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KINGS DEFEATED

CITY & GUILDS IS
COMING DOWN

CAPTAIN MIKE BREGAZZI
SHOWED FINE LEADERSHIP
IN BRILLIANT SECOND HALF
RECOVERY BY I.C.

This year as there have not been seedings in the draw of the U.L. cup, Imperial and Kings have met early on in the competition and not in the final as has happened on many occasions before. In many minds, there was the thought that the winner of this game would definitely be at Motspur Park on Feb. 20th. and would probably take the cup home with them.

The I.C. team was at full strength and on paper looked very impressive, but as it consisted of 50% U.L. players and 50% I.C. first team players who had only played together once before their real ability was unproven. The King's team containing fewer U.L. players was an unknown quantity but the fact that they had beaten Reading University whereas I.C. had lost to them indicated that a close game would result.

I.C. kicked off and it immediately became apparent that the two were very well matched. The King's pack were taller on the average but weight for weight there would have been little in it. The length of the legs of the King's hooker caused some trouble in the front row as he was taller than his props, but he put this to great advantage in the tight scrum where I.C. were out-hooked in the first half.

Several very well timed kicks by the backs resulted in I.C. nearly scoring down the left wing. Banks was kicking and running very intelligently to Potter on the left wing and it was just the unlucky bounce of the ball, which prevented the King's line from being crossed.

A missed tackle on the right wing led to the first score of the game when a King's man broke through to touch down almost under the posts from which an easy kick gave King's a five point lead, which they still held at half time.

After the resumption I.C. began to show their capabilities. Always slow starters I.C. were slower than usual on this occasion and at times during the first half one began to wonder if they would ever really swing into action.

Early in the second half Kris Wronski, the U.L. skipper, scored a try from a loose maul on the King's line. The I.C. scrum half, Dick Lance, was tackled out of possession, and the referee playing the advantage rule allowed Wronski to pick up the loose ball and touch down, but Bregazzi's kick failed.

A few minutes later one of the King's centres was caught off side as the I.C. pack pushed their opposite numbers towards their line.

A deathly hush fell over the ground as Bregazzi came up to take the kick, only to be broken by a terrific yell as the touch judges signalled that I.C. had taken the lead.

I.C. now went flat out and it was not long before Dick Lance nipped round the blind side to score a typical scrum half's try, but unfortunately injuring his ribs in the process on colliding with the full back who had been given a very harassing time by the I.C. pack. Mike Bregazzi converted this try with a magnificent kick from the touch line.

The last try of the game came when Otto Gilbert nose-dived his way over the back of one of the defenders to score a well deserved touch down. Bregazzi again added to the points with another beautiful kick.

Although difficult to single out a any individual players I feel that it must be pointed out how magnificently The I.C. back row played. Both the wing forwards played excellent games and were always ready to aid the three-quarters in attack.

The last word must go to the 80 or so supporters who made the effort to give up their time to encourage the team. This support is invaluable in these games, and we hope to see as many as possible at Harlington when we play C.E.M. in the next round on February 10th.



The demolition of Guilds has started - and on schedule too. First the north wing, so that the north-east spline of E 1 can be built, and at a later date the entrance, and the south wing. Of course demolition started long ago when the old warships disappeared, but only now is the change becoming apparent to non-Guildamen.

The building, designed by Waterhouse (also the architect of the Natural History Museum), was formally opened by the Prince of Wales in 1884, having cost almost twice the original estimated sum of £50,000.

By the original proposals the ground was rented by the City and Guilds of London Institute (founded and financed by the City of London, and the Livery Companies? from the Commissioners of the 1851 Exhibition on a 999-year lease "at a peppercorn rent" (one shilling per year). Also under this proposal - "if not begun or finished on time, or if it ceased to be used for technical education for the space of one year, the land and the property on it shall revert to the Commissioners".

In a few years there will be nothing left of this fine building, a building which has served well, and been the academic birthplace of many of the best engineers. Let us hope that the new buildings will last as well, and see such talent.

COMMENTARY

A fortnightly review of Union affairs.

Regular readers of the Council Notice Board in the Union Lounge will no doubt have read recently a notice concerning the Marxist Sub-Group. The latter has, in the past, been a sub-group of the Lit. and Deb. Soc., but this year the Society finds itself "embarrassed" by its relation with the Marxist Sub-Group, and, by strange coincidence the International Relations Club also feels for the same reason that it cannot possibly take the left-wing "theorists" under its wing.

It is therefore proposed that the Marxist Sub-Group should become a fully-fledged Society of the I.C. Union after approval by the S.C.C. at its next meeting. However, its supporters are forgetting that under Item 10 of the S.C.C. Constitution they are bound to obtain a list of signatories in support of the proposed Club, and under past S.C.C. Chairmen it has been necessary to submit a list of not less than 25 such persons.

Let us hope that at the next S.C.C. meeting the members (the Presidents of all the I.C. Social Clubs) present will demonstrate that they are not so gullible as the members of the Marxist Sub-Group would like to think. Perhaps they will remember that apart from being an embarrassment to the Lit. and Deb. Soc., the Marxists are also an embarrassment to the I.C. Union, and for that reason should not be officially recognized in any way.

An unofficial survey was conducted at the last meeting of the I.C. Union upon the subject of the number of members present, and when, after the meeting, the results of the various counters were measured it was found that the attendance at the Union meeting was 195 ± 4. Under Item 17 of the Bye-Laws of the I.C.U. it is stated that a quorum of a General Meeting of the I.C.E. shall consist of 200 Full or Life members of the Union, and upon this basis we may therefore reason that all the decisions arrived at at the last meeting are invalid. Comparing the last Union meeting with the one at this time last year (attendance then was 700) we may ask what is the reason for this sudden lack of interest this Session. The answer is two-fold:

(a) The Union is being lead half-heartedly from behind rather than from in front. The only policy seems to be to try to discredit Council and to avoid coming to any decision or giving any lead to the Union in public. Perhaps the person concerned is at last beginning to realize that it is up to Council and not the Union meetings to manage the Union on everyday matters.

(b) This year the politicians have risen to power and we see their effect in the resulting chaos surrounding the distribution of the proceeds from the I.C. Charity Carnival, not to mention motions about South Africa.

