



FELIX

The Newspaper of Imperial College Union

TREACLED MINERS

The Royal School of Mines Union Office was broken into and several trophies stolen last Thursday. Two miners who were present in the office have since been treacled and feathered for not defending union property.

John Eagleson and Dave Hobbs were in the RSMU Office when about a dozen large, heavily-masked raiders burst in and threatened to become violent if anyone resisted. They then stole the blade of the Morphy Oar (the remaining part is still in the possession of City and Guilds Union) and several of the shields hanging on the walls, before spraying the office

with shaving foam and leaving. RSMU are still mystified as to who the raiders could have been for although the letters 'UC' were sprayed several times on the walls, union officers at University College have denied all knowledge of the raid. This is not being treated as a mascotry raid, as neither the Morphy Oar nor the shields is violate. Attempts are being made to trace the van in which the marauders escaped.

In the meantime, Messrs Eagleson and Hobbs were tarred and feathered (or, more accurately, treacled and feathered) for not dying in the service of the RSMU.



Dave Hobbs getting his just desserts



SCAB Treasurer Roger Middlebrook and Ian Gledhill in a scene from Imperial Opera's production of *Jack Point and the Beans Talk*.

GRAVEL MINERS

Money raised from the exploitation of gravel deposits under the College's sports ground at Harlington should be used to improve existing sports facilities, according to a submission to the Finance and Executive Council.

For over two years there have been plans to extract the gravel, which is expected to be worth over a million pounds to College. Substantial deposits are already being mined on adjacent sites, and the College has received estimates of the total income and time scale of the operation; it is College policy to put all such work out to tender. The original plans in 1980 were that the money should go towards improving student residence, but it has since been discovered by Union Officers that the grounds are held in trust by the Governing Body and that the intention of the original agreement was that all money raised from their sale should be used only to provide further sporting facilities for students.

The submission to Finance

and Executive Committee, written by Athletic Clubs Committee Chairman Ian Bull, Union President Stephen Goulder and PG Affairs Officer John Passmore, points out that any excavation would inconvenience sports clubs to a great extent, and asks that a minimum area of thirty acres (plus cricket square and tennis courts) should be usable at all times. The submission also expresses disquiet at the process of restoring the grounds afterwards,—since it could cause considerable harm to the quality of the cricket square, hockey pitches and tennis courts.

At the last meeting of the committee, College representatives agreed to supply the Union with the results of tests and the estimates that have been submitted. Union Officers have made it clear that they can only reach a decision on such a scheme if they are kept fully informed of any further developments.

Small Ads

●**For sale:** Spitfire, purple, chasis slightly damaged as a result of speeding over road ramps. Matt Williams. Mech Eng 2.

●**Austin 1300 MkII.** 1973, reconditioned engine (9,000 miles), new MoT; many new parts. £375. Phone 886-4789 (eves) or int 2315 and ask Dr Christodoulou.

●**Would anyone who can explain** why Columbia-EMI-Warner think Ents owe them a large sum of money (mainly from last year) please contact them and explain things before it gets taken further.

●**Jane F and JR Carnivals Jazz Band** enjoyed your dancing. When's the private lesson? FR

●**Wanted:** teams to play in Soccer 6s competition this Sunday afternoon. Names to Kev Reeve (Chem PG) or Chas Fuller (Physics 3). Prizes for winning teams.

●**Oxfam has launched a campaign** to draw public attention to the plight of under-developed countries. In particular they wish to focus attention on the links between British organisations and Third World problems. Please could people involved in IC societies which have some concern for the Third World, contact me as soon as possible to help with the campaign. Alan Thew, Chem Ent PG, int 3818 or 3825.

●**Hewlett-Packard 41C users.** PPC, the club for you meets in Mech Eng 313 on Sat Dec 4 2-6pm. Useful programs, useless programs, machining language techniques, hardware speed-ups will be discussed. All welcome, details from WAC Mier-Jedrzejowicz, CRSP Group, Physics Dept.

●**Opsoc.** Wanted, chorus members for *Yeoman of the Guard*, ability to sing not a prerequisite. Contact C Paget, EE2. Rehearsals Tues 7:30pm, 53 Princes Gate.

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●**It's better when you do it** in somebody else's bed—but don't try and climb in afterwards.

●**London Marathon Runners:** are you sponsored? If you're not yet, and there's the slightest possibility of your raising some money for Rag, please contact John Ferguson, Physics 2 (Rag Chairman).

●**101 uses of a dead cat** has nothing on Chris Brannick.

●**What are you doing on Thursday** December 9? Nothing? Then why not come along to the RCSU Christmas Party? It'll be the best, fun packed Christmas party—so be there!

●**Ents Christmas Party**—the official Xmas party with Orchestre Jazira (hot from Riverside and supporting Pigbag). Admission £1 only (even in plain clothes).

●**Mahler symphony No 9** One ticket reduced from £5 to £4.50. Andrew Davis conducts the Philharmonia, Royal Festival Hall, Dec 8, 8pm. Contact Cheh Goh, EE Pg, int 1490.

●**Wanted:** large size nappies (4 pint size). Contact Alan S c/o Mines letter-racks.

●**Look out Peter Finch**—you've got competition.

●**The Royal Society for the Supression of Bad Taste** in FELIX small ads will be holding a demo on Pete Skelley's IC Radio Show on Friday (tonight).

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Chemistry Punch

●**Fun, fun, fun!** Come along to what's going to be the best Christmas Party—it happens on Dec 9, 7:30 in the JCR and tickets are available from the RCSU Office or RCSU Officers.

●**Mike MacClancy** is in no way connected with Mike McClancy, the dimwit featured in last week's FELIX.

●**200 tons of gravel, for sale** by private treaty. £1.1m ono. Contact Mr Smith and bring a bucket.

●**"And so,** on the 25th day of November in the year of our Lord 1982, God said, Let there be a Gardeners Club of Garden Hall, and there was Bayleaf, Sage and Parsley." Long may it grow and be fertile.

●**Hi muppet,** remember Rick Quinn, try dropping him a line.

●**John Grout** guilty of high treason to Tizard. Funeral Wednesday. No flowers please, rotten fruit welcome.

●**Darling Garden and Weeks** — Exchange one statue for a new boo by 9:00pm Saturday on acceptance of bog, statue will be returned. Love Tizard.

●**The lads from Physics Wanderers** were given the weekend off after their four superb victories this term. Watch out Tizard, you could be next. PW rule even when they have it off.

●**Kumkum:** A belated happy birthday and best wishes for the future from all the four boys in 563A.

●**Tonto:** Refer back to instructions on packet and continue as P35 of 'Rubber Lover'. GMW

●**Is your surname Jaruzelski?** If not, but you are still interested in the Polish Society, contact Marek Szadkowski, Biology 4. (If you can cook bigos, even better.)

●**Lost in Union Building** on Friday: one carrier bag. Please contact Mark Allfrey, Chem 2, via letter-racks.

●**Wanted:** experienced woman to 'take me by the hand and show me where it is'. Apply to Karl as soon as possible.

●**'Streets of London'** is still our best one! Thanks for the lovely weekend, all of you. Cornetto.

●**Alan, Big A and DW,** cheques for five pounds payable to *felix staff* by 5pm Monday or we'll print the small ads we censored this week!

●**TBGN** is no friend of EAP.

●**EAFP** is not a friend of TBGN.

●**Two double rooms** available with lounge, kitchen and bathroom. Nearest tube: W Brompton, rent £22pw. Interested? Phone 385-3736 after 6:00pm or contact Michele Buchanan or Paul Castle via Chem 2 letter-racks.

●**Omega Watch** found on Wed Oct 24. See P M Daniel, Min 3.

●**Is your stereo driving you mad?** Sympathetic attention given to all your hi-fi problems. Contact F Tabart, Geol 1.

●**Ongar Rd** require aspiring Dr Doolittle to translate Brummie drivell. Previous zoo experience essential.

●**Jon Barnett,** I had never realised you had such a pair.

●**Football:** Chem Eng IV All Stars 8, Kings College 4. A new football force is born. Who's next?

●**X of Paris**—Did the Python have a nice lye in, in Linstead 127.

●**Mike**—where did you get that dress? The Girls.

●**Petunnia (Ann)**—I would gladly give you my oven and colour TV for a night you—Tim.

●**ICU Welfare Officer** would like it known that it is *not* part of his job description, nor is it his inclination to have his bed pissed on or near, by inebriated members of the RSM. Your cooperation is appreciated.

●**For sale** NAD 3030 amplifier more than 30 watts per channel will drive most popular speakers. Also Dual CS606 turntable and free cartridge. Offers over £100 for both (not £100 each). All you need is a pair of speakers and you've got hi-fi. Will demonstrate. Phone 737-6914 and ask for David or call at 69 Evelyn Gdns.

●**Yamaha 70cc R reg,** 1 year tax, 6mth MoT. Needs a *little* work done, £49 ono. John Hughes, EE3. (Tel 263-2487 eve).

RCS Menagerie

The Royal College of Science Union's mascotry team is making arrangements for the return of two of the mascots that they have violated over the past year. The School of Slavonic and East European Studies (SSEES) has accepted RCSU's terms, but no reply has yet been received from Queen Mary College.

SSEES students have agreed to buy fifty Rag Mags and to go carol singing in Russell Square later this month; all proceeds will go to RCS Rag funds. It is generally believed that they have been let off lightly because of the small size of this predominantly female college. Their mascot, Velish, is a stuffed Aberdeen Angus bull's head and was taken from its resting place in the canteen earlier this month. According to a spokesman from SSEES, it is meant to represent the (now extinct) Bulgarian Bison, which is an East European fertility symbol—but this claim should probably not be taken too seriously.

The QMC mascot, a stuffed leopard called Mary, was captured by the RCS last March, and negotiations for her return are still in the opening stages. A first demand of fifty pints of blood and fifty donations to the sperm bank, with 'the proceeds to go to the RCSU' has been made, with receipts to be delivered by January 24. No reply has been received yet.

Dried Up

Residents of the Fremantle Hotel were without water last Thursday because of a broken water main in the Earl's Court Road. The supply had been severed the previous Tuesday but the large capacity water tank at the Fremantle provides water for two days, and the supply was reconnected on Friday.

Brave New World?

Britain is entering an era of unparalleled wealth and prosperity, the Right Honourable Kenneth Baker told the Industrial Society on Thursday. Today's students will probably undergo several changes of career as a result of the new micro-chip revolution, he said.

Mr Baker was made the first ever Minister for Information Technology in 1980, with responsibility for the electronics, telecommunications and space industries—the only industries,



Dramsoc's production of 'Butley', by Simon Gray

FoPSoc Thwarted

A letter was sent this week by Union President Stephen Goulder to the 'Friends of Palestine' organisation, discouraging its members from displaying publicity around College.

Mr Goulder said that FOP was not one of the Union's constitutional social clubs, since it has not undergone the two required readings from major committees.

FOP had been displaying strongly political posters in the Union and the Halls of Residence without seeking approval from either the Honorary Secretary or the Warden. This led to a complaint being forwarded to the Union Executive. The source of this complaint was not revealed.

In his letter, Mr Goulder pointed out that FOP may become a fully recognised society within ICU by constitutional procedures, but they would still have to abide by Union Publicity Rules and any posters deemed offensive would not be allowed on Union premises.

he claimed, that will not decline over the next twenty years. In particular he will be supervising the establishment of cable television in 1986, which will be used not only for entertainment, but for information and home banking services, and even, he suggested, for burglar alarms

He also outlined the reasons for ending the British Telecom monopoly, claiming that such a rapidly developing field could only be propelled by competition. If Conservative legislation is passed he believes that Telecom will be privatised in the near future.

