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FELIX



H. McDowell

EVERY FORTNIGHT

BUT NOT NEXT TIME - SEE PAGE 2

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WHAT IS THE CONSTITUTION ?

The last I.C. Union Meeting was of more interest for the informed than for the average undergraduate. There were few verbal fireworks, but plenty of good plain speaking which was heard by the 200 members present with great patience and restraint.

The main business was taken up with re-voting on two motions dealt with at the last Meeting of last term. It had come to the President's notice that these motions had been passed and rejected by un-constitutional majorities, that is majorities of less than 100.

For a long time now no exact voting numbers have been taken at Union meetings, and the President has used his discretion in deciding whether motions have been constitutionally carried through.

This practice has obvious dis-advantages, and for the time being the letter of the Constitution will be strictly adhered to, until such time as the matter is discussed in full and recommendations made to the Union.

There is no wording in the Constitution about a necessary quorum for an I.C. Union Meeting, but in effect the ruling that all motions must be passed by a majority larger than 100, if adhered to, will act in this way.

At this Union meeting several motions were blocked by their not possessing a "Constitutional Majority", and most of these were about clear-cut issues where the Union

had obviously made up its mind, although unfortunately not in the right proportions to give the right voting figures.

The two motions in question caused some stir last term, but the discussion this time showed that the weight of opinion had not shifted.

The setting of a minimum price for hop tickets was again approved by a comfortable (constitutional) majority; although this time the minimum prices were 2/- single, 3/6 double.

The second motion to be re-discussed was the attendance of I.C. Students at the Youth Festival this summer. In spite of much plausible arguing and quite a lot of filibustering, the Union was adamant against any recognition of such a politically-coloured gathering by I.C.

The feeling was that neither "delegates," nor "observers", nor "unofficial observers" were to be sent, in fact the Union wanted no one there who could be given the official label of "I.C."

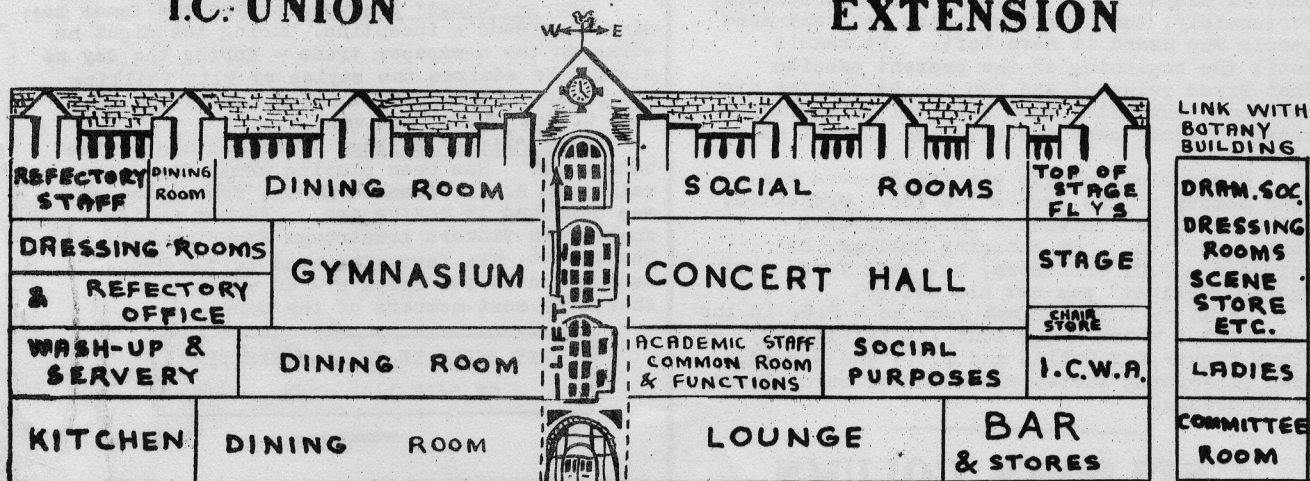
It is to be hoped that both these topics have now been given sufficient airing at Union Meetings.

Amongst the other business, the President informed the Union that details about the forthcoming re-construction of the Union Buildings would be made public as soon as possible.

The President assured the Chairman of the Rag Committee that the possibility of a U.L. Rag next November 5th would be discussed this term.

I.C. UNION

EXTENSION



THE COUNTRY HOUSE DANCE

Imagine the main hall of a great medieval mansion, with a gallery all round the top, and innumerable doors and corridors leading off. Imagine a huge fireplace, such as our ancestors used to gather round; and fill it, not with blazing logs and a roasting ox, but with the I.C. Dance Band - a combination hotter than any conflagration and more satisfying than any meat. Such was the scene which greeted the visitors to Silwood Park last Friday night.

