concluded.

### VICIOUS

Andy Tyacke, the Student Treasurer, said that if Shuttleworth was so keen on freedom

of speech, he would call the Society, "Democracy in Rhodesia Society". He argued that the national Anglo-Rhodesian Society was a "vicious, extreme right wing" body. Any branch formed in this Union would automatically be identified with the national movement.

Ex-Vice-President Mark Mitchell opposed formation of such a Society. Since the Union's opposition to racial oppression was internationally recognized, Leeds would seem to be facing in two directions.

Association with the Anglo-Rhodesian Society would be given an excess of publicity, while the fact that the Union belonged to the Committee against Racial Discrimination would be overlooked.

Union Secretary Phil Kelly claimed that the national Anglo-Rhodesian Society was intent on weakening the Government's opposition to the Smith regime. If a branch was formed in the Union, Rhodesian newspapers would give publicity to the fact that an influential British University had declared its support for the Smith regime, he added.

### REPRISALS

A secret ballot was conducted when a member suggested that there might be reprisals against certain Union Committee members if the voting was made public. Final figures were— for, 11; against, 5; abstentions, 3.

Mr. Shuttleworth's next chance to have his proposal to form the Society ratified will be at the next Ordinary General Meeting, to be held in December. If support is not forthcoming, it will be the first time that permission to form a Society has been refused since 1946, when formation of a Fascist Society was disallowed.

After the meeting, Shuttleworth criticized Union Committee for falling down on ordinary members' interests. However, he believed that the Society would be formed once the main points of the case could be put across at a Union O.G.M.

He thought that certain members of Union Committee, particularly Executive members, were more interested in their political futures than in serving the Union member.

### OPPORTUNISTS

Phil Kelly commented, "This accusation is obviously directed

against myself and Andy Tyacke. Shuttleworth has no idea what Executive does. He's divorced from the Union."

Andy Tyacke thought that Shuttleworth was "a particularly low form of political opportunist. He's a silly little boy caught up in things too big for him to understand."

The last word was with Shuttleworth. "I'm determined to form this Society," he concluded.

## Wrong tack

INSTALLATION of a Mag-neta tannoy system in the Union caused trouble with the switchboard at the beginning of the week.

All outside calls were interfered with until the source of the trouble was eventually traced on Monday afternoon.

Electricians installing the system had put some extra cables in one of the ducts. When the duct was fastened back by the maintenance men, a nail entered one of the G.P.O. cables there.

## Knight caught on the hop

A VISOR and helmet were stolen from Weetwood Hall last Friday.

The equipment belonged to a suit of armour which had been hired for the Friday 'Jousting Hop'. The suit had been hired from Homburgs, the costume rental service, with a deposit of seven pounds.

It had been hired purely for decorative purposes, since it was too heavy to dance in.

The hirer appealed today for its return since his deposit is in danger.

A member of the Hall said, "This is typical of the University knights: they carry off the decorations instead of the damsels."



Treasurer Andy Tyacke supporting the motion

## BOOKWORMS GET COLD FEET

"IT'S a bit of a dump," was how one student described the Cavendish Road Reading Room, opened in its new form for the first time this term. The reading room occupies the aisle of what once was a church and students have complained that it is too cold, too far away, too noisy and contains too few books.

The extension was intended as a place of reference and contains further copies of some books in Bay H of the Brotherton Library, and other relevant books suggested by the different departments.

### NUMBERS CHECK

The Library authorities are keeping a check on the number of students using the Library, which is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays and until 5 p.m. on Saturdays, and 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sundays.

The librarian on duty counts the number of students using the hall at three specific times during the day. Though there are seats for 112 students, the highest number so far recorded in the room this term has been only 21, and on nine occasions there has been no one there at all to count.

They would make no comment when asked if they thought

the building was too cold, but said that some people get cold more quickly than others—though one solution might be to warm up the library earlier, they suggested. They did not consider the building too far away: "It depends where you start from," was one comment.

### REASONABLE SELECTION

The authorities maintained that though there might be gaps in the number of books available in some subjects, "the majority have a reasonable selection."

It was pointed out that students can suggest books for addition to the Library and details could be obtained from the Brotherton. The immediate reaction of most students to the reading room was to ask: "Where is it?" Most of them, particularly first year students did not know of its existence, but Victor West, first year Eng. Hist. student, who uses the building every day, thought this was its greatest virtue.

## Oakes back again

**GRAHAM OAKES, a third year theology student, was elected unopposed as House Secretary at Monday's Union Committee meeting. He has already served in this position throughout the past year, but did not stand again at the end of last term.**

John Tough took over the job briefly, but resigned after his recent success in the Vice-Presidential elections.

Graham commented: "As no other candidates appeared to be forthcoming, I felt duty-bound to stand again."

He no longer feels reluctant to accept the position because the duties of the House Secretary have recently been reviewed and some of the work burden has been transferred to the permanent staff, whom he has found particularly co-operative.

When asked what he thought the job would now involve, he replied: "Last year I was prevented by pressure of work, and attending committee meetings, from spending as much time as I would have liked just meeting members and discussing the various problems which arise." He believes that the Executive should not be cut off from the student body and hopes to be able to act as a liaison between the numerous committees upon which he sits—nine in all—and the student population.

When asked about his Union political future, he replied: "My aim is to serve the Union in whatever capacity it calls me to do so."

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## STUDENT WORLD



**POLAND**  
STUDENTS and staff at Warsaw University have been asked to help "in unmasking enemies concealed under the guise of allegedly fictitious figures and heroes" in a novel by Polish writer Nina Karsow. Miss Karsow was last week sentenced to three years' imprisonment after a secret trial. She was writing a book about secret police trials which have been taking place in Poland and seem to be directed against the growing political freedom of the universities.

**SOUTH AMERICA**  
STUDENTS in South America have been organising strikes in protest against University administration. The Peruvian Students' Union staged a 48-hour strike at the end of last month as a protest against attacks on university autonomy and the imprisonment of students and student representatives. Students in Chile have been on strike since the beginning of July in an attempt to force through a reform of the University administration and to gain a wider participation in the decisions of the University.

**SOUTH AFRICA**  
CHRIS PRITCHARD, editor of 'Varsity', the students' magazine of the University of Cape Town, has condemned the banning of the magazine as an example of naked censorship. Dr. J. D. Duminy, who is rector of the University, banned Varsity 'for moral reasons' because of four articles published in it in recent weeks. Two of these articles criticised the rector and the University Council for their attitude to apartheid on the campus. A third dealt with the question, "Is God dead?" and contained a student's remark that "God was not dead but had only begun to stink"; and the fourth was about a Swedish happening.

**AUSTRALIA**  
A GROUP of students and junior staff in Sydney are seriously thinking of organising an experimental 'free university' next year. They are dissatisfied with the trend of modern universities towards purely vocational training, and they want to set up a community of scholars pursuing learning for its own sake. They hope to hire a house or studio near Sydney University for the necessary classes, offices and recreation rooms. Eligibility for entry would be left to the teachers.

**PARIS**  
MORE than two thousand students staged a demonstration last Friday evening during the ceremony for the beginning of the academic year at Paris University. The demonstration was against the working conditions in the University and the plan to limit the number of students admitted to universities in future. It was held in the Rue Soufflot, in front of the offices of the French National Union of Students. All the roads round the Sorbonne, where the ceremony was taking place, were blocked by barriers of police with rifles. Police vans were parked everywhere and fire engines patrolled slowly up and down the Boulevard Saint Michel. There were only minor scuffles between the police and a few students who were pushed against them by the weight of the crowd, although the student leaders later referred to "police repression."

**MOZAMBIQUE**  
ACCORDING to a report in 'Le Monde', more than 70 African students have been held for at least two years in Mozambique gaols without trial. The students' condemnation to five to seven years' imprisonment, by simple edict of the Portuguese authorities, is an illegal procedure in violation of explicit constitutional rights. The students were apparently accused of wanting to flee Mozambique to study abroad. Because of Portugal's segregation and cultural repression policies, African students seriously wishing to continue their education have to travel beyond the borders of Mozambique.

## ABERDEEN VANDALS

"FOR too long we have all had to subsidise hooliganism." This was the message put across by Aberdeen University Union President in a speech showing the necessity to get tough with University vandals.

"For too long the majority have subserved a malicious minority."

"Since term started, two of the ladies' hair-driers have been torn out and deliberately destroyed, and an entire toilet door unit has had to be replaced. These incidents have not had the slightest semblance of an accident."

### 'GRAFFITI'

"Again, there is a lunatic

# Plain clothes Police clash with students

TWO students from Queen Mary College, London, appeared in West Ham Magistrates' Court last week accused of insulting behaviour liable to cause a breach of the peace. One of them, James Birrell, was further charged with assaulting a police officer in the course of his duty.

Evidence from the police and the students was found to conflict on several points.

### POLICE 'UNKEMPT'

The incident occurred opposite the Upper Cut Club, where a fight had just ended and uniformed police were present.

Birrell noticed a man staring at him from the window of a Jaguar car and remarked, "How about the breathalyser test for him, then?" The man, who later identified himself as a police officer, took the remark as an insult and with two other officers, all "unkempt and one bearded" tried to force the two students into a car.

The police claimed that Birrell had used insulting language to a woman, and when asked to 'move along', had refused to do so. Birrell was said to have pushed an officer in the throat while he was being forced to enter the unmarked police car, and the officer claimed that the resultant bruising had involved him in a seven guinea doctor's fee.

