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# FELIX



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## FRESHERS

### R.C.S.

The R.C.S. freshers' reception in the Union started quietly enough. Mr Gadsden proposed the College, the most interesting part of his toast being a little thing that went something like this:

"Candy is dandy  
But liquor is quicker."

Professor Linstead replied to the toast. He pointed out to an amazed audience that a little research is done in the Mines, and that they have actually published a book about it.

The stunned freshers were now congratulated by their President Mr Lemin, on their good fortune in being freshers of R.C.S. and not of Delft; i.e. not fogged, debagged and otherwise put upon! He also speculated (rather wildly) on Cassandra's love life, drawing entirely erroneous conclusions. Both the I.C. bar and the improved toilet facilities in R.C.S. were mentioned by the President as being centres of cultural life, and he concluded by expecting to meet most of the freshers there.

The freshness of some of the guests was commented upon by Mr Anderson, who found for all the staff (and ex-staff) present, some avenue on which they had only just embarked. The President of Mines, replying for the guests, expressed his sentiments about R.C.S., his chief point being that Cassandra had the right idea.

During the closing ten minutes of the toasting, noises off were heard and suspicion aroused in the R.C.S. breast. A certain Guildsman was seen

peering through the serving hatch in the U.D.H. and the doors were then found to be barricaded. Not all the combined strength of the R.C.S., fresh or otherwise, could open the main door. The back door was eventually breached and the R.C.S. streamed down and into the Entrance Hall hoping to take the offenders in the rear. Guilds however were one step ahead, they were complacently propping up the bar. They were thrown out, returned and thrown out again, and it looked as if a sort of dynamic equilibrium had been established. Accordingly a truce was called, the proceedings ending in such harmony that a Guildsman generously described the evening as "the best R.C.S. freshers' 'do' I've ever been to."

### MINES

There comes a time in every beer-drinker's life when he shudders at the thought of that extra pint. Strong men shake their heads and look significantly at each other. When the Mines freshers had their dinner, there were many strong men who shook their heads.

The night of Friday 22nd was cold and windy; as hordes of miners made their way to and from the Queen's Arms their feet were hastened by the thought of refreshment at the other end. The dinner started a few minutes after 7.30 and went on for over ninety minutes. There are more freshers this year than the 2nd and 3rd year combined, which meant that the whole of the mines was present either as host or guest.

## WELCOMED

### GUILDS

On the evening of Friday, October 15th, the Guilds Freshers assembled in the Upper Dining Hall for their annual buffeting and welcome from the Guilds Union.

Your correspondent who, since his ticket said "7.00 for 7.30", thought he would arrive at 7.30, missed the little party where the principal speakers were strengthening themselves with sherry and port. Instead, he arrived at 7.36 and found that the Freshers were up to standard since most of the food and free beer had already vanished. Several well-known second and even third year 'freshers' were also there. These gentlemen did not seem to be so interested in the food as the genuine freshers; rather they showed their experience by strategic grouping around the barrels.

The President, Andy Levine, clad in his robes of office, introduced himself and the Guilds Spanner (which is not the original totem pole) to the assembly. Professor Newitt proposed the health of the Dean, Professor Pippard. Both, rather naturally, reminded the Freshers that they should mix in a little work with their Union activities. Professor Pippard said that for the first time Guilds register had topped the 1000 mark and he wanted to see 1000 on the final pass list. Kim Ash proposed the toast of the guests, to which Dr. Sparkes replied. He dealt at some length with the proposed College extensions, and made a big hit when he said that not only the students were aware of the shortage of women undergraduates at Guilds. If anybody could find some suitable candidates, several members of the staff, including Dr. Sparkes, would be pleased to give them encouraging interviews.

Alec Fraser proposed the toast to the Freshers and told them that they should mix in some Union activities with their work. He reminded the Dean that people do not only sometimes fail their last year exams, for example, he himself was trying his Part II again!

The old hands initiated the Freshers into the meaning of 'a Boomalaka', and then those who were still thirsty removed downstairs to begin the real business of the evening. In no time at all the Bar was quickly filled with the sounds of singing. As time went on, your correspondent remembers less and less - perhaps thankfully. Although the originality and wide general knowledge of one of the Freshers from Manchester should be valuable to Guilds, he seemed to know at least one new verse to all the songs. At 11.00 the bar shut to make itself presentable for the morrow, and the party removed itself for another Boomalaka on the Tennis Courts, and then on to the Royal College of Art Hop in Cromwell Road. But that is another story . . . . .

