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MOONEY RETIRES!



I expect you get a lot of crap from the students Victor

Well, I've been serving it up to them for thirty years.

Free gift inside

Letters

To: Aidon Jennery—Broadsheet Editor

Dear Aidon,

I write with regard to the 'Vicious Rumours and Dirty Lies' column in issue 13 of Broadsheet, especially the references to Lee Standley. The author, who can only sign himself 'X' (further evidence that RCSU hacks are ESN?), claims that 'Even Gluids (sic) don't particularly like him...and a source close to Gluids (sic) Office tells me that they actually regard him as a complete shit-bag.' BOLLOCKS! I suppose that your 'source' also told you that the earth was flat, Simon Banton is Samantha Fox in disguise and that the Rector works part-time in Gloucester Road Kentucky Fried Chicken. As far as I could make out, there was not one iota of even half-truth in your little story. And all this from a column which in issue 12 questioned the accuracy of FELIX's reporting!

Lee is one of the most pleasant blokes that I have been privileged to meet in my short time at College, and any suggestions to the contrary merely serve to portray RCSU as a collection of lying illegitimates, as well as being grossly insulting both to Lee and to Guilds Union. It is a shame that RCSU, which on an individual basis contains so many decent people, is seen once again to reduce the CCU system to one of childish bitching.

Your readership may not be aware of the great help that C&GU has been in the technical side of the last few (where few is at least four) issues of Broadsheet. Not only have we lent stencils and reams of paper (of which ten of the former and five stencil cutters) basically, without C&GU Broadsheet would have had very considerable (if not infinite) problems in appearing. Whilst I do not mind Broadsheet poking jibes at Guilds Union, this final incident has gone beyond the pale; we do not wish to assist you in making libellous statements about us and our friends, and henceforth the use of our equipment is no longer open to RCUS—after all, would you supply the bullets for people to shoot you with.

There are, however, two stencils which we will readily cut for you; the first is one featuring this letter (undoctored and unedited), and the second a letter of unconditional apology for the insulting remarks, signed by the true author of the column. These would be printed by you or your successor in the next issue of Broadsheet. Perhaps then we could review the situation. If there is any integrity and guts in RCSU (which seems to be doubtful), you will take us up on this.

Yours sincerely,
Adrian Johnson

Guilds Union Duplicating Officer 1984-86

Dear All,

It has been brought to my attention that an article in last week's Broadsheet has annoyed one of its readers.

The article in question is 'Vicious Rumours and Dirty Lies', a scandal and gossip column whose first appearance was prefaced by the disclaimer: 'Warning, anything contained within this column is likely to be:-

- a Totally Untrue
- b Totally Warped
- c Very, very TRUE!

So you can see it is meant as a light-hearted piss take column. However, the paragraph which criticizes third year Mathematician Lee Stanley, who has been driving (dangerously) for Gluids Mascotry for a long while, and which advocates the awarding of a 'UGA (Ugly Git Award) or at least Anti-social colours' apparently caused Mr Stanley some discomfort.

The paragraph also mentions that Guilds' Hit Squad flanned him eight times at the Beer Festival and that a 'source close to the Guilds Office tells me that they actually regard him as a complete shit-bag'—this source was a RCS man who happened to be standing in the Mech Eng foyer at the time.

A popular RCS Bar song *does* contain the two lines:

'S is for Stanley, just see the next line and T is for Traitor, yes that'll do fine.'

And yes, the RCS Mascotry Team have unanimously voted him 'Absolute Bastard of the Year 1985',

I list these points to show the nature of the paragraph in question which Mr Stanley has said is all lies and plans to 'take the matter further' if an apology is not forthcoming in this FELIX. All the information above is factually correct, if a little vicious in its delivery.

In fact the only line which may contain a lie is:

'If anyone sees his car, twist the wing mirrors round the wrong way, that really pisses him off'

—Perhaps it really WOULDNT'T piss him off, who can tell??

Anyway, from the bottom of my heart I would like to say I'm very, very, sorry to have described you in the way that I did and I would ask everyone to ignore the fact that you have deserted your own CCU in favour of another, and to judge you on your own merits—like attempting to run over six RCS men who were standing in the road to block your car after the Maths Dinner, one of whom you injured quite badly, when you were trying to steal Theta.

I wish you every success in your degree exams, that you get a good job and are able to leave College as soon as possible.

Yours,
The apologetic sincere, git

X

FELIX



More than thirty years ago Victor Mooney came to Imperial College as Refectory Manager. His retirement today marks the end of an era.

Ever since his arrival Mooney has been the butt of student humour. Generation after generation have hurled a barrage of complaints and abuse at the man and at his staff. As his 'empire' has grown the criticisms have become more severe and more numerous. To the detached observer it would appear that Mooney is a genial buffoon who listened to complaints and brushed them aside with always the same tired, old excuses.

It seems incredible to me, that a man can stay in the same job for thirty years when he is continually being criticized for doing a bad job.

Ever since the 1960s, Mooney has always been on the defensive. There have been no really new initiatives—any changes have been responses to criticism after the event. His management style has been more suited to a corner shop than to a vast refectory system—the man is still living in the 1950s.

His successor Mr Northey must be full of bright new initiatives and changes if he is to have success.

Despite Mr Mooney's detractors, chief among whom has been FELIX, let it be said now that he is really a very nice chap. The loyalty and respect that his staff have for him is enormous. He is a man of remarkable character. He is truly the last of the old school, and the place just won't be the same without him.

Goodbye, Mr Mooney, and Good Luck.

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Finance fiasco

UNION FINANCE Committee decided yesterday not to buy the boat club a new eight next year. The boat club had claimed the new boat was needed to allow them to continue to compete at top level.

The decisions made at UFC means that the Union only needs to save a further £4,000 to stay within budget. A sum which sabbatical officers believe can be achieved without too much difficulty.

Rowing eights normally lose speed at the rate of about two lengths a year. As a result most top clubs purchase a new boat every year. Imperial College boat club compete successfully in many of Europe's top events including the Henley and Ghent regattas. It is almost two years since Imperial College last bought a new eight.

The meeting also decided to raise the membership fees for most clubs and to allow funding for certain tours to internationally recognised events.

New editor for London Student

AT THE London Student Annual General Meeting on Wednesday night Joanne Toch of Kings College beat Adam Berman of Goldsmiths by sixteen votes to thirteen to become next years editor. London Student is published by the University of London Student Union and aims to be the newspaper of all students in London, including those at polytechnics and institutes of Further Education. Graham Parker of the Polytechnic of Central London was unopposed as deputy editor.

Afterwards Joanne said that she hoped she would be able to build on the foundations laid by Chris Taggart, the current editor, and looked forward to an improvement in layout and design made possible by students taking over more of the production work. The papers finances were healthy, and it was

looking increasingly attractive to advertisers.

IC Union spends about £300/year on London Student, which is distributed free outside the FELIX office. There are still copies of the last issue of this term available.

Mugged

A FEMALE IC student was badly beaten up in the early hours of Tuesday morning. She was attacked on Cromwell Road after visiting friends in Hamlet Gardens. The police were called but the man responsible was not caught.

The student was released from the health centre, after X-rays showed little damage. FELIX wish her a fast and complete recovery.

Big Bucks

LLOYDS BANK today becomes the first bank to offer a loan scheme for parents to help them meet their contribution to student grants.

First year full-time students who open a current account before 31 October 1985 will themselves receive a credit of £8 when they pay in their grant cheque.

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Academic Affair

Dear Sir,

I am writing in response to the article Peter Klemperer wrote in FELIX number 705 (Friday 24 May). Much of what Peter says is true, and I support him, however there are a few points which I must object to:

1 He implies that science alone is central to technological bargaining power and economic effectiveness, omitting that science (ie knowledge) alone is not as central as the engineering for wealth which is a *skill*. It is engineering skill, applying scientific knowledge, which underpins our nation's technological developments. Skilled management is also very important to our economy.

2 While I agree with the purpose of the NUS campaign to augment the rôle of Higher Education as the nation pulls out of the recession, I feel that our responsibility as AAOs in Imperial College should be to defend the interests of the students we represent—so that the nation is not starved of the engineers, managers and scientists needed to pull the economy out of decline.

3 The AAOs in IC are not there to communicate with the NUS at all, in my opinion, for two distinct reasons; ICU is not a member of the NUS, this being a decision of the student body here. Why does Peter seek to act as a NUS rep to IC—he should recognise the views of the students and seek to work within that framework.

The AAO primary function while I have been C&G AAO this year has been almost exclusively within IC—on College and Union committees. Although I have attended meetings of ULU General Union Council, I feel that the relationship between ICU and ULU and beyond is the responsibility of the External Affairs Officer and Committee. I sincerely hope Peter is not distracted from his rôle within IC during the coming year.

