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CARNIVAL TO AID LOCAL CHARITY

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Improved Relations

The gulf between the staff and the students could be narrowed by extending the tutorial to encourage students to treat the staff not as masters at school, but as more experienced friends. This was the general consensus of opinion at a meeting of interested members of staff and the Union on Tuesday, December 1st.

Contact among the resident population was, on the whole, quite good, but relations with staff and students not living in Hall were in a sorry state.

Another meeting ground should be provided by the Union Societies. There must be many members of staff interested in some of the varied interests covered by the societies. If they were invited to join, both students and the staff themselves would gain.

Much ground was covered and a number of ideas were suggested, which, if implemented, could make the beginnings of a grand new era in which staff and students would meet more often and for extracurricular as well as academic reasons.

Four times a year there is an occasion ideally suited for improving-staff-student relations. It is unfortunate that so little interest is shown by both sides in the Touchstone Weekends, for these are events where everyone can mingle quite freely and profit.



Members of I.C. Union seemed to wish that the College be recognised by the citizens of the Royal Borough of Kensington as **THEIR COLLEGE** when they elected that the Notting Hill Housing Trust Association be the 1965 Carnival charity at the last Union Meeting of term, on December 3rd.

Of the four charities proposed, the NHHTA, whose case was put by Chris Tye, last year's President of R.C.S., was the only one to evoke strong vocal support from the house, and, put to the vote, it won overwhelmingly.

It was carried because it presents the greatest challenge ("They need our help because they can't help themselves"—Bob Collins), there is a "Great possibility of . . . giving manpower help" (Chris Evans, R.C.S. Vice-President, added, "All we ever do round here is cause noise and nuisance") and we shall be able to see the fruits of our labours (but "Personal pride should not enter into it"—Chris Tye).

Of the other proposers, David Reich, President of Debates, presented the strongest case, for the Imperial Cancer Research Fund. Barry Utting, I.C.U. Secretary, droned on about Oxfam in a speech that seemed the longest but was, in fact, the shortest, and Barry Mair, ICU Deputy President, seemed beaten before he began to speak for the British Red Cross Society.

Commenting on the result, Dougal McCreath, spokesman for the Carnival Committee, merely said, "Wish us luck."

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MIKE TO BE MASCOT

Guilds, R.C.S. and Mines are to make a joint effort to manufacture a five-foot working micrometer. "As this is university it will be graduated in degrees."

Referring to his copy of Felix 210 for facts Nigel Gravette proposed at December 3rd's Union Meeting, that "As I.C. is a predominately male college it is only appropriate that it should have a screw gauge as its mascot."

BISHOP PUSHES LAMPPOST

Much concern was expressed that a micrometer was not in fact representative of all the sciences and technologies studied at I.C., and David Bishop, President of Guilds, made an abortive attempt to amend micrometer in the motion with lamppost. The former, he felt, had "Too much of an engineering bias," and showed "the

narrow-minded outlook of Imperial College," a lamp-post, he felt, represented our past by being Victorian, our present by being in the middle of the Beit Quadrangle, and our future by shedding light.

On its defeat he explained that he had only put forward the amendment to make the meeting consider seriously the prospect of a micrometer as a mascot and not to make a rushed or rash decision.

Time was getting short and President Price told Kish Sadhvani, RCS President, to forget his proposed amendment. The house disapproved of this comment from the chair and Mr. Sadhvani moved that Mike the micrometer be the mascot of

Imperial College IN PLACE OF the Queen's Tower." The motion was carried.

DISCUSSION

The clock ruled that some business in the Union Meeting be held over until Friday, December 4th. This was iniquitous so a valuable half-hour was spent in informal discussion.

Keith Cavanagh, student Chairman of I.C.A.Sc.W., moved that a Staff-Student Committee be set up to investigate Lecturing Me-

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UNION MEETING

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thods at I.C. The matter was referred to Council for discussion before the end of term.

GRAND LARCENY

Barry Mair, the Deputy President, answered charges regarding the long hours expected of the cloakroom attendants. The rota that they are now working was their own plan and, because he thought it far from ideal, he had suggested that they only do a trial period.

The previous weekend had seen two cases of larceny, and it had been necessary to bring in the CID. A coat had been stolen from the Union cloakroom on the night of the R.C.S. Smoking Concert, and a suitcase, whose contents were valued around £50 (he described as "A case of grand larceny") was removed on Monday morning. Greater security measures were introduced immediately.

Jewish Society favoured a payment increase. This, Mr. Mair said, was an I.C. matter; the Union did not pay the men.

SOUTHSIDE

Pete Walton, Southside, R.C.S. Secretary commenting on weekends in Southside, said, "It seems a pity to employ so many men for so few coats." It was proposed that the pigeon-holes in the Southside cloakroom be replaced by racks because it was possible that the cloakroom was little used as people objected to having their coats rolled up in such a fashion. President Price expressed sympathy and agreed to look into the matter.

A request was also made that in Southside the seat covers be cleaned, and that waste bins be placed in the T.V. lounge in view of the extra litter created by the coffee machine. Waste bins had been on order since the beginning of term.

GRANTS, BLOOD AND GRANADALAND

The Union was preparing a memorandum on grants for the University Grants Committee who were coming to I.C. next term.

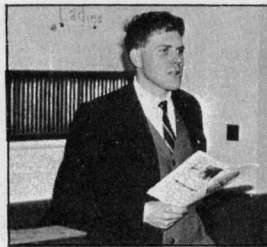
Worldwide Famine

Dr. Bender told a small, but soon intensely attentive audience, that if homo sapiens continue to eat and multiply regardless as they have done to the present day, we will be starving by the turn of the century. So convincing were the facts and figures presented—one left with the feeling that if something is not done soon, nuclear war will seem an easy way out.

Half the population of the world today are either malnourished or starving. Population is still increasing at a considerably greater rate than food production. Only two per cent. of the world's total food production crosses its frontiers (a large proportion of this is consumed in Britain) and increasing population is reducing the available exports.

A GORDIAN KNOT

Economic, Political and Humanitarian aspects of the problem bind it into a veritable gordian knot that can best be attacked on the level of intelligent and whole hearted world co-operation. Experience has shown that even on a comparatively small scale, where an extraordinary degree of concerted effort is exerted, in this direction (Mexico) the resulting local improvement is barely that



NIGEL GRAVETTE—who proposed Mike and is in charge of your blood.

The Blood Transfusion Service will be at I.C. on February 3, 4 and 5. All donors welcome.

Mr. Tutelman, who led the group of I.C. supporters to Manchester for University Challenge, criticised the treatment given them by Granada T.V. He inquired if Mr. Price had received any written undertaking, but the latter apologised for his failure to bring the letter to the Meeting. If the complaint were justified, however, he would write.

WELLSOC, 7th DECEMBER

Dr. Arkold E. Bender, treasurer of the Nutritional Soc., shortly to be senior lecturer at Queen Elizabeth College.

which is urgently required on a worldwide scale. The problems in attaining this degree of concerted effort on a worldwide scale are obviously enormous.

PROBLEMS AND ANSWERS

Politicians deny the masses free food in the pursuit of a non-alignment policy; Catholics walk out of conferences on birth control; the peasant is loath to give up his traditional ways. Fertilizers mean industry, and marketing requires transport. The problem is immense.

The answers to a lot of the problems are now at hand, but not the means for implementing them. The yield of the land can be increased. The nutritional value of present foods can be improved. Hitherto untapped sources such as the sea and the protein in foliage can be utilized to their full extent.

A few interested and dedicated people have shown great ingenuity, but until the implications of the present situation are thoroughly understood by politicians, administrators, and, indeed, the people, little will come out of the ideas at hand.

D. S. VJRK.

CLARIFICATION

In our issue of 2nd December we published a reference to Rule 3 (B) (11) of the Rules of the A.Sc.W. which, it has been suggested, was open to the construction that Rule 3 (B) (11) gave the Branch Committee power to disperse Union funds for political objects at the Committee's discretion.

