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FELIX



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IMPERIAL COLLEGE

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OWL'S VISIT TO CARNIVAL C.E.M. MASCOT HELD RAGGING ENSUES

It was on Thursday, 9th. February at lunchtime that two students, one from R.C.S. the other from Guilds, entered the library of the College of Estate Management. The other two occupants looked up and left the room, leaving their cement owl undefended on the mantel piece. It was promptly carried out under a coat, long before the official party of twenty I.C. men could arrive, complete with wedges to jam the swing doors and spare trousers for any casualties sustained.

The two students who took the owl were members of the Dramatic Society who have taken a great interest in other London Colleges this session. They decorated the owl in appropriate colours and crest to display at the nocturnal frivolities the following night when the Royal School of Mines were holding their Carnival "Dreamland"



Press publicity reached the College of Estate Management telling them that I.C. had their owl long before most. Imperial College students knew of its existence.

The Royal School of Mines was the first target of those hoping to regain the owl, but the cooperation of the President, Secretary and Clerk of the Union provided an adequate information service as to the marauders' whereabouts. Chief of Staff Kitchener, telephone in each hand, sat in the Union office directing operations. Groups of students accumulated inside the entrance halls of various parts of the College and routed the estate men.

One Guildsman who pursued them too far went for a ride in one of their cars. He was redeemed for two of their own men and two pairs of trousers, this reflecting the current market value of technicians.

The owl has since been displayed in various parts of the College.

Americans Debate with Imperial

If "Love should always come before duty" is a good debating motion, it almost certainly is even better when discussed on St. Valentine's day, and I.C. were even luckier in that they had a chance to see and hear the two-man American Universities debating team, at present touring Universities and Colleges in this country.

The American pair, Joseph Trattner and Philip McCellan, opposed each other, Trattner beginning his speech by doing an impression of a "terribly terribly, English voice, don't you know" and proceeded to present to the Chairman (Les Allen) 'as representative of the house' with an American flag, a bright red tartan golf cap (cheers as the Chairman put it on), a pair of multicoloured socks, ('ideal for evening wear') and last but by no means least a full-length picture of La Monroe. The cheers for this turned to cries of disappointment, chagrin or possibly frustration as Mr. Trattner rolled up the picture again and put it back into his bag.

He and his opposite number then settled down to talk and show just why they were picked from the many American Universities, both pleading their cause sincerely and at the same time liberally backing their speeches with anecdotes.

The second proposer, Raphael Berenbaum, showed as always that he was no mean speaker, and he too was successful with such remarks as "The other day I drove into an American car— had to drive out again though, there wasn't enough room to park." He achieved the neat balance of putting a case and at the same time being pleasantly amusing. Michael Bernstein seconded the opposition, proving on his way that even speakers of Sanskrit understood a certain motto with reference to a Minghy, a ladder and a gent named Jacob.

There was only time for four short speeches from the floor. John Bingham's was the best, but Mr. Webb and one other who pleaded for abstention had their reward when the vote came, the motion being carried by 110 votes to 33 with no less than 35 abstentions. It was an entertaining debate even if it was not a particularly stimulating one.

Imperial Win U.L. Boxing Cup

On Thursday, 16 February, the College, represented by six boxers, won the 'Blott' Cup for the highest scoring team in the University Championships. The scoring was on the basis of 5 points for the winner in each weight class, 3 points for the runner-up, and 1 for the losing semi finalists.

The College scores were: I.C. 22. Royal Veterinary College 15, St. Barts. Hospital 7.

TEAM: L.E. Palmer (Captain), J.G. Baker, B. Corbett, G. Halsey, M.S. McKenzie, W.H. Shepherd.

I.C. UNION MEETING
NEXT THURSDAY, MARCH 1st., 1.15 P.M.
ROOM 17 C & G (FIRST FLOOR)

THE ROOM IS CERTAIN TO BE VERY CROWDED.
ALL MEMBERS ARE EARNESTLY REQUESTED TO PREVENT
ANY DAMAGE TO THE SEATS OR BENCHES.

AGENDA

1. Minutes of the last Meeting.
2. Matters arising.
3. Correspondance.
4. Students Grants.
5. Consideration of a motion by Mr John Cox and seconded by Mr Fred Spriggs:-
"That Imperial College Union should apply for re-affiliation to the National Union of Students."
6. Any other Business.