Howell of Boredom

The Government's new Transport Bill will allow for reasonable but not unlimited subsidies for public transport, including London Transport, the Secretary of State for Transport David Howell said in a speech to IC Conservative Society on Tuesday. This was to ensure a stable and consistent level of subsidy with proper balance between the interests of local ratepayers and paying passengers.

Mr Howell stated the necessity to avoid high fares which discouraged people from travelling and high costs to ratepayers particularly businesses, which result in closures and job losses. He stressed the need for a proper balance between these factors combined with long-term planning of transport policy. Without this he claimed the subsidies bill for metropolitan transport authorities would escalate to £700m next year from £300m this year.

He disclosed his sympathy for the view that control of London Transport should be removed from the GLC and passed to a separate Transport Authority, as suggested by a House of Commons Select Committee. He also spoke of the need for an improvement in London's roads.

Mr Howell arrived twenty-five minutes late for the meeting, blaming traffic congestion in London for his delay and addressed an audience of about sixty. Speaking about recent legislation allowing increased lorry weights, he stated that road transport had developed for the last twenty years without new legislation. The new regulations would reduce lorry damage to roads despite increased weights

by requiring an extra axle on heavy lorries, as well as new limits on length, height, noise and emissions, along with compulsory under-run guards and improved brakes. He also stated that the most road damage was caused by 16 ton 2 axle lorries, and that the new weight limits would allow lorries to be filled rather than running up to a third empty, resulting in fewer lorries on the roads.

Sirs' Pleas

Bill Sirs, General Secretary of the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, called for the initiation of import controls to protect home industries, when he spoke to the Industrial Society on Tuesday.

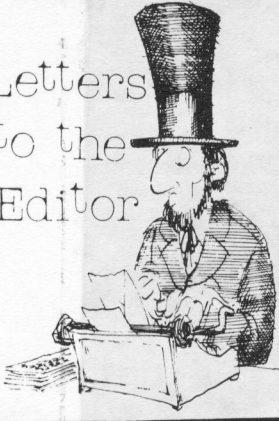
Most of Mr Sirs's address concerned his job as a Trade Union leader, but not unexpectedly he took time off to criticise the Conservative Government's industrial policy. He also gave an insight into the day-to-day running of the Labour Party; Mr Sirs was instrumental in the switch to a more moderate executive earlier this year.

LSE Out?

Students at the London School of Economics came close to refusing to pay their £12,000 affiliation fee to the National Union of Students last week. At Monday's routine union meeting, a motion proposing that the money should be spent on a racehorse attracted a majority of the votes.

But the LSE will remain affiliated to the NUS because a two-thirds majority is required on all financial matters. It also seems likely that the motion was outside the powers of the constitution because the students' union is (for tax purposes) a registered charity.

Letters to the Editor



Queensgate?

Dear Sir

I have read with interest the recent articles in FELIX concerning the College bar accounts. After last week's development ("Bar Accounts Open"), I am moved to put pen to paper.

Perhaps I am now getting rather long in the tooth and my memory is failing me, but at the back of my mind I recall once being able to read in FELIX that the profit and loss figures for the refectories and the bars. Now it seems we're to be given less than that.

From all the discussion the legal position of the bars seems to have been omitted. The bars in College operate under a 'Club certificate', whereby the sale of alcoholic beverages is permitted

to members of the club. This club is the IC Refectory Club, which every student and member of staff of the College is a member of. No rules or constitution, perhaps conveniently, appear to exist for this club.

Is it not a strange state of affairs that the members of a club can not and may not see the accounts for their own club. I hardly think that the members of ICU would tolerate a similar situation if this was the case with the Union.

We hear a great deal these days about the accountability of businesses to their workforce. At Imperial College, seemingly, we are producing a generation of future managers who are taught that not only is accountability unnecessary but it is also undesirable. It would seem instead that secrecy in financial matters is the lesson of the day.

By now Richard Nixon no doubt greatly regrets ever making the statement "There will be no cover-up at the White House". Will this then be IC's 'Watergate'. If there is nothing to hide, why hide it? Such needless secrecy is the very feedstock of malicious and unfounded rumour. In the words of the greatest 'fan' in the business, "Should we be told?"

Yours faithfully
Ian N Lacey
MRE PG

Guildshit... again

Dear Martin

I am writing to you because I feel that your article "Guildshit Hits the Fan" suggests that *Guildsheet* is carrying out a campaign against Nick Pyne, this is just not the case.

Five issues of *Guildsheet* have been produced this term, only two small articles on Nick Pyne have been published (issues 2,4). This does not seem to me to be the "series of attacks on himself in several issues" that you mention on your front page, particularly as in the same period we have criticised Mike Bartlett three times, Gordon Bowser three times, Engineering Board, Bar Committee, and Stephen Goulder all twice as well as Steve Bishop, Jo Claydon and Brian Shindler once each.

I am quite content to stand by the contents of *Guildsheet*, to the extent of vigorously defending any action Mr Pyne may take against us in the courts!!!

Yours bemusedly
Frank Rowsell
Guildsheet Editor

Dear Sir

The accusation made in last week's FELIX that I have carried out character assassinations of Nick Pyne in *Guildsheet* is totally false.

Guildsheet has not published "a series of attacks" on Nick Pyne, nor is the 'Hissing Sid' column written solely by myself as was stated in FELIX. Furthermore I was not the author of the piece in the previous issue of *Guildsheet* that Nick Pyne took exception to.

All that I have written for *Guildsheet* has been, I believe, fair comment on matters of public interest.

I am sure it is not in the interests of either Guilds or Nick Pyne to become involved in a long and acrimonious dispute. Why can't the Editor of *Guildsheet* and Nick Pyne discuss their differences in an adult and amicable way and let the matter end there?

Yours faithfully
J P Stanley

PS: I thought *Guildshit* was hilarious too.

I told you so!

Dear Martin

Two weeks ago, I entered the FELIX Office to ask you about the copy deadline, since I had been asked to write an article for your paper by Chess Club. You asked what it was about, and when I told you, you recommended that I should not bother as you probably would not publish it because no one would be interested. Anyway I wrote it and submitted it, and, of course, you did not publish it. I do not know, or particularly care, why it was not published (badly written, or no one interested), but what does worry me is that when a society such as Chess Club does submit an article, its first of the year no less, that it is ignored. We do not demand, ask for, or expect massive coverage, but it would be nice to be acknowledged when we do contribute to what is as much our newspaper as anyone else's. Other societies, eg Sci Fi, contribute boring, meaningless and usually uninformative drivel every week and have it published.

One of the reasons you gave me for probably not publishing was lack of space. This, one can clearly see, is your policy so as to stop societies contributing. It

seems ridiculous to me that societies in ACC receive two pages (three this week) in which they wrote reports which are only relevant to their own members, a point on which you criticised me (indeed, they even put in team lists which very few of us could give a damn about), yet RCC, SCC, CCUs and the Bookshop all have to share one page. You might claim that sports teams represent the College, but this falls down, because so do Chess Club (my article concerned one such event, if you read it). IC Chess Club is the strongest collegiate chess club in London, entering two teams for the ULU league and four for the ULU knock-out, as well as being the only College to enter a team (two, in fact) in a league outside of the University.

The conclusion of this letter is, please if, or when, we submit another article, do not dismiss it because you regard us as insignificant (a lot of people at IC are interested in chess, even if they do not belong to Chess Club), and, more generally, no society should be regarded too insignificant for a mention in the newspaper of Imperial College Union, if they ask for such a mention, or a small amount of space, because people are interested in societies to which they do not belong.

Yours sincerely
D P Kingston
IC Chess Club Committee, 4th
member

Dear Martin

I realise that the subject of 'Guildshit' may be old and perhaps weary, but I would like to clarify the situation and correct certain comments in your editorial.

I personally, along with CB and Frank, took no exception to the publication, content or distribution of 'Guildshit'; along with Steve Goulder and yourself I found it highly amusing. It was purely the removal of *Guildsheet* which was annoying as people had been working all night to enable us to distribute it on Wednesday morning, and the fact it contained material specifically related to Morphy Day. As yourself know Messers Pyne and Barnett have apologised and agreed that the removal of *Guildsheet* was wrong; I thank them for their apologies.

Your editorial referred to heavies and suggests physical intimidation; when I went to find Mr Barnett there were

indeed six people with me; most of whom would not be described as 'heavies'. The purpose of this was to enable rapid redistribution of *Guildsheet* and obtaining the missing copies. I personally asked Mr Barnett for the copies, explaining reasons why this was necessary. These he accepted and returned the copies in approximately fifteen minutes. You mention official channels; it was felt that speed in obtaining the missing copies was of prime importance, and this speedy return was the only major requirement; thus rendering official channels as a secondary consideration. As you know Steve was informed, so as to keep him in the picture.

With reference to the copies of 'Guildshit' in our possession these were those from Elec Eng, these have now been distributed from the Guilds Office to people who came in asking for them.

Yours sincerely
Steve Bishop
City & Guilds President 1982/3

EDITORIAL

Southside Move

Once again College Secretary John Smith and the Estates Department are trying to get the Union moved to Southside. The plan, if it goes through, will involve moving most of the Union facilities to the lower floors of the Southside Building (below the Halls of Residence) while allowing College to take over the present building in Beit for their own purposes. College are prepared to pay for the move. Why are they being so generous? More importantly, why are they trying to rush it through so quickly? In my Editorial in one of the postgrad FELICES I made some observations as follows:

"When the idea of moving the Union to Southside was first mooted, cautious optimism seemed to be in order. Premises in Southside are underused, and it is in everyone's advantage to have the Union situated as near to the main Halls of Residence as possible. Plans had been drawn up after long consultations with a responsible Union President, and despite protests from certain factions who hold a

strong sense of tradition (notably my two predecessors) it seemed that the Union could well benefit from such a scheme.

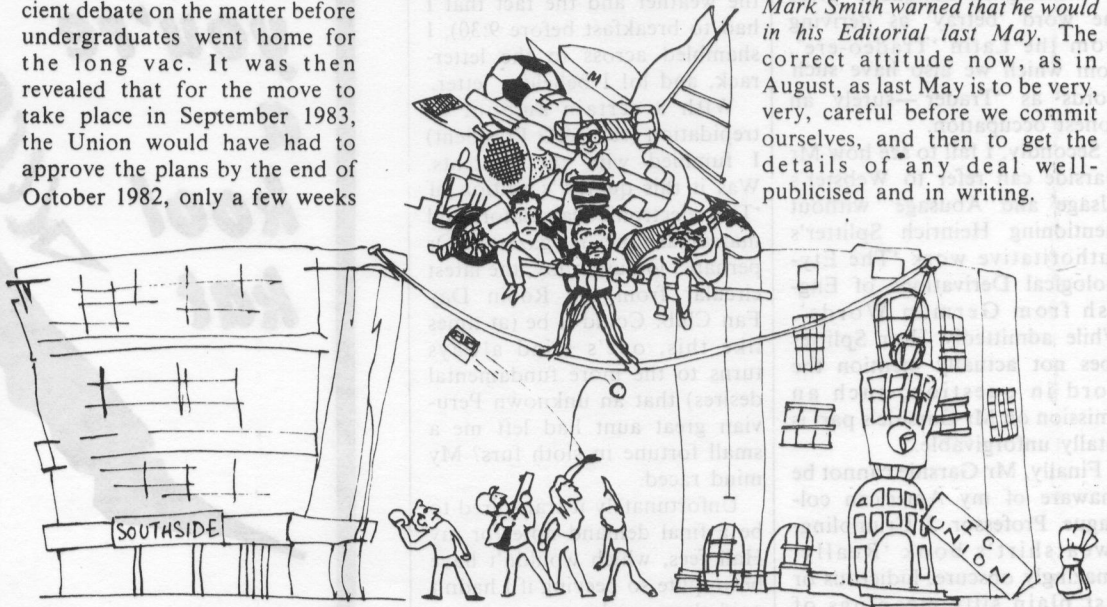
But College's attitude is changing. Right from the start John Smith has been holding his cards close to his chest. The move was proposed last March, but the plans were not revealed to the student body until the very end of May, shortly before the end of term and certainly not allowing enough time for sufficient debate on the matter before undergraduates went home for the long vac. It was then revealed that for the move to take place in September 1983, the Union would have had to approve the plans by the end of October 1982, only a few weeks

after undergraduates had re-assembled. Caution began to harden into suspicion.

