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IMPERIAL COLLEGE

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COOMBER ELECTED PRESIDENT OF UNIVERSITY UNION

For the first time in the history of the University an I.C. man has been elected President of the University Union. Derek was proposed by the President of University College, David Comins, and seconded by Jane Parry, President of K.C.H. & S.S., and J.W. Gradwell, President of the College of Estate Management. There was no further nomination.

As readers of the FELIX profile on the President of I.C.U. will know (20th. October), "D.Y.C." came to I.C. in 1944, and his career comprised Physics, beer and rowing. He would have been President of R.C.S. in 1947, but for a surprise inclusion of military studies in his curriculum. Since his return in 1948, and getting a 2nd. in Finals, he has been in turn President of R.C.S., and now of I.C.

Since Derek has been in this office he has been especially keen on fostering cooperation between the college and university Unions, and we expect a special effort in this direction next year. Although this is the first time an I.C. man has been University President, I.C. has been very prominent in U.L.U. and the Athletic Union. In addition to having two members of the Finance and General Purposes Committee, we have the present Captain and Secretary of the Rugger Club, and the Captain again next year, and the Convener and Secretary of L.U.D.S.

For Vice-President, Miss Valerie Howard of Kings, has been nominated, and there was an election for Secretary between John Cooper of Battersea, and Alan Tate of Kings.

LUDS ELECTIONS

At the L.U.D.S. Annual General Meeting on Monday Feb. 26th the following officers were elected:

CHAIRMAN (& CONVENER)	D.R. KNAPP (I.C.)
HON. SECRETARY	C.H. McKoen (I.C.)
BUSINESS MANAGER	Miss J. BURN (Westfield)
STAGE DIRECTOR	P.M. Howell (Birkbeck)

This is the first time that either the Chairman or Secretary have been I.C. men.

Miss Burn will be remembered as the Assistant Producer in the L.U.D.S. production of 'Arms and The Man' at I.C. last Christmas.

Don Knapp and Chris McKoen are at present the President and Hon. Secretary (respectively) of the I.C. Dram. Soc.

I. C. DRAMATIC SOCIETY

"THE ASCENT OF F.6." 7.15p.m.

Tickets still available for tonight and tomorrow

From Union Library annexe during lunch hour.

NEXT FELIX.

FELIX celebrates its 21st. with the first issue next term, which will be out on the first or second Friday of the term.

Contributions must therefore be received during or immediately after the vac.
(facetious articles especially welcome)

NO MORE HOPS ?

At the last meeting of the Entertainments Committee a resolution was passed recommending to I.C. Union Council that the Saturday night 'Hops' should be discontinued as from the end of this term.

For some time past the committee has felt that the situation was getting out of hand. Many complaints have been received regarding the overwhelming numbers attending the 'hops', making dancing difficult and leaving the Union so much the worse for wear and tear. Comment is also widespread about the "Palais de Danse atmosphere" which has been giving I.C. a bad name in university circles. The committee considered a number of schemes to remedy the situation. Some of these have already been tried. A rigorous check of Union Cards was one of these moves; but this did not greatly improve matters owing to the large numbers of I.C. men and their "personal guests" - these often self-invited. Increasing the price of admission was considered and rejected on the grounds that it would discriminate unfairly against the more impecunious among us.

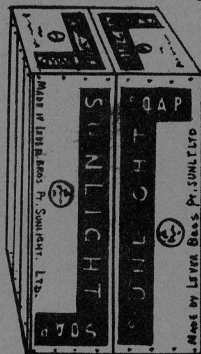
When interviewed Mr. Halsey, Chairman of the Entertainments Committee said that it was felt that I.C. 'hops' had become too much of a habit amongst members of our own Union and of other colleges. In order to return to the friendly party atmosphere, once the outstanding characteristic of the 'hops', it was thought necessary to have a clear break so that a fresh start could be made next year.

At the time of going to press (Tuesday) it is not known what action I.C. Council will take as a result of the recommendation of the Entertainments Committee. However, when a similar motion was put to Council by Mr. Peter Hayward earlier this year it was only narrowly defeated by eight votes to seven. Since then the Entertainments Committee consider that the situation has deteriorated.

