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- Union Committee advised to abolish General Meetings. No wonder we call it . . .

UNION ADMINISTRATIVE FARCE

Will students ever take an interest in Union affairs again?

By Our Editorial Staff

LAW DAY "STRETCHED" TO FORTNIGHT

"LAW DAY" has this year been extended to a fortnight — more the result of unfortunate planning than deliberate design.

The fortnight began with the Law Society Dance at the Lawnswood Arms on Tuesday, the first the Society has ever staged, advertised by a be-floured publicity secretary at Monday's A.G.M. The Common Room in Law House, now lavishly furnished by a university grant will be officially opened this afternoon and coffee served three times a week in future.

Law Day itself is next Tuesday. It involves the traditional procession to the Union and a forum on Juvenile Delinquency in the Riley-Smith, addressed by the Warden of Sadler Hall, Leeds Senior Probation Officer, the Headmaster of Eastmoor Approved School and the Vicar of St. George's Crypt, with Prof. P. S. James in the chair. The final of the Bedford Public Speaking Trophy for lawyers takes place the following Monday.

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GOBSTOPPER TRIUMPH

ANISEED balls and gob-stoppers were passed along the platform when the motion "that this House prefers aniseed balls to gob-stoppers" was debated in the Union on Wednesday. President Schumacher, proposing the motion, claimed "The top people eat aniseed balls." Opposing him, Alan Powell replied, "Eric Schumacher is the biggest sucker in the Union."

The motion was defeated — 59 against 50 for with 24 abstentions.

THE results of the recent Presidential Election and the Annual General Meeting have caused many members of the Union to regard the whole set-up as farcical.

The facts are that 23% of the Union voted in the 1960 Presidential elections (6% of the ballot papers were deliberately spoiled), the Annual General Meeting was declared inquorate after a hundred minute flour-bag and moth-ball farce, and when the meeting was reconvened it lasted only two minutes because Sam Saunders, one of fifty people present, successfully challenged the quorum.

At Wednesday's debate John Sully, proposed in private member's business that General Meetings of the Union should be abolished. He claimed that the recent S.G.M.'s and A.G.M.'s had shown that Union Members just weren't interested in the general running of the Union.

Promises

Mr. Sully was obviously concerned about apathy.

The farce continued on Tuesday dinner-time when a particularly weak batch of candidates for the two posts of Senior and Junior Vice-President, addressed a meeting of the electorate. The majority of them promised a new men's bar and to tackle problems of overcrowding. Sue Khozai, standing for re-election, made one of the strongest points when she stressed "the need for continuity from one committee to the next."

David Harmer said that "Students should have free choice in deciding whether or not to take an interest in Union activities."

Mr. Harmer was concerned about apathy.

N.U.S. Secretary David Pollard stressed the need for improved catering arrangements and better advertising of Union Committee decisions. "I would hope to bully the Editor of 'Union News' into publishing articles about Union activities," he stated.

Mr. Pollard, too, was concerned about apathy.

While the majority of Union members are taking no interest in administration, the conscientious minority plead in vain for staggered lecture hours, better Refectory meals, and alleviation of overcrowding.

A low poll is feared for Monday and Tuesday when voting takes place for the vice-presidents.

Candidates are:
Senior Vice-President — Margaret Foreman, Sue Khozai, Kathryn McGinty, Pat Watson and Sue Williams.

Junior Vice-President—Roy Bull, David Harmer and David Pollard.

Resign

THE unexpected occurred during the Private Members' business at the debate "that this House prefers self-control to birth control", when Mr. Ron Childs made an attack on the presidential election procedure and results.

Mr. Childs pointed out that only 6% of the students voted for the winning candidate. David Bateman, out of an all-time low poll of less than 20%.

Mr. Childs suggested that the society

should request that Union Committee examine the voting system, in order that a similar result should not occur again, and that the electoral procedure should be overhauled.

The suggestion was also put forward by Mr. Childs that the society should ask Mr. Bateman to resign, in view of the lack of support he had received in standing for office of President.

There can be no doubt that Mr. Childs was concerned about apathy.

The motion was carried that the request be made to Union Committee that the electoral procedure be examined and overhauled, but Mr. Schumacher said that nothing could or would be done there and then about asking Mr. Bateman to resign.

LEEDS BEER WIN OVER BRADFORD

AFTER several weeks of practice and preliminary heats in the bar Leeds won the beer drinking race against Bradford College of Technology by two bouts, with the third bout at dead-heat. Their Bradford opponents fielding only half their original team boasted two really fast drinkers but overall Leeds was the better team and enjoyed a close but comfortable victory.

After Bradford had apologised for the absence of half their team "due to the weather," pint glasses filled to the brim were arrayed along a table in the social room at 2" intervals and Rag Chairman Sam Saunders led the Leeds team into position. Eric Schumacher, presiding shouted "Are you ready? Go!" and the match was on. As each man tabled an empty glass the next man began to drink.

Leeds won the first bout by one second, the next was a dead heat and the last was won comfortably by Leeds.

Highland Fling



Yorkshire Evening News Photo

Dancers at Scottish Dance Society's Fifth Annual Ball held last Friday, at which Jackie Johnstone gave demonstrations of Highland dancing.

Appeal for right handed guinea pigs

EXPERIMENTS are currently being carried out in the Psychology Department, investigating causes of aircraft accidents which can be attributed to pilot errors in misreading instruments under conditions of stress.

Mr. E. E. Bernard, of the Psychology Department, told a Union News reporter that volunteer subjects

Third International Exhibition to be staged next term CONCERN ABOUT INTEREST

Union News Reporter



Yorkshire Post Photo

Flashback to the 1952 Exhibition—Chinese exhibits being shown to Pat Fowler, then Senior Vice-President.

A THIRD International Exhibition, sponsored by the Union, is to be held in the second week of the summer term. Sue Khozai, Chairman of the organising Committee hopes that it will add colour to University life for a week but she expressed concern about the apparent lack of general enthusiasm in this "Leeds Eisteddfodd."

Miss Khozai said that in 1955, it was realised just how high the percentage of students from overseas was and it was consequently decided to hold an exhibition "to promote a wider knowledge and understanding of foreign cultures." The exhibition was envisaged in the following year and this year it is hoped to enlarge it even more.

Royal Opening

The Union is awaiting a reply from H.R.H. the Princess Royal to an invitation to open the exhibition and invitations to attend the opening ceremony have been sent to numerous Embassies, to the Vice Chancellor, and to notable members of the city and Press.

In the Union itself, the Riley-Smith Hall and Women's Common Room plus all the committee rooms in the lunch hour will be used for the Exhibition. In addition to the Exhibition itself, travel films, talks and concerts will take place each evening—these being devoted to Asian African and European aspects in turn. All foreign national societies have been notified and it is hoped, by next term, more Union attention will be focused on this "Week of colour."

DEBATE SEMI-FINAL

THE two Leeds representatives in the N.U.S. Debating competition for the Observer Mace, Alan Andrews and Peter Hall, will go to Kings College, Newcastle, on March 15th, for the National Semi-final.

They will be competing against teams from Cardiff, Trinity College Dublin, and Birmingham, and individual speakers from Birbeck College, London, Nottingham, and Queens Belfast.

The motion to be debated is that "This House believes that there is a stage at which nations are not fit for Parliamentary Government."

The judges will pick one team for the final and one individual if they think fit.

Alan Andrews told Union News the motion presents us with a real challenge but I hope that we will be successful.

Chinatown Theme for Textile Ball

THE theme at this year's Textile Society's Ball is to be Chinatown and everybody (according to the organisers) will have an opportunity to let their pig-tails down and have a ying.

They claim that it will be the social event of the year and with the music of Bill Saville's Orchestra dancing is expected to be seen (something rare even at Balls). Other attractions include Wally Fawkes and his Troglodites, Casey's velly Hot Seven and Jeff Locke, and it is rumoured that the versatile Duko Bocks and his 3-D's will attempt to set up a record for non-stop playing in the Social Room.

Dragons are being trained to lead the blind (drunk) from the Inn of the Sixth Happiness between 8.30 and 1 o'clock, while Oriental Maidens will serve less toxic refreshments.

NEWS IN BRIEF

ON Monday, March 7th, Labour Society is combining with Scope to present the film "The last chance," which is a documentary study of Jews in Poland today. It includes a short sequence actually shot in the Warsaw Ghetto, at the height of a Nazi extermination campaign by a Jewish doctor, who was sent into the camp to help in dealing with a typhoid epidemic.

