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UNION CARD-SHARPING

LAW BREAKERS FINED

Two members of the Union were each fined the sum of 7/6 last week by the Disciplinary Committee, for giving their Union Cards to non-members in order to facilitate their admittance to a Saturday Night Social.

In delivering the decision of the Committee, Mr. Black said: "You will no doubt realise that our hops are very crowded, but it is the policy of the Executive

that no student should be turned away. The only solution therefore is to keep out those non-members who gain admittance by subversive means. This Union is not a public dance hall, and by juggling with your Union Card you are helping to cause the overcrowded conditions which exist. Both of you knew that membership cards are for your own use only. The Committee has therefore decided to fine you 7/6, but I must add that if this offence is repeated, suspension from Union Membership will follow."

Union by-laws permit the introduction of a non-member to Saturday socials by a member of the opposite sex only. Double tickets for this purpose must be purchased before noon on the day of the social. In order to balance the numbers of men and women attending socials a number of hostess tickets are made available to girls from Leeds Colleges and to nurses.



RAG WEEK, 1953

WANTED! A MAN OR WOMAN OF TACT, WIT, PATIENCE & ABILITY — viz., Rag Chairman for 1953.

Nominations are now called for, for the office of Chairman of the 1953 Rag Committee. Nomination forms, obtainable from the Union Office, should

(Courtesy *Yorks Post*) contain the names of the nominee, a proposer and a seconder. They should be handed in to the Union Office not later than 12 noon on Saturday, November 1st, in order that they may be considered by the Union Committee at its November meeting.

U.C. TO PAY AT UNION BALL ECONOMIES FOR BETTER DECORATIONS

At the October meeting of the Union Committee, Mr. John Davies, the Entertainments Secretary, proposed economies in committee privileges in order that the Union Ball may do better justice to guests and to Union members, than it has done in the past.

The Union Ball in recent years has acquired the reputation of being the least imaginative of all the Balls in the season. Too little thought has been put into the preparations and too little money into the decorations. This year's Entertainments Committee are resolved to improve the position. Union Committee members will pay for their tickets and will not have free use of the Committee Bar. The considerable sum thus saved will be spent on more ambitious decorations.

Saturday Socials.

Having won his point on this issue Mr. Davies went on to make

two proposals concerning Saturday Night Socials.

1. That the present restriction to a maximum of ten musicians at a hop be lifted. This proposal was carried and may well mean that we shall return to three bands on a Saturday night.
2. That no supper tickets should be issued in future, but that a running buffet be provided instead. This was carried.

A Union Flagpole.

In the House Secretaries' report, Mr. Frank Jones announced that the new traffic island and flagpole outside the Union will be completed in time for the Union Ball. During the summer vacation the Riley-Smith stage had been re-floored and improvements had been made to the dressing room facilities.

The habitual question of coffee was raised once more, but this time there may be just the

faintest possibility that action will be taken. It has been decided to ask the Catering Committee to take action forthwith either to make a substantial improvement in the quality of the coffee at the existing price, or if this is impracticable, to sound student opinion on raising the price to 3d. a cup.

Two years ago preparations were in hand for murals to decorate the austere walls of the Union Bar. The walls are as bare as ever they were, but Union Committee "Views with concern the delay in brightening up the Bar, and requests that the Union Building Advisory Committee take action on this matter during this term." We shall see.

The Coronation and Rag Week.

Although on the agenda, no report was given on the 1952 Rag Week and there was no discussion of the form in which the Union should celebrate the

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(Courtesy *Y.E. News*)

Miss Alice Combli, a Fresher from Athens, now resident at Oxley Hall. Tel. 517171.

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EDITORIAL

The Accounts of the 1952 Rag Week have been audited. Total collections were £7,849 and so far £4,529 has been distributed to charity. So much for the pounds, shillings and pence. Not, we hope, the most important part of Rag Week. The Rag is to provide entertainments for the citizens of Leeds, to provide entertainment for the students of Leeds, and at the same time to afford some assistance to those who are less fortunate than ourselves.

