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FELIX

EVERY
FORTNIGHT

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IMPERIAL COLLEGE

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OH RCS RCS!

At a General Meeting of the R.C.S. Union on Thursday, 8th May, the motion: "That the Morphy Day Rag be sent to Salvage" was passed by 83 votes to 37 with 5 abstentions.

It was argued that Morphy Day was for boat racing not ragging; that the rag had in recent years declined in spontaneity, enjoyment and sportsmanship, and consequently support for it had also declined. The R.C.S. Union felt no longer inclined to engage in this ritual tussle with its friends in Guilds.

The opposition appealed to tradition, and while agreeing that the Morphy Rag was not at present satisfactory, held that it should be improved rather than abolished. Without an organised rag, disorganised rags would spring up - a Morphy Day would fade altogether as a Saint Day and Feast Day, and college half-holiday.

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The Morphy Cup was presented at the end of the 1st World War by the family of a member of the Boat Club, to rouse interest in the club, which was at that time flagging. The Morphy Rag, which would have been 30 years old this year, arose spontaneously among Boat Club supporters, and only since the 2nd World War became stereotyped into the scrum for the drum.

The Rag has withered in the winter of public opinion about student privilege. It is no longer possible to dismantle the 'buses hired to carry reinforcements to Putney or to empty bags of soot and tomatoes over policemen on point duty, or achieve a photograph in the "Mirror" of a Bobby being ducked in the Thames; not without a lot of "tut-tutting" from the welfare State on the touchline. Grants are not the best foundation for that fine and careless rapture that was once the student hallmark. O Tempora, O Flippin'Mores!

I.C.P.S. ANNUAL EXHIBITION

The Annual Exhibition of the Photographic Society, held in the gymnasium on the 5th, 6th and 7th May, was well attended by members of I.C. and other colleges. The standard was considerably above that of last year; the Judge, Mr. C.O. Steinbock, A.R.P.S., stated that it was a good deal higher than he had expected for a College Society. He remarked that, in his opinion, some of the prize-winning prints were of the standard of the major London exhibitions.

The Pictorial section, the most numerous, contained many fine prints. By comparison, the Technical and Record, and Portraiture sections were almost poor. Many of the outstanding prints were by Dr. E. Glaister, who made a very fine gesture in returning his prizes to the Society.

The response in both the colour transparency and lantern slide sections caught the Committee by surprise; the arrangements for exhibiting these sections were inadequate both as regards the number of entries which could be exhibited, and their presentation. The response to the "College Activities" section was disappointing.

In all, the Exhibition was a success, and all the exhibitors should be congratulated. It is to be hoped that the standard can be maintained in the coming years.

INTERVARSITY DEBATE

A successful venture into a new field was made by the U.L.U. Debates Committee in holding a debate entirely in French. The principal guests were from Paris University with other platform speakers from Reading University and Richmond College, U.L. The predominantly female audience (of about 80) produced a standard of speaking at least as high as that normally heard in a U.L.U. debate in English.

BEDFORD DEBATE

EVERY EXPERIENCE IS OF VALUE

As was observed by Tony Peacock, more in jest than in earnest, the fairer sex lack a logical approach to matters of the mind and tend rather to assault one's senses by an appeal to the heart and the innate goodness inherent in every male's breast.

However, it was most pleasant to listen to the seductive pleas of red-headed Elizabeth Bruno as she proposed the motion deftly concealed amid quotations and pictures of the brave, whose life had been so enriched by their experiences - and anyway of course experience is valuable - it makes such nice people.

In reply, Mr. Peacock battered us with Marxist, absolute idealist - sophist and what have you values - all far too near the point and cogently made for pleasant debate - but his main defence lay in a few examples of experience being of no value.

It was all so much happier when Monica Huber, from up north, gave a non-stop, but very hearable, recitation of anecdotes having little to do with the matter. Gallantly rising to the occasion in his best pedantic parliamentary manner, Brian Wyatt launched a pooh-pooh campaign upon the ladies present and the subject of debate. This was well-received by all present and warmly applauded.

The contributions from the floor were of a varied nature, some attempted to deal with the subject, until Selby Angus said that this was his third debate on values, and in one of the previous ones he had reached the conclusion that a thing is of value if it enlarges experience. The subject being dead a lively Jack-in-the-box discussion arose as to the best way to treat hangovers.

On this motion the ladies were defeated by 22 to 24 votes, mainly due to the block voting of the "solid south" or the members of I.C. who had only come for the experience to be gained.

With the normal courtesies a buffet refreshment was provided. I.C. hogging in one corner and Bedford in the other, with a rapid interplay of empty plates. This soon broke up into a dance where Bedford showed that much valuable experience (non-character building) was to be gained.

