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UGM MOTIONS

Huge Boycotts

IC Union will hold lightning Refectory Boycotts if College put up prices again, Tuesdays UGM decided.

Hugh Southey, proposing the motion on refectory prices spoke of the haphazard way price increases were currently decided and called for the swift installation of the long-overdue computerised accounting system. Any further arbitrary increases should, said Mr Southey, be met by forceful action from the Union; students were always in a minority at committee level and College authorities continuously ignored their views.

Opposing the motion David Parry, ICU Deputy President, called the motion 'ill-conceived, ill-timed and ill-worded'. He suggested a less militant approach, calling the use of boycotts a form of blackmail, and advocated employing the threat of possible action as a means of enforcing the students' viewpoint. Mr Southey responded that College authorities were no longer swayed by threats — there had been no refectory boycott for the last five years. An organised series of weekly boycotts, where by only one outlet would be affected at any one time of day, would exert maximum pressure

on the refectory committee. After questions, the motion was carried conclusively.

The motion on student loans was proposed by Graham Brown, chairman of IC Conservative Society. Mr Brown favoured loans as an alternative to the means-tested grant since they afforded students a greater degree of independence. His devotion to a 'market-force' view of the economy was not well received, however.

A radical amendment to the motion was then proposed, supporting the award of a full grant to all students. Speaking for the amendment Mr Gareth Fish referred to the loan system as 'a millstone around a student's neck' and suggested a full mandatory award as a more effective way to make students more independent. Mr Brown cited examples of other countries which had a loans system, and did not foresee that students would have problems making repayments. In spite of this the meeting voted to accept the amendment. The amended motion was proposed by Mr Fish and subsequently passed.



The QT Hit Squad at Tuesday's UGM

Washington, IC



Pictures above is Geno Washington who, on Wednesday, started what will undoubtedly be a successful comeback, at The End of the World party in the JCR. The party, to 'celebrate' President Reagan's election victory, was unusually well attended.

College wins appeal

Imperial College has won its appeal over increased rates charged by Westminster City Council since 1980. A substantial rebate is expected to be paid.

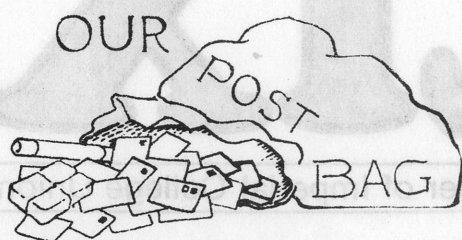
The case dates from 1973 when the rateable value of the central block of College Buildings was reviewed by the Inland Revenue. College disagreed with the valuation and following negotiations fixed a new value with the Inland Revenue. The position was further complicated when the Huxley Building was included in the Rating list from 1977, however college and the Inland Revenue agreed on the new total valuation.

Westminster City Council appealed to the Greater London Valuation Court against the original review and also increased the percentage used to reach the rateable value from 3½% to 6% (the normal commercial rate) in 1980. In the

past Universities and Colleges have been charged rates at lower levels under the terms of the 'Provincial Memorandum' which favours educational premises over commercial ones. The Court decided in favour of Westminster Council for higher rateable values but reduced the percentage from 6% to 4½%.

As this case affected many Colleges and Universities all over the country, the University Grants Committee decided to use Imperial College as a test case and appealed against the courts decision at a Land Tribunal. The outcome of this was a reduction in the rateable value to below the original 1973 level. The Land Tribunal also decided to reduce the rates back to the original 3½%. The ruling, seen as a victory for Universities and Colleges, is still subject to a 28 day appeal although College hope that Westminster Council have no grounds for this.

LETTERS



A bore writes

Boolery Woolery

Dear Sir

I am not a close friend of Ray Taverner, but I must say that from where I was standing the delays in the finalisation of the accounts appeared to be due almost entirely to factors outside his control, contrary to what was implied in last week's Boolery Woolery.

The dates of the meetings of the Finance and Executive Committees are published in the College Year Card. Had your reporter bothered to look it up, he would have found that the meeting referred to took place on the very day that the article appeared, not 'next week'. It was never planned that the accounts would be considered at that meeting, and neither were they at the corresponding meeting last year.

I believe that FELIX has a valid rôle to play in exposing inefficiency, identifying prejudices, and debunking pomposity, wherever they are to be found. But if it is to do the job well, its reporters must get their facts right. If they cannot do so, it would be better if such articles did not appear at all. I am in no position to comment on the other 'facts' contained in last week's article, but from what I have seen so far this year I think your readers will be well advised to treat everything they read in Boolery Woolery with a considerable pinch of salt.

Yours faithfully
Malcolm Aldridge
Assistant Secretary (Finance)

Apartheid

Dear Sir

I spoke to one of the exhibitors at the RSM Open Day about the Apartheid System in South Africa. Referring to the subordinate position of the black majority population there, he said:

'You keep rabbits in a rabbit hutch, don't you?'

'You don't allow them on the sofa'.

How many of this year's IC graduates will go burrowing in South Africa, and so help keep the cages firmly shut?

Yours faithfully
J Michaelis
Mech Eng 2

Dear Sir,

Having acquired an appetite for this sort of thing I wondered who I should slag off next. A visit to the palatial JCR eating emporium, euphemistically called a refectory, leaves one in no doubt of the passage of obscenities that could be used to describe that abominable offence to all taste and decency. The editor, revelling in this upsurge of acrimonious banter, has tried to persuade me to comment further on the dirty doings of 'my chums' in the diving club, some libellous statement such as 'illicit use of wet-suits overnight' was one suggestion, but I have no intention of damning them again. Never kick a dog when it's down, especially when it bites back like a wet sponge, is my aphorism for the week.

No, I wish to draw attention to the unpleasant upsurge in Christian awareness. Have you not been accosted in the street, purchased a record you were handed for free, and asked to repeat a chant for the betterment of life and humanity? Well last night I had these two Bible bashers come knocking on my door. Responsible missionary position types. You know...Anorak, sweater, bible; wanted to discuss the existence of God and the like. Like a fool I said 'Yes, by all means come in'. So in they came and sat on my bed. I questioned their integrity, feeling that their haircuts were just a little short. 'Not from a sect by any chance?'

'Oh No!' he exclaimed, 'I'm a member of the Church of England'. I took this to be at least some measure of respectability so we got into a discussion on the authenticity of the Gospel. I accepted the existence of some chap called Jesus but suggested in a round about way that he was merely a confidence trickster, freeloading food, transport and women where ever he could. I went on to admit that there was a definite need for a god in the world and what a pity it would be if he really did exist. I mean we have missed out on such a great opportunity. My audience was much encouraged by this so I continued with a little analogy. Consider the devil receiving a fresh batch of dead atheists. 'It's so good to see all you non-believers together. I bet you feel a right bunch of charlies.' Unfortunately this passed right over his head although I did detect a slight snigger from his sidekick. Whether this was a nervous inflection over the word devil I shall never know as they left shortly afterwards. On parting I'm sure I noticed a slight grimace when I mentioned that I would like to attend their discussion meeting. See you there.