The Union Committee is to discuss at its November meeting, the preparations for the 1953 Rag Week in the light of celebrations which may be arranged to mark the Coronation. The time seems ripe, therefore, to reflect on the idea of the Leeds Students' Charity Rag.

Like most things, Rag Week had small beginnings, but over the years it has developed into an organisation of almost commercial size which is at work for much of the academic year. There is no doubt that the students who arrange it are pleased to do so, both for the sake of charity and for the tradition and fun of the thing.

Nevertheless, as students supposedly receiving a full-time education, we must keep the picture in perspective. We assume that there is general agreement that it is the duty of each of us at university or college, to spend our time in such a way that we become assets to the community, consistent with our ability. Some may feel that they can best do this by reading a few less books and by spending a few more hours learning the meaning of the word "initiative." Others feel it their duty to devote themselves to their academic studies.

Excellent training in some ways though "organising" may be, is there not a case for some reduction in the scope of Rag Week in order that the members of the Rag Committee may devote just a few more hours to their books?

NOTHING BARRED



THE AUTHOR

UNION NEWS.

Union News, that honoured and revered contemporary of the *Times* and *Guardian* has now celebrated its seventh birthday. During those years the people who have, in turn, filled this particular part of the paper have, surprisingly enough, passed their exams, and left us for the hard world outside (or at least have left us for the hard world outside).

Glancing through the files of past issues, one learns that these two columns started life as "This and That," under the auspices of a gentleman named Snoop, who was soon succeeded in office by (his son?) Snoop II. There followed an obviously cultured creature called Savoir, who yielded in time his eyeshade to the more down to earth Pete.

Last year's writer, feeling that he needed more scope and having some experience of the Law, changed the title to "Without Prejudice," while the present writer, needing even more scope and having even closer experience of the Law, has again altered the title.

Here beginneth :
"Nothing Barred."

FOOD FOR THOUGHT.

At the last meeting of Union Committee one of the ladies of the Committee proved that members are sometimes almost

human by requesting that refreshments might be provided at future meetings. This seemed reasonable enough and, since private enterprise is to be encouraged, the young lady in question was asked to see what could be done. Reports from reliable sources state that she has already acquired a battered tea-urn and a N.A.A.F.I. cap.

Imagine the scene: U. C. Room. Time 7-29 $\frac{3}{4}$ p.m.

Mr. Black: "... and although we have this slight deficit of £354,923 we may..."

Mr. J. S. D...s, rising: "Mr. Pwresident, sir, it's time for our tea bweak."

Voices off: "Yes, and remember the sugar."

"Plenty of milk."

"What's to eat?"

"Have you an iced-lolly?"

Mr. Black, reddening: "This deficit, gentlemen..."

Chorus: "Aw shurrup!"

Mr. Black, battering with gavel: "Order! Order!"

Chorus: "We'll have seven sausage rolls, thirty-two currant buns, twenty-fo..."

CURTAIN.

SLACKING.

There are a number of unwritten laws dealing with hats, fur coats, slacks and so on, which form part of the tradition of the Union. It is little more than common etiquette that head gear should not be worn in the Cafeteria and Refectories, and any offender can quickly be brought into line by a good, solid chorus of "Hat. Hat. Hat." How to deal with the problem of women wearing slacks in the Union is not quite so simple if decency is to be preserved.

Perhaps the moment is opportune for a revue of the situation in a full scale debate on the motion that "In the opinion of this House the men should wear the trousers in this House."

INTER-VARSITY DEBATE TODAY

in the SOCIAL ROOM at 7 p.m., on Thursday, Oct. 23.

Motion: "It is the opinion of this House that people who live in glasshouses shouldn't."

Proposed by :
Mr. R. H. Godfrey
(Nottingham).

Seconded by :
Miss A. P. Ritchie
(Leeds).

Opposed by :
Mr. J. M. Galgut
(Manchester).

Seconded by :
Mr. G. W. Rhodes
(Leeds).

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By TAPIO.