The yard was traditionally good, the winner turning in the excellent time of 10.2 secs. The Presidents of R.C.S. and Guilds were promised drinks if they could tell a good story. The Guilds President could only win a yard of orange squash, while Mr. Lemin performed better and deserved a gin in his portion. Old hands missed the rousing "charcoal" on the tennis courts afterwards, nor was there any time left for singing in the bar, but the number of people who went away singing was fantastic.



## PROFILE

PETER LEMIN.



Beneath the R.G.S. Presidential Topper, there lurks this year the cheerful countenance of Peter A. Lemin, a man famed for his wisdom and his wit. One of our few remaining ex-servicemen, relic of a bygone age, Peter can recall (when suitably lubricated) the great incendiary rag of Guy Fawkes Night 1949 when he participated as an I.C. representative in the celebrated unofficial Tug of War against the United Metropolitan Services (comprising members of the Constabulary and the London Fire Brigade) The latter involuntarily supplied a hose for use in place of a rope. Fortunately Peter managed to avoid the judicial reprisals taken by the miserable and unsporting losers of this historic contest, and he has thus survived to this day under the guise of a sober, righteous and responsible member of the Union.

While in our midst he has found time for a variety of pursuits. Having acquired in his R.A.F. career an unexpected ability to shoot straight, he swiftly rose to fame on the rifle range. Apart from having represented Imperial College Rifle Club for four years, he has also earned himself a University of London Purple for shooting.

Peter's academic career has been somewhat chequered. He has ended up as an Organic Research Chemist working in the Department of Inorganic Chemistry applying Physical Methods to Biochemical Problems.

A pursuit he has been forced to abandon was the I.C. hop, wherein he met the girl he eventually married. As he himself says "it just goes to show you can't be too careful". After two years of married life he contends that he has discovered what makes women tick and considers himself competent to predict the vagaries of feminine behaviour. Precisely where he intends to employ these new-found techniques remains in doubt, but nevertheless he heartily recommends married life to his friends.

Prominent in all R.C.S. festivities, Peter revealed himself as something of an artist last year by perpetrating a Roman frieze for the Orgy at Christmas. His appearances at Smoking Concerts, however, are even better known. His earliest performance was in the first Smoking Concert in 1950 wherein he made a debut as one of the Andrews Sisters, a female of creditable form and soothing voice. Unfortunately owing to poor foundations his figure was noticed to collapse into totally un feminine asymmetry. At last year's Concert he was responsible for two of the acts: a satire on the Board of Governors, and an expurgated version of Eskimo Nell. It was felt that Dr. Bowdler himself could scarcely have done better with such uncompromising material.

Holding strong views on most student problems and the conduct of all Union affairs, Peter Lemin will find his skill and experience as a debater standing him in good stead in his year of office. In addition to knowing they have an eloquent advocate of student needs in higher quarters, the R.C.S. Union can look forward to a year of clear-sighted guidance and forthright leadership.

Evening Dress



12/6 Double

THE ENGINEERS' BALL

FRIDAY 26th NOVEMBER

8 pm. to 2 am.

## HALL DINNER.

The evening of Tuesday Oct. 18th. was the occasion of both the President's Sherry Party for officers of the Union, and the first Hall Dinner of the present session.

The party later moved down to join those attending hall dinner for a glass of sherry in the Staff Common Room. I am told the sherry decanter in this room, which for the past few years has remained at a fairly steady level, was drained completely in a matter of seconds! This dastardly deed originating largely from those who had not paid to have it . . . tut, tut. However by a masterpiece of observation they paid later!

Prof. Pippard, Dean of C. & G., was Chairman for the evening and the college President Mike Neale the vice-Chairman. They were seated at opposite ends of the central table which was almost entirely filled by the guests from the President's party. The U.D.H. is a most suitable room for such an occasion with its cutlery and silver candlesticks. It was suggested that members of I.C. on leaving could present silverware to be used on such occasions. A silver bowl on the Chairman's table inscribed 'Part I repeaters 1954' would, I feel, be most appropriate.

The evening continued along its customary formal lines until the Royal Toast, after which the spirit of the central table began to take control. A candle was seen to wander down the table for a change of scenery and a table mat glided gently through the still air reminding one of the ever-popular flying saucer. Mr Mooney's best saucers were a medium for the exchange of comic verse and all too personal remarks. Alas, no one started a limerick competition!

The company then retired to the Staff Common Room where coffee was served to complete an extremely pleasant evening. - Some were heard to say that it was the best Hall Dinner they could remember - perhaps it was.

