

# PROCTOR MAY PROWL MEWS

## "DISCIPLINARY PATROL"

IT IS LIKELY THAT SOME SORT OF PROCTORIAL SYSTEM WILL BE SET UP TO OPERATE AROUND THE HALLS OF RESIDENCE SOMETIME IN THE FUTURE. This is in essence the content of a letter circulated by the senior warden to the hall wardens for consideration by them, and at their discretion, by the halls committees. The necessity for such a system has arisen out of repeated complaints from the mews residents and at least one threatened injunction on Southside.

### EARLY STAGES

Although the whole idea is still in its very early stages, it is thought it will not be long before the plan will, in some form, come into operation. Most wardens favour the idea, but emphasise that it should be run by the students. At least one warden feels that were the duty officers system tightened up there would be no need for any extra action. There is some talk of a "Disciplinary Patrol" to be made up of two or three subwardens, but there are, however, many objections to this, not least of all from the sub-wardens themselves.

### NOISE PREVENTION

The system would operate by having someone, be he duty officer, disciplinary patrolman, or proctor, in and around the precincts in order to stop noise and quell disturbances after dark. His powers are not yet defined, but would involve nametaking, possible fining, suspension, rustication, or expulsion, at the discretion of a disciplinary committee. In most cases he would, however, merely caution, and only on predictable nights of heavy disturbance would the "proctors" be out in force.

### POLYTHENE DUSTBINS

It has for a long time been felt around the halls, that some form of discipline other than expulsion is required. With the increase in residential numbers and the severe threats facing the Southside halls as a result, it is clear something must be done. A proctorial system operated by students would seem to be the most satisfactory, although other solutions may exist. Mr. Watson favours taking the problem to a Union Meeting for further discussion. Mr. Gravette's view is that it could all be solved by equipping the mews with polythene dustbins. It will not be as simple as that, but some light form of control now, could very well prevent the imposition of serious restrictions at some later date.

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## MODS ROCK UNION HOPS

A number of I.C. students have been attacked without provocation at recent Union Hops by certain undersirables. The first instance was at the Carnival Hop when five strangely clad, dirty-fingernailed louts set upon three students, inflicting a black-eye and a bleeding nose before they could be forcibly ejected. Two weeks later ten similarly attired "gentlemen" appeared in the Union Bar where they caused undesirable disturbance and annoyance by throwing beer about and by other unruly antics. They then proceeded upstairs to one of the dance floors. As a precaution against a repeat performance of the previous fortnight a formidable group of I.C. musclemen was mustered in the vicinity of the intruders. The latter, perceiving greater opposition perhaps, than they had bargained for, commenced to wander from one part of the building to another in an endeavour to shake off their bodyguard, but were unsuccessful. Eventually, as they passed near the North East of the Union, they were forced into the street. During the ensuing scuffle, however, they produced heavy spanners which they evidently would not have been very slow to use but fortunately the door was closed on them before any injury more serious than a black-eye had been sustained.

Extensive safeguards are planned for future Hops to prevent a reoccurrence and police will be on hand.

## FRESHERS ISSUE

Will societies who wish to include material in the first Felix of next term (appearing on Freshers Day) let the Editor have it on or before Friday 25th. September and preferably before the end of this term.



## ARE THE CHRISTIANS OUT OF TOUCH? TED NEEDHAM ASKS AND ANSWERS THE QUESTION

These good people seem to be the subjects of indifference and ridicule: perhaps this is the fate of Christians everywhere today, but in the agnostic framework of this college they appear to have failed completely. They do not make any attempt, it seems, to take advantage of any intelligent spirit of enquiry that we, as scientists, must have: furthermore, they have mishandled recent situations which, with a bit of thought, could have gone their way. Hysterical letters have brought out the worst of their intolerance, and they have probably lost all the respect that years of hard work had given them.

This survey intends, by describing these societies, to uncover a fragment of the many influences and ideas that make the College Christians tick, and to possibly shed some light on their intentions, and the obstacles they face in the College.

# LETS GET IT STRAIGHT! TYE ON THE HALLS

I am getting rather tired of the continual drum-banging of the Cameronians from Tizard Hall. The theme of several recent articles in Felix seems to be that the era of Imperial College as a Residential College has arrived and that the Students' Unions have outlived their purpose. Furthermore, it is suggested that the social life of the College should be tailor-made to suit the whims and fancies of the residents.

May I suggest, Sir, that before these fanatics become transported by their hot air to their Castles in Spain, we consider the facts of the situation.

First some figures on the numbers of residents are shown below:

Session	Student Population	Number in Residenc	% in Residenc	% of Undergraduates in Residence
1963/64	2,985	615	20.3	26.8
1966/67	3,600	735	20.4	25*
1973/74	4,700	1,200	25.5	39
		or 1,400	29.8	45.5

This article was originally a letter—however it is strong enough to merit article status and now—the facts.