I. C. Council Meetings

Council has met three times this session and Felix is publishing a resumé of some terms of general interest to the Union:-

More Hostel Accommodation

The University Grants Committee visited I.C. in December. Some members of Council were given the opportunity to submit a written memorandum and to meet the U.G.C. Council's recommendations were concentrated on the provision of more residential accommodation for I.C. students in the Kensington area as soon as possible. It was urged that accommodation for at least 1,000 students should be available by the completion of the college's expansion in 1962.

Commemoration Day, 1956.

This will take place on Thursday, October 25th, 1956. The Commemoration Ball will be held on the evening of the same day, in Glaridge's.

November 5th.

Complaints had been received from the Athletic Ground Committee that after each year's celebrations much broken glass, china and even pieces of jagged twisted metal had been found strewn across the rugby pitch. Some fragments were extremely difficult to find and might cause serious injury to players. Most of this had been caused by a few irresponsible individuals who had exploded home-made devices and fireworks inside bottles and glasses. It was agreed that special precautions should be taken if November 5th celebrations were held at Harlington again, including a printed reminder on each ticket.

Phoenix

Phoenix has been discussed a great deal on Council this year. It is felt that Phoenix should be regarded as an outlet, or club, for those in the college who feel the urge to do creative writing. All clubs meet periodic fluctuations in membership, and Phoenix has passed through a particularly lean phase recently. It was agreed that Phoenix should be continued provided the financial loss which it incurred did not become prohibitive. An annual report to Council on the state of Phoenix is to be submitted by the editor each summer.

Overseas Freshers

Overseas Freshers are to be invited to the ordinary Freshers' Receptions, but after the usual speeches they will be invited to a separate room to hear talks about their particular problems. This year's special reception for overseas freshers was too sparsely attended to make its repetition worthwhile.

New Union

Most of the Union's recommendations for the interior decoration for the new Union were completed last session. However, one or two details and problems have been considered.

The combined recommendations of several committees with regard to the new Bar have been amalgamated and the latest plans and drawings from the architect are considered satisfactory.

Wooden panelling of a suitable nature has been obtained for the Upper Dining Hall. The floor of the Union entrance hall and the stairs will be made of terrazzo, an artificial stone, and not wooden blocks as recommended by the Union.

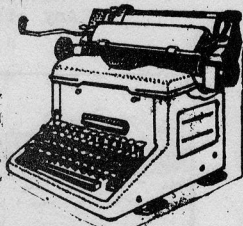
The enlarging of the absurdly small windows on the north-east side of the first floor will be completed without delaying the work as a whole.

Reciprocal Union Membership

The question of I.C.'s reciprocal membership with other college and university Unions in the British Isles will be fully reconsidered before the end of the session. It is felt that I.C. should make its own arrangements for reciprocal membership, independently of U.L.U.

Typewriters?

Christopher Sholes was the first man to produce a really workable typewriter. In 1873 he contracted the firm of E. Remington and Sons for its manufacture, and now the name is a household word. We buy, sell loan and repair not only Remingtons, but also many other makes. We have special terms for students and our name is



TUCKER OF 118c, CROMWELL ROAD, S.W.7.
MACHINES HIRED WEEKLY OR MONTHLY

BOOK REVIEW

We have here a phrase book with a difference, of inestimable use to vacation workers and to those who require translations of the menu in *Queenies* before making their choice.

This book gives 4049 everyday phrases similar to 'la plume de ma tante' in four languages but if you are unable to pronounce the word there are illustrations e.g. show the person you are addressing the illustration of 'plume' and a photograph of your aunt and you will get what you deserve. The illustration N. 3131 shows a person drowning - presumably Brian Oggy swimming the Thames.

The only phrase of use for work abroad for a civil would be under 'at the dentist'. My bridgework has broken loose do you think it can be fixed? With a bit of practice you can become adept in choosing 'la mot juste'. As the whole reason for going abroad is to become better acquainted with the local attractions whether they be Fraulein, Mlle., Fröken, Senorita . . . (otherwise you would go and work at Butlins). I will give an example of useful sequence of phrases.