Touchstone

The Touchstone weekend at Silwood on 10-11th. March discussed "Broadcasting", and the Speaker was Sir Noel Ashbridge, Technical Director of the B.B.C.

On the Saturday, he started the meeting with an outline of the problems of purpose and programme-



methods, avoiding more than the technical possibilities and limitations. In the evening he answered and amplified questions, so that on Sunday the meeting was able to divide its interest into concentrations on television and the purpose and power of sound broadcasting.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'LIVING LOCALLY'

Sir - The editorial writer of the last FELIX has obviously lived all his (I.C.) life in the hostel. I have on several occasions roamed up and down King's Rd., Fulham Rd. and Earls Court Rd. and studied the Kensington Post looking for digs under 40/- within walking distance of College. There are some but they are invariably of a very poor quality. Nor can much help in this respect be obtained from Miss Shirlaw. The rooms which are available further out are superior and not only in the kind of attention obtained from the landladies. I agree, it is not difficult to find accommodation in Queen's Gate Terrace, - but we have not all got private incomes.

Yours, etc., K. G.

9.3.51.

(The writer of last week's editorial, and another member of the FELIX board both recently obtained rooms, at 30/- weekly, within a stone's throw of the college. Cheap rooms are not always advertised but they can be found with a little enterprise. - Ed.)

THE SATURDAY HOPS

Sir - I.C. Hops are in a distressing plight and steps must be taken to correct this state of affairs immediately. This weekly cattle market, which is so bad that one thinks twice before inviting a friend, is attracting large numbers of casual 'guests', results in a female attendance of low quality (because the better types will not come) and is giving the college a bad name. These factors, together with such minor ones as the impossibility of dancing after 8.45 and the difficulty experienced in buying even a lemonade without a 15-minute wait, make these Hops incompatible with the dignity of a college such as I.C., and it is imperative that something be done to improve matters.

I would suggest as a solution that the number of women attending the Hops should be cut by a quarter. This would have the effect of reducing the number of casual 'guests' and (probably) the attendance from I.C., and would definitely improve the standard of dancing and behaviour. This cut might be hard to enforce but a start could be made by sending to some of the relevant training colleges a notice cancelling the general invitation issued at the beginning of the Session. Alternatively, the admittance of women might be by invitation only, except, say, for some 25% to keep a reasonable balance. A more distasteful method - a perhaps the only practicable one - would be to raise the price of entry.

Yours faithfully,
D.R.Twist.

Sir - Who are the people who complain about the goings on in the Upper Dining Hall on Saturday nights? I maintain that it is a very fine institution in that, at all times (20.00 - t - 23.30) the possibilities for dancing are greater in the U.D.H. than in the Gym and further, the floor is better. At a hop, you will always find me in the U.D.H. for that reason. It is true that one can generally observe a couple spooning in the darker corners. So what? It does not worry me and I assure you, I do not worry them. Why should anybody be offended by these couples? Is it, perhaps, a question of sour grapes?

Yours, etc. K. Graupner
(Chem. Tech., 9.3.51)

CULTURE IN I.C.

dere ser i thinks this idea of geting the fokes from the coledges of musick and art is a good one becouse it will help us here to get beter in riting abot our work so that we can rite good english becouse ther is a blok in our labb wot cont rede or rote properly and becouse it will teeche these fokes abot siense i expecs they cont even spell fisible the bloks on charge shoold get fokes from the colledge of needelwork in to becouse sum of us get big hols in our socks well i think i will stop her i am yores R.G.D.

Our contributor replies:

Whilst not entirely agreeing with the views expressed one must admit they form an original point of view. - D.G.R.

WATERLOGGED SPA

Sir - Spring-cleaning of the changing rooms would appear to be long overdue. The sight of dusty stacks of gymnastic apparatus, abandoned kit and stuffed heads must be extremely unsavoury to frequent users of the rooms like myself. In the shower room, the footboards are waterlogged and rotten, the wash-basin is stained and chipped, and the walls are bespattered with mud. The auxiliary equipment would certainly be disowned by any self-respecting member of the S.A.G.