For the benefit of the freshers, Dinner in Hall is held in the Upper Dining Hall each Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. The cost I feel is very reasonable: 4/- the dinner, 1/- beer, 1/6d sherry, 1/6d port. I shall go again - will you come? D. R. H.

## QUEUE THIS SIDE PLEASE ----

Imperial College is making history.

Already there are more than two thousand people studying here, and the number is still increasing but, at the same time, many facilities have been curtailed by the ambitious reconstruction program which is in full progress.

One of these facilities, the immediate enlargement of the refectories, seems to exist no longer, at least, the author has observed no effort to relieve the congestion which occurs every lunch-time.

In the Ayrton Hall, as in the Union, it is common knowledge that to dine without waiting for at least twenty minutes one must either arrive there earlier than the rush, wait till it clears or eat outside.

What of these alternatives?

No one who wants a degree can afford to leave their lecture five times a week before it finishes.

To wait until the crowd clears is as edifying as queuing for that time.

The nearest Cafeterias and Restaurants are half a mile away, and the cheaper establishments such as Lyons' are filled to overflowing. There are very few who can pay the expensive prices demanded by the other places in South Kensington.

Short of fasting, as one has to do when the grant expires, which at this early stage should not be entertained too seriously, what is the answer to this pressing problem?

There are at least two possible solutions.

The executives of the three colleges could arrange timetables so that the R.C.S. and Mines start and finish their morning's study thirty minutes before (or after) Guilds, thus staggering the lunches in roughly equal sittings.

Alternatively, Jehangir Hall, which at present is used as an examination room of the University of London, could be transformed into an extension of "Queenies", the food being taken from one building to the other, a matter of fifty yards, in insulated containers.

Who said dine in Q.A?

PAES



# Felix



THE NEWSPAPER OF IMPERIAL COLLEGE

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A theme for an Editorial this week would seem to be -- 'back to normal'. Union activities are being well supported, the constituent Unions are making their preparations for the events of the term, tickets are sold out for Hops, and we have Nov. 5th. and Morphy Day to come very soon, do not forget to join in on those days.

FELIX is so full of news that we have hardly any illustrations this time, and there is only this little space for the Editor to rack his brains over. We apologise to our contributors whose writings have been left for another time, keep on writing.

FELIX No. 68 will be out on Nov 12th., contributions should be in by Nov. 5th.

FELIX is pleased to congratulate Mike Rickard (R.C.S.), on his engagement to Janet Barber (late of Avery Hill).

## HOW DO YOU EAT?

The Refectory Committee held a Meeting on Monday Oct. 25th., which will be reported in our next issue. It was expected that the overcrowding in the Refectory, in the Snack Bar, and in Queenie's, at lunch times, would be discussed in full. The FELIX survey on the situation has not been rigorous enough to publish figures as yet, but we hope to have more news next time.

## GUILDS UNION.

The first Guilds Union meeting of the session was held in Room 17 last Thursday.

On the agenda was the election of an I.C. Council Rep. and a First Year Rep. these positions being filled by Ralph Robins and T.E. Lewis respectively.

The President informed the gathered multitude that Morphy Day is to be held on Nov. 10th. He had been to see the Dean regarding any jollifications which might take place and was informed that provided no damage to persons or property was incurred he had no objection to a bit of fun. Mr. Tony Holt said that "Bo" would most probably be back from Armstrong-Whitworths for that date.

As regards the Lord Mayor's Show, Guilds would not be represented this year but would take part in next year's procession. The President asked for suggestions for the theme of next year's Show.

Then followed a long discussion on the wearing of gowns in College. The feeling of the meeting was that a student may wear a gown if he so desired and the President promised to bring the matter up at the next I.C. Council Meeting.

The proceedings finished off with a "by request" "Boomlaka" and the throng dispersed at 2.14 President's time!

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The R.C.S. and Mines Union Meetings will have been held too late for us to report on them, they will have to be held over for next time.

## PERSONAL ADVERTISEMENTS

Two Guildsmen want a double bed-sitting room, with cooking facilities, as near as possible to the Union. Pay up to 60/- per week. Apply FELIX.

FOR SALE: two Badminton Rackets with presses and case. 90/- o.n.o. Apply A. Phillips through rack.

## MOTOR CLUB RALLY

Last Sunday the Freshers' Rally was held in the rustic atmosphere of Matching in Essex.

