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IMPERIAL COLLEGE

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RUMMY DOINGS AT THE UNIVERSITY

JAMAICA RELIEF BALL

On February 8th. the University of London Union is organising a Grand Carnival Ball at Senate House in aid of the Jamaica Hurricane Relief Fund. In addition to the dancing in the Marble Hall there will be a Rum Fair in the adjoining Deller Hall, consisting of sideshows etc. contributed by each college. At 11.30 pm. a Mardi Gras procession is to be held, in which colleges are invited to enter a tableau formed by a team of up to ten, the theme to be in keeping with the whole evening. This procession will be judged by Katherine Dunham (now appearing at the Cambridge Theatre), a trophy being awarded to the best entry.

In addition there will be the usual attractions, auctions, raffles and a Rumbola. This is really a large scale draw with thirty prizes, including a typewriter, a vacuum cleaner, and bottles of drink (potent and impotent). Tickets for the Carnival, which lasts from 9pm. to 2am., may be obtained from the U.L.U. Office price 25/- single, or to members of U.L.U. 15/-. It is hoped to raise £1000.

The R.C.S. Entertainments Committee regrets that the U.L.U. Carnival clashes with their 'Rodeo!' but arrangements had been made for this before the U.L.U. details were circulated, and could not be altered.

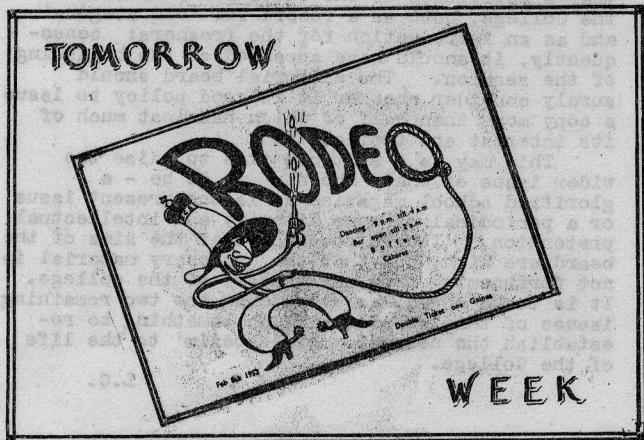
DRAM. SOC. NEWS

Not to be outdone by the blazer men of the college, the Dram. Soc. are going on tour during the long vacation. They are hoping to put on a three-act play at Cheltenham for a week's run. If the arrangements are successfully completed, I.C.D.S. will be the first college production to play there. The producer will be Bernard Latter, who will be remembered as Tom. D'Arcy, the M.P., in the Christmas production. (See photograph in the last FELIX).

Our joining in this venture, which started last year with the appearance of several productions by University societies, should not only spread the college reputation, but such experience in a 'live' theatre should be an invaluable help to the society.

FELIX MAKE-UP

We received excellent support last Sunday—more than we expected because we omitted to request those coming to sign up on the notice in the Union hall. This will be there for next week; on it are spaces for each shift to book up.



SILWOOD ON COUNCIL

The position of SILWOOD PARK in I.C. has received a further boost from Council. Until recently they had only an observer at the Council meetings. Now it is proposed to make the observer a representative with the status of an Officer of the Union, thus bringing the number of Officers up to nine. As this change involves amendments to Union bye-laws the measure will have to be ratified by two Union General Meetings before it takes effect. The representative will be the Chairman of the Silwood Park Committee.

MORE REFECTORY FACILITIES

Latest reports from the Refectory Committee indicate that the problem of efficiency is being tackled in a business-like manner. In future tea, coffee, toast and marmalade will be made available to non-residents in the morning up to 9.45am., but complete breakfasts will not be generally available due to rationing difficulties.

On February 16th. an experimental Snack Bar will be opened in the Lower Dining Hall during the Hop from 9 to 10.30pm. If this proves successful, it is intended to open it every Saturday evening of the term. It is hoped that this service will fill a long-felt want of members of the Union.

We have to rectify a misleading statement which appeared in the last FELIX: applications for the use of Ayrton Hall should be made to the Union Office. After approval the forms will be passed on to the relevant authority.

U.L.U. DEBATES

This term it is intended to hold U.L.U. debates every Friday as far as it is possible in an attempt to make debating a regular and acknowledged part of the life of the University.

The first motion of the term was 'That this House believes that the Conservative Party regained power by hoodwinking the electorate.' It was proposed by a Labour candidate unsuccessful at the last election and seconded by a student official of the University Labour Society. Exactly the same combination of forces representing the Tories opposed the motion.

The speeches from the platform were good despite their resemblance to election manifestos and there was an excellent response, numerically, from the floor although many of the speeches were irrelevant to the motion without having the justification of wit.

