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IMPERIAL COLLEGE

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THE FINISH :
Mines home by
1½ lengths.

MINES WIN 1950 MORPHY CUP

GUILDS WIN LOWRY CUP

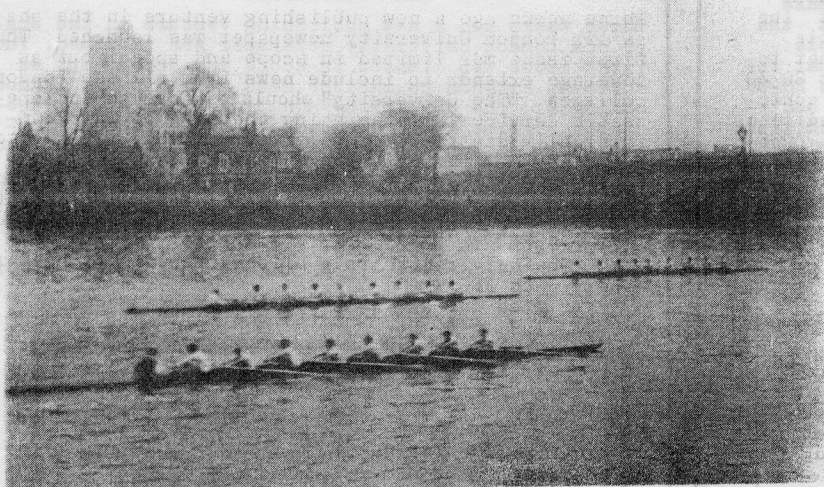


Photo B.F.Gofton

A GRIZZLY SKY WATCHED THE ROYAL SCHOOL OF MINES WIN THE 1950 RACE FOR THE MORPHY CUP ON WEDNESDAY NOV. 22nd. THIS WAS AFTER THE RACE HAD BEEN STOPPED HALF WAY DUE TO A COLLISION BETWEEN GUILDS AND R.C.S. RESULTING IN A BROKEN OAR. WHEN THIS HAPPENED THE MINES WERE LEADING BY ABOUT 1 LENGTH FROM GUILDS WHO LED RCS BY A CANVAS. THE OAR REPLACED, THE 'RACE' WAS RESTARTED IN THESE POSITIONS AND THE FINAL PLACING SAW MINES THE UNDOUBTED VICTORS BY 1½ LENGTHS, WITH GUILDS SECOND ABOUT ½ LENGTH UP ON RCS.

THE LOWRY CUP WAS WON BY GUILDS, WITH RCS AND MINES DEAD-HEATED.

By our Rowing Correspondent.



Photo P.D.Lohmann

SCIENTISTS ON THE MARCH

What the RCS lacked on the river they made up for on the bank. They certainly had the most colourful procession to Putney this year. At 1.30 a ceremonial march scoured the various college departments for brownbaggers. Then, with a rendering of the new RCS war-cry 'Kangella' in the RCS Hall, the procession, headed by the Drum, the 'band' and some banners ('Equal Rights for Men', etc) moved off to South Ken., scoring off a motor-cyclist on it's way and rendering 'Lloyd George knew my father' to a bewildered public. Pennies on the Drum supplied funds for a party ticket for 90 (there were 120 of them).

At Putney Bridge the leaders were dismayed to see the ticket collector counting the number so 'Every man for himself' was the order. Astride Putney bridge, the President, balancing precariously on the parapet called for 'Kangella'. Finally the RCS task force marched into the battle-area outside Imperial College boathouse. What followed is reported elsewhere.

(On the way back, Guildsmen propelled a window-cleaning barrow into the ranks of the returning scientists. The latter regarded it as a fair prize, and it certainly arrived back in South Kensington, but it's subsequent fate is unknown.

X.I.X.

The Morphy Cup of 1950 will be remembered for two things. Firstly, for an extremely good Mines crew who always looked thoroughly comfortable and rowed in a very businesslike manner. Secondly, for bad coxing on the part of the Guilds cox, which not only impeded his own boat but the RCS as well. There was a fast ebbing tide and a cross following wind when the three crews turned to drift down to the start. All three crews made good starts, striking blade for blade, at 37. Guilds took the lead at once being a canvas up on the RCS and nearly half a length on the Mines at the end of half a minute. The Mines by now were getting well into their stride and at Harrods the three crews were level. It was at this point that erratic steering on the part of the Guilds kept themselves and the RCS much too close to the Surrey shore. The Mines taking full advantage of this were steered into the fastest part of the tide and rowing very comfortably at 33 proceeded to draw ahead. At the Crab Tree the Mines were half a length up and by the Mile Post had increased this to a length. Soon after the Mile Post as they were approaching the bend the RCS clashed with Guilds, a thing they might well have done much earlier. The crews were brought back and restarted just below the Mile Post in their relative positions at the time of the clash. In the row in, though it looked possible at one time that the RCS might just beat the Guilds for second place, the lead of the Mines remained unchallenged, and they won by 1¼ lengths from the Guilds, with the RCS a further ¾ length behind. A word of praise must be given to the Guilds crew for the very fine fighting spirit they showed. The Mines time of 3 min 15 secs for the Mile Post showed that they would have done a fast time if the race had not been interrupted.