Yours evangelically,
Everard Snivel
(Real name supplied)

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Refectory Boycott

Refectory food has been brought up again at a UGM. Hugh Southey and Martin Taylor, who between them have sat on most committees worth sitting on, considered a refectory boycott the only way of getting home to the College the point that Mooney is using a wholly arbitrary way of deciding price increases. On top of unpalatable, rudely served, wrongly labelled, incompetently produced food, a ludicrous pricing scheme is hardly likely to attract students to IC's refectories. The present inactivity of the useful people in the College on the refectory matter is explicable only if College want a refectory service for extravagant formal dinners and see that the only way of maintaining it is to disguise it as a student refectory service. Students already boycott Mooney every lunch and dinner time in their thousands, make no mistake.

Let the College take seriously their responsibilities to feed students quickly and cheaply and to appoint as a replacement for Mr Mooney someone who will adopt such radically different policies as to reverse the decline that the refectories have been in for decades.

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IBM EXHIBIT

Due to popular demand, IBM have agreed to admit IC Students to their EXHIBIT outside the Natural History museum between 4pm and 6pm daily. Such students will receive a free, full-colour brochure worth £2. This offer applies until November 16.

NUS— closed shop?

A bill to make National Union of Students (NUS) membership voluntary was given its first reading in Parliament last week.

Mrs Edwina Currie MP, Derbyshire South (Con), introduced a ten minute rule bill in the House of Commons last week, to give students the right to refuse membership of the NUS. The bill would mean that a student's written permission would be required before an educational establishment gave a proportion of a student's grant to the student union and then to the NUS. This would end what Mrs Currie claimed was a closed shop.

Mrs Currie told FELIX that she is seeking a meeting with Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Education and Science, and believed that it might be possible for NUS membership to be made voluntary without extra legislation. She claimed that the lack of opposition to her bill showed a major change in parliamentary opinion since the last time the subject was debated in 1978, when it aroused controversy.

Colin Brown, of the NUS, spoke angrily about the bill, accusing Mrs Currie of 'wasting parliamentary time', and stating that if she used the language of trade unionism to describe the NUS, she was making a mistake. Mrs Currie admitted that she had not consulted the NUS before introducing the bill, and she had refused to see a delegation from her local branch of the NUS when they arrived in Parliament to lobby her.

Ten minute rule bills have virtually no chance of becoming law, but serve as a useful test of House of Commons opinion.

Imperial College has not been affiliated to the NUS since 1978.

Obituary

Alasdair Scott-Moncrieff

Alasdair Scott-Moncrieff came to Imperial College eighteen years ago and soon involved himself in the City and Guilds Union and the West London Chaplaincy, the two organisations, which along with the Civil Engineering Department, were the focus of his formidable energy and interest. Alasdair enjoyed the company of students.

He lived for some years as a staff member of Tizard and Linstead Halls and always took an active part in the life of the hall. He was a founder member of two of the West London Chaplaincy's student community houses. Alasdair quickly moved to the heart of the Chaplaincy, taking on the considerable burden of treasurer and administrator of its short-life housing scheme. The heart is the right description of Alasdair's place, because he really cared for the people in the houses he was looking after, and his great energy and ability were directed by the vision of community the houses represented. That same vision motivated his work for City and Guilds Union, and his wall-building, drain laying, surveying and concrete mixing for the conversion of Micklepage Barn in Sussex into a place for many communities to use.

Unhappily the community he worked so hard to provide for others evaded him. He found it hard to believe in the warmth and affection people had for him, or to relax into the deeper friendships that were offered. He concealed his long struggle against depression and despair so well that even those close to him had little idea how serious it was until the despair so undermined

his will to fight that he ended his life.

We may, with difficulty, be able to replace the functions Alasdair carried out in the College, Chaplaincy, and Union, but those close to him know nothing will be the same without the man himself.

Those of us who can, will pray that Christ who penetrated the depths of darkness and despair and overcame them, will fill Alasdair now with the affection, warmth and joy he longed for, and convince him that these things really are for him.

David Ashforth, Chaplain

C&GU write: Alasdair was Guild's Senior Treasurer for twelve years. This was a job which carried no material reward for the many hours of work which it entailed and yet it was always accomplished without complaint. He was also actively involved with the care of Boanerges, the Guilds veteran car, and will be sadly missed by his colleagues on the Bo committee.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday 15 November at 1.30pm in Holy Trinity Church, Prince Consort Road. All students and staff are welcome to attend.

Bo romps home!

Imperial College supplied one official and two unofficial competitors in the London to Brighton veteran car run last Sunday.

One star of the day was undoubtedly the C&G mascot Bo, the official runner, who made the trip in approximately five hours. Bo was due to arrive in Brighton at between 12.30 and 1.00pm but due to a minor lubrication problem was 90 minutes late. Driver Simon Chamberlain said the problems were unfortunate as Bo had been running 'really well lately'; an explanation which met with some scepticism from very cold supporters.

Unofficial entrants were the RCS fire-engine 'Jez', which powered itself there and back, and Derrick, a 1926 motorcycle owned by C&G.

Everyone finished the day with the usual 'bumper car' fight in the fairground.



LETTERS

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No to loans

Dear Sir

Mr Brown's proposal for the restoration of freedom and responsibility to the individual makes entertaining reading. The growing support for the view proposed is reflected amongst students by the rapidly(?) increasing membership of Consoc, now a staggering 1.1% of college.

He rightly states that 'the aim of higher education finance should be to make it more widely available'. He claims that the current system is inequitable, discriminating against the children of manual workers. Would having to pay their own maintenance encourage more to come? As for 'having it easy at the taxpayers' expense', as most students at Imperial know, this is not the case. It is also claimed that 'the children of higher income earners are being subsidised through government grants by the taxes of those with lower incomes'. He obviously has little comprehension of the income tax system.

The loan mechanism proposed would be unworkable, as banks would be unwilling to lend large sums of money for no real return. It is equally unlikely that industry would be willing to further fund higher education, or pay graduates more simply because of earlier years of hardship.

If the country is to prosper, there must be a sound educational foundation on which industry can build. Mr Brown's proposal would make it very much more difficult for those from all backgrounds to progress to higher education.

Yours faithfully
A Winterton Me 2
W Hooper Me 2

Coal or food?

Dear Sir

I went to hear the speakers from the NUM on Thursday 1 November and I would like to say that the lady who stood up against them had a lot of courage. I'm only sorry I did not have the guts to back her up but I was astounded by the backing the striking miners received from the people there and also afraid the 'mob' were around to shut up any opposition!

At the end of the meeting a collection was taken and people were giving pound notes. I could list a hundred more deserving causes than the striking miners, above all the Ethiopian famine and if a student can afford to give the striking miners a pound, they should give fifty pounds to help Ethiopia.

Name withheld by request.

Brown bugger

Dear Sir

Graham Brown's article about student loans last week contained a number of damaging assumptions and flat contradictions. For instance he states that grants cause student financial hardship and yet also cause taxpayers to resent students as 'having it easy'. If we accept that students are hard up, this implies that it is the taxpayers' image of students which is at fault. Those in the know are more resentful of rich self-employed people like solicitors and farmers using Mr Brown's Conservative 'independence, responsibility and self-determination' to employ accountants to fiddle their tax returns and obtain a full grant for their children.

Mr Brown also claims, incredibly, that grants cause low participation by children of manual workers in further education, only to later state that many low-income working class children 'have either no wish to take advantage of higher education or lack the ability to do so'. This contradiction shows both his bias against the working-class and his spurious use of a convenient statistic to try and further his argument. I would have thought that giving a full grant to low income families encourages the student to go into further education.

