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# FELIX



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IMPERIAL COLLEGE

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## FAR AND WIDE

### VAC. FACTS.

Felix has heard a few tales of the many far journeys made for holidays, and for vacation work and other experience, by members of I.C.; and as usual we apologize if this brief survey does not reach far enough. The vacation started with the Dramatic Society's venturing out to a week's public performance, of a Priestley play at Cheltenham in a university season there. Though they had good reason to feel satisfied with their production, they shared in a patch of poor support at the theatre.

At this time the late President and Vice-President of the Mines, David Griffiths and John (Knocker) White took a temporary job near college - "as assistant morticians. For a few days they fed eager supper audiences with episodes in the stiffening of a "stiff" - until their increasing sun-tan betrayed that their employment was, in fact, gardening.

The Devon cricket tour is reported, as is the Dramatic Society's tour, in the next Phoenix, but we are allowed to reveal that this year they won some games. It is not generally expected, or really desired, to get such a result. We feel that the Game, the Tour and the Drink are The Things; to win is not quite cricket. With great regrets, the September rugby tour to Delft of Jack Moworth's XV fell through because when the time came, those who were available and able to find the cash, amounted to only six forwards and one back. One of the team, Bill Robinson, was already training by, he claims, shark fishing in Cornwall.

Other Miners' and Geologists' tales tell us of Godfrey Burrill in Labrador, George Swales in Canada, and Anton Brown in Goose Bay. John Taylor went to Kuwait, and has sketched us a perfectly blank picture of the countryside inland of the oilfields.

The chairman of the Athletic Clubs Committee went on an early tour by car of the Lakes and the Road to the Isles. He feels so sorry about the CONTINUOUS rain that we are not mentioning his name. His 'oppo, the chairman of the S.C.C. did much better, and went to Spain as one of the ground crew in the International competitions.

"The new Senior Treasurer of the Union decided that he could now take his department on holiday, and off went they all by Rolls Royce to Turkey for a considerable time." - so went the first report, though we now understand that it was Istanbul mostly, and they paid for themselves. They brought back Yugoslav table-cloths to embroider in their spare time - one in wool and one in silk. Roy Severn has started on his.

The extremes in I.C.W.A. seem to have been Buenos Aires, by Mary McKenzie (though this doesn't really count as it's her home), and by Barbara Harris who went to be governess - wearing poke bonnet we trust - to two Italian children in Rome.

The prize for Vac. Work experience seems to be due to the two physicists who were employed in Germany to paint spots on rabbit skin to make it into Leopard, and also to simulate Crocodile from leather.

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## FIRST BLOOD TO THE BOAT CLUB

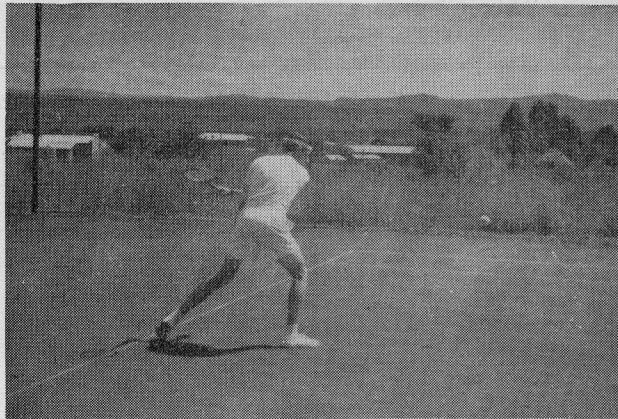
Last Saturday the crew which started training before the term began, reaped their reward in narrowly winning the Sabin Tankard Clinker Eights at Putney. A full report appears with the rowing report on the Sports Page.

## SIX HUNDRED TO TEA

Fresher's Day October 6th dawned bright and dry as the overwhelming number of over 600 freshers milled into the Union. As usual the tennis court fence in the quadrangle, the club notice boards in the Union, and the stair walls were covered with bright posters to attract talent and interest from the stream moving up to the gym. The platform was complete except for the Rector, who was away in the chair at the University Collegiate Committee. Professor H. H. Read, appearing on his behalf, welcomed the new students with a short and encouraging speech that finished with the call "I hope you have a pleasant stay; don't stay too long!"

This was followed by the President's main talk, in which he appealed to the students to realize that "The Union" was more than a cafeteria, and recommended to them a discriminating sampling of the clubs on show. The chairman of the Athletic and Social Clubs Committees, and the C.O.'s of the U.T.C. and the U. Air Squadron then gave some details of their organizations, and the whole meeting brought to an end in thirty-five minutes - five minutes ahead of plans.

Your reporter then relaxed in the sea of tea, trying the meanwhile to remember an occasion comprising six such good speeches.



J.S. KENYON - Summer singles Tennis Champion, and holder of the Whiteley Squash Rackets Cup for the fifth year in succession.