The Lowry Cup was won by the Guilds in the fast time of 4 min 20 secs. This result was not unexpected, but due to spirited competition from the other two crews they were unable to establish a lead till the end of the wall. They were obviously the more polished crew as their 2¼ lengths victory showed. There was a fine fight which deservedly ended in a dead-heat between the Mines and the RCS for second place. If the same fighting spirit is to characterise the IC crews this year, then we can hope for great things.

CHRISTMAS!

Next issue of FELIX will appear on the last day of term and will be a Christmas Number. Contributions with a Christmassy flavour are invited. Original verse (or doggerel), ghost stories, plum-pudding humour and Christmas gratuities for the Editor will be all gratefully accepted. (LATEST BY NEXT FRIDAY)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir,
While appreciating the strictest need for economy in the refectory, especially to produce a cheap lunch, I can see no reason to include so much potato at the expense of other vegetables, when cabbage is only 2^d. per lb. Is this omission an admission of an inability to cook cabbage? If it is due to labour problems, I am sure the lady who slams the door in my face the moment I reach the precincts, or the other charming creature, the ticket whipper, would be only too delighted to do something useful.

Yours faithfully,
K.P. Eldridge.

The Refectory Committee write :

Mr. Eldridge discourses eloquently of Cabbages and Queens. On the first point, one might quote Juvenal (VII. 154) who, freely translated, said that "...endless cabbage browned off even the wretched folk in the Upper Dining Hall"; or, more seriously-plead that we have not yet found out how to make both ends meet on the 1/6 lunch, even without the cost of buying and preparing a second vegetable.

On the second point, many will recall that today's queues would last year have had to wait 20-30 minutes longer for their lunches: only tight control of the queues makes for to-day's more expeditious working. The taker of tickets referred to was probably the managerial "queen" responsible for seeing that all went well.

J.F. Levy. (Deputy Chairman, Refectory Cttee.)

26th November, 1950.

Dear FELIX,

Heartiest congratulations on your first anniversary!

My dear chap, you have grown out of all recognition - if you will excuse the avuncular phrase. I remember a time when you were a little kitten, knee-high to a typewriter, and now you're a sleek and well-groomed Cat, as black as printers-ink and tremendous institution around I.C.!

There is not the least doubt that as long as there remains an Imperial College bar, our respective Editors shall annually toast your health on the 9th of December, so many happy returns of your birthday, FELIX, and here's power to your elbow.

Bless your fur and whiskers.

Yours, PHOENIX.

24th November, 1950.

Sir - London is a cold and impersonal city and its character is strongly reflected in its colleges. Young though this university may be, there is a sad lack of the tradition and individualism that is so much a part of others.

Have we not a professor with personality and character enough to institute weekly beer parties at the 'Gloucester' or the 'Queen's Arms'? Our ridiculous licensing hours and the 'nine-to-five' students would probably reduce these to afternoon tea parties at Jane Brown's or Vi's Cosy Cafe, but nevertheless occasions when students and teachers could forgather on equal terms in a congenial atmosphere to argue and discuss nothing in particular.

What popularity such a Werner would achieve! But perhaps South Ken. tea would lack the stimulating effect of Swiss beer and anyway, the board of examiners would no doubt deplore the loss of practical work. Yours faithfully, Peter Rowe.
(Chem. Tech.)

Prof. Werner of Zurich became as famous for his beer-garden sessions with students as for his work in inorganic chemistry. Indeed it is said that he did his best work when he had been carried back from the beer garden to his laboratory! - Ed.)

18th November, 1950.

Sir,- Great prominence was given in the last issue of FELIX to the debagging of a student who sells the 'Daily Worker'.

As one of those concerned, who has now had his character blackened by your editorial, I wish to point out that this was not a rag directed against a political party.

There can be no doubt that if member of I.C. was foolish enough to offer FELIX for sale outside L.S.E. he would be treated with brutal assault. Who then can grumble when the reverse takes place. Yours sincerely,
D. V. Parker, GUILDS.

P.S. I suspect that the seller on 17th had a few kittens when Marcus Hall arrived.

(Mr. Parker's point was made in our last Editorial, -Ed.)

Foreign Correspondence

The colourful item of correspondence reproduced below was received by Mr. M.C. Blythe, Newcastle Manager of the Brush group of companies, from Porto Rico.

"Gentlemen,

I got he pump which I by from you, but wy, for God's sake, you doan send me no handle.