Now the suspicion is turning to distrust. College is trying a different tack. Plans for the move have been shelved for the time being while College offers more facilities in Southside; very generous, but we should still be wary of their motives. In a year or so, if Mr Smith points out to a different Exec that since we have so many Union activities based

in Southside it might benefit us to move the whole Union there, it will be as well to remember the methods that were tried the first time, and to examine the options very carefully."

The hard sell didn't work, so College switched to a less heavy-handed approach. Now, with a new Exec mostly inexperienced in dealing with College, John Smith has switched back to trying to push the deal through as quickly as possible—just as Mark Smith warned that he would in his Editorial last May. The correct attitude now, as in August, as last May is to be very, very, careful before we commit ourselves, and then to get the details of any deal well-publicised and in writing.



Christmas FELICES

I warned you last week that there will be no FELIX next Friday December 10; instead FELIX has got together with the Careers Service to produce a careers brochure containing lots of articles for those of you who are thinking about what you're going to be doing for eight hours a day for the rest of your life. It will be printed with the old red FELIX design (like last year's FELICES) and there won't be enough for everyone to have one, so please don't take one if you're a first year or a second year who is less than keen on making a decision about a career. It's essential reading for third years, of course.

The following Tuesday is the bumper Christmas FELIX, the like of which has never been seen before. This issue coincides with the retirement of Captain Lindley, the salty old sea-dog turned College Administrator who was so viciously pilloried by my predecessors.

He rose to fame two years ago with his repeated insistence that College is being run at the zenith of efficiency, and this somewhat exaggerated view together with his catchphrase 'I don't stand and count 'em' made him almost too vulnerable to a student rag

such as this. I've let him off lightly this term, but next week the Christmas FELIX will be a special Captain Lindley retirement issue, with much naval and ex-naval humour.

In addition, Pinocchio is preparing a double spread of puzzles, Victor Mooney (no kidding) is writing on the lighter side of Christmas cooking, Scaramouche (remember him?) is offering silly ideas for Xmas games, Walkabout-Looksee will be explaining the best way to make mince pies light.....

And finally, we shall re-introduce the Christmas free gift, a regular tradition until two years ago. Yes, the team who brought you the cut-out model of the Albert Memorial, the contraceptive smartie (hold it between your knees) and your very own FELIX hack (a cough sweet in every issue) have done it again. Wait till next week and see the biggest and best free gift ever. All this and more in your Christmas FELIX, published Tuesday week.

Clubs and Societies

A letter from Chess Club in rather injured tone complains that I refused to print a boring article they submitted two weeks ago; may I offer my own

defence, rather than use the pitiful excuses they put into my mouth in their letter (before demolishing them, of course).

You were warned at the end of last term (in my statement of intent) and in the Freshers' issue that this year's policy would be to cut right back on clubs and societies articles. I asked if anyone objected to this, and received no complaints.

We do print some RCC and SCC articles, and I'm sorry if the Chess Club consider them 'meaningless drivel'; nevertheless it's not their job to decide what is drivel and what isn't: it's mine. And I base my decision, not only on my own opinion, but on feedback from other students. Last year the consensus was that most clubs and societies articles (with few exceptions, notably Sci Fi) were boring; this year, then, they get axed.

But there is another, yet more important reason, and this is why ACC get three pages and RCC, SCC, the Bookshop and the CCUs share one page: space is FELIX is only limited by the manpower available, and it is part of the ACC Vice-Chairman's job to act as FELIX Sports Editor. Chris Mallaband, and before him Lesley Horrocks and Phil Webb, came to be sports

editor via their interest in sport, not journalism; if anyone from RCC or SCC is prepared to take responsibility for a page or two of FELIX, I'll be more than delighted to let them fill it with all the clubs and societies articles they want. I mean this quite seriously: any takers?

Other Inclusions

No society, religious or otherwise, has a God-given right to articles in FELIX. All letters, small ads, features and opinions are included at my discretion, and I tend to be less discreet with anything anonymous or pseudonymous.

When it comes to Opinion policy is to allow anyone the right to one article, and then any opposing faction the right of reply. I cannot then allow the first writer to reply to the reply or proliferation and boredom become the order of the day. If you write an opinion, I'm afraid you'll have to accept that your opponents will have the last word. I won't let the opinion columns become a literary table-tennis match; if you're not happy with the state of affairs after two articles, write to the letters page.

Christmas FELIX Copy Deadline is 1730h on Monday 6th.

Letters

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Logorrhoea

Sir

Mr Garside in his letter last week omitted several very important points, that I feel it is my duty to correct. Firstly, Dr C T Onions' book 'An Etymology of the English Language' gives the word 'betray' as deriving from the Latin 'Tradeo-ere', from which we also have such words as 'Trader'—surely an honest occupation.

Secondly, I fail to see how Mr Garside can refer to Webster's 'Usage and Abusage' without mentioning Heinrich Splitter's authoritative work 'The Etymological Derivations of English from German Words'. While admittedly Herr Splitter does not actually mention the word in question, such an omission on Mr Garside's part is totally unforgivable.

Finally, Mr Garside cannot be unaware of my American colleague Professor J Crumbling-Sweatshirt's book 'Really amazingly obscure, ludicrous or just plain silly meanings of everyday words', which attaches to the word 'betray' a symbolic meaning that (while I shall not mention it in the columns of this worthy journal) Mr Garside might do well to research.

I am, Sir, delighted to have been able to clear up this little matter.

Yours faithfully

Colonel R T Finch-Waterbutt
(retd)

Ignorant Democracy

Dear Martin

The recent articles in FELIX suggest that there is now a considerable amount of interest in—and ignorance about—the National Union of Students at IC.

The matter is important and concerns not only those of us studying here now, but future generations of students. This surely merits the cost of a £300 campus-wide referendum on re-affiliation.

The Union can afford to spend ten times this amount on repainting the central staircase in the Union Building. Furthermore, there is a Union contingency fund of £9,000 available in reserve for just such un-budgeted expenditure, should the need arise.

Rent-a Sloth Fur

Dear Martin

Having trudged wearily back to my hovel after a taxing morning sitting around talking to people (all elfin properties being somewhat lacking due to the weather and the fact that I had to breakfast before 9:30), I shambled across to the letter-rack, and lo! I beheld a letter.

With a certain amount of trepidation (ref C&G President) I fumbled with the contents. Was it this quarter's edition of 'The electronic calculator and marsupial fanciers' gazette'? Or perhaps, joy upon joy, the latest circular from the Robin Day Fan Club. Could it be (at times like this, one's mind always turns to the more fundamental desires) that an unknown Peruvian great aunt had left me a small fortune in sloth furs? My mind raced.

Unfortunately it transpired to be a final demand note for my Hall fees, which wouldn't have been quite so peeving if I hadn't paid them weeks ago.

Determined to rent my frustration upon some unsuspecting bureaucrat I strode forcefully into the Students Services Office.

Much to my disappointment I was totally deflated by a very apologetic gentleman who explain there was a lot of it about, and they were calling in rent-to-kill next week. By way of explanation he showed me a singularly unimpressive, large, dog-eared string of paper with lots of biro on it.

The reason? Computers, of course.

Yours ironically

Andy Robinson
DoC 1

Space Fillers

Dear Sir

Don't you publish short letters any more?

Yours faithfully

Ian N Lacey
MRE PG

Considering that times are hard for ICU (!) it would seem that, relatively speaking, the price of a democratic choice in the matter is perhaps not so expensive after all.

Yours sincerely

Peter Burt

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Human Rights Week

During the next seven days, a whole range of clubs and societies will be getting together with the aim of making members of the College more aware of violations of human rights in the world. The result is Human Rights Week, being held under the auspices of the Social Clubs Committee.

Throughout the next week there will be speakers and films on various aspects of human rights. On Thursday there is a Human Rights Fair in the JCR at which clubs will be represented by displays and stalls. Further details are given later.

It is all too easy to accuse governments which are of a different political or religious persuasion of human rights violations while ignoring those carried out by one's own. The United Kingdom government has been found guilty by the European Commission of Human Rights, in recent years, of torturing prisoners in its gaols, restricting press freedom, restricting people's right not to join a trade union and having subjected criminals to degrading punishment.

Citizens of this country, however, do have some form of remedy against their government. People in some countries are not so fortunate.

Human Rights Week is a way of informing you of their plight. At the very least the Week will remind those who live in free countries, like the UK, how lucky they are and of the need for constant vigilance to defend their cherished freedoms.

EVENTS

All Week

Lunchtimes JCR

West London Chaplaincy members will be urging you to write to your MP to stop British companies exporting equipment that can be used for torture. One such piece of equipment, a shock-baton, offered to cus-

tomers (including representatives of the Chilean junta) at the British Army Equipment Exhibition was described as 'ideal for use in penal institutions' and 'produces about 4,000 volts but with very low current to avoid burns or permanent injury' and would almost certainly be used for torturing.

Tuesday

1:00pm Civ Eng 201

'The Cyprus Problem' A talk by the Cultural Attaché to the Cypriot Embassy in London, organised by the Cypriot Society.

1:15pm ME 220

An eyewitness account of the destruction of Lebanon during the recent Israeli occupation, by two Oxfam relief workers, Pam and Derek Cooper, organised by the Islamic Society.

1:30pm Physics LT1

Amnesty International are showing the film *Lines to Freedom*. This film examines the cases of four people adopted by Amnesty, and includes an interview with an ex-military torturer from Uruguay.

6:00pm ME 342

Fred Halliday, author, correspondent for the *Guardian* and *New Statesman* and a unique authority on what has been happening in Iran over the past few years, will be speaking on 'Revolution and Counter Revolution in Iran' organised by the Socialist and Iranian Societies.

6:00pm Union Lower Refectory

WIST have a speaker from the International Contraception, Abortion and Sterilization

Campaign. This organisation is involved in promoting abortion worldwide as well as trying to stop such practices as clitorrectomy.

Also, the Catholic Society have a speaker from the Linnaker Group on 'Morality In Medicine'.

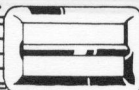
Thursday

Lunchtime JCR

A Human Rights Fair with stalls from the Anti-Apartheid Group dealing with the oppression of the black majority in South Africa, the Catholic Society dealing with aspects of human rights in Latin-America and the role of the Catholic church there, and Jewish Society looking at afflicted minorities in Arab and Islamic countries whether Christians, Jews or Kurds and focusing on Syrian Jewry.

1:00pm Union Lower Refectory

The Socialist & Latin-American Societies will be showing the film *El Salvador—Another Vietnam*. This film examines whether the USA must bear responsibility for much of the trouble and brutal atrocities carried out in this Central American state during the last couple of years.