Yours,
Luke Walker
C&G AAO 1984-86

Rucksack Soc

Dear Sir,

In last week's editorial, you mentioned that the Union has achieved quite a lot this year. Yet we still have to capture the students' faith.

Let me explain—last week you received a petition from some Computing students. It resulted from courses being stopped following discussion at a staff-student meeting on Friday 10 May. A meeting to which the Guilds AAO, Luke Walker, was not invited. This year's Computing Dep Rep saw, and spoke, to Luke and I on the following Monday at Council. Despite having signed the petition, he didn't mention the problem (obviously engrossed in the *colourful* conversation!). The matter was raised at Guilds AA meeting on Tuesday, where it was decided that it was in hand. And yet, we have the petition still handed into FELIX—not the Union, not to an Academic Affairs Officer, but to FELIX??

Thankfully, having chased up Luke, and the petition organiser, I now understand the situation. By why didn't the Computing students bring the problem to me, Luke or even Ian? Am I using the wrong deoderant?

Yours, upset and mystified
Graham Thorpe
Academic Affairs Officer

Dear Sir,

I have just put down a bible after looking up the references in M Hayes' letter printed last week. I was interested to see which bits he/she had pulled out. You see, I too have a hope! I hope for a world where we can dispense with Politics with a big P, and Religion with a big R. For to me, they are both obnoxious, because both stand in the way of true world peace. I am sure M Hayes abhors racism, but how much of it is due to sectarianism instead of skin colour? Did we not have proof of this recently in FELIX, with those Israeli/Lebanese letters.

Please, M Hayes, and other like him/her, let us dispense with any Religious superstition and mysticism. Instead let us use our human resources and compassion to solve the *real* problems of the world.

Yours,
G Thorpe
Metal 3

Hamlet

Dear Sir,

Here are some points which we think may be of interest to prospective residents of Hamlet Gardens and possibly other places. They are the result of a six-month farce over a leaking roof:

- The legal status as regards repairs to Head Tenancies is that unless repairs are affected within a 'reasonable period', tenants are entitled to compensation under Section 32 of the 1961 Housing act. The nature and extent of compensation is, of course, a matter for discussion with the landlord, ie College. College is responsible for all repairs and the excuse that they're doing all they can is unacceptable even though they don't carry out repairs themselves. It is worth getting as much down in writing as possible—if you're not paying your rent for some reason, then write and tell them why.

- The system of reporting faults to Student Managers cannot be relied upon to get repairs done promptly. For example, four months of reporting a leaking roof using this system had absolutely no effect.

- Reporting your problem direct to Student Services is much more effective—they will usually ring the owner of the flats (who is supposed to do repairs) and will also be threatening if you're lucky. With the help of Student Services we were able to get a rent reduction of about £230 each.

- The Hammersmith and Fulham Community Law Centre, 106-108 King Street, W6, will give free advice on all sorts of legal matters, especially housing. Law Centres like this one are a valuable asset to students who are having problems with housing.

Hopefully this information will be useful to someone. There is often a temptation to give up in cases like this, but persistent nagging usually has some effect eventually.

Yours faithfully,
Neil Weightman
Miles Turner
Physics 2



BIOMECHANICS

Damage to human joints can occur in a number of ways involving disease, trauma, or accumulated damage arising from normal activity. Osteoarthritis is a typical example of the latter process and for some people it can lead to joints becoming 'worn-out'. At this stage cartilage has been eroded from opposing surfaces of the joints allowing bone ends to rub together painfully. The development of artificial joints that are capable of relieving pain and restoring function in such areas forms the major research programme in the Biomechanics Section. Most of the work is being carried out at the request of orthopaedic surgeons, and involves close collaboration with them at all stages.

One current project, which is headed by Dr Amis, has led to the development of a replacement elbow joint and the surgical instruments that are needed to fit it. Clinical trials on this joint are showing good short term results for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis. The photograph shows the components that make up the joint, and the two radiographs show the side and front view of a joint two-and-a-half years after replacement. In the past Professor Swanson has produced a number of implants which include a knee and a hip joint.

When designing the components it is important that they can be fixed reliably to the ends of the bones, and can withstand constant use without loosening, as it is possible that they might have to function in this hostile environment for thirty years or more. The prototypes, which are generally made of stainless steel or titanium alloys, are initially used in small scale human clinical trials. It may be several years before problems appear, and it is generally at least five years before the artificial joints are widely available. During the clinical trials close work with the surgeons is necessary to appreciate the modifications that are needed.

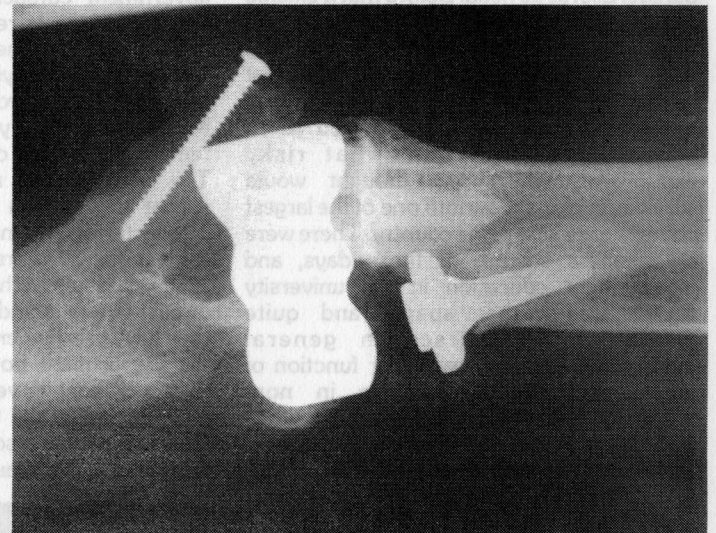
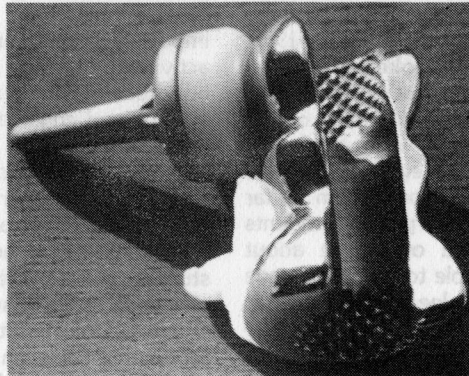
When implants fail it is important to know why so that the design can be improved. One of the major ways to make them more reliable is to improve the materials so that fatigue failure or wearing out is less likely. Part of the Section's work involves looking at failed implants to try and discover why they fail, and the facilities available include materials testing machines.

The research activities of the Biomechanics Section are not limited to work on artificial joints, but cover a number of areas. For instance, they are involved in fundamental biological research to try to understand how natural joints work and how breakdown occurs with the onset of arthritis. Other study areas include fixation devices for fractured bones, artificial ligaments for use after knee injuries, and artificial tendons for use after hand injuries. There are also a number of Mechanical Engineering undergraduates who are working on Biomechanics projects. They are looking at a number of interesting topics such as implants to treat leg fractures, the contact pressures experienced on bones at the elbow joint, possible use of carbon fibre and terylene fibre for artificial knee ligaments, and the design of a hand splint to be used when tendons become damaged.

Ailments such as arthritis cause a great deal of suffering for a large number of people, and the research in the Biomechanics Section is making a valuable contribution towards solving this problem.

When human joints become damaged it can cause severe pain for the sufferer. The Biomechanics Section of the Mechanical Engineering Department are developing artificial joints that will relieve pain and restore some use to the affected parts.

SCIENCE



Management Science —thirty years on

On Wednesday 15 May the Management Science Department held an Open Evening to celebrate thirty years of Management Science at Imperial College. Over 250 people attended this function, staff and students, past and present, and friends from College and industry. Professor Samuel Eilon, who was one of the original lecturers in 1955, welcomed the guests and spoke briefly about the progress of Management Science at IC over the past 30 years. Examples of the department's present work were displayed.

Everybody enjoyed the evening. Over 80 past students attended, some from as far back as 1961. This gave the present students an opportunity to find out more about possible careers available to them and gave the staff a chance to indulge in reminiscences about classes of students long gone.

The department was formed in 1971 with Samuel Eilon as its head. Before that it existed as the Management Engineering Section in the Department of Mechanical Engineering. When the postgraduate course was first instituted in 1955 with two members of staff and four students it was regarded as an intriguing though somewhat risky experiment, which few thought would survive, let alone grow into one of the largest courses of its kind in the country. There were no business schools in those days, and management education in the university sector was rather sparse and quite insignificant. Courses in general management, or in a particular function of management, were available in non-university institutions, but the general ethos was that you acquire your managerial knowledge and skill on the job.