On arrival at the aerodrome which was to be used as a testing ground, the captain of the club met a farmer in possession who claimed the vest airfield, and denied the club the use of it. Shortly afterwards, the representatives of the Ford Motor Company joined Tony Holt and the farmer, intent on high speed trials. As if that was not enough, the Navy and farmer number two came upon the scene, the former used the place for storing oak for HMS "Victory", whilst the latter wanted to graze his sheep on the runways.

In a state of despair, the club officers called on the local constabulary, and found to their relief that the Club HAD the air Ministry consent to use the field.

There was an excellent entry, ranging from a competitor in his father's Riley to a Bentem which was given a hasty de-coke at lunch-time, and, as the last bolt was tightened the perched driver saw the "White Hart" close on the stroke of two.

The field was divided into two, one half taking the driving tests in the morning and motoring round the thirty five point-to-point in the afternoon, whilst the other half reversed this procedure.

There were seven tests, of which five had to be completed; these included "Cold" start, regularity wheel changing, slow riding, blindfold driving, parking, acceleration and braking, and garaging tests.

Due to the kind offer of the owner, our reporter traversed the point-to-point on the pillion of a Sunbeam, and in his endeavour to show how well he could map read, he navigated the vehicle down a mud track, over a tiny foot-bridge and across a fallow field onto a road which shouldn't have been there.

Many people stayed after tea to take part in the unique combination of an egg-and-spoon race with the Grand Prix with Hunt-the-Thimble, the thimble being a Marshal in a tree or a ditch or even the pub. At seven o'clock the day ended, and all adjourned to discuss the more intimate details of the most successful Rally for some time.

These results were issued provisionally:

- 1) R.A. BUTTERY (Q.M.C.) :M.G.
- 2) D. FINCH (C & G) :B.S.A. 250.
- 3) E.S. THOMAS (Q.M.C.) :Ford 10.

### FRESHERS.

Guildsmen tied for first place:

J.S. PEASGOOD ; J.L. HALL ;

## TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT.

Cassandra has been enjoying herself. She was vastly amused by last week's correspondent who seems to have mistaken her for someone else; she was quite delighted by Mr. Lemin's fanciful theory uttered at the R.C.S. Freshers' Reception (incidentally this strengthened her opinion of R.C.S. men) and she has been delicately complimented by a notable miner who has recently acquired the kind of shirt she advised for eligible bachelors.

But enough of this. The second half of her dual personality will now take over and give some good advice on How to Get On at I.C., including How Not to.

With apologies to Searle and Punch, here is a Union Man's Progress (Type No. 1-The Athlete) Advent Fifth brightest scholar in County of Rutland. Captain of school and 1st XV. Entrance to Mines assured. Room in Host 1.

Success Sensational performance at Fresher's dinner. Noticed by eminent coach. Takes up rowing Pot in Bar.

Triumph Invited to I.C.W.A. dinner. Captain of Boat Club and Vice-President of R.S.M. Profile in FELIX

Temptation Persuaded to stand for Presidency of Union. Promised large research grant. Purchases 1924 Bentley.

Downfall Drunk at Hall Dinner. Deserts I.C.W.A for expensive model. Heavily defeated in Presidential elections.

Ruin Drinks gin from Pot - thrown out of Bar. Cracks up at Henley. B.Sc.(Mining) pass. Banished to Rio Tinto.

Cassandra.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Editor,  
FELIX.

Sir,

There have been three bonfire hops at Harlington, and each has been marred by injury and damage caused by fireworks thrown on to the dance floor. Apart from direct damage by burning, people have been caused to spill coffee and other drinks over their clothes: many will remember the damage caused to expensive evening wear on Coronation night when a firework was let off during the toasts.

Each year, loudspeaker appeals prove ineffectual; and in any case they are seldom given until damage has occurred. May I suggest, sir, that you use your great power of publicity to a good cause by undertaking to publish the names of people guilty of the irresponsible antisocial behaviour which we have come to expect at our Bonfire Night Dances.

Yours faithfully,  
A.R. Bray

Dear Sir,

In answer to your article entitled 'Hopes and Hops' I should say it is a very fair criticism of the situation. For tomorrow's dance we have 400 tickets and shall do our best to improve the acoustics and the ventilation - as for the queue, gentlemen, you have only yourselves to blame!

We aim to replace most of the records in case 'A' by Easter and would welcome any title your readers deem suitable for dancing.

Yours faithfully,  
David R. Hattersley.