BELOW

The Belt

WHAT AN UNINSPIRED lot you are! Barely anything worthy of a sprig of holly, let alone an acoustic that could win a Xmas pudding. Still, I've had a few entries, and that can't be all bad, I suppose. From Nick Morton, last year's ICU President we have FLOWERS: Forlorn Lord Only Wears Extremely Rare Smile and (rather better, I think) NICKY PYNE: Novice Incompetent Chairman Keenly Years Presidency, Yet Needs Electing. Nick Pyne himself offered MARTIN S TAYLOR: Many A Rough Time Inspires Non-descript Student To Attempt Year Long Oratorical Reproduction. Moving away from personalities, Stephen Barnett (Physics PG) gave us QUANTUM MECHANICS: Quite Untrue And Not Terribly Useful Method Might Even Cause Harmful And Nontrivial Infinities Corrupting Science. But my favourite so far is from News Editor Adrian James—GUILD-SHEET: Grammar Usually Inaccurate, Layout Dreadful, Spelling Horrendous, Editor Especially Tedious.

As I wrote last week, the best offering by 1:00pm Wednesday wins a large Christmas pudding, so get thinking. (Grossly Overweight Union Leader...)

SO MANY doctors' receptionists take pride in being as obstructively officious as possible; such a relief then, to find that those at the College Health Centre are about as helpful, charming and efficient as it is possible to be. Still, even Homer nods, as they say, and I was amused to hear a story about someone who phoned up the Health Centre to ask if it would be possible to book an appointment with Dr Tony Haines. Since Tony had recently left to take up his new job, the receptionist replied that she was sorry but 'Dr Haines is no longer with us.'

There was a slightly embarrassed pause before the caller replied 'Oh dear, I am sorry...I had no idea' and then hung up, clearly under the impression that

Tony had been called to much higher service.

ANOTHER COUPLE of stories from the Health Centre, this time from a splendid freebie given by the staff to introduce us Union hacks to the Health Centre people, and in particular to Alan Swann, the new doctor.

Stephen Goulder was there, of course, having come from several other receptions during the day, a drink in the bar at lunchtime and the Union sherry hour at six o'clock; consequently he was more than a little the worse for alcohol, and when he came to introduce the Deputy President and the Honorary Secretary of the Union, he forgot not one but both of their names.

But for me the most ironic incident of the evening was the absence of Dr Swann himself, who had left work at lunchtime that day. Reason? He wasn't feeling well!

ONE DAY I really must meet Gareth Fish and find out just why (or how) he keeps getting involved in such curious predicaments. This week's escapade

concerns two photographs I have been given of said Mr Fish without clothing in the Union Bar. In one of them he is being forcibly held down in a spread-eagle posture for heaven knows what purpose, and in the other he is locked in an embrace with the Rag Mag's pneumatic advertising manager, Leah Phelps. I have refused to print the photos in the interest of public decency.

I DON'T KNOW what some people expect of a newspaper. Mike MacClancy, subject of several anecdotes in this column last week, came to see me last Friday full of merriment and laughter. Why, he wanted to know, had I missed out some of his grossest cock-ups? He went on to detail several more stories against himself, all of which caused much hilarity among the FELIX staff.

It was a very different Mr MacClancy who came to see me later in the week, quite outraged that I was actually considering printing more stories about him. Still, I've spelt his name right this week, so he hasn't got quite so much to grumble at.

Three weeks ago *Friends of Palestine* wrote an *Opinion* article expressing their point of view on the conflicts in the Middle East. The following week *Jewish Society* made reply, and this week it is the turn of a third faction to express their opinions on the others' views.

In The Name of God Peace in Palestine

—an Islamic Perspective

Peace in Palestine and for that matter anywhere in the world must be based on Justice.

Everybody knows and understands the hardships inflicted upon the Jews by the Nazis during World War II. However, it is not understandable why this subject is always brought up whenever somebody mentions Zionist crimes. Why is it that the Jews want people to condemn the Nazis for their crimes, but whitewash the crimes of the Zionist state? This shows a double standard attitude.

God, who created the Heavens, the Earth and mankind is the most Beneficent. He gave us (through His Prophets) the Law to keep us from going astray. He has (in His Last Revelation) reminded the Jews and the Christians of the importance of keeping to His Law:

“Say: O People of the Book!
Ye have no ground
To stand upon unless
Ye stand fast by the Law,
The Gospel, and all the Revelation
That has come to you from
Your Lord.” (Koran 5-71)

God promised to give the Holy Land to those who uphold His Law, those who enjoin what is right and forbid what is wrong. He does not favour a people of a particular race or colour but people of good faith and action.

“We ordained for the children of Israel
That if anyone slew
A person—unless it be
For murder or for spreading
mischief in the Land—
It would be as if
He slew the whole of mankind (Koran 5:35)

Thus we believe that the killing of even one child is enough to define the recent Israeli aggression as a ‘holocaust’.

As muslims (devoted to God) we have to work for the achievement of Justice; surely, we would prefer this to be done peacefully and we invite everybody involved to contribute. However, justice includes ‘harshness’ to the criminals as ordained in the Law:

“We ordained therein (Torah) for them
Life for life, eye for eye,
Nose for nose, ear for ear
Tooth for tooth, and wounds
Equal for equal.”

Tippy Sheriff

Meanwhile, from another quarter entirely, some foreign news of a different kind.....

Fe Gofiwn Ni!

Ar rhagfyr 11eg 1282, Cwblhawyd concwest Lloegr o Gymru â marwolaeth Llewelyn ap Gruffydd yng nghyffiniau Cilmeri.

Torrwyd ei ben ymaith a'i gludo i Lundain i'w arddangos ar belyn. Claddwyd ei gorff yn ybaty cwmhir. Codwyd carreg ar ei Fedd gan gofiwn yn 1978.

Gerwyn ap meudwy (MRE 1)
â Alan (Tywysog Mawr) Robinson (Physics 1)
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Phil '82.

Little Cretin

Schweyk in the Second World War by Bertolt Brecht, music by Hanns Eisler, directed by Richard Eyre, The Olivier, National Theatre.

Schweyk, the archetypal 'little man' and imbecile and moron *extraordinaire*, was born of the pen of Jaroslav Hasek in the early years of this century. In *The Good Soldier Schweyk*, the hero achieves the rare distinction of being taken prisoner by his own side. He is a disgrace to his uniform (an ill-fitting one).

Jaroslav Hasek, a Bohemian, seems to bear an uncanny resemblance to the hero in his novel. Hasek scribbled stories in the intervals of wandering off and getting into drunken brawls. His sole biographer, Sir Cecil Parrott, relates of his frequent entry into police records, one of which was to the effect that "while in an intoxicated state, the above-named performed his lesser bodily needs in front of the main police station." A one-time soldier and a one-time anarchist, he achieved a modicum of respectability when he edited a journal called 'Animal World', but spoiled it by inventing new animals and embellishing it with hitherto unknown facts such as that elephants enjoy gramophone records.

Brecht considerably reworked the novel into the musical play we have today. The Brechtian Schweyk is once again an accomplished cretin who tells jokes and ludicrous anecdotes with an incessant zeal. Bill Paterson takes on the (demanding) title role in the production at the National Theatre, and what a hilarious evening it turns out to be!

Schweyk's cretinism is gloriously demonstrated right from the start of the play. A Gestapo agent brings in news of attempt on Adolf's life in Munich. Schweyk wonders whether this is the Adolf who worked for the chemists and is now in the concentration camp, or the Adolf who collected dog manure and is now in the concentration camp.

But there is more to Schweyk than his imbecility. Schweyk does not resist. He does not rebel. He does not argue. He does not question. He does not demand. He does not defy. In short, Schweyk possesses all those splendidly negative attributes that authority looks for in the perfect, passive citizen. Authority can always depend on Schweyk. But don't think Schweyk and his story is a period piece. Oh no, Schweykism lives and there are Schweyks everywhere, yes even in this College. Even the person sitting next to you as you read this may be a Schweyk. (Your reviewer knows of at least two Schweyks in the College.) Most importantly for the play, a Schweyk knows the secret of immortality itself: yield. The first rule of Schweykism is conquer by yielding. Shall not the meek inherit the earth?

In *Schweyk in the Second World War* we are seeing how the world's Schweyks contributed to Hitler's global campaigns, albeit in a hilarious manner. The play is interluded with views of the 'higher regions' where Hitler and his accomplices look down on the world and demand reassurance that they may depend on 'the little man', and it is here that we witness a stroke of genius by the designer of this production, William Dudley. Hitler and his grim gang (Himmler, Goering, Goebbels and Van Bock) are presented as enormous figures with strikingly large masks. These appear right at the beginning of the play in a halo of dry ice and coloured lights among clouds drawn in the manner of caricatures of these characters. Hissing electronic sounds complement their metallic echoing voices, and one is reminded of



some episode of Dr Who involving the master of the universe or some such. The production is full of such bedazzling theatrical effects. On returning to the auditorium after the interval one is confronted with an enormous box over which is draped a black cloth. At the start of the second part a huge hand descends upon this box and lifts off the drapery with forefinger and thumb in a Pythonesque fashion. A Hogarthian corner of Bedlam is revealed, replete with cripples, and of course Schweyk.

Besides the settings and the effects, the characters and the plot are no less amusing. Brettschneider. Gestapo agent *provocateur*, is played by William Armstrong. With a small moustache, well worn raincoat and grubby briefcase he looks the picture of a provincial newspaper journalist seeking some sordid piece of scandal. Mr Armstrong can assume

the most ludicrous and comic facial expressions. Brian Glover plays Baloun, a rotund gentleman rather partial to dumplings, and Harry Towb plays the part of SS Lieutenant Bullinger. A large part of the plot comes around the trouble Schweyk finds himself landed in when he is ordered by SS Bullinger to wrest out of the clutches of its owner a little dog he (Bullinger) has taken a fancy to in the park. Bullinger wants to give it to his wife, and Schweyk has to get the dog or face the consequences.

The production comes a little bit loose at the seams in the second part when there is much wandering about the stage and little dialogue, but this doesn't blot the production in a significant way. The play remains very funny, totally zany and totally unmissable.

Nick Bedding

Lyrical Epic

The Night of San Lorenzo, Cert A, written and directed by Paolo and Vittorio Taviani, Curzon Cinema, Curzon St. Subtitled.

It is the night of San Lorenzo, the night of the falling stars when wishes come true, that a young woman chooses to recall her loved one, her baby son, one such night long ago in 1944 when she and a group of peasants left behind their small Tuscan village to escape the Nazis and seek the protection of their allies, the Americans. But the child is asleep and the young woman therefore talks to herself and the audience.

The peasants wander across their ancestral landscape managing to avoid the Germans but failing to avoid the fascists, the blackshirts. These encounters are brief and bloody, but throughout the film the peasants' struggle with the landscape and with the marauding gangs of fascists is blown up to epic proportions in the minds of the survivors. The events are as seen through the eyes of a six-year-old girl, but the Taviani brothers are clearly seeking to chart how a human ordeal changes with time in the minds of individuals, and how it is embellished and handed down through the ensuing decades. In short the brothers are seeking the origins of a legend. The peasants' arduous trek through the countryside becomes a kind of Iliad and when, through hunger and tiredness, they begin to hallucinate, they see Homeric

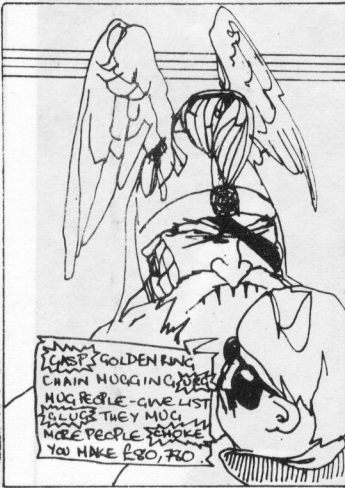
figures complete with shield, helmet and lance, materialise by their side.