The figures in the last column are calculated on the basis of 20% of residents being post-graduates. At the moment between 15 and 30% of students in any Hall are post-graduate students.

Secondly, residence is normally for one year. Only 25% of the compliment of any Hall can be in their second year of residence.

Thirdly, demand for rooms far exceeds supply. The demand for places was determined by the student surveys of 1959-60. It was

found that 76% of undergraduates and 49% of post-graduates wanted a room in Hall. There is no reason why these figures should have changed substantially in 4 years; if anything they will have increased because the standard of accommodation in Hall has increased and rents for flats and rooms in London continue to go up by leaps and bounds.

## UNFAIR

These figures show that Imperial College is **not** fast becoming a residential college, so that any attempt to make the social life of the college revolve around that of the residents will be unfair. Activities of clubs and societies must be open to all students, whether they are residents or not. The Union must be run on the basis that all students are equal, whether they live in Hall or not. In this connection we must remember that the location of the Halls on the campus is incidental. Should we treat them differently because they are here in South Kensington and not in Acton or Battersea? I think not.

## UNION CENTRE

I believe, Sir, that the Students' Union should be the centre of College Social Life. Any attempt to make the Halls the social centre of the College should be avoided. May I quote two examples from other colleges? First, at Sheffield, the Union is more or less controlled by the residents to the disike of the non-

residents. Secondly, Bedford College has about 300 women out of 900 in four Halls. The Union consists of **one** common room which reverts to the occupants of Reid Hall in the evening. When the College closes at 5 o'clock, the nonresidents have nowhere to go. The refectories are not open to them; even the library is closed.

The Union executive of two years ago fought hard to bring the bottom lounges and bar in Southside under Union control, so that these facilities were open to all members of the Union. How wise they were! Just think what the situation would be if these areas were controlled by the 'door-locking' mentality of some Hall committees above.

## MINORITY INTERESTS

I am not complaining about Halls organizing their own activities. They can cater for minority interests (e.g. the Tizard Brass Rubbers), but I do not see the need for societies which have exactly the same purpose as Imperial College Union societies (e.g. The Tizard Hall Folk Song Club).

One favourite argument for the existence of Hall Societies is that it will increase participation. It seems to me that the level of participation is no greater than that of the constituent College Unions. For example, the Tizard Buttery Hour usually only attracts 20-30 out of 120.

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At the moment we have a satisfactory equilibrium between the Students' Unions and the Halls of Residence. The Unions are content to allow the situation to evolve its own solution. However, two wardens are trying to force a change. I feel that this is very dangerous. These two wardens want to model their Halls on what they like to think is the 'Oxbridge system'—to me it seems more similar to the Public School House System, with the 'house-masters' in loco parentis.

**LIBERTY ATTACKED**

Make no mistake about it, the traditional liberty of the Imperial College Halls is under attack. The wardens have the advantage because Student Committees change every year. Remember the 'Visitors out by 12.00', 'No unaccompanied lady visitors', etc. Unless the Hall Committees stand firm these and other rules will soon come into force.

I seem, Sir, to have strayed from the primary point so may I once more say that I am convinced that the best place for all student activities is under the auspices of the Union, and I feel that a strong Central Union is essential for the wellbeing of the students.

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**FAME SOUGHT as**

It was the last gathering of the gallant band, before they were enunciated for the final session by twenty fresh shining faces, and they all seemed to realise it. A last innings, a final chance to establish ones claim to immortality they feverishly racked their minds for some good stirring material. Havard was sober, Schroter wore a jacket, Edwards appeared conspiratorial, and Ellis more worried than usual. It was as though they had awoken to their responsibilities at the eleventh hour.

**NO HEROES**

But glory isn't to be achieved in the opening stages of any battle, and they could relax at first while Watson-Massey reported on day to day affairs. Paintings for South Side, lockers for Beit, chairs for the top longes, repairs, barmen, duty officers. Not the stuff of which heroes are made, and at any rate rather bad ground to fidget on, for no-one outside the inner magic circle really understood the finances of the Union, and they knew it by now. But Parkinson did offer one small opening, £20 to repair damage to the quadrangle after Carnival. Immediately afterwards no-one saw fit to comment on a letter of credit for £2000 from the Finance department. Watson-Massey rolled on unchecked—the top refectory is to be re-opened for quick cheap self-service meals; the Union has 9,000 sq. ft. to play with on Central Site (any ideas?); two students are wanted for a subsidised visit to Germany—and eventually rolled to a halt.