Yours etc.,
N.L.Warr, I.C. Union, 26th Feb.

(S.A.G. = Societa Anonyme da Gabinettologia)

(We understand that the changing rooms in the Gym are due for cleaning and re-decoration this summer. It may be noted, incidentally, that the condition of the changing rooms is in part a result of the treatment received from those who use it - Ed.)

CALLING AUNT AGATHA

Sir - May I suggest that FELIX would fill a long-felt want if some kindly and sympathetic person could be found to advise students, through your columns, on their emotional difficulties, especially now that Spring has sprung.

In the impersonal atmosphere of this College, I feel that there is no-one to whom I can confide my troubles; if I ask help from my fellow-students, I receive only facetious and often most unsympathetic suggestions.

I feel sure that you must know of someone who would be willing to help me, and the many like me who feel quite bereft of comfort and advice.

Yours hopefully, Joe.
(I.C. Hostel, 9.3.51)



It is officially denied that a free banjo is to be given away with each of the old type Guilds blazers sold.

FELIX

THE NEWSPAPER OF IMPERIAL COLLEGE.

CIRCULATION: 1200



SATURDAY NIGHT HOPS

The Saturday Night Hops are regarded by a large proportion of the Union as the event of the week. Affording as they do a unique opportunity for a weekly get-together they represent to many the core of our social life. We are told that this core is rotten and are recommended to throw away our social apple and to await next year's new crop. Yet it is difficult to see how the Hops are to be reorganised. The popularity of the Hops is due in no small measure to the efficient running of them by the Entertainments Committee. So long therefore as they continue to be so smoothly run the numbers will always be too great for the Gym and Upper Dining Hall. Thus Council is presented with an apparently insoluble problem, subject as we are to the limitations of our present Union buildings. Until the extensions are made to the Union the only alternative place to hold a dance is Ayrton Hall which at this moment is in the grip of an army of decorators.

Regarding the "atmosphere" at the Hops, while agreeing that it leaves something to be desired, we feel that D.R. Twist's remarks about the type of young ladies coming to the Hops will be taken rather badly by the 70% or so college women, most of them being from training colleges. Surely the truth of the matter is that a relatively small number, by their disregard of generally accepted standards, are jeopardising the good name and future of our weekly gyrations.

EASTER

Fish and Friday have common enough associations in the old world outside I.C., and thus it has been a convenient custom for FELIX to rear his ugly young, making bones about it, on this day in alternate weeks.

However this term's end threatened notre chit-chat with an incomplete fortnight before the Easter Vac. Here was a pretty kettle-of-fish. But in this lay also the solution - the Refectory serves fish on Tuesday!

Hence, in a flurry of fur, this 'ten-day' FELIX has been produced for Easter. The Miners are going to Cornwall, the Editor is going to clean his cave, his Assistant touring Swiss water-works, and I.C. students generally will do their first work since Christmas. We wish you all a happy Easter, and also thank our many contributors and those who help us in the production and sale of FELIX.

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PHOENIX ARTICLES

Contributions for the May Phoenix are requested during the vacation by the editor (c/o I.C. Union)

LECTURERS LAPSES

"Now we have finished sines and tans, we can get on to secs".

(C&G Maths)

HOPEFUL

I

A professor's young typist called Query wrote to Editor, FELIX, saying "Dearie, I'm classie, not passie, With quite a nice chassie And like my men bearded and beery".

The Editor's face was quite red As he said to his board "I say, Ted, "Are we willing and able "To help this young Grable "And give her some jam for her bread?"

The board answered in tone very soulful: "To find her the chances are doleful. "Though we're eager to rhumba "We don't know her number, "So how can we contact Miss Hopeful?"

The point of this quaint monologue Is to clear up the girl's mental fog. In the still of my room I'll persuade nom-de-plume That she cannot remain "Yours incog."

AMO

II

I'm glad to hear the lass has hope, a lovely noble thing, And now the buds are op'ning and we're nearly into Spring, Please let me make this offer, tho' it's late for Valentine, Oh may I be your Pierrot, and you my Columbine?