### NO IDENTIFICATION

The officers were all in jumpers, anoraks and jeans, so that the students at first doubted whether they were policemen. They produced no means of identification until a uniformed officer was called over to establish their identity.

Birrell stated that he pushed the bearded officer in the face, not the throat, and he and the other student, Richard Burnapp, claimed that at the police station they were several times refused permission to use the telephone and the toilet.

### LEGAL AID

Neither student was granted legal aid and their costs of £20 each have been loaned them personally by the acting head of Birrell's department, Dr. C. V. Bock. Mr. Garrity, of the N.U.S. legal department has since stated that all students, independent of means, should be granted legal aid and N.U.S. are enquiring into the matter.

The case brought by the police was dismissed but both defendants were given a warning.

## Drug case Editor reprieved

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY'S Student Representative Council met last week to discuss the motion that "The Executive suspends the Editor of 'Student' immediately and recommends his dismissal." This motion followed the publication in 'Student' of an article on L.S.D.

The first part of the motion, concerning the editor's suspension, was ratified unanimously, but the S.R.C. defeated the motion calling for his dismissal, whilst dissociating themselves from his actions.

The S.R.C. Treasurer attempted to uphold the Executive decision to suspend the editor, Hugh Griffiths, by emphasising that the issue was not fundamentally about drug-taking or censorship but about the editor's future. The nature of the article, not its contents, had brought about the crisis. He went on to say that the controversial article consisted of "exhortation, not explanation" and was, therefore, biased and unrepresentative.

In reply, the Director of Publications stated that the article had raised many other issues and had provoked an unusually large response at "this notoriously apathetic University." It was also suggested that the L.S.D. article had resulted in more serious discussion on drug-taking than a more objective and informative account would have done.

The majority of views from the house supported a severe reprimand, with reinstatement, rather than dismissal.

## in brief

### EDINBURGH

EDINBURGH UNIVERSITY is to offer its hospitality and facilities to the Commonwealth Games in 1970. The competitors will stay at the Pollock Halls of residence. Facilities for them include a new £1½ million swimming pool, the Pollock gym for practice and training, and the all-weather area at Peffermill, which also has practise facilities, including a wider athletics track. Other areas of the University will be used to accommodate the Press and other bodies.

### LIVERPOOL

RAY DAVIES, leader of the Kinks pop group, is alleged to have physically assaulted the Social and Arts Secretary, Peter Chambers, after a Union hop. The incident stemmed from a dispute between the Social and Arts Committee and the Kinks about the time of the groups' arrival and the length of their performance. The Kinks went on stage late and played for half an hour instead of the agreed forty minutes. Mr. Chambers said that it was not worth prosecuting for assault as he had not been badly hurt, "but it may be that we will take action over their fee if we do not obtain satisfaction."

### YORK

WHITE students fought with a West Indian student, Bernard Wiltshire, during Rhodesian U.D.I. celebrations at the University last Saturday. The fight started when Wiltshire was asked to leave the meeting, which was organised by the University's Right-Wing Monday Club and Conservative Association. Shouting, "Black will get justice for ever," he was thrown out by a six-foot porter and three students. Said Wiltshire: "I wanted to ask a question but I wasn't allowed to, so I demonstrated my feelings. Then someone hit me before I'd finished saying what I had to." The meeting should have included a recorded speech by Rhodesian Premier Ian Smith, but the chairman, Harvey Proctor, said that he feared that there had been some intervention by the British Government and the speech had been confiscated.

### BIRMINGHAM

VICE-PRESIDENT BARBARA PHIPPS has attracted heavy criticism after sending out a questionnaire on housing to all 6,000 students on the campus. The questionnaire, which will

cost the Guild nearly £50, was said to be "entirely unwarranted" and "very inefficient." Members of Exec. complained that they had known "nothing whatsoever about it." Barbara sent out the questionnaire on behalf of the Student Housing Committee in order to try and get some facts on student housing. She admitted that the questions could have been phrased a little better, but said that the project was not unknown to Exec. since it had been mentioned at an Exec. meeting and in Council.

### BRADFORD

LAST week, 'Javelin', the Bradford University newspaper, printed an article suggesting that a contraceptive vendor should be installed in the Union. The Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Edward Edwards, protested strongly against the introduction of such a machine. "The matter of contraception and advice should best be dealt with through the medical officer at the University," he said, "and not slot machines."

### OXFORD

THE Union Library at Oxford risks prosecution under the Obscene Publications Act for possessing the controversial sex novel 'Last Exit to Brooklyn'. It was prosecuted at the Old Bailey by the Director of Public Prosecutions last Monday. Threat of prosecution did not worry Union officials, who were presented with the book two weeks ago. "I have not read it and do not know the legal situation," said Geraldine Jones, the Union's librarian. John Calder, the book's publisher, stated that "owning or possessing 'Last Exit' would be the same as having pot."

### SHEFFIELD

THERE'S a thriving black market for Union cards in the city of Sheffield, where they are being sold for as much as 30/- each. This is one of the reasons why detailed checks of Union cards will become a regular feature of Saturday nights at the University Union. Treasurer Norman Taylor said that there had been a "complaint at Question Time that there were more non-Union than Union members in the bar during the vacation." The Union did not want to run the risk of a police raid that could cost the bar its licence if there were many non-Union members in the bar.

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The jazz band at the Nag's Head

# Pub Parade



## THIS WEEK The Nag's Head with Joe Garvey

HELLO again, from Joe Garvey. So far I've only told you about city pubs of my acquaintance, but there are plenty of good ones a few miles out of town. The Nag's Head at Chapel Allerton, for instance, is easy to get to, and has the sort of cosy atmosphere that only a village pub can offer.

I went to one of its syncopated Saturday soirees, capably conducted by that bastion of tradition in jazz, "The Jubilee Music Hall Board".

Clutching my pint of Dutton's, fresh from one of the finest cellars in Leeds, I caught the glint of a saxophone and matching bald head. Then a character in a bright red shirt stood up, pulled a trumpet out of his beard, and began to play. There was an ornamental placard pinned on the curtain behind. The name of the band? No—it just said, "P - - - off".

### GOOD CROWD

'Gentleman Jim'—oompah man and founder of the six-piece ensemble—explained to me that the sign was "only for them who don't appreciate the dying art. Mind you," he added, "the regulars are a good crowd and we get small groups of students who seem to like us." He got the idea of the group, half of whom are on the dole, while bumming around

Switzerland in the days of yore.

The debauched-looking trumpeter is a Philosophy graduate of Leeds who enjoys the relaxed atmosphere: "You've got plenty of time to sit and think between numbers," he says. "And to tank up without missing anything."

### FRIENDLY

The Nag's Head was built in 1727 as a coach-house; where the bold horsemen dismounted are still to be seen. Dick Turpin frequented it, and though he may not have slept in it, his fellow-roogue, Bill Nevison, certainly did.

The landlord is friendly and mixes with his customers. His hot snacks are cheap and good. The other delicacies include a good range of stouts, the ever-popular "Oh Be Joyful" and Dutton's bitter and mild. Ask for your Dutton's raw from the wood—the band say it makes time stand still.

To get there—take a 2 or a 20 (north-bound) from Briggate or Chapel Allerton and get off at the cop-shop. Go down the first right-hand turning by the cells, and the Nag's Head is on your right.

You can see the band every Saturday night, starting at 8.30 p.m. And wash down those soothing, digestive rhythms with an appreciable pint.

## Henry Golding —

AMONG the whole race of women are many deserving special praise, but I do think there is yet one group of stout and virtuous Amazons that it doth behove me to dwell upon at some length. These women of quality will not, I hope, be offended if I give them their fit and proper title, though it doth rather seem to debase rather than exalt the nobility of their office. They are, indeed, none other than landladies.

I had, to speak truly, some little experience of the hospitality of the Northern species of this none too rare bird. Though 'twould hurt me sorely were anyone to think that I evidence any undue measure of ingratitude by any of my thoughts which I set down on paper. Be charitable, dear friends, and think rather that it is an excess of honesty which leads me into error.

Not wishing to be thought a burden by any of these good ladies of charity, I moved my place of residence about the month of March, last year. Some say the move was occasioned by Besotted Nymph, the lady of the house, taking exception to my predilection for nocturnal sport with the fair sex. This is one which has been spread abroad by certain of mine enemies, and hath but scant foundation in fact.

"Out, out!" the fierce Viranda cried. And I, being always of an obliging disposition, did straightway quit the house.

There are those, again, who being of an unnaturally vicious frame of mind—so much that I scarce dare give voice to their words, even at secondhand—condemn these aforementioned descendants of the Amazons utterly. Let me quickly arise and speak out against

this practise. For in their foolishness, the few are consumed in the flames of these people's ire, along with the many.

My second abode, if it might not be termed peculiarly uncomfortable, yet, I speak not rashly, if I say that it did not offer any unusual degree of comfort, either.

It was summer then, and the sun did sometime shine. This being so, the Spartan spirit whose abode this was, let out all the fires and cast open the windows, allowing gentle, soothing breezes within the house. Hot water she deemed unnecessary, excepting only for a symbolic weekly bathe. Upon payment of some small tribute, the generous heart would set to work at will, and a little more than eight hours would suffice to send a roaring trickle of tepid water gushing contentedly into an enormous hand-basin, shaped after the fashion of a bath.