## GENERAL STUDIES

The new series of lunch hour talks was opened by an Old Student of the R.C.S., Mr. L.C. Nickolls who is Director of the Metropolitan Police Laboratory at New Scotland Yard. On the same day, Mr. C.H. Gibbs-Smith was talking on "What is the Use of Art?" We hope to hear Mr. Gibbs-Smith again on Rockets or Interplanetary Travel, for he is a Companion of the Royal Aeronautical Society, and a member of the Interplanetary Society, as well as Keeper of Extension Services at the Victoria & Albert Museum.

On Tuesday, 21st October, Dr. Evsey D. Doman, who teaches Political Economy at Johns Hopkins University and is now Fulbright Professor at Nuffield College, Oxford, is speaking on the American Elections, 1952. As the 21st is Trafalgar Day, Mr. W.C.B. Tunstall, of the London School of Economics, is discussing "Nelson - Genius or Supertechician?"

On Tuesday 28th, Mr. Angus Maude, M.P. is talking on the English Middle Classes (he is joint author of a book on this subject), and Mr. Charles Mitchell, of the Warburg Institute, speaks on "An Approach to History".

Dr. Reginald Jacques will be repeating his popular series of talks on the History and Appreciation of Music on each Tuesday this term, starting on 21st October.

## COMMEMORATION BALL

FRIDAY OCT. 24

GROSVENOR HOUSE



Dancing  
8pm - 2am



Geraldo's  
Embassy  
Orchestra

TICKETS FROM :-

Hon. Sec. Entertainments;  
Bookstall; or Union Office Annex  
during lunch hour.

## PROFILE

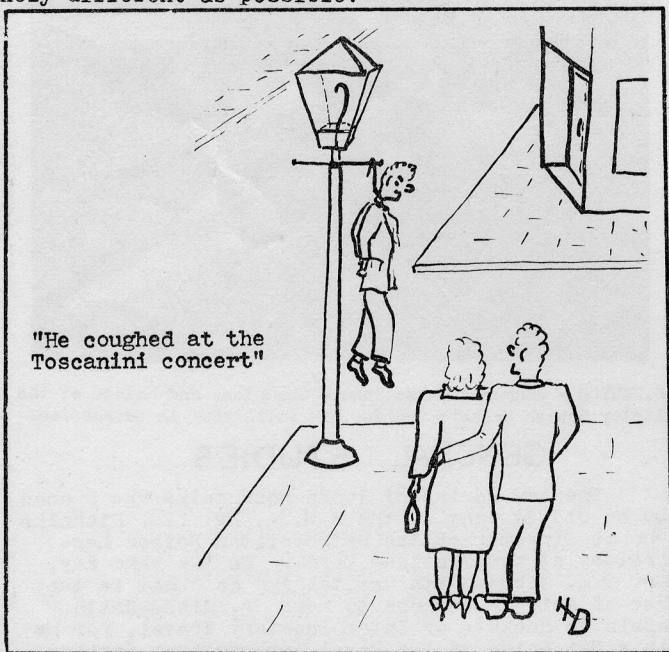
## THE PRESIDENT AND

## THE HON. SECRETARY

## Imperial College Union

Each year, on the Monday before the term opens the freshers are invited to a free tea: but before this bribe is handed out, they are herded into the Gym., pestered on their way by the talent-scouts, and made to sit in mute mass on the floor, while the Master of Ceremonies, the President of Imperial College Union, introduces them to the distinguished gathering on the stage. This scene may resemble a charity school Speech Day, to those fresh and familiar from school; and to those students coming here via the services the set-up and the encouraging speeches of the Union officials may remind them of the hopeful words of the entertainments and education officers in their old units. However, none should worry that this one-sided situation will last. The Rector, the Secretary and the Registrar of the College will, regrettably, never again be seen during the year on this platform with the Union officers; and it will be an observant student who sees the air and army representatives of peace at all while at I.C. Only on this occasion does the President receive a quiet audience, and can treat them politely: Union meetings during the year are much less formal, often with the President, supported by the Honorary Secretary of the Union, defending the administration against the mob, and happiest when the Union Council's and committees' work is left in peace.

These two officers are the king-pin and prince-pin of the most complicated students' union in a London college. They are at the centre of an organization comprising, on one hand, the affairs of the three constituent colleges, of Guilds, the R.C.S., and the Mines, on another, I.C.'s affiliation and responsibilities in the University Union; and all around these, the weaving connections of clubs and affairs of state at these three levels. The two officers need to be experts in four directions, and unbiased toward all. Their two personalities need to be as sanely different as possible.



## FROM FAR AND WIDE (Continued)

Northwards went many to Sweden, Norway and Finland. We had no one in the Olympic Games - next time perhaps - but Philip Allsopp worked in Stavanger and then spent a week in the village of Sakshaug. He was a great celebrity with the population, specially the children, as the first coloured man ever to go there.