AMAS

GUILDSMEN SATISFIED

On Thursday 1st March the Society debated the motion "That the curriculum is unsuitable for the training of engineers". About 80 students and staff attended. Mr. M.J. Merrick was in the chair, and the motion was proposed by Mr. P.M. Chettle. He contended that at present the student is trained only for design and research, and is handicapped in any other work. In particular he criticized tutorial periods as poor in not showing the full application of theory or putting into perspective the assumptions necessary for it. In this he compared us "another place, in East Anglia", where tutors of broad experience are available to each student.

Mr. Ted Hughes opened the opposition's case with a reminder of the good reputation of I.C., and then outlined the present 3-year system, arguing that it provided reasonable technical and character training. He got good support for the proposition that there is no need to do the course perfectly and that it is good experience to have the choice between some of the work and Union activity.

The seconder of the motion, Mr. G.A. Collan, then went on to criticize in more detail; such as course-work experiments on obsolete equipment; the lack of a code of symbols, and the failure to co-ordinate the overlap of certain subjects. The second for the opposition, Mr. J. Fredericks followed with some detail in turn.

The first speaker from the floor argued that I.C. should not produce technical clerks - the slide rule mechanics, but engineers as the pioneers of new applications of the forces of Nature. He advocated a longer training period at College.

The next speaker considered that the subject detail was no more important than that of students of the classics, whose work was designed solely to develop their minds. The next pointed out that at I.C., the post-graduate year is a 4th year in the few subjects that need it, and that thereby the 3-year basic system is extended only when required. Two speakers quoted their knowledge and experience of European and U.S. colleges, respectively. After the summaries (during which something about "broadening the bases of the brown-baggers" was heard), the motion was defeated 15-27 (10 abstentions).

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PROFILE ~

GENTLEMEN—THE QUEEN

June Mahon, President of I.C.W.A. is petite, dark and vivacious. An eminent sportswoman, she is also a gifted conversationalist and although no feminist, has, as certain members of the rugger club know only too well, a rough side to her tongue when the peace of the I.C.W.A. residents is disturbed.

June was born in April, 1928 two months prematurely and had to be bathed in olive oil. Her parents with a foretaste of her own press-on-regardless attitude persisted in calling her June.

Academically she has risen from the Sudbourne Road Junior Mixed to 3rd year Zoo at the R.C.S. Her determined spirit is shown by her finally passing Inter four years after Matric. She is now specialising in parasitology (being but an ignorant engineer we unfortunately chose this point in the interview to ask her if she had a cigarette, we now know the meaning of parasitology and that she doesn't smoke). She hopes to go on to research next year.

Her rise in I.C.W.A. has been swift and steady: fresher rep., secretary and president. She was last year's hockey captain and captain of the mixed team. At net-ball she plays centre-attack.

When asked what she likes doing best June gives a laugh reminiscent of Joy Nichols, but then says: "Travelling". This is mainly done on the continent by hitch-hiking. She has a catholic taste in literature, and leans to the classical in music. In her own words she drinks but not to excess.

She is 5ft. 4in. tall, takes size 5 shoes and refuses categorically to allow other measurements to be published.

In general June gives the impression of a competent reserved personality nicely rounded by natural charm. I.C. and I.C.W.A. have been richer for her presence for three years and it is to be hoped she will continue long to adorn our all but monastic precincts.

SCIENTIFIC HISTORY

Professor Levy's lectures on 'The History of Science' began with discussion of how we ought to approach the history, and the Professor drew for us some ingenious diagrams showing that science and technology grew in a spiral. He hoped to be able to present the whole of his subject similarly in a scientific fashion.

In his second lecture he dealt with the earliest civilizations, of Egypt and Babylonia, and showed how they needed mathematics for their architecture. Thus the use of a few empirical laws was developed. For instance, to solve the equation $x^2 + x = 1$ they would have a table of values of x^2 and x , and look through this to find a solution.

The third lecture dealt with the beginnings of Greek civilization, and the development of a society dependent on slavery. Their attitude began to be 'why?' instead of 'how?'. These Greek thinkers were of two classes - the Sophists and the Pythagoreans. The Sophists believed that change (in society) is essential, and then proved by ingenious mathematical argument, that it was impossible, whilst the Pythagoreans started with the idea that actuated change is impossible and proved that it was essential.