The film sequence has never been publicly shown in England and brief as it is, it is one of the most harrowing records of Nazi cruelty ever to be seen in the West.

AN attempt is being made to form an industrial relations society with the aim of furthering the study of relations in industry and thereby contributing to a deeper understanding of the problems involved. Since there is a Montague Burton Chair of Industrial Relations at the University it is hoped that permission will be obtained for Stanley Burton to call the new society the Burton Soc. for Industrial Relations.



Half an hour after Union Barman, Fred, had placed several new ash trays on the bar tables, he found one (pictured above) on the bar floor — crushed by hooligans. Fred complains that this happens every time he puts new ash-trays out.

ARE you an active member for the campaign for Nuclear Disarmament or are you merely prepared to to wear the badge and then forget about it? The president of the campaign said that this was one of the real problems facing them. Although there was a very good response to C.N.D. week and although membership had increased substantially, nevertheless the society could never be really satisfied until every member of the Union was also an active member of C.N.D.

IT is hoped that Mr. Hugh Gaitskell will speak in the Riley Smith on Friday, March 11th. This has been arranged by Labour Soc.

RUSSIAN Club held an Exhibition last week. Originally it was planned to go on for two days but it proved so successful that it went gone posters for children, photographs and continuous recorded music was provided in the hope of giving students some idea of life in modern Russia.

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MARATHON DEBATE ON BIRTH CONTROL

By Our Debates Correspondent

"THE case against birth control can be upheld without reference to Catholic doctrine" said Mr. P. R. Schroeder, proposing the motion "that this house prefers self-control to birth-control" last Wednesday afternoon.

He first stressed the necessity for a society to exercise self-control in order to exist, and its importance as a basis for personal morality and then presented birth-control as based upon 19th century Malthusian pessimism which had no place in an affluent society.

Roy Bull, for the opposition, distinguished between control inside and control outside marriage. "Among married people" he argued, "the question is whether women should bear children throughout the time of their fertility" and said that reliance on self-control would inevitably lead to the tyranny of one half of the world over the other. "The women would be tied to the household, no matter how far they may have proved their capabilities."

On control outside marriage, he said "the whole business of surrounding the matter of sex with indecency is one of the most diabolical features of our present society. Primitive superstitions about sex are responsible for exploitation and unhealthy emphasis."

Marriage Convention

Mr. Sweeney, seconding the proposition, also stressed the pivot of responsibility in a society, but drew different conclusions. "The doctrine of birth-control takes away the sense of responsibility. With birth-control, marriage is a convention, having rights, but not duties" he said. On the international aspect: "We should be more concerned about those who have died through lack of food than those who have been born through lack of contraceptives."

Mr. Appachu, on the other hand regarded control of population as one of the main problems. "The coming of science has reduced disease and starvation—what other control is there?" he asked. He agreed that birth control could be abused, "But marriage is perennially abused, yet it is not suggested that it should be discontinued."

Speeches from the floor showed that the house as a whole was aware of the necessity to discuss the motion rationally, and the debate did not degenerate into a process of assertion and counter assertion. After four hours of discussion the motion was defeated by 233 votes to 109, with 91 abstentions.

East Comes West



Theme of this year's Textile Ball is to be Chinatown.

Quotes of the Week

- "By the way, when is Rag Week?"
—Member of Rag Committee.
- "Let's raffle a bird!"
—Member of Rugby Club at party.
- "Buy now for your future needs."
—Notice on black shirts in City clothiers.
- "I am at something of a disability in proposing this motion."
—Peter Schroeder at the Birth Control Debate.
- "I would like to strip the people running the railways."
—Geoffrey Johnson-Smith M.P.
- "Is there a Hop tonight?"
—Engineer, on seeing the decorations for the Houldsworth Ball being assembled.
- "You put a kiss next to the one you like best."
—Member of Exec. on voting system for S.V.P.
- "I must gen up on the obscenity laws."
—Editor of 'Tyke'.
- "Sometimes I think that God Himself is an Engineer."
—Speaker at the Birth Control Debate.
- "I want to prove that self control is a sin."
—Mr. Appachu, President of Indian Society.

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Film News

ON THE BEACH (ODEON)

ADAPTED from Neville Shute's last novel, this film is a startling indictment of the present nuclear arms race.

Set in 1964 Australia, it depicts the last few months before the whole country, with State-issued pills, commits suicide, as the radio-active dust covers this last corner of the world.

Gregory Peck, as the commander of a submarine, which alone has survived the holocaust, arrives in Australia, where he has a passionate affair with Moira (Ava Gardner) an effort to forget his wife and children, who perished in America.

Their attitudes form a startling contrast to those of the serious, young Lieutenant (Anthony Perkins) and his wife (Donna Reed) who refuses to face up to reality, and eventually forced to see her husband administered death, first to their baby, then themselves. Fred Astaire appears as a good straight actor.

The emptiness at the end is desolating, with weird, loud burst of music emphasising the horror. This film is not pleasant, but should certainly be seen.

CAREER (GAUMONT)

"CAREER," and the method acting of Antony Franciska, recall the Clifford Odets line "He's got integrity — acute — like indigestion." Franciska is a struggling actor in New York, and the film painstakingly describes his efforts to break into the big time. Strictly honest and honourable, he attempts to sell his soul through marriage to an impresario's daughter but eventually he reaches the top through talent and integrity alone.

Acting honours go to Shirley Maclaine as the spoiled alcoholic daughter, and to Dean Martin as friend of Franciska who reaches the top the wrong way and therefore since it's that type of film, sinks to obscurity again.

The film is always interesting, even where it fails in its object of portraying the conflicts of sacrifice of ambitious man who is too honest to sell his soul for the Bitch Goddess.

TOMMY THE TOREADOR (PLAZA)

ANYONE feeling like some sunshine could do worse than go and see this film at the Plaza this week. There are moments in the film when the atmosphere of Spain, and particularly the Bull Ring, are captured.

The film is also a comment on Englishmen abroad — Eric Sykes, Sydney James, and of course Tommy Steele. All this and "Lift White Bull," too. The Bull gave a brilliant performance and the rest of the cast were lively and gay. A teenage idol the part Tommy Steele plays is one which comes easily to him. A film worth seeing if you're in Spain or Tommy Steele.

CARRY ON CONSTABLE (A.B.C.)

THE "Carry On—" series has exhausted the army, hospitals, schools. Now in "Carry On Constable," the same humour team has joined the police force.

Inspector at the local station is Eric Barker, Sergeant Sidney James, a bulging Hatty Jacques. Along come the four new recruits during an epidemic which has halved the staff. Kenneth Connor is an asthmatic, his pyjamas emblazoned with the signs of Zodiac. The other three are just pure trouble and, through scenes of arresting the wrong people and entering bathrooms containing hastily-coved females, the recruits drive Eric Barker to desperation. So that all may end well, they exonerate themselves by catching a gang of pay-roll robbers. Then they fall into the arms of waiting police-women. Slapstick fans might be at home with this film, but the wit which inspired the earlier films in this series is dry up.

EXPRESSO BONGO (TOWER)

THE film is a parody of a section of contemporary society, portraying the clamour for the easy road to success. "Say what you mean in the world and you're a dead jackal," says Johnny Jackson (Laurence Harvey). He is the fast talking, small time agent who discovers yet another talented pop singer — Bert Rudge in a coffee bar. Bert's name is rapidly changed to Bongo as part of a grand publicity built up.

In the midst of Johnny's publicity campaign, his mistress (Sylvia Syms) remains a stripper to keep going whilst he and Bongo are fighting the top. Daisy's hopes of Johnny's success are dashed at the discovery of the illegality of the contract between agent and singer.