E. R. Wooding of Chem. Tech. spent ten days as part of the crew of an old Cornish fishing boat in a journey from Weymouth to Blythe Harbour, "beating up the Channel and the North Sea against a northerly wind. The boat was successfully navigated past sandbanks, light vessels, trawlers and merchantmen, oblivious to navigation lights."

Northerly gales and rain seem to have washed out more than these instances. Your reporter caught two colds padaling week by week from regatta to carnival in the Wye Valley, and other members of our staff hid themselves variously. John Midgley dived into the magnificent Black Forest, Ken Bock went with a tent to France, and Ted Simon, once hoped to be the present saviour of Felix, failed his exams. again, and has retired to earn money in the Riviera.

But stories of those who haven't returned belong to another day.

Ron Macfie, the President is a quiet man. He smokes a pipe more than he talks, and his main interest at I.C. has been gliding. His home is the Aeronautics Department, which was reached after several pauses at Intermediate Level causing a stay with the R.A.F. between times. Though this should account for his rise since in flying - he became the first member of the Gliding Club to qualify as an instructor - his main experience in the service appears to have been in driving on the Burma Road.



This would account for his special line in vacation work: the delivery of expensive cars, and being chauffeur to expensive passengers. He was Captain of the I.C.G.C. for two years, until last year, when the Social Clubs Committee took him for their new Chairman. From this office he was promoted President unopposed.

Wally Goss, the Hon. Sec. is, by contrast, one of those tireless and harassed workers whose near-fanatic efficiency and thorough interpretation of their duties often tempts colleagues to sit back and let such energetic ones do all. But Wally also possesses the saving grace of those with such capacity for responsibility: he enjoys life, and suffers fools as all must. He rose in college athletic circles, first to Secretary of the Soccer Club, and as the official cricket umpire, to become in turn Secretary and then last year's Chairman of the Athletic Clubs Committee. In University circles he is well known as a soccer referee, and in the last three years has been an officer of the U.L. Soccer Club, and was joint-organizer of their tour of Kenya a year ago. It is recorded that he, a non-playing member, was their only casualty in a game: he injured his knee while refereeing.



## ADVICE TO YOUNG LADIES IN LOVE

"Let him compare thee to a summer's day,  
For then 'tis sure that always you will reign".  
Thus spake the Bard, but ladies, let me say  
More practical advice may spare much pain.

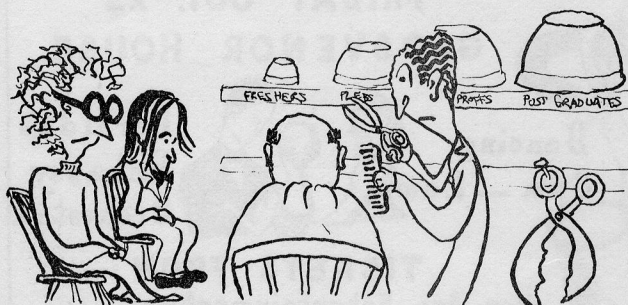
Fair Lucy lavished all her charm  
Upon her favourite beau  
And worried lest the slightest harm  
Should cause him any woe.

With this in mind, she undertook  
To supervise his life,  
But he, stout fellow, would not brook  
Such conduct in a wife.

That was the end of Lucy's plan,  
She stayed upon the shelf.  
Thus, if you want to please your man,  
Then let him please himself.

Watta Wordsworth.

## The Union Hairdresser



Open Mondays and Fridays 9 am. to 6 pm.  
Appointments can be made for any time.

The charge for haircutting is 1/6d. Razor blades and hair-oil are stocked.

The Union Barber Shop is on top of the Union Refectory building.

# FELIX



THE NEWSPAPER OF IMPERIAL COLLEGE

ACTING MANAGING EDITOR:

S.H. WEARNE

This issue of FELIX, the first this term, has been prepared with the Freshman particularly in mind. We hope that our older supporters will find most of our pages of interest, and we take this opportunity of welcoming them and the "Freshers" to I.C. for the new college year.

We all remember (don't we?) our own first few bewildered days as Freshers: when we first gazed with uncertain eyes at the strangeness of it all. We were confused, we lost our way, we talked to strangers, and accepted whatever came next, all rather meekly and naively. We went to free teas, drank much beer, listened to speeches and sales talk from professors and club captains. Come one, come all. A few lectures would be starting in a day or two, and although the idea of work had not then penetrated the consciousness, we might perhaps go along, if only not to miss anything. So went each day, full of new impressions.

By the time you have read this, you will already have had ten days of the life, and be getting used to it all. Gradually you are drawn into lectures; the free dinners will tail off, the exhortations will diminish in intensity, and, caught in the snares of the lecture room and laboratory, you will realise that the honeymoon is over.

But cheer up! The daily round here is quite lively. Things do happen here! You will find life pleasant enough if you do your part. Join a club, society - but not too many - and take an active interest in the affairs of your college. Finally remember to do some work - even in this your first term - but don't become a brown-bagger; a university is more than a vocational training centre. It is a seat of learning, where you will spend some of the happiest and most useful years of your life.