It is not surprising therefore that the I.C. Union meetings are inordinate and that even the members of Council are so apathetic that they do not even bother to attend the Union meetings and speak in support of their own resolutions.

A PLEA FOR ACTION

by Randall Peart

What is wrong with lectures in this College? It is generally agreed that lectures at I.C. are not the stimulating influence they should be. Our lectures tend to be relics from school days - the scribbling down of comprehensive notes and figures from the blackboard (with the last three examples for prep) rather than the University lectures of one's imagination - the lecturer standing at ease before a group of adults, dealing with his subject in an interested, interesting, and lucid manner.

A lecture is made up basically of three things; the subject, the lecturer and the audience. An unsuccessful lecture can be attributed to any of these three although the effect of the first two can influence the last to a great degree. Let us consider, then, the first two ingredients.

The main arguments against this suggestion are based on the alleged disinclination of the student to study 'if we gave them printed notes they wouldn't need to come to the lectures' 'with printed notes the material of the lecture need not even pass through their minds, as it does at the moment on the way to the notebook'. This is nonsense. The student never need attend a lecture at present, he can get his notes from a friend. When he is two lines behind the lecturer he begins to write automatically, to become a human duplicating machine, so that he neither hears the lecturer's explanation, nor does he understand his own scribbles.

How will printed notes cure these failings of the present system? At the beginning of the lecture, notes are handed out. The lecturer puts the lecture in its context and then runs in a leisurely and comprehensive way through the printed notes, dealing with queries as they arise. Students add their own notes and explanations and with the time gained by the omission of the present frenetic blackboard chase the lecturer has time for a few worked examples. Result:- enlightenment, stimulation and better student-staff understanding.

Consider the second component, the lecturer. It is very rarely that the opinion of the student who has first hand knowledge of the lecturer, is either required or recognised. Yet we have to put up with some terrible lecturers. Lecturers can be divided into three groups. Quite simply, those who care (they are rare and usually very good), those who can't (and don't seem to realise it) and those who realise they are inadequate and try to improve.

If the subject is scientific, as in all the bad lectures here, it is intrinsically poor lecture material although it is good 'schoolroom fodder'. All too often the main part of the lecture is taken up with the transfer of plain hard fact from the lecturers notes onto the board and thence to the students notes. Industrial efficiency experts would be horrified at this expensive and unremunerative waste of time, 'give the student printed notes' they would say, and why not?

The last group is most numerous and point the way to the possible direction of improvement.

Anybody contemplating a school teaching career has to do a course, solely concerned with the technique of teaching, for up to two years. Graduates moving onto the staff of the Universities are very rarely required to have any teaching experience or qualification. Remember also that at University they are probably teaching more difficult subjects under a more difficult but ultimately more effective system. An obvious solution to this problem is a course of lectures on Lecturing for Lecturers for proposed (and present) staff. Surely at a University, lecturing ability is as important as research ability?

Staff at I.C. will not deny there is room for improvement. Who is courageous enough to take the first step?

UNION MEETING

The Union Meeting, last Thursday, Nov. 19th, started five minutes late, but in spite of this, there were not many people who could find the energy or time to attend. The trend towards poor Union Meeting participation can perhaps be explained by the continually increasing popularity enjoyed by most of I.C.'s clubs and societies, but it would be a sad reflection on all if these functions became mutually exclusive.

The minutes and matters arising were rushed through. Significant in its omission was a vote of thanks to I.C.E.C. for the excellent entertainment they provided for the Union at Harlington on Guy Fawkes night. The financial accounts were then presented by Dr. Weale, Prof. Wright and Mr. Comber with the odd humorous touch. It is good that the Union should be able to thank these gentlemen for their work at this annual presentation. However, it seems a pity, that, although the accounts have been displayed publicly for at least fourteen days prior to the meeting, they have to be read and itemized at great length at the meeting.

The I.C. Charity Carnival was then discussed. After some confusion with regard to procedure, and the four main speeches, it became clear that the two groups of thought were attempting to reach a suitable compromise acceptable to the majority of likely supporters. This crystallized into a new motion being proposed, to the effect that WRY students should receive the proceeds, and that WUS should be recognized as a constituent member of the WRY organization.

Discussion then revolved around whether students should give to their contemporaries in need, or to the needy in general. An amendment was tabled, supported by a simple 'rally round the flag boys' speech. The amendment was carried, the motion defeated, so now the I.C. Charity Carnival's proceeds will go to WRY?!

(Procedure, Mr. President!)

A motion was then tabled concerning the boycott of South African goods. Time was moving on, however, so the meeting was adjourned until the following Thursday.

NELSONS COLUMN

(1) Nelson welcomes back John Hart (ex-President Guilds) from the wilds of Africa where he has been recovering from a duodenal ulcer gained from overwork during his last year in the New Hostel.

(2) "It's great Man - you can get - on 5/-" This was how one Miner described the new extra-strength bottled beer after it had been installed in the Bar one evening last week.

(3) Is Jock Henry's new rule that all P.C.'s must sign in when entering the departments in the evening an attempt to cut down "brown-bagging" or has he heard whispers of midnight parties being conducted under the pretence of research work?

(4) Nelson would like to congratulate those responsible for deciding to hang two pictures in the S.C.R. of the Union Building - they hide the fuse boxes magnificently! It is only to be regretted that it can be by no stretch of the imagination be said that the pictures are suited to the room.

(5) The "Bedford Beau", alias Peter Grimley, returned to I.C. last week from the Antarctic and he has hinted that his collection of penguins is to be presented to the Bar in his memory.

THE PLAY'S
THE THING

No doubt many of you will have spent some time in the country. Possibly some of you may have visited the cloth-cap country of Yorkshire, and a few might have heard of Upper Netherwick, a small hamlet resting below the coarse sandstone crags of the dales.

It was in Upper Netherwick that the vicar, the reverend Peters, decided to bring a little uplift into the village, and so he formed the Upper Netherwick Dramatic Society, which met at the Village Institute every Wednesday after the "Bright Hour". Attendance was good, and helped by his wife, he decided to produce one of Shakespeare's most tragic plays.

Unfortunately the play was doomed from the start. Time after time Mr. Peters would rehearse his cast without any result of response. "After all," people would comment, "Nobody 'ad dun a play like this before, plain daft". Even the squire's son, an Oxford undergraduate, a person whom the vicar thought he could trust, spoilt his party manners on the eve of the performance.