A welcome innovation was what might be called 'audience participation' or, since the motion was a political one, merely heckling. The President, who was in the chair, gave interrupters a free hand as long as the speaker was not seriously inconvenienced. This sort of intervention, when kept within reasonable bounds, improves the atmosphere of the debate and prevents speakers from getting away with outrageous statements.

After two and a half hours of debating the House divided and the motion was defeated by 96 votes to 68.

LATE NEWS

Monday Evening.

The Evening Standard published a review on London University.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE FASHIONS OF THE DECADE.....

.....or THE NEW GARB AGE

Dear Sir,

In view of a recent appeal for sartorial differentiation between the student and the Civil Servant, may I suggest that "Felix" should further the cause by the offer of a month's free subscription to the first student (or professor) to wear MAUVE buttons on his yellow waistcoat.

The idea might well be extended. I suggest the MAUVE brimless bowler, with a motif of rampant, white hammers and sickles, to be worn in the bar and the Upper Dining Hall.

Rainbow cords should be worn by "the hound about town"; each cord of a different colour, and the colour intensity to be normally distributed about the knee. Trousers should be neatly creased to port and starboard, not as THEY have it, to bow and stern. Shoes should be semi-brogued, wedged, monked, and block-toed, with leather in plaited yellow and white, red and silver, or MAUVE and white. Ties should be of fine plaited, coloured, leather strips.

Awake, Arise, and Differentiate thyself. Let elegance and originality be the keynote!

"Arturo"

Dear Sir,

So the Guilds' want a new tie. I can well imagine the contrasting ideas. The sober minded will want something regimentally striped, whereas the more artistic members will favour a fetching bow. The smarter set possibly had a yellow silk affair with 'City & Guilds' College painted by hand in luminous paint in mind, and others might prefer something crested for their current girl friends to admire.

And I- what would I like? It doesn't really matter when you wear a tartan shirt.

Yours etc. D.J.W. (C&GU)

EAST & WEST

The present series of open meetings to discuss the International situation was given an excellent start on Thursday Jan. 24th, by Prof. Betts, Masaryk Professor of Central European History, speaking on "The Intellectual Assumptions governing the attitude of the East to the West."

In a brilliant lecture Prof. Betts brought out forcibly how the actions and statements of the West were interpreted by the East - not critically, on their merits, but whether or not agreed with the "basic truths" of Communism. Communism being an all embracing religion - Faith is substituted for Reason. Liberty, Truth and Justice while difficult to define in our world lose all meaning in a materialistic one,



expediency is the keynote. Peace while it is convenient, otherwise war.

The discussion, containing a broad representation of views, was sufficiently lively for the majority to stay until 9.30 p.m. Unfortunately the remarkable objectivity shown by the speaker was not shared by many participants. The decision to hold the meeting after supper in order to give an opportunity for an unhurried discussion was a welcome innovation and the attendance of forty supported this experiment.

We look forward to hearing Dr. Doreen Warriner consider the ideals, structure, and actions of the West, on February 7th.

The S.C.M. are to be congratulated for organising this series of lectures.

IC WITH MY LITTLE..... News in brief

THE INCREASED PERIODICALS for the Union Lounge were already there when heralded in our last issue. They include 'Life', 'The New Yorker', 'Colliers', 'Go', 'Fortune', 'Realities', 'The Times Educational Supplement' and various Digests.

A PENNANT has been presented to the Union President, D.K. Nicholas, from the Escola Politecnica da Universidade Catolica Rio de Janeiro with their President's compliments.

FELIX is on sale in the morning in the entrances to Guilds', R.C.S., Huxley, Mines, Chem. Tech., the Union, and Zoology and Botany Departments. It is available later in the Bookstall, Guilds' Library, the Bar and in College lodges. Present representation on the Board is: R.C.S.-4, Chem. Tech.-3, Guilds'-2, Mines-1, and I.C.W.A.-1; of which only three are undergraduates.

THE UNION BARBER is now here on Fridays, as well as Mondays and Tuesdays, from 9 am. to 5 pm. Appointments can be made: all those who can are urged to attend outside the "normal" lunch period.

HOSTEL applications for next year must be in on May 1st. - forms and information from Miss Sherwood, 2nd, Floor, New Hostel.

At the Extraordinary Union Meeting on Jan. 18th. the President asked for opinions of the proposed new U.L.U. scarf- these were given freely. (Your reporter is satisfied that it fulfils the first condition for a college scarf- it will go round two people and still touch the ground at both ends.)

GRATE NEWS- Hostel Miners had a fire in the Old Lounge on Sunday. It snow more than 340 days to Christmas.

PHOENIX are missing their Christmas 1948 issue from their archives and would welcome any offers of a copy.