TOUCHSTONE WEEKEND 24-25 MAY at SILWOOD



Ian MacPhail of the Arts Council
on "The Encouragement of Music";

with

Various Pleasant Diversions

in support of his thesis.

Applications by 20 May to Union Office

ESCAPED. The Secretary of the Union has returned unscathed and largely unimpressed from his trip behind the Iron Curtain, as U.L.U. representative at a student congress held at the Technical University of Berlin. We hope to publish an account of Mr. Wansway's travels in our next issue.

POSTAL SUBSCRIPTIONS 1952-3.

FELIX offers a unique service for members of the college leaving this summer. Subject to the availability of dollars, FELIX will be sent by post to any given address for 6/6d. per annum. Such subscriptions should be sent to the Secretary, Felix, I.C. Union.

PROFILE

WALLY GOSS

The light of day first illuminated the saturnine countenance of Walter P. Goss on the eleventh day of June in the year 1927 in the historic seaport and market town of Great Yarmouth; from which he has oftentimes strayed to various parts of the world in an effort to overcome his Norfolk accent and its fishy smell. His early education was obtained at the Great Yarmouth Grammar School which he left in 1946, when it was felt that nothing more could be achieved, to undertake his National Service obligations in the R.A.F. as a radar instructor. On completing this duty he came to the R.C.S. in order to read Physics. In common with many illustrious forbears who elected to serve their fellow students rather than the fickle whims of examiners, Wally's academic career has been somewhat chequered and this year has found him engaged in the manufacture of afternoon tea and a hextra million magnifying double power gas microscope somewhere in the inner recesses of the Guilds. Turning now to the extramural (or outdoor) aspect of his career we find that at an early age he was forced by illness to refrain from any form of violent exercise for several years, during which time he familiarised himself with the rules, aims and ideas of many games and spent his leisure time organising and not participating. It is quite natural therefore, though unique, that Wally should rise in College athletic circles from secretary of the Soccer Club (1949-50) and official cricket umpire, by way of secretary of the Athletic Clubs Committee (1950-51), to be this year's chairman of the A.C.C.

His associations are not however confined to college affairs, for in University circles he is well known as a soccer referee of some standing and in the last three years has been successively Publicity Secretary, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Fixture Secretary of the University Soccer Team. Next season he is to be Hon. Secretary again. Last Summer Vacation Wally jointly organised and chaperoned the U.L.A.T.C. on their globe-trotting tour to Kenya, being officially appointed as wine-taster and coconut-gatherer.



A story has it that whilst refereeing a game out there he was overcome by the local atmosphere and fell, injuring his knee, to the derision of his team-mates, and returned home the only casualty. His seemingly endless capacity for responsibility (he is also on the Hostel Selection Committee) seldom seems to impair his enjoyment of life, although he does not suffer fools gladly, for on very few social occasions is he conspicuous by his absence. His likes include beer, blondes, brunettes (redheads he has use for but no time) and big parties; his dislikes - fanatics.

21st MAY COME TO 21st MAY
SPORTS DAY
 AT
HARLINGTON
 ADMISSION FREE 2.45 p.m. OBSTACLE RACE

OBJETS D'ART

Dear Sir,

The successful Annual Exhibition of the Photographic Society has reminded me that a large proportion of the student community is not fully aware of everything that happens in the Union. Admittedly the activities of College Departments, and most of the clubs and societies can be inspected by the inquisitive; but one important student activity is rarely seen by the majority of members of this Union. I refer, of course, to the collection and display of "trophies". Would it not be possible for the clubs and societies who have snaffled bus stops, Belisha beacons, zebra crossings, red lamps, etc., to arrange for the exhibition of these articles?

Yours etc.,

J.N.P.G.

The Chairman, Entertainments Committee, states that he is familiar with the whereabouts of some of these trophies - sufficient to form the nucleus of an exhibition.

In response to the request of J.N.P.G. he is willing to arrange a display upon a suitable occasion. He hopes that "owners" of interesting specimens will be prepared to loan them for exhibition.

(GUILDS)

P.S. It is most important not to forget to cart off.



OUR ONLY ADMIRER

The Sterwin Williams Co.,
 601, Canal Road, N.W.
 Cleveland, Ohio. U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

May I soften your heart by saying that my sojourn in this heathen country has been made more tolerable by the frequent appearance of Felix, dutifully forwarded by my brother?

I was inspired, to the point of writing this letter, by Cavemen's contribution to Viewpoint in the 13th Feb. issue. While I welcome his apt parallels of colour and student conversation, I feel there is a more suitable shade from misty grey to describe I.C.'s banter - how about brown?

Yours etc.

John R.Throbbald,
 (Chem.Eng.1946-1949)

THUNDER ROCK

Dear Sir,

Your Dramatic Critic, in his review of I.C.D.S.' production "Thunder Rock", commented that the long dramatic pause at the end of the first Act was "downright bad theatre".