In fact under Rule 74 only the Executive Committee of the Union has power to disperse its funds and political expenditure must come from a Special Political Fund, and can only be applied to political objects defined by the Trade Union Act 1913.

In addition we are asked by the Branch Committee to state that as a committee they have no political affiliation.

STOMPS ARE BACK

"Man, what an atmosphere—and those chicks, too!" A typical comment at one of the South Side Stomps last year, although of course the Jazz Club's main aim in running the Stomps had been to provide some first class jazz for listening and dancing.

Next term the stomps are back, the first one being on Jan. 13th. Two, and sometimes three, bands will be appearing at each stomp to provide a variety of types of music from basic rock jazz to the roaring sound of the I.C. Big Band and the emotional subtlety of the Jazz Congress.

Start next term right by going to the first Stomp—you won't regret it!

AL HIGSON

FIRST NIGHT

DRAM. SOC

Tuesday, 8th December

Robert Bolt's "A Man For All Seasons" sympathetically explores the relationship between Henry VIII, his court, and Sir Thomas More. We are shown Sir Thomas More, a mild man of letters and art, his almost casual involvement in politics, and his tragic end, led to the gallows by his honesty and faith; Hugh Frazer portrayed him admirably, not as a simpering intellectual, but with a convincing forthrightness.

He was backed by a strong cast—Jane Watts, as his wife Lady Alice, was perhaps a little too bitchy, Diana Warwick as his daughter Lady Margaret was what I expected a 16th century daughter to be. Antony Stevens as the King was a fair blend of randy charm and arrogance and it is regrettable that the play did not allow us to see more of him.

Timothy Watson merits special mention as the Common Man who provided light relief and tried his hand at everything from barman to headsman. Less attractive characters were well put over too. Alan Auchterlounie as the Duke of Norfolk, a falcon-flying noble, Richard Mayers as Cardinal Wolsey (a little too much of a swine, I think), and Michael Cope as Thomas Cromwell, whose cold-blooded politics sent Sir Thomas to the block. Stephen Lloyd's Richard Rich got off to a weak start, but soon showed the inadequacy and ambition required of him. Oliver Espitalier-Noel as the Spanish Ambassador was

adequate but not Spanish enough. William Roper did well as the angry young son-in-law. Other parts were played by Derek Meloney, Christopher Shelton and Lesley Slater. The producer was Catherine Robins.

The set failed to satisfy somehow—perhaps it was its extreme asymmetry that jarred. These are, however, only trivial criticisms and it is sad to report that such an effective production was so badly supported. What support there was seemed to come from outside I.C. I really wonder if I.C. students have anything better to do with their time?

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THIS YEAR'S CHARITY

The Housing Problem

If you go to Holland Park and then walk north along Clarendon Road, the character of the houses soon changes from smart white-painted ones at the south to the delapidated and crumbling ones at the north. In the Notting Hill and Ladbroke Grove area there are some appalling slums. In this area several families have a home consisting of just one room.

There are now some 1,000 homeless families in L.C.C. Reception Centres, 6,500 people in London are homeless at the present time. There are thousands of families in London living in one room and paying £3 to £5 a week for it.

The roots of the housing problem would seem to be in the fact that there is a shortage of family-type accommodation in London. Low-income families are charged high rents. Many are exploited, and Rachmanism continues even now.



The Swifts in their new house renovated by the Trust.

The Trust

Bad housing and complete lack of housing are the root causes of many urgent social problems, e.g. divorce, disease and crime. A small group of people who live and work in Notting Hill banded together to fight the housing problem. They formed the Notting Hill Housing Trust, on 20th Dec. 1963.

This charitable trust has two main objects:—

(1) To provide homes for families and old people who are either homeless or living in grossly overcrowded conditions.

(2) To provide rehabilitation where this is necessary.

The short-term objectives are to train the victims for higher paid jobs—this will increase their self-respect and ease their financial problems.

The Solution

The solution to the problem is obviously a political one in the long run. Both the major political parties agree that it will take ten years to rehouse the present victims.

But something must be done now! In ten years time the children will be embittered adults, old folk will have died in squalor, and many couples will be soured by mean married lives.

When the Labour Government repeals the 1957 Rent Act, rent control will be brought back and there will be more control of evictions. But the number of flats in London is not going to increase over-night (if anything they will be harder to get) so the problem of overcrowding and homelessness will remain.

What They Do

The Trust is buying large houses, converting them (partly with volunteer labour) into good simple homes which are then let at reasonable rents to the most needy members of society with no distinction between colour or creed.

The full-time administration staff consists of three people who work in an unpretentious office in Notting Hill. They have given up jobs with salaries between £2,000 and £740 and now work for a joint salary of £250 per year. So far the administration costs amount to only 2 per cent. of the money received.

A full-time master-carpenter is also employed at a low salary. He directs the rebuilding operations often done by volunteer work parties. When the funds permit, it is intended to employ a housing manager, an electrician and a plumber.

Notting Hill Housing Trust Photographs by kind permission of Clay Perrv.

Christopher Tye investigates the Notting Hill Housing Trust

At Present

Some examples of the shocking conditions found around Notting Hill are given below:

- (1) An expectant mother, father and two children lived in a basement room ten foot square. Rain came through the window and rats came in at night. The rent was £3 10s. a week. They have now been rehoused by the Trust.
- (2) A family of six live in one dark, damp room. They have no kitchen and no hot water. The cold water tap is shared by 13 people. The lavatory is shared by 19 people. They pay £5 10s. rent a week.
- (3) A man earning £9 a week pays £6 rent for the room in which he lives with his family of six.
- (4) A family of nine live in one small room. One daughter left home to find a room of her own. She is now a prostitute.
- (5) A man aged 20 was evicted with his family four times, twice violently after midnight. He rebelled against society by stealing and is now a convict.

Rev. Kenrick

The Chairman of the Trust is Rev. Bruce Kenrick a Presbyterian Minister who lives in Blenheim Crescent, Notting Hill. He was very pleased that the Union had decided to support the Trust for this year's Charity Carnival.

He came to the first meeting of the Carnival Committee to explain what the Trust was doing. He was interested to learn of the proposed Carnival activities and he offered his help in several ways.

He has one slight worry—that some irresponsible action in aid of the Carnival might damage the reputation of the Trust. We must make sure that this does not happen.

Local Charity

Because this Charity is local we can do more than just raise money. It is believed that there are several students in I.C. who will be willing to form working parties to go up to Notting Hill and help the Trust in its work of converting Houses into flats. Parties from the Anglican Chaplaincy are already doing this. It is hoped to organise several others next term.



Renovation in Progress in Notting Hill

Finance

As the Trust has been in operation for only just a year it is in great need of money; every penny received is urgently needed. By using L.C.C. Loans and Local Authority Grants each pound given does the work of many more. The funds are managed by a finance committee consisting of three chartered accountants, a solicitor, a tax expert, a High Court Judge and a Q.C.

£650 given to the Trust will install a family of six in a permanent house.

£200 given to the Trust will give a permanent home to an old-age pensioner.

Well, I.C. students, the rest is up to you. The Carnival can use you in some way, and every effort made will bring in some cash which will be gratefully received by the Notting Hill Housing Trust.

CHRISTMAS VACATION WORK

Students on vacation in LONDON over Christmas are invited to apply for temporary night work as Security Officers guarding property and premises in the Greater London area. Minimum age 20. Highest references. Pay from £11 11s. 6d. to £14 18s. 0d. p.w. according to hours worked. Apply NOW and ensure an interesting job with free uniform and fares assistance awaits you in the vacation. Ring BRUnwick 7104 or call at SECURICOR, 366, Gray's Inn Road, W.C.1. for full particulars and enrolment forms.

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This term, behaviour has been relatively sane and sober. Unlike previous terms, there have not been floods of complaints over noise in Southside, there have no violent disagreements between staff and students, or petty squabbles between members of the Union hierarchy. However, there have been a number of occurrences in or concerning the Halls, which have caused much ill will between the Wardens and their Disciplinary Committees. Under the present Hall rules, the Warden can override his Hall Disciplinary Committee. Such a move would surely destroy any trust between the student-residents and the Warden of the hall concerned, and would generally be regarded as a step backwards from everyone's ideal of staff-student relations.