Upon reflection, my gross impertinence moves me to think that perhaps my tribulations were not so great as they did seem. I therefore crave the forgiveness of my readers, if any there be, and promise better, less tedious fare next week.

## Jazz Corner with Tony Collins

THE best reply I received in the competition that I set the other week, on the Golden Age of Jazz, was the following from a Mr. Chris Boon, who is obviously not a modern jazz lover.

If Mr. Boon cares to come along to Union News Office, he can collect his prize. I mentioned last week that Roland Kirk was appearing in Bradford today (Friday). Sources reveal that the concert is at the Students' Union.

### THE GOLDEN AGE OF JAZZ

Dear Mr. Collins, To apply the label "The Golden Age of Jazz" to the period 1942 to 1945 displays a grossly misguided view of jazz. This very period is the one during which jazz left the rails and plunged headlong into a seemingly endless orgy of pseudo-ness. Since 1942, jazz has become increasingly a music form for the musician. Authentic enjoyment can only

be gleaned actually by those performing, and by no-one else, since the music has now lost all form and even harmonic structure. Although possibly progressive, this does not provide enjoyable hearing.

The reasons for this degeneration are quite apparent: the musicians at the centre of the jazz scene at the beginning of the forties (who were mostly negroes) were sadly disillusioned by the way in which their music had been plagiarized (particularly by white musicians) for the preceding two decades, whilst they themselves received little benefit. The solution to this discontentment was obvious: to play in a style and manner that was impossible to copy, or even attempt to copy. To a certain extent, this scheme worked, but consequently a great art-form is today suffering from a form

of self-annihilation as its audiences realize that they have been well and truly conned.

"The Golden Age of Jazz" must, therefore, have occurred prior to 1942. The Swing era can be easily discarded, being more a by-product of jazz than an integral part. This really restricts it to pre-1931 times.

The period 1926 to 1931 qualifies well for the title in question. The recordings of Jelly Roll Morton, King Oliver and Fletcher Henderson are supreme in the entire history of recorded jazz.

It is interesting to note that the period 1942-5 follows the death of "The King of New Orleans Jazz" — Jelly Roll Morton. It would indeed be ironical to think of this period as a void in the history of jazz.

Yours,  
CHRIS BOON.

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# This is the DIGS crisis now!

At the start of term, Union News reported a Lodgings Office spokesman as saying: "There is no accommodation crisis in Leeds".

But is this true? Everybody has been found somewhere to stay. But the number of complaints handed to Union News reveal that many of the present lodgings in Leeds are completely unsatisfactory.

And the future? Hundreds more students will pour into Leeds. Present accommodation plans cater for 130 of them. Said Mr. Stephenson, the assistant registrar: "By 1967/68 the lodging situation will have reached saturation point."

The lodgings crisis has now reached national proportions. The University Grants Committee has reached an unfortunate stage where it is only financing buildings to be used for educational purposes.

Said an authority on University accommodation: "It seems that in the future universities will be taking as many students as they can teach, even if it means camping them out in tents".

This week Union News looks into the crisis and asks the question: How can the lodgings problem be solved?

BY 1970 there will be at least 800 more students at this university. Present accommodation plans budget for only 130 of them.

Leeds has asked the University Grants Committee—the government body which distributes all the money for university education and accommodation—for £2,250,000. Only £200,000 has been given.

It is estimated that 20 per cent. of Leeds students are living in sub-standard accommodation conditions.

These figures all point to a lodgings crisis.

Why?

Previously, the U.G.C. gave financial priority to accommodation, but recently they have reversed their policy, putting priority on academic buildings.

This means that at Leeds in the next

five years the only money available from the U.G.C. for student accommodation will be used to accommodate 130 students on the top floor of the new Biology block. And this is just an experiment.

Leeds can educate more students than it can house.

Is the University rejecting potential students because it can't house them? No, it has been said that the authorities would prefer to camp students out in tents rather than turn them away.

There is a lodgings crisis at Leeds, now. Putting it in a nutshell, Assistant Registrar Mr. Stephenson said, "The lodging situation in '67-'68 will reach saturation point. If the number of students increases at the present rate, it would seem that the University must seek ways of providing their own accommodation."

## UNION COMMITTEE POLICY

- (i) An end to the rule that people must pay through the Lodgings Office. This limits the student in his choice of digs and is frequently by-passed anyway, by landlords endorsing the University's fortnightly cheque to him over to the student and the student paying cash.
- (ii) A strong and comprehensive clause in the regulations prohibiting racial discrimination in lodgings. This still continues and makes a mockery of the University's claim to be a multi-racial community.
- (iii) An end to the consent rule for students under 21 years in flats. Again, this will help flexibility and

recognise an existing situation. The Latey Report on Rights at 18 years, anyway, is the final blow to the myth that the University is "in loco parentis" for students.

- (iv) More say for students in the running of halls, including an end to meals and hours restrictions.

- (v) A reorganisation of the Lodgings Office. This is too small and understaffed to help students and concentrates too much on organising the routine, too little on understanding students' problems. Some offers of accommodation have not been taken up.



SOLUTION TWO: Converted houses—but is it worthwhile economically—and could they house enough students?

### CAN THE LODGINGS OFFICE MEET THE CRISIS?

The Lodgings Office continually comes in for criticism, both from irate landlords and from dissatisfied students. Are these criticisms justified?

Frequently, high quality accommodation has been rejected by the Lodgings office for no apparent reason. Members of staff have been offered lodgings, often of a higher standard than currently approved accommodation. But they have not been accepted, either because they are new to the books, or because long-standing landlords always receive priority.

Good accommodation is frequently offered after the beginning of the session, when students are already housed. The Lodgings Office will not transfer students

to these better lodgings because it would be unfair on landlords who would be losing lodgers. So students are now living in substandard accommodation simply because the Lodgings Office does not want to annoy landlords.

Assistant Registrar Mr. Stephenson explained: "These offers come in after allocation has taken place. It is then too late to start making new arrangements. If present lodgings are acceptable, then we try not to change things."

"We don't move people in or out. We try to arrange for people to live where they want to live. If the place is satisfactory, we encourage students not to move, even if there is better accommodation available."

A work study report was compiled last summer about the Lodgings Office.

### Do your digs fit these standards?

N.U.S. is currently conducting a survey, the results of which will be released in about two months. Its aims are to find out the present standards of accommodation so that future policy can be determined. These are the minimum standards established by the N.U.S. in conjunction with the National Health Administration.

If your lodgings do not come up to these standards, go and see Phil Kelly or Seonard Falconer in Exec. Office.

These are the ABSOLUTE minimum standards:

- (1) The smallest acceptable working space for study is regarded as a desk or table with a working area of 3ft. by 2ft. There should be adequate shelving for books and a separate, upright chair for each occupant.
- (2) Householders are required to provide facilities for the exclusive use of the students for quiet study to a standard satisfactory to the Lodgings Warden. Students must be provided with separate beds. Except with the previously expressed consent of the Lodgings Warden, students are not allowed to sleep more than two in a room. Not more than four students may share a

sitting-room.

(2) The minimum heating for a study room is regarded as a two-bar electric fire, equivalent gas fire, or central heating. They should be in good repair, and properly installed and maintained.

(3) The minimum lighting (excluding table lights in the study) in a room is two 100 watt bulbs, or the equivalent. The minimum window size affording natural light is 10 sq. ft., say, 2ft. 6in. by 4ft.

(4) Five sq. feet of window should be open for ventilation. The property should be in weatherproof condition, and no room should be damp. (Dampness can be denoted by peeling wallpaper, fungoid growth on painted walls, irregular stains high up on walls and on ceilings, and loose plaster.)

(5) A student should have access to some sort of cooking facilities in lodgings or hall, for snacks and hot drinks. In a flat or bedsitter, there should be at least two burners and grill or an oven. There should be a specific storage cupboard for food, which should be well ventilated.

(6) Not more than five people should share the W.C. There should be a separate piped hot and cold water supply.

Rumours that the report heavily criticised the working of the Lodgings Office are not true. But it does show that the present allocation of lodgings and the present record system is inadequate. The report recommends that changes should be made, so that more of the staff know what is happening. Said Mr. Stephenson: "We had hoped to study the report and implement the changes recommended before the beginning of the session. But due to my illness we were unable to do so."

The report also recommended that the office should not depend to such an extent on the Lodgings Warden, Miss Abell.

"Miss Abell is the only person who allocates the accommodation as such, so that when she is absent, no-one can deputise for her."

### LANDLADIES AND THE LODGINGS OFFICE

Mr. Stephenson also said that there was no direct relationship with landlords. "We try to deal with their complaints as sympathetically as possible."

One Leeds landlady offering the Lodgings Office approved accommodation, has told Union News: "I have had students for nine years, and only once, this year, had any trouble. Some students started behaving very badly. I phoned up the Lodgings office and asked them what to do. I was told that Miss Abell was not available and that there was nothing they could do about student behaviour."

"I asked them what the purpose was of the booklet the university sends round giving the rules and regulations for students. I was told again that there was nothing that could be done, but suggested that I tell the students to behave. I thought that this was poor advice."

"But I decided to do this. Just before I was going to speak to them, they told me that they had found other accommodation and would be leaving. The next day, Miss Abell phoned up and said she thought I had let her down. I am disgusted and disappointed with the treatment I have received from the Lodgings Office."