The posters had been billed, the tickets printed, and many seats sold for the opening night, but unless something could be done for the squire's son the play would not be performed.

Was the play a success? Did the squire's son recover? Perhaps you have many more questions, but all these will be answered if you visit the Dramatic Society's forthcoming production, "Without the Prince", a comedy by Philip King, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 10th, 11th and 12th December.

AROUND
THE
TOWN

What's on. About the Town.

The Royal Court and Ibsen! A theatrical combination which would, I think make the average "Showgoer" quiver in his West End "short back and sides". "What! Sit with the long hairs, Oh No! No!" In many cases his fears would spring from a solid foundation of experience. The Royal Court and especially the English Stage Society have acquired the theatrically bad habit of taking themselves rather too seriously, they have become unable to turn their laughter upon themselves and because of this their productions bear a characteristic stamp of brittleness and over strain. This failure upon their part is highlighted all the more by the comparative success of "The Theatre Workshop", which although entirely different in character retains the basis of both; to present plays of new and young dramatists and to revive drama to the status of a living art form, a position which it lost some three hundred years ago.

Ibsen's Rosmersholm, in many respects represents a complete contrast to these aims. Although it is not an English Stage Society production, nor has it been written by an up and coming dramatist, it is still in many ways an experimental play in the same way that any production of Hamlet must be experimental. Combined with this is the fact that it has remained unproduced for thirty years and as such must be entirely new to the majority of the theatre audience. Rebecca (played by Peggy Ashcroft) and John Rosmer (Eric Porter) are both characters which require from the audience much concentration plus a little (and maybe a great deal) of psychological insight but the play will only blossom more with the effort. Please do not, therefore, rush away and read the play before seeing it. Rebecca is a part which may be played in literally hundreds of different ways and I think it would be unfair to impose ones own preconceived ideas onto the performance of Peggy Ashcroft, which I am sure you will admire if only for it being obviously one intelligent method of portraying the character.

I cannot for a long time remember a play which has opened to so much pre-run publicity as "The World of Susie Wong". Whatever moral values are at stake in Miss Wong's world, I am at least certain that her life will intrigue and give pleasure to many people (non-Freudians especially) for a long time to come. Susie Wong is a Chinese prostitute who's really a good girl at heart (aren't they all?), who falls in with an artist living a life of monklike chastity in a brothel, (don't ask me why). Despite the obvious difficulties which are bound to arise in such a relationship everyone of course lives happily ever after. Sentimental? Yes. A little trite? Maybe. But if you feel like light entertainment and are not prepared to make too great a demand upon the author, you will probably enjoy this.

UNDERWATER EXPEDITION

Following the successful Azores Expedition this summer a more ambitious project is being planned for 1961. Applications are invited for membership of this expedition and should be addressed to The Hon. Secretary, I.C. Underwater Club'. Previous diving experience is not essential.

PROFILE



Having developed a dribbling technique from a very early age, it was obvious to many that football was to play an important part in the life of Dave Faulkner. He received his first academic tuition at St. Sgberts College Chingford, and after a several lazy years and the inevitable games of football, he passed on to the local high school. For some peculiar reason, after only one year he left Chingford Grammar School, and transferred to the South West Essex Technical College.

The rarified atmosphere of studying Advanced Level had a disturbing effect on Dave, and on the completion of his course, he decided to do his national service. Naturally enough he was snapped up by the R.A.F., but after he had spent a couple of weeks doing nothing, pushing his luck he asked for a weekend pass, which brought a storm around his ears, as the authorities thought he was in Essex. He was then shifted up and down the country until just before being posted overseas, he finished up in the middle of nowhere.

The Isle of Man did not come up to Dave's expectation, so depressed and dejected (Like H---!) he left the "mob." It should be mentioned that due to his dynamic ability, and power of leadership (he said!) he raised himself from the ranks, A.C. plonk, to become a Pilot Officer.

With Civil Engineering as his subject, Dave joined forces with Europe's largest building contractors - WIMPEY. The experience he gained set him in good stead, and in 1956 he came to I.C. to read Civil Engineering. With amazing dexterity a degree was his, and now with engineering geology as his theme he has joined the ranks of the postgraduates.

Whilst at I.C. Dave has not restricted his sporting activity to his first love, football; boxing has attracted him, and in the U.L.U. Championships, although he was knocked out in one of the earlier rounds, he succeeded in drinking his victor under the table, which unfortunately took him no further in the tournament. This then is I.C.'s football captain, a quiet, conscientious man whose ability both on and off the field is admired by all.



Editorial Comment

The small attendance of spectators at recent sports matches (the Rugby Cup game against Kings was a notable exception), social events, and the various Union meetings, is one more indication of the lack of interest and support by the greater proportion of the members of this College in activities which do not immediately and directly benefit them.

On arrival at I.C. we were all subjected to cajoling, pleadings, and perorations from all quarters not to be 'brown-baggers' and slaves to work, but to enter into the sports and social life of the college and to make I.C. the foremost college in the University. These attacks have been repeated at intervals with decreasing intensity.

The point has been reached when I. C. should withdraw its head from the sand and wipe the sand from its eyes. For too long energies have been misdirected in trying to make I.C. a college of the University, misdirected because the University does not exist, but only the "Technical Institutes of London". At no time has the main body of students pursued its course in the search of knowledge or of disinterested learning. The Colleges of London have merely been used to provide students with the right letters after their names in order to earn larger salaries.

The aim of a university should be to allow the culture instilled in early life to bear fruit. In this London fails miserably. It produces very few who are educated and no technicians, or more grandiloquently, technologists, but thousands of intolerant, half-baked creatures fit for very little at all. That some emerge from this chaos victorious, is a blessing for which we should all be thankful.

All that a university can do is to encourage development. For the most part the people, you and I, that come to this College are ignorant of much that is good and beautiful in this world, the Humanities and the Arts. Due to our early backgrounds the seed of culture is not within us and no amount of day dreaming or wishful thinking can cover up our appalling ignorance.