In the Mechanical Engineering Department at Imperial College it was realised early on that for engineers to be effective in industry, technical knowledge and expertise was not enough. They needed to know what it costs to convert a design into a marketable product, how to evaluate market potential, how to ensure the financial viability of their enterprise or a particular venture, how to handle superiors and subordinates; in short, engineers need managerial skills and know how. Most engineering institutions have long included these requirements as a necessary component of the professional qualifications of their members, and at the beginning of the 1950s the College started exploring ways in which engineering students could satisfy the professional institutions in this respect.

The first move in this direction came as a result of an agreement between the College and LSE, whereby third year engineering students could go to LSE every week for two terms, largely to attend courses in economics, accounting and the structure of

industry. Later, a set of lectures was instituted in the College on production management with special reference to manufacturing industry, there by marking the beginning of the service teaching activity provided by Management Science staff. This service teaching now constitutes an important component of the wide range of activities of the department, involving hundreds of undergraduate students in science and engineering, particularly in the areas of managerial economics, accounting and finance, production management, and operational research. In addition, the department has a modest number of students on joint honours courses, where students devote their third year to the study of a wide range of subjects in Management Science. Unfortunately, this course will be terminated soon, an indirect casualty of the government cutbacks in education. Both staff and students regret the decision.

Research and the MSc in Management Science have always been the mainstay of the department's work. There are over 100 MSc students this year, a far cry from the tentative beginning of four students in 1955. This is no longer a risky experiment, but a robust activity with a proven track record. The lecturing staff now number over 20.

Over the 30 years there have been over 1250 graduates of the Department. Surveys of past students and feedback indicate that they have greatly benefited from their spell in the Department both intellectually and in their career development. It is also encouraging to see the diversity of careers followed. While some have gone into Operational Research and Management

Services Departments in industry and commerce, there has been a distinct trend in recent years for our students to go into other functions of management, covering the whole spectrum of careers, showing clearly that many of our past students are not content to advise decision makers but have aspirations to become decision makers themselves.

Five years ago it was proposed to set up an alumni association using the results obtained from the surveys of past students. Unfortunately those plans had to be shelved due to the severe financial cutbacks all UK universities have experienced. A restriction on manpower and other resources meant that all effort was concentrated on teaching and research. Today we find ourselves in a reasonably stable position. More positive steps are now being taken to establish an alumni association. As well as the central body in the UK, there will be branches scattered world-wide. Plans are progressing to set up branches in Singapore, Malaysia, Hong Kong and Cyprus.

The variety of research undertaken in recent years is a clear indication of the widening base of the department, which a decade ago was in the main known for its interest in the production planning and inventory control fields. These areas continue to thrive with recent work in scheduling and investigations into integrated production-inventory systems. Other areas have now come into prominence, such as financial control and corporate planning, distribution systems, foreign exchange modelling, leasing, risk analysis, productivity and profitability measurements, graph theory and mathematical programming, the development of approximate solutions to queueing models, the use of simulation and industrial dynamics, and the problems of energy and resources.

The department has obviously grown and expanded its activities in the last 30 years — it is now looking towards to the challenge of the next 30!



Prof Samuel Eilon, centre, greeting guests.



It took the efforts of one man for thirty years to make the IC Refectories what they are today. That man was

Victor Mooney

Mooney came to IC in 1953. For the first few years he and his food were popular. But while time marched on Mr Mooney stood inexorably still.

The quality of the food declined, criticism became commonplace.

Here FELIX pays tribute to Victor Mooney and catalogues his rise, decline and fall.

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1954

The Refectory has had another change of management. It has been running at a loss for almost as long as anyone could remember, and three years ago excessively large losses—£5,000 and more—brought John Gardner & Co to cut them down. This they managed to a certain extent, cutting the losses by about 40%. The cut was brought about partly no doubt by improved efficiency and economy, but partly too by a reduction in the total number of meals served.

The contract with Messrs Gardner was terminated on Dec 23rd, and Mr Mooney is the new manager. A great improvement was noticed last term in the quality and value of the food being served, and it is to be hoped that the new manager will continue the improvement. An increase in prices at this time would be disastrous, and can only result in a further drop in the

number of meals served. As the overheads remain the same, it will mean a definite increase in percentage losses, though the absolute loss may be less. We notice that the Suggestions Book has been absent for a long time from its normal perch. Surely this is the time to ask for, and study, more suggestions from the consumers?

The possibility of supplies to the Refectory from Silwood Park has been studied in great detail by the Refectory Committee. The primary aim was to provide vegetables, but it is found that by itself this will not be very lucrative. Coupled with livestock, however, the scheme can work very profitably, and would supply, besides vegetables, eggs, pork, bacon and chicken. The difficulty lies in the large initial outlay that will be involved in getting 45 acres under cultivation. The matter is being further studied.

Salad Days

Complaints about the reduction in the number of 1/7d dishes in the lower dining hall are completely unjustified. The appearance of a greater number of higher priced dishes has led to the conclusion that there has been a reduction in the quantity of cheaper dishes available. Figures show that during a certain period, 147 different dishes were offered at 1/7d, as compared with 87 at 1/9d and 40 at 2/- and above. The misconception has arisen from attempts to introduce a wider choice of dishes, an effort which should be welcomed by all using this refectory.

1955

Refectory Progresses

The Refectory is at last showing signs of recovery. Losses in the last two terms have slowly diminished, and there is reason to hope that they will eventually vanish completely. The only meal which consistently runs at a loss is breakfast, and it seems inevitable that it will continue to do so until more custom is found.

The progress is due mainly to the efforts of the new manager Mr Mooney, in close co-operation with the Catering sub-committee. Readers must have noticed that quite apart from food, small things like new lights, more water jugs, racks for trays on the sides of the tables and so on have made the Refectory a far better place than of old. It is to be hoped that the improvement continues.

[GOODBYE MOONEY!]

Good old Mooney!

1955

In the Lower Dining Hall Suggestions Book, dated 19th February, is the entry: **WE LIKE MOONEY** *Good old Mooney! Keep up the good work! Keep off the -----!*

On the opposite page, the dietician-in-chief has written:

Noted

Mr Mooney was born in 1923, and he tells us that his early life before 1939 was uneventful. He spent seven years during the war in the Merchant Navy, and saw most of the world, but not as an adviser on cookery! His life as a catering manager did not start on Joe's Stall in the Mile End Road; it started at the Selsdon Park Hotel in 1946. From that time onwards, he stayed at the St James Court Hotel, the Grand Hotel at Harrogate, and many others.

In 1953, Mr Mooney came to IC as manager of Union Catering and since that time has taken over nearly the whole of the catering of the College. When he was asked what he liked, he replied 'Quieter Carnivals and trifles that are eaten, not used as missiles!'

Any profile of Mr Mooney

would be incomplete without a reference to Mr Kitchener.

'At a recent dinner in the Upper Dining Hall,' said Mr Mooney, 'I put peppercorns in Kitchener's soup; but he found them. I put cayenne pepper in the fish course; but he twigged it. But I got him at last—I put ginger in the cherries of the fruit salad, and I can't tell you what he said to me!'

Kitchener replied by asking Mooney to 'come out and have a good dinner'.

Puke!

Dear Mr Mooney, The meal I had with you yesterday is all coming back to me now. If necessary, I can bring it up at the next Refectory Committee meeting.

Queues

Mr Mooney will shortly begin an experiment to prevent the enormous supper queues which have of late graced the Lower Refectory. The plan is that he will guarantee a good selection of food between 6.00 and 7.30. In addition the Upper Refectory will now remain open until 6.30, which should relieve some of the pressure downstairs.

1956

Thanks to a magnificent and determined effort by the Refectory Manager, Mr Mooney, and his loyal staff, it was possible to open the Lower Refectory in

time for lunch on Monday, October 8th. This was despite a series of setbacks which would have surely demoralised a lesser man.

Mr Mooney is one of those comparative rarities among administrators who realise that students are the one essential ingredient of a college and that their needs and welfare must come before all else. He accordingly set about his colossal task with his characteristic refusal to be flustered.

Mr Mooney had been informed that the kitchens and Refectory would be available for him to move in on Thursday, October 4th, thus giving him reasonable time to prepare for the following Monday. Despite vigorous exhortations from the Planning Department, the contractors had to postpone the availability until 9.00am on Sunday, giving Mr Mooney and his staff barely a day in which to prepare for serving about 400 lunches using new and strange equipment. A senior member of IC Administration informed the President that he could not see how the Refectory could possibly be used until Friday 12th. However, 'cometh the hour, cometh the man'.

But even worse was to come. On Sunday morning the kitchens and serving hatch were still swarming with workmen. Mr Mooney could not start until 4.30pm. The working squad who were to carry the heavy packages of equipment from their storing place in the Snack Bar across to the Refectory packed up their bags and went home. Not until about 6.00pm could Mr Mooney and his kitchen staff begin their move, and they were assisted by about eight volunteers from the Hostel.