This crisis was only solved when Alexander led the Greeks into world dominance and the upheaval required a complete change of values:—I recommend you to go. The lectures are held in the Main Lecture Theatre of the Huxley Building.

EXHIBITION OF THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY

AT UNIVERSITY CENTRES

An Exhibition will be opened by Sir Henry Tizard under the auspices of the Institute of Petroleum and will be open to the public at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, University of London, from April 6th to 21st. It will then tour the Universities of Glasgow, Leeds and Cambridge, showing for approximately two weeks at each centre.

The world wide interest of this industry is to be extensively portrayed by means of models, maps and photographs, and there is much of historical interest. In aim the Exhibition is broadly educational in terms both of scientific, technological and of general university interest.

PERSONAL ADVERTISEMENTS

Entries for this column must be accompanied by cash. For members of I.C. the charge is the merely nominal one of 6d. up to 20 words, 1/- up to 40 words. Outside Advertisers: 2/- and 4/- respectively.

A CONTINENTAL HOLIDAY - Individual and group arrangements with special reductions for students. Paris - 7 days from £11-19-6; Brittany Coast - 10 days from £15-16-0; other countries at moderate cost. Business and Holiday Travel Ltd., Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, W.C.2. Whitehall 4114/5

YOU, YOU and YOU. Team photographs - whole plate mounted 3/6, unmounted 2/-, postcards 1/-. Passport photos 4 for 2/-. Flash photos a speciality. Drop a note through the rack to PETER LIND, C & G. The man with the camera.

WOULD THE gentleman who stole my gaberdine raincoat, scarf and gloves (total value approx. £12) from the Union cloakroom on Monday evening, March 5th, kindly return the refectory 3d. ticket left in an inside pocket as I should greatly appreciate a coffee sometime during the week.

I. Manson, 1st Year Maths.

FOR SALE ; Humber bicycle fitted with Cyclemaster attachment (engine in hub): Taxed and insured for 1951: 1 month guarantee still to run: 2000 miles only: Dynohub lighting: Price £ 25: Would sell engine separately. Apply box 369, ICU.rack.

BRIDGE CONGRESS

The Second Annual I.C. Bridge Congress was held on March 3rd - 4th. On Saturday we entertained Cambridge and London Universities, and a Masters' team, which won the teams-of-four event comfortably. This was hardly surprising as their team comprised M. Harisson Gray and Jock Tarlo (the senior half of the British Bridge team) and two other Internationals, the Sharples brothers.

Although I.C. beat Cambridge convincingly in our match with them, they beat us into second place with a slightly better aggregate over the whole contest.

On Sunday, after the Congress proper had been opened by Mr. Tarlo, Open Pairs and Teams events were held. Representatives of nearly every London College competed for the prizes, which were presented by Mrs. Tarlo.

G.W.

SLIM BOETJIE

Recently a voluble character with Smutsian beard and cold blue eyes was to be seen around the Union, allowing all within earshot to benefit from his colourful experience. Within a few hours of this South's African's arrival from Ireland (or Czechoslovakia or maybe it was Ruritania) he had been gladly taken in (!) by 2 ex-students who live in a nearby flat. What a fund of anecdote there was to be had - not of course that one notices the rapid emptying of one's pocket during the process.

He was a journalist, cattle-breeder, gold-miner, merchant-seaman, companion of all the well-known film characters and writers and above all a most convincing storyteller. With a little experience one could detect him weighing up a new arrival before launching out on some new true experience which would culminate - maybe not until the next day - in a small loan (until next week).

He was never one not to make himself at home; perhaps this is best illustrated by the way in which, having helped himself to a cigarette from another resident's packet, he closed the packet, he then - profuse in apology for his ungenerosity - re-opened the packet and offered it to its owner!

In 3 short weeks, a cloud of bonhomie and fantasy had been built round his head, much of it believable; under cover of this cloud at least a dozen men had been fleeced of more than they would ever invest in the Post Office - and had received not one word and thanks! One of our local paupers still cannot understand how this happened, when for 4 years he has not been able to scrounge even a beer from those same people.