I loose to me my customer wats the use of a pump wen she doan have no handle. Sure I think you doan treet me rite I wrote ten days, and my customer he holler for water like hell from the pump you know he is hot summer here now and the win he no blow the pump.

She got no handle, so what the hell I goan to do with it doan send me a handle pretty quick I send her back and I goan order some pump from Mayer's Company. Goodbye.

Yours truly,

X.U.Z.

Since I write this I find the goddam handle in the box, excuse to me.

THE UNIVERSITY

Three weeks ago a new publishing venture in the shape of a London University newspaper was launched. The first issue was limited in scope and appeal but as coverage extends to include news from all the London colleges, "The University" should perform an indispensable service in integrating the life of our geographically scattered university. Anyone willing to serve on the staff of "The University" should contact the Editors of PHOENIX or FELIX, or directly the Editor of "The University", c/o Pi Office, University College, Gower Street, W.C.1. I.C. Salesman for "The University" are particularly required.

"The University" is published fortnightly alternately with FELIX.

We wish our new contemporary every success.



ROYAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Christmas Carnival

"FAIRGROUND FROLICS"

Friday, 15th December, 1950

IMPERIAL COLLEGE UNION

ACIS & GALATEA - Handel || Conductor :
I.C. CHOIR & ORCHESTRA || JOHN CLEMENTS.
Tues. 5 Dec. - 5.30 - Gym.
(Entrance Free)

ADVERTISEMENTS IN FELIX.

Advertisements can now be accepted for insertion in FELIX. Conditions and rates are available on application to the Advertising Manager.

No charge is made for advertisements or announcements for Imperial College Union, the constituent college unions and ICWA. Clubs and societies will be charged at cost price.

A nominal charge (6d per 20 words) is made for insertions in the Personal Advertisements column.

SADIST'S DEPT.

Notice in 'bus: 'Please do not let your children stand on the seats; other people want to sit on them'.

STRICTLY FEMINE

Father: "Daughter, I can't imagine why you want to switch to the Royal School of Mines. Why, you'd be the only girl there!"
Daughter: "Right first time, Pop."

HISTORICAL PITTANCE

William Pitt the Younger was actually so thin that one of his colleagues once referred to him as "The Bottomless Pitt".



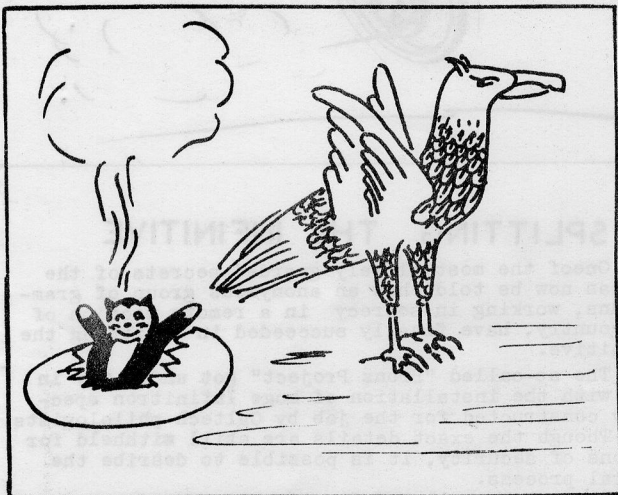
EDITORIAL

ORIGIN OF A SPECIES

On Dec. 9th last year, FELIX was born; many have since wondered how this momentous event came about.

The conception of an Imperial College newspaper has for a long time been a twinkle in the Union's eye, but the only previous attempts were The Muckrake, which raked so thoroughly that it was quickly stopped, and a weekly Phoenix which died in 1930 in mortal combat with the Rector and the Board of Governors.

The matter was again raised at a meeting of the Phoenix Board of Directors last year, and the idea so appealed to Derek Howe that he undertook to inquire into its feasibility. The first thing he did was to buy copious quantities of beer for an unemployed friend, Ted Hughes, and talk him into accepting the editorship, Ted being so overcome by the hitherto unprecedented spectacle of Derek "in the chair" that he accepted. The promise of help was obtained from a few other stalwarts, and the still unofficial FELIX Board held its first meeting.



After some cajoling the Union Executive Committee agreed to back the venture to the limit of £5, this figure being more an indication of Derek Howe's elegance than of the innate generosity of Council. It is perhaps of interest to note that Q.M.C.'s paper, The Cub, is subsidised by their Union up to £125 a year. The new FELIX Board therefore decided that the paper should be launched in a form that would ensure that it payed its way, and Miss Larcom agreed to type and Roneo it at an economical price.

It now remained only to find a name, and something to put into the paper. The former problem was solved for us by F. C. Ewels, and we are still congratulating ourselves on our fortunate choice; the latter is a constant source of worry to the Editor, but usually seems to turn up in the end. 600 copies of the first issue were produced and sold at a remarkable speed; thereafter 1000 copies were sold each fortnight.