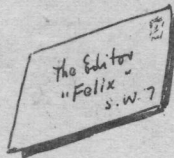
The argument that the Arts have the same problems is a valid one, although they are versed in either the histories of the world, or the development of Art, they are often completely unaware of other forms of expression or of the Sciences.

Finally, one more depressing thought comes to mind. We are all so engrossed in furthering our own individual aims, that no amount of reformation of outlook by the more broad minded, will alter the fact that as products of a technical degree factory we will give nothing to social life.

Letters

to the

Editor



Dear Sir,

I feel obliged to protest strongly against the publication and selling at I.C. of "The Voice of the Huxley Society," namely Scrutiny. The article which offends most is, of course, the one on the Life of Christ. When prejudice, blasphemy, and unhistorical criticism are camouflaged by a label saying "original research," then I think that publishing should cease. As a "bigoted Christian," I would direct the attention of the author (cautiously anonymous!) to the other 99% of the research on Christ which does not support his wild theories.

Yours dogmatically,

Alan F. G. Lewis.

Dear Sir,

Your account of Morphy Day "Essentially the official I.C. Rag Day" is an admirable summary of events. However, in cutting out superfluous information you also omitted to mention that two races between the Constituent Colleges took place upon the water. May I take this opportunity of informing you that R.C.S. won the Morphy by a comfortable 2½ lengths, while Guilds took the Lowry by a canvas, after a neck and neck struggle?

It seems a sad reflection on the attitude of the College to sport (of an athletic nature!) that the behaviour of the (supporters?) is considered of such importance as to crowd out all information on the match itself.

Yours, etc.,

"Rowing Type"

Dear Sir,

We should like to apologise to Mr. Smalley, A.R.C.S. for our error as to the dates of the reign of Edward VIII; this however was due to a slip of the tongue rather than to the "narrowness of an Imperial College education".

We are, however, appalled that Mr. Smalley, even with the letters A.R.C.S. after his name, should think that education in any way devolves upon historical dates. It is surely far more important to be able to write grammatically correct English and so avoid the five foolish blunders which Mr. Smalley made in his letter.

We feel, therefore, that before Mr. Smalley presumes to criticise minor errors in others, he should look more closely to his own shortcomings.

Further, we should respectfully like to remind Mr. Smalley that what we do with the 'six pound prize' is entirely our own concern.

Yours faithfully,

Ian W. Hill
Charles A. Mathews.

Dear Sir,

Referring to Mr. Brett's letter in the last issue I do consider that most members of the Union would agree that an excess of hooliganism, devoid of any humour or subtlety, at College Dinners is not to be desired. This applies especially to the Freshers' Dinners when the first impressions a Fresher gains of the Union social life are most important and not easily erased.

However, just as manners, and clothes, maketh man, I would beg to suggest that it is the gentleman attending and not the alcoholic content or vintage of their beverage that essentially contributes towards the success of a dinner.

If, therefore, one attempt is to be made to make the Freshers' Dinners a little more formal and to persuade the gentlemen to give way to their exuberance in the more fitting surroundings of the Bar then the 2nd and 3rd year students must be first induced to set an example. This can be done over a period of 2 to 3 years by first introducing table wines in lieu of beer at the Annual Dinners of the various departmental societies, as is done already in several cases.

One must not, nevertheless, theorise to too great an extent for one must not forget that undergraduates (and indeed postgraduates) will always tend to let off a little steam at Dinners, and that their bank balances are not always capable of withstanding the increased costs incurred by a preference towards a good table wine.

Yours faithfully,

R.H.T. Garnett

Dear Sir,

I am asked by the agents in question, to make it clear to your readers that that the Dramatic Society had not received permission to perform "Lizard on the Rock" at the time that its advertisement in the last issue of Felix went to press.

It was refused permission soon after this by the author's agents, on the grounds that a professional presentation has been arranged for sometime in 1960

The Society regrets that it cannot do this play and will do instead "Without The Prince" by Philip King.

Yours faithfully,
M.L. Combridge.

IMPERIAL COLLEGE DRAMATIC SOCIETY
presents

WITHOUT THE PRINCE

by Philip King

on

Thursday December 10th.

Friday December 11th.

Saturday December 12th.

in the Concert Hall at 7.30p.m.

Tickets on sale in the Union from Dec. 1st.

4/- 3/- 2/-

WEEKS HALL

Well and Truly

WARMED



Friday night Nov. 20th saw the long awaited Weeks Hall warming party. It was an unqualified success and one wonders if the last guest has left yet. In fact there may still be someone trapped in the lift which showed its usual form by breaking down shortly after the party started.

The I.C. Jazz Band played to just over 300 enthusiastic guests until midnight, when the party then dispersed throughout the building. An excellent buffet supper was arranged on 4 floors and the impromptu bar, set up on the ground floor, did good trade.

At 2 a.m. a Jazz trio arrived and announced they had been invited to play. The organisers knew nothing of this but consented to let them supplement the gramophones on whatever floor they wished. However at 5 a.m. these gentlemen were found asleep in the lounge and were firmly told they would have to go.

Weeks Hall has now returned to some semblance of order, the decorations have been taken down, the smell of cigarette smoke and beer has been replaced by burning toast and floor polish. However the building now feels less of a greenhouse and more of a hostel. Yes Weeks Hall has been well and truly warmed.

PSST FELIX CONFIDENTIAL

"ex seweris"

A certain young gentleman whilst walking across the Quad in the last few weeks has noticed the cat-calls, "wus-wus-wus."

Quote from C & G President to attractive ICWarian,

"But I don't know my way around the women's quarters here." (Ha-ha)

We have it on the best possible authority that the report in the D---- T----- of the I.C. v Kings Rugby Cup Match was not written by Mr. Bregazzi's brother (It was his uncle).

The President of one of the religious societies of I.C. was heard to remark the other day "I went to Chiswick expecting to find Anne in bed. I was disappointed." In which particular way he did not say.

A few days ago one of the top Judomen of I.C. was involved in a fight with a car and it was necessary for him to spend two days in hospital. When our reporter asked him about it, the only remark made by this gentleman was "Tha shuda sin't car."

We hear that a certain Miner, not content with attempting to be next year's Mr. ICWA is angling for the title 'Chief Letch of I.C. 1960.'

R.C.S.