- 3444 Låt oss dansa igen (Swedish, pity if you have not danced before but there is no phrase for that.)
Becoming romantic.
3678 There is moonlight to-night.
3615 (Under bridge) Let us draw for partners.
3447 Puis je vous reconduire a la maison?
3507 Ich möchte zu Bett gehen.
5073 Baissez les phares (Dim the lights.) (in Garage Weigenheber. (German for Jack) repairs)

This book is the Sohlman Conversation Guide in English, French, German and Swedish but it can be obtained in other languages. - hours of happy reading.

(411) Pommes de terre en robe de chambre to you



TOUCHSTONE WEEKEND

More than forty attended the last Touchstone Weekend at Silwood Park when the subject for discussion was 'Understanding the U.S.A. as a World Power.' This was introduced by Professor Koenig, the cultural Attaché to the U.S. Embassy in London.

In opening the discussion, Professor Koenig pointed out that the United States have developed in sixteen decades whereas Europe has taken as many centuries. In considering the states one must bear in mind that during this time the country has risen from insignificance to dominance, from uncertainty about itself to leadership. The people tend to be provincial in outlook whilst they are also internationalists and have rejected international responsibilities yet have had it forced on them; they have had no desire for world power yet have attained it.

The discussion was thrown open to the house and the speaker was attacked by questions covering a wide range of topics. Later the company divided into two groups and the Americans present were called upon to defend their way of life, this they managed to do without conceding a single point. It was decided that both sides of the Atlantic had far to go to attain mutual understanding; in the summing up a study of Marx and Lenin dogma was recommended to obtain understanding of American foreign policy. This was the first Touchstone Weekend that the subject was of a political nature.

I.C. CIRCUIT NEWS

The Film Society has been living up to its reputation this term in presenting an interesting and varied selection of films. Following "Seven Samurai", which drew a capacity house of 120 came a classics programme of "The Cabinet of Dr Calagari" and "Don Q, Son of Zorro", the latter a real romp with Swashbuckling Fairbanks everywhere.

Last Friday came the Spencer Tracy-Kathleen Hepburn "Adam's Rib", accompanied by three of Norman McLaren's shorts on Doodling to Jazz. Next Friday the Society is showing "The Good Earth" which vividly describes life in China before the war, "East Anglian Holiday", a companion film to "My Heart is Highland", and the "Romance of Transportation", a McLaren short which was an Edinburgh Film Festival prizewinner.

Felix

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Editor: BILL HUDSON

In the last fortnight, Imperial College has entertained visiting Americans. The front page reports a debate, the first one in London in which the touring American debaters took part. An account of the Touchstone weekend is given elsewhere at which the U.S. Cultural Attache was guest speaker.

The American people have a sense of humour. They realise their position in the world today and expect to be taunted a little, especially by Europeans, about their way of life. They even make jokes about themselves, localising the region of boasters to Texas. This is hardly a reason for baiting our guests continuously, and this did occur in a few instances recently.

If proper hospitality had been extended to the visitors by the Union, instead of leaving it to those with an axe to grind, our guests might not have left Imperial College with the impression that it was a hot bed of communist agitators.

Plain Jane thinks

Since, because of their rowdy behaviour generally, men are not fit to be in residence, the Hostel should be entirely inhabited by women. Strange men would then be welcome in strange places.



Continuing in this vein, we might well ask why some of the males of this Institution of Learning manage to be so nice whilst others are little better than 'teddy-boys'. As a preview or trailer to subsequent instalments of this column in which we hope to portray the different types of I.C. man, we present here our broad classification.



JANE'S GUIDE TO Ic-men:-

Group I: *Healthy in both mind and body.

of this type are very rare and thus this group is not sub-divided.

Group II: Unhealthy in both m. and b.

- a) Brownbaggers.
- b) Political Society types.
- c) Wine Tasting types.
- d) Jazz Club types.
- e) Bridge Club addicts.



Group III: Healthy in m., unhealthy in b.

- a) Married men not in Gp.I.
- b) The Editor of FELIX.



Group IV: Unhealthy in m. and vulgarly healthy in b.

- a) All Sporting types, particularly Rugged Club characters.
- b) Motor-bike types.



Percentages:

Gp.I: 0.1%. Gp.II: 70%. Gp.III: 2%. Gp.IV: 20%. The remaining 7.9% are unaccounted for because women are not allowed in the Bar.