It was in fact the time needed for David Greenfield to transform himself from Streeter into Captain Joshua, and to reappear on the stage.

Your Critic is entitled to his opinion as to the bad effects of this pause, but he can scarcely rebuke the Producer for not achieving the impossible.

Yours etc.

A.V.S. deReuck.

Dramatic Critic, "Phoenix".

NO DICE

Sir,

I, in common with others, am disturbed to read that Dai Nicholas is not standing as Republican Candidate for the United States Presidency.

We at I.C. could no doubt secure his election with an infectious slogan. How could "I like Ike" and "Estes is bestes" compare with "Dai is our gai"?

I am,

Yours etc.,

N.K. Benson

The knitting hint has no connection with anything else on this page.

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FELIX



THE NEWSPAPER OF IMPERIAL COLLEGE

EDITOR:

K.P. ELDRIDGE

As mentioned by "Pericles" the finances of Phoenix are at present none too sound. This due in no small measure to lack of readers. It is not suggested that you who have been robbed of threepence for the privilege of owning issue No.36 of FELIX have not shown your interest and supported in the endeavours of your college; but the chap who is reading this over your shoulder, criticising most violently everything with which he is at variance, and drawing your lecturers attention to your lack of interest in the pearls of knowledge falling from his lips, he can hardly be classed as a saviour of the sinking. Fireproof or not, please help to keep PHOENIX off the rocks.

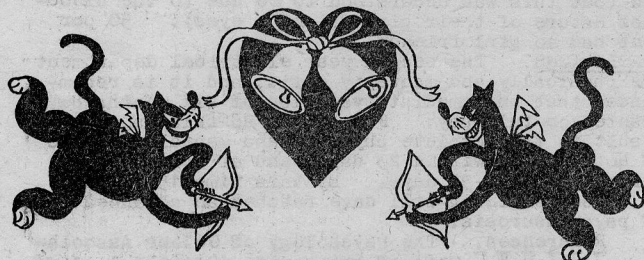
One of the days when everyone in I.C., professor and tutor, fresher and failure, is able to gather together for a few hours, to join in a common relaxation from the pressing cares of Kensington is Sports Day. No other day is quite so informal nor so pleasant as sitting quietly in the sun, tankard in hand, admiring the prowess of others for more energetic in their recreation.

Guilds begin favourites with an imposing lead built up from the tug-o'-war and 3 mile trackrace held last term and should manage to retain this lead in face of keen opposition expected from the R.C.S. It is time that the Governor's Challenge Shield found a new home for a while. What about R.C.S. and R.S.M.?

PERSONNEL.

There will be only two more issues of FELIX this term, after which some, not all, of the members of the FELIX Board will plunge into the outer darkness of an industrial world. It is hoped to be able to fill the vacancies this term in order that the new members may have an idea of the work entailed. It will be appreciated if anyone who is pat-(mat-)ernally interested in FELIX and feels he or she will be able to devote a certain amount of his (her) time next session would write to the editor via the Union rack or see him personally. No experience is necessary but the need of an opportunity to learn to write is a good qualification.

Articles, letters, reviews are especially welcome from contributors who have not the time for the routine of the Board.



FELIX congratulates:-

LEN MASSAM (R.C.S.) on his marriage to SHEILA EDWARDS.

LEN SMITH (Chem.Tech.) on his engagement to KATHLEEN WILLIAMS.

HATRED

I'm not very partial
To Mr Marshal
He goes out in the blizzard
When he can,
And leaves his Little Woman to the Other Man.
This may be wizard
For the Little Woman
But its pretty bad luck for the blizzard.

TO-DAY the Squash Club Annual General Meeting will be held at 1.15 p.m. in Committee Room "A".

SPRING. George Sturt has emerged from hibernation in the Drawing office and is to be seen abroad again.

TIME . You may now fill up the space at the foot of Page 1 in FELIX No.16.... and the best of luck too.

NUMISMATISTS are invited to offer tenders for one dud half crown, and Irish penny and a South African halfpenny collected at the R.C.S. Soaking Concert and the Olympic Games Dance, in addition to the total of £57.17.1½d. raised for the OLYMPIC GAMES FUND.

PHOENIX STAGGERS

"Phoenix" is a problem in need of airing. Let us supply some air.

For sixty years "Phoenix" paid his way, till at the end of the war he was forced to move in the ever decreasing circles of an inflationary spiral and finally entered a state of bankruptcy. When his savings were exhausted three years ago he was swiftly "unionised", and in return for his subsidy, requested to produce the annual "Review" of the Union.