"In nine years, only one of several visitors from the Lodgings Office has shown any interest in the accommodation I have to offer."

Another landlord has said that he had had students lodging with him eight years ago for a period of three years. "Every year since then I have received the appeals from the Lodgings Office, and the requests for a list of the normally checked facilities, but after that, nothing."

The landlord added that he had that day received a letter from Miss Abell thanking him for his help, and telling him that students had been satisfactorily accommodated.

"Obviously, we've been blacklisted, but I have no idea why," he said. "Nobody from the university has been to see us. I know for a fact that not all students



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have been satisfactorily accommodated. I know that some of them are damn fed up."

These two landlords, and some fifteen others, have resorted to contacting officials in the Union to get their problems heard.

There are presently about 4,000 lodgings on the University books, of which only about 3,000 are in use. Twelve out of twenty-nine replies to a recent advertisement, turned out to be University approved lodgings with accommodation still available.

### WHAT CAN STUDENTS DO?

Very little. Student accommodation policy in Leeds is determined principally by the Council and the Senate. These are bodies made up of senior members of the University, including Sir Roger Stevens. Reporting directly to this committee are the four executive committees, which have only minimal student representation.

Commented Union President Jack Straw: "At the moment, too many decisions are made outside the Executive Committee, and without reference to it. What we want to see is students brought much more into the running of accommodation. We have suggested that our representation be increased to proportions similar to that of the Union representation of the Catering Committee. There it is about half. I am certain that this would make accommodation administration far more successful."

### IS THE NATIONAL SITUATION AS BAD?

In the original Robbins' strategy for expanding universities, it was planned that new residences would be built for two-thirds of the extra students. This decision was based on two ideas: that residential universities are educationally preferable, and that there was no other way to meet the housing crisis.

When the programme got under way, the funds for new residences were the first to be decreased. This decrease in funds has resulted in a decrease in available student housing as greater and greater numbers of students enter our universities.

In a recent survey conducted by the student residence project and the research unit for student problems at London University, it was found that 16 universities and 10 of the 25 regional colleges were having lodgings difficulties.

Two bodies are watching the national situation:

1. A committee of University Vice-Chancellors, who have set up working parties to look at general problems concerning 'plant' and accommodation.

But they haven't had time to ascertain what the situation is. Presumably, they will, among other things, ask the U.G.C. for more money.

The V.-C.'s committee is only responsible for university students and not for students attending techs. or teacher-training colleges. The local authority deals with these. One problem is that at present there is very little consultation between the two.

2. The N.U.S. began last year to look into accommodation problems on a national scale. But their findings, as well, are still in the processing stages.

Said one official on the N.U.S. survey: "The important consideration is for the N.U.S. to emphasize that the lodgings situation isn't going to improve. We feel that it is the responsibility of the communities' local authorities, who are, after all, responsible for the accommodation of all citizens."

"We would also like to see the Government providing money for housing."

## THE ANSWERS

**ONE:** Higher rents for students? If we can't get U.G.C. money, we must borrow it. Money borrowed must be paid back—with interest. So rent for University built property will have to go up.

This could be the unpopular solution that you will have to face. Students in the Henry Price are paying about £3 a week. These rents are cheap because the building costs were met by grants, and don't have to be paid back. Rents in halls built on borrowed money would be at least £3 10s. a week for exactly the same facilities.

A fair solution would be to split the repaying load between all students in halls. But this might put Union Committee in a bit of a spot. Traditionally, the Union has fought tooth and nail against rent increases. How willing would they be to back a financial policy, which, on the face of it, works against the interests of some students?

**TWO:** More digs and flats. The Lodgings Office have recently been trying desperately to get more names on their books. Thousands of pre-paid reply cards have been sent to householders, living as far away as Harrogate. These requests have been for help in case of an emer-

gency. But the fact that they are even considering using lodgings twenty miles away, shows just how serious the problem is.

**THREE:** Forcing students to attend the University closest to their home, so that they can commute daily. This would drastically reduce the amount of accommodation needed. But living with Mum and Dad isn't everybody's idea of gay student life. Also, it would limit the opportunities of students in, for instance, the West Country, where there are fewer Universities.

**FOUR:** Using Council houses to accommodate families of students. University students are excluded from local council housing schemes. Why? With a bit of forethought, the houses can be converted for student purposes, and they are citizens, in the same way as a factory worker with a family.

**FIVE:** Conversion of existing property for student needs. An analysis of the costs of converting old property would compare badly with building new property—the potential life of existing property, state of repair and capital cost, would make conversion very expensive.

Words: Andy Sooby, Phil Kivel, Vivienne Finer, Jane Feinmann, Paul Dacre.

Pictures: Ian Short.

# Gilbert Darrow

**L**EEDS is a Boom City, the Daily Mirror assured us this week. The paper threw a 'Salute to Leeds' dinner for local worthies last Monday and invited a student representative to join them. I couldn't go, nor could Jack Straw, so we sent Vice-President John Tough, the most dispensable Exec. member we could find. Drink flowed freely. Tuesday's pictures in the Mirror show John Tough clutching a glass of booze and smiling amiably at the camera with partner Carol Smith. The caption reads: 'Miss R. Webb with Mr. Manry Hayhow, the Leeds City Treasurer'. Boob City?

**A** NOTICE outside St. George's Crypt reads: 'Students Welcome Here'. Good. But we please don't move in till we've had it approved by the Lodgings Office.

**W**E'VE had a new Catering Secretary since Monday. The food hasn't improved much in the last four days, you will note. I doubt if it will. As I said a few weeks ago, there's really nothing the Catering Secretary can do about the food. Vicky Flek, last heard of cooking her own meals at her flat, has retired. Ian Shuttleworth is our new food man.

Making someone Catering Secretary has long been recognised as a way of destroying him politically. Catering Secretaries always resign in bafflement. Perhaps this is why Socialist Society President Andy Tyacke proposed Conservative Association President Ian Shuttleworth for the job. Or even why Union Committee voted him into it. Or am I too cynical?

**L**AST session, £40 was spent on processing a Catering Questionnaire. Mike Paine, the Catering Secretary, had the views of 3,000 students on our food. A report was compiled and hasn't been seen since. Mr. Paine left and is now in the Army. Miss Flek, his successor, reckons it's in a briefcase somewhere, but isn't sure. Shuttleworth, typically, hasn't a clue. Even Jack Straw is unable to shed any light on 'the case of the missing report'. Exec. is itching to know what you think of the grub. Why not let them know?

**T**HE firefighting display outside Lyddon Hall last week was stopped by the Warden. Too much smoke, he said. So they ran it the night after at Ellerslie.

I hope the Warden can guarantee a similar exchange of venue when Lyddon next has a fire.

**U**NION COMMITTEE went in camera last Monday for 20 minutes to discuss a donation of £150 to African students.

I give you the following exclusive effort:

Said Straw: "We're giving the money to — and —. Why do — and — need more than —? Because —," answers Straw.

Why can't we give the names? asks someone. Because if the — Government knew about — and — they'd never get the cash.

Let's increase the money for — to £100, says Shuttleworth. No, says Stark. Let's give it to Oxfam. You're a —. Let's vote. Passed unanimously.

Says Straw, "I'm trying to get people more involved in the Union, and let them hear what's going on." In my view, it's a load of —.

**I**T would seem that my remarks on the sandwich machine last week have been well noted. Some

genius came up with the idea of putting uncooked meat in the sandwiches and letting them cook there.

As usual, someone, somewhere, blundered, with the result that the sandwiches on sale in the bar on Monday were dripping with blood. Next week's special offer—warm Tartan from the machine room.

**H**OTTEST news this week is the mass resignation of the York Union Executive. When I told Secretary Phil Kelly and Treasurer Andy Tyacke, they rushed to the phone to find how it was done. They discovered that a motion of no confidence had been passed at a General Meeting. Kelly was later seen in the bar, but didn't buy me a drink. Seriously, though, in Leeds the position is the reverse: the Union's been resigned to the Executive for years.

**I** SEE that Anarchist weekly is calling on good comrades to spit on Dennis Healey ("the Minister of Offence") today. Good, constructive criticism this. Let's hope the Union Spit-in will be more successful than the Union Teach-in.

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17

Midday Recital: Desmond Dupres (Lute). Great Hall, 1.20 p.m.  
Lecture: Haydon. 7.30, RSH.  
Christian Union open meeting: 'Real Christianity—it demands all.' Speaker: Rev. Peter Cook. R.B.L.T., 1.15-1.50 p.m.  
UBU presents the Roland Kirk Quartet at 7.30 p.m. Tickets from Bradford University Union—7/6d.

W.U.S. Prints Sale—last day—Union Foyer, 12 noon-2 p.m.  
Agric. Ball, 8 p.m.-2 a.m. Double Ticket, 25/-.

Lyke Wake Walk. Forty miles over moorland by moonlight, 6 p.m. Contact D. Robinson, Dept. of Physical Education.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18**  
Sat. Hop—The Incredible String Band, plus Aynsley Dunbar; Retaliation with Victor Brox, plus Timebox and Tamla Express.  
Devon Hall Hop—Grom and Midnight Train, 8 - 11.15 p.m.: men, 3/6; women 2/6.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19**  
Coffee Party at the Christian Centre, 7.30 p.m.  
Methodist Society Meeting at 4.30 p.m. in the Brunswick Rooms. Rev. Norman Sloan.