The most damaging assumption in the article was that the Education budget needs 'savings' ie cuts, and hence that grants should

go. Education should be a *right*, and the more education the better. We have few enough students in this country as it is — we shouldn't be proving students' 'resilience' by putting the millstone of a large debt around their necks before they even start earning. The lack of funds in education causes a genuine waste of talent, and yet there is no real problem with resources. For instance, by just cancelling the Trident nuclear missile programme with its massive and unnecessary increase in British nuclear capability, we could save £10 billion (or even more, give the continuing plunge of the pound). This money could be used to improve and even expand educational opportunities so that a higher proportion of our intelligent British people (especially with falling birthrates) can benefit from higher education and receive a grant according to their level of income.

The idea of loans is a loser. In the US over 80% of loans are never repaid. And we have a form of loan in this country already, albeit only £200 on average compared to £2100 under a full loans scheme. This British loan is called an overdraft. It reminds people of their financial vulnerability and their need to get a job, but it doesn't saddle them with a big debt (However it's repaid, £7000 odd is a lot of money). Even if loans encourage students to take vocational subjects, there aren't the places available for them, due (again) to government cuts. In the end it is *policy* that determines resource-levels, and the Thatcher government seems to prefer threatening to kill Russians to educating British people.

Your
Tony Atkins

Christmas Dinner

Tuesday 11 December

—open to all staff and students—



Smoked Trout
Horseradish sauce
Roast Duckling Bigarade
Potatoes à la Daupinoise
Red Cabbage Normande
Petit Pois
Christmas Pudding
Mince Pies
Brandy Butter
Dessert Fruit
Petit Fours
Coffee

Price: students £9 (£3 subsidy)

Staff £10 (£2 subsidy)

Includes sherry, wines and port. Bookings open on Tuesday 13 November at 2.00pm — see Pat Baker in the Union Office.



THE NUCLEAR WINTER

SANA Scientists Against Nuclear Arms

Mech Eng 220 3pm
Wed 14th Nov

THE WORLD AFTER NUCLEAR WAR

Dr B Morrison Aero

The Nuclear Winter - Fact or Fiction?

When Dr Richard Turco and Dr Anne Ehrlich come to Imperial College next week as part of their much-heralded tour of Britain, along with Prof Paul Ehrlich and Dr Georgiy Golitsyn, the anti-nuclear weapon lobby will at least be given some strong evidence for its case. The extent of, or the means of achieving nuclear disarmament is obviously dependent on one's political bias, but the nuclear winter theory (which is what it is) cuts right across any political affiliation's and appeals to all of us simply on grounds of common sense. Are we prepared to risk extinction of not only the human species but ALL life as we know it for the sake of our so-called national security? The results of several different independent studies on the global climatic effects of a nuclear exchange in the northern hemisphere are all basically the same. Since the predicted consequences are eco-catastrophic and have already prompted the US and British Governments to initiate their own studies, just how strong is the evidence for a nuclear winter? What are the likely long-term effects of a nuclear exchange? What size of nuclear exchange would be required to produce these long-term climatic changes?

To date, the major study on the atmospheric consequences (Nuclear Winter: Global Consequences of Multiple Nuclear Explosions. R P Turco, O B Toon TP Ackerman, J B Pollack, Carl Sagan, 23 December 1983, Vol 222P 1283-1300 — referred to as TTAPS) has come up with some fairly chilling predictions. Basically what happens is this: With the detonation of nuclear weapons there would be an enormous amount of dust hurled into the troposphere and

above it, the stratosphere together with smoke/soot from the very large-scale urban and rural (particularly forest) fires. The dust and soot would form a cloud enveloping much of the hemisphere causing drastic ecological effects for months after a nuclear war. There would be a considerable drop in light intensity and other alterations in solar radiation, these include an increase in UV-B after some months. A second disastrous consequence would be the drop in ground temperature, over the area of the hemisphere enveloped by the cloud. A third consequence would be alteration of the gas composition of the atmosphere and the increase in toxic chemicals released principally from fires within urban/industrial complexes. A fourth consequence arises from the radioactive exposure of human beings directly, and indirectly through absorption by plants and animals in the foodchain.

TTAPS in fact applied their model to several different scenarios: exchanges of between 100 and

15,000 megatons (15 000 MT is a reasonable estimate of the total world stockpile), a varying distribution of targets (eg urban and rural target) and different ratios of ground to air burst.

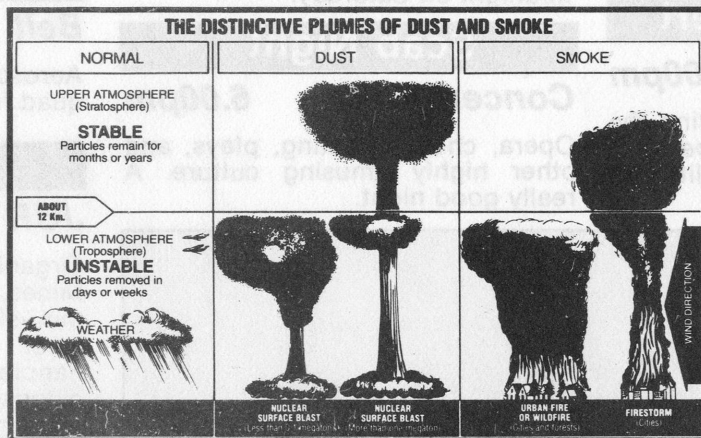
These scenarios all gave predictions of temperature drops of between -10°C and -30°C . Even small nuclear exchanges could trigger severe after-effects. A scenario involving only 100MT exploded in the air over cities could produce a two-month interval of subfreezing land temperatures, with a minimum near -23°C . In this scenario, thousands of fires would be ignited and the smoke from these could generate a period of cold and dark almost as severe as the baseline case of 5000MT. The temperature drops not only because of the sun's radiation being absorbed and reflected by the dust, but also by an inverse green house effect where radiated (infra-red) heat from the earth is not blocked by the smoke and dust.

How reliable are these

calculations? The study by TTAPS used a one-dimensional model (height) for modelling the effect of particles. Other studies by different people using 3D and two — dimensional models (latitude — height) and circulation models support the TTAPS results. Also a compilation of data from five major volcanic eruptions this century showed a cooling pattern similar to that predicted by the general circulation models.

The consequences for animal and plant life are difficult to gauge accurately but some basic conclusions are clear. For plants a five per cent reduction in sunlight is sufficient for photosynthesis not to sustain the plant. Oats, Barley and Rye will be very badly hit by temperatures of 0°C in spring, whereas they can withstand lower than -10°C in late October. Drops of only a few degrees could be catastrophic. A whole rice crop can be lost if the temperature drops below 13°C , rice is the staple diet of about half the world's population. The increased UV radiation will harm plant leaves and reduce photosynthesis. It will also reduce the yield of the plant and weaken its resistance to other hazards. It reduces animal resistance to infection too.

It seems likely that the major findings of these studies are unlikely to be contradicted. Of course proponents of nuclear deterrence may well say that predictions of a nuclear winter confirm the effectiveness of deterrence. This seems almost too ghastly to contemplate, logic gone berserk. Perhaps one day, the advocates of nuclear weapons will realise that the freedom that they wish to preserve has been all but eroded by these same weapons.