Imagine the same scene a few hours later. Chairs are clustered in pairs along those innumerable corridors. Here and there, four or six glasses (but never three or five) and an empty bottle (British Sherry Type for Undergrads, Liebfraumilch for P.G.'s) in a drunken heap. A few crushed tulips lie dead

*Really Victorian Gothic, but we were happy there, and feel inclined to be poetic.

on the dance floor. If any of the characters in that Breughel reproduction on the wall could speak, he would probably tell you how Jim Anderson gave a vocal imitation of Johnny Ray at 4.30 a.m.; how it was well received at first by the soft-eyed maidens in the gallery, who dropped flowers to him; and how a final unfortunate note brought him a complete bouquet of tulips, water and all.

Back in London, our thoughts turn again to Silwood. Do those rafters still echo with the magnificent rendering of "The Saints Come Marching In" at 3.30 by the band marching in file round the darkened gallery? Does that delicate smell of bacon still waft through the woods, directing lost revellers to their breakfast in the refectory hut?

A final memory. When precipitated into Chiswick High Road at 9.30 on Saturday morning in evening dress and carrying an umbrella, what does one do?

PROFILE

THE BAND



When organising dances, the main worry of club secretaries used to be the band. Now, thanks to the excellence of the band known variously as The Band, Bryan Spooner's Boys, or the I.C. Band, they worry no more. Quite apart from their high standard of playing, the antics of some members has given the Band a very secure place in the hearts of hop-goers. The band plays willingly and heartily, joins in the dancing now and again, and not infrequently carries on in the Hostel after the public festivities are over.

Nobody can say the band was formed. It just happened. Bryan Spooner was practising his alto sax in Room B when Tullis Sutherland walked in and said, "I play piano." A week later Roy Ferris saw Bryan reading the Melody Maker, and said he played trumpet. This was the nucleus. During '52-53 the band played regularly at Northern Poly, under Bob (the drummer) Adrian's name. This session, Bernard Dodds arrived at I.C. and took over lead alto from Ron Baker. Bob Adrian and Tony Tolhurst (bass) left, and Jimmy Barker took their places.

Here are brief sketches of the members of the band. The members wrote about each other, so that we can safely assume the accounts to be faithful and unbiased.

John Bryan Spooner. The "Paul Adam" of the Band, hopes that nobody remembers the first band he played in at College, the Imperialists. Fortunately, that was four years ago, and most people who heard it have left. It wasn't until the beginning of the present session that Bryan relented and ran the band under his own name, but after each Carnival he has threatened to chuck away his alto and give it all up.

His musical career started 5 years ago, as a member of the Derbyshire Youth Orchestra, and he also had interests in the choir's female section. On entering College, he joined the I.C. Orchestra, but soon found that "going straight" was not his métier.

Bryan is in his first year as a P.G. in the Aero Dept., where he is studying fatigue (?). He plays rugger for Guilds and I.C., and was once seen performing cartwheels down the main street at Cambridge.

NELSON'S COLUMN

'Sennet' the U.L.U. Newspaper put in an appearance a fortnight ago; the newspaper is strictly on a trial run of a month, and is due to close down at the end of May. This will enable U.L.U. to quote a definite circulation to advertisers. In the second issue there was a terrific pat on the back for us in the form of a letter from Miss Paddy Clark of I.C.W.A., who congratulated I.C. men on their general well groomed appearance. This obviously intelligent and charming young lady was later presented with a bouquet from John Harding, on behalf of some of the better-dressed members of I.C.

Any proposals for the title of 'The best dressed man in Imperial College?'

igson, the Rag Committee Chairman, stated at the last Union Meeting that 'e 'ad been able to repay those fined after last November's fracas at the rate of 1/8d. in the pound from the proceeds of the collection at the previous Union meeting. 'askew, the student who 'ad appealed for the Union's support in this matter, thanked the Union for their generous support.

James Tullis McLean Sutherland. Never mention the Guilds Carnival to Tullis - surely the best entertainment in the Cabaret. Claims it was due to the whisky being Irish (not to mention the half pint of rum.) Tullis was born many years ago, and has played the accordion and piano for most of them. During his childhood (can't remember it) he was a Junior tap dancing Champion of Scotland.

Tullis graduated at Edinburgh in Physics and is now doing a P.G. course in Geophysics. His arrival in the hostel has coincided with many noisy parties, the strains of the "Saints" having reached as far as Miss Fry and the sorting staff of the G.P.O. in Exhibition Road.

Interests are music, liquor and women, but likes them all together - he must surely be the champion whisky drinker in I.C.

Roy Auguste Ferris, another founder-member, plays the trumpet. He came to Guilds in 1952 with the intention of becoming a civil engineer. In the two preceding years he had toured Europe with the London Schools athletics team and the L.S. Symphony Orchestra. Rugger is one of his major interests, and he has appeared in the U.L. rugger team. Roy also claims to have appeared as an extra in about 25 films, among them Ivanhoe and Doctor in the House.

Roy's interest, most of them apparent by now, are rugger, music, travelling round Europe and a very special girl friend. The last two he sometimes combines in the form of weekends in Paris.