The present system of bombardment by poster and free tea, fails to move many of the large number of post-graduate Freshers to take an interest in the Union. Distinct from both the new wave of young undergraduates each year, and the I.C. graduates continuing their stay here, the senior students coming in from outside are not flattered by being treated as one of the Fresher mass.

Such men have often plenty to offer, and to gain, by dipping into Union activities. For many of them there are facilities at I.C. which they will not have had the opportunity of using before. But the majority of post-graduates work in small groups, or on their own, and do not get whiffled into things in the short time they are here.

Perhaps next year the main Freshers Day meeting might be preceded by one in which the President meets the new post-grads separately. A free drink in the place of a free tea might be appropriate.

*"The WORLD,  
the PRESS,  
and the DEVIL"*

*Touchstone Weekend 25-26 October*

*Discussion to be opened by students, and  
guided by Mr. Walter James, Editor of the  
Times Educational Supplement, formerly  
of the Manchester Guardian.*

**ENQUIRIES TO THE UNION OFFICE.**

FELIX congratulates:-

John White (Mines) on his marriage to Felicity Clayton.

Len Smith (Chem.Tech.) on his marriage to Kathleen Williams.

John Grainger (Mines) on his marriage to Valerie Beckett.

Paul Jeffrey (RCS) on his engagement to Margaret Bryden (of Westfield College).

A MODERN FRONT PAGE FOR FELIX

In common with other progressive and well-established newspapers, FELIX again finds that its front page material is no longer of interest to the majority of our readers. Our circulation is spreading, and our sale in The Greater Manchester area alone has doubled in the past Year.

It has therefore been decided to print city notices only, on the front page, in future issues. A mock layout of the new style is shown here. The improved value of this is quickly realised.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Editor

Dear Sir,

On the first day of the General Studies lectures a college club called a general meeting, admittedly of some urgency as well as of importance, but which prevented some of us from attending the lectures. I hope that the principle is to be adopted that this new scheme is to be given a chance by the Tuesday and Thursday lunch hours being kept free, at the lecture times, from routine meetings.

Yours etc., ST

I.C. Political Society, 11th October 1952.

Dear Sir,

The World at present finds itself with a system of government the structure of which relies upon what is known as politics, and it happens that some people disagree with the particular politicians in power at any particular time or even with the system in general.

We are fortunately (?) not blessed with such dissatisfaction in this College since no less than 98.3% of the students are apparently perfectly satisfied with the government of the country whoever is in power, for the Political Society never receives any complaints, communications or attendance from them. However, some doubtless do not agree with this view and may utter some worn-out slogan about "Tory warmongers" or "Socialism leads to Communism" to justify their belated annoyance. Sir, they do not know what they are talking about. They may know something of questions about germ warfare and education cuts, but these are not politics since they can be answered by somebody just telling the truth. No, if somebody thinks he really knows something about politics he may like to try and answer the following questions: "Why does the Russian Government consider that there is little difference between the Conservative and Labour parties in Britain?", "What exactly is this Bevan business all about and would you consider the movement to be dependent upon Bevan himself?", and "What are the economic implications of a Cartel?" or even "What is a Cartel?". But I do not suppose that there are more than half a dozen people reading this letter that could answer these questions satisfactorily even though they are matters of topical interest.

I am not so much directing this at the Socialists in the college as they do demonstrate some interest in politics, but I am directing it to Labour Party members and Conservatives (yes, there is a difference between a Socialist and a Labour man, do we all know what it is?). I am especially directing it to the Conservatives. They come to college, their heads full of ideas (if they have been Y.C.'s) on how to run a dance or hold a table tennis tournament, but as for politics...

There is a true story of the Y.C. committee meeting at which a young and enthusiastic member had the creditable idea that they should run political discussion groups. But an older and wiser member reminded them that the Communists might attend, and not being prepared to argue against them in debate the assembled company gasped with fright and promptly dropped the whole idea.

Well Sir, I'll have done. But I would like to remind readers that the major political groups will be starting to have meetings soon, and so will the society itself. Perhaps they would like to come along to one of the meetings and discuss the questions which I have asked?.

Yours faithfully,  
Hugh C. Grigg.  
(Hon. Sec., Political Society).

The Editor, Felix.

R.C.S.,  
S.W.7

Dear Sir,

I wish you to convey to all the students of the R.C. Science my appreciation for the kindness and respect they have always shown towards me during the years that I have been in charge of the door at the R.C.S. It has been a pleasure to work with such a fine lot of students, although I will not be with you this next term they can rest assured that my thoughts will be with them all, and I wish them all the luck and prosperity in the days to come.

Now on my retirement after 58 years at the grindstone, I hope to sit back in my fire side easy chair which the Professors and Staff of the R.C. Science have so kindly presented to me on my retirement.