Common Cause

WOMEN AND PEACE

'Women don't feel as men do about war. They are the mothers of the race. Men think of the economic results, women think of the grief and pain'.

(Dr Aletta Jacobs, Holland's first woman Doctor, speaking in 1915).

The Women's peace movement did not start at Greenham common as many people seem to think. Women first came together as the Female Peace Society in America in 1820; but the roots of the movement

stem from much farther back in history. For centuries women have been bearing the grief and pain of wars — mourning for sons, husbands, lovers, brothers, going to their deaths in 'wars of plunder, wars of conquest, wars of religion, wars of PRIDE, wars of succession, wars of idle speculation, wars of unjust interference...'. As Anne Barbour wrote in 1793.

Throughout all those centuries some women have spoken out against war and militarism. Now seeing the threat of nuclear extermination, their voices are louder than ever. Today's Women's Peace Movement is widespread and encompasses women from all walks of life — not just 'man-hating lesbians'

as the popular press would have us believe. Greenham women are indeed everywhere.

On November 15th, Danielle Grunberg, international coordinator of the Woman's Peace Alliance, will be speaking at IC on the importance of the women's peace movement in the struggle for disarmament. The Women's Peace Alliance is an 'umbrella' organisation of groups and individuals from many countries, involved in a variety of activities. This should be an illuminating talk giving a wide perspective view of the Women's Peace Movement today and its role in the future. Everybody is welcome to attend the meeting, at 1.00pm on Thursday, November 15, in Physics LT 2.



RAG WEEK

Rag week—beer, torture, concerts, raft race, discos, boat races—and all in a good cause.

All these events and many more are designed to raise money for charity and to give everyone a good time.

Here FELIX lists all the Rag events between Wednesday 14 and Saturday 24 November.

So make the most of Rag week; your last chance to enjoy yourself before Christmas!

Wednesday 14 Beer Fest

JCR 12noon to 11.00pm

Entry £1.50, which includes free glass inscribed with IC RAG design. Potent real ales and ciders will be on sale. Break from 5 to 5.30pm.

Thursday 15 Destroy a Rag mag

Beit Quad 12.30pm

A chance to get your own back on disgusting filth for charity. Any method is allowable!

Smoking Concert

Concert Hall 7.00pm

Sketches and bands, including the unforgettable *Limp Members*, a professional act, and only a little bit of lunacy.



Sink or swim? The inter-CCU raft race across the Serpentine in Hyde Park

Friday 16 Rag and Drag Disco

JCR 8.00pm

All men dress as women; all women dress as men. Say no more, except that there's a champagne prize for best dressed couple.

Saturday 17 RCS Street Collection

RCS Office all day

Collection over 24 hours, starting from RCS Office. Any theme allowed, from midnight on Friday to midnight on Saturday.

Scab Night

Concert Hall 6.00pm

Opera, choir, debating, plays, and other highly amusing culture. A really good night.

Sunday 18 Tug-of-war

Princes Gardens 11.00am

RCS, C&G and RSM in Princes Gardens with as many people as possible.

Raft Race

CCU Offices 12noon

An inter-CCU raft race across the Serpentine, Hyde Park. Meet in CCU Office

Barnight

Union 7.30pm

ICU Barnight—see if anyone knows the words of the Hey Vivo!

Idiosyncratic Event

Union 10.30pm

Your guess is as good as ours!

Monday 19 Film Night

Tuesday 20 Paper Darts

Beit 12.30pm

Aerosoc throw paper darts into the quad from the roof of Beit Hall

Dirty Disco

JCR 8.00pm

Organised by the Royal School of Mines, dirty is the word. Girls wear mini-skirts and suspenders, guys wear flasher mags, fig leaves, nappies, or nothing at all. Bar extension.

Wednesday 21 Morphy Day

CCU Offices 12.30pm

Boat race between the CCUs, then boat race between the CCUs, followed by ? Then tea in Harrods.

Thursday 22 Monster Boat Race

Beit 12.30pm

Inter-CCU, with 50 people on each side.

Exec Torture

Beit 1.00pm

Your chance to get your own back on the Exec. Cover them, smother them 'till they smell obscene. If they fight, that's all right, just smother them in vaseline.

Drink-a-pub-dry

Union 5.30pm

Friday 23 Guilds Carnival

Union

Bands (including *Mud*), discos, you name it. Bar Extension.

Darts

Southside

Start of 1,000,001 down darts match.

Saturday 24 Cocktails

Southside

Cocktails, including champagne cocktails, will be on sale in Southside. IC RAG get 20p per cocktail, so drink plenty.

●Proceeds from IC RAG this year go to MENCAP, the charity for the mentally handicapped.



Above: Exhausted collectors surrounded by overflowing rag cans after the RCS Street Collection. Now they have to count all the money!

Below: Bin liners, mud, shit, fish, rotten vegetables—which Rag event could this be?

THE LOUNGE



In the Union Building — ground floor
Dance music from 9pm—2am every Saturday

COMING ATTRACTIONS

10 NOV.... LIVE MUSIC with 'EYELESS IN GAZA'
17 NOV.... to be announced
24 NOV.... LIVE MUSIC with 'RAM RAM KINO'

OTHER EXCITING THINGS!

FRIDAY 23 NOV
THE GUILDS CARNIVAL
with
MUD
The Gymslips
The Milkshakes
Rent Party

REVIEWS

SINGLES

45 rpm

Matt Bianco: *Half A Minute*

This is absolutely and utterly brilliant. Ever since 'Get Out Of Your Lazy Bed' I've been waiting for an equally boppy single from the Bianco Trio. This is it. Get the 12 inch extended version with 'Matt's Mood' on the B-side, or even better, get the album 'Whose Side Are You On.' If you can't dance to this I should start worrying — even my granny likes it!

Prefab Sprout: *When Love Breaks Down*

The debut disc, 'Don't Sing', made enough money to keep Kitchenware Records in business. Now it's a matter of whether the follow-up can achieve anything like the

same success. It's about time indie labels produced commercial music instead of political statements. Prefab manage to get the moodiness of The Smiths, without subjecting the listener to their dreariness and depression. I love the vocal harmonies, and ghostly female backing. But will it sell?

Slade: *All Hold Hands*

You've guessed it — it's Christmas time again, and Noddy Holder and the boys are back again with yet another 'Merry Xmas Everybody' sound-alike. Mustn't put it down though. I'm sure once the Yuletide spirit starts flowing, I'll be the first to join in the party sing-along. One thing I don't understand



Mat Bianco—new single just released.

though, is who buys these singles? There must be a million people out there somewhere with copies of 'Birdie Song', 'Agadoo' and 'Shadappa Your Face'. They'll love this.

Helen & The Horns; *Surrey With A Fringe On Top*

RCA are still pushing the country billy angle on Helen,

six months after it went out of fashion. It's a pity 'cause she's got a great voice. Dave Jago and the rest of the horns are from IC, and have played Southside Bar several times, which is where I was talking to Ms McCookerybook a few weeks ago. She claims to want to get away from this sort of image. Rodgers and Hammerstein have a lot to answer for.