Bernard Dodd arrived at College this year, and is 1st year Aero. He played oboe in the London Schools Symphony Orchestra, where he met Roy Ferris. In the band he plays alto sax.

Bernard's interests, apart from the usual three, are in flying; he holds a pilot's certificate.

Tony Pearce is 20, and has been playing double bass for 5 years. He now works in Debenham and Freebody's as a furrier. Tony is an ardent fan of modern jazz and has played in places as famous as the 51, Flamingo, and Robin's Nest. He caused much consternation by mentioning that his father is vice-President of the Musician's Union.

George "Ginge" Sherwood played the tenor sax since the Band's inception. During the night he works on the newspaper trade - during the day he sleeps. He admires the styles of Flip Phillips and Tommy Whittle, and turns green at the mention of the Mines Carnival.

Noel "Jimmy" Barker. The old man of the band - 32. Has been playing drums for years, mainly in R.A.F. Command Bands, from which he was demobbed 18 months ago. Is now an inspector in Vickers Armstrongs Experimental Department. His favourite band in the dance band world is Ted Heath's - an admiration shared by most members of the band.

NEXT FELIX IN THREE WEEKS TIME

ON SALE 11th JUNE

A representative of Gestettner Ltd., the firm which makes duplicating machines, called in at the Union Offices recently, and said that a Mr. John Hathaway, the Hon. Sec. of I.C. Union, had shown interest in a £157 duplicating machine at the B.I.F. Was the Union still interested in buying the machine? It should here be noted that Mr. John Hathaway did not go to the B.I.F. this year.

The Rugger Club held their annual elections recently; the meeting was noteworthy for the fact that every post was filled without a single show of hands being called for. John Peacocke was appointed Captain for the forthcoming season. Hold on to your hats a minute! Kitch drank a glass of orange juice at the meeting.

It is strongly rumoured that the R.C.S. Mathematical and Physical Society is to return to being just a Physical Society again, due to lack of support from the Maths Dept.

It is rumoured that Queenies is to be renamed 'THE SOSS AND MASH EMPORIUM'.

Felix



THE NEWSPAPER OF IMPERIAL COLLEGE

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There seems to be far too many people intent on getting their voices heard at union meetings. We do not refer to the wit who adds a sentence or two of humorous comment, neither do we depreciate the fellow who has given some thought to the business in hand and gives his views concisely. It is to those who, using the gestulations of the politician, waste the time of the meeting with long and involved speeches that add little to the debate. The union had to endure several such speakers at the last union meeting which led to the President appealing to members to stay a few more minutes so that the remainder of the business could be hurriedly transacted.

This hot air is not only experienced at union meetings. At a recent S.C.C. meeting, 40 minutes were spent in discussing a matter that could have been dealt with in a quarter of the time but for the efforts of certain people who were anxious to give their voice an airing by carrying on a personal battle with the chairman.

What have these misguided orators done for us? Only to waste so much of the unions time that we let an Art student climb our Albert memorial.

PERSONAL ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED

If any reader found a bicycle outside the Union on May 10th, will he please note it had not been lost, and the owner would appreciate its early return.

FOR SALE

Mullard 3-inch Cathode Ray Tube ECR 30; manufactured 1950. Focussing slightly defective. £1-0-0 or nearest offer.

1 Pair size 10 brand new gym shoes. Strong and well made. Price 12/6.

Please contact A. FRASER through Guilds or Union rack.

TCETS FOR SALE - "Modern Developments in Fluid Dynamics" by Goldstein, and "Relaxation Methods (Theoretical Physics)" by Southwell--in excellent condition--absorbing reading--best offer--S.H.Wearne, 27 Eccleston Square, S.W.1.

WORLD UNIVERSITY SERVICE

At a recent meeting of I.C. Union, it was decided that the Union should support W.U.S. Members who attended the meeting will remember the explanation of the purpose of W.U.S. given by its British Secretary. However, for the benefit of other members of the Union, I would like to explain something of the nature of W.U.S. and some of the ways in which we can help.

In the aftermath of World War I, one English woman was helping in relief work among students and lecturers in Vienna; she found that these were the only class for whom nothing was being done by the various relief missions. She learned of professors of European reputation who were keeping themselves alive by selling matches in the street. Her appeal for help came to the Universities of Europe, who responded so greatly that it was decided to help students and staff in need all over Europe. So European Student Relief came into being, one of its principles being declared as follows: "Relief will be administered impartially without regard to race, nationality, or creed, or any other criterion than proven need". Despite several changes of name and structure of the organisation, this, and all the other originally declared principles have been faithfully kept throughout the past 34 years.

As the aid of W.U.S. is concentrated where it is needed most, British and American students and staff have been, in the main, contributors to, rather than recipients of, relief aid. Hence I would like to draw the attention of readers to some posters on College boards describing conditions of students in other countries, particularly in Asia, and giving some details as to how W.U.S. is helping them; I am sure that no-one can read these posters without realising their debt to fellow-members of the world-wide university community.