Of course, it is up to the members of the Hall Committees to adopt, at all times, a reasonable and responsible attitude. It is regrettable that, on a number of occasions this term, members of the Disciplinary Committees have reprimanded other members of their hall for making a noise, and, ten minutes later, were causing an even greater nuisance themselves.

Students are, in general, responsible people; and those holding senior posts must remain responsible at all times.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all members of the Felix staff and all our many readers a very Merry Christmas and a successful New Year.

Foreign Affairs

ANTI-APARTHEID APATHY

There is a big row at King's College because only six of their students turned up for the anti-apartheid rally. Presumably it hasn't occurred to some zealous "antis" that not everyone is yearning to meddle in the internal affairs of another country. Perhaps this is an indication the people are not really as passionately caught up in other country's affairs as some "pink" student-politicians would like to think. Besides, is everyone really sympathetic with a terrorist movement which places bombs in stations, killing innocent people. Once again, it looks like one net of opinion for whites and another for blacks. The O.A.S. were white, and naturally condemned by "world opinion!" The South African terrorists are black and, just as naturally, are condemned by "world opinion" for performing the same acts of terrorism in roughly similar circumstances.

BUNNY STUDENTS!

Reading Union is looking for girls who look bedable but are not bedable to act as bunny girls. A local brewer who wants to open a spicy restaurant has appealed to

the University for girls.

GOWNS FOR NEWCASTLE

Newcastle Students Representative Council has passed a motion that "Gowns should be worn to all lectures by students in this University" by a narrow majority. Opinion in the main student body is strongly against so be prepared for an outcry.

KING'S UNION UNDERSPEND!

King's are worried about Underspending. Their Union underspent by over two thousand pounds last year. The figure was described by the secretary as "far too high" and it is hoped to bring the profit margin down next year.

EXETER GOWNS

Exeter students are being urged to wear gowns so that visitors realise that the town does possess a University!

SHEFFIELD VERDICT

The seven students responsible for the Rag Week Mock Murder were sentenced to two weeks suspension by a Union Discipline Tribunal. One of the guilty quite rightly called it "harsh and unnecessary."

IF YOU CAN'T HAVE ONE— BUY ONE!

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STUDENT ACADEMICS

What must be realised about the A.Sc.W. is that provided the Unions, especially the constituent ones, are doing their jobs properly, then it is completely irrelevant to undergraduate needs. The present saga of events started in the Chemistry department, whose students decided to call in the A.Sc.W., rather than the R.C.S. Union, to help in trying to set up a staff student committee. This somewhat misguided action was, I am told, prompted by a feeling that the Union was really only interested in "sport" and beer full stop. Talking to union officials, I am convinced that nothing could be further from the truth. In the long run, as always, it comes back to the ordinary member, the so-called man in the street. He (or she) can hardly expect the Union to reflect the opinions of its members unless they tell their reps what these are. At the moment, far too few people are prepared to do this.

THAT HARLINGTON BEER

Ask any sportsman about Harlington beer, and the odds are that the answer won't be couched in very complimentary terms. Enquire further, and you will find that its sale is controlled by the eight strong Athletic Ground Committee, five of whom are students. It appears that in 1961 we made a gentlemen's agreement with Fullers to sell their beer exclusively "for several years." The problem therefore is one of equating the definition of "several years" against the quality (or lack of) of the beer, and the latter seems to win. It is the duty of all students on the AGC to forcibly put forward the opinion of the people they represent —only then will anything be done.

BUILDERS WANTED

I was very glad that the Union decided to choose the Notting Hill Housing Trust as this year's Carnival charity. At last we have a chance not only to enjoy ourselves, but to give help of a practical nature to solve a vast problem on our own doorstep. My only fear is that the stirring "do it all ourselves" speeches at the adoption meeting, will in fact merely result in the Carnival



R.C.S. TRIAL—Clarke of the Court exhibits a lock of Brass's hair.

dry university union in Britain, is considering buying its own pub if the college authorities persist in refusing to allow a bar on the home premises.

LOSS AT L.S.E.

Max Williams, organiser of L.S.E.'s rag dance at Battersea, is faced with a loss of over £300. Among the factors contributing to the loss were the removal, and distribution, of 300 tickets from

the Union Office by an unknown person and the poor support (only 30 students turned up) by L.S.E. itself.

BRIBERY AT N.U.S.

An L.S.E. delegate at the N.U.S. Conference at Margate alleges virtual bribery in the form of social activities, dinners and other persuasive means. He said the way things were sorted out was not, in general, honest.

Guildfinger

The column born of our age,
replacing the old Spannerama.
The column that gives you the
news and views of Guildsmen.

Union Office, 7.00 p.m. Wednesday. From our special correspondent.

There is an increase in the crime wave sweeping through Imperial College. This was the reluctant conclusion to which I was forced after I had secreted myself into a Guilds Union Meeting (disguised as a spanner) which was held tomorrow.

Forthcoming at this meeting were several important facts concerning a vast criminal organisation, known as the "Guilds." An anonymous tape recorder gave away closely guarded secrets concerning the recent dramatic "Great Theta Theft." I had hardly recovered from the shock which these meticulous details had given me, when another audacious play was revealed. A number of the gang, disguised as student "Carol Singers," were to gather in the entrance to the Mechanical Department of the College at 7.00 p.m., and were then to proceed to open an attack, by foot, on the West End of London itself.

Finally, the gang were to hold a celebrational orgy at "M's Baths." This would circumvolve

throwing a number of innocent victims into the turgid waters, and forcing them to attempt to catch the crack swimmers of the "Guilds." Obviously this is an unenviable, even an impossible task.

It is obvious to even the untrained eye that the gang is highly organised, even to the extent of imprudence. The head of the gang is apparently the ubiquitous "Y," who has the backing of a large international organisation, known to the few as the "O.C.s."

In recent weeks they have shocked the world with such escapades as the "stealing of the Lord Mayor's Show," the "holding to ransom of the inhabitants of Brighton," in which they employed their secret weapon, known by the code name of "Bo." There was also their strategic naval victory at the "Battle of the Morphy" c1964.

It seems that the gang, flushed with recent successes consider themselves invincible, and unless rapid concerted action is taken against this powerful organisation, they will only be sated by complete domination of the world, as we know it, and of I.C.



NEW THETA

The new Theta (see above) was adopted as the official R.C.S. Union meeting. It was also decided that the old Theta should be sacrificially burned because it had been contaminated by guildsmen (whose half-life is five years. This is because guildsmen are thicker than R.C.S. men and need longer to take a 3-year course.)

TROPHY OFFICERS' TRIAL

After the Graham Clarke of Court had introduced the case, Adrian Fletcher, prosecuting, built up a massive case against the accused. His first witness, Miss Gladly Ann Freely, had almost seduced the entire jury before it became apparent that although she knew many interesting things none of these were relevant to the case. It was then shown how the loss of Theta had affected a typical innocent fresher. A young lad, Algernon Brass, conclusively demonstrated that he was a mental wreck. Then the prosecution produced their chief witness, Private Eye Rodney Slothly-Nicely, who testified how he had found the Trophy Officer celebrating the loss of Theta, and, in particular, how he found a heavy blunt instrument, namely Graham Clarke.

Ted Needham, defending, then called his chief witness, who just happened to be Rodney Slothly-Nicely who (for an undisclosed sum of money) reversed all his earlier testaments.

Throughout the proceedings, the other counsels played a major part. Ray Phillips successfully objected to Adrian Fletcher several times (and who would blame him) until he realised they were both on the same side. Roger Cook (who assures me that he is not pregnant) attempted to visualise the proceedings by holding up pieces of paper containing challengeable statements, e.g. RAY PHILLIPS IS A HOMO sapiens.

Surprising as it may or may not seem, the accused were found guilty, and the traditional sentence passed on them. This was carried out a few minutes later at the Round Pond when they were immersed, fully clothed, in its healing waters.