BOOKS

Road Runners

Why is it that no evening passes without another yee-haaa God-damned American car chase on the television? Well, that's your problem, not mine. Partly because my tele doesn't work, partly because I have a slightly different axe to grind. You see roads, cars and going nowhere fast are all bedded into American writing, too.

I suppose the first in the tradition would be Twain's *Huckleberry Finn*—not strictly a road book, but in those days they did their rough travelling by river, so I think it counts. The character 'Huck' was created as an innocent through whose eyes the author could make wry observations about the Deep South. Several generic traits emerge. The most important is that the journey cuts off the main character from his usual way of life, giving him time to reflect on his past or on anything which catches his eye. This lightens the technical load on the writer. If

he were, say in his home town and the writer still wanted to use him to observe people, a whole network of personal relationships would need to be constructed. A traveller has outsider status, and is easily presented as a detached source.

The whole structure falls into place. The book starts and ends with the journey. The uncertainty of travel, and the endless range of encounters and incidents which become credible hold the reader's attention with ease. Of course, the author also gets a chance to strut his widely-travelled man-of-the-world wisdom. Twain has too much taste to fall into that trap, but later writers are not always so restrained.

Least restrained of all is John Irving. He wrote one good book about two Viennese students touring Austria on a motorbike. Not a great book, but a pleasant one. *Setting Free The Bears* has an inventive setting: performing bears, circuses, unicycles, mysterious women. 'Whacky' protagonists, heavy-handed metaphor and a very unusual death. The snag is that he wrote several other books which draw on the same material. *The World According to Garp* just about made it, despite the nailed-on pseudo-philosophy of the 'under toad' and the smart-ass tone of the writing. The others really aren't worth the trouble.

Robert M Pirsig used the other side of the format — the cutting loose of the central character — to give a lengthy discourse on the relationship between science and art in *Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance*. Up to the half-way point, there are clever ideas here. It is rather heavy going, however, so save it for the holidays. The hippy bits about 'a man's search for his inner self' can get up your nose, too.

A more complex example is Kerouac's *On The Road*. Here, the observer and the central figure are two different characters, the former regarding the latter with some hero-worship. Not enough, though, to hide the fact that Dean is at root a failure by anyone's standards. Desperation and escape drive his travelling.

'Dean was having his kicks; he put on a jazz record, grabbed Marylou, held her tight, and bounced against her with the music. She bounced right back. It was a real love dance. Ian MacArthur came in with a huge gang. The New York weekend began, and lasted three days and three nights. Great gangs got in the Hudson and swerved in the snowy New York streets from party to party. I brought Lucille and her sister to the biggest party. When Lucille saw me with Dean and Marylou her face darkened — she sensed the madness they

put in me.

'I don't like you when you're with them.'

'Ah, it's all right, it's just kicks. We only live once. We're having a good time'.

'No it's sad and I don't like it'.

The feel of crazed escape has been turned to comic effect by several writers, not least Dr Hunter S Thompson. A good collection of his strange brand of semi-journalism can be found in *The Great Shark Hunt*. Be assured that sooner or later the good Doctor will be howling along a freeway in a stolen car, having just swallowed an inhuman mix of hallucinogenics, whisky and speed. The style can pall if you read a lot of it once, but as the book is in short episodes this is less of a problem than you might think. Nixon gets a thorough mauling, along with many lesser-known Americans figures. The book pre-dates Regan's Presidency, but he does rate a couple of amusing side-swipes.

Penguin publish a quarterly lit mag called *Grant*. It comes in the form of a paperback collection of short stories and extracts, with a minimum of comment. Issue ten is devoted to travel writing, and is well worth your attention. This brings us into a slightly wider field of subject matter but the world is a big place.

Oh, inspiration and wide open space.

Singing... 'Born To Be Wild'.

Tennis club

Anyone who wishes to attend the tennis club annual dinner at Lubas Bistro (a quaint establishment serving great Russian food and providing free corkage) on the 30th November starting at 8.00pm at the 'Bunch of Grapes' near Harrods should see John Sear (Biochem 3) or Steve Cain (Chem Eng 2) with a deposit of £2 by Friday 16th November.

There is also a list up in the Sports Centre for a doubles tournament to be started shortly (pairs will be drawn out of a hat), anyone interested should put their name on the list by Friday 16th November.

WELLSOC RAFFLE (REDRAW)

I am pleased to report that *The H G Wells Society* raised £137.51 for the *World Wildlife Fund*. Please collect the following prizes from Kathy in the Union Office:

1. STA: £30 holiday voucher — WHITE 884

2. Cromwellian: 20 Cocktails and entry for 8 — GREEN 501

3. Pizzaland/Cincenta: Night out for 2 — GREEN 220

4. Adams Collection: White Rabbit and 4 novels — RED 321

5. 1 bottle of (nice) wine — WHITE 9
The prizes will be withdrawn late on Monday 12th and re-raffled at the evening meeting.

Bookshop News

Catalogues showing the full range of 'Maped' drawing instruments are available from the Bookshop. A selection of their products are on show in the Window. If you wish to discuss any aspects of their drawing equipment, Karen Jones, their technical representative, will be in the shop on Friday afternoon, 16th November.

NEW TITLES — HARDBACK

Too secret too long, Chapman Pincher — Sidgwick & Jackson £10.95

The growing pains of Adrian Mole — Sue Townsend — Methuen £4.95

The Fourth Protocol — Frederick Forsyth — Hutchinson £9.95

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Hotel du Lac — Anita Brookner — Cape £7.95

Longman Dictionary of the English Language — Longman £14.95

PAPERBACK

Secret diary of Adrian Mole — Sue Townsend — Methuen £1.75

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Castaway — Lucy Irvine — Penguin £2.50

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Family Trade — James Carroll — Fontana £1.95

Firefox Down — Craig Thomas — Sphere £2.25

Books do furnish a room — Anthony Powell — Flamingo £2.95

Bring out the magic in your mind — Al Koran — A Thomas £2.95

On the fiddle — Ged Neary — Blandford £1.95

The street wise monkey — Mark Miwurdz — Blandford £1.95

The Middle Kingdom — inside China today — Erwin Wickert — Pan £2.95

As most of you know the government is examining proposals to impose a positive rate of VAT on to books and journals, this means that you, the book buying public, will have to pay at least 15 per cent more. As you are aware books are expensive, now with VAT would your bookshop be able to stay in business with fewer books purchased? What I am asking you to do is write to your local MP, in fact, any MP and express your strong opposition to any move to impose VAT on books.

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HOCKEY

No whitewash

IC 3rd XI—2 vs Unilever—0
Would Unilever whitewash IC? That was the question on the IC players' minds as they trekked to Unilever's ground in SE9. Having lost Sgt Pepper (John Spencer) on the underground Imperial's fears worsened.

After an untidy first half with IC dominating the opposition, although unable to finish, half-time half-time was reached with a blank score-line. Congratulations from Unilever go to Marcus Shepherd who missed a penalty flick in this first half. After changing umpire at half-time, bringing the captain onto the field of play, the thirds began to produce the goods. Goals by Dave Whitton (at the fourth attempt) and Ian Mace left the final scoreline at 2—0. Also there was a notable performance from Vernon Morris which enabled him to end the match in a local hospital after failing to control the ball with his chin!

Team: P Choudhury, CHoney, I Mace, C Harrison, V Morris, M Shepherd, R Ellis, D Whitton, S Otto, P Dedlforce, John Spencer, S Brooker.