* N.B. Lest too much ill feeling should be created, we hasten to add "healthy" is to be construed as "attractive in".

"P.J."



Illustrations by Jane's Boy Friend (Gp.III a)

NELSON'S COLUMN

Members of the botany department who, due to Mr. Mooney's failure to provide pancakes on Shrove Tuesday, cooked their own, have suggested a pancake-tossing competition in the bar next year. Let us hope the new bar is ready by then as there is hardly room to eat a pancake in the present bar. Nevertheless the usual elbow-bending would appear to be drying up the supply faster than ever: on Saturday night the bar ran out of brown and Worthington and at the extension upstairs there was so little choice around ten o'clock that I had to (try to) drink ginger beer. It was also unfortunate that the Carnival bar was very nearly dry at one o'clock and it was impossible to get a drink without first finding a glass. As there were very few glasses in the hall it was obvious where most of them were and it was easy to deduce where the drink had got to from the fact that a far smaller proportion of people than usual lasted the night out in good form. Last year it was left to R.C.S. to show that a Carnival does not need to be a riot; let us hope that this year they can show that you do not have to be drunk to appreciate it.

This year has seen the appearance of noticeable numbers of attractive secretaries on the college scene. It is generally accepted that Guilds leads in quantity at least. Any offers for running a survey - or a competition?

The mountaineering community was very much in evidence at the Carnival following a dinner which many of them had attended. Ascents were made on the front of the Union and on the Albert Hall. Some men from C.E.M. thought that the former climb was to hide some kind of owl. While tackling the Albert Hall they observed a young lady running away from the Carnival pursued by an agitated-looking fellow with a red beard.

Congratulations to the men who painted Reggie a fortnight ago. Any form of attack on this, perhaps the most famous of college mascots, is always news, even in "Sennet". Reggie was acquired by a group of King's women some years ago when they sawed it off a pub in Chiswick. Perhaps Herbert could achieve such fame if we could persuade the rest of the University that he came out of an egg laid by a member of I.C.W.A. Incidentally Herbert, who disappeared mysteriously last March, is expected to re-appear shortly.

A contingent of R.C.S. men made up a highly successful theatre party to Chelsea Palace last Friday night to cheer on Phyllis Dixie, who is still performing the same old antics. All were sufficiently well oiled to approve highly of the show, but the management, for some reason or other, appeared somewhat ill at ease. Afterwards, as a reward for livening up a certain Chelsea coffee bar normally noted for being rather dull, seven cops, the Maria and a rather disinterested looking Alsatian honoured the company with their presence.

From the "News of the World" report on the court case following the recent rag at Liverpool:

"Assaults occurred when students resisted arrest or when others, acting through misguided loyalty, went to the aid of those being arrested."

I.C. GOES MIDDLE EASTERN

The Israeli evening organised by the International Relations Club and the Jewish Society begun with a tourist film on Israel-They Met in Galilee. This film was good with its vivid contrasts of old and new. Then came an interesting talk by Mr L.Savir, the Israel Embassy's Press Attache.

Everyone had been waiting for the free produce, and at the interval there was a rush to the tables with requests: peanuts- more oranges- lets try that sherry- what about another glass. The liberal supply of nuts, fruit and wine was all gone in ten minutes.

A group of young dancers pounded the floor of Queens accompanied by two hundred pairs of stamping feet, most of whose owners were loudly singing to the music, and afterwards the display of Israeli handicrafts was carefully examined.

This was one of the best attended social meetings so far this session.

R.C.S. MOTOR CLUB.

About 30 men turned up at a meeting in the R.C.S. last Friday to discuss the formation of a Motor Club. Derek Tom, in the chair, emphasised that the fire-engine was in need of care and maintenance and it sounded as though another big end was on the way out. Furthermore, the three at present qualified to drive it would be leaving at the end of the year, so it was necessary for more to learn.

It was decided to form a Motor Club with the primary purpose of looking after the fire-engine, but which would also organise rallies, visits and other similar events. A committee was set up to enquire into ways and means, and the club will be put on a regular footing.