UNION MEETING



The R.C.S. Union in a mood of euphoria elected the gracious fair-haired Miss Beverley Bradford as Queen of Jezebel at a crowded General Meeting on the twelfth of November. The election was to be decided by the volume of applause. A noise meter was used to determine this, though the number of decibels obtained by each candidate was not announced. Four beautiful young ladies were contending for the crown of R.C.S. and were received with thunderous cheers as they displayed their charms on the demonstration bench provided by the Mathematics department. (Two gentlemen were also greeted by loud cheers and stamping, but refused on grounds of incompetence to enter the competition). The cheers for Miss Bradford were, however, slightly the loudest. A second experiment gave an identical result and Miss Bradford was crowned Queen of Jezebel. It was noticeable that a visiting Guildsman, Mr. Mike Barron, made most noise of all in support of Miss Bradford. The blushing Beverley, as has been the custom, declined to say a few words.

An uproarious vote of thanks was given to the retiring Queen Kandra, who was presented with a bonnet in R.C.S. colours.

Earlier the Union had listened enthralled to Mr. McMarnus, the red-headed and uninjured Trophy Officer, gave a highly coloured account of the events of Morphy week, including an especially elaborate description of the battle of the tyre, which he said the mighty warriors of R.C.S. would doubtless have won had not the puny Guildsmen succeeded in taking off their shoes.

Following this Miss Tompsett presented the Morphy Cup to Dave Keeley and the accompanying pots to the winning crew. Elections were held for various representatives on the R.C.S. General Committee and reports read by the secretary on the Freshers' Dinners and by Mr. Bernard Liengme on the proceedings of I.C. Union Council.

The achievement of the Guilds President, Mr. Nove, in catching a fish was sportingly acclaimed, Mr. Forster apologised for not having the fish to show to the Union but explained that, although originally an appreciable fish it had now considerably depreciated.

Mr. Bernard Liengme raised the question of the I.C. Carnival. Who should get the proceeds? The decision, he said, seemed to lie between W.U.S. and St. Georges Hospital. On a show of hands it was decided to give all the proceeds to W.U.S. Mr. Forster then mentioned that the World Refugee Year was an alternative that had been mooted. Miss Gillian Fryd obviously an enthusiast, pointed out that the W.R.Y. campaign was already active in this area, and the Carnival whose proceeds would be devoted to it would prove most popular with the inhabitants of Kensington. And an amazing thing occurred. The Union threw its previous decision over-board and voted nem.com. in favour of W.R.Y. As mentioned elsewhere this decision has since been overwhelmingly confirmed by the I.C. Union.

An I.C. Carnival (R.C.S.) committee is now being formed and things will shortly be getting under way.

COMING EVENTS

Friday, Nov. 27th

Photographic Society 'Colour Group'
Botany Lecture Theatre at 5.15 p.m.

Film Society 'Shane' and a short

Sat. Nov. 28th

Chinese Society Hop.

Mon. Nov. 30th

Catholic Society: "Africa in Transition" by Fr. Paul Crane S.J.
5.15 in Room 254 Aero. Dept.

Tuesday Dec. 1st

U.L. Mountaineering Club
"Film Show" University Union 7.0 p.m.

Wine Tasting Society
"Alsace and Hungarian wines".

General Studies:-
"The Law Courts" by John Byrt
Barrister-at-Law.
"The Enjoyment of Music" by
Antony Hopkins.

"Physiology has no Frontiers" by
Professor H.K. Porter D.Sc., D.I.C.,
A.R.I.C., F.R.S., Main Chemistry
Lecture Theatre at 5.30 p.m.

Friday Dec. 4th

University of London Mountaineering
Club: Welsh Weekend.

Photographic Society:-
'Demonstration of Ferranicolour
Processing'.

Monday Dec. 7th

Wine and Cheese Evening - arranged by
the I.C. Wine-Tasting Society.

Tuesday Dec. 8th

Union Meeting.

Musical Society:-
'Hymn of Jesus' by the I.C. Choir and
Harvey Phillips Orchestra at Queen
Alexandra House: 8 p.m.

Thursday Dec. 10th

Union Debate see Internal Notice Board
for topic.

I WAS A WOMAN AT I.C.

(alternative title: Reflections on being a woman at I.C.)

"Imperial College!-you must be bright to have gained a place there!" Imperial College? . . . that is S. Ken isn't it? . . . "Imperial College! but that is a man's college!" After such remarks it is no wonder that I was a little apprehensive when I came to the Freshers Day receptions.

We few new girls occupied two rows in the packed hall, the rest were men and they all eyed us curiously. After being told to work hard, by the Rector, and play hard, by the President we were left to the mercy of the eighty odd clubs and societies all eager to recruit new members.

"We have never had a woman in the . . . club, join us!" "Join the . . . society!" Join this club, that society . . . Where did my chosen subject, Maths, come into it?

"Come and have tea in the I.C.W.A. Lounge," these were the most welcome words I had heard that afternoon, but this weird word 'I.C.W.A.' had to be explained to me.

What was it like to be a girl among so many men? (when I came there was one girl for every fifty men, now there is one girl for every twenty five) It was a bit disconcerting at first. Going into the refectory was a frightening experience, I used to shake in my shoes. One day a big brute of a man, who should have known better, turned to me and said: "Hallo little girlie, and what is your name?" Despite this and other setbacks, I soon found myself making friends among the members of the clubs I had joined so that I could recognise friends as I went into the refectory and soon forgot to be frightened.

A WEAPON AGAINST APARTHEID

We are frequently told that we live in an enlightened age; an age when all men are considered equal; an age when all men share the same rights irrespective of race, creed or colour and a man is not to be persecuted merely because of the colour of his skin. We are frequently told this, and in general it is true, but it would not be true if we lived in South Africa.

Ever since the National Party came to power in the Union of South Africa the ten million coloured people there have fought a losing battle against a policy of segregation and discrimination designed to perpetuate, and furthermore to increase their domination by the white minority. They have resisted with immense courage the slow, insidious erosion of their human dignity. They have used passive resistance methods whenever possible, and in 1957 they made very effective use of the boycott against crippling fare increases on the (segregated) public transport. Thousands of Africans walked great distances daily in protest, and they won. But this is only one success: the police state possesses crushing power, and any campaign against it can only succeed with help from outside. We now have an opportunity to provide such help.