Knowing of course that an exception can never define a rule, some of us may be excused wondering why, the Empire having been flung so far, this particular piece should stick to one's fingers for so long.

COMING EVENTS

WED. 21 st. MARCH:- Term ends and Refectory closes.
 THURS. 29 th. MAR:- Refectory re-opens.
 TUES. 24 th. APRIL:- Summer Term begins.
 TUES. 1 st. MAY:- RCS. Union Smoking Concert; this is the inauguration of another new venture, & is presented entirely by Students and Staff. To get atmosphere two bars will be dispensing FREE BEER. Admission is free to all entitled to wear RCS. ties.

ANNIVERSARY DINNER

This year marks the 21st anniversary of the formation of the I.C. Gliding Club, and in that time it has achieved a considerable status in the gliding world, helped to a large extent by its close association with the Surrey G.C. - an association rather similar to that between I.C.B.C. and Thames R.C.

The 21st Anniversary dinner was held in Ayrton Hall on Saturday, 3rd March, the Staff Common Room having been made available for the reception. The Club had put in an incredible amount of work in hiding the work of the builders and in decorating the hall, and the result was very pleasing. The Rector welcomed the guests at the reception, and a prodigious amount of sherry met its fate before we sat down to the excellent four-course dinner, with white and red wines (the wine bill showed an average of half a bottle a head), port and cigars (for the privileged). Speeches by the Rector, Sir Frederick Handley Page, Sir David Brunt, Ron Macfie (the captain), E.C. Gordon England, R.S. Colquhoun, and Philip Wills were all excellent, but they obviously cannot be reported here. (A full report appears in 'The Aeroplans' of 9th March) We might perhaps record, as our more august contemporary does not, that when Mr. Gordon England mentioned "the flaming torch of British gliding", his point was promptly illustrated with a paper napkin, and the pin that was heard to drop in Ron Macfie's speech was in fact a 6-inch nail from the roof. The remark that won universal approval, however, was Sir Frederick's that a 21st party was the time for getting tight.

When the dinner was over and the important guests departed, the Club took Sir Frederick's advice and, with the aid of a piano and much beer, rendered the night hideous into the small hours.

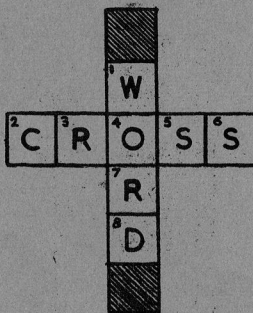
ONE YEAR WALK TO GET HOME



CIGARETTES
GOING UP!

-In smoke, of course.-

SOLUTION TO CROSS-WORD



* Strike out which not applicable.

HYPNOTISM

Hypnotism is still regarded sceptically by many people. The power of hypnosis has been known for thousands of years to priests, 'miracle-healers, tribal witch doctors and the like, and practised with considerable success, though with little knowledge of the scientific principles involved.

Hypnotism is derived from the Greek word *hypnos* (hypnos, sleep). When hypnotised, the conscious mind is put to sleep. When this happens, the sub-conscious mind will respond to almost any commands and suggestions made to it. Everybody has experienced the phenomenon of waking up at a particular time in the morning simply by reminding himself the night before that he has to wake up at that time. This is entirely due to the reaction of the sub-conscious mind to self-hypnosis - for that is all it is.

It is not proposed to enter into the various methods of hypnotising a person, since this can be gleaned from demonstrations and books (e.g. R. Slater's 'Hypnotism and Self-Hypnosis', Ch. 5). (N.B. It is not necessary to have a) a swinging light held just above eye-level, b) a man with a dominant will, coupled with beady black eyes and waving hands). Any willing subject can be hypnotised by almost anybody and in a very short time.

However, our main concern is the practical benefits to be gained from hypnotic and post-hypnotic suggestion. Three outstanding applications immediately spring to mind.