For Photograph see page 4

GENTLEMEN OF MINES

ACADEMIC SUB-COMMITTEE

The meeting chaired by John Taylor, Mines Vice President, was held on Tuesday, 8th December.

The first topic discussed was the relationship between Mines Union and the A.Sc.W. It was finally decided that no action would be taken until after the A.Sc.W. had been discussed by I.C. Council.

The meeting then went on to discuss the tutorial system in general during the course of which several interesting conclusions were drawn. On the whole it was thought that the tutorial system in Mines was operating well but that it might possibly be a good idea if marked reports were handed back via one's personal tutor.

This would have the dual purpose of bringing the tutor and student more frequently together and also give the tutor some idea of ones progress.

Questionnaires dealing with the whole question of tutorials, lectures and syllabus are being formulated at the time of writing.

FRESHERS POT

The freshers pot was presented to Roger Lea for the fastest and driest yard at the freshers dinner in 9.4 seconds. Roger readily demonstrated his skill by christening his newly acquired prize.

THE BARBARAFEST

Monday morning we were faced with the sight of two Minesmen, Fergus Kerr and Piet Velzeboer, returned from Paris and St. Etienne after 10 days of wine (champagne), women (French) and song (—). This visit culminated with the Grand Ball of St. Etienne School of Mines and was a fitting closure to the week of revelry known on the Continent as Barbarafest, St. Barbara being the patron Saint of Miners.

MINES 3, GUILDS 1

This was the result of the first round of the Stephenson Hockey Cup. Mines thrashed Guilds; we completely dominated the first half, scoring all 3 goals through a strong Guilds defence during that period. Each goal was the climax of a team movement neatly finished by the scorer. Our scorers being Mike Ansty and Miles Philpot. The forwards and half-backs played well, inter-passing and intercepting passes truly.

Mines defence were never really tested, they dealt easily with the full weight of the Guilds forwards. The goal that Guilds did score being generously conceded by our goal keeper.

A win against R.C.S. will mean that our hockey team have the cup. The result appears in the Late News.

MINES NIGHT, THURSDAY, 17th DECEMBER

Mines night this time is being held in conjunction with a carol singing tour of the West End. Our guests on the evening will be the foreign students from the European Mining Schools who are with us at present and to whom we give a hearty welcome.

The evening will start with a 2-hour vocal lubricating and warm-up in the I.C. bar. The party, which will number approximately 60, will then move off with collecting tins to the melodious strains of the carol "Away in a Manger." Once in the West End those Minesmen with tins will be deployed strategically around the main body. The purpose of this movement will be two-fold, firstly to collect and secondly to restrain the more thirsty ones amongst us. For, as Big Ben chimes 11 o'clock, we will be led to a rendezvous where carefully hidden will be two barrels of beer.

SMOKING CONCERT

Congratulations to Mike Grodie and Dick Smith for producing the best Smoking Concert for years. There will be, as expected, a slight financial loss, and this would have been negligible had it not been for the barrel of beer donated to the W.U.S. Fund.

R.C.S. NEWS-SHEET

Next term there will be an R.C.S. newsheet. Editor—Peter Finch, 88 Beit. Help will be needed.

R.C.S. UNION OFFICE

The R.C.S. Union Office (Room 20, Chemistry Building) will be open this Thursday, and on Thursdays next term, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. This is a service provided for you—please use it.

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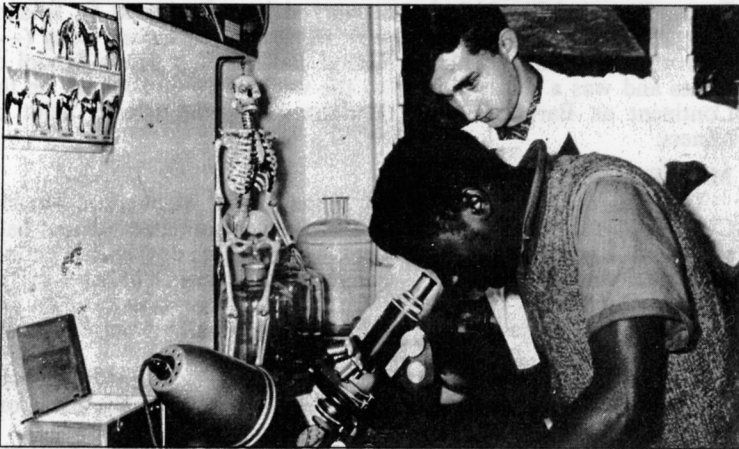
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V.S.O.

V.S.O. is an organisation run on amateur and inefficient lines.

When V.S.O. was started several years ago by Alec Dickson it was almost exclusively for school-leavers and apprentices. During this period it operated on a shoe-string, supported by voluntary subscriptions from firms and individuals and by a small grant from government departments. The staff was largely part-time and there was a feeling that idealism and enthusiasm would solve everything.

It was fairly common for volunteers to arrive in the host country and find either that there was no job for them or that the job was not really worth doing. Happily this is now a thing of the past. Since V.S.O. started a graduate section it has been taken very much under the wing of the British Council. The new offices in Hanover Street have an air of efficiency about them that was almost completely missing in the old offices in the Commonwealth Society. To-day V.S.O. itself and the British Council try to investigate all jobs before volunteers are sent; naturally this cannot be perfect but errors are becoming increasingly rare.



Secondary School Biology Instruction.

If I volunteer what sort of job am I likely to be given?

The vast majority of volunteers are given teaching jobs in secondary schools, universities, technical colleges and teacher training colleges. However, there are a few jobs available in other

fields: last year three civil engineers went abroad, a forensic chemist to British Guiana, and geologists to Borneo. Each year several other specialists are asked for but these are far fewer than the number of teachers required.

SHORT TAKES

Tizard Hall's Mulled Wine Party on Sunday 6th December was attended by senior members of staff, including the Rector. It is meetings such as this that will bring the staff and students closer together. Unfortunately only two Mews' residents were able to attend.

A member of the Felix Staff recently had a very welcome windfall to the tune of £398 18s. 2d. on the fixed odds football pools. He's getting married next year!

There were over a hundred coats on the counter of the Southside cloakroom a week ago last Sunday, because no cloakroom attendant was on duty. This seems surprising after the discussion in the Union meeting (see front page).

EXPLOSION

And at the thirteenth hour . . .

Had the Watchmen of the Guard executed their duties diligently on the night of December 3rd, perhaps ye Houses of Weeks would not have suffered a dastardly attempt to eliminate the sub-keeper and all others therein.

Shortly after 1 a.m. the three score and six bedchambers were rocked by the effects of a revolutionary "gunpowder detonating device" placed in the refuse receptacle cunningly concealed in the centre of the landing.

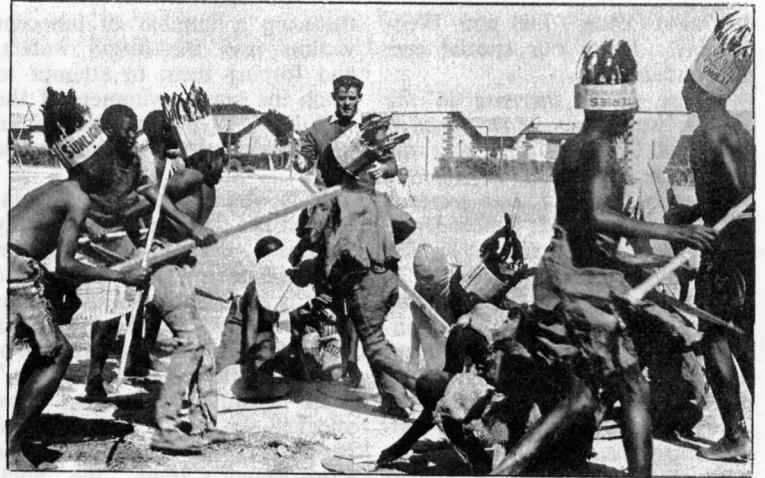
The sub-keeper, shortly afterwards emerged in his night-attire, and was heard to be muttering suitable thanks for salvation in the modern Australian idiom.