FRESHER'S OPENING GAMBIT at a Hop to an Iowarian: "I know this sounds silly, but there really is something mysterious about your eyes."

KCHSS. held a Hop last Saturday and let in every man in that came- thank you.

NEWS ITEM. Further to the existence of a Mens Bath Club for males who have had a bath in a womens college, our contemporary "Bedford News" for Jan '52 contains the suggestion that, in spite of the outstanding facilities offered at Bedford, some award should be made to women who have had a bath at I.C.

It seems that as it is well-known that people in Newcastle always use oil stoves for heating, our co-operation in this matter would be in keeping with Public Health interests. Applicants please use form DDT12X.

PHOENIX

Owing to an unusually favourable configuration of the constellations (with Taurus in the ascendancy) 'Phoenix Review 1950-51' has appeared.

The first obvious criticism to be made of this issue of our distinguished contemporary is that it is three months late in seeing the light of day. The 'Review' is, as I see it, intended primarily to present a summary of the preceding year's activities of the clubs and societies of the College, both as a record for 'old stagers' and as an introduction for the freshers; consequently, it should have appeared at the beginning of the session. The editorial board should surely consider whether it is good policy to issue a copy more than half of which has lost much of its interest and topicality.

This may be a suitable time to raise the wider issue of what 'Phoenix' is to be - a glorified school magazine as is the present issue or a periodical of some literary and intellectual pretension. I have no doubt that the aims of the board are high, but that the necessary material is not forthcoming from the members of the college. It is to be hoped, however, that the two remaining issues of this session will do something to re-establish the necessity of 'Phoenix' to the life of the College.

L.C.

FELIX

THE NEWSPAPER OF IMPERIAL COLLEGE



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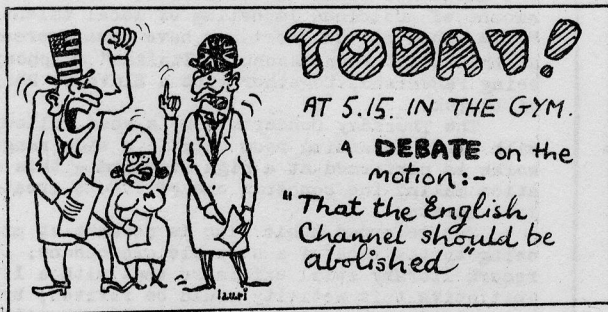
EDITOR: S.H. WEARNE

UNDERGRADUATE LIFE

Life at college for the student newly arrived from school or the services is recognised as both a test and a contribution in his development. The freedom at the principal institutions of this University is probably our popular characteristic much mis-represented in its rare appearance in newspapers. In fact it means that, if we accept that the function of a university is the mastery and advancement of knowledge, we must leave its members (i.e. Professors, Lecturers and students) to study as they think best. However the entrant with the grasshopper mind may take college as an intellectual Holiday Camp. We have all known the sad stories at examination time of the jack of all trades, who is musician, mountaineer, politician, playwright and more at all times (though he is rarely the lover or the drinker). We should recognise him as the 'terrible example' our Victorian elders would propound.

Union life comprises athletic clubs, faculty societies, debates and dances; amongst the other complementary activities music often occupies a special place, with the dramatic society close in popular interest. The student not generally interested in all these to some extent, should find a logical bias in one direction. No suggestion was made to us on entering college to plan our life here and to strike a balance between the inclination of the dilettante and the dutiful: as well as a sport or equivalent communal interest, most engineers should be concerned with their Engineering Society, zoologists with their Natural History Society etc., running them according to student needs; and at scientific I.C. each of these has the special opportunity to attract the whole college. Esoteric lectures are better written and read than discussed.

* In some of the L.C.C.'s Polytechnics granted University recognition, the atmosphere is more conscious of registers controlling attendance from nine to five every day. Facilities and familiarity with research are rare. These institutions provide great opportunities for Londoners to get excellent straightforward instruction for internal degrees and diplomas, possibly to the immediate detriment in competition of the graduate as we mean him. A comparison of these, Oxford and Cambridge, and us, with the 'civic' universities, is given by "Redbrick University", published recently by Penguin Books; and of which this is in part a review.



PERSONAL ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE: One shrimp-boat- will exchange for collar and tie:- R.T. Severn, New Hostel.

WANTED: Squash racket in good condition- Room 24, Old Hostel.

FOR SALE: Dinner-jacket, 5' 8", good condition, £3 10; also rugger boots size 8, 15/- Room 24.

DISCOVERED at Bedford College: one R.C.S. scarf. Explanations considered, by Box No.1.

WANTED - Every idea and news snippet for FELIX. We will assemble the lot, get your jokes illustrated and your stories written.