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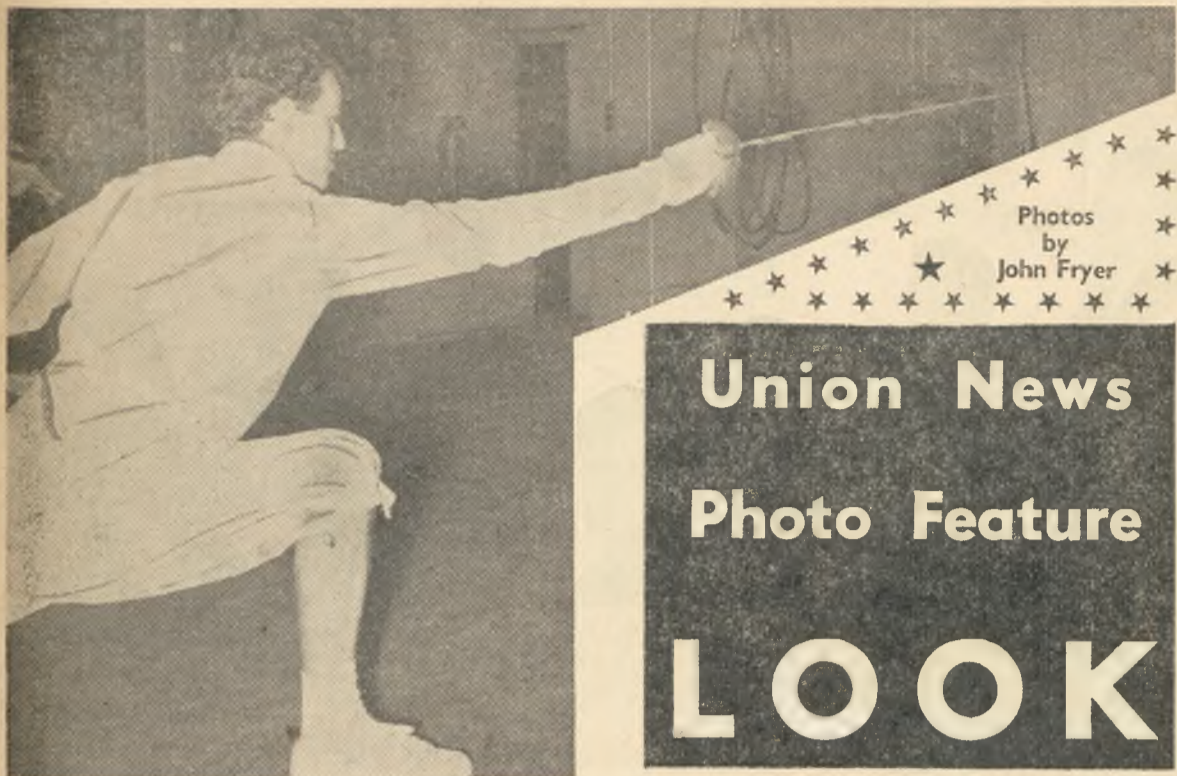
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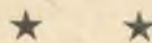


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LOOK



Right: This weight-lifter takes life seriously.

Left: Even a One O'Clock League Player needs to practice.



Top: Malcolm Banks puts in some hard practice for the U.A.U. Championships, in which he was a finalist.

Bottom: Sailing at Roundhay in one of the Club's Fireflies.



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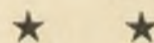
S P O R T



The Leeds pack wheel and take in the U.A.U. semi-final against Birmingham.



Below left: A Leeds forward gathers the ball from a drop-out.



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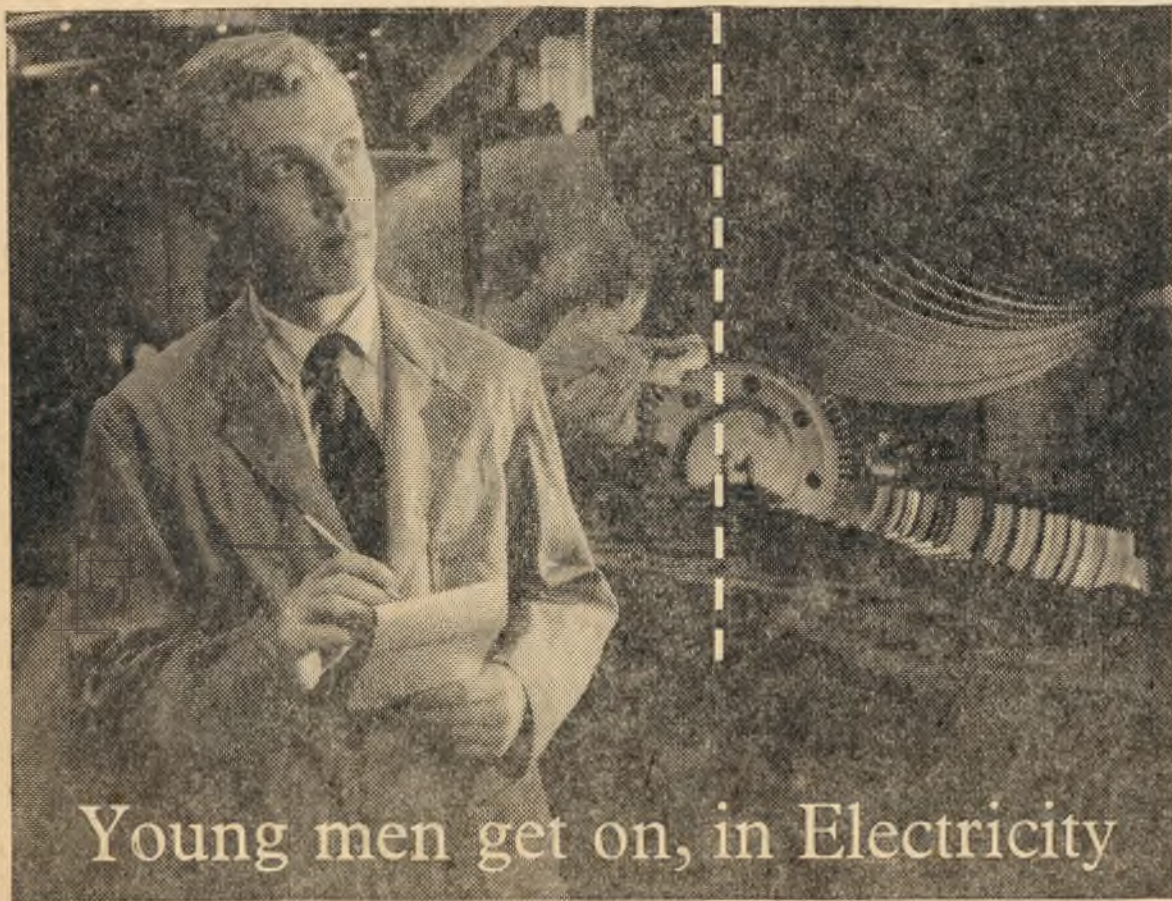
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Young men get on, in Electricity

CHRISTIANS UNITE

EVEN the most cursory of glances around the religious world of Leeds University Union will reveal that the Christian witness, which should be one, is in fact sadly divided. There are, it is true, groups of individuals who

By **Simeon**

are striving to present a united witness—we see this in C.C.S. and the magazine "Christian Front" but their work can only have limited success if it is not backed fully or if the individual's first obligation is to his denominational society. True, there is S.C.M. and Christian Union but unfortunately they become themselves, sects and regrettable but true, are set up against one another.

Unity and Apathy

"Unity", as a word, banded around like a Feiffer watchword, to be trotted out when the occasion offers but often action doesn't follow from the cry. "What is the cry this year brothers?" is asked and the reply comes "Unity, Unity!" Yet what is the result. Meetings to bring about this unity end in the representatives presenting apologies for their group. The word "Apathy" is hackneyed in the Union, yet once more it can be levelled against the Christians there. For God's sake snap out of it! Forget your jaded secretarianism, get rid of your prim and schismatic back-slapping, and press on with the job of restoring the one-ness of Christ's body — the Church on earth.

Christian First

Where are the joint meetings that should exist in a reasonably enlightened Christian community. There is work to be done — get off your backsides. Back to the work of the Committee of Christians Societies and show this Christian front, Christ is not to be laddled out in sporadic missions but in continual example. You are Christian first and secretarian secondly. Don't forget it!

LINE RAG UP



Left to Right: Top, Pete Brown (Stunts); Dave Haines (Tyke Distribution); Pete Brady (Publicity); Jack Smirfitt (Vice-Chairman); Stephen Lloyd (Car Competition); Richard Brook (Mid-week Entertainments. Bottom: Joy Langridge (Business Manager, Rag Revue); Brian MacArthur (Tyke Editor); Sam Saunders (Rag Chairman); Martin Glynn (Rag Revue); Pete Armstrong (Personnel).

THE crucial question, dominating all others about Rag 1960, is: CAN IT REDUCE LAST YEAR'S LOSSES? Allocations to charity last year were down by £2,000, due partly to the newspaper strike and the attendant loss of publicity (writes Brian MacArthur for Rag Committee).

It is impossible to estimate income, but expenditure on the budget prepared by Sam Saunders and Jack Smirfitt is down by nearly £1,000. With the usual publicity, good weather and your support, £10,000 may well be donated.