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

Blues and Soul Soc., 7.30 p.m. in the concert room of the Swan With Two Necks.  
Lecture: "The House of Michael Faraday". Prof. George Porter, F.R.S. RBLT, 5.30 p.m.

## dateline

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Network 4 Broadcast, 1.15 p.m., TV Room and M.J. Coffee Lounge.  
Folk Society: "The New Heritage Singers". 2/6d. 7.30 p.m. at the Union Tavern, Meadow Lane.

Eleanor Rathbone Memorial Lecture: "The Family, Law and Public Opinion", by Mrs. Jean Floyd. RBLT, 5.30 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22**  
Chamber Concert in the Great Hall. Aeolian String Quartet. 7.30 p.m.

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23**  
Railway Society Annual Film: "The Titfield Thunderbolt". RBLT.

SCOTTIE has left Ecstasy for Car-phology!  
IS Phil Kawkins doing a goob job or am I right?  
AUTO Suggestion GINNY, in the Mee Kee.—Love, Richard.  
POMEGRANATES ARE GO!!  
JANICE Smith Exists!  
ARE they platoNICK and celiBUTT?  
SEWERS for sale.—Apply TREV.  
ALL THE BEST FOR YOUR 21st, BOB.—Rosemary, Gill, Vanda, Chris, Gill, Kath Dot.  
WHO is Christine O'Cregan?  
FRETWORK Saw wants.  
TREV is sewer-shaped.  
GRATTED MUST NOT SIGN—SO SAY FREAK, FERGO, SUTTY, NIT and SONIA.  
BOSS WOMAN Rides Again.  
SO DOES MAX.  
COLIN is a junky?  
AND Jesus saith: 'Ere cums t'watter-bod wi' a twig in'ts gob.'  
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SATURDAY — DEVON HOP — SEE DATALINE.  
NO springs in Chris's bed—just shock absorbers.  
DAVE'S NEEDS 3 in 1 — LINC.  
SUGAR Lou is dying!  
AND WHAT DO YOU WANT FOR £40, JACK?  
FOUR SCORE — SATURDAY NIGHT — 147?  
YOUR last chance to hear the SLBB —Book now.  
AND the Lord said: "Let there be sewers!" — And there was TREV.  
CHARLIE MO'FOOD — IS IT?  
CONGRATS TO GRAHAM AND "DEFINITELY" JENNY ON GETTING HOOKED.  
REMEMBER the Ball Game. High Spot of the year, Feb. 2nd.—H.  
B FEATURE MART ONLY MAKES UNION NOSE.  
HUMPTY denies all knowledge of what happened to Miss Muffet.  
COMING SHORTLY — DAVE.  
DOES Cass get fickle when he's drunk?  
LET R.I.P.ing SLBB's lie.  
FREAK is sick, sick, sick.  
WHAT HAPPENED TO DYNAMIC PAM?  
BLESSED be the noisemakers—may they RIP in peace.  
ALL WE NEED IS NEWS!  
BUGSIE—DON'T you love me any more!  
IS Chris an ugly duckling?  
PORTABLE TYPEWRITER REQUIRED. —Ring 58395 Evenings.  
DON'T write on bog walls—come and write Features.  
ARE the staff O. Kaye?  
BUGSIE—I'd love to go to Agric Ball—And have you three friends.—Trudy.  
A PURGE on SCURGE!  
UPPER ROOMS now fully booked—waiting list opened—any offers?  
CRANK and TWIT—unite to pluck Straw from Gratted's beard.  
WHAT does JS know about harlots anyway?  
RAVER Rubkin really rolls.  
FREAK'S plum-pudding beats them all.  
GLEN has done nothing since JUNE.  
JANE—has brought some fags again.  
CHRIS, KING of the Beatle Benders!  
TRUDY—I shall have to wait for SPRING.—BUGSIE.  
PARBURY FOR PRESIDENT.  
THICK LINCOLN — DELECTABLE.  
MARTIN Devereux lives.  
DAKER can't maker tonite or any other night.  
DEADLINE for Personal Column, Sunday.

## personal column

CHINA Teach-in : SEE Dateline.  
VICTOR Villimust Improve!  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, PAUL.  
JOHNNY GLEEVES—SMILE, PLEASE.  
NIGEL IS A PACIFIST.  
DIANA would learn the Knack if it were worth her while.  
SEE THE DAILY PHOTOGENIC PHIL.  
MONDAY, 27th November—Famous Russian Film, 'The Lady With The Little Dog' and 'Verbs Of Motion', 7.30 p.m. Rupert Becket. Tickets 1/6, from Sec. Russian Dept.  
WHO took Lee's Hook.

## HASSAN'S

**D**O you ever feel a craving for something different, in your dry, monotonous University life? Do you sometimes think that another meal in Refec will send you round the bend? If this is the case, then don't worry!

A new restaurant has opened just opposite the B.B.C. in Woodhouse Lane. It's only two minutes from the University, if you run, on Fenton Street. It's open from 7 a.m. to 12 midnight. Curries are served throughout the day, so if you are one of those people who prefer curry to cornflakes, just pop along there before your nine o'clock lecture.

And that gnawing post-hop hunger can be satisfied here.

What is more, Mr. Hassan gives you a 25% student reduction. This means you can get a good curry for between four and five shillings.

The restaurant used to be 'Flora's Caf', and you may think that Flora's spirit still pervades the atmosphere. But oriental type candles help to create your acutal Indian aura.

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M. Mathey's work gives an excellent account of the birth and growth of the movement. He is prepared to reach back to Turner and Constable in England, Delacroix, Daumier and Corot in France, to find the Impressionists' precursors, and from there passes through the tangled scenes of the movement's development to the Post- and Neo-Impressionists.

On the way he finds room to deal in useful detail with the major figures, and never forgets that they were individual members of a group, each with his own style and ideals.

Finally, he deals with the legacy of the Impressionists and gives 25 biographies of major and secondary artists, with a most useful time-chart of events in politics, society and the Arts in general, painting in particular, and science and technology.

IMPRESSIONISM necessarily covers a little of the same ground, but Miss Pool concentrates far more closely on the individual artists and their ideals, rather than setting them into a place in the art history of society, although she constantly works with the latter in mind.

Her chapter on Manet and Degas in relation to other artists is particularly interesting and her assessment of their relationships, which she describes as "complicated and changeable," is well argued from illustrations.

Another welcome feature is the chapter on Impressionism outside France, which is valuable, if short, and closes with some slight exploration of the interplay between music, literature and the paintings.

Both authors are impressively qualified to write works on this era and the volumes are worthy of them, even if a very few of the illustrations have lost more than usual of the brilliance of the originals.

## BOOKS IN BRIEF . . . .

PAN have added *Jane Eyre* and *The Cloister and the Hearth* to their Bestsellers of Literature series at 5/- and 7/6, with useful notes and introductions for general interest rather than special study. The texts are well presented and unabridged.

A Corgi-Bantam well worth having beside you is the *New College Multi-Lingual Dic-*

tionary with seven languages: French, Spanish, Italian, German, Russian Portuguese and English. Part 1 has English entries + equivalents, Russian entries are in Part 3 and the other five languages in Part 2. It's very easy to use and excellent value at 10/6.

Hibbert's *Corunna* and Bennett's *Colonel and the Falklands* enter the Pan British Battles series at 6/- each.

Sir John Moore's classic withdrawal of 1808 and Graf von Spee's sea fights of 1914 against the Royal Navy are excellently dealt with in works well up to the standards of the series.

Sir Francis Chichester sails back into the lists with *Along the Clipper Way* (Pan, 6/-), an anthology of maritime writings from Drake to Conrad which concentrates on the C19th route to Australia, as the title suggests. Buy it for the author's presentation and don't be put off because you seem to have heard rather a lot about the editor recently.

A first-rate crime novel is *In The Heat Of The Night* (Pan, 3/6). John Ball's novel centres on a Negro picked up on suspicion of murder in the Carolinas, who turns out to be a West Coast police officer in a murder squad. The plot is excellent and the incidents are sufficiently unlaboured to make the points about a coloured policeman's reception in the Southern States doubly effective. It's one of the best that I've read this year.

On a different level is Mickey Spillane's latest. It suffices to say that Mike Hammer returns in Corgi's *The Twisted Thing* (3/6) with a plot, as all those previous, with the expected unexpected twist and the same reliance on blood-lust.

One of the top spymen's books is out from Corgi. Jean Bruce died some time ago, but his books don't date and *Cold Spell*, with its disappearing Marines and Singapore brothels, is well worth 3/6.

Mullally's *The Assassins* is set around a London peace-

## books

chris swann

conference. The target is the Russian Premier and the action and love interest centres on an American male and a Russian female, with no iron curtain (Pan, 3/6).

I've long liked Andrew Garve's novels. If he expanded them he would have the success of Helen MacInnes, but he still leads his field. In *The Ashes of Loda* (Pan, 3/6) an English correspondent in Moscow follows the story of his

## SALLAH — ISRAELI SELF-MOCKERY

SALLAH, the film showing at the PLAZA next week, is a very gentle satire on bureaucracy.

The film stars Haym Topol, who's made such a big impression on the record hit parade with his Fiddler-On-The-Roof-based supplications for material improvement.