- a) Amnesia
 - b) Calibrating real moral standards
 - c) Material gain.
- a) The advantages of this form of amnesia and anaesthesia are already well-known and are being applied more and more extensively to dentistry, child-birth and operations etc.
- b) This second application has become necessary through the increasing dependence of moral behaviour on social convention. The method depends on the (empirical) first law of Hypnotics, that nobody, when hypnotised, will do anything against his or her moral or religious principles, so that a series of tests can be arranged in which the subject is made to obey various commands. By this method, the suitability of a male door keeper in a womans' hostel could be determined accurately.
- c) The third application is one of the most outstanding interest to students. First of all, let it be explained, that when under the spell of the hypnotist a subject will obey any command or respond to any suggestion given by the hypnotist with the exception of Law 1. Further, if given a post-hypnotic suggestion while still asleep, that he will experience such a thing when he wakes up and will do such a thing at being given a particular signal, he will do these things until told not to by the hypnotist. The author has actually seen four initially sober men reduced to complete alcoholic bliss by drinking from a glass containing nothing whatever, in a recent demonstration by Ralph Slater. Thus it is not difficult to foresee the time when a party can remain in an advanced state of insobriety for an entire evening, the only experience being drinks for the hypnotist.

Another material use of hypnotism, might well be in alleviating the strain of examinations. (N.B. No research has been done yet in imposing the complete syllabus of a course on the subconscious mind of a candidate before an examination). Not long ago, a group of Cambridge (all right, all right,) students were given post-hypnotic suggestions that they would be bursting with confidence when the great day came, and that all the things they had swotted up would come easily and clearly to them, etc. They were all men usually prone to failing exams. through (perhaps) nervousness; and, needless to say, they all did magnificently.

The vast fields for research revealed by these few ideas exposes the urgent need for a brand new course at I.C. - that of Hypnotistry.

G.H.S.

SAYINGS OF THE WEEK

"A cleaner is a woman of uncertain age..."
-Derek Coomber.

"After all a century occurs only once in a hundred years..."
-D.K.Nicholas.

"Appropo.....,we're only young once..."
-June Mahon.



SPORT

I.C. BULLY VETS



U.L. HOCKEY CUP HELD

I.C. 5 - Royal Vets. 1

This match was played at Mospur Park, and I.C. won convincingly; but the Vets. put up a grand fight, and indeed had the better of a goal-less first-half.

Defence has been our strongest point for the past two years - as is borne out by the bare two goals scored against us in the last nine cup games - and it was the defence that was severely tested in the first half. Justesen and Palmer rose manfully to the occasion, supported by Pike who played a 'blinder' throughout the match. The rot of 'cup-nerves' was stopped, but not before Hardy had made several fine saves and the spectators' nerves had had a severe testing. By half-time the halves had found their feet, and after half-time the boys went to town, in no uncertain manner. Now the half-line, Pike, Bennett and Mossman, served their forwards with a series of quick, hard and accurate passes, concentrating on the left, since Green was our most dangerous forward. Purslow on the right wing had a rather scanty service but did some useful work, in support. George and Jones played a skilful and unselfish game, backing up Bentley and Green, and continually feeding them with short passes. The scoring was opened after a short corner had been awarded against a Vets. defender for pushing a possible scoring shot out with his hand: Bennett hit a low screamer from the corner-hit, and had the Vets. goalie beaten all ends up. Only a minute or two later Green scored one of his 'speciality' goals. He ran in from the left, drew the goalie, and lofted the ball nonchalantly under the

bar into the net. Bentley scored the remaining three; one from a penalty bully, another through a second infringement. The last goal was a classic shot across the goal keeper's bows, cushioning off the post into the net.

Vets never gave up the struggle and indeed staged a fine rally, aided by some rather light hearted fly-hitting by the I.C. backs; the Vets goal was well deserved, but it was too late to save the day. I.C. were victorious, and retained the rather depressing looking rose-bowl for a second year.

Peter Justesen having led I.C. to victory, now hands over to Brian Purslow, this season's secretary. Meanwhile a representative team drawn from the first two elevens embarks on a ten-day tour in Holland, and should give a good account of itself, against the Dutch Universities.

I.C. Record in Cup Games.