Although the W.U.S. Committee at I.C. has only just come into being, and has not yet taken any direct action, the International Relations Club recently held a very good concert of Music and Dancing from many parts of the World, in aid of W.U.S. Funds. We are very grateful for their help in this excellent way, and hope that other Clubs and Societies will bear this example in mind when planning functions. We hope to arrange several efforts next Session, including a Flag Day during the Christmas Term. We ask your support in the worthwhile cause of W.U.S.

J.V.O.

PHOENIX

"Phoenix comes out next week," said a bright boy at the Board Meeting. Everybody looked at me. "You'll review it?" asked Mr. Starmer, with only the faintest hint of a question in his voice. I signed. So for the fifth time in two years I must begin an unrewarding (apart from a free copy) task which usually results in several old friends failing to recognise me in the Union.

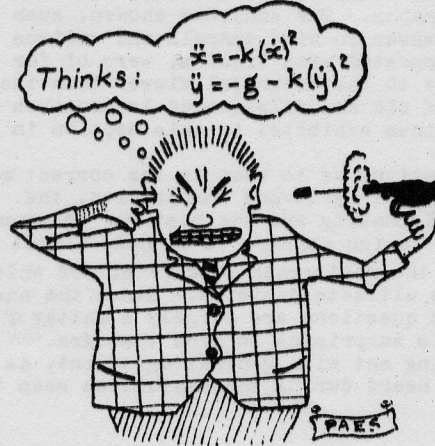
It is a truth universally acknowledged that nobody takes any notice of reviews of Phoenix, and so the advice they invariably contain goes begging. As a result, the main article (that is, main according to length) in this edition, "The Ultimate Effect of Mechanisation on Human Effort" is an ungainly, disorderly gaggle of argument, the few points which are brought safely to the surface serving only to increase one's impression of ingeniously submerged scholarship. The article may, even so, serve as an introduction to the fascinating field of human relationships so seldom entered by the scientist.

A much worse mess, from a literary point of view, is found in "Criminal Responsibility" a shortened version of Dr. J.Gould's talk at a recent Touchstone weekend. A specimen sentence may give some idea of my meaning. "The social-legal view of behaviour is prescriptive or restrictive, not descriptive, and enforcement is a necessary concomitant." It is the duty of the Editor of Phoenix to ensure that his material is readable. If it is not, nobody will read it, and I feel sure that this must have happened to "Criminal Responsibility". Phoenix is essentially a magazine in which scientists try to write literate English, and it must always keep as clear of jargon as is consistent with intelligibility.

Play Reviews in Phoenix are traditionally good, and this one is no exception. Lacking the de Reuck sparkle, it is nevertheless enjoyable. The Reviews of Social and Athletic Club Activities are also good, though far from comprehensive. The author of the latter complains about poor co-operation from club secretaries. This he must blame on himself, for last time, I am informed, he failed to specify what he wanted, which caused some confusion and wasted time. One gets the impression that Phoenix has handed over most of its function to Felix, further shown by the absence of plans from the article on Union Expansion. The Spring Concert Review spreads into two pages and may be of some interest to the choir. In contrast, the Student News Letter must have been welcomed by many readers. The articles on Visiting Lecturers and on Billy Granam, and a fine tribute to Dr. Jacques make excellent reading. John Levy's account of a truck journey through Africa will cause many to think twice before dashing off to Butlin's.

Peter Rowe offers us (metaphorically,) a remarkable collection of landladies, and his description of their eccentricities is presented in such an engaging and authentic manner that the reader is immediately forced to examine his past, and to discover how odd all landladies are. I look forward keenly to a sequel - a landlady writing on "Student Lodgers" or, if she is a real professional, "Young Gentlemen Paying Guests".

A.R.B.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir,

As the representative of I.C. Union on the U.L.U. President's Council, I feel I should make some comment on the recent action of U.C. Union, reported in the "Sennet".

The reasons given for their action appear to be based on three misinterpretations of the Principal at talk with President's Council on May 3rd., plus dissatisfaction at not being able to get their own way over the card vote.

These three mistakes are:

a) The Principal did not state that "no amendments to the present U.L.U. constitution would be allowed for an indefinite period". In fact he said that in view of the youth of the new U.L.U. constitution (drawn up in 1952), it did not seem advisable to pass major amendments at present.

b) With regard to the new Union building, the Principal felt that the responsibility for the £20,000 p.a. needed to run it was too great for an all student body, but that the use made by students of the facilities provided by the new building would be controlled entirely by students. This is exactly the system in operation at I.C. which seems to work admirably.

c) U.C. Union Council seems to feel that the new U.L.U. Union building is being erected at the expense of addition to U.C. Union's admittedly inadequate premises. In fact, the money allocated by the U.C.C. to University College for building purposes has not been affected. Use made of this money is a matter for the U.C. authorities.

The I.C. Union Council rejected the idea of a card vote on President's Council as they believed that the role of a president on this Council is that of an expert representative rather than that of a mandated delegate. He has a duty to preserve the interests of his own Union but an equal duty to help the University, of which the smaller colleges are in general the more active members.