Periodically the correspondence columns of the local press resound with the clash and clamour of protagonists and detractors of the Y.S.O. These were stirred into action recently when Mr. Bradbury came back from foreign parts and made the dust fly about a bit with his candid comments. Outraged Y. S. O. supporters came back at him strongly, but though I am second to none in my appreciation of the hard work being done by Mr. Miles and his merry band, I am bound to say I must agree with Mr. Bradbury's remarks. Improvements in any field are seldom impossible and constructive criticism should never come amiss.

It is not that the Y.S.O. cannot play brilliantly upon occasion: Sir Thomas Beecham's concert some years ago was a revelation. There are those, of course, who will say Maurice Miles is not to be compared with that almost legendary genius, but I remember vividly the evening when the Y.S.O. visited London for the first time. Mr. Miles and his orchestra played that night as if the occasion had really ignited the fires of inspiration within them, and one longs for the day when this awareness of artistic passion finely aroused will make one oblivious of that dreadful fish-and-chippy smell in Leeds Town Hall. Mr. Miles does his best, but his players do not, I think, always produce a corresponding sensitivity.

One thing should never be forgotten, however, and that is the extent of the wearisome round of local concerts which the Y.S.O. are called upon to provide up and down the country. There are few more intensively-worked orchestras to be found in this country, and it is bound to affect their playing. At all events, if I were Leeds Corporation I would at least give the Y.S.O. a new rehearsal room—this time with the accent on room.

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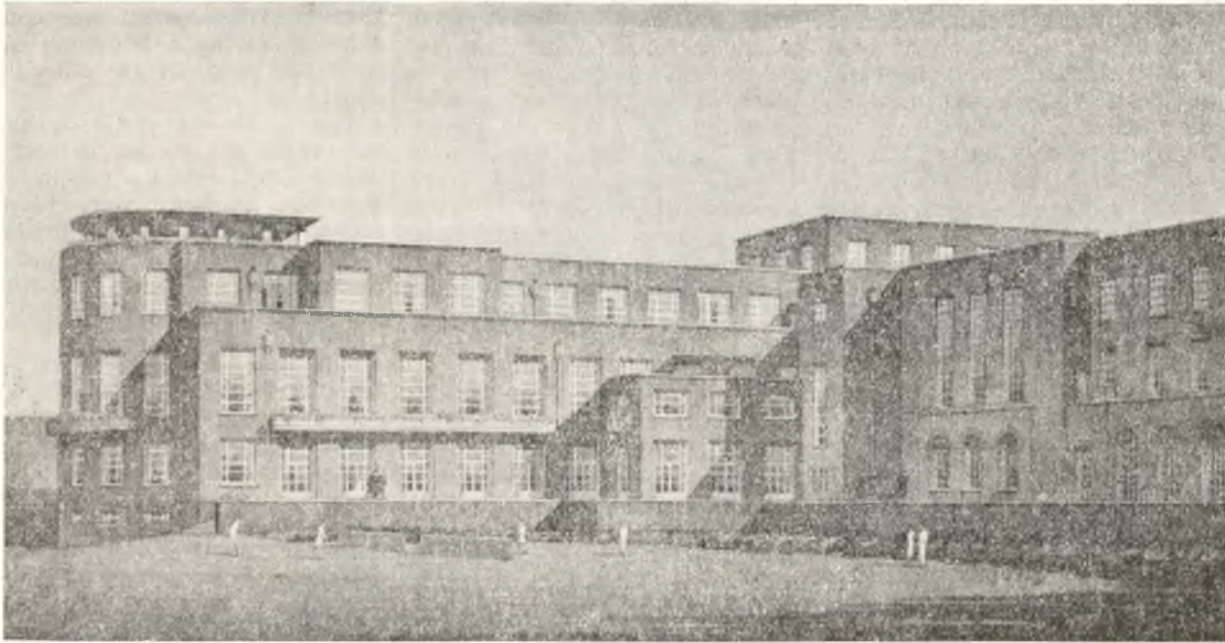
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Preparations were begun some eighteen months ago, when, to the open-mouthed wonder and delight of the engine driver element amongst us, a great big excavator ambled onto the greensward, then adjoining the Union, and like an elephant rummaging in a pile of hay, casually swung its bucket through the air, sending rabbits scuttling for safety and oak trees for six. Mud pie making then began in earnest and we soon had a hole so big, and in the winter so full of water, that it is said the corporation waterworks thought of connecting it to the piped supply for Kirby Overblow. But the sun came out and with lots of ha'porths of tar, the hole was made watertight.