1948	lost to Kings (winners)	(semifinal).	
1949	lost to Guys Hospital.	(final).	2 - 3
1950	beat U.C.	(final)	2 - 0
1951	beat Battersea Poly.		4 - 1
"	beat S.O.A.S.		4 - 0
"	beat Kings College		7 - 0
"	beat Westminster Hospital		5 - 0
"	beat Royal Vets.		5 - 1

Members of the Team were:

W.D.Hardy, P.Justesen (Capt.), R.Palmer, W.Pike, G.L.Bennett (Vice Capt.), S.A.Mossman, B.W.Purslow, L.R.Bentley, N.K.Jones, K.S.George, E.C.Green.

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RUGGER

RCS. - 3. C & G. - 0.

RCS. narrowly defeated the C & G. by a penalty goal in the second match of the inter-college series for the new "Sparkes" Cup.

RCS. kicked off against a strong wind, and the first ten minutes were fought out in their '25'. C & G. were very close to taking the lead with three attempts to kick penalty goals. After several anxious moments, RCS. managed to force Guilds back towards their goal-line. After hammering away for several minutes RCS. were awarded a penalty, S.Coppleman landing a fine goal from an awkward position and against a difficult wind. RCS. gained heart from this fine effort and the tackling of their three-quarters became especially good. This proved to be the only score of the game, although Lapin, the Guilds full back, was very unfortunate to see yet another attempt to kick a penalty goal hit the upright.

The forward play was fairly even, though the RCS. were superior in tight scrummaging, but were beaten in the line-outs by the taller Guildsmen.

R.C.S. - 3 R.S.M. - 0

The annual fixture between R.S.M. and R.C.S., having been postponed due to rain, was played at Harlington on Monday, March 12th.

Play throughout the game was rather scrappy, and there were numerous penalties awarded against both sides.

The Mines missed chances to score on three occasions in the first ten minutes, when they were awarded penalties within the R.C.S. 25. R.C.S. were unfortunate in losing M.Holman with an ankle injury, but he was able to return after medical attention. R.C.S. were only awarded one penalty within kicking distance of the Mines goal, and Ellis, the full back, confidently scored 3 points to give R.C.S. the lead. There was no further score in the first half. The forward play was fairly even, although far from polished, and neither set of three-quarters had much of the ball.

In the second half, play fluctuated from end to end, and Mines lost an opportunity to draw level by missing a very easy penalty in front of the posts. The result, after this, was never in doubt, even when R.C.S. lost C.M.Wilson with yet another ankle injury.

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TUG O'WAR

Last week Guilds won the Tug with four straight pulls. The Miners were disposed of on the Monday, and the following day RCS. were defeated in 2 pulls of 11 and 22 secs., the former being a record time. The Miners were favourites for second place, but after the RCS. had held them, and pulled them uphill in 43 seconds they were discouraged and RCS. took them down the hill in 47 seconds, thus getting second place.

CROSS-COUNTRY

On Wednesday, 7th March, I.C. 2nd team registered a very good win over R.N.C. Greenwich 1st team - over the 4 mile course I.C. provided the first three men home.

1. F.C.Bagley 23 mins. 00 secs.
2. (J.J.Hosling 23 " 25 " (C.D.Palmer

On Saturday, 10th March, a club handicap championship was held, the match v. Sandhurst having been cancelled. The order was as follows:-

1. M.C.Hall (3.00 mins handicap) 31 mins. 53 sec.
2. C.Morriss (2.30 " ") 31 " 55 "
3. F.C.Bagley (1.30 " ") 32 " 00 "

NETBALL

Results.

I.C.W.S.C. 13, Royal Free Hospital 11.
I.C.W.S.C. 16, Maria Grey Training Coll. 13.
K.C.H.& S.S. 10, I.C.W.S.C. 15.

Holman moved to outside-half and when R.C.S. heeled from a tight scrumage, he broke through the Mines defence and gave Hardy an opportunity to make a grand dash for the line. He managed to cross the line but lost control of the ball and failed to score. The final result was a win for R.C.S. by a penalty goal to nothing, and so R.C.S. retain the 'Sparkes' cup for the second year in succession.