The more obvious functions of "Phoenix" are to please the reader, support the writer, reflect the thought and record the doings of I.C. Between the millstones of the "Review" and the "Liberal Outlook Crusade" the last two functions are ground exceeding small. The first two functions sometimes seem irreconcilable, and in any case no-one ever pleases everyone, except Jonathan Staggers. But there is another and most important function of "Phoenix": that of flying the I.C. standard at other sordid Institutions of Higher Learning. Incredible as it may seem, "Phoenix" cuts something of a dash in this direction - articles from him have in recent terms been commented on and reprinted by other colleges, for example Q.M.C. With a touch of prestige of pedigree and a very fair reputation for both form and content, "Phoenix" compares well with the best and is a darned sight better than most other student magazines.

What about "Phoenix's" difficulties? Granting that "Phoenix" may be an investment outside I.C. and that cheeseparing on illustrations and format are not likely to improve him for home consumption, we are left with:- dropping the price and raising the subsidy, WRITING more for him and BUYING more of him. And left to last for emphasis, it should be said that giving birth to "Phoenix" involves a ghastly labour. The Editor and Advertising Manager in particular are Stakhanovites, and they deserve our CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM. "Phoenix" and "Felix" obviously depend in the end on us; but then of course it's well known that you and I are fireproof.

PERICLES

WHERE TO EAT AROUND I C

This report is of three of the restaurants near South Kensington station.

xx J. Lyons. Thurloe Street.

The lunching place for many of the office girls etc. working in the district, and a very pleasant change from the male predominating refectories in I.C. Between 12.30 and 1.30 p.m. the queues are rather long, but at other times very little waiting is necessary. A 3-course meal costs about 2/6d. It is open from 8 a.m. to 9.50 p.m. One of the few places that makes a really good cup of tea.

R.C.A. Common Room.

Lunches served 12-1 p.m. Not recommended.

xx Academy Restaurant, 58, Fulham Road.

Table d'hote 2/6d served from 12 - 2.30 p.m. A la carte served all day. A cosy little place; the meal is appreciated the more for the walk there. The food is of a high standard, well cooked and service quick.

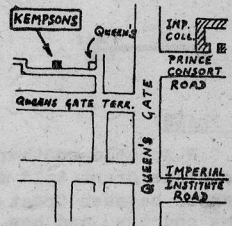
Morphwis.

LEISURE

What is this life, if, full of work
We have no time to stand and shirk?
No time to pause in College life
And take a rest from toil and strife?
No time to take a holiday,
No time to dance the hours away,
No time to stop to steal a kiss
Or contemplate some future bliss?
No time to stroll around the park,
Or play a game, or have a lark?
Even to hope would be amiss
Where College life is such as this.

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SILWOOD PARK

"Phoenix" of Spring 1951 carried an article on the Biological Field Station of the College which gave most of the important facts in its development as a field station.

The purpose of the present contribution is to bring to the notice of readers of FELIX something of the setting of Silwood Park as they may expect to find it, either as residents if their zoological studies take them there, or as migrants if they succumb to the Call of Culture in the shape of the Rector's 'Touchstone' weekend discussion groups held there from time to time.

"Silwood," acquired in 1947, primarily as a result of the efforts of its present Director, Professor Munro, is ideally suited to its purpose of providing facilities for the study of biological problems both in the field and in the laboratory. Much more than this, however, needs to be said if the true worth of the station to the College is to be assessed.

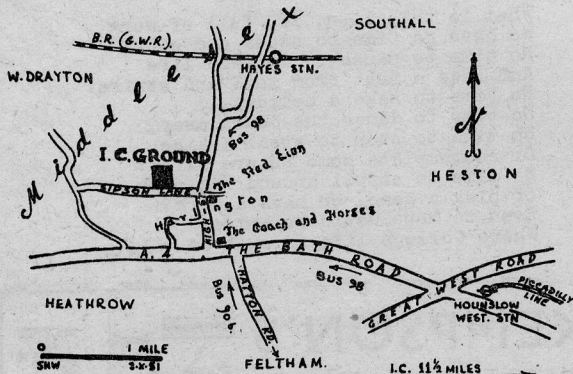
From time to time students are moved to write to the Editor letters deploring the absence of the residential facilities which seem to them to 'make college life'. Part of Silwood's function has been to offer just those facilities to a necessarily limited number of I.C. students. It is perhaps inevitable that most of the members of the College should scarcely have heard of the Field Station, but at least it can be said that the opportunity to make its acquaintance occurs for everyone to whom the 'Touchstone' project offers an additional attraction.

Silwood, with its sister mansion, Ashurst Lodge, sits in a hundred acres of parkland: grassy slopes for the most part, but with woods and marshes, and a little stream which trickles through to Silwood Lake. Formal gardens are maintained in flower for the greater part of the year, and the delightful Japanese Garden, with its tiny lake, surrounded by rhododendrons, Japanese maples and bamboos, has suffered only from the loss of the pagoda-like shelter that used to provide a shady retreat until its age made it unsafe.