ESPRESSO ROUND-UP

- Part The First

Name	Address	Circle	Time	Icons	Notes
Arabica	Brompton Rd.	○	9 ^d		Palm Matting on Walls
Boite (La)	Hereford Rd.	○	9 ^d		Three Course Meal 3/6 inc. coffee
Cubano (El)	Brompton Rd.	○	9 ^d		Toucan Tropical Veg, Inmates Mixed
Flamingo	Ken. High St.	○	9 ^d		Snacks Quite Good Local Residents
Mario's	Notting Hill Gate	○	9 ^d		Club Upstairs (AMERICANS)
Number One	Palace Gate	●			Fountain (SODA?) Waitresses
Roys Bar	Kings Road	●	9 ^d		TEDDY BOYS. Singing Disapproved Of QUIET PLACE
Sarabia	S. Ken. Station	●	9 ^d		Breakfasts 9a.m.
Sirocco	Ken. High St.	●	9 ^d		
Stockpot	Notting Hill Gate	○	9 ^d		Soup Good Austere Décor
Acapulco	Hanway St.	●	1/-		Ash Trays Bolted To Tables
Bunjies	Litchfield St.	●	1/-		Visit The Crypt (for sandwiches)
Café Whisker (The)	Kingly St.	○	1/		KINGS
Cabana	Princes St.	○	1/-		
Coffee House	Haymarket	○	8 ^d		Aquatic Display
Coffee House	Kingsway	○	8 ^d		Spiral Staircase
Coffee House	Northumberland Av.	○	8 ^d		Art Exhibition
Cafe De La Paix	Hanover Sq.	○	9 ^d		Restaurant
Chiquito's	Hanway St.	●	1/-		Private Enterprise
Enfants Terribles (Les)	Dean St.	●	1/3		French FOREIGN
Gyre & Gimble	Villiers St.	●	1/-		Club Bar
Kaleidoscope	Gerrard St.	○	1/-		Respectable
Martinique (La)	Princes St.	○	1/-		Soft Drinks
MokaRis	Dean St.	○			ITALIANS. WINDOW NOT MANY WOMEN
Moulin Rouge	Hanway St.	●	1/-		CLUB CLUB BAR
Marrakeesh	Wardour St.	○			
Nucleus	Monmouth St.	○	9 ^d		Artists Intellectuals Art For Sale
Prego	Old Compton St.	○			Décor B.C.

KEY

Closing Time
 ○ 11p.m. ● Midnight
 ○ 1a.m. ● 2a.m.

Music
 Gram Juke Box
 Radio
 Guitar

Food at Reasonable Prices
 Meals
 Snacks
 Soup

Establishment
 Ground Floor
 Basement
 First Floor
 Ground Basement & First

Clientèle
 Local Residents or respectable
 Students or Young People
 Theatre Goers or 'Swish Types

Other Icons:
 Not Espresso
 Necking
 Loose Women
 Dim Lights
 Candle
 Very Dim Lights
 Vacant Tables
 Full But Empty Seats
 Breathing Spaces Share Seat With Girl

Letters to the Editor:

City and Guilds
17th Feb 1956

Dear Sir,

According to your Editorial in the last number of Felix, you seem to share the view held by a number of other people, that I.C. should keep out of N.U.S. at all costs because of the "politics" of the latter body.

I fail to find in your article any details whatever of the alleged political affiliations of the N.U.S., although, by saying that "The Union Officers have always felt it their duty ... to avoid connection with anything bearing a political tag" you certainly imply that the N.U.S. has a definite political colour, although the possibility of this colour changing abruptly is not ruled out either.

To support this view, you give precisely two instances of "political" activity by the N.U.S. The first is that, at the outbreak of the last war, it advised all students to avoid Military Service by becoming Pacifists. Pacifists are not members of any particular political party, as you probably know. The second instance you quote is that the N.U.S. defied the Cold War by "sending its officers to Moscow". Apparently, by this you mean that it sent a delegation to Moscow. I think I am right in saying that several bodies, including nearly all the political parties of this country, from the Conservatives to the Communists, have also sent delegations to Moscow. Whatever can have prompted I.C. to leave N.U.S. because of this attempt at promoting international understanding I cannot imagine.