We have had many letters about the two contributions from Cassandra. There is only space to reproduce two of these; of the others one was a rebuke from a young lady, not a member of ICWA, who claims to have close contact with many of our male members. If this flood of correspondence continues we shall have to give Cassandra her own newspaper.

The Editor,  
Dear Sir,

on behalf of my many colleagues in Fizz one, may I say to "miss" Cassandra that she is very misled (possibly because she has not been!) in her ideas about the men of the great and noble R.C.S.

Adjusting the cuffs of my nylon shirt and pulling up my terylene socks I have taken up my typewriter to do battle with this "she".

In the R.C.S. there are 72 young men, every one of them handsome, charming, intelligent and very eligible. These gentlemen are all in Fizz one, very happy and fairly contented when along comes this "she". These gentlemen, knowing only the three very charming young ladies in their midst will now think that they are exceptional, and that all the other women are terrible harridans.

Gentlemen! Let us up and away from these women.

Let us don our Teddy Boy suits and sally forth to our local "Palais de Danse" to display the fancy waistcoats that ICWA does not appreciate, and where we can find nice girls.

Let us go to the other colleges in search of women, let us go anywhere Gentlemen, whatever our department, but let us leave these women to wallow in their lonely penance until their spokeswoman is forever silenced.

Let us seek her out and place her in Mr. Neale's balloon and shoot her down on Nov. 5th.

Yours faithfully,  
MICHAEL (R.C.S.)

Dear Sir,

In view of certain letters recently appearing in 'Felix', I should esteem it a favour if you would print my reply to the woman 'Cassandra'.

Comment on 'Cassandra'

With regard to 'Cassandra',  
- I've no wish to slander -  
- She appears in a rut:  
- Nothing but  
- A frustrated philandra.

A lass in her shoes  
Shouldn't stoop to abuse.  
She'll find, with remorse,  
Of course,  
It's the males who choose.

F.M.L.

The Editor,  
"Felix".

Dear Sir,

Recently we attended the R.S.M. Fresh-ers' Dinner as guests. Later, as after all good dinners, we retired to the bar intending to show these poor "minora" how to drink their yard in beer. Unfortunately their funds ran low very early on and they could raise nothing better than 1½ pints of dilute orange squash and 1 gin (contributed by one of the members).

As a consequence of this we would suggest that the R.S.M. grant for the session 1955-56 be increased by 9d., this extra money representing the increase in cost of beer over orange squash. If they cannot persuade the I.C. Union Treasurer to give this increase we suggest that they use the 6 inch "yard" blown with the fair wind of the President of the R.C.S.

Yours Faithfully,  
P.A.L. and P.L.L.

## WATT A. WORDSWORTH'S NIGHTMARE

(A Nightmare in Three Visitations)

### PROLOGUE

The other night our Poet, racked with care  
Disposed of more than half a Camembert,  
And, thus equipped, sank deep in stony sleep  
Through which hobgoblins, gnomes and things that creep

Disported round his overheated brain  
And showed him sights he ne'er would see again.  
But, waking as the rosy day was dawning,  
He wrote for us this grim prophetic warning.

### VISITATION THE FIRST

"An I.C. student shrinking in the dock,  
November sixth, at Bow Street, ten o'clock.  
His crime? As vile as any crime can be:  
He celebrated thwarted Anarchy.  
(Three hundred years this custom flourished, then  
it

Was happily abolished by the Senate.)  
This stupid student failed to understand  
The underlying truths which rule our land,  
Of which the foremost, student, is that you  
Must never alienate the Men in Blue  
(Who through your selfishness are called in  
batches  
From guarding foreign kings and football matches)

### VISITATION THE SECOND

The Premier stands; the House is still;  
Nor mouse nor clock subverts his will.  
In tragic tone; with glowing eye  
He wields his massive oratory.

"In view of I.C.'s recent folly  
We cannot give them any lolly:  
The cheque must go to Chelsea Poly."

### VISITATION THE THIRD

A Spirit waves me on  
To darkest Kensington  
Where, deep in dank and stagnant fen  
I fall upon a haunt of men.  
In mould'ring heaps lie ruins grim  
(Though all have roofs except the gym.)  
And everywhere the eye can see  
Sits desolation nakedly.

Hunched upon a rock, a sad  
Inexpressibly old Post Grad  
Brays in accents black with woe  
"I told you so; I told you so."

### EPILOGUE (Spoken by a duplicating machine)

The eyes of the Nation are on us, chaps,  
The ears of the world are in tune.  
Let no one be stained by the slightest lapse;  
Let none dare to sully the Name which perhaps  
Will rocket in Science's uncharted maps  
And shine on the heights of the moon!