The film paints some shocking contrasts. Not all the villagers left their homes, about half sought refuge in the church: the church, and the people inside, are blown up by the Germans. The sight of the priest, dejected and surrounded by corpses, and suddenly lonely as his remaining flock escape the scene of carnage carrying with them their mutilations, was indeed a pitiful sight. (The Taviani brothers claim the events as fact; the film is based on their childhood experiences). Another shocking contrast was a fierce battle between the wandering peasants and the blackshirts in a ripe corn field. However, this scene somewhat failed to convey the drama intended. Many died in this confrontation but because the film never built up on characterisation to any significant extent, this episode was somewhat distant and unmoving. Even the superb Omero Antonutti, who played a harsh and almost eccentric father in the brothers' acclaimed *Padre Padrone*, fails to come through as a distinct character.

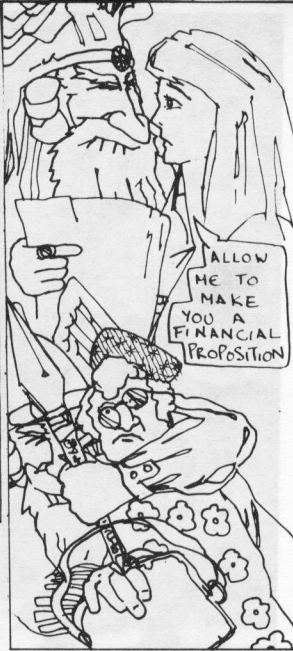
The film ends where it started with a romantic view of a starlit sky above a quiet city, seen through the opened windows of a room. The woman's voice softly concludes the tale; the legend has now become a romance. Winner of the Special Jury Prize at this year's Cannes Film Festival *The Night of San Lorenzo* is lyrical, visionary and epic, and despite its limitations it remains a very good film.

Nick Bedding

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So to ensure a merry Christmas (not to mention next term's parental contribution) pop into your local shop soon!

RSM

Thanks very much to everyone who came out on Morphy Day and completely fed the other two mobs in the battle. It was all the more convincing considering RCS didn't even use a van and so both they and C&G were going for the same one. Anyway well done and don't worry about C&G claims of possessing 1/3rd of the oar as they obviously didn't know its original length (but what do you expect from bad losers).

Starting on December 12 (Sunday) is our Foreign Students Week. This is a very important week for us and we really need people to come along on all the evenings and give the foreign students a good time. We have the reputation of having the best FS Week in Europe, so let's make sure we all live up to that. Ask Mike Naylor (FSO) if he needs any help or for any details.

NB: We need your names for the Mines Ball (Dec 17). Come in to the office with a cheque and book your place. We also need the names of partners of people who haven't told us, and we need them now!

Foreign Students Week

Sun Dec 12, Gluck Auf, Southside Bar.
 Mon Dec 13, Pub Crawl, Starts Union Bar.
 Tues Dec 14, Hon Porns Nite, Union Bldg.
 Wed Dec 15, FS Bar Nite, Union Bar.
 Thurs Dec 16, De La Beche Party, Mines
 Fri Dec 17, Mines Ball, Sherfield
 Come and have a great time.
 Cheers.

Nige

RCS

Congratulations to the masses who came collecting on the 24-hr collection—the prizes for top collector and highest average year will be awarded at the Christmas UGM.

A reminder to all reps that Gen Comm is on Monday. You were elected to represent your views, come along and let them be heard.

Christmas comes early to RCSU with the event of the season being held on Thursday in the JCR. Basil's Balls Up Band, a disco, food and free beer (and wine) after 11:00 for just £1.50 with a refund if you wear Christmas fancy dress. Tickets available from soc reps and the Union Office. See you there!

Fiona

STOIC

It has just been brought to our notice that there are other societies at Imperial College other than STOIC that is. We found this new somewhat surprising as, apart from the odd fight with the FELIX What's On Editor, we never hear from them.

Contrary to popular belief Newzbreak does have an audience (we know this as they keep phoning us up when we disconnect their sets) and is therefore a useful means of publicity for events which are open to all IC students.

Although some of you may never have experienced it, STOIC can produce extremely professional visual material, and although our Quantel unit is at present on loan to Channel Four, our presenters are always ready to provide one of our constitutional functions which is to publicise union (and society) events and we have an almost endless stock of z's.

Remember, societies, we don't all scour the FELIX What's On page searching you out, so contact us at the TV Studio or on internal 2637.

Our Hon Sec says "Look what we did for Guilds Motor Club," anyway, we're sorry and we won't let it happen again.

Bookshop News

Members of the HG Wells Society may remember Gordon Pask coming to speak to you, which I gather went down extremely well. He has a new book recently published *Micro Man, living and growing with computers*. Gordon Pask and Susan Curran published by Century Publishing Co. They were established early this year and will be specialising in books on science and technology.

Christmas Suggestions

Shogun Inheritance - Collins £12.95
Pottery in the Roman World - Longman £14.95
Encyclopaedia of Art - Macmillan £5.95
Four Seasons Cookery Book - Cookery Clubs £4.95
Drawing on the Right Side of the Brain - Souvenir £6.95
Motoring for Millions - Blandford £8.95
Which Book of DIY - Hodder £11.95
Spectacle of the Empire - Faber £12.50
World Atlas of Wine - Beazley £17.95
Lichfield on Photography - Collins £9.95
Voyage of the Armada - Collins £9.95
Art of Making Wine - Aurum £6.95
Winston Churchill - Macmillan £8.95
Falklands War - Beazley £9.95
Concise Atlas of World History - Times £12.50
Some Lovely Islands - Arlington £11.95
The Beatles - Blandford £4.95
Science and Life of Albert Einstein - OUP £15.00
Good English Guide - Dent £7.95
Profit Forecasts - Gower £19.50
Roget's Thesaurus - Longman £7.95
Discovering Britain - Hodder £12.95

Border Reflections - Collins £5.95
How Birds Walk - Blandford £8.95
Gulliver's Travels - Macmillan £3.95
Dictionary of Ghosts - Hale £9.50
Prodigal Daughter - Hodder £7.95
Stately Homes of Britain - Debrett £12.50
There is only one Raffles - Souvenir £8.95
Dreamers Dictionary - Souvenir £6.95
Within Whicker's World - Elm Tree £8.95
Holy Blood and Holy Grail - Cape £8.95
Best of James Herriot - Joseph £12.95
National Trust Atlas - Philips £9.95
Sports Photographic - Aurum £9.95
In the Mouth of the Dragon - Century £8.95
Desert Marsh & Mountain - Collins £15.00
Quest for Adventure - Hoder £14.95
Railway Photography - David & Charles £12.50
Cookery in Colour - Hamlyn £3.99
Pastry Book - David & Charles £7.95
Cuisine of the World - Allen £7.95
Microwave Recipe Book - Northwood £7.75
Full Circle - McCrae £9.95
Map Makers - Junction £12.50
Churchill Family Album - Lane £12.95
Dictionary of Trade Names - RKP £7.95
Illustrated Dictionary of Nautical Terms - David & Charles £9.95
Guide to the Law - Lane £14.95
Macmillan Encyclopaedia - Macmillan £14.95
Drinks Books - Macdonald £7.95

To the Head of Department who wanted to give all thirty of his staff a copy of *Science For Industry*, published by Imperial College at £6.75 hardback, £3.50 paperback, we are selling out. So, if he could please send a firm order to me, as I wouldn't like to disappoint all his staff by not having enough stock. Thank you!

J Soc

All the recent events seem to indicate that IC J Soc is becoming more broad-minded. Shock! Horror! Is that why the chairman has resigned? Was the Friday meal at the Liberal Synagogue the turning point—no one wanted to go to the orthodox equivalent? And the trip to the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue—it attracted all sorts of people. What will this Friday's controversial, provocative yet *truthful* account of events in Lebanon do for this image? Will the speaker give a second lecture? Will anyone be elected chairman, at the Chanukah Party? Is this the end of J Soc civilisation as we know it? For the answers to these questions and more, send a self-addressed envelope and two lakies to acting chairpersons, c/o SC letter-racks, Union Office, or come along to any event listed in What's On (eg today 5:45pm).

MOPSOC

This week's lecture is entitled 'Success runs, Marker chains and strengths of fibrous materials' in short 'Statistical theories of strength'. It will be delivered by Dr Richard Smith of the Physics Department on Tuesday at 1:00pm in Physics Lecture Theatre 2. So if you want to know how to win at roulette.....

Soc Soc

First, thanks to everyone who came to hear the speaker from Exit. We hope we'll see you again.....

If you'd like to go on our mailing lists and get advance notice of our meetings, please send a note to the Chairman, Mike Mallick, via the Physics letter-racks.

ΨΦ Soc

I must mention *Wizards*, which will be available for viewing this coming Tuesday, December 7, and is thoroughly recommended. I mean, after *Wuthering Heights* what more could you want (apart from a dictionary?).

Yug the all Powerful

Amnesty

You may well wonder what we do during our meetings. At a typical meeting we might discuss the following: the latest fund-raising event (we have to pay an annual £400 subscription fee to AI to help towards the costs of researching prisoner cases), a planned visit to the Benin Embassy in Paris (going ahead this December) and letter-writing. So far this term we have sent over 125 letters to government officials in Benin (where our prisoner is being held) and over 30 letters as part of the Urgent Actions scheme.

Tom Brake
 AI Chairman

Astro Soc

Lots of exciting things happening including a trip to Jodrell Bank on Wednesday December 8, places limited so get your name to Carol Burke, Physics 2 (via the letter-racks on Level 2 or at lectures) as soon as possible. Cost will be £7.80 with a railcard. Forthcoming lectures include 'Alternative Energy Sources in Astrophysics' on the 7th and 'Sources of Distant Galaxies' on the 14th. All lectures are held at 6:30pm in Physics Lecture Theatre 2 or 3 on Level One. For further details of all our events just keep an eye on the noticeboards.

SPORT



Football

Firsts

IC vs QMC 1 6-3

IC Ists recent revival continued on Saturday in this high-scoring, low skill, low temperature, low visibility 6-3 win over QMC. Despite the absence of John Lay (groin strain), Alan Harlow and Steve Dunhill (both trying to get groin strains!) IC quickly took control and were soon 2-0 up through well-taken goals by Nick Gaskill and Graham Rickard. However, QMC received an early Christmas present when a series of passes to the opposition by Griffiths and Berns ('Who's side was he on, anyway?') culminated in Martin Curran's clearance rebounding off a QMC player into the net.

Soon after the start of the second half Dave Stephenson made it 3-1 but IC's defence, apparently thinking the game wasn't close enough, gave QMC another goal. The following period of IC pressure was notable for that rare species, a Rickard header. Graham, amazed to see the keeper save at full stretch. Soon after this Dave Griffiths beat the off-side trap and headed home Graham's free kick. Being two goals up IC again lost interest and keeper Steve Veats bought an expensive dummy as QMC made it 4-3. In the gathering gloom Dave Stephenson got his second goal of the game, and then finally the ball loomed out of the fog to hit Kev 'almost-goal-a-game' Reeve on the knee and finish up in QMC's net.

IC vs Kings 3-1

The 3-1 victory over Kings (4) was a game dragged out of mediocrity by the efforts of one man.