Carnival next—Schroter woke up. Why was it held in May just before the exams? Why not move some of the events to November? This had something to do with Morphy Day—he seemed to suggest that the oarsmen could collect money from spectators on the tow-path as they went by. But what was good for Schroter was also good for Ellis, and there were fifty weeks left in the year. He suggested February. The game became popular, and voices piped up for October, December and all the others. It didn't seem to matter much when it was moved to, as long as moved it was. Nor did it seem to matter what the organisers felt, in spite of Watson's plaintive plea. Eventually reason spoke up in the form of Jim Marshall—the question should be held over for much wider soundings: And held over it was.

**RIGGED ELECTIONS**

Edwards lept in where even Schroter would fear to tread, with allegations that the Carnival Queen contest had been rigged. The only ICWarian who had entered had won, and there had been many suspicious last minute alterations in the judging system. However, it seemed that Council had also been fixed by ICWA, for almost at once there was a motion on the floor "that Mr. Edwards be heard no longer" Carried. Exit Mr. Edwards.

**STATUS SYMBOL**

Back to Watson to report the outcome of meeting of the Halls of Residence held to draft new regulations for the Halls. The general result of this was a significant transfer of responsibility from the hall committee to the warden, who could now act "summarily and independently" whenever he wished. It wasn't clear what role the Hall committee had any longer apart from giving advice which might or

over the ground, and appropriately enough it was the Mods who came under fire next—the 420 or so who attend each Union hop. These it was claimed were getting out of hand since the beat groups became so popular. There had been several unpleasant incidents, and we were attracting far too many undesirable people. Also the Union was overcrowded. Griffiths, the Chairman of Entertainments, was apparently the only Mod on Council. We couldn't have our cake and eat it, he said, pointing to the massive profit from hops. No-one had suspected Havard of moddish tendencies but he indeed came to the hard pressed Griffiths from that quarter, as he opened his mouth and put his chelsea boot squarely in it. "The girls at these functions are too young" he announced in seniorial tones—after which who could take the matter seriously?

**COUNCIL MEETS**

**AND SO TO WINE**

This sort of thing could have gone on all night, and indeed Watson looked a little bored at times. But it had clearly been expected, for at a given signal Massey disappeared behind the scenes and was soon observed setting out some glasses on a side table, this worked like a charm. When everyone was sufficiently distracted Watson turned to what was probably the most important item of business for the evening, and asked Council to set up a committee to look into the Unions capital commitments for Beit, South Side and Central Site. Of all the cheek, this was to consist of Watson—Massey and anyone else they should care to co-opt. But duty to the Union was one thing and duty to ones palate another, and all was agreed without murmur as even thoughts of glory were firmly set aside in a mass exercise in self-denial.

H. D. D. Watson

might not be taken. The main inspiration for these changes had been Dr. Cameron, who had also been behind the earlier attempt to bring in the "11p.m. closing" and "no unaccompanied women" rules. He had described the Hall committees rights as "a mere status symbol", and had also argued for a section on moral conduct and a statement that the warden was "in loco parentis". He hadn't succeeded in this, but would undoubtedly return to the theme year after year, and if he got his way Hall would be transformed into something more like a convent. According to Watson, Cameron was one of the most slippery people he had ever come across. "With his students he is all sweetness and goodness and light, but behind the closed doors of the Halls of Residence Committee one sees a different side altogether". Council talked about the Doctor at length, and the main hope was that he now seemed to have sufficient rope with which to hang himself.

**WHAT TO DO**

Miss Burns ("keeper of the forms" to the Halls) came under very heavy fire. It was alleged that she was extremely unhelpful, abrupt, illmannered and calculatingly rude to students. Once this subject was breached with a motion tabled by Christ Tye, a deluge of complaints and protests were released from other members. Watson was clearly at a loss as to what to do. Eventually Tye agreed to withdraw his motion so that "informal representations" could be made. Can the leopard change its spots?

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## EDITORIAL

### WHETHER OR NOT TO JOIN

Last year all hell let loose—a motion was passed then reversed in the furore that followed. Four years ago the same thing happened. This year the N.U.S. question did not arise, (although it might have done), and next year it may well do again, but it cannot be long before we will in fact join; it is inevitable that we should, as it was that women should eventually be allowed into the Oxford Union. Of the many arguments for joining none can concern this paper more than the annual N.U.S.—organised conference of the student press.

Each year a competition is held for the best student newspaper—this year it was won by Oxford's Cherwell. Our own Sennet was placed third. The competition, however, is but the focus to four days of discussion, lectures, criticism, and advice by leading professional journalists. Our own advertising agency, Educational Publicity, is deeply involved, and the whole conference received National attention. A recent article in the New Statesman discussed student journalism in some detail. Imperial College and Felix were not mentioned. **They never are.**

Each paper is criticised and editors and staff are invited to question and meet informally with Fleet Street professionals. Since the conference was started, more and more interest has been shown by the Press, by advertisers, by professionals and by the Universities and Colleges themselves. While others learn from experience and highly qualified sources, FELIX continues in an amateurish and clumsy way. We cannot improve because we do not know how. The only advice we get is from ignorant and irritating outsiders. We can only copy without knowing why—to progress we must be told why.