Entries for this column must be accompanied by cash. For members of I.C. the charge is merely nominal: 6d. per 20 words.

PROFILE~

BRIAN

W.

PURSLOW



FELIX Photo

For over half a decade the cloisters of I.C. have dinned to the hob-nailed clump of those who, having devoted their best years to His Majesty's pleasure, relinquished the command of battalions and brigades to assume government of clubs and societies. But in more recent times have come to be heard increasingly the patter of tiny feet as the trickle of ink-stained schoolbrats has streamed and swelled into the torrent that is almost upon us. Brought in on the first wave was British Way and Purpose Purslow.

Once he had shaken the foam from his face (and a more than metaphorical connection between Brian and froth rises naturally to the mind of all that know him) he set to work, pausing only for the swift game of hockey, to fortify himself with a degree in Physics. From this safe but insanitary position he turned his attention to the exploration of new territory.

The now legendary Joe McCall, who had gathered about him a stalwart band of young things, selected Brian to be his successor as Captain of R.C.S. Hockey and democratically nominated him for the post.

After an abortive bash at the Presidential Heights of R.C.S., Brian gave a glimpse of his mettle by agreeing to serve the Union as Secretary to President Hobnailed Haskell. Emerging at the end of last year a fully debauched licentiate of squalid school of Union politics he was so obviously returned unopposed amid scenes of unparalleled and orgiastic torpor. A precisely analogous evolution in the backwoods of Harlington and Committee Room "A" had also brought him first the Secretaryship and then the Captaincy of the I.C. Hockey Club.

Other Profilists, restrained by bounds of common decency have made no more than passing reference to the amorous proclivities of their subjects, but we are governed by no such scruples. Encouraged by early successes at home Brian swept through Scandinavia and the Low Countries in two successive campaigns and in a third laid waste the Iberian Peninsula.

But it must not be supposed there are no quiet moments in Brian's meteoric career as the avant-garde of the younger generation: moments of research into the frenzy induced in gas molecules when given the hot wire treatment; moments devoted to investigating the arrangements sustaining the trousers of the President of Guilds; moments of abandoned cross-ruffing buried deep in the Hostel night; or moments alcohologically expanded into "monumental evenings". As the R.C.S. and its President toiled on the towpath last Morphy, none knew that the voice of B.W.P. recorded in one of these quieter moments, was being broadcast to the astonished masses of Asia in an Inter-Varsity Brains Trust.

It is the intention of Wolfe Purslow to take the American Continent by storm starting with Canada when he has added a Ph.D. to his armament. In this enterprise we are confident that Brian will go as far as the flexible laws of an expanding economy will permit him.

Brian is most remarkable in that he is so refreshingly unremarkable. What he achieves he achieves by assiduous application of unremitting energy. We all wish him - and America - well.

*See Felix No.16, p.4. (26/1/51).