On Monday morning the

kitchen was a scene of chaos. Remnants of painters and tilers were finishing their work. The only sign of food was a huge bowl of steaming soup being vigorously stirred by 'Kit' who has been a cook at IC for 30 years and who knew of worse times than this during the war. She shouted cheerfully 'Don't worry dear. The lads'll have their lunch at 12.' Meanwhile dusty plates had been piled into the new washing machine. The switch was pressed, the brushes revolved—but unfortunately in the wrong direction, and their effect was not to clean the plates but to fling a spray of water all over the kitchen. Elsewhere Mr Mooney was peering into a large pan of fat. Dense black smoke rose into his face and more fat was flung in to avert a conflagration. With the kitchen awash in one corner and threatening to become aflame in the other, Mooney and Co battled on, and so over 400 people obtained their lunch little realising the drama that had gone before. It is as well to retain a sense of humour in such troublesome times as this.

Feather!

Dear Mr Mooney, Among the many diverse ingredients of my cream of chicken soup this evening, the only sign of chicken was one feather. This is a bad thing.

Boycott

Dear Sir, In view of the fact that the prices of meals served in the Imperial College Refectories are due to be increased by anything from 6d to

1/6 to make a few comments on the quality of the food that is continuously churned out in large quantities for the consumption of a mass of students whose suggestions and complaints are always ignored by those responsible for the catering arrangements.

I am appalled by the total indifference displayed by Mr Mooney and his staff. Several restaurants give better service and much better food are lower prices than this so-called non-profit making organisation. It is therefore reasonable to assume that Mr Mooney imagines that he has an absolute monopoly whereas if students would look around they would soon realise how they are being treated.

I therefore advocate a boycott of Imperial College Refectories until such a time as Mr Mooney is capable (a) of providing a reasonable service and (b) of meals which are both eatable and edible.

Yours faithfully,
PJ Cunningham

Wire!

Dear Mr Mooney, A fortnight ago I was fortunate enough to find a threepenny bit in the bottom of my fruit salad, about which I am not complaining. Please, however, find enclosed a bundle of wire, two-thirds of which I had the misfortune to swallow while eating your otherwise excellent apple pie.

1957

When Mr Briggs first produced it in October this year, this volume was immediately recognised as

indispensable to IC students.

A large part of the book deals with the complaints and particularly interesting is the chapter on peas. Mr Mooney's peas have been variously described as lead shot, green bullets and indigestible ball bearings, but all contributors agree that they show little resemblance other than in size and shape to the natural product. As they are quite inedible this form of fish and chip decoration is one luxury we can do without. One contributor asked, in rather bad taste, whether they were in fact made from real peas or from some synthetic formula for which ICR holds the patent. The Catering sub-Committee remained ominously silent on this matter, but it pointed out that garden peas would increase the cost of a dish by about 3d. It is pleasing to note, though, that evidence of the last few weeks indicates that a compromise has been reached, and the peas, if not tasting of the genuine article, are at least edible.

Perhaps as typical of the section dealing with complaints we may quote:

'The white of an egg was rubbery, the yolk more so. The peas were hard except where they had come into contact with the egg, which they had dyed an unnatural shade of green. The chips were leathery and the whole dish was quite cold.'

The author of these comments was told to return such dishes to the counter, to help maintain good standards.

The eating habits of domestic animals do not interest the Catering sub-Committee. A woodlouse was found exploring the suet pudding and two days later five cockroaches were found in the refectory. Elsewhere we are informed that a question of

AND GOOD RIDDANCE!]

supply and demand determines the Brinell hardness of chips and that the square on the cut side of a sandwich is equal to the sum of the squares on the crusty sides. As a final educational extract we quote:

'For some time I have been confused regarding engineering terms: ductility, rigidity, tensile strength, hardness, brittleness. Your pastry demonstrates them all'.

Rubber!

Dear Mr Mooney, If you must serve up rubber bands with your kidney turbigo, would you mind cutting them up into small pieces, as your knives are not sharp enough for me to cut them myself.

1963

Dear Sir,

I am prompted to write this letter only through sheer force of circumstances. After reading in the latest FELIX that a survey is to be made on dining conditions, I feel that I must get my spoke in as a mere Fresher.

My main complaints concern the lower refectory in the Union Building.

1. Filthy glasses.
2. Cutlery semi-washed.
3. The flat plates on which the puddings are put radiate heat quite efficiently. Result: cold.
4. Not enough large trays for soup lovers; those of us who are not trained jugglers are liable to be dogged by the smell for the rest of the afternoon.
5. The servers look and talk as if they have 'stood enough cheek from you,' especially one who

will not allow anyone to wait for fish, and another who puts peas on beside all the fish and becomes offended if one wants anything else.

6. Impenetrable sausages.
7. Chairs which knock everyone else's elbows.

Yours faithfully,
D D Williams

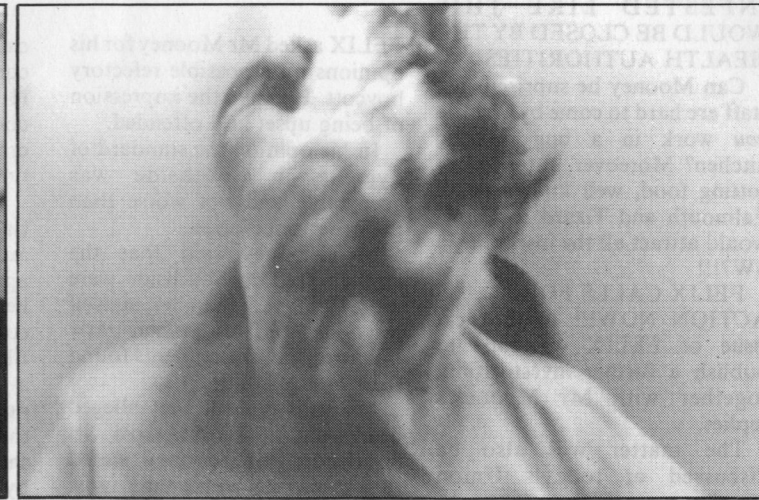
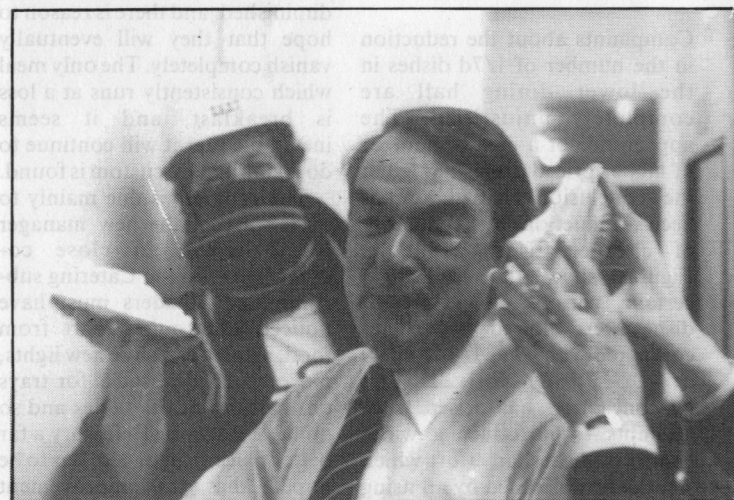
Old crock

Since the 1st October this session, large quantities of crockery and cutlery have disappeared from the refectory: 250 large knives, 140 small knives, 180 dessert spoons, 130 teaspoons, 80 large forks and 570 cups. Mr Henry, the Security officer, was of the opinion that by far the majority of the missing articles would be accounted for by people borrowing, but forgetting to return them. He suggested that a search in the Hostel might bring to light vast quantities of Mooney merchandise as happened when the Hostel was redecorated last summer.

1964

The Royal Army Education Corps' display in the top refectory attracted many visitors.

The officers accompanying the exhibition were extremely friendly and said that they were deeply impressed with the atmosphere in this 'real' university and that they found all students very courteous. Major Harper, ex-President of Durban University, seriously said that the food in the upper refectory was the best and cheapest he had sampled out of 27 universities.



Of mice and Mooney (and cockroaches)

1970

Give Southside a chance 'The standard of cooking has improved in the last fortnight, and must be given a chance.' So said Mr Stephenson at 'Massive (Inquorate) Mooney Meeting' last week.

Mr Stephenson (Refectory Committee Chairman) and Mr Mooney answered questions from the floor. Mr Mooney saw no necessity for such extreme measures as a boycott, but agreed that the standard of cuisine in Southside *used* to leave something to be desired. The cooks were quite upset by the boycott and felt that they had not been given a chance to prove their worth, one of them saying he did not know if he was any use.

1967

It is said that immunity to poisons can be obtained by taking small, frequent doses of them. It seems that even this comforting thought does not induce the IC student to patronise the Mooney emporia.

1970

Vol-au-vent

Extremely disturbing reports have reached FELIX recently concerning the degree of infestation of the Southside kitchen with cockroaches.

The insects have over-run the kitchens to such an extent that they are now finding their way into the food.