Windsor Great Park is within ten minutes' stroll of the Field Station, and the surrounding countryside is as beautiful as any within easy reach of London.

Silwood Park is an asset to the college and its beauty deserves appreciation.

HARLINGTON



NEWS FLASH

I.C.W.A. held another tea on Tuesday, 6th May. Miss Penelope Grant told members of some of the differences between Great Britain and South Africa, her home country, and how these might strike an immigrant. Her very interesting talk was well illustrated with many beautiful pictures.

RESEARCH

THE FINDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH OF THE SECOND YEAR ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

These results are based on a factual investigation made on 5th May, 1952.

PHYSICAL CLASSIFICATION. 40 per cent of the department were found to be not physically fit. 40 per cent are suffering from regular headaches and 10 per cent from giddiness. 80 per cent admitted that they were chronically tired, and only 15 per cent said they found time for sufficient sleep to keep them physically and mentally alert. 40 per cent were found to be in some stage of acute physical exhaustion. The average amount of sleep per night was 7.6 hours, a variation between 6.5 and 11 hours being observed. The average amount of sleep that those interviewed said they required for complete alertness was 9.1 hours.

MENTAL CLASSIFICATION. 40 per cent of the department were suffering from severe mental fog and another 40 per cent admitted that they were slightly confused. 80 per cent said that they were worried about their work and of these 20 per cent were seriously alarmed. 50 per cent said that they found their mental confusion or worry impeded their capacity to concentrate. 30 per cent found concentration on work difficult at any time and 25 per cent found it needed considerable effort, under further questioning, however, 10 per cent admitted that they were scatterbrained anyway.

RELAXATION. When asked what relaxation they had had in the last few weeks, 30 per cent replied that they had had none, and one person admitted that his only relaxation was washing up. 15 per cent said the cinema was their only relaxation. Only 25 per cent had had any outdoor recreation.

When asked, "what would you most like to do if you had the chance?" 15 per cent considered the matter too personal to answer, 10 per cent did not know. Other replies ranged from writing a musical comedy to making a sociological study of the American way of life and going in search of H.V. Morton. Several admitted that their only interests were beer and women, but one preferred port.

To the question, "Do you feel any different now to what you did at the same time last year?" 5 per cent said that they felt older, 20 per cent had not noticed any change, 10 per cent were in love, one was understood to believe he had become married, and 20 per cent were worried. The rest were unable to remember anything before New Year's Eve.

35 per cent were working at full capacity and 30 per cent at rather less than full pressure. 25 per cent were unemployed or disinterested.

The favourite colour of 30 per cent was green, and of 5 per cent blue, 3 per cent said they preferred red (but this was understood to be due to the blood-shot nature of their girl friend's eyes). 50 per cent had no girl friends.

CONCLUSIONS. The second year electrical department are physically and mentally unfit, and it is recommended that an immediate vacation of six months be granted on full pay. Failure to do this can only result in the complete physical and mental collapse of 40 per cent within 23 days, and of a further 30 per cent within 39 days. By this time 15 per cent of those remaining will have reached an advanced stage of psychoneurosis.

References. "The Psychology of Colour Association." News of the World, 10th March, 1938.
"Psychostasia Applied to Psycho-physical Psychoparesis in the Curvilinear State."
Good Housekeeping Magazine (Date unknown).

PROFFERY

The following observations were made by Professor Blanc during one of his lectures to the second year:

- (i) Obviously very pleased:- "...which is a much NICER number."
- (ii) Disgusted:- "That is NOT Bernoulli."
- (iii) Puzzled:- "...or perhaps you would like to see this upside down."

Contributions are invited to the FELIX collection of Professorial clangers.

PERSONAL ADVERTISEMENTS

SINGLE ROOM WANTED by end of June, near college, with cooking facilities; Box SW7.

FOR SALE : Developing tank for 120 films. Good as new. 10/-. Apply M.P.Garrood, Union Rack.

WANTED : Lightweight Rucksack, mounted on a frame. Size 15 in., weighing not more than 4 lbs. Advertiser prepared to buy, or would consider exchange for 17 in. rucksack, mounted on a frame, weight 5 lbs and complete with straps. Daphne Bishop, Silwood Park, Sunninghill, Berks.

FOR SALE : One pair riding boots and two pairs trench-style boots, suitable for riding, motor cycling, field trips, etc. Size 7 - 8. All in good condition. Apply L.P.Smith, P.G. Chem. Eng. Dept.