To our cry add that of the Dramatic Society, excluded from a festival of drama which receives wide national publicity, also the Debating Society excluded from the Observer Mace competition and others who would benefit from N.U.S. organised functions:

We do not get the opportunities we deserve, or the publicity we need, because a few Union minded hot heads would have us remain "a princely cloister". By competing with the best and learning from the best this College can achieve much that it lacks.

### WE AND THEY

Are you on friendly terms with more than one member of the Staff? Have you ever entertained your Tutor at Hall dinner or in the bar? Has any member of the staff showed an interest in you as a person? If the answer is yes, thrice yes, then you are the exception, for staff relations are, at this College, virtually non-existent.

The Chemical Engineering Department is perhaps best endowed in this field with a pattern of personal and academic tutors leading never to marriage, but often to hall dinner. In other departments the situation is worse and many students feel contact with the academic staff to be nil.

In the Union there seems to be an extraordinary attitude of "we" and "they"; with "we" to defenceless students, and "they" the monstrous megalomaniac authorities. The administrative staff feel that relations are worse than for many years. One gentleman said tentatively that people in the Union tended to follow and be influenced by the small core at the top: another was very much more specific, but the import was the same.

Although Felix has hinted at feuds in the past, Dave Watson categorically denied any such possibility in an article in these pages last term. He talked of "so much rubbish" and said "I wouldn't know it existed". All quiet on the Union front. Then at Council he publicly flays Dr. Cameron, warden of Tizard Hall, knowing full well that the proceedings are to be reported. His lack of tact is alarming. If this happens on the surface, we can but guess at what is behind the scenes.

To talk of the diffuseness and the sheer size of the College provides half an excuse, but the remaining half is really no excuse at all, rather a reason. It is a pity that staff and student cannot mix more readily and freely in a way typical of a true University.

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## Spannerama

### GUILDS ELECTIONS

There was a Mineswoman at the last Guilds Union Meeting of the year. She was holding the hand of a Mr. J. Pereira. She was locked in a convenient cupboard, and as the minutes passed, read by Cox, various screams and items of female nether-ware, flew from the cupboard. Bob Schroter gave some details on the 'Spanner-Re'iever', newly acquired via Tim Shaw, and A.E.I. It consists of a nut and a bolt, suitably mounted, and of such dimensions as to fit the jaws of Spanner. The bolt, a 2" Whit, has been named RCS; and the nut has been named Mines.

The election followed, and as predicted earlier by Felix, Yog Bishop was elected President, with Chris Molam as Vice. Brian Walpole, Hon. Sec.; Geof. Purkis, Treasurer; Brian King, Publicity; Robin Claridge, IC Council Rep., and Reg. Chamberlain OC Rep, completed the elections, all posts being very keenly contested. Of the seven nominees for Spanner Bearer,

who were able to lift Spanner, two were elected, with two spares.

Mr. Combes, of Felix Forthrightly Newspaper of IC Union, was unanimously awarded the Norris Muck Stirring Trophy.

After the President's report and the awarding of the Sport, and Social colours, the Union General Awards for Superwork were presented to Mike Cox, Yog, Charley Baty, Claridge, Don Leeper, John Edge, and John Skinner. President Ex-Officio.

After a vote of thanks, and several minutes thunderous (and well deserved) applause, for the retiring President, the meeting was closed with a Boomalaka. Then Mr. Pereira was brought forth, stripped, and reclad in bra'n pants. The meeting moved to the Round Pond where Mr. P. and several others were immersed in its healing waters. The new President gave his first Boomalaka, and then there was a Zebra Crossing.



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## THE GODBOTHERERS — A SURVEY

### R.C.'s

Starting from the top are the Roman Catholics. They practice at the University chaplaincy, and have a representative on the Union of Catholic students: one of the few members of I.C. with speaking rights on the N.U.S. Their organisation does not appear to extend much below University level, although proposals are underway for a College Chaplain, and college Mass. Many of them seem to be quite happy with the present situation: after all, they say, the priests are the Church and the students must go to them. Also, as the President elect of the Catholic society pointed out, we are now living in a post-Christian era, so what can Catholics do in the College? It is to be presumed, therefore, that few converts are made.

They are an extremely rigid society, genuinely believing that it is not their job to do philanthropic work outside the College, although there is talk of supervising L.C.C. homework classes. This rather twisted stern-mindedness undoubtedly stems from their exceptionally severe serfdom under an extremely Conservative hierarchy. It would be tempting to enlarge on the similarities between the Jesuit

and the Communist, but this comparison highlights the nature of their organisation. The Frest's ruling must never be questioned (Contraception is not settled yet, thank God!) and any ideas that might be supposed to filter upwards from a comparatively fertile College Catholic society must either be stifled vigorously, or stored in some little "Kafka-Esque" room to be sampled in many years time.