A devastating dribble, in which John McGuckin beat 11 Kings' defenders (5 of them twice), resulted in Rickard having the simple task of sending the ball fifty yards into a stiff wind for Dave Stee to score. Any Kings attacks were repelled by razor-sharp tackling tireless running from McGuckin. HT 1-0; in the line of duty, Megastar McGuckin offers his orange to captain Page, saying 'You need

it more than I do!'

Kings drew level after the break, despite an incredible effort from McGuckin to keep the ball out. This setback raised McGuckin's anger, and his pace, vision and cunning were too much for Kings. Their goalkeeper was so intent on avoiding kicking the ball anywhere near McGuckin, he kicked it straight to Rickard, who scored.

A final goal, resulting from McGuckin drawing no fewer than six Kings defenders out of the box, was a mere formality, so demoralised were Kings by this fine citizen.

Thirds

IC vs QEC 1 2-2

Having trekked the wild outback on foot from Richmond tube, IC III's miraculously arrived complete with eleven men at the remote Petersham sports ground to take on the might of a Queen's first eleven who had demolished a depleted IC IV's 6-1 only ten days previously.

Following a hesitant start on a rain-soaked pitch which didn't allow either side to dominate, IC allowed Queens the luxury of an unmarked header from a flicked-on corner and paid the inevitable price.

An enthusiastic fightback ensued with centre forward Anton Milner battling gamely against a tight central defence. The breakthrough finally came through a powerful drive from new signing Bill McGinn which left the keeper grasping for thin air. Happiness was short-lived however as a simple defensive error was punished in clinical fashion, and QEC went into the interval leading by the odd goal in three.

An exciting if slightly scrappy second half saw several chances go begging at either end. Midfield ace Neil Vandenbegin was unlucky to see his sparkling cross-field run create nothing but a fruitless goal-mouth scramble, and stand in captain Chris Gordon missed a good opportunity from close range in classic defenders' style.

The climax of the match came fifteen minutes from the end as Bill set the seal on his debut with another stunning goal from the edge of the box to gain IC a well-earned draw. A good result from an under-strength team that definitely needs to improve its performance at darts!

Team: P Simpson, P Smith, C Gordon, R Richards, S Kler, N

Vandenbegin, W McGinn, D Wadsworth, T Behling, A Milner, S Cox.

Ten Pin Bowling

Six intrepid adventurers set off for the snowy wastes of Stirechley last Friday, to bowl in the twelve hour Birmingham Marathon.

After arriving in Birmingham at 9:30pm, Ray's sieve-like memory managed to somehow guide us to the required bus stop and we arrived with plenty of time to spare so the local chippy was invaded and Jeff and Mark proceeded to show these Brummies how to play video games, before returning to the bowl to register.

At midnight precisely the bowling began.

For the first few hours the team bowled well, staying as high as fifth place for some time but at around 7:00pm we started to tire. Ray, who had previously proved himself extremely adept at skimming the ball under the gate with just a few inches to spare, actually started to wait until the pins had put in an appearance before starting his run up, and as the teams scores fell away the dreaded sub-hundred looked increasingly likely. After a number of close shaves it finally happened at about 10:30, and the whole team was smothered in sympathy for his embarrassment.

By this time, Andy was storming up the individual positions and by the end of the competition at mid-day he had reached third place overall, out of 120 entrants. Paul excelled himself bowling well above average to finish approximately 25th, and Kevin, Jeff (who also bowled above average), Ray and Mark finished in a clump between 40th and 60th, the team overall finishing 8th out of 20th.

Team: Ray Cook, Jeff Quinn, Mark Stanley, Kevin Short, Andy McMullan, Paul Schofield.

Rifle & Pistol

It's been a bad week for IC's top marksperson T Huggs who flopped to a miserable 89 in the LSBRA league, thus wrecking totally the chances of IC A team, unless Gary and Gordon, (Professor) Bowser can produce the sort of form that has pulled us from the jaws of ignominy on many occasions before.

The well known medical

vagary 'Bisley Twitch' has played havoc with the technique of several members, notably Julia Avery, who narrowly beat John Warton in reaching the week's lowest score of 77(!).

Tonight (Friday) members have a golden opportunity to experience at first hand the astute wit of Steve Harrison (Club Captain, contact via Elec Eng letter-racks) as he delivers the ritual devastating homily to the nation from the top table at the club dinner. All meet in Stans at 7:15pm. A warning to any female markspersons present, watch out for Noel Lindsay, especially if he is carrying a sleeping bag.

Squash

1sts	3	QMC 1sts	2
2nds	2 1/2	Lon H 2nds	2 1/2
3rds	2	RFH 2nds	3
4ths	1	QMC 2nds	4
5ths	1	Barts 1sts	4
5ths	5	QMC 4ths	0
5ths	5	BSO 2nds	0
Ladies 5		Barts	0
Ladies 5		QEC	4

The Firsts, Seconds and Thirds and Ladies continue to hold their own in their respective divisions. Especially pleasing are the Fifts team's performance to date, bearing in mind that we're the only club in the league to run this many mens sides. Following yet another disappointing and inexplicable Fourth team result there has been some reshuffling of the selection order in a desperate attempt to avoid relegation to the depths of Division 5. This is one reason why a number of players have been receiving late night, last minute Sunday evening calls. Other team members I ring deliberately at unearthly hours as retribution for not having ticked off.

A sample V-necked, acrylic IC Squash Club jersey, price £8.00 has at last arrived from Kimberley Promotions. They are also available in raglan or wool, and the colour scheme can be specified on an individual basis. Anybody interested should see me personally.

Finally, on Monday evening, December 6 (after this weekend) there's a mini-social going on in Harry's from say 9:10pm onwards since the Seconds, Thirds and Fifts and Ladies are all playing at home. Anyone who's a member of the Squash Club is welcome to come along for a bit of bread and cheese.



Rugby

Seconds

Symes scores hattrick in IC points landslide!

John Symes, ace fullback with the IC 2nd XV allstars shambled over the tryline three times as Goldsmiths were crushed 34-0 by a strong IC team. Rumours that the performance was inspired by the wearing of wet, smelly RCS shirts were vigorously denied, though many players on the Goldsmiths side reckoned it was due to the mysterious 'sixteenth player' wearing a red shirt. This apparition, they claim, was seen to be tackling players round the neck, joining rucks on the wrong side, spoiling possession and, worst of all, blowing his whistle stopping play at vital moments. Totally demolished by this, they concentrated on verbal assaults on the aforementioned player, while the IC team got on with and winning the game. Tries from Noddy, Mickey, Howard and A N Other (whose name I didn't get because my pencil broke) left Goldsmiths reeling.

Will they use this ploy again? Mick Winsor was not sober enough for comment, but shouts of 'Not a f---ing chance, John' from the referee's changing room would seem to suggest (cont. p 94).

Cycling

Seven cyclists set out from Beit Arch at 9:30am to Clapham Junction where we met Ian Lacey. We caught a train to Epsom to avoid the worst of London's traffic, potholes, broken glass and red traffic lights. The guard told us to put our bikes in a carriage as there wasn't enough room in the luggage compartment for himself and the bikes.

We rode to Cobham and then followed a windy lane. After a while Ronan wanted to look at the map while still riding his fixed-wheel track bike. Little did he know that we were just approaching a short, steep, muddy, winding descent. The map still shows teeth marks where he held the map.

Further on we crossed a ford in Shere by the footbridge—except Ronan, who rode through the ford. We stopped in Gom-

shall at the old mill for lunch.

Two miles further on we turned off the main road to climb White Downs. The gentle protests of the slight gradient suddenly changed, after taking the hairpin, to a series of gasps and groans as they could see the second half of the hill. This was the only hill of the day. We went over Ranmore Common and found our way back to Epsom through some very narrow lanes.

On our way back from Clapham Ronan continued to entertain us by balancing on his bike at red traffic lights. As a finalé at the junction opposite the Maths Department, he fell off.



Football

Fifths

IC vs QMC 5-4

Owing to their imminent late arrival IC changed on the coach, leaving the shorts until arrival due to their unwillingness to reveal their naughty bits to the viewing public. Arriving at the ground with seconds to spare IC donned the shorts and set off in search of a pitch. The match, shortened to thirty minutes a half, finally got underway. IC son fell one behind, but Nick Lowton equalised from the penalty spot. At half-time IC were 2-1 up due to another goal by Nick, who had finally realised that to score a goal he had to put the little white ball between the large white posts.

With five minutes of the second half remaining QMC were 4-2 up, there was never any problems as IC utilised the seconds remaining to score three times through Des Hull, Mark Lenczner and Malcolm Dick, securing their third consecutive victory.

Team: *Tony, Paul, Phil, Tom, Mark, Adam, Malcolm, Rob, Mark L, Nick, Des.*

Basketball

IC vs Avery Hill 51-62

The season hasn't started well, but after a good performance against St Marys last week we were looking forward to a victory against a weak Avery Hill squad.

Observing the teams while warming-up, IC looked by far the better of the two, but we still lost! NO excuse can be made this time, it was an absolute shambles. It isn't possible to say

ANYTHING to the credit of IC's play.

The main problem was, as usual, a lack of team co-ordination. But is this surprising when no-one listens to the coaching?

Team: *Brian, Nick, George, Alan, Andy, Ian, Ken and Frank.*

Cross Country

Nine members of the club made the trip to Reading for the Whitenights's Relays with the first objective of finding the course. We eventually arrived after a scenic tour of Reading and began the serious business of picking teams.

Picking the ladies team was easy, we didn't have any ladies, but Hugh Dixon managed to organise three spare ladies to run for IC. The club had entered three mens teams so it was decided that three men would have to run twice to make up the four men teams. The lucky volunteers were suitably re-named for their second legs.

So to the race, Tasso Asteriades ran a fast first leg for the A team, handing over to Hugh Dixon in about 13th. Hugh handed over to Andrew Griffiths who ran well with the team now about tenth. Rob Morrison, after several wrong turns due to the fog, brought the A team in.

The B team was led off by Graham Harker who handed over to Steve Taylor who then passed on to Jon Lea. Jon, running well considering his recent injury, handed over to Hugh Dixon running his second leg.

The C team was led off by Jon Frost (Capt) who handed on to Kelvin Acford. Tasso Asteriades on his second leg took over and the team was made up by Andrew Griffiths who ran another quick leg.

Wednesday the 24th we went to Thames Poly for the third race to see if we could keep it up. Missing some key runners (they know who they are) the less talented athletes had to excel themselves for us to stand any chance of maintaining our position in the league. The course at Thames Poly is classic cross country: hilly with lots of sticky, smelly mud, and the weather was superb: cold and windy. Only the torrential rain was missing to make this the perfect day out.

Hugh Dixon (aka H Bomme) only managed to come sixth. Hard luck Hugh. But Nigel

Fenwick put on the jet packs to finish 26th, a big improvement for him. There were rumours of drugs being used but Nigel dispelled these with a quick slash from his spikes. Mandy Tindall again finished third in the ladies race but we could do with more ladies. Phil Parr-Burman twisted his ankle while running so get well soon Phil.

Others stupid enough to attend (in descending IQ) were: *Robert Morrison, Steve Taylor, Jon Frost (loyal Capt), Tim Scott, Graham Harker, Martin Brown, John Griffin.*

Ladies Rugby

Does IC have any aggressive, fun-loving, fit or unfit females who are prepared to have a go at rugby? No previous experience is required, just enthusiasm and a death wish! This is your chance to beat the men at their own game. If interested contact Marabella, Selkirk or meet 12:30 Beit Quad, Thursday lunchtime. (Men need not apply.)