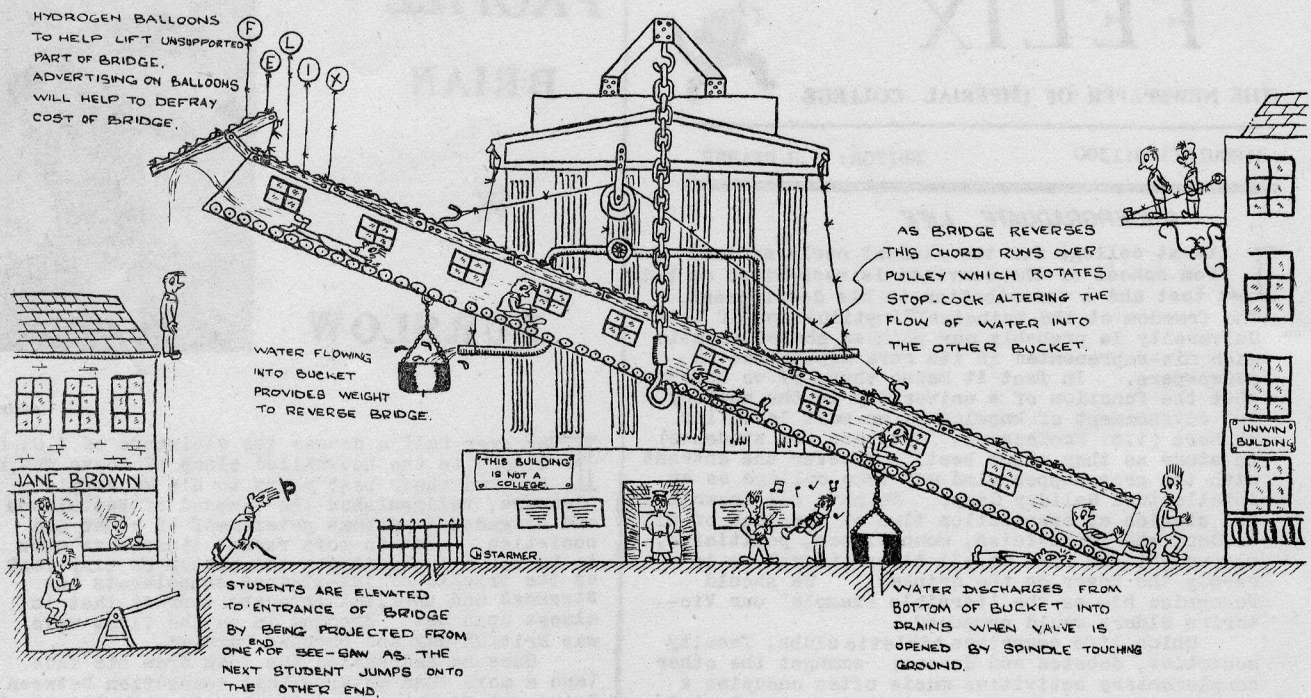
DRAMATIC SOCIETY

FEB 23 rd.

• HARLEQUINADE

DRAMATIC CORRESPONDENT wanted for FELIX.

NEW CHOTA BRIDGE PROJECT.



The New Chota Bridge Project.

(by Z. Prblsk, M.Inst.Ver.Ing.)

A most interesting Engineering Project was put before students undergoing tutorial in Miss J. Brown's coffee-house.

The author proposed a bridge, of ingenious design, to extend from City & Guilds College to the coffee-house. The basic layout of the structure is that of an extruded tubular see-saw, inclining downwards from the roof of C. & G. to Miss Brown's premises during the initial quarter of each working hour. The inclination would be reversed for the final quarter of each hour. The pivot, or rocking pier, will be mounted upon the Geological Museum roof.

The foot-walk will consist of many perfectly light frictionless rollers (each of 9" outer diameter, at 8" spacing). No additional supply of energy will therefore be required on either journey, once the initial potential energy has been obtained. The gradient of 1 in 62 is calculated to impart a terminal velocity at the coffee-house counter sufficient to penetrate to the front of any normal queue. The roadway facilitates the passage of otherwise immobile vehicles to and from coffee. The tubular bridge structure, or Schlittbahnstahl, will enclose road and footway. The bridge will have two outer surfaces - one of the usual sulphurized brick and one of etched and polished molybdenum ferritic steel for use on ceremonial occasions. The cost will be borne by the Union.

One questioner, enquiring how entrance to the bridge was achieved on the return journey (the entrance being some 162 feet above the coffee-house roof), was referred to Brauhosen's paper on "Hochfrequenztechnik in Schaukelwalzerprobleme".

The customary question: "What about the Russians?" was discussed at length, it being too late to return to more material lectures.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Prblsk was withdrawn, due to his failure to pay for the audience's coffee.

X.K.G.F.

JOAN SLOW

Hot foot on the heels of Joe McCall another of the older inhabitants of I.C. leaves for Kenya tomorrow. Sadly missed by all her friends, Joan's departure will be most deeply felt by the students of Silwood Park, where she has been a keen and active chairman of their committee and also by I.C.W.S.C. where she has been a staunch supporter of many of the teams. The attractive and original poster that used to announce I.C.W.A. dances will no longer decorate the Union Entrance Hall, as Joan has left without passing on the secret of "three-dimensional" advertising.



From our Music Correspondent.

The editor has suggested that articles on the subject of the musical life of the college should appear occasionally - these being, not criticisms of performances, but commentaries on the current activities of the various societies. With this in view it may be as well to outline the main branches of the I.C. musical Tree as it stands at the moment. We have a choir of some 85 voices which rehearses and performs under the baton of Dr. Reginald Jacques. The size of the choir makes it suitable for works not often performed by large choral societies and thus the choir concerts are usually of great interest to all music lovers. At present Haydn's "The Creation" and Bach's cantata "Bide with Us" are being prepared for a concert later in the term.

The orchestra is suffering from an acute shortage of brass players and this factor severely limits the choice of works to be tackled. With a certain amount of judicious importing of local talent from R.C.M. some of the shortages have been overcome and at the moment Mendelssohn's "Italian" symphony is being rehearsed, together with a Slavonic Rhapsody of Dvorak.

The Thursday Concerts have a good following with often "standing room only". A wide range of works is performed at a high standard - this combination making the concerts one of I.C.'s greatest musical assets.

The recorded music club is dormant at present owing to the lack of a suitable gramophone. The record library still exists so that with a little initiative this activity could be revived, bringing with it the possibility of inviting authorities to give illustrated talks on various topics - the one part of I.C. musical life which is completely lacking at the moment.