Then the College Catholics are virtually forbidden to have joint discussions on vital topics such as the Litany and the Bible with other college Christians, although the iron-curtain has been lifted a little, and joint Bible study groups may be initiated next term.

### ANGLICANS

Next in the scale come the Anglicans, represented, if not exactly run, by Father Ivor. It is difficult to evaluate the exact nature of his influence over the society: he seems to be most people's friend and confessor, and is a vital secular influence with significant monastic connections. Thus the Anglicans, in spite of their comparatively severe Church laws, are able to bring in excellent speakers on a variety of topics: comment is not restricted.

Characteristic of the Anglicans is their enthusiastic work outside the college. This is possible be-

cause their Church accepts them as part of the whole system, and therefore they feel moved to do much good work. The feat of collecting for the landrover must make the Carnival organisers green with envy: they go about their work quietly and without any gloss, and seem to achieve wonders.

It is regrettable, therefore, that intellectually the Anglicans appear to be rather woolly. Most arguments seem to end in beautifully simple statements of faith: one wonders if this extends as far as the faith of the Archbishop of Canterbury when he states that he expects to meet the Pope in heaven. The dangers that the College Anglicans have to guard against, therefore, is the spread of this complacency; a few Anglicans in this College, by their well drilled Public school approach, are doing much to harm the image of their excellent society.

### FELLOW TRAVELLERS

The offshoots from the Anglicans are the S.C.M. and the Christian Union. Many hard words are spoken about these two organisations: Father Ivor prefers his Anglicans to come to St. Augustines to be Christians, while the C.U. are way beyond the pale. They are, in fact, rather erudite discussion groups the S.C.M. tending to do some work outside the college, the C.U. virtually nothing. Actually the C.U. is a Calvinistic offshoot from the S.C.M., with a constitution forbidding them to take part in other religious organisations. They are fundamentalists, believing that the whole Bible is nothing less than the inspired word of God. They think and talk, therefore, in a very low-church contact.

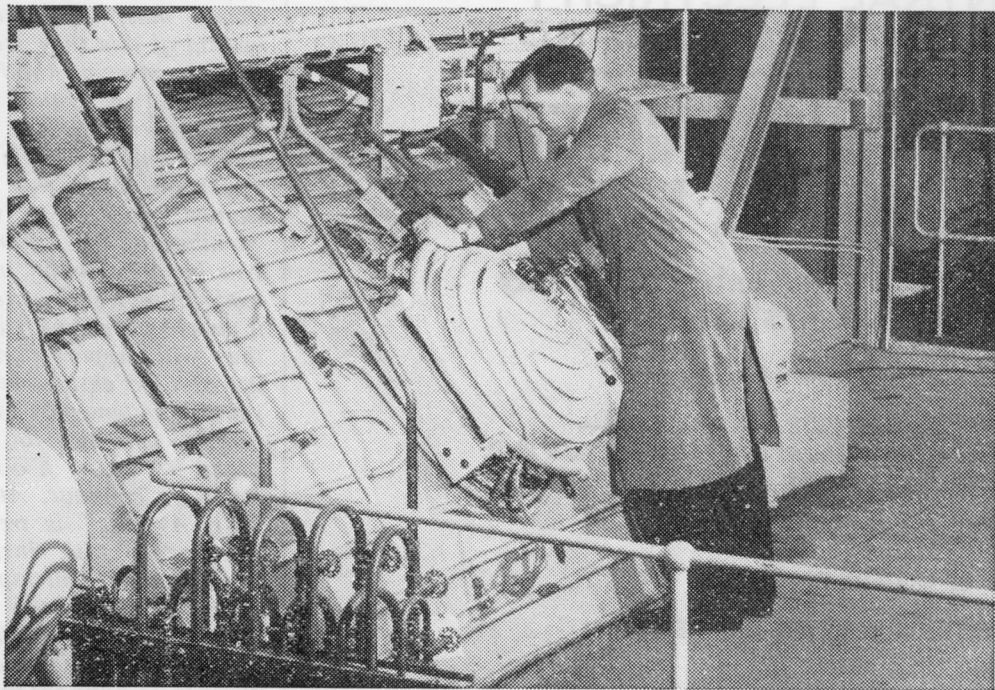
### METHODISTS

Lastly the Methodists, a very friendly organisation, befitting the nature of their denomination. Emphasis on this established Church is slight: they only have three communions a term, to which, incidentally, all Christians are invited, although only Methodist partake. They also have a few open meetings which seem to parallel much of the discussion of the S.C.M., although they are very careful not to overlap, and therefore in any way be identified with this organisation.