PS: If rugby is a game played by men with odd shaped balls—what do women play with?



Hockey

Ladies

IC vs Middlesex 5-0

Dear Mum

Thank you for your last letter. Glad to hear that things are fine at home. You will be pleased to hear that my ladies hockey team are doing very well this season having won five out of seven league games. Despite injury problems to some key players (too much sport was it Karen?) we've been turning out some good teams.

In our last game the forwards really 'got it together' and scored a few goals (they missed a lot more) I think they must have been practising so that I wouldn't moan at them so much.

Love
Sara

Physics Wanderers

Football Competition

Next term we hope to hold a cup competition at Regent's Park. Entry fee £11 per team.

If interested then get in touch with N Buckley or D Warner both Physics 3.



Today

1230h JCR
IC North America Club meeting

1230h JCR
Angling Club meeting

1255h Union Concert Hall
Islamic Society Friday Prayers

1745h Beit Arch
Friday Night Meal with a talk by Peter Grunberger on the Lebanon. Bring about £1 of kosher, vegetarian or dairy food.

1800h 301m/999kHz Gallery Levels
Network Show Pete Skelley celebrates his last six hours at IC on the radio.

-I would have thought more people could have thought of better ways of celebrating their departure from IC.

1800h Music Room 53 Princes Gate
Christian Union coffee meeting.

1900h Union Upper Lounge
Mexican Christmas Party with IC Latin American Society. 30p admission to members, 50p non-members.

1930h ULU Building
Wah! It's Immaterial and Black play a ULU gig. Admission £2.75 in advance or £3.25 on the door.
-Following the success of Wah's recent single, History of the Blues, this is certain to be very popular, so check that all the tickets are not all sold before making the trip to ULU.

2000h Great Hall
IC Symphony Orchestra play Mozart's *The Overture to the Magic Flute*, Weber's *Clarinet Concerto No 1* and Holst's

The Planets. Admission £1 (75p for students).

-Has conductor Richard Dickens' ambition overreached the abilities of the orchestra? Spies say no, so be there.....

2230h Falmouth Kitchens
Soup Run

Saturday

1400h Portsmouth Bowl
Ten Pin Bowling IC against Portsmouth Polytechnic.

1400h Mech Eng 313
HP Programmable Calculators A meeting of the HP calculator users' club. Admission £1.
-Hardly an event of the week and certainly not designed to bring the crowds flocking in.....

1800h Harry's Bar
RCS Motor Club Dinner at the Knightsbridge Spaghetti House Restaurant.

2000h Union Building
Disco 82 an Afro-Caribbean Society party. Admission £1 for non-members or 50p for members.

Sunday

0915h Consort Gallery
Prayer Meeting

1000h Consort Gallery
Communion Service

1100h More House
Catholic Mass

1200h Union Bar
RCSU Soccer 6-a-side competition. Coaches will take teams to Harlington.

1300h Union SCR
Wargames Club meeting.

1300h Queen's Arms
IC Ents v FELIX football match of the season.

-A strong FELIX side will demolish IC Ents.

PM 2000 Feet above Hampshire
Martin S Taylor jumps from an aeroplane.

-What some people will do to avoid playing football.

1800h More House
Liberation Theology a film on this subject will be shown after Catholic mass and a bar supper

Monday

1230h Rag Office
Community Action Group meeting.

1230h JCR
CND Bookstall.

1745h Great Hall
Wind Band rehearsal.

1815h Union SCR
RCSU General Committee meeting.

1830h Physics LT2
History of Photographic Lenses A lecture by Dr Speer.

1930h JCR
Advanced Dancing Class

1930h Lower Refectory
PDT Medal Class

1930h Elec Eng 408
Robotics A talk to Wellsoc by Mike Sharp, a leading authority on the subject.

2200h 301m/999kHz Gallery Levels
The Pressed Rat and Warthog Show presented by Ady Pace.

Tuesday

1230h Southside Upper Lounge
Board Sailing Club meeting

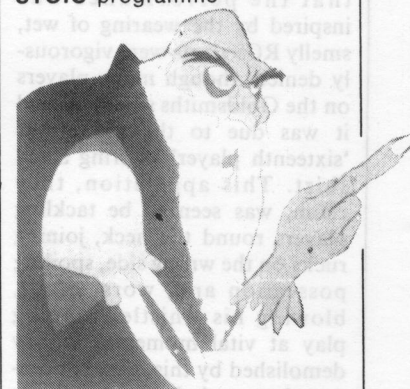
1245h Chemistry 231
Catholic Mass

1245h Chem Eng LT2
This House believes that UN Peacekeeping Forces play a Constructive Role: A United Nations Society debate.

1300h Great Hall
UGM Is Steve Goulder a Dhimmi? What is Dhimmi? Who cares? All these questions and more will be explained.

1300h Civ Eng 201
The Cyprus Problem a talk to the Cypriot Society by the cultural counsellor of the Cypriot Embassy.

1300h TV Lounges
STOIC programme



'Wizards', the Sci Fi film on Tuesday

1300h Elec Eng 408
Success Runs, Markov Chains and Strengths of Fibrous Materials (Statistical Theories of Strength) A talk to MOPSOC by Dr Richard Smith.

1315h Mech Eng 220
The Lebanon: A talk by Oxfam workers Pam and Derek Cooper.

1330h Physics LT1
Lines to Freedom An Amnesty International film.

-Amnesty have hit the headlines recently because of leadership squabbles, but the work they do is still an invaluable part of the fight for justice. Don't miss this film which will show just how important this work is.

1330h Pippard Theatre Sheffield Building
The Rise of Thermodynamics, 1800-1860 A talk by Dr Robert Fox, as part of 'Three Revolutions in Science'.

1400h Alexander Gate Hyde Park
Anti-Dhimmi Rally

-Will the meaning behind this continuing campaign be at last revealed?
1730h Brown Committee Room
Amnesty International meeting.

1730h Volleyball Court
Women's Volleyball training session.

1800h Union SCR
Italian Wine Tasting Admission £1 to members.

1800h Mech Eng 342

Revolution and Counter-Revolution in Iran A talk to the Iranian Society by Fred Halliday.

1800h TV Lounges
STOIC programme

1830h Mech Eng 220

The Wizards A Science Fiction Society film show.

-This fantasy depicts the world after the nuclear holocaust.

1830h Union Gym
Judo Club practice. Bring 25p fees.

1830h JCR
Silver Medal Dancing Class

2230h Falmouth Kitchens
Soup Run



Ents film on Thursday is 'Altered States'

Wednesday

0800h Beit Arch

Visit to IMI organised by the Industrial Society. Details from C Day, Mech Eng 2.

AM Mech Eng Foyer

Trip to Allied Steel and Wire organised by Mech Eng Soc.

1230h Chem Eng E400

Is Britain a Christian Society? A talk to the Methodist Society.

1300h Huxley 340

Faith and Reason: Competitors or Partners? a talk by Dr O R Barclay to the SCF.

1315h 9 Prince's Gardens
Quran Circle

1430h Union Upper Lounge
Drama Workshop

1830h JCR
Bronze Medal Dancing Class

1930h Union Concert Hall

Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead by Tom Stoppard. Admission £1.

-One of Tom Stoppard's finest plays, every entrance in the play is an exit from 'Hamlet'. Bizarre wordplay abounds.

1930h JCR
Beginner's Dancing Class

Thursday

1230h JCR

Dhimmi Revelation Thursday 1230h Mines 303

Ruritania meeting to discuss the possibility for Scout and Guides Club next summer meeting.

1230h Southside Upper Lounge
ICYHA Butties meeting

1300h Physics LT1

Talk and Film about Palestinian Refugee camps. Organised by 'Friends of Palestine'.

1300h Green Comm Rm
SF Soc meeting

1300h Union Lower Refectory

El Salvador—Another Vietnam A film for Human Rights Week.

1300h TV Lounges

Newsbreak: A STOIC programme.

1315h Huxley 340

Lebanon/Palestine—What Now? A talk by Khaled Jima.

1330h Read Theatre
Sherfield Building

In or Out? Britain and the ECC 'The Case against British Participation' a talk by Emeritus Professor Lord Kaldor.

-Can the Humanities Dept not improve on this series where unimportant speakers talk on a boring, much repeated subject. Could we not at least have an MP as part of the series? The political societies have shown how easy it is to get hold of MPs.



JONI, The Christian Union film next Friday, deals with the problems of handicapped people.

1700h Biochemistry 702

Neurotransmitters and Glucocorticoids in the Control of ACTH Secretion A talk to the Biochemical Society by Dr Brian Gillham.

-Could Biochemical Society at least try and arrange lectures that are interesting to undergraduates as well as postgrads?

1800h TV Lounges

STOIC programme.

1830h Mech Eng 220

Ents film *Altered States* starring William Hurt and Blair Brown and directed by Ken Russell.

-In recent years, *Altered States* of consciousness have been recognised and their reality probed. Among the most provocative experiments is immersion in a tank of warm salt water, and floating in total isolation. With each new experiment and discovery comes a mounting awareness of the wonder yet to be foundwithin ourselves.

1930h JCR

RCSU Christmas Party £1.50 admission or £1 if wearing fancy dress.

1930h Union Concert Hall

Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead. A Dramsoc production.

2030h Southside Bar

Gig: Chris Pearson Band.

Next Week

1800h Music Room
53 Princes Gate

Fri JONI A Christian Union film

-A tragic diving accident leaves Joni, an extrovert seventeen year old, paralysed. This film captures the real story of how Joni comes to terms with her new life. It is a moving story and a very good film. Come along and see it for yourself.

1930h JCR

Fri/Sat Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead A Dramsoc production.

Fri 2000h Great Hall

The Canterbury Pilgrims. An IC Choir Production.



Cafe Incognito, 38 Thurloe Place, SW7, 589-3663.

Down Exhibition Road, first turning on the right after Cromwell Road brings you to one of the best, reasonably priced restaurants around. As the name suggests there is a French flavour about the place, but beyond the green louvres, the flavour is diluted, emphatically not something that can be said about the food.

Fancy starters like stuffed mushrooms abound; a cheaper but wholly satisfactory alternative is the slightly herby garlic bread at 45p a go.

If you like burgers, their burgers range from £2.10 to £3.00 with chips or salad, but since everyone does burgers, why not try a gargantuan plate of barbecue spare ribs for £2.95 or honey fried chicken at the same price? A very reasonable chilli con carne is also on the menu.

I thought that salads were for dieters and rabbits until I discovered the chefs salad at £3.25. Containing every salad ingredient imaginable it probably gives more calories than some of the puddings. And speaking of which, prices for puddings range from 75p to £1.55. Profiteroles smothered with fresh cream for £1 and a banana split for £1.55 are well worth

sampling.

Cafe Incognito is rarely crowded and provides a venue as conclusive to an intimate evening out for two as it is suitable for a pre-pub-crawl nosh up.

For a three course meal, you can expect to pay about £5 a head, excluding wine.



PINOCCHIO

Superkings - 1

I came across Tim and Mary in the maths common room the other day, playing chess. Knowing each others moves backwards, they were becoming a little bored with the standard game, and so decided to change it, by giving the king new powers; it could now move like both a queen and a knight (for those of you not knowing the game, these moves are shown in the diagram). Soon an argument developed as to how many of these superkings one could place on a chess board, without any being able to take another. Having solved this problem, they then attempted to place these superkings so that no three are collinear (this includes lines other than rows, columns or diagonals). As an example, the third diagram shows the only way to put 4 superkings on a 5x5 board.