This year, to save costs, Car Competition tickets, one of Rag's biggest money raisers, will be distributed through Union Societies. This will need the help of many Union members, but if successful, it will enable Car Competition to be more successful than ever. Stephen Lloyd, Secretary, has collected many valuable prizes—the chief being a Ford Anglia de luxe.

Rag Mans Ball

Mid-week entertainments have suffered an initial set back. The Town Hall steps had been booked for Rag Week by the Milk Marketing Board. A compromise has been reached now, whereby Rag will have the steps from the Wednesday onwards. An alternative site will be found for the Monday and Tuesday.

Dances during Rag Week have been cut down. Rag Mans Ball will have a star attraction and it is also hoped to have other Universities Bands along to play.

Martin Glynn, Producer of Rag Revue, claims to have all the prettiest girls in the Union in his cast. Whether or not this is true, the show with his experience at the helm should be as good as ever. Talented Terry Shaw will be singing once again.

Pro. Cartoons

Tyke will retain its 2/- selling price. If more are sold at this price then there is more money to donate to Charity, and it should be good value. National contributors whom Editor Brian MacArthur has so far collected include Bernard Hollowood, Larry, David Langdon, Pappas, Lancaster, Thelwell, Smythe and Tony Hancock's script writers.

Peter Brown, Chairman of the Engineers Ball Committee, will be putting his extensive experience to use as Stunts Secretary. His ideas are breath-taking and, if successful, Rag should not lack national publicity.

Other attractions include an R.A.F. fly past (provisional), a cricket match between the University and a representative Yorkshire side, and the Fair on Woodhouse Moor.

With more students than ever at the University it should surely be possible to raise more than ever this year. But that depends on you. Recently at the opening of a room for the aged and handicapped at Wakefield, the Chairman of the Social Service Committee said that they owed the inspiration to our Rag. It is sentiments such as these, which were quite obviously sincere, that make the hard work that is put into Rag not only by the Committee but by You, worthwhile.

NO ROOM AT THE INN
Solution to Overcrowding



The undersatement of the year is that overcrowding is becoming serious. The number of students increases every year; the building programme cannot keep pace.

THE bone of biggest contention in this Union is overcrowding. In spite of many best laid schemes the problem grows bigger. Usually the argument runs thus—Union membership continues to increase; therefore we must have more room. Expansion, however, cannot be accomplished overnight and costs are a big deterrent. Repeatedly we hear that the present building was designed for 1,700 students and must now hold over 4,500.

Instead of building more room, why don't we cut down membership. There are many students who have no need to use the Union, others claim they don't get their money's worth. A vast number use the place merely for cheap eating. The Union should be a lively, vigorous centre of undergraduate activity.

Let us get rid of the dead wood, chop off our lifeless limbs which only

take the matter seriously. The students' Union fee could be paid into his Common-Room Fund if he lives in Hall. As the number of places in Hall increase these off-shoot Unions would get stronger, to the detriment of no-one and to the benefit of everyone.

My proposals may be revolutionary but they are worth thinking about—don't dismiss them lightly.

As far as we are concerned, the results could only be good—a less crowded, more vigorous, roomy Union.

by **WOOLSACK**

clutter up the place. Then there will be more room—the Union will be a stronger, closer knit community capable of presenting a vigorous united front. As it is, we are a straggling giant already too ungainly to carry ourselves with ease. A reduction in numbers would not hurt us—our dear departed would only be conspicuous by their absence.

The time has come to rethink the role of Union activity in University life. The present Union should play the role of non-residential "Hall" for people in digs and flats. There is much talk of founding such a place—cease the cackle—look around—one already exists.

Bulge Crisis

Hall-dwellers have their own communal activities; the Medics and Dentals could do with a Union at the bottom of the hill; the new men's centre at Weetwood catering for 600 will also have a similar claim.

One thing is certain, overcrowding is getting worse. We must act quickly before we are strangled by our straggling enormity.

Membership of the Union should be voluntary. Why must students be compelled to join when every new addition aggravates the situation? Many claim that the Union is worthwhile, there will be no tragic collapse of membership. No-one will be sorry to see the back of indolent parasites who take all and give nothing.

The University authorities should



VISITORS FROM LANCASHIRE

LAST Friday afternoon saw the arrival of some students from Manchester University. They came to sell their Rag magazine "Rag Rag." This magazine was sold at the entrance to the Union and in the Moutat Jones coffee lounge.

Late Night Bar-B-Que to Open

ALTERATIONS are being carried out on the shop next to Austicks on Woodhouse Lane, by the owners of the Piazza Coffee Bar, to convert it into a Bar-B-Que—the first in Leeds. It will open all day long — chicken will be served off the spit with rice or 'pommes frites,' at prices favourable to students. Chickens will also be sold to be taken away. A new, lavish decor will add to the attractiveness of the new 'Bar-B-Que.'

Once the 'Bar-B-Que' is established and flourishing the whole building will be turned into a restaurant with different types of cuisine, for example an Italian restaurant.

Perhaps even more interesting to the student is the news that the large, low-ceilinged cellar-basement of the Piazza will be opened as a jazz club—known as the 'Bar-B club,' with University jazz bands perhaps as resident musicians. On Saturday nights the club will remain open till the early hours of the morning, and if desired during the week also, to cater for the many young people who have 'nowhere to go' after dance halls and cinemas have closed.

★ Letters to the Editor

No obligation to serve your Country: Reader

SIR.—Following the lengthy correspondence in your newspaper I would like to draw attention to another advertisement, which, although small, I find extremely offensive. I am referring to the Officers' Training Corps, who enquire "Are you on a grant," and then refer to the students' obligation to serve the community.

I can think of many better ways of serving my fellow men than by undertaking courses designed to teach the individual the most efficient way of killing the maximum number of people in the minimum time. I quite understand the social prestige involved and the misplaced pride in serving the nation. There are many other ways of repaying the social debt. Most of the welfare organisations work unobtrusively and wholly voluntarily and, although many of these have religious foundations, others, such as the St. John Ambulance Brigade or the Boy Scout movement, have not. The national defence budget has now passed from the sublime to the ridiculous (£43 million for an early-warning missile station!). I have no desire to add to the burden of the community and resent the attitude of a military organisation which implies that the majority of students are social liabilities because they participate in constructive rather than destructive pursuits.

Keep out Politics

SIR.—Political's criticism of the left for their failure to nominate a candidate for the Presidential election is surely based upon a misconception. Union administration is not a political concern, as things like the room-allocation system and the supervision of debates confirm. The President does not, during his term of office, ally himself with any political group. It is not surprising that his political colleagues are reluctant to lose the services of one of their most prominent members, as the presidential candidate would have to be. This attitude is not a selfish one. Political societies perform a very valuable function in the Union and

they need all the help they can get if they are to remain active. There is no lack of candidates for Union administrative work. Political societies are less fortunate.

Political is right when he suggests that we are more interested in the world outside than the University world. The former is the world that students will eventually have to make their lives in and the latter is merely a reflection of it, albeit intensified. It is therefore quite natural that the Left should be concerned primarily with what it regards as the false values permeating the whole of society, not just one small section of it. One cannot put the small house in order without putting the large house in order first.

Yours etc.,
A. M. DAWES,
(Secretary, Labour Society).

* Political replies:
Mr. Dawes is really ignorant of the various activities of Union Executive and Committee. The right to decide Union policy with regard to N.U.S. policy is obviously political. I agree with the last part to some degree, but believe that student government is an extremely important part of student life.

Dear Evelyn . . .

SIR.—There are two male characters in this esteemed University who always seem to carry a laugh with them wherever they go.

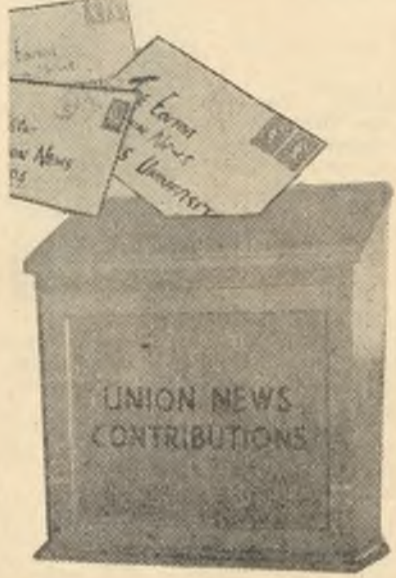
One is broadly-built, about 5ft. 8ins. tall, with a prominent Tommy Trinder chin, curly hair (lovely). He is always smoking a pipe and looking thoroughly "British."