The new building in Malet Street is intended to be complementary to the facilities of the individual Unions.

We, as one of the larger and more fortunate colleges, may not appear to gain much from the University Union except on the athletic side, but I am convinced that I.C. Union has a great deal to offer U.L.U. and in so doing will derive the benefits to be obtained from being a member of a great and flourishing University Union.

Yours etc.,
J. S. Harding.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

Last week, the I.C. Photographic Society held their annual exhibition. Mrs. Mary Allen A.R.P.S. was invited to judge the photographs submitted. The general standard of photography was better than last year, although, individually, the best prints seemed inferior to the work of previous prize winners.

In the pictorial section, there was a tendency towards getting too much detail in one picture; as Mrs. Allen pointed out, some entries contained 3 or 4 studies all of which would have made good photographs. The subjects portrayed were both varied and interesting, with Coronation decorations being the subject of more photographs than any other individual subject.

The college activities section was disappointing. To judge from the number of entries, I.C. would be thought to be on its last legs. The athletic clubs were especially poorly represented but a photograph of a cross-country run definitely captured the spirit of the sport, although spoilt by the poor mounting.

One of the sections which showed great improvement from other years, was that for technical photographs. The subjects chosen, such as compression waves in wind tunnels and various phenomena connected with liquids, were of far more interest to the technical viewer than the collection of old and dilapidated locomotives & traction engines exhibited in this section in the past.

Such questions as to what is the correct balance of pictorial merit and composition, the extent of originality and the best way to mount a photograph (which appears to be held almost as important as the photograph itself) all of which influence the ultimate decision. Since the answers to these questions are largely a matter of opinion, it is surprising to find that Mrs. Allens' judging met with general agreement, as the comments heard during the exhibition seem to indicate.

Dear Sir,

During the last few days we, in London, have witnessed some magnificent and very moving pageantry; it is not just a traditional show-off: it is not just an extravagant expenditure of government taxes: it is neither conceit nor any other of our human vices; it is something very much deeper, which although we have tried we have been unable to put into words.

Although dwarfed by the majestic homecoming of our gracious Queen we witnessed two other events at the Albert Hall last week - the Boys' Brigade Meeting with the uniforms and bands - the University Presentation Ceremony with the traditional mortar boards and academic gowns.

Academic gowns hm.m.m.m!

When as freshmen we arrived at I.C. as it is at present, we noticed very little characteristic change from school life except perhaps that we are all somewhat older. When as freshmen we arrive at I.C. as it will be, just one of 3,000 other students, we shall find it still more difficult to take full advantage of anything that a University has to offer, except those precious letters after our names.

Let's attempt a Walter Mitty for a while! Imagine arriving on that first day at college to be welcomed by students clad in academic gowns - the centuries old trademark of scholars and students; when we in turn eventually complete our first year we too would spend some six or seven shillings and proudly wear our own gowns. We could distinguish the freshmen by their "academic nakedness"; we could distinguish scholars, post graduates and staff by the type of gown; we should even be able to recognise guildsmen, miners or scientists.

A large number of students wear college scarves which indicates that some of us at least are proud to be recognised as students; pride is no sin - within reason it is a very excellent characteristic. Academic gowns are more individual than scarves or blazers and would prevent us simulating a crumb in a tied wedding cake (for such we hope will be the elegance of the new "expansion" buildings); gowns are dignified, traditional, inexpensive and very practical - at one school it was recently suggested that masters should no longer wear gowns; the idea was promptly dismissed on the grounds that the absence of the gown would incur too much expense on clothes tailoring and valeting! We would be expected to wear gowns within the college but not necessarily outside its precincts; gowns would be worn at mealtimes (which would undoubtedly improve the dubious table manners we so often have to abide), at meetings and we could always hang them up whilst labouring over files and drills in the workshop.

Perhaps, sir, we have imposed on your column too much, with these our wistful hopes; but why should we NOT wear academic gowns?

Yours sincerely,

D.J.P. & W.S.R.

Dear Sir,

Are we to believe that your front page article "Wine, Women and Song" is a true report of the visit of six responsible members of I.C. Union to Western Germany? I hope that it is inaccurate and exaggerated - surely the activities of these students included more than alcohol, the opposite sex and singing? I am sure that many readers of Felix would have preferred a more topical eye-witness account of student conditions, cultural life and economic recovery in Western Germany, instead of which we were presented with an unimpressive and not exactly complimentary account of the trip.

If your report is accurate, then I am sorry.

Yours faithfully,
J.M.Hathaway.

SPECIAL OFFER

FOR SALE: Voigtlander Bessa (coupled rangefinder) Skopar 3.5 Compur rapid shutter 8 or 16 on 120/620. Yellow green filter. £30
Apply Librarian, Geology Dept. R.S.M.

OYEZ! OYEZ!