So great was the explosion, that residents in the servants quarters opposite, and in Southside Towers were awakened, as were residents in the higher reaches of the Houses of Weeks.

Voluntary Service Overseas is an organisation about which one hears a lot of contradictory statements and about which all prospective volunteers have a lot of questions. To-day FELIX attempts to deal with a few of the most common and important items.

A Special Investigation by John Cawson

Photographs by courtesy of V.S.O.



Tribal Dancing—Less formal instruction.

If, when I arrive in the country, I find I do not like the job or am not suited for it, is there anything that can be done?

On the whole volunteers are expected to tackle anything and once they have volunteered to stick whatever they may be given, but if it is a case of the job not existing or being unsuitable, then the British Council on the spot will investigate, and arrange an alternative, if they feel that it is warranted.

V.S.O. is patronising in its attitude and full of do-gooders.

It may have been in the past, but to-day things are changing. The newsletter was the prime example of this, one such article included these thoughts: "If you are faced with a strange dish which you feel you cannot take, then close your eyes and think of England." The first graduates to go out under the scheme complained bitterly about this and there are signs that this may be changed.

Have any graduates from Imperial College been abroad with V.S.O.?

Although the graduate section of V.S.O. has only been in opera-

tion since 1962 ten volunteers have gone abroad under the scheme, six to secondary schools to teach science, three to technical colleges, and one to a teacher training college.

What is there in it for me?

To be honest, the modern attitude in V.S.O. is more concerned with what there is in it for the country concerned than you. You can expect to work harder than you have ever done in your life, to find that there are not nearly enough hours in the day to accomplish what you would like to do. In return, you will get the satisfaction of doing a worthwhile job, do not expect to be working under close supervision or even with much help on the job. V.S.O. volunteers have found themselves as senior science masters in schools, or even in some cases headmasters. However, V.S.O. can promise you a year or two that you will never forget; a lot of volunteers do decide to stay on for a second year after completing the first. At the end there is a generous resettlement grant, £100 for the first year and a further £100 for a second.

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Dear Sir...

A.Sc.W.

Sir,

Taken in conjunction with various chortlings about Sennet's "sensationalism and inaccuracy" in reporting and possibilities of libel action, and the letters complaining about racial and political smears, Felix' (210) article about the A.Sc.W. could hardly have come at a worse time.

The correctness of the quotation from the A.Sc.W. Rules shows that N.J.W. and D.I.W. must have read at least part of them. If so, it is inexcusable that they should have used Rule 3B11 as they did. In full the rule reads:—

"To pursue the furtherance of political objects to which section 3 of the Trade Union Act, 1913, applies, as defined by Rules 83 and 84."

Rules 83 and 84 concern contributions to the Association's Political Fund, the use of which is strictly defined by the above Rules and Trade Union Act. Such contributions are of course not compulsory.

Allegations of Communism need no comment beyond pointing out the letters of other irate readers concerning the irrelevance of political leanings in non-political bodies. The A.Sc.W. does not discuss politics, it does what its 16 objects before Rule 3B11 say. It negotiates on behalf of its members for their benefit and for that of science and the scientific industry in general.

Lack of political leanings is said to be a source of strength for I.C.U. (and College Unions) in their relations with the staff. What then is the secret of the A.Sc.W.'s obvious success in past years and now? Could it be that the Association spends its time doing what it was set for, looking after its members, rather than in indulging in student politics?

Yours sincerely,

P. F. HART (Metallurgy P.G.)

Ed: What successes has I.C.A.Sc.W. had in Student matters?

Depravity

Dear Sir,

In view of recent criticism in your columns directed against the "depravity" of Sennet, I was not a little surprised to come across the Sennet of March 10 this year. It carried a report of articles in contemporary editions of Felix, in which it was able to use such a phrase as "extremely suggestive pictorial back page." The content of several articles in Felix at that time was obviously open to serious criticism.

People in glass houses . . .

Yours etc.,

L. F. JOHNSON (Chem. 1)

Ed: Felix is now under new management.

Record?

Dear Editor,

Last Tuesday I received a letter through the Internal post, dated November 8th 1962. Is this a record?

PENELOPE M. WILLIAMS

APOLOGY

We offer our sincere apologies to Mr. A. Stephenson and Mr. F. Irving concerning an item in the late news of issue 210 on Halls of Residence. The meeting alleged to have taken place with Mr. Stephenson in the chair did not, in fact, take place. We regret any inconvenience or misunderstanding that may have arisen through this article.

Freshers Dinners

Dear Sir,

Now that the Freshers Dinners have finished, we feel that we can voice our opinions on the subject.

It appears that a convention has grown up over the years that Freshers Dinners are all male, all drinking, all swearing sessions punctuated by derision as the freely flowing beer causes someone to leave the room.

We feel that these Freshers Dinners are not the best way to introduce a Fresher to the college, and they give a completely false impression of what is to follow.

We are also sure that many of the staff and other speakers would be able to provide far better amusement after dinner if they were not obliged to reiterate the old and exceedingly obscene jokes which seem to occur with monotonous regularity every year.

They would also feel far less embarrassed at being asked to attend a Freshers Dinner.

Could the dinners themselves not be kept decent and conducted in a more mature manner? The dirty jokes and songs could be saved for the bar later, so that those who feel that they do not wish to take part in such activities may opt out and not be forced to sit through the exhibition.

Yours faithfully,

IAN MCKENZIE Aero I
GRAHAM HORDEN Aero I
D. C. HOWAT Aero I
S. P. HERTZOG Aero I
DAVE HICK, Mining I
TONY FIRMIN Aero II

Carping Comments

Dear Sir,

After Mr. Needham's deliberate misrepresentation of the number of people at the debate with Kings College (see my letter and Mr. Needham's reply in Felix No. 209) we now have the carping comments on the Debating Society in your last issue. You did not bother to point out that attendances have been appreciably more than last year (averaging about 120 this year). All the debates except one have had sufficient floor speeches, to make them run their full time. The exception was the contraception debate, when quite a few people were prepared to speak against the motion, but only one person was prepared to speak for it; thus the floor speeches were cut short as it is a rule of debates that floor speeches should be evenly balanced between those for and against the motion. These facts contradict your statement that there has been little speaking from the floor. The number of speakers from the floor, in fact, should be sufficient to get the potential good speakers to become good speakers and provide the number of good speakers that a College the size of I.C. should have.

Yours faithfully, R. J. KIRK (Physics III)

Lighting Arrangements

Dear Sir,

May I be permitted to make use of your columns to make an announcement concerning entertainments in I.C.

As many of your readers are aware, all lighting and most of the sound equipment for entertainments is installed and operated by the technical departments of the Dramatic Society. While we are always willing to help and our services are provided free of charge we find it very difficult to arrange things at a moment's notice.

As from the beginning of the Spring Term we will not consider any work unless we are given adequate notice. Those who have not seen the circular can obtain copies from me or any lighting department member.

Requests for lighting should be given to me and requests for sound work to Eric Thorniley of Elec. Eng. and not to the President or Secretary of the society.

Yours faithfully, PHILIPS and EDWARDS
(Dramatics Soc. Lighting Supervisors)

Unfortunately due to the lack of space the above two letters had to be cut.

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Appointments should be arranged through your Appointments Board, where forms of application and further information concerning these openings are obtainable.

Hockey U.L. Cup

I.C. FOIL C.E.M and a Slippery Pitch

I.C. the present U.L. League leaders lined up on Wed 9th Dec. against a C.E.M. side containing 2 U.L. players and an England under 23 international. This was the rather grim cup quarter-final match which I.C. faced at C.E.M.'s home ground at Hinchley Wood. The opening moments were occupied with mid-field sparring in which I.C. soon achieved the upper hand and in the fifth minute E. Hough slipped through the middle to beat the goalkeeper and score with a reverse stick shot.

The home side, holders of the cup, were shaken by this and after ten minutes of steady pressure a flicked centre from the left was clipped into the goal again by Hough.