The end of the year found the paper established as part of the College, and recognized and constituted by Council as the official newspaper of I.C. The time had come to find a new method of printing to give us more scope, and yet remain economical - a decision which was in any case forced on us by the increase in the price of paper. The success of the new format may be seen in the circulation figures, which has already gone up to 1250, whilst still allowing us to clear a few shillings on each issue.

We feel that the most flattering reflection on our present position was the recent suggestion that an effigy of FELIX be obtained as College mascot.

POOR COXING

The collision between two of the boats during the Morphy Cup race has reduced it to a near-fiasco for the second year in succession. There is little doubt that the Mines thoroughly deserved their victory; but the placing of Guilds and R.C.S. - had there been no collision - has been hotly debated in rowing circles. The question of blame for the occurrence need not concern us here: that is for the Umpire to decide. The point is - that a race is no longer worth the name once it has been stopped and restarted.

The coxes in a race carry a very heavy responsibility, and must concern themselves not only with urging on their crews but also with exemplary steering; in addition, they must remain always alert to the Umpire's megaphone.

BOAT CLUB DINNER

This year's Boat Club Dinner surpassed all others in the length of the speeches; as a result it ended perilously near to closing time and but for the prompt action of Derek Coomber in asking for a bar extension, there would have been no opportunity for members to get 'one for the road'.

After proposing the toast of the King, the Captain, D.W.North, asked Mr. Morphy to present the trophies and tankards:-

Morphy Cup - Royal School of Mines.
Lowry Cup - City and Guilds College.
Senior Sculls (Tizard Challenge Cup) - C.H.Barwise.
Junior Sculls (Webber Challenge Cup) - D. Benfield.
Novice Sculls (Lindsay Memorial Cup) - G.W.Benson
Pair Oars (Wynne-Finch Cup) C.H.Barwise & S.J.Peerless

The toast of the club was proposed by the coach Charles Bristow, who outlined the history of the club from the early day after the first World War, stressing to the freshers that the fine equipment now in use was due to the sacrifices made by members in the early days. Charles welcomed to the dinner K. C. Wilson (first captain of I.C.B.C.) and Mr. Morphy as being men who gave much useful encouragement in the early 1920's. Commenting on the day's racing, Charles said that the standard of throwing was extremely high and augured well for the future; he was confident that under the leadership of 'Micky' North the club could look forward to a successful year.

In replying, the Captain said that he too looked forward to a successful year under the trustworthy coaching of Charles. In his speech he mentioned and quoted from a recent letter to the Editor of FELIX, in which the view was put forward that a college is judged on its academic achievements and hence "brown-bagging" is justifiable. 'Micky' refuted this suggestion and quoted Sir Henry Tizard, sometime Rector of I.C., who said that the achievements of the '46 Henley crew had spread the name of the college quite as much as any academic distinctions.

In proposing the toast of Thames R.C., David Nowell, Vice-Captain, emphasized the close association between I.C. and Thames, typified by the corridor between the boathouses known as "Charles' cut". The reply by the H.Rushmere, Captain of Thames, was lively and witty; he summed up our relationship in the words: "We supply the beer and you a constant stream of beer-sodden oars men."

The toast of the guests was proposed by Brian Thwaites and replied to by Derek Coomber in the most appreciated of the evening, which consisted of three very good jokes, and a promise of a bar extension till eleven. This completed, the beer-sodden oarsmen retired to the bar to enjoy their extra half-hour.

L.I.F.C.U.

THE MISSION IN RETROSPECT

During its two weeks' run, ending ten days ago, the Mission in the London University as applied to Imperial College, showed that God said much in the past that is specially applicable to the present time. The meetings were well attended and aroused considerable interest, and if one of the aims of the Mission was to provide an opportunity of hearing the Christian Faith expounded in a clear and practical way, it was certainly achieved.

The resident Missioner, Mr. Metcalfe Collier, now a familiar figure in the Hostel, proved himself both an able speaker and a helpful friend to many. It was surprising to find how many lacked an understanding of the logic and truth to be found in Christianity, though many of the basic facts were known. A further series of meetings is therefore being arranged for next term. Competent speakers are being asked to talk on subjects such as: "The reliability of the New Testament Documents"; "The Church"; "How to approach the Christian Faith", and others. Details will be announced later.

However, the work of the Mission will never be finished as there is always more to be gained in knowledge and practice of the Christian Faith.

P. M. Harlow.

YOU MUST
get your tickets now for the
MINES
DANCE
ON
WEDNESDAY DEC. 6TH.
Tickets from Union Bar.