Well Cheerio to you all and good luck,

(WALLY)

W. B. Brigden.  
X. Messenger R.C.S.

Letters are invited on any and every subject. They should be short where possible. Correspondents MUST supply their name and college, but they may write under a nom-de-plume if they wish. The Editor takes no responsibility for the opinions expressed by correspondents.

We apologize in advance for the production standard of this issue, but it was done with half the usual staff.

## "CIVIL" GUILDSMEN AT SILWOOD

As usual the first year members of the Civil Department migrated to Silwood Park for their Surveying Course. This year however they proved better at putting the College "on the map" than previous years have done.

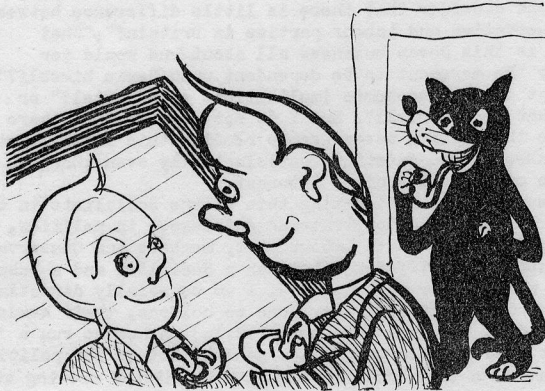
A "garden fete" was organized, free of charge, for the local Civil Defence Staff College to be held on Saturday 5th July. However, the following report from the "News Chronicle" of 4th July shows that the effort was not appreciated. It also tells of a Zebra crossing which was painted across the road from the field station to the "Cannon" - one of the local pubs.

### 'GARDEN FETE HOAX

Posters outside houses at Ascot yesterday announced a "great garden fete" at the Civil Defence Staff College, Sunningdale Park this week-end. It was a hoax - as was a zebra crossing painted across the road near the college."

The local cinema manager did not seem to appreciate the remarks outside his cinema, Asst. Prof. A. Stephenson (Leader in Surveying) receiving a bill for £2 "to cost of cleaning down and removing paint and offensive wording (no sense of humour) from the forecourt and front of above cinema (The Picture House). A midnight freak of students under your supervision."

Let us sincerely hope that future parties will keep up the good work of spreading Imperial College's name throughout the countryside.  
B.A.H



## You're somebody today in the REGULAR FELIX ARMY

Today, more than ever, you've got to be good to get onto the regular Felix staff. But if you're the keen, capable sort of chap they take, you'll be somebody - somebody to be rightful proud of. Join now for the three terms - or for any time - with the right to leave at any time. Look at these advantages • Wide choice of interesting jobs • A central place in the Union affairs • Sport, travel • Fair promotion on merit..... a man's job for any student.

**INTO ACTION!** Felix is made up every alternate Sunday, in the morning and afternoon. No experience is required for new recruits to the Production Board.



SPORTS staff are always needed



**FIRE!** The men on whom the whole job depends are those who sell Felix. Another issue lands on the target.



**APPEALING ADVERTS!** The few advertisements in each issue need some preparation. It takes little training, and the work can be done at any time.

The Editor FELIX, Imperial College Union, S.W.7

I am interested in helping FELIX. I will be able to meet you next Monday, at one o'clock in Union Committee Room A.

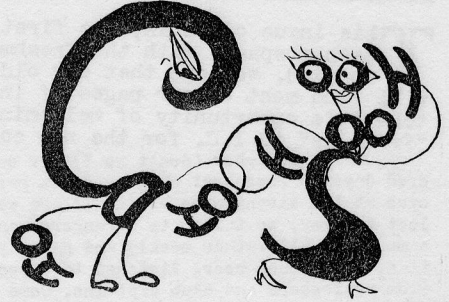
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## AN AMOROUS SYNTHESIS

(With apologies to Swinburne.)

If love were like the acid,  
And I were like the base,  
We'd neutralise together,  
pH's held in tether  
Our properties all hid  
And crystallise in place;  
If love were like the acid,  
And I were like the base.



STRUCTURAL FORMULA FOR A REACTION OF THE TYPE CONSIDERED IN THE FIRST STANZA

THOU (DEXTRO-FORM) AND THE POET (LAEVO-ROTARY) AFTER MAKING THE MESOFORM

If I were laevo-rotary,  
And you were dextro-form,  
We'd synthesise together  
However cool the weather,  
And organise our coterie  
And make the meso-form;  
If I were laevo-rotary,  
And you were dextro-form.



If I, a free electron  
A-wandering through space,  
I'd fill your long felt want-um,  
Become your extra quant-um,  
Know that I'd be correct on  
To fill your empty place;  
If I, a free electron  
A-wandering through space.

Teapot.

### PERSONAL ADVERTISEMENTS

**TRANSPORT WANTED TO AND FROM COMMEMORATION BALL.** Advertiser lives near Bounds Green Tube Station and would like two seats in a private car going to the Commemoration Ball. Alternatively, would like to contact others in same locality with a view to arranging a hired car. Will those interested please contact L. E. TAYLOR (P.G. Civil) through the C & G rack.