RIDER HAGGARD

Noticing the frenzied efforts to start, and the haggard faces of the owners of the numerous motor-cycles in I.C., we felt deeply moved. Accordingly, we asked our Expert to list us Some Common Mechanical Faults, their Courses and Remedies. The following list is the result:-

1. On depressing kick-starter you are propelled smartly over the handlebars. Remedy; retard the ignition. If ignition is fixed, stand behind the machine and get some one else to start for you.
2. Engine starts, but on releasing clutch machine moves off backwards. Remedy; take out a licence to cover a vehicle equipped with means for reversing.
3. While proceeding at a steady pace a sudden ripping sound is followed by a loud whirr descending in pitch as machine comes to a grinding halt. Cause: belt of raincoat caught in rear wheel. Remedy: use string.
4. After riding hard for some time with a passenger behind, engine suddenly shows remarkable increase of power. Cause: pillion passenger dropped off. Remedy: get a new one.
5. After running for some time along a lumpy road engine stops firing. Cause: magnets worked-loose and fallen off. Remedy: buy a side-car. A man I met in France always used a sidecar, with a girl in it. The girl had a large spanner and tightened up all the nuts within reach as they went along. Of course, everything on the off-side used to fall off sooner or later but then, you can't have everything.
6. Rear of machine seems unnaturally low, and on stopping, a deep trench is noticed in the road behind you. Cause: no back wheel. Remedy: remove top of tank with tin opener and use as wheelbarrow.
7. Riding in the rain you notice a succession of sharp shooting pains in the right leg. Cause: high tension cable wet. Remedy: wear rubber boots. Tingling sensation continues. Cause: pins and needles. Remedy: massage.
8. You set off on a pitch black night. Machine refuses to lie over correctly on bends; there is no performance, and the brakes don't seem to work. Cause: you have got into a car by mistake.

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PARTY POLITICS

This term has seen an increase in political activity at I.C. The Conservatives, are holding weekly discussions on Thursdays, in addition to the debate reported in the last Felix. A report on the more important of these will be given in Felix.

The entire Liberal Group went to the talk given by Major Grimond at University College on 8th May to the University of London Liberal Federation.

The most important item was the talk given by Dr. Thomas on "Marxism and Christ" to the Socialist Group on Friday 9th May. Dr. Thomas, the Vicar of the Ascension Church, Balham, commenced by saying the Iron Curtain was not difficult to cross and that he had done so several times, once in a Russian Ambassador's car. He said that although born a Liberal Conservative he had changed his views to those of a Socialist because Life did not consist of Theory or Doctrine alone. He pointed out that in Religion one must combine Theory with Practice. The Marxists, who are true Socialists, do this. The Marxists were the only true Socialists because they planned and priced according to the need. Answering a question he said that the State in the U.S.S.R. had nothing to do with the Church but that all religions were permitted.

Mathematical Functions - one of those things that happen in maths if you are advanced enough.
Mr. Benge, School of Librarianship, N.W.Poly.

COMING EVENTS

SOCIAL.

FRIDAY, MAY 16TH. I.C. Lit. and Deb. Soc. Debate. Further details to be announced.
SATURDAY, May 17TH. I.C.R.F.C. dance. Dancing to Paul London and his orchestra, I.C.U. 7.30 - 12 p.m. Tickets 5/6 double.
U.L.A.U. Summer term dances, 7.30 - 11 p.m. Union Assembly Hall (opposite School Oriental and African Studies). Roy Somers band. Ticket 2/-
SUNDAY, MAY 18TH. Lunch hour concert, Gymnasium I.C.U. 1.30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 21ST. R.C.M. Concert, 5.30 p.m. For further details see notices.
I.C.U. Entertainments Ctte, Sports Day Hop, 8 - 11 p.m. Admission free.
May 21 - 24. The Chelsea Flower Show.
THURSDAY, MAY 22ND. I.C. Mus. Soc. Lunch-hour recital, Council Room, C. & G. 1.15 p.m. Ensembles by Bach, Handel, Purcell for oboe, flute, violin and voices.
FRIDAY, MAY 23RD. R.S.M. 'The Mines May Ball'. Bar till 12, buffet free, dancing 7.30 - 1.00 a.m. Evening dress preferred, double ticket 8/6.
I.C. Mus. Soc. Gallery party 'Turandot' (Puccini) Covent Garden.
SATURDAY, MAY 24TH. 'Touchstone' Musical Weekend Party. See advertisement in this FELIX.
I.C. Entertainments Ctte Hop, 8.0 - 11.0 p.m. Tickets from Union Office Annexe in Lunch-hour of 22nd and 23rd May.
THURSDAY, 29TH MAY. I.C. Mus. Soc. Last lunch-hour recital of session. Constant Lambert's 'Rio Grande' I.C. Choir, Conductor Dr. R. Jacques.
I.C. Mus. Soc. Gallery party 'Eugene Onegin' by Tchaikovsky, Sadlers Wells.
FRIDAY, MAY 30TH. FELIX No. 37 on sale.