Then came the steel erectors. In no time they had a man shinning up and down poles, bolting joists to girders and vice-versa. Rag committee wanted him to do it again outside the Town Hall, but that would have been in his lunch hour so it had to be called off.

The Plan.

The new building will have direct communication with the Union Building at the Lower Ground and Ground Floor levels. The main entrance hall at Ground

Floor level will lead to three dining rooms, which together with the kitchen will occupy the whole of this floor.

The smallest of these dining rooms will hold a hundred and will be designed for waitress service. It will be a dignified room in which important luncheons and dinners will be served. The two larger dining rooms will hold approximately three hundred and fifty and five hundred and fifty and will be separated by sliding doors so that they can be formed into one large hall if desired. The combined length of these two rooms will be approximately the same as that of the Central Court of the Parkinson Building but the total width will be seventy feet as compared with the fifty feet of the Central Court. Thus it seems that we will possess a hall big enough to have lunch in without queueing for half an hour and large enough for the Agrics. and the Engineers to really spread themselves for their Annual Balls without their guests having to dance with one hand round their partner and the other grasping the next man's bow tie.

A New Bar.

As the connection with the Union Building will interfere

with the existing Union Bar, a new bar is being planned in the Lower Ground Floor of the Refectory. Adjacent to it will be a Coffee Lounge approximately twice as large as the Union Cafeteria. Has anyone thought of providing pencils to be chained conveniently to the legs of all the tables?

The First Floor will be occupied by the Dining Rooms and Social Rooms of Staff House, which will replace the present apology for staff accommodation in Beech Grove Terrace.

Completion By?

It is hoped that the building may be completed in time for the commencement of the 1954-55 session so that this year's Freshers may one day eat, drink and be merry in quarters more grandiose than those to which their elders have been accustomed.

Eventually it may be possible to construct the long-awaited swimming bath, with gymnasia, fives courts, squash courts and tennis courts (no roundabouts), to the south of the Refectory so as to form a social centre.

(The Editor acknowledges with thanks the help given in the preparation of this article by the University Planning Engineer, Mr. G. WILSON).

ONE OFTEN WONDERS

And that's just what the Philosophical Society is here for. It provides an opportunity for those who want to wonder out loud. Have you a closed mind? Then the Phil. Soc. is closed to you. But perhaps your refrain is the top tune on the Positivist lit parade, perhaps you have a theory that will square the Vienna Circle, or perhaps you think Socrates was a racehorse. There are optimists who claim that this is the best of all possible worlds and everything in it is a necessary evil and pessimists who say that where everything is bad, it must be good to know the worst.

All these and many other opinions can be heard in the W.C.R. on alternate Tuesdays at 5-15 p.m., beginning on Oct. 22nd. Beards are a help but not obligatory! Philosophers are not so highfalutin' as they may seem. There are people seeking bad reason for what they believe by instinct.

OLIVE BRANCH

News of great moment—Peace Society has some Conservative members this year. What's more, something was said by the Chairman of the University Conservative Association—doubtless in an unguarded moment—to the Secretary of the Peace Soc. about getting Viscount Hinchinbrooke to speak. Whether this comes off or not, Peace Society is glad to welcome these right-wing members, and would indeed welcome more members, of any political views. The Secretary has been heard to mutter darkly "There's not enough interest in Peace in the Union this year." Dove-owning members, please note.

THEATRE GROUP

On Friday, October 10th, the large numbers who came to Freshers' Squash were rewarded by an entertaining evening. A series of weekly lectures on the "Stage," were given a magnificent introduction by Mr. G. Wilson Knight, President of Theatre Group, in his talk on Shakespearian Acting, on Tuesday, October 14th. The Group cordially invites all interested to come and hear other well known speakers.

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Coronation. If present arrangements stand, next year's Rag Week will be two weeks after the Coronation. There is, however, a considerable body of opinion among students that Rag Week should be brought forward into the Easter term. Changes of some sort seem possible before next June. The whole question of the Coronation Celebrations and recommendations from the 1952 Rag Committee will be reviewed at the November committee meeting.