FELIX ROAD TEST - NO. 3

THE BICYCLE MOTORS

With so many students living some miles away from College, these inexpensive little motors have become of great personal interest to many of us. They are quickly and easily fitted to any type of bicycle, are outstandingly economical, and their manoeuvrability enables them to negotiate London traffic at least as quickly as other motor vehicles.

We are therefore giving a serious description of the three most popular types on the market, and impressions of the machines based on the experience of owners in the College.

MINI-MOTOR

This is undoubtedly the fastest and most powerful of the three. It is a two-stroke engine of 49 c.c. developing 1-3 H.P., that drives the rear wheel through a deeply milled roller. It is simply fitted to any bicycle without any modification

beyond the removal of a section of mud-guard, and is raised or lowered into contact with the wheel by means of a lever on the handlebars. This system has the merit of simplicity, but it is inclined to sling mud and is fairly heavy on tyres - a tandem type tyre lasts about 1500 miles. A possible criticism is that its top speed of 30 m.p.h. is too high to be safe on most bicycles, but the discomfort of driving an unsprung machine at this speed would keep most people down to a more moderate 20-25, and only use full power on hills.

The fuel consumption is about 200 m.p.g., and the price £21 inclusive.

CYMOTOR

This is another friction drive motor, via a carborundum roller to the front wheel. It is the cheapest of the three under review, and incorporates a powerful lighting system driven by the magneto-generator. Although of nearly the same capacity as the Mini-Motor, 45 cc, it is noticeably less powerful, giving a maximum speed of 20 m.p.h. and an acceleration poor by comparison. It is understood that a modified engine is to be produced, with redesigned cylinder ports to give greater power. The two owners of these motors in the College also complain of poor starting. It is open to the same criticism of mudslinging and tyre wear as the Mini-Motor, a tyre lasting about 1500 miles but costing only 13/2d. The makers claim 250 m.p.g., but our owners find they get about 180 m.p.g. in London. Price 18 gns. inclusive.

CYCLEMASTER

This is certainly the neatest power unit, the whole contraption including engine, fuel tank and drive being housed in the rear hub. The whole rear wheel is sold complete and no modification to the bicycle is necessary. It is a much smaller engine than the previous two, being only 25 cc, but it gives a quite remarkable amount of power, giving a top speed of 23 m.p.h. and sufficient use for most London hills. It has a real clutch that can be used as such, although it appreciates a little pedal assistance in starting from rest, and will accelerate smoothly (albeit gently) from a walking pace on the throttle alone. There is not space here for technical details, but it is a remarkably ingenious and efficient piece of engineering. Fuel consumption is 260-300 m.p.g., and the price £25 inclusive.



SPLITTING THE INFINITIVE

One of the most closely guarded secrets of the era can now be told, how an anonymous group of grammarians, working in secrecy in a remote section of the country, have finally succeeded in splitting the infinitive.

The so-called "Bronz Project" got under way in 1943 with the installation of huge Infitron specially constructed for the job by Caltech philologists.

Though the exact details are still withheld for reasons of security, it is possible to describe the general process.

From a stockpile of fissionable gerunds, encased in leaden clichés to prevent radio-activity, a suitable subject is withdrawn and placed in the infitron together with a small amount of syntax. All this material must be handled with great care as the slightest slip may lead to a painful solecism.

Once inside the apparatus, the gerund is whirled about at great speed, meanwhile being bombarded with small particles. A man with Gender Counter stands always ready to warn others if the Alpha-Betical rays are released in such high quantities as to render the scientists neuter.

The effect of the bombardment is to dissociate the whirling parts of speech from one another until at length an infinitive splits off from its gerund and is ejected from the machine. It is picked up gingerly with a pair of hanging clauses and plunged into a bath of pleonasm. When it cools, it is ready for use.

The question is often asked: Can other countries likewise split the infinitive? I think we can safely answer "No".

Though it is true that Russia, for one, is known to have large supplies of the saurus hidden away behind the Plural Mountains, it is doubtful if the Russians possess the scientific technique. They have the infinitive but not the know-how.

(Originally published in "Tennessee Valley Engineer")

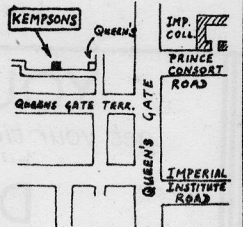
I.C.W.A. DANCE

Friday evening the 17th November was a notable evening at the Union. The ladies of I.C.W.A. were demonstrating their capabilities as organisers and their charm as hostesses on the occasion of the I.C.W.A. dance. This dance, well known as one of the leading social events of the I.C.W.A. year, proved to be quite as good as its many predecessors and was very well attended. The Vice-President of I.C.W.A., Dr. Pratt, with her usual good-natured enthusiasm, set the pace for a really enjoyable evening. Two past Vice-Presidents, Miss Sherwood and Lady Hill were also present. It seems extremely unlikely that I.C.W.A. will ever spoil their reputation for being able to put on a "good show" at their dances. Many thanks to them from all who attended.