Our duty is clear: we must play the game  
And rise above childish things.  
Now staunchly, devotedly, heart all aflame  
Let every Jack man of us loudly proclaim  
From tropic to pole our Illustrious Name  
And the promise our Future brings!



HOPES & HOPS

Well, we have had our first Entertainments Committee Hop in Jehangir Hall. How did it go? Very well, except for a few minor criticisms, and we are sure the Entertainments Committee will not mind us bringing them up. Since the evening was very successful, it would be worthwhile attending to the minor defects so that Jehangir Hops become a feature of our diaries.

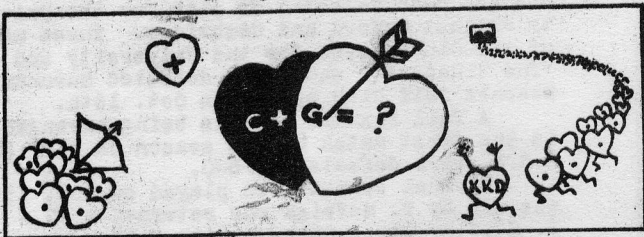
For anyone who arrived after 8-15 the first sight, after the imposing Entrance Hall, was a queue to get in, with girls in it as well! This was a new departure for I.C., so buy your tickets before Saturday night in future. Inside, the appearance of the Hall itself was very pleasant and the floor excellent. The ladies seemed to be very pleased with it all, firstly because they were in a slight minority, and most important of all there was no bashful mass of males round the entrance. Thus a bloodless victory has been won; for years people have battled with the problem of how to get the men away from the door of the Gym. at Hops. The answer is to hold the Dances somewhere else, which has its entrance at the side, as in Jehangir.

Many of the older stalwarts were disappointed at the non-appearance of a Bar. On this occasion it was unavoidable, but for all future dances full drinking facilities will be available.

One big disadvantage noticed was the lack of "sitting-out" space. Not necessarily a "dark room" (that can wait till afterwards), but somewhere quiet, with more space for dancing would be very useful. In this respect people who have been brought up on Gym. Hops, with the extra facilities of the Upper Dining Hall (the Dark Room) and the Old Lounge, have been thoroughly spoiled. In Jehangir, the long corridor, with its tasty decorations of old bookshelves, was the only quiet spot where the music was still audible.

This brings us to the final point. The acoustics were very poor. Loudspeakers slung from the centre of the roof would give better service. The final grouse is a perennial one; some of the records were just not suitable for dancing, and in this instance one couldn't hear the loudspeaker announcements in any case.

HEARTS A'FLUTTER IN C.&G.



The third-year students of the City and Guilds go to the London School of Economics on one day a week and the following startling discovery was soon made - they have girls there. To the severely masculine, practical-minded engineers this was a pleasant shock. The heads of even the most staid and outwardly respectable students were seen to turn frequently when ascending or descending the crowded stairs.

A train of thought was started which has developed into a clamour - why can't we have girls at C. and G.? They would not, of course, be expected to pass examinations, but I hope to show that, merely from their presence, benefits would be had by both sides. Would not the presence of a delicate fair hand on the strain gauge (not to mention the fevered student brow) help to reduce the dangerously high accident rate to these and other fragile instruments (again not to mention students). Could not female intuition choose wire of the right diameter for use with voltmeters and ammeters? In the face of competition from the fair sex who could hand in the doodled scraps of blotting paper which pass for drawings in so many cases? The girls could learn typing at the L.C.S. and attendance at lectures would give them a grounding in engineering language. Any engineer who has experienced the abysmal ignorance of the modern typist would welcome one conversant with the technical jargon. The experience in drawing would ensure a flow of good tracers to the drawing offices of Victoria Street. Would not even the teaching staff find them a change from the relatively predictable male? The social advantages are too obvious to mention but with the increase in evening activity the "brown-bagger" would become extinct and the "green-ticketer" would not have to travel in the tea-time rush hour.

I have tried to show that both students and the engineering profession would benefit by this revolutionary change and I would urge all Guildsmen to give it their serious consideration.

B.M.P.

COMING EVENTS

FRIDAY OCTOBER 29th

1.10 p.m. in Biology Lecture Theatre. I.C. S.C.M. open meeting: Christianity and Communism. Speaker: Kathleen Lonsdale, Professor at U.C. Sandwiches on sale.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 31st

I.C. Mountaineering Club. Meet at Harrison Rocks. See Club notice-board for further details.