When I started at College I was told about the Vacations Works Scheme. As I had no idea what career I might take up if and when I got a degree, it seemed, and is still, a good idea to join the scheme. I was lucky enough to go to Switzerland for ten weeks through the I.A.E.S.T.E. organisation.

It is a strange fact that few members of I.C.W.A. go to the Saturday Hops regularly. I went to about four in all, but at each one I met I.C. men who did not know I was at I.C. myself, and who were totally ignorant of I.C.W.A. Sure they knew I.C.W.A. existed; but how many women there were in college or that we have a president and secretary - they just had no idea of it! If ever I wanted to find out how important I.C.W.A. was to the average I.C. man I would go to a hop!

When I left I.C. I had changed a great deal from the shy and uncertain schoolgirl who thought that to get a degree was the ultimate aim of her life. Now I know that a B.Sc. is not the passport I had thought but merely a stepping stone, and the more I try to learn, the more there is to learn. Most of all I learned that in order to learn from College Union life, one must be prepared to work for the Union. It did not take me long to realise that although the clubs advertised for new recruits on Fresher's Day I could not become a member of any one of them unless I made an effort to show that I was interested. It would have been easy to become "a brown-bagger" or anyway "10-5", but, like most people, I was quick to see that lectures were only half of University life, and I had to make the move to make the other half effective.

Ann-Margret Radford.

The South African government is very sensitive to criticism in other countries. True, there has been no lack of this in the past, and it has not had a great deal of effect, but if it were backed up by practical measures the story might well be very different. The coloured people know this, and they have appealed for a boycott of South African exports in other countries. In this way they seek to embarrass and weaken the present government and make way for more moderate elements.

As I write this, a meeting of I.C. Union stands adjourned, with a motion before it on this issue. Whether the motion is passed or defeated, every one of us can, without causing ourselves any inconvenience or making any major sacrifices, help these oppressed people by refusing to buy South African goods, and telling people why. All of us at some time or other buy South African fruit, jams, wines, cigarettes and other items. In every case, it is a simple matter to give up buying the South African product and change to another brand made elsewhere. It is an equally simple matter to enquire whether non-branded goods are of South African origin, and to tell the supplier why. Any one of us can, I admit, make only a small contribution, but the combined efforts of us all could have a significant effect. It is surely better for right-thinking people to act on their opinions, rather than sit back smoking South African cigarettes and uttering pious platitudes.

A. L. Brookes.



BEAUTICWARIAN

NO 3.

AVID KAZEMI



JAZZ
CLUB

About a year ago I.C. Jazz Club organized an evening jazz session for the benefit of those who wanted free entertainment in relaxed informal surroundings. This promoted quite some interest and it was decided that these sessions should be made a regular thing this year.

Last Wednesday was the first of such occasions, and the upper refectory was filled with the sounds of music, filtered through a mass of gyrating bodies. As this was the first session there were many faults, particularly concerning organisation, but on the whole the evening was a success - if only for the strong complaints received from Q.A.

It was fortunate (?) that Dennis Leston was secured for the evening. The large fee for his hire was well spent, for his compering proved to be of a very high standard and he held the show together in a manner in which only he can.

All the regular I.C. Jazz groups were in attendance, there were frequent rushes to the bar to fetch stray musicians. The Folk Group made its debut, but did not seem particularly at home in the Lestonian surroundings. However, they show much promise in this field and we wish them luck in their performances at the Troubadour Club.

Stan Salmons and Richard Rushton provided superb piano jazz of differing styles, and the mainstream orchestra under the leadership of Jeff Kay (featuring the great John Farnsworth on trombone) swung well at times. A rather shambolic jam session made by Dennis Leston provided a little amusement for those taking part, and the evening finished with a fight between Leston and a little known Rhythm and Blues singer as to who should finally send everyone with vocal excursions.

Our next session will be on Wed. December 2nd, and meanwhile we welcome any objective criticism and monetary help.

SQUASH

The 1st are a potentially strong squash five, when they all play. Also the 2nd half of the ladder has now produced some useful squash players, and the prospects for the future are good.

The 1st recorded a very good 3-2 win over St. Mary's Hospital some time ago. On their day they can field a very strong team so it will be a match worth watching when they play here. Mike Usher first upset their plans with a 3-2 win, and then Skip and Sec have comfortable wins. John Wilson found it not all like tennis, but did extremely well considering his idleness.

We also had a close match with University College Hospital, winning again by the same margin, the match being notable for the high standard of squash played by lower strings, Robin Jowit's match being well worth watching.

The team was well beaten 8-5 by Queen's up at Oxford, but has since claimed, with some justification that it was nobbled very successfully at lunch. Food in S.W.7. might be, but you should try toad-in-the ... a la Queen's and then a little squash to settle it down. Sec missed the lunch and had a very good game, (which he should have won). After 1½ hours of squash he surrendered.

Our "A" team was again too good for S.O.A.S., but had a close game with the Institute of Advanced Education which we won 3-2. Their No. 1 was absent (at the Middlesex open) so someone is going to do some running on the return. Westminster Hospital were beaten 5-0 this year, but they are unfortunate in only having five players.

Our 2nd V has overpowered many a big fish this season. Their latest bag was a 5-0 win over Royal Vets. They also accompanied the 1st team to Cardiff where I.C. recorded a 10-0 win, that no mean achievement after 150 miles travelling in a tin trunk. The trip was made worth while by two things: the No. 1 match, Brian Avient, on home ground, recording a thrilling 3-2 win having lost the first two; and our visit to Hallingham's bar, which was an occasion of a lifetime. Choristers of I.C.'s bar should only be licensed to sing having spent a Saturday evening drinking in Cardiff.

The Club evenings have certainly proved successful and it is very encouraging to see people improving so quickly under the eye of the short-tempered professionals. There is also some very good squash being played at I.C. This is well worth watching if you are learning or keen to improve. Last Saturday was an example when Sidney Sussex, Cam., visited us. The gallery saw one of the fastest games of the season when Ron Creasy at No. 1 beat Hugh Fatterson, 3-2. Skip Brian Hayward also had a fine game using his newly acquired "drop", beating Roger Prideaux, Cambridge cricket blue, 3-2. We eventually won the match 4-1.