TELL IT TO THE TEACHER

The air of joviality and general atmosphere of thankfulness at once more being back in harness will be shared not least by members of the Education Department. For three weeks prior to coming up they had been engaged in the happy task of teaching children of primary age.

I well remember the first morning when, timidly knocking on the door of the Headmaster's study, I intimated my presence in school. Headmasters have always regarded me with a special type of look, reserved I had always thought for that class of boy who, as the school report so aptly puts it, "Seems to try hard . . ." but in actual fact is a fool. The Headmaster seemed to have just that look in his eye. "Good morning Sir, I am the new student Sir."

"Ah yes, I am glad to see you, won't you take a seat." Unfortunately, I couldn't find one, and I noticed that look seemed to grow more resigned in the Headmaster's eye.

"You won't be doing any teaching for at least a fortnight, so don't worry. You will be quite alright," he said.

"Thank you Sir, I am really very glad Sir."

The bell for assembly put an end to the rest of the conversation. I walked into the main hall, where it seemed the best part of 400 children had turned up to see if they could alter the colour of my complexion by staring at me for at least a quarter of an hour. I shall never forget the puzzled look on one girl's face; could it be true that I was going to teach here?

After bank money, dinner money, appeals money, money

owed to the teacher by the scholar, money owed to the scholar by the teacher, had been collected (it would be a moot point if the Stock Exchange was any busier than Monday morning) the teacher advanced to me, and suggested that I might like to take the Biblical Studies lesson. I took it, the class were faintly amused; I took the arithmetic lesson, they were even more amused; who would have thought there were so many pounds in a hundredweight?

At last, after an interminable length of time, the bell for break rang out. I doubt if Joseph confronted with the Promised Land could have been more glad than I was at the sound of that bell. To say I was tired would be an example in the art of understatement. All this and the staff room too.

I sneaked into the staff room. The conversation at that moment was at its most intellectual and brilliant. A remarkably stolid-looking Yorkshireman, buttoned up to the neck in a raincoat which had inevitably battled with more than the natural elements, was speaking.

"Re the Football Pool. Has any of yer seen the "Sunday Pictorial"? Now there was a good permutation in, and it will cost 12/6, that means a 1/0½ each. And don't send yer shillings round when I'm taking bank money."

The Staff Room consented and the plan was put into operation. Its success will be heralded by the fact that on one Monday morning in the distant future, there will be one school minus teachers.

The rest of the morning passed pleasantly. The school children had got used to seeing me wandering nonchalantly around the room, sometimes with a piece of chalk in my hands, sometimes with the red pencil. Then came dinner time. Now I pride myself that I have knocked around a bit. I have been at the Zoo when they have been feeding the lions, I have been at Lyon's when they have been feeding the workers. I have seen sandwiches eaten by thieves, murderers, business men, and students, but I am willing to back a certain lad who was on my table with any I have yet seen. He was small, but he had a capacity for food out of all proportion to his size. No matter if the food looked out of this world, he would enjoy it with an air of benevolent gratitude to those who had so readily given of their services to put it before him. I was not so appreciative; and any enthusiasm I had for lunch was suddenly damped by one of my younger neighbours, who decided to pour the contents of his tumbler over my potatoes.

The afternoon was inconspicuous except to reveal that I am a noticeably bad speller, that I know very little geography and even less history, that I can't tell a fairy story, that I have no notions of discipline, that I cannot look seriously at a class to save my life, and that my notions of art and craft don't exactly tally with those laid down by the Hadow Report. Will I make a good teacher? Of course I will!

BUTTERFLIES BALL

Following last year's precedent the Social Studies Society's Coming-Up Dance was an uproarious success, but rumours that the department were considering having a television set with the proceeds are officially denied!

Part of the *raison d'être* of the Society is an interest in social work. Mr. Locke's attempts at marriage guidance were blunt and to the point. As spot prizes, a rolling pin for the lady, and a hammer for the gent were true to our motto—"if you can't conciliate, annihilate."