Last week, at least three vol-au-vent calypsos turned out to contain cockroaches. And how many people ate their cockroach without realising it?

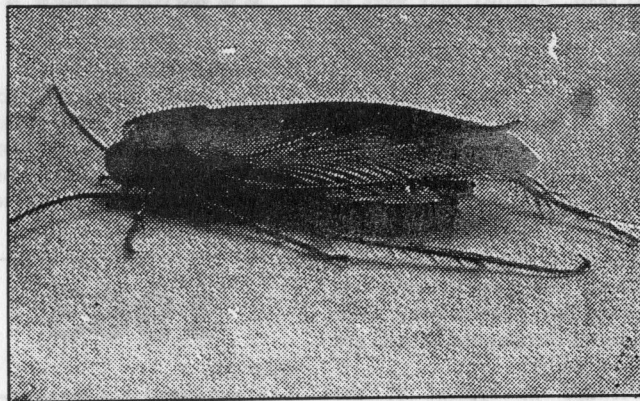
Cockroaches can be seen on the walls and floor of the kitchens at all hours of the day and they swarm all over the place at night. Some of the more daring actually watch the television.

ANY RESTAURANT INFESTED LIKE THIS WOULD BE CLOSED BY THE HEALTH AUTHORITIES!

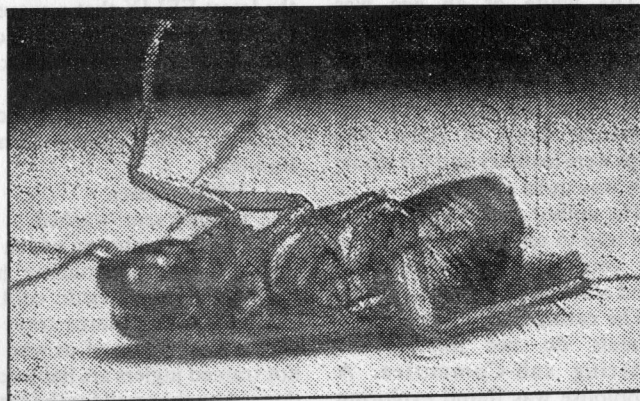
Can Mooney be suprised that staff are hard to come by? Would *you* work in a bug infested kitchen? Moreover, the stink of rotting food, well known to all Falmouth and Tizard residents, would attract all the insect life in SW7!!!

FELIX CALLS FOR ACTION NOW!!! In the next issue of FELIX we hope to publish a further investigation, together with Mr Mooney's replies.

The matter will also be discussed at today's Union Meeting.



Before and after Mooney Chip



Cockroaches!

FELIX asked Mr Mooney for his opinions on a possible refectory boycott. He gave the impression of being upset and offended.

In his opinion the standard of hygiene in Southside was acceptable and not worse than the other refectories.

Mr Mooney said that the kitchen staff in Southside were more annoyed than he himself was. The staff were particularly offended that the students found their food inedible.

Moving on to the alleged cockroach inrestation in Southside, Mr Mooney stated that it was no worse than most

outside restaurants and considerably better than some. He cited the Savoy where cockroaches are often seen crawling across the dining room floor!

He said that cockroaches were basically clean, harmless animals, despite their ugly appearance, and were a negligible health hazard. Of much more concern were the flies. College Block in particular suffered from a large number of flies, a nuisance which started during the recent dustmen's strike. Also the Union kitchens were troubled by many black beetles coming out of heating ducts.

1973

Mooney returns to limelight 3 years since last confrontation with Mooney

Cockroaches and mice in refectory

'We must not be complacent, but at least the situation is not as bad as in other parts of Kensington.' That is how Dr Levy, Chairman of the Refectory Committee, summed up the infestation of the kitchens by mice at Thursday's Refectory Committee meeting.

The meeting was told it would be necessary to spend £3,350 to disinfect the refectory area of cockroaches and mice. This sum included £1,250 to pay for steam cleaning and £1,000 for washing down walls.

Police!

The College authorities went to tremendous lengths last week to try to prevent too many students paying the old price for refectory meals.

They preferred to take good food from the students and **THROW IT AWAY** rather than allow students to pay the old price. The police were even called in the hope that they would be able to force students to pay College's inflated prices instead of last year's price.

Mr Dawson, College security officer, warned that students would be liable to prosecution under the Theft Act for refusing to accept the inflated College price.

The Eighties

Student dies after meal

An Engineering student collapsed and died last Tuesday as a result of consuming a Sheffield Refectory meal. His name is being withheld until the College authorities have contacted his relatives.

Friends of the student told FEELSICK that they had eaten with him on Monday lunchtime in the Lower Sheffield Dining Room. The deceased had eaten baked mince beef roll, peas, and chips whilst his friends had eaten pizza, peas and chips.

On his way to afternoon lectures, the student collapsed in the Mechanical Engineering Department foyer, clutching his stomach. While the messenger contacted the College Health Centre, the student's friends placed pullovers under his head to make him comfortable.

The doctor from the Health Centre immediately telephoned for an ambulance and the student was taken to St Stephen's Hospital. While in intensive care he experienced violent convulsions and passed away in the early hours of Tuesday morning.

At the postmortem held on Wednesday afternoon, it was revealed that death had been caused by an excessive amount of foreign indigestible material building up to the student's stomach. Professor Brown, the pathologist who performed the autopsy told FEELSICK that he found 957 potato peelers, 251 can openers, 152 fly buttons, 92 hairpins, 61 cigarette butts, 57 toenails, 29 pairs of spectacles, 25 sets of false teeth, 18 glass eyes, 15 Max Bygraves cassettes, 14 colostomy bags, 12 packets of suppositories, 5 digital watches, 2 rusty bicycle pedals and one surgical support in the deceased student's stomach and colon. He added that he would be contacting the Guinness Book of Records just as soon as he had washed his hands.

Reaction to the death has been swift at the College. An undisclosed source in the Sheffield Kitchens told FEELSICK that as soon as Mr Mooney heard about the death he rushed into the refectory and told the chef not to keep the gravy browning on the same shelf as the potato peelers, can openers, fly buttons, hairpins, cigarette butts, toenails, spectacles, false teeth, glass eyes, Max Bygraves cassettes, colostomy bags, suppositories, digital watches, rusty bicycle pedals and surgical supports.

FEELSICK asked Mr Mooney about the student's death. Mr Mooney said that it was probably something he ate. When FEELSICK challenged this statement, Mr Mooney said that he was very sorry about the death as it gave College catering a bad reputation and that it really 'screwed up' his chances of a CBE in the Birthday Honours List. He stressed that he had taken steps to ensure that it wouldn't happen again. He added that there had been a similar incident earlier in the week but the student had not died. He said that he would apologise to the next of kin but as the student had made such a 'life and death' issue about it he would not give them a refund.

FEELSICK asked Captain Lindley, Domestic Secretary, how many students had died after eating at IC. He answered 53,744, but doubted if they had died immediately after eating.

John Passmore, ICU President, said that the affair was very distressing, particularly as it had happened now as it would interfere with his ULU Presidential election campaign. 'Nevertheless' he stressed, 'I will help the—College hush up this matter to the best of my abilities'.

Reprinted from FEELSICK 1981

Health centre after meal

An IC student, Abid Ali Dost, a Chemistry PG, received a cut lip on Tuesday evening while eating a meal in the Southside Refectory.

He had been eating Pizza, rice and salad in the main Southside Dining Room. when he cut the inside of his lip on a piece of glass approximately one centimetre long. The glass came from his meal, so he went back to the serving point with two friends. When he complained, he was told that the bowl containing the salad was chipped, and it was thought that the glass came from there. Mr Dost was taken to the Health Centre at 6.00pm for medical attention.

Mr Dost told FELIX that he thought it strange that the Southside staff should know of such a hazardous bowl, as they could identify it immediately, but still serve from it. He added that the way the matter had been dealt with in Southside made it appear that such events were an everyday occurrence.

On returning to Southside later, the offending bowl was still being used to serve salads from and it was not removed until a further complaint was made.

When FELIX telephoned Mr Mooney, he said that he knew nothing about the affair, as it had not been reported to him. When he was asked about the chipped salad bowl, he relied that it was only hearsay, and he would not comment on it.