We have seen the introduction of doubles on Monday nights too. This is a very enjoyable game if it is not played seriously; not played for too long; and if players make every effort not to swing their racquets into each other's faces. You know what I mean!

Notices are now up about the Whitley Cup. This is I.C.'s closed singles competition. Entrances close on Monday, Nov. 30th at 5.15 p.m., the time of the Squash Club's Winter General Meeting.



BADMINTON

Since the last report the club has recorded a series of victories, the most noteworthy of which was the fine 7-2 defeat of Reading University by the first 6 on our own courts. This we hope will be a good omen for the difficult matches next term against Oxford Woodpeckers and Cambridge Cockrels.

The mixed team played against L.S.E. recently and after a close match, won by 5 rubbers to 4. This result was a little unexpected because one of the original team became indisposed and her replacement had never before played badminton. We wonder if the athletic prowess of Katy's Greek ancestors had anything to do with her built in badminton skill?

The second 6, having narrowly lost to Goldsmiths 1st 6 at the beginning of the season, inflicted a crushing 9-0 defeat on the School of Oriental and African Studies last weekend.

Negotiations are still taking place regarding the use of the Concert Hall for badminton, but it seems unlikely that we shall have this added facility before Xmas, if at all.

May I, on behalf of the club, and the College, congratulate one of our freshmen, Lee Kin Tat, on his success in winning the recent Wimbledon Open Championship.

ATHLETICS

Under good running conditions on Sunday Nov. 22nd, seven teams took part in a 'Two man ten mile relay' held at Hurlingham. Two teams were not able to complete the course, but of those who did the winning pair was Dave Briggs (ex-I.C.) and John Collins (present I.C.). Their time of 44 minutes 53.2 seconds, I am told, ranks them among the "top dozen" best performances for 1959. (The best performance for 1959 of 43 m. 43.2 secs. was set by Bruce Tulloh and Martin Hyman, both Internationals). Dave's and John's performance is a very commendable one.

The second team (Robertson and Willot of Royal Vets) finished in 47 m 0 secs; followed by a second I.C. team (A. Brown and D. Hammonds) in 47 m. 10 secs.

HOCKEY

The 1st XI has now overcome its teething troubles. Four good victories in two weeks with 23 goals scored and 5 against show that the team is approaching top form. The team has varied due to illness, consequently these results reflect credit on the 2nd XI players called upon.

These victories include a 9-2 score v Balliol - one of Oxford's strongest colleges - this is the highest score I.C. has had for over four years. Another fine score, 7-0, against Westminster Hospital gave the defence their "shut out" of the season.

The 2nd XI lost their unbeaten record at Winchester, where a strong King Alfred's College beat them 4-0. This was not a disgrace since their opponents had 7 County players. The team followed this with a 2-2 draw with Royal Naval College, Greenwich, who were recently a 1st XI fixture.

This week Jack Meadowsley our 1st 2nd XI full back for three seasons retired from the game. This is a serious loss to the club since we are short of good full backs.

The 3rd XI lost unluclully to Winchester 2-1, however a good win was registered when they beat Havris. The Hawks side contained a couple of ex-county full backs, who managed to keep the lively I.C. forwards down to 2 goals only.

The problem side is the 4th XI. This side contains a number of players new to the game, also this side is that gets out up when played by higher XIs cross off. Thus, with a few more games, they suffered the clubs biggest defeat this season, 6-1 v Chelmsford. However, with a few more games, it is hoped that this team will become a regular goal scoring machine, certainly the enthusiasm is there.

The mixed XI has been resting in preparation for the Baling Dean match. A well known character of this team is "Bloody Mary" who has yet to be drunk under the table.

MOTORING NEWS

Guilds Motor Club 1.2.3. on handicap.

Last Sunday morning about 40 cars with quite a fair proportion of members of the Guilds Motor Club among them gathered at the disused R.A.F. airfield of Heston. The occasion was the driving tests organised by the U.E.U.L.M.C. and the North London Enthusiasts C.C.

All the competitors had two attempts at each of the six tests which were laid out on the concrete square. The ground was wet and there was some fairly spectacular sliding - both intentionally and not. The outright winner Bray, in his beautifully built special TEST 1, was the master in his use of the hand brake to lock the back wheels and slide them thus making extremely quick 180° turns around the pylons. Guilds captain Puttick did some clean fast turns in Fiat Abarth but also did the only 360° slide of the afternoon. Winner on handicap Carnie handled his ungainly looking Minor Traveller confidently and made full use of his good handicap.

The next competitive event is the Guilds-organised Rally on Sunday Dec. 6th. This is a simple event and is to be recommended for anyone who wants to begin rallying.

SOCCER

It is with great relief that I can now report the appointment of permanent captains for six of the seven I.C. teams. It is believed that this is a move which will ensure that all players will have every opportunity to be promoted or relegated according to their ability. I would ask all of you to support your team captain as much as possible since he has an unenviable job to carry out and it can be made much easier with your cooperation. When he tells you to "use the open space" don't just lift your left leg and imitate a French Poole.

As most of the Soccer Club (and I hope many other people in College as well) already know the cup team beat L.S.E. by one goal to nil in the first round proper of the U.L. cup. L.S.E. are (correction, were!) one of the stronger sides in the Cup and this victory, close as it was, promises well for the Clubs chances in the competition. The match was very hard fought with fierce tackling on both sides and plenty of good swinging football. A highlight of the match was a dual between the I.C. inside forwards, Harris and Finney and the L.S.E. half-backs, all of them University players. Honours were even after 30 minutes, the L.S.E. players having blocked the approach down the middle but they were not able to cut off a steady supply of passes to the I.C. wingers who unfortunately did not make the most of their opportunities. Green the left-winger, spent some considerable time in contact with Mother Earth due to a lack of studs in his boots. The half-backs, Dai Joyce in particular, played very solidly and prevented the L.S.E. forwards from ever getting a real grip on the game. The deciding ball came a matter about fifteen minutes of the second half when a chain reaction of headers from the I.C. forwards left Minesman Pierre Mousset-Jones with the opportunity to provide the final explosive spark as he carried the ball into the L.S.E. net, on his chest, from close range. With a great sigh of relief at the final whistle, I.C. turned their minds to less stern affairs and obligingly helped L.S.E. to drown their sorrows in the usual appropriate manner. The next cup round is on December 5th when I.C. play Institute of Education on which occasion all support will be welcome.