This pressure, apart from sporadic C.E.M. breakaway attacks, continued for the rest of the half without success, Mackenzie being very unlucky to miss by inches from the edge of the circle as he was upended.

After the interval, the C.E.M. side was changed around, Mason, the England player being moved to inside right.

For the opening 15 mins. of this half the team's concentration waned slightly and the Cemian forwards took immediate advantage of this. Lapses of marking on both sides of the field enabled a centre from the right to be stroked into the net by the inside left.

This goal combined with the enthusiasm of I.C.'s few but vociferous supporters stirred the team out of their day-dreaming and for the last fifteen minutes they were pressing hard once again. When the final whistle came, however, the score card still read 2-1 in I.C.'s favour. Throughout, the standard of play was much higher than could be expected on such a slippery pitch. On this, both sides are to be congratulated.

Although C.E.M., on their own admission, are not as strong as last year, when they thrashed U.C. 6-1 to win the cup, this result gives the I.C. team a moral boost which may well be sufficient to take them to the league, Cup, and six-a-side treble coveted by all.

Squash

Lack of Courts

"Inconvenient"

By R. W. Scott

Once the lassitude induced by the fine summer vacation had been shaken off, the 1st V has enjoyed a large measure of success. So far this season, matches have been much closer than last year since I.C. has lost some leading players. The Freshers show much promise and are benefiting from the tougher squash played at College.

The team had a very enjoyable trip to Cranwell during October, recording the first win; and early in November two teams visited Cambridge. Each won one, and lost the second of its matches.

The Club, however, still only offers very limited facilities.

Although this has not affected the spirit of 1st and 2nd team players, it has meant that other members of the Club have not had a fair crack of the whip. In spite of the facilities it is very creditable that upon average, at least two 1st V and one 2nd V matches are played each week.

Like Swimming and Rifle, the Squash Club eagerly look forward to the completion of the Sports Centre.

Results .

1st v. P.16. Won 10
2nd v. P.7. Won 4

Badminton

MIXED SUCCESS

By M. Fitzgerald

Recently, the I.C. first team lost its first league match in four years, being defeated 4-5 by Kings College.

This fixture clashed with the British Universities Sports Federation (B.U.S.F.) Championships and as I.C.'s two U.L. players competed, the team was considerably weakened.

The Mixed team are still unbeaten with recent victories over U.L. (6-3) and Bart's Hospital (5-4). The latter win was achieved against a team which contained two county players and one U.L. player. D. Forster and Miss D. Wokes won two games, and D. Fisher and Miss K. Seneviratne won one game 15-11 in the third set, after trailing 6-11.

After losing the first four games of the match, I.C. 2nd team surprised Goldsmiths by beating them 5-4.

Fencing

This term apparent apathy among other London fencing clubs has restricted the number of matches fought to four, of which I.C. won two, drew one and lost one.

The recently acquired electrical equipment was put to good use in the recent "Goddin Cup" between London colleges, when both the 1st and 2nd I.C. teams were unlucky not to gain promotion from the quarter-finals.

Soccer : U.L. Cup

Late Recovery Destroys Woolwich

By R. Grundy
I.C. 5 — 2 Woolwich Poly.

On December 5th at Harlington, I.C. 1st XI managed to shed at least a little light on the grey, murky afternoon when they beat a competent Woolwich Polytechnic side in the first round of the U.L. Cup Competition. This was an impressive display by I.C. and the team should do well if the defence can learn to settle down a little earlier in the game.

In the first half, the home team strove in vain to make any impression, and the defence was continually tested by the opposition's ability to make very good use of the through ball on the slippery surface. Indeed, the shaky defence eventually cracked when slack tackling allowed the Woolwich inside-forward to run the ball twenty five yards before shooting past Ingram.

Surprisingly, Woolwich increased their lead within minutes from a somewhat similar situation. The I.C. defence again failed to clear and the Woolwich centre-forward managed to screw the ball into the corner of the net. Little was seen of the I.C. attack at this stage; with Huxtable fighting a lone battle "up front," little headway could be made.

CHANGED SIDE

After the interval, I.C. reappeared as a changed side and opened their account immediately: a throw-in found Eastell in the inside-right position and his centre to the far post was headed home by Vaughan. This goal inspired I.C. to signs of former greatness and they proceeded to play some delightful football, the defence linking up well with the forwards. I.C. drew level when the tireless Vaughan shrugged off two tackles and squared the ball for Eastell to score off the left-hand post.

The trio of Huxtable, Vaughan and Stoddart, on the right then ruthlessly crushed all hopes for Woolwich, by this time a sadly dispirited side.

Twice, Stoddart's centres were arrogantly turned into the net by Huxtable. I.C. appeared to slack off a little after this spate of goals and Woolwich were allowed to regain some of their former poise, but the defence, and some dubious tackling by Fairholme, Griffith and Basnet had at last mastered the through ball.

Almost on the stroke of time when fog made the game difficult to follow, the ever-unquenchable Vaughan found himself eight yards out with his back to the goal. Only this ebullient Welshman could have back-heeled the ball with such a mixture of professionalism and the comic.

Team :
Ingram, Fairholm, Basnet, Hunt, Griffith, Johnson, Stoddart, Vaughan, Huxtable, Eastell, Batcup.

Rowing

This term has been one mainly of technique coaching, leading up to the U.L. Winter VIII's Regatta for the junior and novice crews which was held on Sat. Dec 5th.

As a result of last year's successes, the I.C. crews had to compete in events of a higher standard. In all races the College crews lost narrowly to the winners and/or the losing finalists, who

in the junior events were the regular 1st VIII's of U.C. and Guys Hospital. After only nine weeks' rowing experience, the I.C. Novice crew did very well to hold the winners, Kings 2nd VIII to one length after a very close race. These crews obviously have a deal of ability and more extensive training should bring some good results in the near future.

At the end of term, the I.C. crews will be taking part in the Thames Plum Pudding Race and one should then be able to judge the abilities of the two senior VIII's who have not yet raced.

Judo

"Maitta" - Brum

Declare to I.C.

On Sat. Dec. 5th., the Judo Club completed this term's fixtures with two matches against Birmingham University. As the opposition was not expected to warrant taking a full team, I.C. competed with what amounted to an "A" team. The newcomers to the 1st team, were D. Eccles and T. Vickers. Both fought well and the former recorded a convincing win in the first contest which I.C. won 4-2½. In the second contest, Krikor and C. Cohen were outstanding for I.C. and largely responsible for the 4-1 victory.

After nine weeks of successful competition, the general moral of the Club is high and the teams are looking forward to the Inter-Collegiate Championship of Gt. Britain next February. It is hoped that last year's victory will be repeated.

IN TOUCH

On Sports Writing

In the opinion of the Sports Editor, these few columns should present reports and features that make informative and interesting reading to the whole spectrum of readers of Felix. Surely this part of the paper is serving little useful purpose if say, the hockey players cannot find anything to interest them except rushing through the hockey report looking for their own names.

The main trouble with reports at the moment is that they tend to be too general:

**"The Club expects a very successful season" or
"After the intervale I.C. fought back brilliantly."**

Platitudes like this are dull and hardly informative. One of the reasons for this defect is probably that it is the captains of the clubs who write the reports. Most of them have enough to do anyway and by the time they get round to writing, all the details are forgotten.

The policy of the Swimming Club is to be recommended. A specific member of the club is made responsible for submitting reports and when he attends matches, a mental note, at least, is made of ideas and details for his next report. Surely every club has at least one member eager to see his words (slightly edited perhaps) in print. And photographers would be welcomed with open arms.

Yet, reports of matches alone do not make a very impressive sports page. Feature-type articles are desperately needed, reflecting opinions, arguments etc. in the various clubs.

However, the Sports Editor would like to thank members of all the Clubs who have submitted reports this term, there has never been a lack of copy. Next term it is hoped to take some "recreational" activities under the wing of these columns; viz. Billiards and Snooker, Chess, Gliding, Ski and Ten-Pin Bowling.

Rifle Club

ON TARGET

The Rifle Club is quietly shooting itself into prominence despite the lack of a range of its own.