**EVENING DINNER SUIT FOR SALE.** Bargain for a tall, corpulent man (38" waist, 31" inside leg, 42" chest). In good condition, but too large for seller who will accept £3 for the suit. Apply through C & G rack to L. E. TAYLOR (P.G. Civil).

**FOR SALE:** Rogets' Thesaurus 8/-, Whitakers 1952 Almanack 10/-, Southwells' Relaxation Methods in Theor. Physics' 22/6, Parkers 'Engineering Drawing' 7/6. Also several Delius and Brahms records. Box No. W1, % I.C. Union.

**FOR SALE.** 1 Kw electric fire with 5 yards flex, less than 5 hours' use. Owner has been given another. "Better than Dante's Inferno" - The Critics. 30/- or very near offer. Apply H. W. Gosling, through RCS rack.

**STARVING WIFE AND TEN KIDS.** Must sell textbooks. See A. R. Bray's knockout lists on RCS notice board.

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All enquiries should be addressed to the FELIX Advertisement Secretary, Imperial College Union, S.W. 7.

**Personal Advertisements:** A rate of 3d. for every 10 words is the nominal charge for plain personal advertisements and book-offers. Entries should be clearly written, and MUST be ACCOMPANIED BY CASH.

## COMMEMORATION DAY

Until 1907 when our three Colleges were federated to form the Imperial College, the R.C.S. and the 'Mines' were administered by the Board of Education, and the 'Guilds' by the City & Guilds of London Institute, which founded it in 1884 under the name The Central Technical College.

On 25th October, 1946 celebrations were held to mark the Centenary of the earliest part of I.C., the Royal College of Chemistry. This occasion saw the largest gathering of members of I.C. ever known, and the celebrations were attended by H.M. the King, Visitor to the College, and H.M. the Queen.

In 1947 it happened that 25th October was chosen for the first of a new institution of Inaugural Lectures, planned to open each College Year. This coincidence led to the naming of that date Commemoration Day, and in 1948 the present ceremony was adopted, to start with a College Procession to the Great Hall of the University, in Imperial Institute Road, where a presentation of graduates and diplomats was held, followed by an address by a distinguished visitor.

In 1949 the distinguished visitor was the Rt. Hon. Herbert Morrison, and in 1950 Sir Bruce White deputized on the death of Lord Wavell, who had accepted the invitation for that year. Last year the ceremony was coupled with the Centenary of the 'Mines', and the visitor was Sir Andrew McCance, one of the most eminent graduates of the Royal School.

This year the special visitor is Dr. Karl T. Compton, Hon. C.B.E., D.Sc., D. Eng., Ph. D., LL.D., Chairman of the Corporation of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Before he gives his Address, he will be presented with the Scroll of his Honorary Fellowship of Imperial College, which he was elected in 1949. In honour of the occasion this ceremony will be attended by the United States Ambassador, Mr. Gifford.

The Scroll of Honorary Fellowship will also be presented to Sir Frederick Handley Page, who was elected in 1951, and to Honorary Fellows elected during this year.

The Commemoration Day ceremony is followed by an evening Conversazione, held in turn in the three colleges. This year it is the turn of the Guilds. The final item in the Programme is the Union Commemoration Ball, on the Friday; which will be held again this year in Grosvenor House.

## THE TERM IN GENERAL

The social year at I.C. opens with the energetic entertainment of Freshers, and the athletic programme with the series of trials and training games; after which the term takes a month to settle down.

Commemoration Day is then soon upon us. Freshers are honestly recommended to attend this: we get the afternoon off for it, and a free exhibition is provided of Who's Who in I.C. The Commemoration Ball may not appeal to the new student so much, but their absence from I.C.'s Autumn Excursion into the Upper Classes (8 p.m. to 2 a.m. at Grosvenor House - corkage on scent bottles 10/-) will leave them fresh for the weekend's choice between the first Hop, and the first Touchstone Discussion Weekend.

"Touchstones" are held at the I.C. Field Station, Silwood Park. The charge of 10/- includes the weekend's accommodation and transport to and from the college. The party leaves the Union after lunch, and returns by Sunday super time. The informal discussion is piloted by the Rector, and when "The World, The Press and The Devil" is discussed next weekend, the discussion will be led off by students, and they will be preparing the field for the guest speaker, Mr. Walter James, the Editor of the Times Educational Supplement. All students interested should go and see either Miss Spalding, (Rector's Office), or Mrs. Robinson (Union Office).

The Hop season is spiced by more formal and special dances run by Clubs, including one by Felix to celebrate its Third Birthday, and at the end of the term comes the first of the three Carnivals. One of these is run by each college, and this year it is the turn of the R.C.S. to put theirs on for Christmas. Hops are also held on special occasions, such as the day of the Morphy and Lowry Cups boat races between the three colleges on November 12th.