You are desired to put away
your exam worries and attend
the A.G.M. of I.C. Union at
1.10 on Tuesday 1st June in

the Gym. It is essential that you attend if you
wish to have any say in who represents you next year.



R.C.S. WIN I.C. SPORTS.

RCS 129pts., G & G 126, RSM 75.

Despite glorious sunshine, only about 250 people gathered at Motspur Park on Wednesday, Sports Day. The highlight of the day was the Mile, in which Bailey took over from Kay at the end of the 3rd lap, and won a very close race. The really unexpected win was of Stewart in the 440 yards. (R)-R.C.S. (G)-Guilds.

100 yds.	1. Davies (R) 2. Hudson, 10.6 sec. 3. Barnes.
220 yds.	1. Pinsent (R) 2. Davies, 23.7 sec. 3. Webb.
440 yds.*	1. Stewart (G) 2. Pinsent, 50.5 sec. 3. Look.
880 yds.	1. Bailey (G) 2. Look, 1m, 57sec. 3. James.
1 mile.	1. Bailey (G) 2. Kay, 4m, 20.8s. 3. Huxford.
3 miles.	1. T. Bailey (G), on 17th 14m, 23.6s. March. College record.
120 yds hurdles.	1. Rickard (R) 2. Rayburn, 17.6 sec. 3. Snellook.
Discus.	1. Langdon (G) 2. Gibbs, 99' 1 1/2". 3. Maxworthy.
Shot.	1. Maxworthy (G) 2. Gibbs, 34' 9 1/4". 3. Hearn.
Javelin.	1. Sheppard (R) 2. Langdon, 132' 10". 3. Robinson.
Long Jump.	1. Hudson (G) 2. Brown, 20' 7". 3. Morris.
High Jump.	1. Rickard (R) 2. Snellook 5' 10". 3. Wilkinson.
4 x 110 yds Relay.	1 R.C.S. 2. Mines Guilds disqualified. *Sports Day record.

SHOOTING

The final league results, published late last term, were as follows:

<u>Inter-University League.</u>	Divn. I: I.C. "A" 2nd
	Divn. II: I.C. "B" 3rd
<u>Engineers' Cup</u>	Divn. I: I.C. "A" 1st
	I.C. "B" 3rd
	Divn. II: I.C. "C" 1st

This fine record was continued at the end of last term when the "A" team beat Kensington R.C. 785-780 in a friendly match, and followed this up by knocking out Nottingham University from the Mackworth-Praed Competition by 788 to 764.

Drawing a convenient 3rd round bye during the Easter vac., the team proceeded to score 791 or 790, depending on the gauge, in the Quarter Final (Lemin and Goodley 100, Abbott, Horne, Jassinger and Ryder 99). This should be good enough to carry I.C. into the semi-final of this national competition. The existing I.C. record score is 790.

Both I.C. teams have now been knocked out from the National Team Handicap Competition: the "B" team first by a single point with the 0.25 gauge, and the "A" team by a resounding defeat in the following round.

Shooting on May 12th at Amber Court, one card at 25 yards and two at 50, fourteen I.C. men were beaten by fourteen Metropolitan Policemen, 4087-4066. Conditions varied from bright sunshine to torrential rain, and the experience of the bobbies on their own range made certain their win. Outstanding were Southgate (300) and Lake (297) for the Police, and Sharpe (299), Lemin (298) and Goodley (287) for I.C. MR. Sharpe was presented with a silver spoon by the M.P.A.A. for his top score for I.C.

Two I.C. men, Seaborne and Sharpe, were selected for the U.L. full-bore team of six for the Surrey Astor Competition, with Douglas of I.C. as reserve. R.F. Seaborne is to be congratulated on making the highest score for U.L., and his subsequent selection for Surrey. The U.L. team was placed 8th among the 19 teams competing.

Lawn Tennis-- The Brown cup.
C. & G. beat R. C. S., 7-0.

Lament on the Lounge being Closed for Polishing on Alternate Friday Lunch-Times

Complain not, nor get out of hand

On Fridays, the lounge being banned,

For chairs are inclined

To enlarge the behind.

'Tis better by far that you stand.

COMING EVENTS

FRIDAY MAY 21st

I.C. Catholic Society A.G.M., 5.15 p.m. in Committee Room "A".
I.C. Musical Society A.G.M., 1.05 p.m. in Committee Room "A".

SATURDAY MAY 22nd

U.L. Rowing Championships 2.00 p.m. at Chiswick.
Billy Graham Crusade, final meetings, White City Stadium at 8.00 p.m., and Wembley Stadium at 6.00 p.m.

MONDAY MAY 24th

I.C. Soccer Club A.G.M., 1.10 p.m. in Physics Library.
I.C.C.U. open meeting. Rev. N.H. Bainbridge on "The Cost of Discipleship". in the Botany Lecture Theatre at 1.15 p.m. All very welcome. Sandwiches on sale.
I.C. Catholic Society Rosary, 1.40 p.m. in Committee Room "B".