ATHLETIC.

FRIDAY, MAY 16TH. I.C. Ice Skating Club. Battersea Polytechnic meeting at Arosa Rink, 7 - 10 p.m. Tickets for I.C. members from Hon. Treas. 2/6.
U.L.Y.H.A. 16 - 17 May. Trip to Streatley and Hannington.
SATURDAY, MAY 17TH. I.C.A.C. v U.C. Southampton at Harlington. I.C. Cricket Club 1st XI v U.C.S. Old Boys (home). I.C. Boat Club, Thames Ditton Regatta.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 21ST. Sports Day, Harlington, 2.45.
I.C. Boat Club, 21 - 22 May. 'The Vesta Dashes'.
SATURDAY, MAY 24TH. I.C. Boat Club, Chiswick Regatta. I.C. Cricket Club 1st XI v Trinity Hall, Camb. (away).

GUILDS MOTOR RALLY

The Rally was held at the Two Brewers, Northaw near Hatfield, on Saturday, 4th May. The first to arrive was David Allen who was found peering gloomily out of the saloon bar from behind a pork loaf sandwich. All the contestants arrived in good time, except for one person who on enquiring what pub he had stopped at was told by the hooting rabble that it was a beer pub. A successful retreat was beaten on finding it to be the Sun.

A working knowledge of map-reading was essential since all the places were identified by grid references. On finding the position, questions about the district had to be answered, and after finding all the references the two controls had to be reached in a set time. The winner was he with the lowest score, points being given for late arrival at controls and for every second slower than the fastest time in the special tests. At one point in the first section great assistance was given by two young lovelies who stood by the road waiting to give all the answers. At the first control the two tests were: a standing start to reach a balanced pole touch it and stop, the other a Le Mans start. For this, drivers only competed, running 25 yards to their cars, starting them, and driving them another 25 yards to finish. The M.G.'s made the fastest times in this.

Boanerges came down as a non-starter, having made good speed from South Kensington with one stop to allow a tight big-end to cool, arriving just after the last competitor had left. Unfortunately he perished in the pouring rain at the last control with a snapped valve stem.

During the tea, Mike Day, who organised the Rally worked out the results, and at the end presented some very lavish prizes. The awards were as follows:

P.M. Ellis	Austin 8	King's College
G. Kahan	Hillman	C & G
Miss B.M. Shotter	M.G.T.A.	-
P.R.Thickett	Austin 7	C & G.

Special mention should be made of the amazing performances of some of the Austin 7's, which suffered a considerable disadvantage, particularly in the special tests.

Boanerges was towed in from the last control, and then had to be left at the "Two Brewers" pending manufacture of a new valve. Any volunteers would be gratefully taken on for help in a very necessary overhaul. The thanks of the Club and the Competitors are extended to Mike Day and all those who marshalled and otherwise contributed to make the day the success it was.



Sport



SQUASH

For the Squash Club this has been principally a season of consolidation of the remarkable progress made the year before. The Courts were cleaned and the lights raised, and if the tendency of the roof to leak could be cured (as it must be, to preserve the now irreplaceable maple floors), they would be among the best in London; the fixture list was pruned and added to, and gave us a full season of enjoyable matches in which we broke just over evens; and the number of members was a record, which may be attributed to the increasing popularity of the game, a keen and energetic Hon. Treasurer, and an improvement in general standards of honesty - on only one occasion was a court booked in the name of Albert Hall, and this seemed such an appropriate name for the person concerned (except that the Hall has no large 'tash) that it would have been churlish to cavil.

One of the most encouraging features of the season was the success and keenness of the second team, for which there proved to be so much talent that there was seldom much difference between the first and fifth players, and the ladder again proved most valuable in selecting the team.

In the U.L. 3-a-side tournament we were beaten in the second round by Westminster Hospital, having beaten Wye College 2-1 in the 1st round. There was no very good reason for this defeat, for all 3 players were beaten by men whom they could have beaten had they been on form, but that is the way in squash, and in any case we should next have met the very strong St. Mary's Hospital team that won the Cup.

The Whiteley Cup was won for the fifth time in succession by J. Kenyon, who returned to the Club in January. Thirty players entered, of whom four were seeded, but unfortunately the No. 2 seed, A. R. Warner, had to withdraw (having left the College so that E. M. Hughes, seeded No. 4, reached the final. The best match was the semi-final between Kenyon and M. P. Martin, which Kenyon won in three close games lasting nearly fifty minutes, in which Martin produced a prodigious effort. The final was poor by comparison, Hughes starting very badly and losing the first two games cheaply. He then rallied and won the next 9-7, but the effort proved too much, and Kenyon was able to romp home in the next game to win the Cup yet again.