The other is over 6ft., well-built, with a roundish face, hair brushed back, and a nice gleaming smile.

They go around together and it is especially noticeable in Refec. at lunch-time that they are always seeing the comic side of what they are discussing. Anyway, they often seem to brighten my day.

Who are they? How do they do it?
Yours etc.,
Interested.

*Ed.—Ask them.



Execute Perspex

SIR.—I sympathise with Trevor Webster, whose humiliation was quite uncalled for, with Roger High, whose efforts for French week were almost frustrated, and with the promoters of the luckless Arts Soc.—and anyone else who may have suffered. But as for Perspex, gentlemen, throw him to the Engineers.

Once before, in 1958, the paper had legitimate grounds for an attack on a herd activity, the Devon Stream Race. And once before a strong case was completely ruined by a half-witted satirical approach. Perspex's facetiousness reminds one of the party whom Pope compared to a bug with

gilded wings who though he annoyed everyone could achieve nothing by his sting.

I approve of the Engineer's carefully planned horseplay (even their 'take over bid' seems quite legit to me) except when it turns to thoughtless intrusions into other people's affairs. But if, as it is clear, the paper takes a strong anti-E line, it should at least modify the style of its assertions. In comparison the Engineers' battle hymn seems infinitely preferable and far more dignified.

Yours etc.,
Peter Hall.

*Perspex replies—*The fact that Mr. Hall approves of the Engineers' horse-play, all of which has recently constituted "Thoughtless intrusions into other people's affairs" indicates in what light his comments ought to be considered. I respectfully submit that, in facetiousness, Mr. Hall is more than my equal.*

Grosvenor Protest

SIR.—As members of Grosvenor Lodge we were surprised to find that we had been formed into a so-called "Grosvenor Society," as reported in the last two editions of Union News. We would like to take this opportunity to say that at no time were we a part of this Society, or in any way connected with its puerile activities. The statement quoted in Union News concerning this society's aims and origins can only have been given by an irresponsible ex-member of these lodgings and we wish to be entirely disassociated from it.

Yours etc., The students in Grosvenor Lodge.



Around the Halls WONDERLAND THEME AT WEETWOOD BALL

THE theme was "Alice in Wonderland" at the Weetwood Formal held last Friday night — this being the event of the year in the Hall. The occupants were rewarded for their laborious decorating by the success of the occasion.

A week last Wednesday two members entertained the ex-Governor of the Virgin Islands before he gave a talk to the Geography Society.

It seems the party spirit has caught up with Weetwood and Devon alike. In the former residence a 21st of some anonymous person has been held, whilst in the latter any excuse seems to be used in order to hold a party. Over the last three weeks Devon has had several parties each weekend.

Devon Whiskers

Last Saturday the Devon Rigger Club held their annual Hop to the music of the Jeff Locke Quartet. Apart from this little has happened—obviously examfluenza is beginning to attack the occupants.

A large number of Devonians are cultivating their whiskers, in order to give their production of Macbeth, to be held in the last week of term, a realistic touch.

There seems to be a lull of activity in Tetley. The presidents of other Halls were entertained to lunch a week last Sunday.

A play reading of Terence Rattigan's 'Who is Sylvia' was held with Woodsley last week.

After several somnolent weeks Woodsley appears once again to be gracing the social scene. An indoor sports match with Devon proved to be highly successful and after various murmurings throughout the evening of "three no-trumps", "check", "in-off", "21-19", "good arrow" and the like, in the early hours of the morning Woodsley turned out eventual winners by a very narrow margin. An exciting return match is envisaged.

After weeks of deliveries of seaweed, fishing nets and alcoholic liquor, a very successful Annex social was held last Saturday. Word has seeped up from the depths of the cellars that a good time was had by all — but very few actual details are available!

Leap Kleep

Oxley's Formal Ball was infested by larger than life insects a la Quatermass, we hope this is not a comment on the partners of the fair young maids.

A Leap Kleep was held in aid of World Refugee Year—what ever that may be, however as yet we have heard no startling proposals. Apparently it was described as the inaugural Hop for the new record-player. There were stalls; selling what, we know not; and a miniature Niagara in the Common Room—this is probably their way of describing the Bar?

Things are getting back to normal again at Ellerslie and the older more respectable members of Hall are again complaining that they cannot get to sleep at night because the place is too noisy.

A new radiogram has been acquired, and stands resplendent in the Common Room from where it issues forth a further addition to the general noisiness of the place.

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FORTNIGHTLY

FORUM

Along with America and Russia this country
has rushed headlong into the Nuclear Arms Race.

But what some regard as the deterrent, others call . . .

STRATEGIC SUICIDE

Compiled by Valerie Ann

THE eastern coast of the British Isles is edged with a fringe of menacing Thor rockets, their death-bringing heads pointing with sinister unanimity to the Soviet Union. On the moors near Filey a new radar project, guaranteed to notify us when our spell of earthly existence is due to be protracted by a mere further four minutes, is soon due to appear. All over the country contrivedly scruffy students and frustrated spinsters tramp on determinedly, bearing "Ban the Bomb" posters.

How does Leeds University react to this ever-present menace? I found considerable agreement among students whose views, usually, are widely differing.

Waste of Money

Roy Bull felt that all efforts should be directed towards the creation of a world in which war was unlikely. If one genuinely wanted peace it was unrealistic to spend large sums on defence. Such projects as the one on Fylingdales moor were a mere waste of money. He added, "The main threat to peace is the question of West Germany possessing nuclear weapons."

Socialist Soc. president Ron Childs said he felt it was a point of grave concern that the country unconcernedly spent 8 million pounds on the Fylingdales system, while the raising of the money for the Jodrell Bank telescope, a project of benefit to scientists of all nations, had involved considerable effort.

Well Prepared

To hear the view of a professional militarist I spoke to Lt. Col. Williamson, who in addition to being Bursar is Commanding Officer of the O.T.C. He said that as a serving officer in H.M. Forces he was not permitted to discuss matters of defence policy, and similarly as an administrative official of the University he was unable to enter into controversies. "Speaking as a private individual, however," he continued "I feel I express the views of many of my generation when I say that I have seen my father go into war, in 1914, unprepared with regard both to quantity and quality of



Above: A recent American Nuclear Test in the Nevada Desert.

weapons, and in 1939 I myself was in a similar position. If the next generation is to be called upon to armed conflict, and I sincerely hope this will not be the case, I like to think it will be well prepared." Lt. Col. Williamson felt that the possession of nuclear weapons did not make war any more or less likely, "They are different from other weapons only in their destructive power."

Questioned about the Fylingdales system, Lt. Col. Williamson said, "It is of more help to America than to

us, but this does not mean it is entirely useless for Britain."

A prevalent Christian viewpoint was expressed by a female student when she said "I agree with the Archbishop of Canterbury that nuclear warfare is immoral."

From the views expressed I feel that our generation is approaching that state of singularity of purpose which Bertrand Russell envisaged when he said: "Our goal can be attained by an irresistible mass movement — a

Right: One of the Thor missiles recently established on East Coast Rocket Sites.



mass movement insisting that Government should aim at life rather than death. And in this mass movement each and every one of us can have his or her share."

But perhaps you prefer annihilation (with four minutes advance notice of course!).

THIS IS MY VIEW



by Perspex

YES its ten weeks to the kick-off. Once again the old exam bogey rears its ugly head. With the present high cost of the written word most of us are dependent upon library services for our books. My free bookmarks, whilst plugging the Yorkshire Electricity Board, also claim, on the reverse side that City Library is the best in town. Without making invidious comparisons this seems fair.

Watch Committee, or whoever control the library services, have wisely eschewed any odd centrifugal catalogues, their system, readily comprehended by the sons of Artisans and Mechanics, enables one to find a book, if it is in, in about three minutes. Partisan interests aside, the next few months might be eased if the Round House were to go Square.

Congratulations to Debates Committee on their latest essay into scholastic disputation, more subjects like 'This House would prefer aniseed balls to gobstoppers,' and we shall all be appearing on I.T.V.

Refs. for the Masses

The talent scouts are now doing the rounds of Appointments Boards hoping to cream off the Top Talent. A vexing problem with job-hunting is the need for testimonials. I think that an N.U.S. sub-committee should be set up to provide students with unimpeachable referees. A standard file of qualities and persons could be established with prices to suit all ranges. A cheap line, authenticated by the sons of Artisans and Mechanics, enables one to find a book, if it is in, in about three minutes. Partisan interests aside, the next few months might be eased if the Round House were to go Square.