Sallah has a lot of folksy charm and a fair line in humour. Story tells how Topol and his large family arrive in Israel in 1948, only to find that he is to be housed in a ramshackle transit camp instead of the fine new flat he confidently expected.

Most of the film is concerned with Topol's attempts to raise the thousand pounds that will secure him a new flat—notably by selling his vote several times over to all parties at the local elections—a great sequence, this.

The film suffers from mediocre direction—Topol's talents are surely above the shuffling and twitching he is required to produce here as the querulously endearing old layabout hero.

The picture was made in 1964—before Topol came to fame in this country—but it is in no way dated in style.

Perhaps the most appealing thing about Sallah is the revelation that Israelis can make a film joking about money; at one and the same time refuting, yet still perpetrating, the music hall jokes we know so well.

A BUSY week for comedy, this. *Two Weeks In September* (ODEON next week) is a French offering starring Brigitte Bardot.

This one is most notable for some of the best unconsciously funny lines for a long time (e.g. Bardot in a bubble bath opining that "Happiness is just drops of water").

Otherwise, the picture is a flashy amalgam of all the clichés of women's magazine fiction.

Lots of fashion photographers (one of whom tells his models to "hate me a little") and plenty of close-ups of Bardot in various stages of undress.

But for its heavy pace, this would be a supremely entertaining picture. James Robertson Justice puts in one very welcome appearance as a kilted Scottish Laird, but the rest is just ham.

SORRY as I am to say it, *The Bobo* (TOWER next week) must be Peter Sellers' worst-ever comedy. Despite its good cast (Sellers, Britt Ekland, Rossano Brazzi, Adolfo Celi, Hattie Jacques), the film—set in a very un-Spanish Spain—is more often embarrassing than amusing.

Sellers, playing an unsuccessful bullfighter, evokes many comparisons with Jerry Lewis. His wife shows up as a very wooden, if very watchable, actress.

Only John Wells, as a poovy maitre d'hotel in Louis XV



"I want to play crooch noodling, too!" exclaims Topol, who has evidently seen last week's Union News. See him in Sallah, at the Plaza next week.

costume, emerges with his professional reputation undamaged.

In fairness to the makers, though, I must confess that the scene in which Britt Ekland all but makes love to her new Maserati is not without interest.

THERE'S a bright golden haze (of potential box-office) over the MAJESTIC next week as the dulcet tones of Rossano Brazzi give way to the extra decibels of Gordon Macrae in *Oklahoma*.

A definite improvement on *South Pacific* (far too dew-eyed for my tastes), *Oklahoma* is a reasonably enjoyable, fast-moving Rogers and Hammerstein.

FOR the rest, *The Dirty Dozen* is held over at the A.B.C. and *Zhivago* continues

## films

## frank odds

its well-deserved run at the MERRODEON.

My apologies to Frankheimer fans for last week's review of the Plaza programme—*The Swinger* and *Seconds* have not been forgotten, but are being held back because of the demand for *Un Homme Et Une Femme*.

TOMORROW night's Hop will be something of an experiment in that 'The Incredible String Band' will be performing 'in concert' within the normal Saturday night framework.

Robin Williamson and Mike Heron are 'The Incredible String Band.' All the material is their own, each of them accounting for half the band's repertoire. Their sound is also their own, resulting from combinations of Robin playing on mandoline, guitar, violin, gimbri, chenai or African drums, and Mike on guitar, harmonica, or sitar.

## ORIGINS

The origins of the band lie in Scotland, where two years ago, Robin was playing in folk clubs with Clive Palmer in the duo, Robin and Clive, specialising in American country music. Mike Heron joined them, and the three began to play more blues and jug band material, adding to their repertoire songs written by Mike and Robin. In the autumn of 1966, Clive left to go to Afghanistan, and Robin Williamson and Mike Heron started working under the new name of 'The Incredible String Band.' Joe Boyd, who had signed them for Elektra Records, became their manager and after several tours they built up a considerable following in the South.

Their first L.P., titled simply 'The Incredible String Band,' made a strong showing in the folk charts. It was, however, the release of their second L.P.,

'Five Thousand Spirits or the Layers of the Onion,' this Autumn which brought them international acclaim.

The audience of the 'Incredibles' increased in size and scope and they went to the States as special guests of the Newport Folk Festival.

In a recent interview, Robin Williamson said of the music, "Everything is a miracle. It's all magic and we are really here on Earth to wonder at all these beautiful things. Our records are no more wonderful or no more magical than a lump of earth."

## DYLAN

Both Mike and Robin dig Dylan very much because he's managed to say an awful lot in such a short time. Speaking as part of an open-minded permissive generation, they say: "People imagine freedom means decadence. People imagine 19 people to a bed, having a scene. Why do people always imagine negative things? Freedom simply means to do what you want."

Translating the Band's music into movement will be their two girl dancers, Minnie and Mouse.

When it comes to musicianship among the newer groups, the 'Timebox' are a cut above the rest, as can be heard on their Deram debut disc titled 'Don't make promises.'

Providing some hard driving blues will be 'The Ainsley Dunbar Retaliation,' with Victor Brox, and supporting will be 'The Tamla Express.'



Robin Williamson and Mike Heron

## The Incredible String Band

fiance's father back to the Nazi death-camp at Loda, breaking into a spy-plot on the way.

Less physically active are the characters in William Clark's *Number 10* (Pan, 5/-), which goes behind the scenes in Downing Street during an international political and internal party crisis. A most enjoyable work, and Clark's first-hand knowledge (he was adviser to Eden in the Suez period) stands him in good stead.

Washington is where counter-espionage expert Frederick Ayer sets his spy-tale *The Man in the Mirror*,

in which the enemy put up a substitute into the place of a secret service chief. If the author's counter-espionage experience leads him to suppose that this could happen, then the tales of the inefficiency of spies must all be true. Nonetheless, it's an enjoyable novel with developed characterisation.

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Erratum: Last week's review of *The Engineer In The University* was written by Graham Beade and the review of *Loose Boundary Hydraulics* was by Ian Goodwill.



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LEEDS UNIV. ... 13 pts. FRYSTON COLLIERY ... 13 pts.

A CONVERTED try two minutes before the end saved Fryston from defeat in a match in which they had been almost constantly on the attack. However, the University R.L. team deserved to share the points for the way they took their limited chances in attack.

#### SPECTACULAR

After 20 minutes' play, Leeds took the lead, rather against the run of play, with a spectacular 50-yard try. Ledbetter broke away up the touchline, and with two colleagues in support, passed inside to full-back Robinson, who had a clear run to the line. Fryston fought back to score twice before the University started using the slope to their advantage. Several well-judged kicks caught the Colliers out of position, one being so badly covered by the defence that P. Harris was allowed to follow-up and touch down in the corner. With Horner's earlier try, brilliantly converted by Ledbetter, this gave the University a 13-8 lead, which they held almost till the close.

#### LEAGUE STANDARD

Ledbetter and Alexander, both

deputising for regular half-backs, were outstanding in a team which now looks capable of being up to Leeds and District League standard. This is a fine achievement, as only three of the side have ever had any previous experience in Open-age R.L.

The Sunday team were also involved in an exciting finish, when they resisted a late challenge from General Accident Insurance to win by 19 points to 18. Centre Mackenzie and scrum-half Sherrington were prominent as the team established a 14-point lead midway through the second half, before a tiring cover defence allowed their opponents into the game.

Scorers (1st team) — Tries: Robinson, Horner, P. Harris. Goals: Ledbetter (2).

Team: Robinson; D. Harris, Mitchinson, Horner, P. Harris; Ledbetter, Alexander; Corns, G. Parr, Shoemith, Silvyer, Corson, Fairhurst. (Scott and Mackenzie substituted for Silvyer and Mitchinson.)

### BRISCOE WINS AGAIN

LAST Saturday, the University cross-country team competed against all the other leading Northern and Midland teams in an eight-cornered match at Wollaton Park, Nottingham, and did extremely well to gain a convincing victory.

In particular, the University avenged their only defeat of the season by Manchester and now must be firm favourites to retain both the Senior and Junior Christie championships, which are to be held next month.

#### INTERNATIONAL

International miler John Whetton took an early lead from the field of 120 runners, but was soon caught by Frank Briscoe, of Leeds, who after two miles, drew clear from the tiring Whetton, to win comfortably. After a slow start, Ken Rasmussen moved right through the field during the middle stages of the race to finish an excellent third, with Dave Clark, in 8th place, also running well.

Following Clark, Mike Critchley, Andy Tomlinson, Keith Hazeltine, Frank Titley and Pete Rawnsley were always close together, and with these five Leeds runners eventually

#### cross-country

finishing in 13th to 18th positions, a Leeds victory was never in doubt.

Gary Smith and Bjorn Hansen had outstanding performances for the Leeds second team, which once again showed itself to be a class above the opposing 'B' teams.

#### TEAM RESULT

1. Leeds ..... 56 pts.
2. Manchester ..... 113 pts.
3. Nottingham ..... 148 pts.
4. Liverpool ..... 179 pts.
5. Newcastle ..... 182 pts.
6. Loughboro' College .. 202 pts.
7. Loughboro' Univ. ... 226 pts.
8. Leeds II ..... 271 pts.



Round the lake at Wollaton Park, Nottingham

### Lacrosse lash London

LEEDS UNIVERSITY ... 11 LONDON UNIV. ... 4

LEEDS continued in their victorious vein by beating a fast and fit London side. The University started rather slowly, but managed to score first, when D. Lindsay raced through the open London defence to score his first goal for the club.