This year the Society plans an ambitious programme which includes a visit to Holme Moss television station and a visit to a coal mine. It is also intended to debate the motion "That the Ladies of the Society are Not."

In the practical field we are hoping to enlist a large number of people to help with a scheme for visiting people who are living alone in Leeds. This is very worthwhile work and does not need to be confined to members of the Society. We welcome all students to join in this and all other activities of the Society.

FILM SOCIETY

At the instigation of last year's Union Cinema Committee a FILM SOCIETY has been formed this term. Its objects are to encourage a critical interest in films and to learn something of the background of film making.

Three programmes have been arranged for this term in which a speaker will introduce and discuss several films that will be shown.

It is hoped that everyone interested will join since a large membership is essential for the maintenance of an interesting programme. Contact Phil Morris.

POLITICAL SOCIETIES PREPARE FOR ACTION

The Bazaar is over, Freshers' Teas and initiation ceremonies have been held. Political societies have made their recruits—300 of them. And before very long Union political life will become its usual constructive as well as noisy self.

Recruiting Figures.

At the Bazaar ALL the political societies recruited very well (Conservative Association 124, Labour Society 107, Socialist Society 40, Communist Society 24). Clearly the Conservatives have got off to a good start once again and we should hear plenty from them in defence of Her Majesty's Government. What of H.M.'s Opposition? The combined left represents a very strong force but it remains to be seen how "combined" they are. The Labour Society has got off to its best start in recruitment for many years and if it recruits DURING the session as it did last year it should become the strongest political force in the Union. We shall see.

Soc. Soc. to the Fore.

Perhaps the surprise of the Bazaar is the strength of Soc. Soc. Those who are not familiar with the subtleties of Union political life may wonder what this "Labour Soc." and "Socialist Soc." is all about. Well it has its historical and national student political cautions, but that's a long story. Suffice it to say that Labour Society is broadly a society of Labour Party supporters (not necessarily Labour Party members), and Soc. Soc. is a more left-wing society which attempts to unite Socialists, Communists, Fabians, etc., etc., on particular issues. The significant fact about Soc. Soc. this year is that the majority of its members appear to be neither members of Lab. Soc. nor members of Comm. Soc. There is food for thought there! And here is the answer to the 64-dollar question: "Where can I find the Bevanites Society?" That is easy—they are all in the Labour Society (though whether they are in a MAJORITY there

I would not hazard a guess). They don't appear to form "a Society within a Society," whatever the *Daily Express* may think!

Wot! No Liberals?

The Communist Society is sufficiently strong to be influential again in the Union. As for the Liberals—NO Bazaar stall, NO write-up in the Handbook, NO re-application for recognition as a Union Society for session 1952-1953, and yet there MUST be 100 Liberal sympathisers in the Union. Why on earth don't you Liberals pull your socks up?

Coming Shortly.

Regarding future activities—two dates stand out for you to book in your diary:—

Nov. ? Inter-party discussion on Foreign Policy organised by the International Society. Main Speakers: Denis Healey M.P. (S.E. Leeds), Donald Kaberry, M.P. (N.W. Leeds).
Nov. 13th. Inter-party discussion on German Rearmament

under the auspices of the Jewish Students' Association.

Well, there will be many other meetings besides these and I do hope you enjoy them all. I hear that a number of M.P.'s and candidates will be visiting us and hope they, and our own student politicians, will get a good and fair hearing. We have a long tradition here of toleration and free speech and we can all see to it that this fine tradition continues.

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CHAOS? NO!

LUNCH-TIME
UNION DEBATE.

"This Union's a Wonderful Place, but the Organisation's a Shocking Disgrace."

Mr. Charles Kingham, the Editor of *The Gryphon*, proposed the motion, and like a true *Gryphon* man, did so in rhyming couplets with which he cleverly pointed out some of the minor but blatant defects in the Union's facilities.

Opposing him was the Editor of *Union News*, who drew pen pictures of his little tin gods, the members of the Executive Committee. Mr. David Vernon Morris it seems, in his infancy was responsible for pools all over Headingley. This apparently was to his credit.