Student Swill House

A rough calculation shows that the Hyde Park area is probably as thick with students as any place outside Caff. I am surprised that the thought of all those poor students festering in digs and flats has not lead Authority to institute a Hall of non-Residence for the Area. Activities could be centred on the Band-stand in the middle of t'moor, attractions would include Go-karting, skiing and horticulture, the vegetables growing on the allotments would make a useful non-South-African contribution to the swill-house. A suggested title for the new open plan Hall might be Hawbuck Grange.

GOON HOPE FOR ARTS SOCIETY

THE Faculty of Arts Soc. held their A.G.M. in the R.S.H. on Wednesday, 25th Feb. The secretary, talking of future plans, said that Messrs. Milligan, Sellers Hancock, Ustinov, David Cecil were to be approached to act as Vice-President.

Mr. Martin Forrest was elected President. "Damages done by people at the Arts Soc. Thrash in the Headingley Pavilion have not yet been calculated. Every effort will be made not to pay them when they have" the secretary told members.

Stephen

Baird

MEETS

Geoffrey

Johnson-Smith



TELEVISION and Politics — two diverse, almost contrasting fields of endeavour. Two poles apart. But during the 1950's the two poles closed and met—to introduce to the British public a new celebrity—the "Television M.P." I met Geoffrey Johnson-Smith, newly-elected Member of Parliament and ex-member of the popular B.B.C. "Tonight" team with his make-up off.

He cut a very different figure from the tall, debonair, cathode-idol seen by the British televiewing public around 7 p.m. every week-day evening for the past three years. Mr. Johnson Smith is "just an ordinary man" — but ordinary almost to perversion of the term. About 5 ft 8 ins in height (he looked taller on television), slight with Viking features—sandy hair, blue eyes and pale complexion—he wore conservative three-piece Savile Row suiting and striped tie.

Debater to Television Producer

Thirty-six years old, he was educated at Charterhouse and, via war service as an Artillery Captain in Belgium and India, at Oxford. In 1949 his ability as a speaker took him into the N.U.S. Debates Final and across to the United States as a member of a two-man Oxford Union delegation. There he became attached to the British Consulate in San Francisco in 1951. Back in England, he became a television producer until, in 1957, he joined Cliff Michelmore and Derek Hart on the venture which has made them household names—the B.B.C.'s daily nutshell of current events, "Tonight".

Much as he enjoyed interviewing and occasionally, in Cliff Michelmore's absence, compering on "Tonight" his main interest has long been politics. He gained a seat in the L.C.C. elections for Putney in 1956, then wrested Holborn and St. Pancras from the opposition in last October's General Election. In a straight fight he had a majority of 656. He has now sat in Parliament for nine weeks.

"I knew I was going to have my photograph taken when I first entered Parliament because my visit coincided

Bedlam in the House

"The House of Commons is a small place" he continued. "The distance between Mr. Hugh Gaitskell and Mr. Harold MacMillan is just two sword-lengths—well, two umbrella-lengths. I was impressed by the intimacy and smoothness of it all."

"The House can be compared with a good theatre. It has moments of tragedy, humour and at times farce. And the mood changes when you least expect it. Bedlam arises unexpectedly and then subsides just as quickly."

Mr Johnson-Smith agreed that he had once been a Socialist: "I voted Socialist in 1945, but subsequently went to the States with Robin Day. On that experience I decided that this country could manage like the States without class distinction and without public ownership."

Abolish Capital Punishment

The abolition of capital punishment and reformed punishment of juvenile offenders are two reforms he would like to see achieved. On Africa, he holds fairly conventional Right-wing views, stressing that Britain must not neglect the interests of the indigenous neglect the interest of the "White Africans" in their endeavour to further the interests of the indigenous black peoples.

Conservative Association deserve congratulations for securing Geoffrey Johnson-Smith. As a Television M.P. he was a "natural" for a guest speaker and their faith in his speaking ability was well-founded. He proved at the lunch-time meeting to be a lucid, informative and very popular speaker.

A review of Theatre Group's Merchant of Venice

A Comedy of Triumphs



THIS play is one of Shakespeare's better comedies, and Theatre Group's colourful presentation did it justice, even if the play does not have a great deal to recommend it since there are few of the lengthy soliloquies of pure poetry that we are accustomed to in Shakespeare.

Frederick May is to be congratulated on the originality of his production, although the play moved abominably slowly at first.

It had an extremely modern and vivid approach. Thus Arragon (Robert Eccles) was a perfect representation of a present-day fop.

To be congratulated was Ian Gillham's Launcelot Gobbo, which was a masterpiece of foolishness, nonsense and pure clowning, and was pure delight to the audience.

SUPERB SHYLOCK

Shylock's was the entrance everyone awaited and Wilson-Knight played him superbly in true nineteenth-century manner, even if this were an entirely different approach from the rest of the cast. Wilson-Knight succeeded in gaining both the dislike and sympathy of the audience, and at the

end, one felt he was truly a tragic character. Susan Lee's Portia was uninteresting and was 'out-presented' by Joan Bradley's Nernissa. A final word of praise goes to Keith Brewster as the Monk, who achieved, with seemingly dignity, a round of applause on almost each of his solemn walks to and from the stage.

The set, designed by Susi Parker, made admirable use of the whole theatre. Especially impressive were the fourteen feet high flats on either side of the auditorium, re-creating the atmosphere of the Elizabethan theatre.

This play is certainly a good evening's entertainment.



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Danilo Dolci Reforms

Dialogue in a Sicilian Countryside

SOME nine miles from the "Mare Africano", between Menfi and Sambucca di Sicilia, there is a dam less than 300 feet high. Its artificial lake holds approximately 47 million cubic yards of water. Built on the River Carboi for the purpose of irrigation, it stands out as proof that the authorities are not totally indifferent to Sicily's difficulties, i.e., unemployment, undernourishment, illiteracy and ignorance, disease and insanitation.

We had come over dusty roads, between gorges and rocky mountains, and had seen the land, rich in potentials, but hard-baked by a three-hundred day sun which seemed to encompass the whole sky.

"The dam has been finished for six years, the 60 odd miles of irrigation canals for four; of the 10,000 acres meant to be irrigated, none, except roughly those 3,000, are. Another example of what happens when things are done from the top," Deki remarked.

By
Edouard Esmerian

they know that cauliflower or any other 'new' vegetable will not be harmful to their child? They don't know. And they're not going to believe you just like that. Only when they know you, can you show them. Then, as Danilo said, they don't trust anything which comes from or represents the state, or the authorities. They neither trust nor like them; on the contrary, they fear them.

"But look, here is the water, right here! What do they think it's for?"

INSOLENT

"When I asked once why the Partinico Centre was not getting water, the old man called me insolent. He said I lacked respect, cursed me soundly, and sent me on my way saying it was that way," said Olivier.

The others had wandered from the canal to speak with two farmers. Seated on their mules, they spoke in Sicilian.

"The soil is limey and does not absorb the winter rains well."

Danilo asked them in a calm, almost casual voice: "How many miles do you live from your fields?"

"Three," answered one of the men, his open left hand doing a twisting motion.

"And how many miles from one field to another?" continued Danilo.

The man shrugged his shoulders: "One, two, Maybe less."

"Would it be easier for you if they were all together in one lot?"

The man shrugged, "This land was my father's."

Danilo continued: "Do you plant potatoes?"

Again the negative upward jerk of the head.

"Just wheat then?"

The man nodded: "A few have planted cotton or grapes."

"How much do you pay for the potatoes at the market?"

"80 lire a kilo."

Danilo feigned a look of surprise: "Accident!"

Puzzled, the men did not answer. Arthur, the Cambridge professor, broke in: "Tell me, do these people really want work? Don't you think there is a good bit of laziness on their part?"

IGNORANT

OLIVIER smiled. "I know it's a very common notion that Latins, and especially the poorer classes, don't like work. That many prefer to beg. Here it is not so. Sicilians are proud, and there are few beggars. They want work, badly. But there is none. With a family to feed and no work for eight months of the year often, few men can avoid resorting to violence and outward dishonesty. But they're not pathological criminals, bums, or whatever one likes to call them.

"The upper classes don't see it that way. For them, these people are criminals, ignorant, dirty, and if they live as they do, it's because they like it. So why do anything for them? It is true also that the bourgeoisie is in general completely unawares of the actual conditions in which half of Sicily live, or some two million people. Finally, there is among upper classes a very strong caste system, so to speak. A peasant or the like is simply next to the beast, and the less said or seen of him the better."