### ROY ELLIS

This article would hardly be completed without mention of Roy Ellis, for he, more than anybody else, has crusaded to make Christianity respectable in the College. He has formed a committee from all the Christians in the college with the newsheet "Contact" as its emblem. By his influence, he hopes to avoid further undignified letters to Felix, acting, partly at the public relations man for the Christian societies. It is to be hoped that he finds a worthy successor.

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# dear sir ...

## 'ANTIYOG'

Dear Sir,

I find myself unable to accept the sentiments expressed by 'Antiyog' in the last issue of Felix. That the Carnival Supplement "reeks of Bishop from start to finish", as 'Antiyog's so charmingly puts it, may be true; but to blame Mr. Bishop for this is hardly logical.

Mr. Bishop was asked to write an article covering less than one tenth of the entire Supplement. In this article, he described a publicity stunt in a manner that admirably befits a publicity stunt. Due to the susceptibility of others, who possess

no style of writing of their own, Yogi's influence was unfortunately carried to other pages. But this is the fault of the Editor—surely not Mr. Bishop!

'Antiyog' desires "a bit less Yog". Well, may I say just this. Mr. Bishop was again asked to produce a Carnival Record, which he did. In order to sell the Record outside College, he had to spend a week creating his own publicity around South Kensington and elsewhere because the advertising of the Carnival was just not adequate. "A bit less Yog" and there would have been a heck of a lot less Carnival since there are people around who do nothing for society except criticise the efforts of others.

I sincerely hope that this does not include 'Antiyog'.

Yours faithfully,  
M. C. Cox,

Dear Sir,

It was, indeed, most refreshing to read the Editorial remarks which appeared in the last issue of Felix. Of course the Union is dying—we all know this, and to emphasise this moribund state of the Union, Felix's columns have carried numerous appraisals of situation. However, I feel that many of these have been irresponsibly written, but I consider the latest article to be a serious and honest attempt to analyse the problem with which the Union is faced. Further, I feel that it is the truest representation of the situation that we have had to date. It is certainly powerful and courageous comment to argue that the Union is without leaders—but how true this is! This is surely the root of all the apathy about which we hear

so much. The average student, and I speak as one, is just not encouraged to participate actively in Union affairs. Every so often he will be told, by his so called leaders, that he is part of the inert mass which constitutes the Union, and this Union is likely to change in character unless he does something about it. I object to being called apathetic even if I am, and this sort of verbal onslaught is not going to entice me to seek immediate membership of clubs and societies, in fact I shall remain as apathetic as ever. Surely it is up to the Union officers to take the initiative here—after all, that is why we have elected them as our leaders. My impression of Council is that it is an autocratic hierarchy consisting of a set of privileged beings who are particularly anxious to preserve this image. It is a case of "them" and "us", and we are poles apart and do not seem to be getting any nearer. Before the average student can be encouraged to take an interest in the Union those in charge must sell themselves; instead of this they seem content to strangle both themselves and the Union with infernal red tape. The average student must be made to feel important and that he is wanted, and is a valuable member of the Union. This can be done with "inspired" leadership. I feel certain that if people are persuaded enough they will support almost any activity. To ensure better response the tendency to restrict certain activities to the favoured few must not be allowed to continue. At present "Mr. Average" is treated by his leaders with inexcusable and almost contemptible indifference. Until the student body as a whole is treated with the respect it deserves, then there is no hope for the Union.

In conclusion, let me make one point clear—I do not blame Watson, Massey or any of the others for the fact that they do not exhibit powers of leadership. They are just not given a chance under the present system. One must respect them for their unselfish attention to the never ending committee work, but as things stand now, only a rebel can succeed.

Yours,

S.G. (an average student who is told that he is apathetic.)



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## Athletics: BUSF Champs

## TRIPLE GOLD

## DAVE SMITH

Gold medal winner in the B.U.S.F. Athletics championships at Oxford was Dave Smith (Triple Jump) a concrete P.G. at I.C. Dave, who first gained his I.C. colours back in 1957 as an undergraduate, was forced to jump off a shortened run-up owing to the proximity of the long jump pit at the Ifley Road track. Even so his winning jump of 47' 10½ was a personal best and also a new college record.

Dave only won with this jump because of a very sporting gesture by Axell who came second by only ½". An unqualified bystander, who was acting as take-off judge, declared Dave's leap to be a no-jump but Axell, who was also watching, disagreed and after anxious high-level consultation the mark was declared valid.



Dave Smith: Gold medal winner at Oxford

## LEON HALL

Also jumping for London at Oxford was Leon Hall (Physics 1) who won a silver medal in the high jump. After clearing 5'11" Leon, in a gallant bid to worry the leader, went straight on to attempt 6' 1"—a personal best. But he was unsuccessful; only failing to clear it by the narrowest of margins, and Campbell (ranked 6 in G.B.) went on to win at 6' 3¼".