(C. & G. electrical dept. please copy).

I.C. CHOIR
JACQUES ORCHESTRA
THURS MARCH 13 7-30
AT Q.A.H.

Viewpoint-

ELECTION OF PRESIDENTS

How many students know how the President of I.C. is elected? The procedure is given in the Blue Book presented to you on first entering the college. The election campaign is run very quietly. A nomination form is posted on the Council notice-board early in June where any Union member may be proposed. Just before the Joint Council Meeting the notice is removed, and the Joint Council decides who shall be our President.

It has not always been like this. In the very early days of I.C. the President was the student President of Guilds, R.C.S., & mines in rotation, and in effect therefore he was elected by the students. Later he was elected by the so-called "Students Committee", and still later by the Students Finance Committee, the forerunner of Council. Apart from the very early days of "Presidents in Rotation," the President has been the chairman of the committees which run Union affairs, and cannot be said to be the leader of the Union.

Why should we have this system? It would surely be to the advantage of the Union to elect the President by ballot among Union members.

In favour of the present system it is said that firstly Council members are more acquainted with the nominees and are thus more in a position to form a correct judgement than the ordinary student. Secondly it is held that if ordinary students voted their President they would tend to vote for the man from their own college. Thirdly it is thought that politics might enter into the election if students had the vote.

The first point must be discussed with a view to what kind of President the Union needs. Do we need a President who is mainly the chairman of committees, Council in particular, and in effect the representative of Authority to us; or do we need a President who is our leader — our representative to the Governors? The second seems the more likely, and can only be obtained by the students electing the President. This President could then be certain of the sympathy and backing of the majority of students.

For the second point we must ask ourselves:—"Is Council above inter-collegiate rivalries?" If so, why do supporters of a candidate from one college try to get a proposer from one of the other colleges?

The third argument in favour of the present system is that politics are brought into the election campaigns of other Colleges. This, it is held, is the worst sin of all — but surely this happens here under the present system. Would Council put consideration of politics aside if a nominee were a Communist? Would they vote for him without any consideration of his political views. In summing up a man's character his political views have a very important contribution and it would be a great mistake to leave them out altogether. This does not mean that politics should be the major issue of an election — that also would be a great mistake.

In favour of having the President elected by ballot is the advantage that it would stimulate an interest in Union affairs by those we are wont to call Brown Baggers. Even they, when presented with the ballot papers could feel that they play quite an important part in Union affairs.

Also, we could then say that he was our President, and not just a chairman and spokesman of committees. "Merp".

Are you one who says:-

"I have read the Phoenix, there is nothing there But the writings of failure and despair. The bad review of the worthless play, The interview with the man of the day, The love-lorn poem in the hopeless style, The dull short story, the Editor's bile, The club reports that nobody reads,, The book review that nobody reads, The schoolboy malice, the unkind cut, The pretentious para graph starting, 'But..'"

Then why not do better yourself? Articles for Phoenix should be submitted to the Editor through the Union rack as soon as possible, i.e. now.

COMING EVENTS

SOCIAL.

THURSDAY, JAN 31st. I.C. Literary and Debating Society are holding a debate on the motion "That the English Channel should be abolished". This will take place in the Gymnasium, from 5 p.m.

I.C. Musical Soc. Lunch Hour recital, Council Room C. & G. Mozart clarinet trio (K498) and songs. FELIX on sale.

FRIDAY, FEB. 1st. U.L.U. A debate on "Pacifism" will be held at 6 p.m. in the hut. Last day for receipt of contributions to the next issue of Phoenix.

SATURDAY, FEB. 2nd. Entertainments Committee Hop, 8 - 11 p.m. Tickets from the Union Office Annexe today and tomorrow.

SUNDAY, FEB. 3rd. I.C. Film Society 'The Cabinet of D. Caligari' and 'Through the North-West Passage' 7.30 p.m. New Lounge. Individual guest tickets must be obtained in advance from 1.15 to 1.45 p.m. on Friday 1st Feb. and today (3rd) from 7.0 to 7.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEB. 7th I.C.S.C.M. The second talk on the subject 'The gulf between East and West' will be given by Dr. Doreen Warriner of the School of Slavonic Studies, who will speak on "The West" in the Zoology theatre at 7.15 p.m. Coffee will be obtained at 7.0 p.m.

I.C. Musical Society Lunch-Hour recital today consists of a concert performance of Act II of Mozart's "the Marriage of Figaro".

FRIDAY, FEB. 8th R.C.S. Carnival Rodeo, 9.0 p.m. - 4.0 a.m. Buffet, Cabaret.