KEMPSON'S

SHOE REPAIR SERVICE

44, Queen's Gate Mews,
Queen's Gate,
Kensington, S.W.7



PROFILE ~ PIONEER EDITOR

As is amply told on another page it is just twelve months since FELIX was born - twelve months in which our college has been very much in the public eye: spectacularly in the West London Police Court and on the Serpentine, quietly and more significantly in the Parliamentary debates on the concept of a Technical University.

In this last year of the perpetual struggle to prevent the college from degenerating into a forcing house of technical knowledge, individuals rather than organisations have both led the way and carried most of the burdens, amongst whom E. M. Hughes, first editor of FELIX is a notable example.

It was because he felt so strongly that much of the apathy at I.C. was due to ignorance of what went on that Ted consented to become a veterinary obstetrician, wet-nurse and guiding hand when FELIX was first conceived.

Ted Hughes was born in Croydon in 1923, the son of an eminent dental surgeon. When he left school at Saffron Waldron (Higher School Certificate with one mark to spare), he put in a year in an engineering shop. He then went to Northampton Engineering College when he failed Part I (this time by an unspecified margin).

After his training in Canada he was commissioned in the R.A.F. as a pilot, sunbathed his way through O.T.U. in the Bahamas and then flew Liberators based on Ceylon and the Cocos Islands.

The Utopian society of these islands in which the worst disease is asthma and the only 'crime' the anticipation of marriage, made a lasting impression on him and did much to restore a faltering faith in humanity. It is interesting to note that while enjoying London life more than most, he feels that only such a communal approach as the setting up of a residential university of South Kensington, with at least two liberal arts faculties brought in, can provide that intellectual clash between different types of mind, so essential to university society.

His college life is very much in keeping with his reserved, polished, competent and somewhat persuasive manner. For the first two years he worked "because I felt I ought to". In his third year he calmly picked up the heaviest, and trickiest job - the editorship of FELIX - carried it overwhelmingly to success and collected a first in Mechanical Engineering on the way. Without, we dare aver, disturbing one lock of the perfectly parted hair or neglecting once to polish his glistening shoes.

With his protégé well established Ted has reluctantly become Editor-elect of PHOENIX but despite this association with fine feathers and ancient lineage he is still Advisory Editor of the nosier and we hope more agile FELIX.

Ted is now engaged on research in gas dynamics. He is Secretary of the Links club, plays squash for I.C., and has already shown himself an administrator of standing and a man with the good of the college very much in his mind. For the future we may be sure that Ted Hughes will continue to edit and engineer with equal facility.

GARDEN NOTES

by Umfaam.

Attention in the garden, at this time of the year of wet muggy nights, should be directed towards those flowers which overcrowd and wither in the shelter of every wall. The less pleasing flowers, should be immediately uprooted and cast out, for they muscle out the sweet and beautiful varieties, all of which require constant care and encouragement.

In arid places progress is much accelerated by the early and frequent applications of a solution Ginnan Lime, which should be allowed to soak right in. At this stage it is often expedient to transplant the flowers to less crowded parts of the garden, where there is plenty of shade.

If the above precautions are observed, while keeping the plants warm at nights, and well protected from chills, these flora should be at the height of fragrant loveliness for Christmas.

Although large scale experiments carried out in America on the upturning of clods and subsequent spraying with D.D.T. were most effective, the more efficient method is the removal of each weed, individually, by hand; even if this may be more back-breaking.

I commend to you all a supreme effort to set our hop-garden in order before it becomes too infested.

APOLOGY PENDING?

"Matrons we have always found difficult, but Shirley Meek has never disappointed us yet".

(From the review of 'Mandragola' in Phoenix Review 1949-50).