In the second quarter, Leeds improved and scored five times, to lead 7-2 by half-time. In this first half, London created many openings for themselves by clever approach work, but this was wasted in front of goal by some indifferent passing.

The home side eased up in the second half and play became very scrappy, with London gaining more of the initiative. Leeds, however, held out to win comfortably, L. Dixon having a particularly good match in the defence.

Following the results against Cambridge and London, the Leeds team should stand a very

#### lacrosse

good chance in the Universities Cup if they manage to qualify as Northern champions.

The first round of the competition was played against Manchester on Wednesday.

Scorers: J. Wasiewicz 4, N. Kennedy 4, D. Sewart 1, D. Lindsay 1, G. Livings 1.

### LEEDS FOIL DURHAM

AFTER just going down the previous week to a strong U.A.U. Manchester side, the fencing team (even more depleted with both captain Tony Troyack and last year's captain, Ray Popley, away) scored a convincing win over Durham University last Saturday.

Last week, with Jeremy Thorn unfortunately finding the wrong time to have an off-day, the men's team lost to Manchester University with the very close score of 5-4, 5-4, 5-4. This probably puts Fencing Club out of the U.A.U., having been semi-finalists twice running in previous years.

The women, however, scored a fine win, 8-1, in their W.I.V.A.B. match with the same University, Cathy Cosway and Josie Kemp both being undefeated.

#### UNBEATEN

This week, the girls won again, this time against Durham, beat-

ing their 7-2, with Cathy Cosway and Josie Kemp maintaining their unbeaten record. This is the first time for some years that Leeds have had a competitive women's team, and their results seem to indicate a fair chance of success in at least the early stages of W.I.V.A.B.

#### CONVINCING

In the men's foil event against Durham, Steve Bradshaw fenced judiciously with a mixture of luck and skill, to win all of his fights, while Lynn Wall lost only one. In the sabre, both Lynn Wall and Jeremy Thorn were undefeated. In the epee, with the team consisting of Jeremy Thorn, Steve Bradshaw and Lynn Wall—all present or former Yorkshire Junior Epee champions—only one fight was lost each, for this event to be won convincingly as well.

Result: Win for Leeds by 18 fights to 9.

### MEN IMPROVED

LEEDS UNIVERSITY ... 2 HORSFORTH ... 1

FOLLOWING their rather disappointing midweek performance against Liverpool University, Leeds 1st hockey team gave a much improved showing in beating Horsforth, who although under strength because of representative calls, produced a fair side.

#### FAST

The pitch, even though obviously wet, played well, and the game went at a fast pace. Horsforth attacked from the start, and appeared dangerous, although the University defence looked adequate and hit the ball around, thus playing the most effective game under the conditions. When Leeds attacked, they did so strongly and were unlucky not to score in several goalmouth melees. Horsforth were the first to score, after 15 minutes, taking advantage of some friendly Leeds marking to put a well-taken shot into the net.

#### SPURRED

This spurred on the University and they started to play some pleasant hockey, moving the ball quickly and generally looking dangerous. They soon got their

reward. Hardy followed up quickly after a shot had been saved, netting an opportune goal to equalise 1-1, where, with even play, the score remained till half-time.

Leeds opened the second-half strongly, and as the rain came down they attacked with might,

#### hockey

Dyde, Burton and Dew playing well in defence, and being supplemented by good forward combination.

The fitness of the home team then began to tell, and Horsforth were kept on the defence for most of the second half, Hardy having scored the winner shortly after half-time.

Team: Taylor (B.), Burton, Dyde, Dew, Slay (capt.), Chada, Hardy, Skinner, Wall, Wilson, Bywater.

### IMPS WIN RALLY

THE return of "hard thrash" rallying to the Motor Club's programme, following a 'Northern Lights', was heralded by a resounding win for Tony Milnes and Phil Short in their Imp van.

Over a tough 75-mile route, set by Mike Hartley, both driving and navigating skill were at a premium to negotiate the complexities of the Holmfirth and Pennine areas. The early part of the rally was plagued by fog, and almost saw the demise of the eventual winner, along with the Minis of Bardsley and Jackson, in a classic "straight-on at a T-junction" incident.

However, by taking fastest time on all but one of the six selectives, Milnes and Short pulled away to win by almost 20 minutes, an unprecedented interval, with team Wrong Slot (Mather/Bowen-Cortina) second, followed by Mike Jackson's Mini and the much fancied Cortina GT of Eadie/Whaley. This was Milnes' first win, and marks him a driver to watch in future rallies.

### W.I.V.A.B. TOUGH

W.I.V.A.B. RALLY

LEEDS were unfortunate in being draw in a tough section at the W.I.V.A.B. tournament held at Liverpool on Saturday. In the first match, against York University, Leeds took a long time to settle down, and with a rearranged forward line were unable to make any constructive moves.

The heavy pitch only served to slow the game down, and the result was an uninspiring 0-0 draw.

Leeds fared better in the match against Durham, with the forwards attacking from the start, and had their finishing been better, a substantial win could have resulted. As it was, Leeds had to be content with a 1-0 win, the goal coming midway through the second half, a hard shot from centre-forward Carol Astin from a corner.

The last match, against Manchester, the strongest team in the tournament, proved to be

the best, but the hardest, of the three. The Leeds attack created several chances which were well saved by the Manchester goalie, while the defence kept out the fast Manchester forwards through good covering.

The result was for Leeds a well-earned draw, but unfortunately this was not good enough to give them a place in the final, in spite of the fact that they possessed the best goal average in their section, with no goals conceded against them.

Team: A. Coatas, R. Duckworth, J. Nicholson, S. Blomiley, M. Lewis, A. Hayes, M. Rhys-Jones, A. Attam (capt.), C. Astin, H. Botham, P. Ablett.

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# AWAY WIN FOR R.U. CLUB

## FIVES WIN EASILY

AFTER two narrow ... defeats against Northumbria Club and Durham University at the start of the season, both 1st and 2nd Pairs crushed Durham School by 91 points. Scores:—

1st Pair—D. Roberts and P. Morgan won 15-5, 15-3 against 1st Pair. Won 15-0, 15-0 against 2nd Pair.

2nd Pair—A. Lowe and R. Simcox won 15-10, 15-6 against 1st Pair. Won 15-5, 15-0 against 2nd Pair.

## HIGHER GRADES FALL

ON Saturday, the Judo Club travelled to Liverpool where it successfully took on a higher graded team. In the first contest R. Green again showed how to dispose of his opponent in the shortest possible time, but S. Kaiser needed the full three minutes to win with a half point. L. Mark's brought his surprise strangle into good use in the next contest, but the effect was not as devastating as last week.

### FIERCEST

The last two contests were the fiercest of the match. R. Newbold fought hard to keep out his brown-belted opponent, and there was a sigh of relief when the time-keeper called time. The final one of the day also went the full distance, but this time, B. Bjornsson took a half point from Liverpool's second brown-belt to win the contest.

This made the final match score 34-0.

### DEPLETED

The previous Wednesday, a much depleted team travelled to Manchester for a friendly, but did rather badly against

### judo

their "A" team, although convincingly beating the "B" team. Team: B. Bjornsson, R. Newbold, L. Marks, S. Kaiser (Capt.), R. Green; Reserves: D. Jones, K. Jones.

## 600s GALORE

AS with the sub-4 minute mile of athletics so with the 600-plus series in student bowling here at Leeds University; the psychological barrier has been broken.

Within four days of the first 600 series for three years at Leeds—that by R. Mitchell (610 in the Wednesday League)—two more have been achieved: 602 by J. P. Straka in the Midnight Trios League in the early hours of Friday, 10th November; and 618 by E.

M. Brown on Sunday, 12th November in a friendly fixture with Leeds Central Colleges (a match won by the University 4-0 with their highest ever series—2539).

On Sunday, in the third fixture of the Inter-universities League, Leeds are away to Hull.

## Determined fight

SHEFFIELD ... 6 pts. LEEDS ... 14 pts.

LEEDS started well, and after an early try by Sheffield, their determined fight back laid the foundation for victory, with good passing and rucking.

### PRESSURE

The University went ahead for the first time when Sterk scored beside the post, and Sandham converted to give a two point lead at the interval. Leeds then put on the pressure. Sterk passed to Sandham, who beat two players, went round the fullback, and

touched down in the corner. A penalty put over from 35 yards made the score 11-3, before Sheffield took the ball from the line-out and went over. Crossley continually impressed by his strong running.

### EASY

A penalty shot by Sandham just bounced off the upright, and the Leeds pack forced a line-out for Sterk to slip past three players and give Wright an easy try in the corner.



2nd XV struggle for advantage in Weetwood line-out

## Sports Ed. writes...

IF you are searching desperately for a report on your match, kindly refrain from swearing at the Sports Editor. Find out whether your club has appointed someone to write reports. If they have, seek him out and abuse him, if not, get someone appointed — preferably you!

## Decisive squash victory

THE squash team had a decisive victory over the University of Nottingham, who were previously unbeaten this season, and who have already beaten Birmingham University last year's U.A.U. winners.

Mike Balfour made a good start for the University, with an efficient 3-0 victory over an opponent he never allowed to settle down. Dave Arthur made it 2-0 with a 3-2 win, playing well in the 5th game after his opponent had a fine recovery to win the 3rd and 4th games.