The "A" team has beaten QMC and Kings and drawn with Battersea, and now leads Div. 1 in the Engineers' Cup, while the "B" team is 2nd in Div. 2. The Novices team is somewhat erratic, but several members shoot usefully for the "A" and "B" teams.

In the Standing and Kneeling League the "A" team is so far unbeaten, again leading the division, while the "B" team is 3rd. The Pistol Team, led by I. Freeman, the U.L. Pistol Secretary and aided by J. Coombs (ex-QMC pistol champion) is apparently unbeatable at the top of the league.

Results :

I.C. "A"
572-558 QMC "A"
378-578 Battersea "A"
584-565 Kings "A"

I.C.
1519-1564 Met. Police

I.C. "B"
540-559 U.C. "B"
457-529 C.E.M. "A"

Fives

By I. Collins

The Fives Club gropes toward the end of the first term of its renaissance, and seeks respite there. The club's tiny membership has met regularly, and several useful players have been introduced to the game.

Having inherited few regular, annual fixtures, the hunt for opposition is on, and thus I.C. has only played three matches to date—losses every one, but all against good sides, and no defeat was belittling.

Whilst in the first two matches against St. Thomas' Hospital and the Clove Club, the I.C. strings lost to each of the opponents', the match against the U.L. "Ravens" was a much closer affair. I.C. were 2 points up at the half-way stage, after both players had met the first U.L. string.

FINE BALANCE

However, I.C. players often seem to be on a knife-edge, balanced between a smooth, competent technique and a rather inept, out-of-touch game. To a man, the

FEW STRINGS ATTACHED

I.C. strings gave the latter display against the second half of the U.L. team, and so the final score dissembled justice.

The I.C. strings have so far been unchanged for match play. The senior side, by virtue of age alone, one may add, is D. Telfer and I. Collins, and I.C. "Junior" consists of two Freshers, D. McBain and P. Combes. **With improved concentration and consequent standard of play, the abyss of next term's fixtures looks scaleable from the Christmas plateau.**

Results :

I.C. 78-97 St. Thomas' Hosp.
62-118 Clove Club.
74-101 U.L. "Ravens."

OTHER RESULTS

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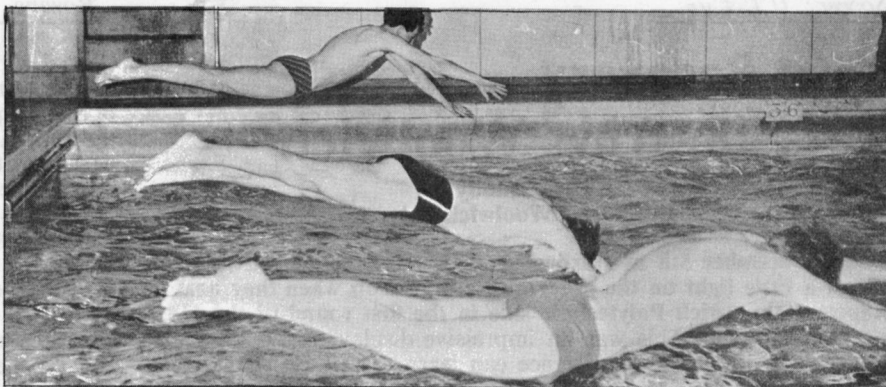
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I.C. 1st 2-0 St. Peter's Coll.
I.C. 1st 1-1 O. Paludians.

Soccer :

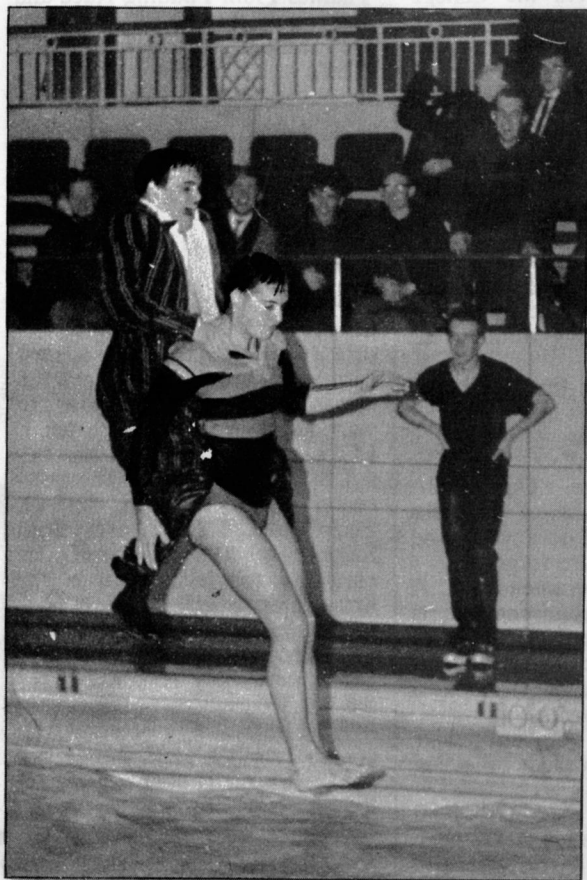
R.C.S. 4-3 C&G.
I.C. 1st 1-5 Q.M.C.
I.C. 1st 1-3 Goldsmiths.

Swimming Gala 1964

Result : Guilds 25 pts. Mines 15 pts. R.C.S. 12 pts.



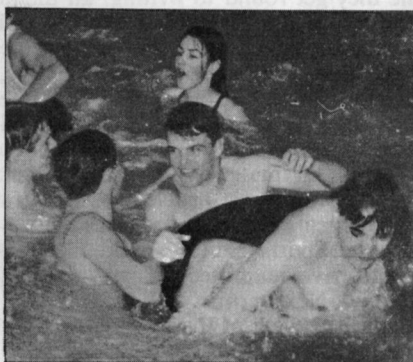
Start of Relay—from Left to Right, Guilds, R.C.S., Mines.



Spectacular Descent in Diving Display



Mines score in Polo versus Guilds



YOGI fights his way through tyre in the Presidents Race



Editor Sinking

CROSSWORD No 2

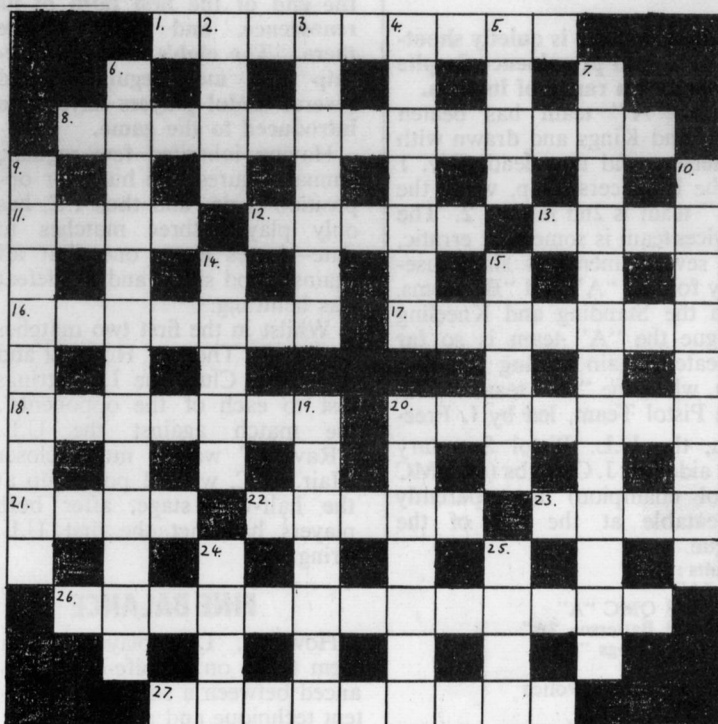
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ACROSS

- 1. Sound at a distance. (9)
- 8. Side by side. (13)
- 11. "I live in a hole." (4)
- 12. Explorers' store. (5)
- 13. From cuts in cars. (4)
- 16. Circular hair not for sale. (7)
- 17. Dad makes paper with syrup. (7)
- 18. Her cupboard was bare. (7)
- 20. Clean mother in fetters. (7)
- 21. —my word! (4)
- 22. Ill will. (5)
- 23. Wooden with shoe or family (4)
- 26. Mother in forceful heat. (13)
- 27. To aid excuses. (9)