RESULTS

"Tell me," asked the wife of the magazine editor, "do you think you're really getting results?"

And yet . . . a half-hour with a peasant or an unemployed unskilled worker, a smile, a bit of respect and friendship, a chat with a housewife or a child — such gestures may do more to change things than one would imagine . . . given time.

AFTER THE HOLOCAUST

"Hiroshima Mon Amour"

A Frenchwoman and a Japanese meet and make love in once-atom-scarred Hiroshima. The Bomb is not forgotten, but nonetheless the city is now bustling, and grinning girls take visitors on 'Atomic tours.'

Hiroshima has learnt the right quality of forgetfulness; it has learnt 'to care and not to care.' Shorn and tarred after the war for loving a German soldier, she is still carrying the tragedy of this love on her shoulder; life for her is but a memory. The film deals with her frantic efforts to forget — and not forget.

The first ten minutes, showing survivors of the atomic holocaust, will shock, sicken and arouse resentment. It is the real thing, and therefore has some resemblance to the Steppes Sequence in Battleship Potemkin. This is one fault! another is the at-times tedious repetition of movement, like a homily in gestures.

These reservations apart, Hiroshima Mon Amour is a work of art: superbly written, directed, filmed and acted.

The dialogue is for much of the time in free verse, the photography might well be a collection of The Hundred Best Photographs, and I have never seen the equal of the leading actress.

But as far as the future of the cinema is concerned, the film is sterile. It hovers on the edge of inarticulate feeling: a film that goes further in the same direction will plunge into an abyss of incomprehension.

Chocolate— Soup Machine Installed

COFFEE, soup, chocolate can all be bought for the small fee of sixpence from a new "Vending Machine" which has been installed in the Joint Common Room. It has facilities for controlling the amount of sugar and milk to be delivered. A super Bin has been provided in the hope that drinkers will put their empty cardboard cups in it.

MUSIC COLUMN



AT Saturday's Concert, Sir Adrian Boult showed us how refined a musical thinker he is, and what a strong influence his personality could make on the City of Birmingham. Orchestra Mendelssohn's 'Midsummer Night's Dream' overture is a work so full of charming orchestral effects that a performance of light touch and enthusiasm is essential to capture its spirit. Sir Adrian's had all of this, proving that the excitement of Mendelssohn's magical effects will never tire us.

In the Elgar cello concerto, Amaryllis Fleming tended occasionally to be a little heavy handed, but generally the warm intimate atmosphere was excellently captured.

Original Approach to "Eroica"

SIR ADRIAN'S approach to the Eroica was original. From the very opening it was obvious that he wasn't trying to be monumental—an ambition that often leads the very greatest to disaster. Instead, he took a much lighter view. The surprises came, however, in the slow movement, which he took so fast that an almost Schubertian quality was often heard. This was amazing. When Beethoven headed the movement 'Marcia Funebre — Adagio assai,' speeds from Moderato to Andante can hardly be justified. Nevertheless, the lightness of touch resulted in a neutralising of many of the startling dramatic effects with which Beethoven filled the score.

BOYCOTT LAUNCHED

THE South African Boycott was launched on Saturday afternoon with a march and Ed O'Donnell's jazz band. Students helped to distribute leaflets in the town. No serious opposition was encountered.

Gryphon Revived

Unions Official Organ Sounds Again

The 'New Gryphon' has generally had a favourable reception and a well-deserved one. Revivication under a completely fresh board has included a transition to more shorter articles, the introduction of photo pictures, and a more logical lay-out.

For unashamedly popularising the magazine its new proprietors deserve a pat on the back. To sell the official magazine to a large number of the student body is a bigger consideration than the 'tone' of the magazine, and one which appears to have been totally disregarded in the past.

Regular Staff Contributions

Another innovation is regular contributions by staff. John Rex's article 'The Lights go out in South Africa'—while it did not attain the peak of literary achievement—presented a comprehensive, howbeit one-sided, argument against University apartheid, sincerely expressed on a biographical basis. Professor Wilson-Knight's 'Spiritualism' though interesting, might have had much more impact, had it angled its approach. Student contributors were more informative than creative (and this is not an unhealthy tendency when that side of artistic expression is already catered for).

All Views Catered For

Dave Ellar's and Pete Brady's articles on Town Planning and Psycho-analysis respectively did tend to be scientific, 'Opium of the Sabbath,' though racy in style, was a little long-winded. The lighter side was adequately catered for by Janet Gray's analysis of the B.B.C., David Wright's 'On the Beach' sketch, and Mr. Dodds historical research.

Perhaps the most refreshing revolution is in the out-put of line drawings, with Pete Brady as its backbone.

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● RUGBY FINAL PROSPECTS

LEEDS THROUGH TO U.A.U. FINAL

Aberystwyth Pack Big Danger

By Dave Jennings

NEXT Wednesday Leeds Rugby meet Aberystwyth in the final of the U.A.U. Championship at Birmingham, backed up by a coach-load of supporters. As usual in championship finals, this will be a hard game and the teams have not met this season.

"Aber" have a small but extremely fiery pack supported by very capable three quarters and will present a considerable challenge. At Leeds the pack has had the reputation for being the strength of the side, though in recent weeks the backs have shown much improved form, and the team as a whole is a better balanced force.

Aberystwyth have recently lost to Manchester and drawn with Birmingham, so that Leeds would seem to have a good chance.

Keen Rivalry

Due to injuries there has been strong competition for several places in the team. Pearson, who came in for Grahame against Birmingham, was not available against Wilslow and Grahame, who had a very good game, at present retains the right wing berth. At scrum half too, with Whitaker injured, there is strong competition between Hurst, who has played for several weeks, and Absalom, who came through with flying colours in his first game at Wilslow. At hooker Williams has been successfully deputising for the injured Hampton, but the latter hopes to be fit again for the final. Jennings, the captain, returned after many weeks of absence to play against Sheffield on Wednesday; he also hopes to be fit for the final. We look forward to having a full strength side out for that game.

On the opposing side Ashford, the captain and scrum half, has played for first class Welsh Club sides, as have Dawes, Matthews and Davis.

Sheffield routed by 1st Fifteen

Leeds 1st XV 46 pts.
Sheffield 1st XV 0 pts.

This match was played on a pitch made slippery by a storm just before the kick-off, but despite this Leeds contrived to play open rugby.

Sheffield kicked-off into a light breeze and Leeds went straight into the attack. After about ten minutes the Sheffield open-side wing forward had to go off with an injured ear, but he returned shortly bandaged up. While he was off Jennings, making a welcome return after a long absence, scored Leeds' first try under the posts after some good passing by the forwards. Dovey converted.

Leeds now began to dominate the game, especially forward. In the line-outs French and Reade jumped well, and the Sheffield backs saw little of the ball. After a loose scrum Leeds passed the ball right out for Rees to score near touch. The kick failed.

Leeds continued to dominate and Sheffield rarely entered the Leeds half. Whenever the Sheffield backs got the ball, which wasn't often, they made mistakes with the wet ball and the Leeds back row were quick to take advantage. From one such mistake Nash collected the ball, Clasper drew the full-back, and Rees scored in the corner. Leeds scored three more tries, and at half-time the score was 26-0.

During the second half Leeds kept up the pressure and ran out eventual winners 46-0.

● CROSS COUNTRY

Walk-over for Cambridge

186 runners from 23 universities made a record field for the British Universities Championships. The high standard at the head of the field did not deter Cambridge, who had four of their brilliant team in first. Tulloch, Turner and Minshull shared first place. Oxford were second and London third.

Leeds, weakened by the absence of Tristram and Gadsby, and with Harris running with the after effects of flu, nevertheless finished 9th in the overall rating and 5th in the U.A.U. Wood was 17th, Duckworth 44th, Totten 56th, Gribbin 64th, Cook 100th and Harris 108th.

Their very competent team which thrashed Southampton 18-0 in the semi-final by no means lacks the 'big match' temperament.

Eight Caps

It is difficult to pick out stars in our own side, for eight of the side have represented U.A.U. and four of these have played for their counties. If anyone deserved special mention, it is our very solid front row, invaluable in any game. Wrench, who has represented Cheshire for the past two seasons, leads the pack with great fire, is outstanding, and so is Dovey, who is only in his first season with the club, though he won a Yorkshire cap last season, and Hampton, the hooker, who got his Yorkshire place half way through this season.