Can you help them answer this question: how many non-collinear superkings can you put on a chess board (please give an example)?

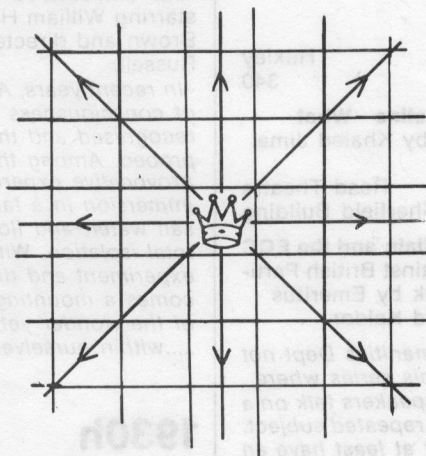
Solutions, comments, criticisms to me at the FELIX Office by Wednesday, 1:00pm. £5 from Mend-a-Bike for a randomly selected entry.

This week's puzzle is a little easy, but is merely a 'taster' for one of the Christmas puzzles, which will be much more difficult. Also could the person who sent me the 'Rope from the Belfry' puzzle please send me his name and/or pseudonym. Has anyone else ideas for puzzles for Christmas?

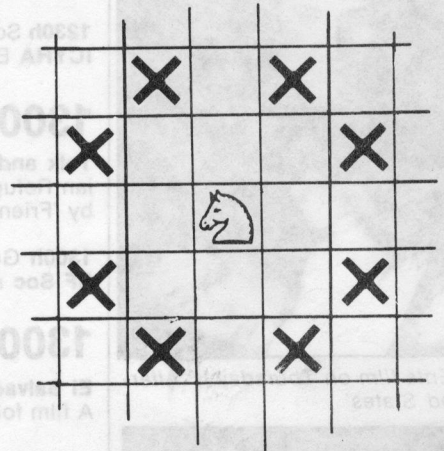
Last Weeks Solution

Last week's puzzle cut the entries down considerably; only thirteen correct entries, and Graeme R Cant of ME1 was chosen as the winner.

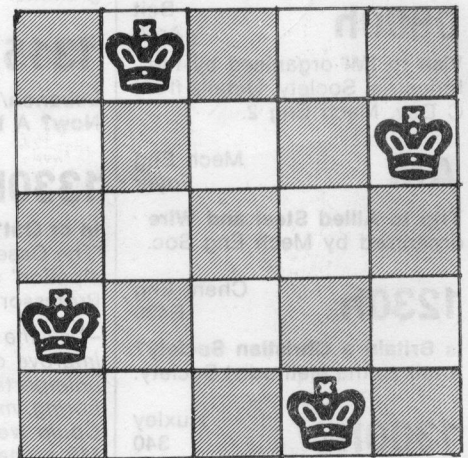
The solution was:
 Andy — Woodwind
 Brian — Brass
 Chris — Percussion
 Dominic — String
 and the order of pieces was 1, 4, 6, 5, 3, 2, 7 in descending order.



A Queen's moves; all pieces on any of the (infinite) lines shown can be taken.



A Knight's moves; all pieces on the crosses can be taken.



Four Superkings on a 5x5 board.

EXEC NEWS

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the last meeting.
2. Matters arising.
3. Presidents report.
4. Deputy Presidents report.
5. Honorary Secretary's report.
6. Returning officers report.
7. Constituent College Union reports.
8. Other officers report.
9. Bye Law Changes.
10. Motions
 - a) on toilet paper
 - b) on NUS
 - c) on Stephen Goulder
 - d) on South Africa.
11. Any other business.

Presidents Report To ICU

Gravel at Harlington

College has been aware for several years that there have been significant deposits of gravel at Harlington. In fact gravel is being extracted from a site adjacent to the College sports field by Streeters. The estimated royalty that IC could expect to earn is estimated at £1.1m. However, we have been unable to confirm this figure because we could not place the more detailed facts before our professional adviser. We have attempted to establish certain precedents concerning the purchase of Harlington that mean that any monies raised should be put towards student athletic facilities.

It is important that the Union monitors this because extraction would seriously affect the space available for sports at Harlington.

I therefore ask this meeting to approve my proposal that our support for this scheme will be conditioned on the provision of at least thirty acres of Harlington being playable at any one time. In addition we should be fully involved in the decision making process and supplied with all the necessary information.

Bars

Following the motion which was passed at the last UGM I informed Bob Schroter of my mandate and my intention to jolly it up. He then spoke to John Smith and Brian Lloyd Davies, and wrote back with a set of proposals that Council overwhelmingly accepted and that Council recommends to the UGM.

The proposals are as follows:

1. That Bars Subcommittee has access to the individual trading accounts given that these are treated in confidence and are not publicised outside the committee. Any breach in confidence will result in these figures being withdrawn.

2. Bob Schroter confirmed that the Bar Subcommittee Chairman will continue to normally be an ICU nomination appointed by the Refectory Committee Chairman.

3. With reference to the Terms of Reference, Bob Schroter stands by the Refectory Committee terms of reference and states that they have been known to all preceding Bar Subcommittee chairmen.

On behalf of Council I recommend acceptance.

Residence

Student Services have proposed a scheme that will assure all first years of a place in Hall and will prioritize postgraduates in the following way:

1. high fee paying overseas students
2. other overseas students
3. departmental recommendations
4. women on MSc courses
5. men on MSc courses
6. women in research courses
7. men in research courses

this depends on the full usage of Intercollegiate Halls and the maintenance of our Head Tenancy agreements.

I am in the process of selecting applicants for interview concerning the post of Welfare Assistant at Student Services.

Southside

The Southside Working Party met Mr D W Clark, the Estates Secretary, on November 25 and discussed the revised plan for extensive use of Southside as a Union facility. This matter is to be discussed with J H Smith, the College Secretary (Head of College Admin) and then SWP will formulate a set of recommendations to be taken to a UGM.

UGM TUE 7th GREAT HALL 1:00pm

DP

1. Following a spate of thefts from the Union Gym and changing rooms the door at the back of the mens changing rooms has been locked; unfortunately it has not been possible to do this in the ladies as it is a fire exit. Since the small lockers for valuables have not been sufficient the large coin-return lockers are now being restored—20 are now operational and the other 28 will be completed before the end of term. I am looking into installing lockers in the ladies changing rooms as well.

2. The Union Building is to be extensively redecorated this year with the central staircase being totally repainted and the Senior Common Room being redecorated and totally refurbished. The Upper Lounge should also be incorporated in this scheme.

This is part of a new policy to redecorate the whole Union Building over this and next year which I hope to see carried on, working up from the ground floor.

Estimates have been obtained and I envisage work to start immediately after Christmas and the whole of this years part of the project to be finished by the second week in February.

3. I have tidied up the West Staircase as much as is possible and would appreciate it if all those clubs who sweep all their rubbish out of the Gym onto the West Staircase stopped. In future I will have rubbish bags there, so please use them.

4. The results of the House Committee questionnaires which requested information from all clubs and societies as to what facilities they needed in addition to those already provided have been collated and four new cupboard have been ordered to help cope with the large demand for cupboard storage space. I have also asked about the possibility of putting three additional noticeboards in the JCR and hope for a positive response from College in the near future, as demand for noticeboards in this area is heavy.

5. For those who are not aware, the kitchen area behind the old refectory is being converted into storage facilities for Ents who will be based there. The refectory will then be used for various discos, etc. This work is almost complete and this area should be fully operational by the beginning of next term.

6. The lock on the cleaning cupboard has been changed and a new stock of mops, buckets and brooms obtained to enable us to provide adequate facilities to clean up after large functions without a shortfall in equipment. In future it will be necessary to obtain a key in advance from me for a deposit if cleaning materials are required after any event.

Hon Sec's Report

You will probably have noticed that *Exec News* is now in the same typeface as the rest of FELIX. This should make reading it much easier in future. My thanks go to Martin S Taylor and Maz, only their cooperation has made this change possible. However as a result of this new system if you want to submit a motion, as anyone can, to be printed in *Exec News*, then I must receive it at least two Fridays before the next UGM. Motions will still be accepted up to a week before the UGM and will be printed separately.

The next UGM is on Tuesday December 7 with what looks like a very interesting motion on toilet paper and the latest in the NUS debate. I hope you'll be able to attend.

If a Publicity Officer has not come forward by this UGM and anybody is at all interested in the job please come and ask me about it, I'll be very happy to see you.

Will anyone who is a club captain or a chairman please make sure that, if your club has any equipment, an inventory is done as soon as possible. These were needed on November 1 and it may be that some of your equipment is not insured.

Finally, a limited offer: we have large A4 plastic covered files in red, blue and black at only 80p each which I would like to sell as soon as possible.

Bye Law Changes
Deletion of ULU Representative: Second Reading
Proposed by External Affairs Committee

Delete from the ICU Bye Laws (with effect from 1 July 1983)
in 4 (a) (Observers on Council),

"ULU Representative"

in 5 (b) (Elections)

"the ULU Representative"

Permanent Working Party

Proposed by Council

4(a) Delete "six representatives.....Permanent Working Party"

3 Insert "Chairman of the Internal Services Committee"

Dep Reps

Proposed by Council

4(a) Delete from: "One representative each from: the Department of..." to "...
Management Sci."

Motion for UGM 7/12/82

Proposer: Philip Nathan (IC Liberal Club)

Seconder: Jonathan M Miller

ICU Notes:

1. There are more than 800 student unions affiliated to the National Union of Students, and more than 1m student members of NUS.

2. The NUS campaigns on grants, student loans, housing, parental contributions and many other matters which all profoundly affect Imperial College Students.

3. Imperial College Union is not affiliated to NUS, has no say in NUS policies and receives benefits from NUS without contributions.

ICU Believes:

1. In the face of the present cutbacks in higher education there has never been a greater need for student unity.

2. The only practical way to change NUS is by becoming part of it and making our voices heard.

3. That five years after its disaffiliation from NUS, it is time for Imperial College Union to think again. It is time for a full and democratic debate on arguments for and against NUS membership involving all members of ICU.

ICU Instructs:

1. The Union Executive to make preparations for the required referendum on NUS membership which should be held next College term.

Motion for UGM 7/12/82

Proposed J Gerson
Seconded L Gergel

ICU Notes:

1. Angie is dreaming of a white dhimmi.
2. John Barnet, John Barnett, Jon Barnett and Jon Barnett are all dhimmis.
3. Very few people know what a dhimmi is.

ICU Believes:

1. Stephen Goulder may also be a dhimmi.

ICU Instructs That:

1. A thorough investigation be made.

Motion on Toilet Paper

Proposed: Ged O'Shea
Seconded: Chris Stone

ICU Notes:

1. The quality of the paper in mens toilets around College is poor, being of the 'hard' variety.

2. The quality in the womens toilets is considerably better, being of the 'soft' variety.

ICU Believes:

1. That paper of the 'hard' variety is inconsistent with student life.

ICU Instructs:

1. The Exec to campaign actively for the widespread introduction of 'soft' variety paper (as found in womens toilets) into mens toilets around College.

2. If this campaign fails, that Stephen Goulder should arrange for a boycott of College paper and provide an alternative paper (provided that the purchase of such paper is not 'ultra vires' the constitution).

Another Motion

Proposer: M Mallick
Seconder: P Riley

ICU Notes:

1. That this week, December 6-10, is Human Rights Week.

2. The South African government operates in direct violation of the United Nations Declaration on Human Rights.

ICU Instructs:

1. ICU condemns the apartheid system in South Africa which does not recognise the need for equal rights for every individual living there.