Junk food

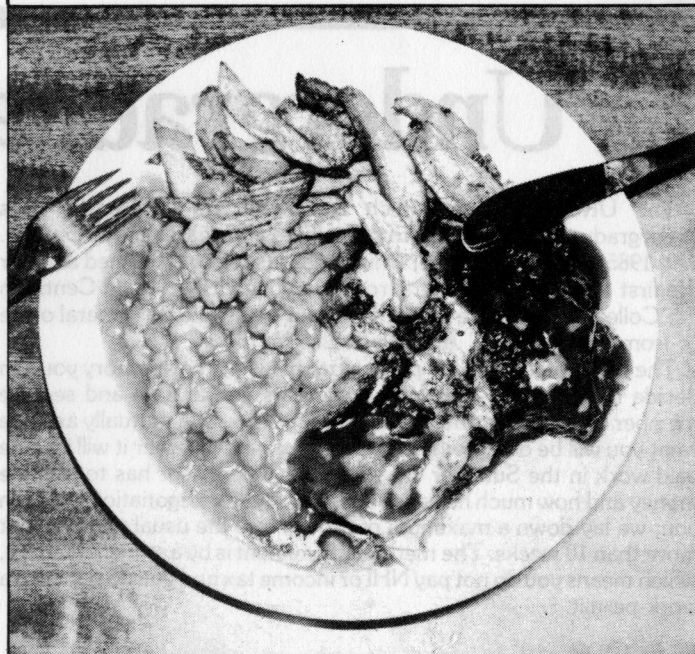
LAST TUESDAY afternoon a computing first year undergraduate found a piece of metal in his Sheffield Refectory meal.

He had been eating quiche, chips and sweetcorn, when he discovered a chunk of metal in his mouth. His friend, who was also eating the same food, found a piece of metal in his meal as well.

The person concerned took the pieces to Mr Mooney, Catering Manager, who asked what the students had been having to eat. On hearing sweetcorn mentioned he went to the can-opener in the kitchens to inspect it. He said that the blade was old and had to be replaced.

FREE GIFT!!!

Your very own
Mr Mooney
SCRATCH and SNIFF
Refectory meal



SINGLES

45 rpm

Bill Withers: *Oh Yeah*

I do like Bill Withers very much. He sings like Lionel Richie but his voice is much much smoother—like creamy chocolate sauce. In this ballad, typical of the album, *Watching You Watching Me* Bill leaves a lovely warm lilt in your head, hours after you've heard the single.

Uriah Heep: *Poor Little Rich Girl*

I find Uriah Heep both dreary and over-Americanised. This new release is so clichéd it must lack appeal even to the most hardened 'intellectual rock' fan.

Sunset Gun: *Sister*

After the overproduction of Mr Heep, it is refreshing to see anything credited as having been recorded in Chipping Norton! Unfortunately, despite a somewhat sixties mood to the record the song itself is bland and lacks originality. We've all heard rubbish like this hundreds of times before. Pulp pop.

The Icicle Works: *All The Daughters (Of Her Father's House)*

Last year, all the music press were tipping this band

as the next Ultravox. Perhaps because of these overexpectations (perhaps not) little has been heard of them since. However it is good to hear from this new single, that all the talent has not deserted them. With a stylish rock backing (almost biting indie edge!!) but colourful brass and guitar work (similar to the Dexys) this is really jolly good stuff.

Madonna: *Crazy For You*

From another of those awful pop movies, this is released from the soundtrack. A bit of a departure really from the *Like A Virgin-Material Girl*—sound, Madonna has not cleaned up her awful looks but has at least cleaned up her vocal style. I honestly hope this is a big hit over here; it would be great to be able to take Madonna seriously again.

'Til Tuesday: *Voices Carry*

The music can probably best be compared with early Pretenders, plus the inevitable synths. One thing it is nice to see is meaningful, non-political lyrics again. I just wish the female vocalist would stop trying to imitate Toyah!

Bookshop News

Wanted urgently sponsors to raise money for the British Heart Foundation. A somewhat rotund Bookshop Manager will be riding the London to Brighton bike ride on 30 June, so I need either individual sponsors or monies for this very worthy cause, rumour has it that Dave Parry is considering a pound a mile to help me out of my mythical rut. Consider if you all only put 10p in the kitty it would soon mount up, and our many illustrious authors whose books we sell very successfully, share some of your royalties with this worthy cause.

NEW TITLES

- The British Isles** Colour Library Books £8.95.
- The Vicar, The Scouts and the Bus** Geoffrey Atkinson Allen and Unwin £2.95.
- The Duffers Guide to Spain** Gren Columbus Books £2.50.

Anxiety, A users Guide Joan Flanagan Allen and Unwin £1.95.

Check Your Tax 1985-86 Graham M Kitchen Foulsham £1.50.

Just A Bite 1985 Egon Ronay Mitchell Beazley £3.95.

The Magic Garden Shirley Conran Penguin £3.95.

The Adaptive Corporation Alvin Toffler Pan £2.95.

Fly Away Home Marge Piercy Pavanne £2.50.

Cloak of Darkness Helen Macinnes Fontana £1.95.

1982 Janine Alasdair Gray Penguin £3.95.

Overlord Max Hastings Pan £2.95.

Lace 2 Shirley Conran Penguin £2.95.

The Black Velvet Gown Catherine Cookson Corgi £2.50.

The Pain of Confinement Jimmy Boyle Pan £2.50.

Night of Error Desmond Bagley Fontana £1.95.

The Phoenix

—literary magazine of Imperial College Union—
on sale now
price 30p

Undergraduate Research

The UROP scheme, which is now in its fifth year, gives undergraduates the chance to participate in research in the College. The 1985 directory of opportunities has just been published and, for the first time, contains offers from every Department and Centre in the College. Copies are available in your departmental general office or from Professor J C Anderson, Elec Eng Dept.

The name of the game is *participation*. Using the directory you can decide on what line of research interests you and go and see the member of staff concerned. If all goes well you can mutually arrange what you will be doing, when, for how long and whether it will include paid work in the Summer vacation. The Supervisor has to find the money and how much he pays you is a matter for negotiation between you; we lay down a maximum of £70 pw and the usual period is not more than 10 weeks. The method of payment is by a student bursary, which means you do not pay NHI or income tax and you do not need a work permit.

What we are *not* doing is trying to get cheap labour in the laboratories. UROP has a serious educational purpose, which is to give undergraduates the opportunity to learn how research is done and, hopefully, make a contribution to the project they join. You can continue to participate during the term (in your own time) and, with luck, may find your name on a published paper or a share in a patent. At the very least, participation can give you a flying start at the project work which is part of your course. In other words this is not just another summer job opportunity and, if you can afford it, it is worth doing even for nothing!

During the summer term we will run small-ads in FELIX for specific jobs on offer for this summer which are not in the directory.

If you want further help or advice do not hesitate to come and see me.

Professor J C Anderson
Room 713,
Elect Eng Dept

BOAT

From Heads to Regatta

The Boat Club this year has been divided into several different squads and within these squads there has been strong competition for places in the top crew from each squad.

National Squad

The club has two members in the Nautilia VIII, the men's National Lightweight (LWT) Squad crew. Both members, J Griffiths and W Downing have as a result spent considerable amounts of time training at the squad headquarters at Hammersmith. The Nautilia VIII came fourth in the Tideway Head and won Open Eights at Nottingham City Regatta. The crew will be going to Nottingham International, Henley, Lucerne, National Championships and the World Championship in the following two months. Despite their considerable achievements in representing the club in a National crew they found time to race for the club in the Scullers Head. W Downing won three pennants and came fifteenth, the pennants included the third LWT pennant, the Senior B pennant and the LWT Senior B pennant. John also won a pennant as the highest placed Novice Sculler finishing twenty-fourth. The entry of 404 scullers gives an indication of the quality of their performance.

The Men's Top Squad

This squad got off to a sticky start with coaching from numerous sources. The training programme in the first three months of the year nevertheless thinned it out to the more dedicated oarsmen. John McArthur took over coaching the squad full-time in January and proceeded to give the squad the direction it badly needed. The squad had little time to prepare fully for the Heads and trained with a view to the Tideway Head as its aim. Regrettably the performance in this event was handicapped by illness, and the attentions of the squad were then focussed on Bedford Head. The squad picked

up wins in Senior A and Senior B coxless pairs and Senior A coxless fours.

Following Bedford Head a coxless four was selected from the squad, and two members joined what had been the Novice VIII and the other two formed part of a Senior A coxless four.

The coxless four trained hard with its eyes set on Ghent, Nottingham and Henley and possibly National Championship. All members of the four had to go on a diet to trim down to the lightweight limit. The crew managed to make the weight for Ghent helped by some fairly close to starvation diets. Ghent proved to be a great success as the Last 4 gained invaluable experience of racing at an international level over 2000m, and it had the added benefit of picking up a silver medal in the Under 23, LWT 4. On the Saturday of the seventh Belgian Championship to pick up more race experience the crew raced in the Open Coxless IV's, a non-lightweight event and qualified for the final of the event at the expense of University of London and others. In the final of five crews, which was viewed as giving the crew another race over the distance, Imperial finished fifth as expected, with the French Composite finishing fourth. The crew won their silver on the Sunday finishing three seconds adrift of a German LWT Composite. The now changed crew is now training hard with Henley and a LWT 4 at National Championships in the forefront of its aims.