In recent weeks Leon has jumped against some of the top jumpers in the country and tells us he is looking forward to some slightly closer competition in the near future. This should push him over another inch or two in which case he will be a strong contender for the A.A.A. Junior championship in August.

## SPORT SHORTS

## CRICKET

C.E.M., collapsed from 120-3 to 138 all out so lost to I.C., who had made all out in the first round of the U.L. Cup. In the second round they beat Battersea despite losing four quick wickets when they had only seven runs to get.

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## TENNIS

I.C. had a bye in the first round of the U.L. Cup. They played Northampton College in the second round on Friday. (Result in Late News).

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## FELIX STAFF

Sports Editor next year will be Frank Hobson, Elec. Eng. He was this year's Cross Country Secretary. Applications for the post of Sports Reporter will be gratefully received.

Frank Hobson writes

## SPORT STARVED?

The fixtures situation for I.C. sports club could change drastically when we become a S.I.S.T.E.R. and may no longer be eligible to compete in U.L. leagues. This point was stressed at a recent A.C.C. meeting by president Dave Watson.

Most affected by this would be the soccer club who have about a dozen league matches plus cup matches for each of the seven or so teams. For the lower teams this can be as much as 50% of the fixtures. Norman Price, club captain, is very concerned about this situation which will take a great deal of high level diplomacy to be clarified.

One advantage, however, will be that we may then profit from the F.A.'s coaching scheme and this should be a great stimulus to the team. Particularly we should have a great chance in the B.U.S.F. champs.—if we are

eligible that is? This is, in fact, one of the major questions to be thrashed out.

The other big clubs would not be in such a desperate position since they have many inter-I.C. games. One club with problems would be the Sailing Club who depend on the Welsh Harp Club House which is owned by U.L.

All this means that we will have to think hard about the future, possibly sounding out other U.L. colleges with a view to forming independent "London Colleges Leagues" as at present happens with Cross Country.

## ATHLETES MOP UP

I.C. have done surprisingly well this season. U.C., Q.M.C., L.S.E., R.A.F. Cranwell, Goldsmiths and Bedford and County A.C., have all been beaten. Kings, with their best team for many years, just beat us by 3 points.

During the season we have had three regular members of the U.L. team: Dave Smith (triple jump), Derek Wade (long jump) and Leon Hall (high jump). This tends to emphasize our superiority in field events, while our performances on the track have been nothing to shout about.

There have been a few notable track performances, however. Joe Fitzsimmons won a fine 880 yards for U.L., against the A.A.A., and Roch Basson has taken his 440 yards time down to 51.6 seconds. With more good competition he should improve this.

## Caving Club

## DOWN GAPING GILL

Late in March, I.C. Caving Club spent two days underground in the famous Gaping Gill Caverns of Ingleborough in Yorkshire. Ten o'clock Saturday morning found seven well-dressed cavers walking across three miles of snow-swept limestone plateau to the cave entrances; the most prominent being the twenty-foot square shaft—down which Fell Beck plunges 360 feet to the floor of the Main Chamber below. Four of the party then descended Bar Pot via various squeezes and a 110 foot ladder, carrying with them spare clothes sleeping bags, food and cooking gear for the underground camp. This was set up 300 feet underground in the large dry Sand Cavern.

Meanwhile, the other three took only 120 feet of rope and abseiled down the six pitches of the nearby Disappointment Pot. Base Camp established, the remaining six cavers brought the rest of the kit, descended Bar Pot and met the others in Sand Cavern at five o'clock. Shortly

afterwards, the party of three arrived having traversed a quarter mile long, flat-out crawl—the connection from the bottom of Disappointment Pot.

Then everyone enjoyed a quick meal and six hours' sleep before two parties went exploring other parts of the four miles of cave passages. The highlight for everyone was a visit to the Main Chamber, roughly the size of St. Paul's Cathedral with the highest waterfall in Britain falling through the hole in the roof. One party visited East Passage to photograph the beautiful formations—the only ones in the System. The second party traversed the long, low, wet, muddy, aptly-named Amphibian passage to visit the Master Cave and terminal sump.

Three in the afternoon saw everyone back in Sand Cavern packing the kit ready for the arduous climb back up Bar Pot, but it was another two hours before everyone was out of the cave, all agreeing that it had been a most successful weekend.