IC—0 vs Trent Valley—4
For once IC couldn't make any excuses about the umpires or pitch for what was a disappointing performance. After conceding an early goal, things began to look up with some excellent play by the centre forward, but support for him was very much lacking. IC lost their way near the end of the half and consequently two goals were conceded.

The second half started with a more determined IC team winning more possession but when Trent Valley were reduced to ten men near the end IC were still unable to convert their possession into goals. Just before the final whistle Trent Valley scored, ending a second half which initially promised so much.
Team: J West, A Stewart, P Smith, K McCormick, M Hall, M Hedges, P Oliver, P Dubenski, Jeff, N Hope, D Gott.

SQUASH

From the number of ladder results written up in the sports centre so far, it would seem that you are all totally bored with playing squash. Therefore, IC Squash club are going ice skating (aren't we!) on Tuesday 13 November. This will be a good way for everybody to meet other players and should be really good fun. Last year everyone had a Chinese afterwards, this year we might try one each. We are also having a trip to a restaurant to be announced, on Friday 30 November — sign up on the noticeboard in the Sports centre if interested.

ORIENTEERING

NewForest

With head-lamps blazing (except Don's!) club member's competed in the Southern Night Championships last Saturday. Courses were long for a night event, though conditions made for fast times. Inspired by the thought of a mega-feed back at Simon's, all IC competitors finished in the top 20 or so in our classes.

The following day the team ran in the November Classic in the New Forest; where long fast courses across open land and golden forest are traditional. New man Rob Lea finished within eight minutes of the former British Championship (leaving Simon trailing) while a new force in W21B emerged with Patsy Wood.

10 PIN BOWLING

Firstly, thanks to the hard core who have supported the 10-PIN bowling club week after week. Secondly, since IC have got a match coming up very soon, more people are needed, more than play week after week that is, to come along on Wednesday. Anybody who has ever been 10-PIN bowling before and, dare I say it, enjoyed it, I plead with you (grovel, grovel) to do something different on a Wednesday afternoon. You will enjoy it, I guarantee, especially if you bring some friends as well.

Anyway, enough of the crawling, see you all in the Chem Eng foyer, by 2.30 pm Wednesday.

WATERPOLO

You can bank on us

IC—9 Lloyds—4
IC's intense team training paid off quickly in the rematch with Lloyds. By the end of the first quarter College were 4—0 ahead. This waterpolo match was again one for the whole squad — each quarter the Imperial team was altered so as to give every member a swim. The last two quarters of the game resulted in IC scoring five more goals. Fitness was the deciding factor as the Imperial waterpolo players swam quickly through several sound attacking moves. The final score reflects the steady improvement over the first few weeks of term. Next week sees the University of London knockout competition. (Water polo and swimming, 6.30pm. Mondays and Fridays, IC Sports Centre).

SNOOKER

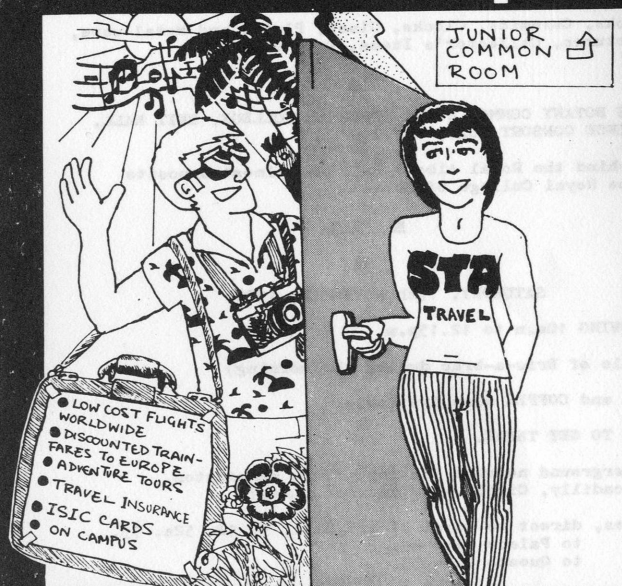
Cue for action

This week saw a rest from league fixtures as IC began their campaign in the annual Handicap tournament. Two teams qualify from the initial stages and with qualification depending solely on the aggregate points score it was important not only to win but to win well.

OCL are a 3rd division side and as such started the match with a 156 point advantage over Imperial. In spite of this with Mike Powell, Aidrian Feasby, Javed Quereshi and John West each winning both of their frames IC moved to a handsome 9—3 victory.

More importantly the deficit of 156 points was turned into a winning margin of 51 points which will certainly not damage our hopes of moving to the later stages of the competition.

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Friday 9

- **IC RADIO** 8.00-9.00am Chris Ames with the Breakfast Show including Gig Guide, Cinema Guide.
- **ICCND BOOKSHELF** 12.45pm JCR. Buy your Christmas gifts, badges, books, posters, and have a cup of tea and please join.
- **PRAYER MEETING** 1.00pm Union Building (follow arrows). Islamic Society congregational prayers (held every Friday).
- **RAG COMMITTEE MEETING** 1.15pm Union Upper Lounge. All welcome (esp. Soc Reps).
- **GENERAL MEETING** 5.00pm Senior Common Room. IC Nigeria Society.
- **NICARAGUA** 5.45pm Civil Engineering 208. Latin American Society meeting on Nicaragua after the elections there and in the USA. Film: 'Nicaragua: Question of Democracy?'. Plus speaker. Price 30p members, 50p non-members.
- **'GROUP MANOEUVRES'** 6.00pm 53 Prince's Gate (opp Mech Eng). Our guest speaker on corporate devotion, particularly worship, is Phil Lawson-Johnson. Phil leads a well know Christian music group. 'Cloud' which has just recently released another new album. Everybody invited.
- **IC RADIO** 6.00-8.00pm Alan Barnett.
- **C&G MOTOR CLUB RALLY** 7.00pm at the Kart Garage. 'Round the Bend Rally'.
- **SILWOOD FIREWORKS PARTY** 8.00pm Silwood Park. Joint Silwood/South Ken PG Bonfire Party/Disco/Barbeque. Coach leaving Union 6.30pm. Tickets from Union office or PG Reps price £1.75.
- **THE PARTY OF 1984** 8.30pm JCR. Band, Disco till 1am. Price £1.50

Saturday 10

- **FIELD TRIP** 8.00am Beit Arch. Minibus to Stodmarsh Sandwich Bay. Bookings Monday 5th November. Nat Hist Soc. Price £2.50 approx.
- **IC RADIO** 9.00am-12.00pm DJ's Saturday Brekky Show.
- **FRESHERS SAIL** 10.00am Southside.
- **REMEMBRANCE PEACE VIGIL** 1.30-2.30pm and 5.30-7.15pm. Royal Albert Hall, Kensington Gore. A yearly event organised by the Peace Pledge Union in remembrance of the waste and destruction of war.
- **IC RADIO** 6.00-8.00pm 'Stan and Ash' —starring 'The man with three buttocks'.
- **CHINESE SOCIETY TABLE TENNIS** 7.30pm Top Floor, Union Building. Trials for team and ladder.
- **DIWALE CELEBRATION** 7.30pm JCR. Disco till late, snacks and drink available. Indian group playing a range of Indian music. Price members £1.50, non-members £2.00, at the door £2.50.
- **THE LOUNGE NIGHTCLUB** 9.00pm-1.00am Ground Floor Union Building. With live Band: Eyeless in Gaza. Price £1.25 or 75p to Ents Cardholders.