COMING EVENTS

- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1st.
- "Ends and Means" lecture by Prof. V.C. Illing, Imperial Institute Cinema, 4.15 pm.
 - I.C. S.C.M. Study Week-end. "The Reliance of the Bible to-day", by E.C. Blackman & P.G. Eyers.
 - I.C. Dram. Soc. & LUDS joint production: 'Arms and the Man' by G.B. Shaw.
 - U.L.U. President's Ball, Senate House, 7.30-11.30.
- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2nd.
- I.C.R.F.C. v. St. Catherine's Coll. Camb. Away.
 - I.C.H.C. v. N.P.L. Teddington. Home.
 - I.C. Dram. Soc. & LUDS production - last performance.
 - I.C.C.C. v. Woodford Green A.C. (Roehampton)
 - ICWSC. (Netball) v. U.C.H. Away 11.00
- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3rd.
- I.C. Mountaineering Club meet at Harrison Rocks.
- MONDAY, DECEMBER 4th.
- I.C. Dancing Club. General Meeting, Botany Lecture Theatre, 1.15 pm.
 - C. & G. Radio Club. "Magic", by Prof. O.A. Saunders, Room 04, Guilds, 4 pm.
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5th.
- I.C. Railway Soc. Presidential Address by Arthur Dean Esq., Room N.26, C. & G. 5.15 pm.
 - I.C. Chem. Soc. "The Work of a Government Lab." by Dr. G.M. Bennett, R.C.S. 5.15 pm.
 - R.C.S. Math. & Phys. Soc. "The Impact of Astronomical Development on Human Thought", by Rev. M. Davidson.
 - I.C. Choir & Orchestra, under John Clements: 'Acis and Galatea', Upper Hall, Union, 5.30.
- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6th.
- I.C.H.C. U.L. Cup, v. King's Coll. Away.
 - C. & G. Radio Soc, Visit to G.E.C. Research Labs. Wembley.
 - R.S.M. Dance, Upper Hall, Union, 7-30 pm.
- THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7th.
- R.C.S. Nat. Hist. Soc. Christmas Social, Upper Hall, 7.0 pm.
 - C. & G. Engineering Soc. "Important Considerations in the Design of Welded Structure", by Dr. R. Weck, Room 15, C. & G., 5 pm.
 - I.C. Musical Soc. Beethoven's Kreuzer Sonata, Guilds Board Room. 1.15.
- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8th.
- Proposed Beaver's Club, inaugural meeting, Union Bar, 7.30. All beards cordially invited.
- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9th.
- FELIX celebrates its first birthday.
 - I.C.B.C. Thames R.C. Plum Pudding VIII's at Putney.
 - I.C.A.V.C. U.L. six-a-side Competition at Motpur Park.
 - I.C.R.F.C. v. University Vandals. Home.
 - I.C.H.C. v. Southgate Adelaide, Away.
 - I.C. Entertainments Committee. 'Hop', 8.0 pm.
 - I.C.C.C. - U.L. Championships (Roehampton)
 - ICWSC. (Netball) v. Bed. Isk. Home, 11.00
- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th.
- I.C. Film Soc. "Die Dreigroschenoper", & "Children of the City", New Lounge 7.15 pm.
- MONDAY, DECEMBER 11th.
- "Aims and Means" lecture. "Mining and Mankind" by Prof. J.A.S. Ritson, Imp. Inst. Cinema, 4.15.
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12th.
- I.C. Chem. Soc. "Science & Criminal Investigation", by Dr. G.E. Turfitt, R.C.S., 5.15 pm.
- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13th.
- I.C.A.F.C. v. R.M.A. Sandhurst. Home.
 - I.C.H.C. v. Old Thamesians. Home.
 - I.C.R.F.C. v. R.M.A. Sandhurst. Home.
 - C. & G. Radio Soc, Visit to Radiffusion, Wandsworth.
- THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14th.
- I.C. Mus. Soc. Four-part Motets & Carols, Guilds Board Room, 1.15.
- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15th.
- "FELIX No. 15. Christmas Issue.
 - Michelmas Term ends.
 - R.C.S. Carnival - "Fairground Frolics", 8.0 - 2.0 am.

LUNCH-HOUR CONCERTS

C & G BOARD ROOM 1-15 THURSDAYS

- 7 DEC VIOLIN & PIANO SONATAS
BACH - & BEETHOVEN KREUTZER
JURGEN HESS & COLIN SMITH
- 14 DEC FOUR-PART MOTETS & CAROLS
- 11 JAN FIRST THURSDAY OF TERM
ALAN LOVEDAY TRIO
IN A BRAHMS PROGRAMME





SPORT



DIVIDED LOYALTIES

In a college the size of I.C. it is natural that we have amongst our numbers, many outstanding personalities in the realm of sport. It is gratifying to find that this talent is recognised by the university selectors, and that as a result I.C. is, in general, well represented in the university teams.

We feel therefore, that our readers may be interested to hear of I.C.'s contribution to university sport and have included in this issue brief accounts from two university clubs.

The demand of the university for our best players naturally weakens the college teams, and match secretaries cannot therefore obtain such good fixtures as would otherwise be possible. This raises a most controversial point in the field of college sport, the pros and cons of which have been debated over many a pint of beer in the bar - to which club does the loyalty of the players belong, college or university. Many players have three clubs simultaneously demanding their services and the decision is a hard one to make.

A preliminary list of university purples awarded for the 1949-1950 season was published in the Review issue of Phoenix. Those given below have been awarded since that publication.

Sports Ed.

SQUASH RACKETS

The I.C. Squash Rackets Club has started the season in a very satisfactory manner. Four 1st team matches have been won, including those against Ashted and Lensbury, who are among our strongest opponents. Wimbledon proved just too strong for us: this new fixture was however a great success, and we hope to turn the tables in January. A weakened team without Jeff. Kenyon were narrowly defeated by Kings College.