Mr. Brian Lund, erstwhile Editor of *Union News*, seconded the motion with a careful selection from the Union Committee minutes demonstrating, so he alleged, their uniform nit-wittedness. Mr. Frank Jones, the House Secretary, defended the fifteen open seats and those that toil thereon.

Speeches from the floor took a somewhat serious tone and Mr. Rhodes, the Chairman of the Debates Committee, gave a masterly exposition of the principles of democracy. Mr. Gibson, Debates secretary, bestowed a paternal blessing on the back-room boys who produce *Union News* out of thin and usually hot air.

The motion was lost by twenty-seven votes to ninety-one.



A group of Freshers being shown round the University during this year's Freshers' Conference. (Courtesy Y.E. News)

WOMEN, FISH, WATER AND UNIVERSITIES

The Riley-Smith Hall was packed for the Annual Freshers' Conference Debate on the eve of the new session.

The motion before the House was "That this House Considers That Women in Universities are Like Fish Out of Water."

It is true that in the course of the debate women, fish, water and universities were mentioned, but rarely with any relevance to the motion.

Mr. David Morris, proposing the motion, divided women into three classes, the beautiful, the ugly and the majority. Somehow

he contrived to bring in a story about All Bran and the Old Testament: "Moses took two tablets and went up the mountain." Mr. Morris thought that marriage was an excellent institution—no family should be without it. He advocated better conditions for men in women's halls.

Mr. Rhodes was a champion of the weaker sex. He referred to the pompous men who think that scholarship and knowledge are their sole prerogative. Some men were eager to work and others eager to let them.

Mr. John Davies, sometime Editor of *Union News*, seconded the motion. He spoke of the dangers besetting men in "their passage through this emporium

of learning." He obligingly woke the *Union News* reporter from time to time. As we dozed off for the last time we heard him saying something about women sprawling across his desk in examinations. What a thing it must be to be a woman-killer of Mr. Davies' calibre!

Mr. Keith Sykes, believed to be appearing by courtesy of "Workers' Playtime," reeled off a line of fishy jokes, for which he must have gone shrimping at a very low tide. Officially he was seconding the opposition.

Speeches from the floor were numerous and included several short contributions from Freshers. On a division the motion was lost by hundreds and hundreds to eighty-six.

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LACROSSE CLUB

v.

CHEADLE A

The Lacrosse Club First XII are playing in the Second Division of the North of England Lacrosse Association. A very successful season last year resulted in the Club gaining promotion from the Third Division—to occupy a higher status than ever before.

On October 11th, the First XII played Cheadle "A" at Cheadle, Cheshire—the game ending in a win for Cheadle by 12 goals to 10. Leeds opened strongly, having two chances to score in the first five minutes, but then as the play swung to the other end of the field the defence were unable to hold the opposing first Home, who scored. The defence soon settled down, and marked their men closely, but still the attack lacked confidence and as a result the handling was not up to standard.

C. R. Chandler broke through the Cheadle defence to score two good goals, and some well-timed forcing by B. R. Banton and A. F. Wilson from the defence led to further goals. D. V. Morris, substituting in goal saved many hard shots but then, with Cheadle 10—9 down, five minutes from the end, they broke away to score three quick goals.

The Club has a very full fixture list for the season, playing on every Saturday until March, together with the Wednesday fixtures against Oxford, Manchester, and Nottingham Universities, for the Universities' Lacrosse Cup.

FENCING CLUB

v.

"KISS ME KATE" COMPANY

The Fencing Club held its first match of the session in the University gymnasium on Saturday, October 11th. This was in answer to a challenge by four foilists from the "Kiss Me Kate" Company.

A larger crowd than usual, composed mainly of members of the visiting theatrical company,

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RESULTS

Saturday, October 11th.

Association Football—

1st XI v. D.P.E.,
Drew 1—1.

R.U.F.C. Medics—

1st XV v. Catterick,
Won 17—6.

Men's Hockey—

1st v. Catterick Services,
Won 4—0.

Men's Lacrosse—

1st XII v. Cheadle,
Lost 10—12.

FENCING—continued

saw the visitors beaten by the University—9 bouts to 7.