THURSDAY MAY 27th

I.C. Choir Concert, 1.15 p.m. in the Gymnasium.
Works by Vaughan Williams, Purcell and Orlando Gibbons.

FRIDAY MAY 28th

I.C. Y.H.A. Group A.G.M. 1.15 p.m. in the Gymnasium.
I.C. Dramatic Society A.G.M., 5.15 p.m. in Committee Room "A".

I.C. Railway Society, Distinguished Visitor's Address: Mr. G. Low on "Some Railway Photographs from my Personal Collection." 5.15 p.m. in C. and G., Room 161, followed at 7.0 p.m. by the Annual Dinner in the Upper Dining Hall. Details on the Union notice-board.

MONDAY MAY 31st

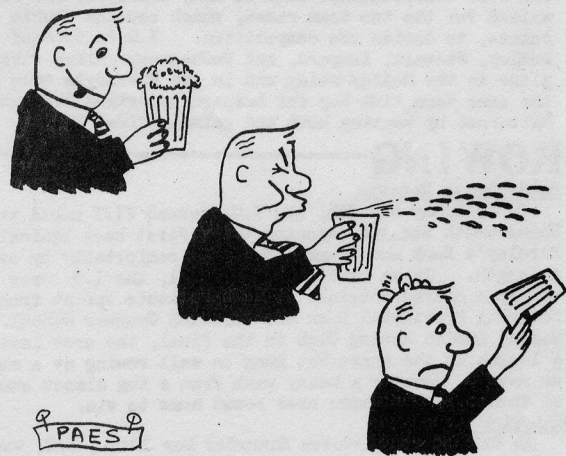
I.C.C.U. open meeting. J.B.A. Weston, Esq., on "The Abundant Life". 1.15 p.m. in the Botany Lecture Theatre. All are very welcome. Sandwiches on sale.

THURSDAY JUNE 1st

I.C. Union A.G.M. 1.10 p.m. in the Gymnasium.

THE GUILDS ENGINEER

The 5th issue of the Guilds' Engineer, to be published within the next few days, will be in its now accustomed form, containing articles on current research work in the College as well as the annual reports of the Engineering and Radio Societies. The papers included range from the Faber Prize winning "Canals of England" by John Glanville to "An Outline of Aircraft Control and Stability" by P.T. Fink. Other items are "Seed Sorting by Electronic Methods" by D.M. Tombs and "The Engineers War against Malaria" by G. Ghosh. There will be the usual Departmental Research Notes and the Library Notes and also a report of topical interest on the roof extension to the College.



Flannel Dance

to be held in

The Imperial College Union
on Saturday, May 29th, 1954

at 8.00 p.m.

2/6 single ticket

Dancing 8.00 - 11.30 p.m.

Lounge Suits or Blazers.



I.C. WINS BEAGLING

POINT-TO-POINT

Last Saturday, I.C. Cross-country Club sent three teams down South to run in an invitation point-to-point organised by the Brighton and Storrington Foot Beagles. I.C. first team, composed of Pain (3rd), Huxford (4th) Bowler (6th) and Dearden (7th) took the team trophy, but the most interesting performance from the point of view of this paper was that of a team composed entirely of "Felix" men. This new journalistic venture was conceived by the Editor himself, who distinguished himself by being the only member of this team to train at all seriously for the event. However, of the four team members, Mr Starmer was lying fourth at the half-way mark. Previously at the first water-jump, Geoff Grimshaw, Coming Events editor, who had led the four up to that point, entered the mud, and came out minus a shoe. At this juncture, he was heard by Doug. Inman, R.C.S. Salesman, just overtaking, to remark: "xxxxxxx!". Meanwhile, Bill Hudson, Circulation manager, and Geoff. Starmer were having a tussle between themselves and a Brighton A.C. runner. This was eventually won by Bill, whose indignantly bristling face-foliage must have thoroughly cowed the opposition.

Felix came fourth, there being only one other team running besides the I.C. three. We are looking forward to further such progressive journalistic enterprises, and a Felix XI may shortly be seen at Lords.

AND NOW THE U.L. SWIMMING CUP

In the University championships held last Friday and Saturday I.C. shared first place with University College and Battersea, each gaining 20 points. This is the first time I.C. has been in the first place in this competition and the first time there has been a triple tie. It was a creditable performance by the team of eight entered.

I.C.'s principal hope in the individual event was Brian Manley, swimming in the 100 yds. backstroke. He was narrowly beaten into second place by Mike Clark, the U.L. president, the two being old rivals. Our only other place was gained by Gordon Stewart in the 100 yds. Butterfly. Points were, however, well divided between a number of the clubs competing as is usual in the U.L. championships with so many colleges, and it remained for the two team races, which counted double points, to decide the competition. I.C.'s team of Manley, Stewart, Lampard, and McChesney, gained first place in the Medley relay, and in the Freestyle team race the same team with Roy for Lampard surprised U.C. and Battersea by beating both and gaining first place.