Kenyon, Wright and Squire are consistent performers. Martin and Swain at numbers 3 and 5 have been erratic, but should improve with more match play and experience.

The second team has won twice and lost twice.

Results: v. Wimbledon	LOST 2 - 3.
v. Lensbury	WON 2 - 2
v. R.N.C.	WON 5 - 0
v. Kings College	LOST 2 - 3
v. Ashted	WON 4 - 1
v. Old Aldenaurians	WON 3 - 2

J. Mc. C.

SOCCER

Imperial College 1, Westminster 6

I.C. made a somewhat hurried exit from the U.L. Cup competition when they were beaten by Westminster at Harlington on Saturday November 11th.

The first half of the game was fairly even but I.C. could only score once against Westminster's 3. Briscoe scored the I.C. goal after the opposition had built up a three goal lead, the first of which was put past Williams by an unfortunate I.C. defender.

In the second period I.C. with Ward limping on the right-wing, were always fighting a losing battle and, try as they might, could not stop Westminster adding three more to their total.

On this form Westminster, assisted by Wade, last year's U.L. captain, should win the Cup; we wish them luck.

The I.C. team was:- Williams (capt.); Collinson, Ward; Eastland, Perkins, Last; Jewitt, Wheeler, Thompson (D.E.), Briscoe, Bowtell.

In Division II of the U.L. League I.C. 2nd XI have dropped 3 points out of 4 to L.S.E. and somehow contrived to lose to West Ham T.C. Four victories give the 2nd XI 9 points from 7 games.

The 3rd XI lost their first 4 Division III games but won the next two scoring 23 goals in the process.

On Saturday, Dec. 9th, I.C. defend the U.L. six-a-side championship at Motspur Park. With plenty of vocal support I.C. might win this tournament for the third year in succession.

A. A. G.

UNIVERSITY SPORT

U.L. RUGGER

After two disappointing 'voluntary' trials the final 'invitation only' trial provided some excellent Rugby and a potentially strong team was selected. After fighting an unbeaten Brighton to a draw in the first match the team settled down well and three successive wins, including a 5-3 (1 g. to 1 p.g.) win over St. Mary's Hospital led to the early building up of an excellent team spirit.

The loss of the centre triangle from the scrum and the inability of finding a suitable half-back combination has considerably weakened the team and three of the last four games have been lost. One noteworthy point about these lost games is the fact that even under pressure the University team have continued to play good attacking Rugby and the score has been incidental to the spirit of the game.

Of the team, I.C. have regularly provided five players - D. Evans (capt.), R. Severn (hon. sec.), D. Crossley, B. Robins, W. Robinson. The officers of the U.L.R.F.C. are very grateful to the I.C. Club for their excellent co-operation in providing, all too frequently, last minute reserves - reserves who have played with distinction in the University colours.

Record to date: F.8 W.4 D.1 L.3
Pts. For 58 Against 62.

D.E.
B.S.

U.L. SOCCER

In the years since the War, the U.L. Soccer Club has been integrated into a major force in U.L. A.U., and has this season its strongest fixture list for many years, including matches against Oxford, Cambridge and Paris Universities, and many representative sides of high standing. As well as fielding a strong team, the University Soccer Club runs a League of three Divisions, embracing 26 teams from all but three of the Colleges running Soccer sides. An annual Six-a-Side Tournament is held (this year on December 9th.), and also the University Association Football Cup competition.

With all this happening in this present season, it seems a far cry from two seasons ago, when no less than 7 of the University team came from I.C., to today, when I.C.'s sole link is a non-playing Secretary and when I.C. have just lost interest in the Cup for this season. However, the I.C. Soccer Club still support the U.L. Club as far as they are able and look forward to the day when I.C. is again in a position to supply University players. It will long be remembered in University circles that it was largely due to I.C. players in the post-war years that the University Club is what it is today.

To date, the University team has played six games and been beaten only once, last Saturday at Cambridge, by the University, the only goal of the match being the deciding goal. But most important of all the team beat a full County side recently when they defeated Sussex 3-0 at Eastbourne. The County did the honour of fielding the strongest team they could muster, but it was not strong enough, which augurs well for the future.

W.P.G.

PURPLES

The following members of the College were awarded University Colours last year in addition to those listed in PHOENIX REVIEW.

ATHLETICS

A.B. Watts (Guilds)	Re-award	Full Purple
K.J. Brookman (R.C.S.)		Half Purple
C.J. Windle (Guilds)		Team Colour
E.F. Whitlock (Mines)		Team Colour

WOMEN'S CRICKET

Miss A. Harlow (R.C.S.)	Full Purple
Miss P. Harlow (R.C.S.)	Half Purple

WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Miss K. Stedman (R.C.S.)	Half Purple
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