MONDAY NOVEMBER 1st

1.15 p.m. Botany Lecture Theatre. I.C.C.U. open meeting. Rev. J.D. Blinco: "God's Offer to Man". Sandwiches on sale.

1.30 p.m. Brompton Oratory.

I.C. Catholic Society, Rosary.

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 3rd

I.C. Railway Society. All-day visit to Rugby Locomotive Testing Station. See Club notice-board for further details.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 4th

Council Room 1.15 p.m. String Trio.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 5th

6.00 p.m. St. Etheldreda's, Ely Place.

I.C. Catholic Society, first Friday Mass.

SATURDAY and SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6-7th

Touchstone weekend. Topic: "Morality and Current Affairs". Speaker: Mr. Lawrence Kitchen, B.A., scriptwriter for the BBC Third Programme. Your last chance to send in your application is TODAY.

MONDAY NOVEMBER 8th

1.15 p.m. Botany Lecture Theatre.

I.C.C.U. open meeting. Rev. J.D. Blinco: "Man's Response to God."

1.30 p.m. Brompton Oratory. I.C. Catholic Society, Rosary.

5.00 p.m. probably in Committee Room "A" I.C. S.C.M. "The Religious Life" by Fr. Claud Luiness C.R. Talk followed by discussion.

5.15 p.m. Zoology Lecture Theatre. I.C. Photographic Society. "Fixing and Washing: a survey of recent work" by D.H.O. John B.Sc. A.R.I.C. of Process Research Dept., May & Baker.

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 9th

5.35 p.m. C. and G., Room 161. Mr. O.S. Nook on "Some Factors in the Running of a High Speed Train Service." All are welcome.

5.30 p.m. Chem. Soc. Meldola Medal Lecture: "Fluoro-carbon Derivatives".

Dr. R.N. Hasgeldine.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 11th

1.15 p.m. Mines Survey Lecture Theatre.

I.C. Jewish Society. Film show on Israel.

1. House in the Desert.

2. Tent City.

1.15 p.m. Council Room. 'Cello and Piano

Recital. Peter Bevan ('cello)

E.H. Brown (piano)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26th.

Engineer's Ball -- DEFINITELY

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 2nd

1.30 p.m. Room 56 New Hostel. Boxing.

An Exhibition of Paintings by Dr. Rex Dadd and Mr. S. Soundranayagan will be held in the Gallery of the Ayton Hall from Monday Oct. 25th. till Friday Nov. 5th. during College hours.

YOUR NOV. 5TH.



I.C. will officially be at Harlington for Guy Fawkes Day this year. At the time of going to press, a detailed programme is not available. This will be posted on the notice boards next week. Buses will be laid on from the Union, and the attractions at Harlington should include Dancing with Bar facilities a Bonfire with fireworks, Rockets (possibly directed at Balloons), and a Barbecue.

FELIX will present a free issue to the person(s) who make the biggest "BANG!!" between the hours of 9 p.m. and 10 p.m. - at Harlington on the 5th!!!



# SPORT'S PAGE

## ROWING

The Morphy and Lowry crews have now settled down to a full training programme, and the muscle weary oarsmen trooping down Exhibition Road in the 'cold grey light of a South Kensington dawn' are not to be confused with other personalities returning from all night drunken orgies.

The R.S.M. Morphy crew captained by Robin Appleby, contain three ex-1st VIII members, one 2nd VIII member, and one of last year's flying fresher crew, the rest of the crew being made up of freshers all with previous experience.

The Mines Lowry crew is a heavy one, and if the conditions are difficult the Guilds and R.C.S. will have a hard race to beat them.

The R.C.S. captained by Ted Guthrie have not been quite so fortunate, and have had to dragoon several freshers into the delights of early morning outings. In addition to the lack of oarsmen, the crews suffered at first from a lack of coaches. These teething troubles have now been remedied and the Morphy crew will provide the opposition with a good race.

The Guilds beat club under the careful coaching of Mr. Stuart Fearless have had early morning outings regularly threetimes a week, and although it seemed at first that the Guilds would not have any outstanding crews, this opinion has now altered and both the crews stand a good chance of winning.

Whatever the outcome Morphy day is a great attraction, and we wish all crews good racing.

## RUGGER

The Rugby Club opened its season with what is probably its strongest fixture -- against Waspa Vandals. By losing 9 points to 0, the I.C. team in no way disgraced itself, six of the points coming from penalty goals. The game was particularly hard fought among the forwards, Waspa having the edge of a close contest. On neither side did the backs show any great form, which was due to marking always keen, if at times a little unscientific.