Mention should also be made of Harry Clasper, who is in grand form at fly half and is the spearhead of the attack, and of Tolley, a very experienced centre who has captained the side on the field through most of the present season.

The two criteria on which the success of a Leeds side are judged are their performances in the U.A.U. and Christie. We are in the final of the U.A.U. and have a play off with Manchester for the Christie. We hope that we can win both of them.

● SOCCER

NO HANGOVER IN LEEDS CUP

LEEDS SENIOR CUP QUARTER FINAL

Farsley Celtic 2nd XI 0; Leeds Uni. 1st XI 4

SHOWING no signs of a Liverpool hangover, the Soccer Club swept into the semi-final of the Leeds Senior Cup with a brand of superlative soccer that equalled anything they have achieved this season.

The attack was in scintillating form, and some of their moves were quite remarkable in view of the fact that melted snow had turned the pitch into a quagmire.

Holmes in particular excelled himself, and if his finishing had been on a par with his imaginative approach play he would have grabbed himself a bag of goals. As it was, he managed to get his name on the score sheet twice, with two scorching headers in the sixtieth and seventy-fifth minutes.

Long Range Tactics

A determined home defence and some tough luck in the penalty area kept Farsley on level terms up to the interval. Leeds found their men much better with the long ball, the only possible tactics under the circumstances, and time after time Boulton and Rolls had yards of room in which to move.

Halliwell and Nuttall broke up many Farsley attacks in mid-field. The latter, in particular, covered acres of ground in a relentless performance. Some of his tackling was perhaps a little too keen, but this was, after all, a cup match.

Edwards started the goal rush six minutes after the interval when he hooked the ball home following a goal mouth scramble. Holmes made it two with an effort set right in the

SPORT IN SHORT

THREE crews from the Women's Boat Club raced against Hull University at Swillington last Saturday—and all three won their races. Further matches this term are against Durham and Newcastle.

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TWO members of the water polo team have been picked for U.A.U. against Yorkshire next week. They are K. R. Kaiser and R. P. N. Hargreaves, and four more of the Leeds team are among the reserves.

★★★

WOMEN'S Hockey has been much more successful this term, the 1st XI having lost only one match, to a Leeds side, by 4-3 on a snow covered pitch. Among their victories are wins over Durham, Manchester and Nottingham.

Two weeks ago the 1st Eleven travelled South to play against Cambridge and London. Unfortunately they were unable to play the full Cambridge University side, and won a game against Newham by 10-2. Against London it was a much nard and faster game, but Leeds managed to keep up the pressure to win by 3-0

Sheffield Quake Before Home Sides

What a day! Everywhere Sheffield crashed to forceful and skilled Leeds teams, who had a real field day.

The only team to lose was the 2nd XI Hockey, which went down 4-0. Otherwise it was win, win all the way. Rugby hit the jackpot with a 46-0 win, well backed up by the 2nd XV (won 25-0) and 3rd XV (won 28-3). The 1st XI Soccer won 3-1, with Boulton, Edwards and Holmes crashing in the goals. So did the 2nd XI, and the 3rd XI won by an even greater margin, 8-3. Men's Hockey won 3-2, and though the 2nd team lost, the thirds won 3-2.

Indoors, Men's Fencing won by two matches to one, taking the foil and epee each 5-4, although losing the sabre 8-1, and the women had an amazing win by 9-7. Sheffield had another of their few wins in the beginners' foil which they took 7-2, but this was one of the only rays of hope in a dark, dull day for the Sheffield supporters.

● FENCING

Banks and Orton

Just Fail To Win



Dennis Orton

LEEDS had more success than usual in the U.A.U. Fencing Championships held at Sheffield last week.

In the epee, held on the Friday, Malcolm Banks reached the final and was placed fifth, an excellent result, and he had beaten all the other finalists in previous rounds. Unfortunately this did not count in the final!

Dennis Orton repeated his last year's achievement by reaching the semi-final of both foil and sabre. This was a good result and should help towards a place in the U.A.U. team but it was perhaps a little less than he, and the club, had hoped for.

● BOXING

Leeds Beat North Teams

TEAMS from Durham, Liverpool and Leeds competed in the Northern Universities Championship at Durham, and Leeds emerged sure winners.

Leeds men were defeated in two of the four semi-finals, but Pashley won easily on points in the third. Hunt lost narrowly to Hare (Liv.) at lightweight, but Goulding (light-middle) was right out of touch against White of Durham.

Featherweight Gibson, the captain, completely outboxed Holloway (Durham) but could not finish him. Kak (light-welter) skirmished with Callaghan (Liv.) but later settled down to win easily on points.

Ref. Stops Fight

The next fight proved to be the most controversial because of an utterly inexplicable decision by the referee. Pashley, a little tired from his semi-final win, fought Mann of Liverpool. Beautiful boxing and good hitting put him so far ahead on points that Mann adopted desperation tac-

1½ inches above his right eye. The referee stopped the contest, wiped away the little blood — and sent Pashley back to his corner.

In the dressing room the doctor officially declared the 'cut' to be harmless and certainly not a contest stopper. But the qualified A.B.A. referee disagreed even then and was rather annoyed that his decision should be questioned. Mann was a very sorry and surprised champion.

In the remaining fights Levant of Durham outfought Garder and battling Dave Wrench could not pull it off against the much bigger McHugh.

GOOD GOLF WIN

GOLF Club chalked up a resounding victory over Sheffield University by 6-0. Owing to fog in the morning the match was played over 18 holes, playing singles matches. All the Leeds men hit top form; the captain, Carmichael, scored the biggest win of the day by beating the Sheffield No. 1, Frank Hodgson, six and four.

Tickle recovered from a bad first nine to beat Wragg four and three. Newcomer Pete Gilbert beat the Sheffield captain, Darby, at the seventeenth, while Bodger comfortably disposed of his opponent three and two. Gibson got another big win by beating Fitzpatrick five and four, while Catlow completed the rout with a four and three victory over Tattersall.



D. Gibson

tics. Throwing himself into the fray midway through the second round, heads accidentally collided, and Pashley sustained a graze on the forehead

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The Farsley 'keeper punches out at a University shot while a forward waits to try again.

classical mode. The move started with a pass from Dawson to Mills, who in turn swept it out to Rolls. The winger responded with an accurate centre and there was Holmes soaring into the air to head it past the goalkeeper. The inside right repeated the performance fifteen minutes later, with the centre this time coming from Edmunds, though the centre forward looked at least five yards offside.

Rolls made it four five minutes before time with another header.

On this form it will take a very good team indeed to prevent Leeds reaching the final. Commented one Farsley supporter, "they've been playing two men to our one."

Team: Crompton, Mills, Gerhold, Halliwell, Dawson, Nuttall, Boulton, Holmes, Edwards, Parry, Rolls.

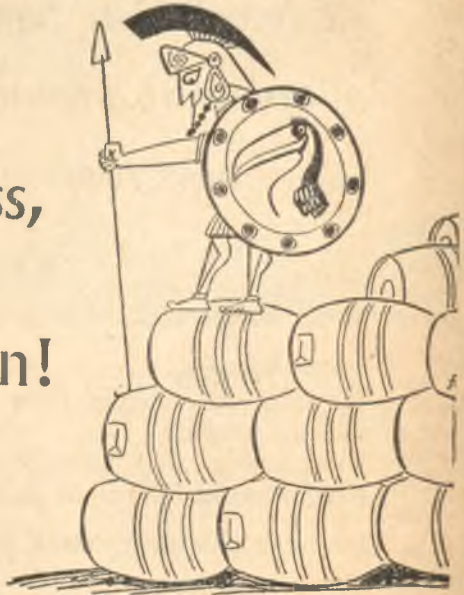
3-2 Win over champions

SQUASH Club had one of their best wins over Queen's, Halifax, who at full strength are probably the best club in Yorkshire. They were slightly weakened on Wednesday, but the University's 3-2 win was none the less creditable for that.

Wins were recorded by Ken Harkness, who controlled his desire to serve faults and played as well as he has done this season; by Ronnie Sullam, who played with determination and considerable skill to defeat a 56 year old player whose age belied his ability; and Mike Harvey, who caught Ken Davidson, a Yorkshire player, a little off form and won narrowly in an exciting deciding match.

John Watson played well but could not gain any control over Simon Rothery another Yorkshire player, whose drop shots on a slow court were sufficient to dishearten any opponent, and Bruce Merlin was taken by surprise by an opponent on top form who for two games never made a mistake

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