Pete Abley, 2nd string, ensured a victory for the team,

when he won 3-1 despite the handicap of an injured knee. The return to form of Pete Nutman, winning a hard hitting game 3-1, showed that he could develop into a formidable player.

Although previously unbeaten in university matches this year, Rog Gaubert, 1st string, just lost a very skilful and exciting game 3-2.

## FENCING SUCCESS

IN the fencing club's U.A.U. match against Salford on Wednesday afternoon, a much improved opposition went down 6-3, 6-3, 7-2 to a very convincing Leeds team.

### INSPIRED

Instrumental in this victory was Lynn Wall, who won all nine of his fights by large margins. Inspired and inspiring, Wall's attacks were very fast, fluent and deadly.

The foil was won by 6 fights to 3, Wall winning three, and Ray Popley fencing well to lose only one. In the epee, Wall won three, and Steve Bradshaw won two, while in the sabre, both Lynn Wall and Jeremy Thom were undefeated.

The final result of the epee event was a 6-3 win, and the sabre was won 7-2.

## 1st XI BACK IN OLD WAYS

SHEFFIELD 4 ... LEEDS 1

WITH four of the 1st team absent at a U.A.U. trial, the University Soccer Club lost rather dismally at Sheffield. After three games without defeat, the team fell back into their old ways — allowing the defence to become lax.

### FIRST GOAL

The first goal came when the Sheffield inside-left was allowed to turn on the ball in the Leeds area, and put it in off the far post.

### BETTER

The second half saw Leeds co-ordination a little better and East managed to dribble

through on his own, beat the goalkeeper, and side-foot it into the net.

Three quick breakaways by the Sheffield forwards found the Leeds defence completely lacking, and two low shots followed by a header put the University irretrievably behind.

### Other Results

Sheffield 2nd XI ... 1  
Leeds 2nd XI ... 4  
Sheffield 3rd XI ... 1  
Leeds 3rd XI ... 4

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# UNIVERSITY COUNCIL TO HAVE UNION REP.

by U.N. REPORTER

FOR the first time ever the President of the Union is to sit on the University Council. Vice-Chancellor Sir Roger Stevens announced the Council's decision on Wednesday at the meeting of the University Court, after a formal request had been made in October by President Jack Straw for membership of the Council, and greater Union representation on various University Committees.

## Agric course to end—final

LEEDS University is definitely discontinuing its B.Sc. degree course in agriculture at the 'invitation' of the University Grants Committee.

This follows the Bosanquet Committee report of 1965 which said: "We would not think it contrary to the national interest if one or two universities with small schools of agriculture were to decide to close them down."

No further admissions will be made to the B.Sc. degree course in agriculture and instead a new course in agricultural sciences will be offered from 1968. The Department of Agriculture has now been transformed into a School of Agricultural Sciences.

"It won't make much difference to the Department as a whole, as it's only the General Agriculture course that is being discontinued," said Barbara Woods, the Hon. Secretary of the Agricultural Society.

The degree in agricultural sciences was withdrawn in the 1940's leaving only the Honours degree in agriculture. A graduate diploma in agricultural sciences was introduced at the same time for students who had already taken a degree in pure science. These students would then go on to take the post-graduate diploma in the appropriate science.

"This is the principle that most of us still believe in" said Professor Bywater, the head of the Agricultural Department.

"If it was feasible it would be as good a way of training agricultural scientists as there is." However there are not enough pure science graduates willing to move over to an

agricultural science, to make this system practical.

The proposal to change the Department to the School of Agricultural Sciences came before Senate on March 1st and was ratified by Council on March 15th.

Negotiations are proceeding with the Agricultural Research Council for joint research projects which will result in additional use being made of the University's 650-acre farm near Tadcaster. Plans are being made for the farm to be used as a testing ground for new agricultural discoveries, effectively narrowing the gap between research and farming practice.

Sir Roger Stevens, the Vice-Chancellor, said "We only decided to close a large and flourishing undergraduate course after much tribulation and after satisfying ourselves that we could continue Agricultural Science courses and make even fuller use of the University farm for research purposes.

Every effort, he went on, would be made to ensure that the present students for the B.Sc. agricultural degree would be allowed to complete the course at Leeds. At present there are 125 students taking the course in Leeds and another fifteen on farms. By the session 1971-72 it is calculated that there will be only fifteen or twenty in residence here, all fourth year students.

The University Council is the administrative Executive of the University and all University sub-committee meeting minutes are submitted to Council for ratification, including those of the Finance Committee. The President will have speaking rights on the Council but will not be able to vote.

Sir Roger Stevens said this to the court: "Since any kind of formal arrangements to meet this request would require consideration and time, statutes would have to be changed, the Council agreed that the President would be invited to attend meetings of Council and the position be reviewed before the end of 1968/69 session."

The President's formal request asked for increased representation for the Union on the Accommodation Committees, the Library Committee, the Joint Committee of Council and Senate on Overseas students, and the Advisory Committee on the Appointments Board. It also recommended that the Union be granted membership of the University Senate and the University Council.

### STEP FORWARD

President Jack Straw said of the decision, "Quite a step forward. One with which we were very pleased. For the first time we have a seat on the major Executive body of the University. This is important in terms of information and participation in University affairs."

Sir Roger Stevens said of increased Union representation in his Court statement, "There are three points which will have to be borne in mind: only a tiny minority of the student body can at best participate in any practical way and much effort is required on their part in a truly representative manner; for the limited number of students concerned participation in University affairs is excellent and broadening experience but it has to be partly at the expense of academic time and can seriously deflect from study, and finally that other things being equal it is all to the good that student representatives should have the opportunity to participate in the processes of decision making relating to all matters—and there are many—which concern their life or work at the University."



Alan Hunt returns to scene of past successes. Current performance assessed on page one by John Jones.

## Debates rally to Prince of Wales

A MOTION attacking Prince Charles for the way in which he gained a place at Cambridge, which is to be put at next week's N.U.S. Conference, was condemned in Wednesday's debate. Mr. Tim Caudrey, who proposed a motion calling on Leeds to send a letter to the Prince expressing the Union's sympathy, described Southampton University's attack on the Prince as "vicious and petty."

Mr. Caudrey considered that the Prince must be having "a hell of a time" and that he should see that "not every University Union takes a hostile attitude towards him. The Southampton motion congratulates Prince Charles on his success in his "A level" exams, and on his "extreme good fortune on gaining a place at Cambridge." Caudrey thought the attack was unjustified, since it was not by his own choice that the Prince was studying at Cambridge.

### IRRELEVANT

"The fact that you might disagree with the monarchy is irrelevant" he went on. "Prince Charles will have the task of representing Britain abroad, and whether he likes it or not, he must be given the best education available." Mr. Caudrey called upon the House to support his motion, thereby ensuring that Leeds delegates vote against Southampton at N.U.S. conference in Margate.

Mark Mitchell opposed the motion claiming that Caudrey had presented the worst possible case and that the whole procedure of the Prince of Wales' education had been a despicable one.

### LAST REFUGE

He pointed out that the Prince had been expected to go to one of the newer Cambridge Colleges, where he might be able to mix with a cross-section of students. Instead he had been sent to Trinity College, "the last refuge of the landed gentry."

"All students with the necessary qualifications, regardless

of social background, ought to have a right to a higher education," he concluded.

Union Secretary Phil Kelly agreed that the motion drew attention to the strain on education facilities, and emphasised that patronage was still a way of obtaining the best education. He considered it a criticism of British education facilities rather than a personal attack on Prince Charles.

Summing up, Mr. Caudrey asked the House not to accept that the Southampton motion was a general criticism on Government policy. He thought it "a petty personal attack, which will cause offence to the Prince." A vote was taken and Mr. Caudrey's motion was passed by 65 votes to 58, with five abstentions.

## Cash for detainee

EX-PRESIDENT of University College, Rhodesia, Mike Holman, is to receive £100 from Leeds University, through N.U.S. This was passed by U.C. last Monday, and the money will come from Hop profits.

Mike Holman has been arrested and taken to court, after he overstepped his restriction to a small town. He was restricted last year after he had allegedly indulged in Left-wing politics.

## Space traveller lands in Leeds

"FLYING saucers do exist." This, basically, is the philosophy of a lifelong believer in U.F.O.s, Mr. Herbert Haydon, who is to speak in the Union this evening.

Claiming to offer Leeds "The most astounding lecture ever given before a University Union," Mr. Haydon has already spoken in 12 Universities and is regarded as "very good entertainment."

He believes that human life exists on Venus, Saturn, Mars and the Moon, and adds that visitors from these planets have often landed on Earth. Magnetically propelled space ships from other galaxies travelling at the speed of light, could be making frequent observations of our planet, he considers.

One of Mr. Haydon's more extreme beliefs is that an

American has already been taken three times to a carrier space ship, larger than the "Queen Mary," and has seen film of human life on Venus.

Atomic bomb tests on Earth, Mr. Haydon believes, have caused distress on Venus, "and as a result a nuclear installation in Russia has been completely destroyed without the loss of life, by a Venusian space-ship.

Mr. Haydon will expound his views in greater detail tonight in the Riley Smith Hall at seven p.m. During the lecture he hopes to demonstrate the "levitation" of a 12 lb. iron weight.

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