I.C. is well served for music; not only by the five divisions of our own societies, but also by the public concerts at the Albert Hall, and the regular free Wednesday concerts at the Royal College of Music. On the Dramatic side there are apart from our own society, productions at the Royal College of Art, in Cromwell Road. These, like their Friday evening Hops, are always staged in colours contrasting to the down-to-earth and beer-is-best ideas of I.C.

## COMING EVENTS

### SOCIAL.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17TH.

5.30 p.m. A special University lecture will be given in the Geology lecture theatre by Prof. H. Williams (California) on "Volcanoes".

6.00 p.m. A Political debate will take place in the University of London Union Assembly Hall.

6.15 p.m. The I.C. Ice Skating Club are holding an evening session at Wembley Ice Rink. Meet in I.C.U. at 6.15 or Wembley Park tube station at 7.15 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18TH.

8.30 a.m. The I.C. Gliding Club party will leave for Lasham. All new and prospective members will be welcomed.

7.30 p.m. U.L.U. Saturday Night Pop, U.L.U. Roy Somers Band, Bar, Buffet. 2/-.

8.00 p.m. I.C.U. Entertainments Committee Hop. Tickets (1/-) to be obtained in Lunch-hour of Friday Oct. 17th from I.C.U. Office Annexe.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19TH.

8.50 a.m. I.C. Mountaineering Club depart from Victoria station on a trip to Harrison's Rocks. See notice in I.C.U. Entrance Hall.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20TH.

1.15 p.m. I.C. Association Football Club. Extraordinary General Meeting, Botany Lecture theatre.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21ST.

1.15 p.m. University College, Anatomy Theatre. Lunch hour lecture by Prof. J.B.S. Haldane on "Indian Culture, Past and Present".

1.15 p.m. The I.C. Ice Skating and Contract Bridge Clubs are holding General meetings in Committee Rooms 'B' and 'A' respectively.

5.15 p.m. U.L.U. Assembly Hall. The Inaugural Lecture of the U.L. Philosophical Study Group will be given by Dr. C.E.M. Joad on "The Role of Philosophy in Contemporary Civilisation".

5.40 p.m. I.C. Railway Soc. Mr. D.S.M. Barrie, Public Relations Officer, The Railway Executive, will speak on the "Railways of South Wales". Room 161, C&G.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND.

7.30 p.m. U.L.U. Assembly Hall. Overseas Students Social. Admission by U.L.U. Invitation.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23RD.

Commemoration Day.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24TH.

1.15 p.m. I.C. Lit & Deb. Soc Extraordinary General Meeting. Committee Room 'A' (Election of President).

5.20 p.m. A talk by Gordon Schäffer, Sub-Editor of Reynold's News, will be given in the Botany lecture theatre on "German Rearmament".

6.00 p.m. U.L.U. Debate will take place in the Assembly Hall. Motion: That this House regrets that Columbus ever went to sea.

8.30 p.m. Fourth I.C. Commemoration Ball at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, W.1. till 2.00 a.m. Tickets price One guinea to present students, must be obtained by October 17th. Fuller details in I.C.U.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27TH.

5.15 p.m. I.C. Mus. Soc. Lecture Recital will be given by William Mann on "Operatic Arias" in the Botany Lecture theatre.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28TH.

3.00 p.m. U.C. Anatomy lecture theatre. Prof. K. Reinhardt (Frankfurt) will lecture on "Philosophy and History among the Greeks".

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29TH.

1.30 p.m. I.C. Railway Society visit to Earls Court Signalling School, meet I.C.U.

5.30 p.m. Prof. V.H. Galbraith (Oxford) will deliver the first of seven lectures on "Aspects of Forgery" in the Warburg Institute. The subject today is "An ideal picture of Parliament in the XIVth century".

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30TH.

General Studies: 1. "Human Relations in Nationalised Industries" (Dr. T.E. Chester), 2. "Theatrical Productions" (Henry Sherek), 3. I.C. Mus. Soc. Lunch Hour recital - opera by Menotti ("The Telephone").

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31ST.

6.00 p.m. U.L.U. A Radio debate with guest speakers Jimmy Edwards and Kenneth Horne will be held in the Assembly Hall.

Athletic Coming Events are to be found on the Sports Page

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The sportsman at I.C. has several advantages over his fellows at other colleges. We have the best squash rackets courts in the University and a Boat-house at Putney to ourselves which is almost as large as the U.L.U. Boathouse at Chiswick which is shared by most of the remaining colleges.

The high standards encouraged by such facilities have resulted in the college being the holders of a number of U.L. Cups including the Rugger, Boxing, Shooting, Cross-Country and Sailing Cups, the Men's Badminton championship and many other titles and positions. We look to the Freshman's support to maintain our position.

## THE SABIN TANKARD

On Saturday, 11th October, 1952, the I.C.B.C. began the new season by winning the Autumn Clinker Eights for the Sabin Tankard. The first heat presented no difficulties and was won by 2½ lengths, the crew keeping their blades well covered, and drawing away every stroke. The final was, however, a much more exciting race, resulting in a win by 3 feet from Furnival R.C. with Weybridge 3 feet behind them. Let us hope this good start will augur well for the season.