## HOCKEY: A DUTCH CUP

Our hockey team were lucky enough to tour Holland during the Easter Vac., and enjoy both genial hospitality and active sport. During our stay we were entertained by the Dutch Students in Groningen whence we visited much of Holland. We commenced our visit by playing four matches, winning one, drawing one and losing two. Later we travelled to Epe to play in a tournament and it was here

that our team spirit and hockey ability came to the fore., playing six games, winning three of them and drawing three. Our performance won us the Cup for the tournament which had a truly international flavour. The tour was a great success, being a mixture of good sport and splendid entertainment and we look forward to welcoming the Dutch Students next year by way of repayment.

## AND NOW...

The diversity of the sporting activities recognized by the college continues to grow. This year has heralded the birth of the Ten Pin Bowling Club and just recently the Water Skiing Club.

However, whereas bowling alleys are comparatively easy to come by in the heart of London, it is not so simple to find a good stretch of skiing water and the skiing club have so far had to travel to Lowestoft for their first outing.

The morning was mainly taken up with land instruction, but several runs were made in the afternoon with varying success.

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## CARNIVAL MAKES £ 2300

Despite a slow start the 1964 Carnival has made a profit of £2300. This is £600 better than last year. Commented Treasurer Bellamy: "We were very pleased with street collections—more than half of the increased total came from them".

The Carnival Record and the Magazine "Old Rope" were both financial disappointments, many remaining unsold.

### Carnival Breakdown

Carnival Week Events		£ 240
Raffle		£ 525
Collections		£1215
Garden Fete		£ 200
Finale Dance		£ 240
Carnival Record	LOST	£ 40
Carnival Felix	LOST	£ 30
Publicity	COST	£ 50

(Old Rope sales were about £400 but most of this money is included with Collections).

Big improvements over last year were achieved by the Raffle, the Garden Fete and street collections.



DELIGHTED—Mr. Nutter from Blackpool, receives the Cortina from Hodgson and Skinner.

## DIRTY NYLONS (BRI)

Last Monday, the same three anonymous re-entered the Royal Albert Hall, during the rehearsals for the Beat Concert. After noting that Freddie (but not the Dreamers) used Old Spice liberally, they asked Kenny Ball about his new disc 'Hey Dolly'. He was glad to see Louis Armstrong top the Beatles in the States, and he signed some Carnival Records with a Kenny Ball point pen. 20% of the Hollies came up from the dressing room. "How are y'getting on with that Spanish bit" asked his mate, and they signed on the dotted cover; likewise Billy J. Kramer. Alan Freeman was still wearing the same Brinyon brown shirt that he wore at the previous

show. Even brown nylon stays drab.

### RECORDS REMAIN

Carnival Records are still available, signed, for 10 shillings by The Searchers, The Hollies, Freddie and the Dreamers, Gerry and the Pacemakers, Rolling Stones, Chuck Berry, Swinging Blue Jeans, The Animals, Alan Freeman, Susan Maugham, Dusty Springfield, Joe Brown, Harry Secombe, Bruce Forsyth, Kenny Ball, Billy J. Kramer, Big Dee Irwin, Eden Kane, Brian Poole, Eugene Grotte.

And unsigned Carnival Records at 7/6.

## IN RETROSPECT

Once again, this year's Carnival failed to impress its occurrence on to its environs. Publicity was sparse and uninspiring, stunts were almost non-existent.

An increased expenditure on posters could have resulted in a high power campaign in the South Kensington district. It seems strange that this was not done.

### Croquet

Perhaps lack of publicity was the lost cause of a Princes Gardens dweller's comment on the Fete day crowd: "But they are all students. Students haven't got enough money to spend to make all that effort worthwhile!"

The Fete made £200. Patronage from wealthy South Kensington residents could have resulted in it making £2000. Their absence was not puzzling. Swinging a pickaxe at an old car or emptying buckets of water over Watson are fun for the young, but the older element have outgrown this behaviour. A more sedate and dignified Garden Party could be the answer, coupled with a much quieter atmosphere and perhaps even—croquet.

### Old Rope

The Carnival Magazine sold badly. This was surprising though its weakness of content soon became widely known in College. It seems a pity that standards of taste have to des-

cent to the almost criminal (Brighton) level before hot sales result.

Big success of Carnival was the raffle. Whether it was a result of the gleaming car or the slick and efficient way in which it was administered, the profits showed excellent improvement.

### Expansion

Noticable about Carnival organisation is that it fails to attract more than a small nucleus of highly competent personnel. It seems ridiculous that an inexperienced first-year can present himself as a helper and then be given a fairly responsible position.

This situation is apparently forced upon the executive who find that experienced organisers are very reticent to come forward and help with Carnival. For our effort to expand this situation must be rectified. Perhaps it is the image of Carnival that needs a change.

Chairman Hodgson and his Committee deserve credit. They performed well, worked hard, had some fresh ideas and succeeded in involving far more people in the effort than in previous years. Congratulations!

THE CARNIVAL CHAIRMAN would like to thank all those who worked in any way on Carnival.

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