The Men's Novice Squad

At the start of the year Bill Mason started with a strong squad of Novice oarsmen. With intensive training that few if any other Novice squads endure, the group was divided into a Novice squad and a Novice-Novice squad. I hasten to add that both names of reference couldn't be more inappropriate. The Novice VIII went through the entire Head season without losing. There were wins at Burway,

Kingston, Reading and at the Tideway Head which is the first time Imperial has achieved such a string of wins. The emphatic nature of the wins and the wins that were achieved in fours as well, looked good for the regatta season. At Bedford Head the Novice Squad had wins in all four events they entered. The combined wins of the Top two Novice squads gave a club record of nine wins in one day at a Head.

The Novice VIII won its first regatta at Hammersmith and then had to race at Senior C status and above; and since then has won Senior C VIII's at Mortlake Spring and Senior B VIII's at Thames Ditton. The VIII strengthened by two members of the top squad will hopefully continue in its winning way and pick up the racing experience that it so vitally needs to achieve the ambitions it has set itself in the Thames Cup at Henley.

Not forgetting the so-called Novice-Novice squad—they have trained hard all winter and with self-motivation and little on the water coaching came close to winning at Mortlake Spring getting through three rounds and losing in the final. At Putney Town they won Novice IV's and are now looking to racing at Senior C.

The Women's Squad

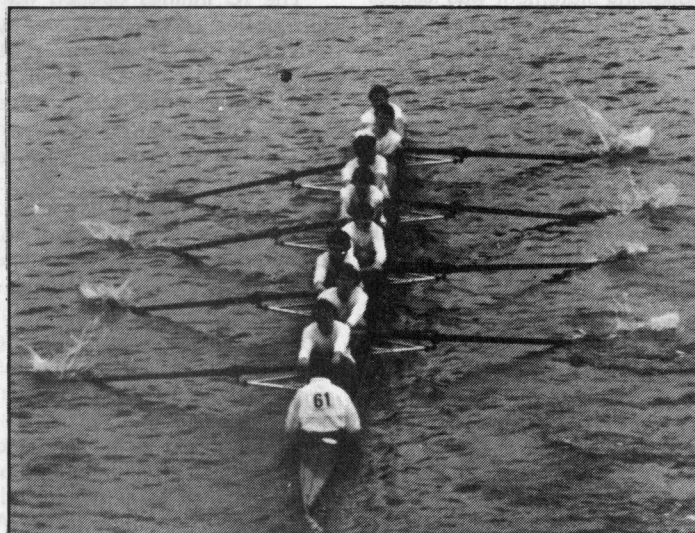
The Women's squad of eight did well through the winter achieving a very creditable performance in the Women's Eight's Head beating many of their rivals such as the University of London. Since the Head Season the Women's squad had gone from strength to strength and the VIII has been unlucky not to win. Increased training under the supervision of J Griffiths has seen vast improvements in both

technique and fitness. At Alpha Borrie the women's squad won Senior B coxless pairs and showed how well their VIII was going but were unlucky to come up against a strong and experienced Thames VIII. At Nottingham City the women's Senior B four which consisted of two novice oarswomen won the Saturday rowing through Durham and Southampton University in a spirited performance. This is probably the best result for an Imperial College Women's crew for several years as they were the fastest women's college or university crew at the event.

Hopefully the successes of the year will be sustained by the various squads and added to by a recently formed double scull and Senior A coxless four.

Boat • Messing about
on the River • (or
justifying your existence)

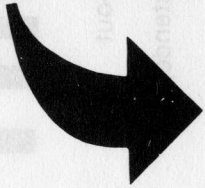
SPORT



IC Novice VIII, winners of the Novice pennant in the Tideway Head

SPORT

Cricket • Sunday XI
vs Silwood Park
Athletics • The end of the
season



CRICKET

Find The Edge

IC Sunday XI vs Silwood Park XI Alec Bedser joined in the controversy last weekend over the future career of IC Sunday XI skipper, Graham. Along with Peter May, chairman of the England selectors, Mr Bedser made a flying visit to Harlington. At a press conference, the following statement was issued:

'In the forthcoming Ashes Test series, with an Australian side missing some of its South African 'rebels', the authorities at Lords have offered the Australians the option of playing between twelve and fifteen men per match. It is hoped that this will be taken as a gesture of goodwill; the only condition is that one of the team must be Graham, the IC Sunday XI captain, and that he must field throughout and be allowed to bowl at least two overs.'

A spokesman for the Australian supporters was reported to have replied that such a low down underhand trick is beneath contempt.

'It's true that we make rules about balls per over and who can

and can't play; but although playing with more than eleven men has historical precedent, none of them could have played like Graham', said Mr Sydney Oprahouse, Chairman of the Koala Lumpur Tea company and President of the military wing of the Australia Cricket supporters club.

Meanwhile, the Australian tour manager made a similar gesture to Mr Bedser. 'Let them play with *twenty* men, as long as one of them is Graham', he said, 'and make Graham bowl just one over!'

This followed Saturday's match when Silwood encountered the Sunday XI. Losing the toss yet again, The Sunday XI found themselves in the field. In this 40 overs a side match, Silwood began slowly against Leyland and Khan who reduced the batting side to 30 for one in sixteen overs the ball swinging up to two feet through the air—and that was without the vaseline. When Graham took over the bowling he brought about utter confusion, producing a run out in his first over. However, the score began to accumulate, until five wickets fell in seven overs, leaving Silwood all out on 160 in the 39th over. Richard took four for 28, and Jaynes three for 20. Le Mesurier, the Silwood skipper and opening batsman gave stability to the innings. However dropped catches, and extras, and batsman 'not being good enough to find the edge'—eh, Dave?—had ensured that IC were set a target that they had only achieved once before. All the Silwood batsmen had scored a few runs, except the experienced Pramulch—who knew what was to follow.

The IC innings opened with Gaskill being bowled first over by the reliable Hamilton. The innings was then given a sparkling foundation by Ayres and Richard who took the score to 70 in ten overs, before Pramulch brought about a terrifying collapse, to 93 for five. This included the wicket of Chew, spectacularly caught low down at cover point by a fielder on the run; and Smith, out first ball, swinging across the line—obviously taking lessons from his captain. Khan proceeded to steady the innings, with help from first Leyland and then Bradley. A scoring rate of three an over was maintained, but wickets continued to fall. A few imaginative wides helped the

score, but the bowling was always tight—as were the captain's trousers. Obviously too much food at tea time. As Khan tried to hit out, he sliced a catch to deep backward square leg. But it was put down just three yards inside the boundary as was the fielder. With nine now needed in five overs, Bradley departed, bringing in Jaynes. Giving a sharp catch and bowled chance, and several others in the first four balls faced, he smashed a four off the last ball of the 36th over, and Khan did the rest, hitting eight off the 37th, bringing up his own 50 (eight fours) and an IC victory by three wickets. Pramulch, with four for 19 in eight overs was the pick of the bowlers, while Ballard proved slightly worse than Graham (but his batting made up for that—he scored eight)

Neil Murphy didn't bat or bowl but was a jolly good sport. Next week, Neil, next week...The Match ended after eight-o'clock; the drinking after nine-o'clock.

Next week we play IC Union—on Sunday, and in three weeks we meet IC Ladies.

And Finally, do you know the one about tea made from Koala bears?...

Silwood: 160 (Le Mesurier 38, Ellison 20, Long 19, Ameer 15, Leyland 1-14, Jaynes 3-20, Richard 4-28)

IC: 164-7 (Khan 51, Richard 47, Ayres 25, Ameer 1-20, Pramulch 4-19)

ATHLETICS

Short Sweet Season

The men were overshadowed two weeks ago by a compact Imperial Ladies Squad who annihilated the opposition at the Southern Universities Athletics Championship, Reading.

Ladies Results

1. Imperial 62 points

2. Reading 46

Mens Results

1. Southampton 115

2. Bristol 93

3. Imperial 60

Overall

1. Imperial

The Ladies Squad of four(!) comprising, Imoni Akpofure, Charlotte Ford, Jo Savage, Sarah Shaw well deserved their win. Imoni barely missed winning in the 100m with a fine second (13.7s). In the 800m, Sarah Shaw won comfortably (we promise we won't tell them about the opposition!) and Charlotte by no means disgraced herself with some fine Javelin throwing. Good High Jumping from the Reading girl meant that Jo had to settle for second place with a season's best of 1.60m.

The team effort on the part of the ladies was epitomised by their 4x100m relay performance—a quality win.

Alas, the 4x100m is not the best point to start on as far as the men are concerned where poor practice showed.

However, all was far from gloomy; especially for Graham Harker, Peter Howes and Roger Loughney who all competed very well indeed. Peter, though injured, won both Shot and Discus to bring IC good points. Roger—'Hey Mum I've won a sprint'—Loughney proved too strong for the best in a close 100m and just missed the Sprint double coming second in the 200m.