Sunday 11

- **CHAPLAINCY SERVICE** 10.00am Consort Gallery, Sheffield.
- **MASS** 11.30am and 6.00pm. more house, 53 Cromwell Road. Mass, Bar Supper and Talk.
- **IC RADIO** 12.00-2.00pm Steve Monteith with the IC Radio Top Thirty.
- **HACK AND SLAY** 1.00pm Union Senior Common Room. Wargames Club. 10% discount on games, membership £1.50.

- **REMEMBRANCE PROCESSION** 1.45pm St Martin-In-The Field, Trafalgar Square. Procession with wreath of white poppies to the Cenotaph organised by the PPU.
- **CHINESE SOCIETY BASKETBALL** 2.00pm Sports Hall, Old Chemistry Building. Competition.
- **IC RADIO** 11.00pm-1.00am 'Rock on Sunday'—start the week right.

Monday 12

- **HANGGLIDING MEETING** 12.30pm Southside Upper Lounge.
- **ICCAG LUNCHTIME MEETING** 12.30pm ICCAG Office. Come along and find out more about our Community action activities.
- **WOMEN UNDER APARTHEID** 12.30pm Union Upper Lounge. Speaker from ANC Womens' Section and free food.
- **FIELD TRIP MEETING** 1.00pm Botany Common Room. Allocation of places on minibus trip to South coast this Saturday. Natural History Society.
- **TALK ON HG WELLS** 7.30pm Physics LT1. Chris Rolfe, North London Poly, speaks to Wells on Upstairs Downstairs, H G Wells and the underworld.
- **DANCE CLUB** 6.30pm and 7.30pm JCR Sheffield. Jazz Funk and disco 6.30pm, Advanced Ballroom Latin 7.30pm. 75p.

Tuesday 13

- **AUDIOSOC** 12.30pm Union Upper Lounge. Discount record club. Buy records, cassettes, videos etc at trade prices.
- **MASS** 12.30pm Chemistry 231. Lunch.
- **SURF CLUB** 12.30pm Southside Upper Lounge. Meeting to discuss trip to Cornwall 23 to 25 November. Bring £5 deposit.
- **HOVERCRAFT CLUB** 12.45pm Linstead Lower Gallery.
- **STUDENT LOANS DEBATE** 1.00pm Physics LT3. Deb soc debate between Graham Brown (Consoc Chairman) and Sarah Kirk (Biochem 1). Free to members.
- **RIDING CLUB** 1.00pm Southside Upper Lounge.
- **STOIC** 1.00pm and 6.00pm JCR (lunchtimes), Southside and all Hall TV Sets. An interview with David Attenborough.
- **SAMUEL JOHNSON** 1.15pm Read Lecture Theatre, Sheffield. Professor John Wain talks about the celebrated wit and compiler of dictionaries.
- **LOIRE WINE TASTING** 6.00pm Senior Common Room, Union. Wines from this delightful French valley brought to Beit Quad for your delectation. £1.50 members.
- **ECOLOGY PARTY** 6.00pm Union Upper Lounge. Speaker Paul Ekins, IC Graduate, Co-chairman Ecology Party Committee.
- **JUDO PRACTISE** 6.30pm Union Gym. 50p mat fees.
- **DANCE CLUB** 7.00pm and 8.00pm JCR Sheffield. Intermediate Ballroom/Latin 7.00pm, Beginners Ballroom/Latin 8.00pm. 50p.
- **REAL ALE SOC** 7.30pm Crush Bar. Brought forward from Thursday.

Wednesday 14

- **ICCAG** 12.45pm Mech Eng Foyer. Hospital visiting to St Pancras.
- **WARGAMES MEETING** 1.00pm Union SCR. 10% discount on games. Membership £1.50.
- **ISLAMIC TEACHINGS** 1.30pm 9 Princes Gardens. What does Islam, Monotheism mean? Free.

- **MICROCLUB MEETING** 1.30pm Mines 401. Membership £2.
- **DRAMA WORKSHOPS** 2.30pm Dramasoc storeroom. Come and take part in some silly games and improvised drama. Everyone welcome!
- **NUCLEAR WINTER TALK** 3.00pm Mech Eng 220. Dr R Turco and Dr Anne Ehrlich present the case for the Nuclear Winter. Organised by SANA.
- **DANCE CLUB** 8.00pm JCR Sheffield. Beginners Ballroom/Latin. Identical to Tuesday's class.

Thursday 15

- **METHSOC MEETING** 12.30pm Chem Eng E400. Informal meeting, lunch available.
- **AUDIO SOC** 12.30pm Union Upper Lounge. Discount record club meeting. Buy records, videos, cassettes at trade prices.
- **ICYHA BUTTIES** 12.30pm Southside Upper Lounge. Our weekly meeting with information on this term's coming events. All welcome.
- **STAMP CLUB** 12.45pm Chemistry 231.
- **BALLOON CLUB MEETING** 12.45pm Southside Upper Lounge.
- **LIFE OF PETER** 12.45pm Union Upper Dining Hall. Our guest speaker Graham Warner continues this lively account of the life of Peter with all its lessons still to be learnt 2000 years on. Christian Union.
- **WOMEN AND PEACE** 1.00pm Physics LT2. Danille Grunberg, international co-ordinator of the Women's Peace Alliance speaks about the importance of the women's peace movement.
- **WILLIAM WALDEGRAVE MP** 1.00pm Huxley 340. The Under Secretary of State for the Environment puts the Government's case for the abolition of the GLC. Conservative Society. All welcome.
- **MAGNETIC LEVITATION TRAINS** 1.00pm Chem Eng LT2. A British first! Talk by Dr Pollard from BR. everyone welcome.
- **STOIC** 1.00pm and 6.00pm. Newsbreak.
- **SC-FI SOC** 1.00pm Union Green Committee Room. Library Meeting. Access to the society's 600 volume library. All members welcome.
- **FILMS ON TECHNOLOGY** 1.15pm Great Hall. Humanities Department.
- **JEWISH SOCIETY** 1.15pm Union Senior Common Room. Julian Sorsby, Executive Director of Ravenswood Village for the Mentally Handicapped talks about his work.
- **QURANIC CIRCLE** 1.30pm 9 Princes Gardens. Learn how to read the Quran.
- **LUNCH HOUR CONCERT** 1.30pm The Music Room, 53 Princes Gate. Gudrun Edwards (violin) Robert Bouffler (piano). Free.
- **JUDO PRACTISE** 6.30pm. Union Gym. 50p mat fees.
- **FILM** 7.30pm Mech Eng 220. ICCND. A mother tries to cope with the nuclear holocaust. A harrowing film made last year.
- **QUIET NIGHT OUT** 8.00pm British Beer Factory. Sailing Club.
- **ICCAG SOUP RUN** 9.15pm meet Weeks Hall, Princes Gardens. Taking soup, biscuits and meeting some of London's homeless.

Rape alarms are available free of charge from the Deputy President in the Union Office.

Centenary dinner

The Royal School of Mines Association holds its 100th annual dinner and ball this month.