The meeting was very fortunate in having the distinguished Halifax fencer Miss North as President.

WEIGHT-LIFTING CLUB

Last term the Club had the first two matches since it was formed. The first was against Woodhouse Moor Physical Training Club and the University lifters were narrowly beaten, 1040 lb—995 lb.

The second match, against Hunters' Bar, Sheffield, was rather a disappointment, there being no score.

The Weightlifting Club has lost several lifters since last term, but these places should be easily filled from the present twenty-four members.

Reg. Parks—Mr. Universe, 1951—has kindly offered to help with the arrangement of fixtures when the team gets under way.

Freshers who are interested may see these mighty-men-of-muscle "pressing" and "snatching" on Wednesday afternoons in the Gymnasium, or at most lunch-times.

BASKET BALL CLUB

During the last two years the Basket Ball Club has been showing excellent form. The first team has not only won all its University fixtures, including one against Cambridge University, but has won all its Christie Cup and U.A.U. matches as well.

The first team is little changed this year, having lost only one member. So with good luck and much practice the results in the coming season should be favourable. This year the Northern Section of the U.A.U. championships have in addition to Liverpool, Manchester, and Nottingham, two more Universities, Sheffield and Newcastle, to test the play of the Leeds men. A match worth watching will be the Christie Cup Competition, which this season is to be held in Leeds on a date yet to be decided. We hope to see the Leeds students given plenty of support.

Monday, October 13th.

Swimming Club

v. Holbeck S.C.

Swimming, Won 7—4.
Water Polo, Lost 4—2.

Wednesday, October 15th.

Swimming Club v. Ripon S.C.

Swimming, Won 32—27.
Water Polo, Draw 2—2.

Association Football—

1st XI v. Nottingham Un.
Lost 1—3.

The first major event on the fixture list is the International Tournament. The following teams are entered:—

Leeds, Mormons,
Brussels, Leuven,
Agamma, Amsterdam,

representing England, Belgium, America and Holland. This takes place at Amsterdam on 30th and 31st October, 1952. The Club is also entered in the British Open Championships and the National Championships. Recently Leeds reached the semi-finals in both these events.

Anyone wishing to join the Basket Ball Club should not be put off by this outstanding record since complete beginners have been playing in the first team at the end of their first year on several previous occasions.

Those interested in Basket Ball or those wishing to learn this energetic sport should make themselves known to the Club officials at the practice periods on Fridays from 4—5 p.m.

SWIMMING CLUB

Last season the Swimming Club was not blessed with those features which produce skill and enthusiasm. That "new brooms sweep clean" is now being proved. Enthusiasm in the Club is high, swimmers are improving their times each week, and above all, there is a fine spirit.

The Club is unfortunate in that its practice bath is at a considerable distance from the University—at Carnegie College. Further, the Club cannot use the College baths for matches, and must travel to Kirkstall Road Baths.

A strenuous and experimental training system is in progress, which with the great spirit already developed, should produce favourable results from the future ten fixtures.

TABLE TENNIS

Once again, with one of the largest followings in the Union, the first team has set off in splendid style, with the following results:—

Education Offices,

Won 10—0.

TABLE TENNIS—continued

Hathorn Davey, Won 8—2.

The second team also appear promising with a 7—8 win over Turner Sports. Unfortunately, they lost their other game 6—4 to the Y.M.C.A.

All hopes are now directed towards the Inter-'Varsity match on Wednesday, October 22nd.

BOXING CLUB

During the 1951-52 season bad luck dogged the members of the Club. Two members were persistent sufferers with knocked-up fingers, and Jack Rowe, one of the U.A.U. hopes, became entangled with a roll of barbed wire during a training run, severely tearing his leg. Of the eight University matches which were arranged, only three took place due to difficulty in matching the weights. This, however, is a problem which affected most of the Northern Universities last season.

The Club was represented in the Northern and our heavy-weight was beaten on points in the U.A.U. finals. We were also represented in the English Universities which fought the Scottish Universities at Aberdeen, in March last year.

With the return of a former U.A.U. finalist, Frank Scholefield, and a keen set of novices, the Club should make itself felt in the North even more this year.

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