U.L.U. Carnival Ball in aid of the Jamaica Hurricane Relief Fund, Senate House, 9.0 p.m. - 2.0 a.m. Rum Fair and Mardi Gras procession.

I.C. Musical Society Gallery party to Covent Garden. Mozart 'The Marriage of Figaro'.

TUESDAY, FEB. 12th. I.C. Philosophical Group. P. Bassom will speak on 'Hume' at 5.15 p.m. in the Botany lecture theatre.

THURSDAY, FEB. 14th. L.U.D.S. Intercollegiate One act play Festival, Feb 14, 15, 16 Institute of Education, 7 p.m. Tickets 1/-, 2/-, 3/-, (or 2/6, 5/-, 7/6, for the three nights) obtainable from the I.C. L.U.D.S. representative (J.R. Askew) or from the U.L.U. office. I.C. are presenting a play at the Festival.

I.C. Music Society Recital. C & G Council Room. to be announced.

FRIDAY, FEB. 15th. FELIX on sale. "Opera in England" - a talk by Sir Stewart Wilson, Botany Lecture Theatre. 5.15 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEB 16th. A Touchstone Discussion Weekend will be held at Silwood Park today and tomorrow. The subject will be Advertising, its methods, its economics, what constitutes effective advertising, advertising ethics, etc. The opening talk will be given by a member of the Advertising Association staff. Applications should be made to the Union Office (Mrs. Robinson) or to the Rector's Office (Miss Spalding) by 11th february.

Entertainments Committee Hop. 8-11 p.m.

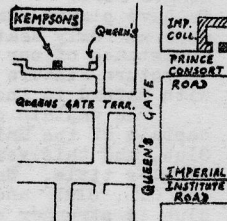
ATHLETIC.

SATURDAY, FEB. 2nd. I.C.R.F.C. 1st XV are playing Q.M.C. at home. I.C. Fencing Club first team are fighting Birmingham University at home.

SATURDAY, FEB. 9th. I.C.A.F.C. v Kings College (home), I.C.R.F.C. v St. Catherines College, Cambridge (home), I.C.C.C.C. v Reading (home), I.C. Fencing Club 1st team v Southampton Univ. (home).

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 13th I.C.A.F.C. v U.C. (home). I.C.C.C.C. S.W.E.T.C. Trophy (away).

KEMPSON'S
SHOE REPAIR SERVICE
44, Queen's Gate Mews,
Queen's Gate,
Kensington, S.W.7





SPORT



MODERATION

Icy winds racing straight from the pole, playing fields inches deep in crisp snow, looking for all the world a white Christmas, could not daunt those hardy players who proved once again capable of adapting themselves to any conditions. On the blustering day when England just failed to withstand the invasion from the West, convincing successes were gained over formidable opponents. The Rugger team beating Wasps Vandals (13-5) for the first time after out-playing them in every phase of the game, and last Saturday the Vets, who knocked out the Rugger team in the first round of the cup last year, were outrun to a score of 11-3. There is no truth in the rumours that skis will be worn for the next match. Unfortunately both the Soccer and Hockey teams were beaten but not outplayed in the U.L. Cup.

With such a good start to the second half season it would be a great pity if the standard of play was to fall because players are not up to form. No sportsmen would be willingly jeopardize his team's chances by not being fit and would be ashamed to have to explain a poor game by reference to festivities the night before. As there is a succession of carnivals and dances in the near future, all of which depend for their success upon the numbers and the spirit present - moderation and sleep, gentlemen.

CROSS-COUNTRY

I.C.C.C.C. v SOUTHGATE HARRIERS.

Run at Roehampton, on Saturday January 19th.

A rather tired team, running without its two University representatives, just managed to win. Tony Watts ran an extremely good race to come in first for I.C.

I.C. 36 points. Southgate 42 points.

1st G. Ash (S) 2nd R. Freeman (S)

3rd A.B. Watts (I.C.)

Other results

12th Jan. I.C. 2nd v Birkbeck v Acton Technicals

I.C. 34 Birkbeck 42 Acton 44

19th Jan. I.C. 2nd v Pearl Assurance

I.C. 46 Pearl A. 32

26th Jan. I.C.C.C.C. v Walton A.C. v Ealing Harriers v Westminster Bank. At Walton over 7 miles.

1st T. Keegan (W.A.C.) 2nd E.F. Whitlock

(I.C.) 3rd D.J. Pain (I.C.)

Walton 39 I.C. 53 Ealing 99

Westminster B. 132.

About 35 started and rather less than 35 finished. LONDON UNIVERSITY 7½ MILES CHAMPIONSHIPS.

This race was run on Wednesday January 16th, over Q.M.C.'s course at Brentwood - which is notoriously heavy, consisting almost entirely of plough and water.