On Wednesday we received Wye College beating them 22 - 8, and on Saturday, Exeter College Oxford, winning by the comfortable margin of 42 - 0, which is rendered all the more remarkable by the fact that only 50 minutes were played.

### RESULTS

Sat. Oct. 16th.	I.C. 0	--	Waspa Vandals	9
Wed. Oct. 20th.	I.C. 22	--	Wye College	8
Sat. Oct. 23rd.	I.C. 42	--	Exeter College	0

## BOXING

All those interested in the noble art of self-defence are asked to attend a meeting in Room 51 (New Hostel) at 1.30 on Tuesday 2nd. Nov.

## CROSS COUNTRY CLUB.

So far this year, the club has had two matches, and won both. The annual "Mob-Match" v. Pearl Assurance which is usually regarded as an indicator of success for the coming season, resulted in a good win for the I.C. team, and an individual win for Trevor Bailey; the score was I.C. 93 pts., Pearl 119 pts.

On Wednesday 20th a team composed mainly of freshers ran well and somewhat out-classed R.N.C. Greenwich over their own course, Cliff James being the individual winner and I.C. having five men in the first six.

Score: I.C. 28 pts. R.N.C. 51 pts.

It is too early yet to predict how good a season we should have, but with several promising freshers in the Club we hope to equal at least the good record that we had last year.

## I.C.A.F.C.

I.C. 1st XI v. WESTMINSTER MEDICAL SCHOOL UNIVERSITY CUP PRELIMINARY ROUND

I.C. won their first cup match of the season by 3-2 in a very close game. I.C. looked dangerous from the start and scored twice in the first half. The first goal was headed in by May from a very good centre by Hodge on the left wing, and the second scored by right-half Moore with a hard low shot from 40 yards out.

In the second half play became disappointingly scrappy, although the players played hard and at times desperately. Westminster scored twice in quick succession. In the last minutes I.C.'s winning goal was scored from a corner by Holgate.

Two players deserve special mention for their play: the visitors' captain at left-half, who was constructive in attack and sound in defence, and I.C.'s right half, Dennis Moore.

### SOCCER RESULTS

13th Oct.	I.C. 1st XI	1	St. Mark & St. John	1
16th Oct.	"	4	Old Weadonians	1
20th Oct.	"	3	U.C.	2

## GOLF

The Club is looking forward to what promises to be one of the best seasons ever. In addition to a large number of beginners, new members include several more experienced players. In particular, M. Hampton was successful in returning the best card at the U.L. trials and has been selected to play for the University against Oxford and Cambridge. Three members of the Club played for the University 2nd team, "The Blusters", when they defeated Burnham Beaches Golf Club by 7-5 on Oct. 16th.

A full fixture list is being arranged and in the first match of the season on Oct. 20th L.S.E. were defeated by 6-0.

A medal competition played on Oct. 13th was won by T. McVeigh who returned a 77. P. Hoadley was runner-up with a 78.

## SQUASH

Imperial College first team beat IBIS first by 3 games to 2 at I.C. on Thursday 21st October. Machean lost to Robinson 7-9; 9-2; 7-9; 4-9. Hart beat Taylor 9-1; 9-6; 9-1. Joy lost to Rogers 8-10; 3-9; 2-9. Braithwaite beat Pike 9-1; 9-8; 9-4. Scott-White beat Highton 9-3; 10-8; 7-9; 9-6 (I.C. names first)

## HOCKEY

The membership of the I.C. Hockey Club is greater this year than it has been for some time, and with players such as Luchford, Mantle, Owen, and Gillett still available the club hope to enjoy a successful season.

The U.L. team will not be making so many calls for players as in previous years, so I.C.'s two representatives will be playing more hockey with the College team.

The opening match of the season was against Old Dunstablian's, which resulted in defeat for a weakened I.C. 1st XI, the score being 4 goals to 1, after a hard fought match.

It was in fact, a rather depressing start to the season, with the 2nd and 3rd XI's also losing.

Matters were very quickly amended in the next game with St. Bart's. Hospital. Strengthened by the return of three of the U.L. trialists, the club won by 12 goals to 1, thereby recording the highest number of goals in their history. Eight of these goals were scored in the first half, and Heppard had a match total of seven goals. Other scorers were Taylor J.L. (3) and Owen (2).

The previous best result was against the National Bank in 1949 when the score was 11-0.