ROWING

Hammersmith Regatta

On Saturday May 8th, the I.C. second VIII raced at Hammersmith Regatta, winning their first heat against Barclay's Bank and Thames Tradesman comfortably by over a length. In an exciting semi-final, the I.C. crew won by a canvas obtained in a last minute sprint from National Provincial Bank and Chiswick Grammar School. Racing London Rowing Club in the final, the crew lost 1/4 length at the start but hung on well rowing at a slower rate. However a heavy wash from a tug almost swamped them and the London crew rowed home to win.

Chiswick Regatta

At Chiswick Regattaton Saturday May 15th., I.C. were represented by the first and second eights entered in the Thames Cup and Junior-Senior events. Containing two new men, the second eight met London, their opponents of the previous week, in the first heat. Holding London very well off at the start by striking 40, they kept level with them until over half-way, when London drew away to win by nearly half a length.

With a substitute rowing in the crew, the first eight met Gladstone R.C. and University College & Hospital B.C. in the first heat of the Thames Cup. After a fast start I.C. did not settle down, and were not getting a solid finish. Half-way the three crews were level, but near the finish Gladstone drew away to win by half a length.

In the U.L. Rowing Championships tomorrow at Chiswick I.C. will be represented by the first eight and a clinker eight.



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I.C.W.A. WINS

SHERWOOD CUP

Pairs of I.C.W.S.C. of varying degrees of talent once more performed at Motpur Park in the U.L. Championships. After stimulating competition with Wye and King's Colleges we acquired the Sherwood Factor Cup leaving them to share the Challenge Cup as a consolation prize. The Cup was suitably re-christened with alcohol provided by Dr. John Harding and the surviving members of the team spent the evening elsewhere.

Union members may wonder what stimulates the women to such feverish activity at this time of year. The answer may be seen on Monday (17th) when Miss Sherwood takes the victorious team out to dinner.

To show that we really earned the Cup, the following is a list of the results:-

- 100 yds 4th J. Findlater
- 6th M. Mawes.
- 220 yds 5th M. Mawes.
- 440 yds 1st J. Findlater
- 5th D. Goodway
- 880 yds 2nd D. Goodway
- 4th P. Clarke.
- Long Jump 1st J. Findlater
- High Jump 4th J. Findlater
- Discus 6th P. Clarke
- Javelin 5th C. Roberts
- 6th J. Walsby.

ICWA & TENNIS

I.C.W.S.C. excelled itself by beating L.S.E. in the first round of the University championship on Saturday, May 15th. The score was 6-3 despite the fact that this team had had little practice and that it was the morning after the Silwood dance.

CRICKET

The first XI have started the season rather poorly. However, the team contains a wealth of potential talent and it is to be hoped that this will soon reveal itself. In the first match against Reading University, I.C. batted first on a perfect wicket, but were dismissed for 142. Only Hammaton, Hearn and Kitchener scored more than 20 and Reading duly won in a canter.

I.C. dismissed Hillingdon for 158 but again batted poorly and could amass a mere 110. Against Old Sinjuns some excellent bowling by Jordinson (6 for 25), well supported by Brown and Ault, put I.C. in a dominating position, requiring only 100 to win. But the batting reached a new minimum. Finally wanting three to win in the last two overs with the last man in, I.C. could only manage a pathetic draw at 98 for 9. Kitchener made 51 but received only spasmodic support.

By far the best performance was against a good Wembley team who were dismissed for 158 by some fine, aggressive bowling by Brown (7 for 57) and good fielding. Rain then put an end to proceedings.

When the batsmen show more confidence and aggression this team is capable of great things.

The Sunday XI scored a win over Baygreen, thanks mainly to a fine fifty by Dr. R.T. Severn, who thus endangered his place in the side as it is well known that he performs this feat only once annually. The all-Welsh fast opening attack of Brown and Weale proved very effective and Weale hit the stumps at least once. In the next match some new blood is being introduced in the shape of D. K. Nicholas (Ph. D., posthumously) and this should have some effect.

LAWN TENNIS

- I.C. 1st VI v St. Mary's College 1st VI - Won 9-0
- I.C. 2nd VI v St. Mary's College 2nd VI - Won 9-0
- I.C. 1st VI v Reading 1st VI - Lost 0-9
- I.C. 1st VI v I.C. Staff - Won 8-1
- I.C. 2nd VI v Battersea Polytechnic. VI - Won 6-1

S.M.C. 1st and 2nd VI's suffered heavy defeats at the hands of I.C. on Wednesday May 5th. The barometer showed "Wet and Windy" and that is also a fair comment on the tennis. S.M.C. proved to be remarkably fit but both their teams were depleted due to the absence of 1st year students on School Practice.

I.C. 1st VI too were below strength against Reading as four I.C. men were representing the University at Birmingham.

The I.C. staff produced five men and a lady for the match on Saturday May 15th. It is considered likely that the lady's presence inspired the students and distracted the attention of the staff. D.N. de G. Allen's game anyway was very "relaxed"