For once I.C. were prominent at the start, with six of their team in the first ten. As the race progressed, so they dropped back, but a good run by Ted Whitlock, backed up by Bill Pain and Mike Garrod gave the Club another comfortable victory.

1st I.C. 66 points. 2nd L.S.E. 82 points.

3rd Kings 94 points.

Individual results - 1st J. Keegan, L.S.E.
2nd K.L. Norris N.E.C. 3rd E.F. Whitlock I.C.

BADMINTON

This year the Club is running four teams: two men's, one mixed, and one women's, in the University of London League, and to date have met with great success, the first two having won all their games. It seems certain that the men's first will head their section of the League, and should beat King's first who seem to be the likely winners of the other section. The second men's team had one good victory in beating a slightly weakened King's first team.

We have played Cambridge Univ.'s team at home and were narrowly beaten 5-4 and this was without the assistance of our captain F.S. Lau. There will be a return fixture with Cambridge and a home one with Oxford in the very near future.

The captain of our team, F.S. Lau, is also captain of the University of London Badminton Club, and this year succeeded in gaining the U.A.U. singles title. We have four or five members in the U.L. club and there is little doubt that the club is stronger now than it has been for many years past and should keep up its high standard for at least the next couple of years.

SOCCER. U.L. CUP

I.C. 0 U.C. 1.

I.C.'s U.L. Cup bid ended at Berrylands last Saturday when a valiant I.C. XI refused to be overwhelmed by a very strong U.C. side. For two-thirds of the match I.C. were penned in their own half, fighting a stubborn rearguard action against a fast moving forward line, which included four of the regular U.L. side, brilliantly backed up by a half-back line which included Godfrey, the U.L. captain at centre-half. The success of U.C. can be attributed to this one man who time and again broke up the I.C. attacks, at the same time feeding his forwards with an accuracy rarely seen in college football. It was fitting that he should score the goal which decided the match - a brilliantly taken free kick from fully twenty-five yards, which was in the back of the net before the I.C. goalkeeper had time to move.

The game was played in traditional cup-tie fashion - fast robust tackling and grimly determined defensive play on both sides. U.C. were no doubt shaken at the end of the goalless first half by a defence which would not crack even under the intense pressure which their forwards were capable of laying on and on three occasions when the U.C. keeper was brought to his knees by shots from Hodge and Clenshaw. Indeed at the end of this period I.C. may well have been in the lead.

For the first fifteen minutes of the second half I.C. dominated the play and came very close to scoring on several occasions, but then the game swung again to U.C.'s favour, resulting in Godfrey's goal. Time was played out with I.C. defending grimly and attacking spasmodically.

It can be recorded "I.C. lost but honours were even."

HOCKEY

I.C. 2 - U.C. 0

On Wednesday 23rd January I.C. avenged their unlucky defeat in the U.L. Cup. Both sides were roughly equally weakened by the loss of University and examination-bound players, but with much of their brilliant (albeit so far unrecognised) talent remaining, the home side took the field, anticipating the sweetness of vengeance.

Purslow, graciously presented the opposing captain with choice of ends and proceeded to prove his wisdom by promptly scoring a scintillating goal.

The remainder of the first half was occupied with dour midfield play with Power and Purslow thrustful in attack, and Purslow and Power dogged in defence. Gillett, in the underworked rear division was occasionally seen on the field, between sprints off to remove yet another sweater.

The second half honours go to I.C. who survived initial pressure by U.C. and then gradually took more and more of the play. A second goal came from a long corner cleverly stroked by Purslow, and Jarvis cracked home a head-high snorter. J.G. Smith was impressive in this, his first match and throughout the game well supplied the necessary ammunition for the Purslow-Power spearhead.

D.J.P.
B.W.P.

R.C.S. v R.S.M.

The first match for the newly awarded Stephenson Cup for inter-college hockey, was played between the R.C.S. and R.S.M. at Harlington on 16th Jan. The R.C.S. finally won a closely contested game by 3 goals to 2.

Play for the first 20 minutes was concentrated in the R.S.M. 25 area but determined defensive play by the Mines in which White was outstanding, prevented the R.C.S. from scoring. On the odd occasion when the R.S.M. broke through their forwards were fast-moving and dangerous. The R.S.M. forced a corner, which although weakly taken, was not well cleared, and a hard shot from Hunt opened the scoring.

Shortly after half-time Alderson scored again for the Mines after a defensive blunder in which almost all the R.C.S. defence were concerned.

However throughout the game the more experienced R.C.S. team had had the lion's share of the play and finally Purslow, standing in the goalmouth, found the ball at his feet and had no difficulty in scoring. A goal from Weight after a fine solo run made the score equal and Purslow scored the winning goal for the R.C.S. after good work by Sherwood on the left wing.