Graham Harker produced two good performances in the 800m heats (2:05.5s) where he comfortably qualified and the final (1:58.3) where he finished second in a strong field. Good points were provided by Andy Gain who competed well in the 100m, to get to the final, the 110m Hurdles and the 200m.

The men finished the day on a high note coming a good second in the 4x400m (John, Jon, Lea, Roger and Graham).

This marks the end of our short (but sweet) season, at least as far as the Imperial team is concerned. Next year we hope to fulfil many more fixtures and have good training sessions, details of which will be produced at the end of this term. If you are interested and have not been in touch before please contact John Pope, Cross-country via Union letter racks. Have a good summer!

PS IC sports Day on Wednesday 12 June—mob IC Union for details!

Friday 31

●**ISLAMIC SOCIETY** 1.00pm Union Building. Friday congregational prayers.

Sunday 2

●**CHAPLAINCY SERVICE** 10.00am Consort Gallery Sherfield.
 ●**MASS** 11.30am and 6.00pm More House, 53 Cromwell Road. Mass, bar supper and talk.
 ●**WARGAMES MEETING** 1.00pm Union SCR. 10% discount on games, membership £1.50.

Monday 3

●**ICCAG LUNCHTIME MEETING** 12.30pm ICCAG Office. Come along and find out about the activities of the Community Action Group.
 ●**HANG GLIDING MEETING** 12.30pm Southside Upper Lounge.
 ●**WATERSKI CLUB MEETING** 12.30pm above Southside Bar. Sign up for Wednesday and Saturday skiing.
 ●**CHRISTIAN UNION** 5.30pm Green Committee Room, Union 5th floor. Meet for prayer each Monday till 6.30pm
 ●**DANCE CLUB** 6.30pm, JCR. Advanced Ballroom and Latin 6.30pm (Jazz), 7.30pm (Ballroom) 75p.

Tuesday 4

●**AUDIOSOC** 12.30pm Union Upper Lounge. Discount record club meeting, buy records cassettes, videos etc at trade prices.
 ●**MASS AND LUNCH** 12.30pm Chemistry 231.
 ●**HOVERCRAFT CLUB MEETING** 12.45pm Lower Gallery, Linstead Hall.
 ●**QT MEETING** 1.00pm Southside Upper Lounge.
 ●**RIDING CLUB** 1.00pm Southside Upper Lounge. Meeting.
 ●**THE IMPERIAL WORKOUT** 6.00pm Southside Gym. Wear something comfortable and please bring training shoes (any kind) all welcome. 50p a lesson, membership £1.00.
 ●**CANOE CLUB** 6.30pm IC Swimming Pool. Trip every other weekend.
 ●**ITALIAN WINE TASTING** 6.30pm Italian Trade Centre. Strictly twentyfive places. Tickets only from Mark Masento Biochem 103 ext 4114.

●**DANCE CLUB** 7.00pm(inter) and 8.00pm(improv) JCR. Intermediate Ballroom and Latin and Improvers Ballroom and Latin. 50p.
 ●**OPSOC REHEARSAL** 7.30pm Music Room, 53, Prince's Gate. Meet in Southside Bar before rehearsal.

Wednesday 5

●**ICCAG HOSPITAL VISITING** 12.45pm, Mech Eng Foyer.
 ●**WARGAMES** 1.00pm, Union SCR. 10% discount on games.
 ●**ISLAMIC TEACHINGS** 1.30pm-2.00pm, 9 Princes Gardens. Muhammad as foretold in the Bible. Free.
 ●**MICRO CLUB MEETING** 1.30pm Mines 401. Membership £2.
 ●**DANCE CLUB** 8.00pm JCR. New Beginners Class. 50p.

Thursday 6

●**METHSOC MEETING** 12.30pm Chem. Eng. E400. Informal meeting, lunch available.
 ●**AUDIO SOC** 12.30pm Union Upper Lounge. Discount record club meeting. Buy records, cassettes, videos, etc. at trade prices.
 ●**ICYHA BUTTIES** 12.30pm Southside Upper Lounge. Our weekly meeting with information on this term's coming events. All welcome.
 ●**THE IMPERIAL WORKOUT** 12.45pm Southside Gym. Wear something comfortable and please bring training shoes (any kind) all welcome 50p.
 ●**STAMP CLUB MEETING** 12.45pm Chemistry 231.
 ●**BALLOON CLUB MEETING** 12.45pm, Southside Upper Lounge.
 ●**SCIENCE FICTION SOCIETY** 1.00pm library meeting. Access to the society's 600 volume library. All members welcome. Union Green Committee Room.
 ●**QURANIC CIRCLE** 1.30pm 9, Princes Gardens. Learn the science of the recitation of the Quran.
 ●**THE IMPERIAL WORKOUT** 6.00pm Southside Gym. Wear something comfortable and please bring training shoes (any kind) all welcome. 50p a lesson, membership £1.00.
 ●**ICCAG SOUP RUN** 9.15pm, meet Weeks Hall, Princes Gardens. Taking soup, biscuits and meeting some of London's homeless.

**Required
 Warden and
 Student Manager
 Hamlet gardens
 Apply to IC Union
 by Friday 21 June**

**Required
 Assistant Sub-warden
 Falmouth Keogh.
 Apply in writing to
 Dr P Jowitt
 by Monday 10 June**

**FRIDAY, 7 JUNE 1985
 COLLEGE DINNER**

Salmon Mayonnaise

**Roast leg of lamb
 Somerset sauce
 New potatoes (with parsley)
 Petit pois**

Cassata Cerisette

Coffee, roll and butter

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The President's underpants are missing

Our glorious President Mr Bull is now well-known as a 'one woman man'. He is firmly attached to last year's President Gaynor Lewis.

In his younger days though, he was a bit of a lad, by all accounts.

In his second year he lived in a flat in Chiswick. Together with his flat-mate and the rest of Mech Eng 2, he got drunk the night exams finished. They got back to the flat and crashed out. Next door lived gorgeous, pouting 19 year-old Karen, a hotel receptionist.

During the night, Ian decided

he needed to go for a slash, and so he went downstairs in his underpants, to the toilet. On the way back he happened to meet Karen.

'You're not got much on, have you?', said Karen.

Ian, pissed as he was, immediately removed his underpants and paraded naked around Karen.

Of course Ian didn't remember this next morning and it wasn't until the next evening, when Karen produced the underpants and related the story, that Ian and his flat-mate learnt what had happened.

ROAD RESURFACING work is being carried out in Queensgate this week. Students in the Department of Computing, whose exam rooms overlook Queensgate, will already be aware of this.

SMALL ADS

UROP

●**Optics Group**, Electrical Engineering to complete the work started by two third year students on both electron beam pattern writing software and interfacing. Would suit Electrical Engineering student keen on programming. Ten week summer bursary available. Contact: Professor Mino Green, Room 713, Elect Eng.

●**Student required** to measure electrical properties of semiconductor thin films. Apply to Dr M J Lee, Dept of Electrical Engineering, (Room 704)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

●**Dragon Owners** if you're using O5-9 or FLEX, could you contact. Peter Lansiaux Mech Eng PG Letterrick or ext 6234 (Room 209).

ACCOMMODATION

●**Two Students** wanted to share a double room in a flat in Fulham. No summer retainer required. Contact D Walker, 3 Domcliffe Road, Fulham SW6.

●**Two Males** or two females wanted to share a large double room. Area West Brompton Fulham. Rent £27.50 each week, ring 381-2270.

WANTED

●**Wanted** two bedroom accommodation for Canadian researcher visiting IC in September-December 1985 (four months), or exchange for accommodation in Vancouver (on UBC Campus). Quiet non-smoking couple with two

well-behaved young children, references available. Please contact Steve Gregory, Dept of Computing, on 5082 preferably before June 19.

●**Wanted Ladies** 5/10 speed Bicycle, second hand if possible. Will pay £100 or less. Contact Helen on internal 4528.

FOR SALE

●**Double Ticket** to the Life Science Ball (June 7) buffet, disco, also all night entertainment etc. Originally £18, now only £14. Contact Sue Glover via Life Science letter racks or at Linstead room 522).

●**Honda Motorcycle** (H100) 90 mpg, 60mph V reg—excellent condition £220 ono. Contact Nick Maxwell on 373 1736/1968 or via Maths letter racks

PERSONAL

●**Red** looking forward to our holiday. More sleepless nights ahead. Love you always Hammie.

●**Blond Busty** Female Chemical Engineer seeks Yishu Nanda for bed-share. Contact via Chem Eng letter racks.

●**The Victor Mooney** award for currier goes to Nigel Owen.

●**The Bopel** award for aftershave goes to Nigel Owen.

●**And verily** did moles come forth from the mountains and say Tizard is a flock of pigeon.

●**The Roman Polanski** award for Paedophilia goes to Nigel Owen.

WANTED

Cloakroom attendants / stewards

If you will be around IC this summer and are interested in casual work please contact the Conference Office, room 170 Sherfield Building or ring ext. 3180