DOWN

- 2. Not difficult. (4)
- 3. Charm, or perhaps hen can't. (7)
- 4. Join horse to waggon or maybe lose bags. (5, 2)
- 5. Naughty fellow in church. (4)
- 6. Are elections fought here? (7, 6)
- 7. Trained by a national force. (8, 5)
- 9. Shapeless. (9)



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- 10. Became wealthier. (9)
- 14. Begging request. (5)
- 15. Pin in long nerve. (5)
- 19. Old Peer finds it lamentable. (7)
- 20. "From — — —." (2, 2, 3)
- 24. King in lard maybe. (4)
- 25. "A cobbler should stick to his —." (4)

Solution to Crossword No 1



LATE NEWS STAFF

"Assistants"... Hilary Thompson
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UNION DEBATE THURSDAY

"The man who hath no music in himself, let no such man be trusted" produced the best debate of the session. The attendance of 30 was disappointing. Richard Arnell, the composer, proposed with the irrelevant assistance of Bill McAuley. Antony Milner, Prof. of Music at Kings, opposed, seconded by Gordon Hall who combatted Mr. McAuley's irrelevance in kind. Speeches from the floor were spirited, the Late News Editor excelling himself.

Result: Carried 13 - 11 with
 4 abstentions. Mike Edwards.

WHO KILLED KENNEDY ?

Mark Lane, the American lawyer, who intended to represent Lee Oswald after the death of President Kennedy, scathingly rejected the Warren Commission's Official Report. He called attention to unsatisfactory witnesses and apparently deliberate falsification. He noted that key-witnesses were not called and pointed out that it seemed likely that the facts were being made to fit a convenient judgement. Mr. Lane was speaking last Thursday, at the invitation of the I.C. Political Societies.

HOOTENANNY RECORDS

The Folk Song Club surpassed all previous records on Tuesday, Dec. 1st. with an audience of well over 200 for Peggy Seeger and Ewan MacColl, two of the leading figures in the folk song revival movement.

MacColl's distinctive voice was heard both unaccompanied, and backed by the various instruments of Peggy Seeger. Peggy also sang unaccompanied (a difficult feat this) but was mostly heard with the banjo, guitar, auto-harp, concertina and dulcimer - and she can really play all of them!

The huge audience gave vent to some powerful chorus singing when invited to do so, and appreciated Ewan and Peggy's ad-lib wisecracks between songs. Derek Hall and the Wayfarers were good as usual. Brian Bull

THE ART CLUB EXHIBITS

Will you come to see the exhibition? Professor Saunders kindly let us hold it in the entrance of the Mech. Eng. Building. There is no entrance fee and the exhibition continues until the evening of Thursday 17th. December,

The paintings are by promising students who come over to the Royal College of Art classes. They are glad of our excellent models who are prepared to sit for them for two hours on Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Do you think that it is easy to paint a sitter? It is exciting to draw the outline of the sitter first. To then mix the colours is exhilarating. Finally a likeness forms and one feels elation as expression gives your painting style and finish.

Haider's portrait has a distinct style, and the drawing is good. Varma's portrait is an excellent likeness. Needham's life painting is well observed and composed.

There are others which were all chosen because they have a quality of vision. Can you find it in the paintings too?

Connie Fenn, Tutor at ICAC

WEEK END ENTERTAINMENT

Falmouth Party was good but the group badly need some singing lessons. Weeks Party was all right if you like that sort thing. But, as someone said at midnight " this is where the party really begins" - two of the Wayfarers, half of whom were drunk played for a further hour to a sincere applause interspersed with bawdy shouts.

The Hop was badly attended the Upper Refectory being nearly empty. M.S.

ROVER CREW SERVICE WEEK-END

A team of 9 strong, fit, hard-working Rovers went to Downe, Kent, last weekend, where they completely cleared a Scout Camp site of thick undergrowth. Having worked in the rain most of the time the baths, and dinner served in Weeks Hall, were greatly appreciated on the return to London.

GUILDLITTLEFINGER

Union Meeting -

"The Best Union Meeting since I've been at College," said a third year Guildsman. "I was pleased to see that serious matters were treated responsibly by the meeting" - Post-Graduate.

The minutes passed quickly into announcements of Gala and carols. Awards and thanks were given, and a recording of 'Theta '64', a factual documentary on tape, was played. A film of Bo's recent trip to Brighton, complete with remarkably synchronised music followed. The final item was a Christmas Pantomime "Guilderella" written in verse with vocal sound, and pyrotechnics by Strand. After being flashed, exploded and extinguished, Mr. Bishop closed the meeting.

Guilds Carol Singing -

Tonight (Wed.), Guilds will assault the West End with song. They will be led by Sir Malcolm Lambourne (Leeds and Bar) and will be accompanied by the Boanerges Ensemble. The Kensington Post photographers are to be present. Last Year Guilds collected over £100 in the evening. It will be an occasion not to miss (even with first year Tests). 7.00pm. Mech. Eng. Entrance.

PHOENIX

The College Magazine will be on sale on Monday 18th. January, price 1/6.

Sales staff are wanted for the Halls, Sunday 17th and Monday 18th. January - write to Brian Watson, Aero 1.

Next Phoenix copy-day is Feb. 1st. Feature articles, reviews, short stories, in short, almost anything, considered for publication. Send material to Carol Thompson, Beit Hall, as soon as possible after the vacation. Start your article now.

LECTURING METHODS CONFERENCE

I.C. Union Council found itself incapable of discussing a motion from a non-member of Council. K. Cavanagh's motion was deferred to the top of the Agenda of the next Union Meeting. The President apologised for wasting Mr. Cavanagh's time.

ICSFRE

The I.C. Society for Racial Equality has already made its presence felt - about 70 students from I.C. took part in ULUSARD's Torchlight Rally against Apartheid. Investigations will be held into Racial Discrimination experienced by students. A General Studies Lecture is being arranged by the Society.

THETA EXTRA

R.C.S. Attack Guilds Bells -

Early on Friday Morning operation Ding-Dong commenced. A fearless martyr disguised as a concrete pillar studied the behaviour of the Security Guards in Mech. Eng. The night-watchmen's Marmite sandwiches were drugged and under the cover of darkness the summit of Mech. Eng. was attained via No. 3 lift. The paint had been poured into available pockets and the paint brushes had been craftily concealed in the empty tins. The bells were reached and painted in pretty colours, and the expedition left through a conveniently open door. A few minutes later a member of the party bruised his knee when he tripped over a large spanner leaning against a wall. With Mech. Eng. now topped in R.C.S. colours the team left for home. - quote 'a right bells up'.

SWIMMING GALA

As usual mass chuckings-ins and sport were interspersed with more serious competition. Attendance was small but those present witnessed one of the best Galas ever. Nearly all the races had close finished even though Guilds won over all. The buoyant Bishop found himself five yards from victory in the presidents race when Bob Collins jumped on him and traditionally the I.C. A. Representative won the race. Results and pictures - Main Issue.

SHORTS

Council - Conference of SISTERS in Manchester next Summer.

Duty officer laxity is to be looked into. Howard is overworked.

RCS carnival - a Banana Boat Stomp all aboard the Union next term.

Halls - noisy Tizard members are being moved to the gardens' side.

Sport - Soccer IC: 3-2 Exeter.

Hockey RCS: 0-2 RSM.

Table Tennis 1st. team have not lost a match yet.

ICSFRE: South Side shop is selling South African goods.

Sennet - has a new editor, the last one was sacked? A Sennet reporter was seen setting fire to Hades last week.

Saturday night - is dustbin dropping night in Tizard.

RCS & Mines - Carol singing: Thurs.

Quote: In reply to "What has ASw done?", Keith Cavanagh replies: "What has the IC Union done?"
Re above; Al Higson, "The hop was full."