The analysis of match and individual results will be put on the notice board; the only comment we should like to make here, is that Martin and Hughes are to be congratulated on having played in every match this season, and upon their full colours.

GOLF

I.C. kept their unbeaten record by beating Barts at Fulwell by $3\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$. Max Friedl, playing No. 2, shot a 73 - one over par - and won his match 8 and 7, the year's biggest win. A.R. McKechnie holed out in one at the fifth hole - the first I.C. player to do so in an inter-college match. He went on to win by 3 up and 2 to play, thus keeping his record of not losing a match while representing the College.

Earlier this year, I.C. beat University College, University College Hospital and Barts, (away) and drew with University College (away) and St. Mary's Hospital.

On April 21st R. Heenan won the I.C. President's Cup at Worplesdon, with K. Glover, (holder) second and M. Friedl third.

So far, five members have been chosen to represent the University first team, and five members for the University second team.

UL. HOCKEY

At a general meeting of the University of London Hockey Club on Friday, May 9th, the following I.C. members were elected to office for the 1952-3 Season.
 President : Asst. Prof. A. Stephenson, O.B.E.
 Vice-President: E.C. Green. Captain: G. Gillett.
 Hon. Secretary: H.I. Hayes.

ROWING

At Putney Regatta, last Saturday, I.C.B.C. were well represented by 3 VIIIIs, 2 scullers and a pair. Though the weather was good, the water was bad until late in the afternoon.

In the first race of the day, R.G. Seaman won his heat of the Junior Sculls by $2\frac{1}{2}$ lengths. In the final he scored I.C.'s only win, by beating E.P. Wade easily.

In his heat of the Junior-Senior Sculls, G.W. Benson was beaten by W. Blue, who was only just beaten in the final of this event.

The 2nd VIII rowing in the Junior-Senior VIIIIs started slowly, and kept their rating too low and were beaten by Vesta R.C.

The 4th VIII rowing in the Beverly VIIIIs (for clinker boats) were beaten by a very fast Thames R.C. crew, who later won the final.

After the interval, during which the tide turned, the I.C. pair, J.P. Gibson and I.M. Tichener, lost by 2ft. to Lensbury after a very close race.

The next race was the first heat of the Junior VIIIIs in which the 3rd VIII were beaten by about $\frac{1}{2}$ length by an Ibis crew, in very bad water.

Though it was not a resoundingly successful day for I.C. rowing, the crews should not be disheartened by these results in their first regatta of the season.

UL. CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Saturday, May 10th, at Wootton Bassett, I.C. were beaten by Kings by 119 points to 72 points. Middlesex Hospital with 45 points, were third.

In the steeplechase Pain and Garrod were 1st and 2nd. After a close race in the 440 yards, Watts and Williams gained 1st and 2nd places. Richard won the High Jump at 6'0" but failed an attempt at the University Record of 6'2". In the 3 mile, Garrod was 4th and Pain 5th. 3rd and 5th places in the Pole Vault were taken by Davies and Goldhawk respectively.

The highlight of the meeting was G. Elliot (Kings) breaking of the British Native Record for the Pole Vault at 13'1". He had previously beaten the University record for the Shot Putt with 43'1".

The prizes were presented by Mrs. D.W. Logan (wife of the Principal) at the close of the meeting.

WOMENS ATHLETICS

In the U.L. Athletic Championships last week the I.C. Women's Team scored a total of 16 points. While this was not sufficient to place I.C. among the first 3 colleges in the competitions for either the Challenge Cup or the "Factor Cup", the performance of the team was most encouraging and holds out great hopes for the future as only one member of the team will not be available next year. As organiser of the team I would like to thank all those members of I.C.W.A.S.C. who spent so much time practising even though their chances of success appeared slender.

Those who gained places were:-

Janet Findlater	1st in long jump,	2nd in 100 yards.	11 pts.
Phyllis Harlow	5th in 880 yards.	2 pts.	
Eileen Delmage	5th in discus	2 pts.	
Margaret Evenett	6th in javelin	1 pt.	

CRICKET RESULTS

I.C. 107 (Weale 36) U.C. 65-3 (Ault 2-6).
 I.C. 111-5 dec. (Elliott 45, weale 39), Q.M.C. 112-6 (Reynolds 4-29)
 Westminster Coll. 121-6 dec. (Reynolds 4-33), I.C. 80-6.
 I.C. 113 (Oldland 36, Weale 35) Hillingdon 118, (Morphy 3-28).

LAWN TENNIS

I.C. were off the mark right from the start when, by heavily defeating Goldsmith's Training College they entered the second round of the U.L. Championship. In this round they will meet either Chelsea Polytechnic or the College of Estate Management, this match will also be played at home sometime before the end of this month.

Cup result : (home) Sat, 10th May v Goldsmiths
 Won 9 - 0.