**CREW.** L.J. Peters(bow); P.J.H. Rata; R.H. Janes; R.E. Saunders; M.E. Clibbon; I.M. Titchener; J.P. Gibson; P.D. Swift(stroke); M.D.G. Garner(cox).

### The Summer Regattas

At Henley Royal Regatta, I.C. was represented in the Thames Cup by the 1st VIII. They were drawn in their heat against the best English crew in the event, Christ's College, Cambridge, who were later to have the great misfortune to catch a "crab" in the final when leading by 1½ lengths and seeming certain to bring the trophy back to this country for the first time since 1946.

On Wednesday, 2nd July, giving away nearly a stone in weight per man into a headwind, the I.C. crew rowed well. After a good start, there was little to choose between the crews until the top of the island, when the wind made itself felt and Christ's began to go ahead. The Barrier was reached in 2 min. 3 sec. and at Fawley (3 min. 30 sec.) Christ's were nearly two lengths ahead. I.C. however, never got rattled and reduced this to just under a length at the beginning of the enclosures. Christ's, however, in their final spurt increased the distance to 1½ lengths at the finish. The time, 7 min., 19 sec was the fifth fastest of the day.

**CREW.** G.W. Benson(Bow); C.B. Stevens; J.P. Gibson; P.A.S. Moffat; M.E. Clibbon; P.D. Maltby; R.H. Janes; R.G. Seaman (stroke); M.D.G. Garner (cox).

The Junior crew kept together after the end of term, and rowed at Kingston Borough, Kingston Amateur, Molesey and the Metropolitan Regattas. Though they were not successful in winning an event, their keenness and general good fellowship did not a little to enhance the good name of the I.C.B.C. During this time the crew received unstinted hospitality from U.C.S. Boat Club and Kingston Rowing Club, to whom all thanks are due for an enjoyable summer's rowing.



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## GOLFING NEWS

The College Golfing Association is now affiliated to Highgate Golf Club, which is within easy reach of the Union. Members may play there on any day without payment of green fees.

Last year's team had a most successful season, winning five, halving one, and losing one of their matches. This was a considerable improvement on the previous year's results.

M. T. Friedl (Capt.) and H. N. A. Ashforth (Sec.) won their first round match by 7 and 6, but were beaten 5 and 4 by the losing finalists in the second round of the Downs Challenge Cup Foursomes, which were played during the Deal Golf Week.

## GLIDING CLUB IN SPAIN

Three members of I.C.G.C. (Frank Irving, Mike Neale and George Gregory) made up the ground crew of one of the British entries to the International competition in Spain this summer. They contributed in no small way to the success of the British entry - which, incidentally, received negligible attention in the national press.

After the usual hazards of travelling and the additional one of trailer instability, the crew and pilot (Lorne Welch) arrived safely. The roads, which were, of course, the concern of the ground crew in their retrieving work, proved to be quite good despite several rather intimidating road signs. Due largely to excellent radio communication or other equipment which really worked, the British crews were always first back to base and were usually sunning themselves by the swimming pool when the other teams came crawling back twelve hours or so later.

There were many pleasant impressions brought back from Spain but one warning from the heart to prospective tourists - beware egg-and-bacon soup.

## ATHLETIC FIXTURES

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18TH.**

I.C.R.F.C. 1st XV v Exeter College, Oxford, (away).

I.C.A.F.C. 1st XI v R.M.A., Sandhurst, (away).

I.C. Hockey Club 1st XI v Old Dunstablians (away).

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND.**

U.L.R.F.C. v Metropolitan Police R.F.C., 2.45 p.m. at Motspur Park.

I.C.A.F.C. 1st XI v Kings Coll. (home),

I.C. Hockey Club 1st XI v St. Barts. Hosp. (away),

I.C.R.F.C. 1st XV v Kings. Coll. Hosp. (away).

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25TH.**

I.C. Hockey Club 1st XI v Ashford (Middx), (home),

I.C.R.F.C. 1st XV v Wasps Vandal's (away),

I.C.A.F.C. 1st XI v Wadham Coll., Oxford (home).

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29TH.**

I.C. Hockey Club. First round U.L. Cup.

U.L. Hockey Club v Old Rugbeians (2.30) and U.L.R.F.C.

v Middx. County R.F.C. (2.45) at Motspur Park.

I.C.A.F.C. 1st XI v I.S.E. (away).

### FELIX PUBLICATION

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All contributions must be in the Union Rack, addressed either to the Editor or the Sports Editor, by the Friday a week before publication.

"Coming Events" notices are the sole responsibility of Club officials, and should be entered in the FELIX Coming Events Diary kept in the Union Porter's Lodge.

Contributions to the next Felix should reach the Editor by Friday 24th October.