The dinner, on Friday 23 November, is expected to attract many old students from the RSM as well as those who have recently graduated.

Music for the ball will be provided by the Royal Marine Dance Band.

Those wishing to attend should contact the RSM Association, Room 303, Sheffield Building.

Club demolished?

The Holland Club Building may be demolished due to its deteriorating state of repair. John Smith, College Secretary, has told Holland Club officials that repairs would cost £0.5m and that one option being put to The Governors is that of demolition; Mr Smith, however

emphasised that alternative accommodation would be found.

The Club, adjacent to the Huxley Building, was completed only eight years ago. There have been repeated problems with its roof, despite numerous attempts at repair by College Estates Section. Currently, the roof is leaking onto the bar and is unlikely to survive many more winters. Holland Club Secretary, Nick Davies, declined to speculate on an alternative site but it is certain to be difficult to find one of equivalent size with a central location.

The Club serves non-academic staff and post graduates.

Challenge team chosen

A team of four students has been chosen to represent IC on University Challenge.

Simon Errington, Tim Williams, Dick Langstaff, and Duncan Swan will form the team, with Steve Parr as reserve.

The team should meet the programme producer in the Union Office at 10.00am on Tuesday.

Nine in the bed

A Flat for nine students in Prince's Gardens has become available for the first time. The flat is very large with three double bedrooms (one with an attached bathroom) and three singles. The rent is expected to be about £270 per week. Anyone interested in the flat should contact Student Services.

Travel changes to stay

An opposition motion to reversing the Governments decision to phase out the reimbursement of Student travel cost was defeated in Parliament last week.

In the new scheme which came into effect in October students have a travel element of £100 included in their grant. Only expenses over £250 can be reclaimed in full.

Boo! Wooley!

The Union Deputy President, Dave Parry, displayed a distressing ability to see problems from the College, rather than the student, point-of-view in his speech against the refectory boycott motion at the UGM on Tuesday. Now that as DP he has to meet College officials face to face he seems to think the only way to get things done is to be nice to them, and not to do anything that might ruffle their feathers a bit. He claimed that it would be 'blackmail' to state our intention of holding boycotts if and when there are any further random price increases. He wanted this to be reduced to the threat of introducing such a policy once any increase has been imposed. This would be a classic example of shutting the stable door once the horse has bolted. Mr Parry seems to be yet another sabbatical who, whilst taking office with the best of intentions, has been seduced by the endless round of freebies and committee meetings into thinking like a College official. At this rate it won't be long before we find the Union Office moving to the Sheffield building where all the other branches of the administration have their offices.

Wearing a poppy in the week before Remembrance Sunday is a symbol of respect for all those who were killed or injured fighting for Britain in two world wars. It was distressing to see then that ICCND, like other branches of that organization, have been selling white poppies. To try and make a political point out of Remembrance Sunday is bad enough, but the selling of white poppies is surely a calculated insult to the memory of those who sacrificed their lives to ensure that future generations could grow up in a free and independent Britain. I hope that this attempt by the pacifists and appeasers in CND to hijack a solemn occasion of national mourning for their own blinkered ends will be firmly rejected.

SMALL ADS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Worship — Why, When How, Find out tonight.

•**White Peace Poppies.** Only 20p, on sale around college. Profits go to the Haig fund for veteran soldiers.

•**Lost** red propelling pencil between Mech Eng and Chemistry, contact Miranda Bellchambers, Mech Eng 3.

•**Stickers, Badges, Books, Posters, Christmas Gifts, White Poppies.** All on sale at the ICCND Bookshop in the JCR on Fridays at 12.45pm. Also free coffee and biscuits to members.

•**Tickets now** available to the Dramsoc Production of 'Comedians' by Trevor Griffiths, 20, 21, and 22 of November. Dramsoc Storeroom or Union Office.

•**Anti poverty Action** forgotten about your APA form? All forms to Andrew Causebrook Elec Eng letter racks, as soon as possible please.

•**Lost.** Has anyone seen/borrowed Tizard's large cooking pot within the last four weeks? Last seen on 9.10.84 in Selkirk kitchen. Please contact Tizard subwarden, Asst subwarden or Ingrid Glass (Maths II or Falmouth Kedgh) As soon as possible.

•**IC Friends of Palestine** invite you to a talk by Sarah Graham-Brown about her new book — Education, Oppression and Liberation: Palestinians. November 22, 1.00pm Room 207, C Eng Dept.

•**IC friends** of Palestine invites you to Freshers Party on Friday 9 November, Union Upper Lounge (8pm-12pm)

•**Ex Bernard** Sunley students — the attic will be cleaned out on Nov 18. Please remove your property before this date.

•**ICAS** Lie-in on Sunday with ICAS.

FOR SALE

•**Orie-1 (48K)** with games and books. £80 ono. Feed the sound into your

amplifier and deafen your neighbours as you plat rats into the night. Graham Skidmore Biochem 3 or 214 Hamlet Gdns (740-6149)

•**Eight piece drum kit** for sale. Reasonable condition. Contact P Atherton Room 218 Linstead Hall or Geology 2 letter racks. £150.

•**Camera** for sale. Pentax ME Super F1.7 Cosinon 80-200mm F4.5, Vivitour 28mm F2. Nissin flash pack, 2x Converter, Cokin Filters, Padded Bag £200 ono.

•**Spectrum 48K.** Cambridge Programmable joystick, tape recorder, lots of programs, still under guarantee £110 ono. Also karrimor canvas frameless rucksac, (approx 65 litre) £10. Contact John Hutchinson Mech Eng PG, int 6289.

•**Honda C70 Motorbike** Very economical (over 200 MPG), good condition. Brand new MOT valid for 12 months. £165 ono. Contact R Evans Physics 3 via letter racks.

PERSONAL

•**Vernonica** (Bath) loves Ian (Imperial)...Often!

•**The Pre-zandore** bullshitter (ex horseman of apocalypse) is back and sniping!

•**Where does** captain BB go at weekends? Answers on a postcard Chemistry letter racks under 'B'.

•**Votex, don't** do it, when you wanna Karmann.

•**J G Cullen O'Connor** Happy 21st with love from your women SCCT xxx.

•**Why is** Astrophysics the most erotic course in college?

•**Forget Podge** and Quasi of Linstead-dobber is here to stay.

•**Who's going** to become the next Esmerelda? Answers please to Linstead letter racks under Q.

•**Van** for the president of Electrical Engineers!

•**What do a weire** brush, a sheep and captain BB have in common.

•**CaptainBB:** Are your thrust levels set high enough.

•**Refectory Boycott?** ICAS boycott everything!

•**Exciting new aids** for trainspotters, new in from our Kings Cross main branch — Dirty Dicky Mech Eng 3.

•**Who is SSSY** that the back row hecklers are so interested — Civil Eng 2/3 Materials.

•**Be the first** to Sue Guildsheet — come to Hatchett, Berry and Stab solicitors to the corrupt.

•**Come to Southend** and experience the mystic East — Roy the Boy.

•**Signed copies** of Mein Kampf are available from A Stralker Linstead.

•**Franke Potter says...** if someone dies whilst in your Economics fallout shelter, put them outside in a labelled plastic bag.

•**Hide from Milan** told you to look for me. Contact G V via Civ Eng letter racks.

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