In this connection the club would like to offer their congratulations to the I.C. Rugby Club who scored such a noticeable victory over Kings, in the second round of the U.L. Rugby Cup. Also to all supporters who turned out and whose vociferous cheering must have made so much difference to the team. Similar regards to the Hockey Club who I am told are quite determined to win their cups this year. If all three clubs are successful then I.C. will be assured of a triple dinner which will be as long remembered as the event it will be celebrating.

Descending from the heights to the hurly-burly of the League and friendly games, that solid foundation, built by loyal clubmen, upon which the eminences of the Soccer Club are built, we find that the first eleven have drawn three all with old rivals Kings at Lavender Avenue and lost by a large margin of 6-1 to equally old rivals U.C. at Shanley. In a friendly, St. Clement Danes forced a draw 4-4 late in the game after a cut and thrust battle in which both sides were successively two goals in arrears. A highly successful trip to Cambridge to play Christ's College was marred only by losing the actual game of football 3-0. This result was no doubt influenced by a social gathering in the Weeks Hall the previous evening. I.C. were, however, highly successful against a representative Cambridge side both at 'bottle' and in a 'boat-race'.

SPORT

CROSS COUNTRY

On Wednesday 11th an "A" team defeated Q.M.C. by 32 pts. to 52 on the latter College's course at Cortie Green in Essex. Five of the first seven runners to finish were I.C. men: Huntley (2), Auton (3), James (4), Hooker (6) and Butler (7).

On the following Wednesday the first team took on Sandhurst Military Academy and Wadham College, Oxford over the home course at Petersham. First hon for I.C. was Larkum (3) followed by Barber (5), Brown (7), Cleator (8), Hammonds (9), and Warren (11) giving I.C. a victory of 43 pts. against Sandhurst's 62 and Wadham's 78.

The same day the second team were running against the College of St. Mark and St. John over a course on Wimbledon Common. The opposition was defeated easily by 28 pts. to 52 due mainly to the efforts of Hooker and Turner (joint 1st), Clare (5), Butler (6) and Gaylard (10).

On Saturday, 21st Wimbledon Athletic Club were hosts to teams from I.C. and Metropolitan Police. The match resulted in a close victory for I.C. (121) over Met. Police (123) with Wimbledon A.C. third at 136. It is of interest to note that "Crusher" Collins is now faster than any London bobby on two feet. (We wish him every success in his future career.) Coming first he broke the course record and helped the Club to victory being followed by Auton (5), Warren (7) and Hammonds (8).

Another team, running at Oxford, over a very muddy and slow course easily defeated teams from Westminster College, St. John's College, Griel College and Jesus College. First to finish was James, closely followed by Huntley (2) and Bigg (3). Butler, Turner and Hooker came in together in fifth place.

JUDO

The club continues its improved record by scoring two more wins over the Metropolitan Police and Cambridge University. On Tuesday a team of Metropolitan Police was beaten by four contests to one, with one draw. Shepherd managed to topple his eighteen stone opponent although there is still some argument as to what technique was used. This, however, set the pace for most of the other contests. We were unfortunate in not seeing Ramsbottom's favourite technique in action, but he scored on the ground with a Kami-shiho gatame.

On Saturday we beat Cambridge by two contests to one with two draws. All but one of the contests lasted the full time, and with two to go Cambridge were winning by one contest. However the last two were never really in doubt and I.C. gained a well deserved victory.

SWIMMING

Last Wednesday and Thursday, three I.C. teams competed in the U.L.K.O. COMPETITION, and in the final I.C. II beat Battersea, the conquerors of the first team.

On the first night I.C. suffered several disappointments when first of all Coxon dislocated his shoulder, and with 6 men I.C. had to go to extra time to beat L.S.E. Then in the next round, although having 80% of the play, by atrocious shooting, they failed to concede 2 goals handicap to Battersea and lost 4-2. Meanwhile the second team, despite having their captain on the side, for half of one match, had progressed to the quarter finals by beating Q.M.C. II 8-5 and Wye 7-5.

On the Thursday I.C. II managed to hang on to their 4 goal handicap and beat Bart's Hospital by 5-3. The third team, having reached this stage of the competition by two swimmers, put up a plucky show against Battersea but were easily beaten 8-6. Next I.C. II had their hardest match so far when they beat Chelsea by 5-4, the teams starting level 4-all, the only goal of the game being scored by HART early in the first half, and in the second only fine defensive play, and point blank saves by CARTER enabled them to hang on. In the final, the I.C. team really lashed into Battersea, and by sheer grit and determination won by 3-1, the only I.C. goal being scored by CORREGAN with BREGAZZI giving a superb display at stopper.

The I.C. team of CARTER, BREGAZZI, HEDGECOCK, LOVERING, HART, CONNOR and CORREGAN then retired to the bar where all of the hard won pin of beer was quickly consumed.

GOLF

Last week our first match of the season took place on Wednesday at Highgate. This time our opponents arrived before we did. Kings fielded a strong team against us and all depended on the last pair; when they finally emerged from the gloom and darkness Kings had just won, Imperial lost the match 3-2.

The arrangements for our Scottish tour progress. So far two of the universities have accepted and we are waiting for replies from the others.

SKIING

There will be a meeting of the Ski Club on Monday 7th December at 7.00 p.m. All club members, especially all of those going on the club tour to Saas Fee, Switzerland, in the Christmas vac. are asked to attend.

We have arranged various films on skiing, and have also invited "Feter," who is an expert Swiss skier working in London, to come along and give advice on boots, skis, bindings and dry-ski lessons.

As they say in Sennet, there are still a few places left on this exclusive ski party to Saas Fee, but there are not many. Will all those who have said they want places please return their booking forms.

There have been enquiries from overseas students about skiing holidays over Christmas and New Year. There is a special tour being arranged by colonial students for colonial students, leaving on December 20th. They are going to Saalbach in Austria and it looks like a first class holiday. I have details of this if anyone is interested. You can also spend Christmas at Saas Fee. For those with plenty of time and a good pools system you can spend Christmas at Saas Fee and join up with the I.C. party for the New Year.