You mention the advantages of being a member of N.U.S. although, because of your fear of the "political" bogey, I feel that you belittle these advantages. The excuse that other travel bureaux also offer cheap tours and travel is a pitiful one. N.U.S. offers the chance to meet STUDENTS from other parts of the world. You consider that the Vacation Work Scheme is unnecessary because most of us do technical work in the summer vacation anyhow. I would point out that jobs in the Christmas and Easter vacs. are also advertised and these are by no means insignificant. The only other criticism you can make is that it "appears to be bureaucratic". I think this shows how hard-pressed you are to find fault with the scheme.

The most important reason why I.C. should join N.U.S. is that it is the only recognised representative body of students in the United Kingdom. In my view, this overrides all other considerations, as it means that this College can make its voice heard, through official channels, in any matter affecting students as a whole. Take the question of grants as one example. Our I.C. Union President could only attend a recent N.U.S. conference on that subject as an observer, and although he expressed the opinion that the Conference fulfilled no useful purpose whatever, I feel that "sour grapes" entered into that viewpoint.

If the R.S.M. Union wishes to remain outside N.U.S. if I.C. joins it, let them. After all, their job includes putting themselves (and their heads) into the ground.

Yours faithfully,

Frank Thilo

I.C. Union.

Dear Sir,

Our personal experience of N.U.S. has led us to reply to certain points in your editorial of Felix No. 87. We would like to draw attention to the fact that the N.U.S. constitution forbids discussion of political or religious questions not connected with student affairs.

In our own personal experience we several times disagreed with certain aspects of N.U.S. policy, but we were satisfied that by disaffiliation we would do nothing to improve the policy of the National Union. By reaffiliating I.C. Union could exert our considerable influence to ensure that through N.U.S. the real views of the students of this country are made known. It is for this reason that we consider the policy of N.U.S. at a particular time to be no valid reason for non-affiliation. The true issue is that a strong national union is essential and the absence of Imperial College is hampering its effectiveness.

Yours sincerely,
Henry C. Ellis

Ex. Acton Technical College

John Reading
Ex Birkbeck

16th. Feb. 1956

Dear Sir,

I should be pleased if you would publicise to your readers the fact that we now have a complete set of bound volumes of 'Phoenix' in the Union Library. These go back to 1886 and are available to Library Members on application to the Librarian.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Rewe.
Chairman, Union Library Committee

COMING EVENTS

Friday 24th February. This day.

FELIX on sale.

I.C.S.C.M. 1.10 p.m. Room 128 C and G.

'Problem of Evil and Pain' by Rev. J. Martin.

Talk followed by discussion. Sandwiches on sale.

I.C. Photographic Society. Zoology Lect. Theatre

Portraiture' by Peter Grugeon 5.15 p.m.

I.C. Gliding Club Annual Dinner.

Ayrton Hall.

Y.H.A. Weekend - Jordans and Henley Hostels.

Saturday 25th February.

Hyde Park Road Relay I.C.C.C.

I.C. Skating Club. Arosa Meeting. 7 - 10 p.m.

Monday 27th February.

I.C.C.U. Open Meeting.

'Why Believe in Christ?' Dr. O.L. Barclay.

Tuesday 28th February.

S.C.M. Annual General Meeting.

Committee Room A. 5.40 p.m.

(Followed by Hall Dinner).

Railway Society. O.S. Nock Esq.

'The Drummonds and Their Influence on British

Locomotive Design.'

Debate on General Studies.

Wednesday 29th February. I.C.W.A. please note.

Engineering Society. Visit to B.E.A. Maintenance

Hangers - London Airport.

Prints for the Photographic Exhibition handed in by to-day.

Musical Society - Visit to Sadlers Wells.

I.C. Rifle Club. Courtman Shield Competition.

Thursday 1st March.

I.C. Union Meeting. Motion to Join N.U.S.

Room 17 C and G. 1.15 p.m.

Engineering Society. Presidential Address.

N.E. Rowe C.B.E., F.C.G. I

Followed by Annual Dinner.

Friday 2nd March.

I.C.S.C.M. 1.30 p.m. Room 128 C and G.

'Origins of Life'. Talk by Dr. D. Spanner.

Sandwiches on sale.

I.C.S.C.M. Study Weekend, details J.R. Bottom

Subject 'The Church'

I.C. Film Society.

'East Anglian Society'

'The Good Earth' Paul Muni

Sunday 4th March.

I.C. Mountaineering Club. Harrisons Rocks.

Monday 5th March.

I.C. Photographic Society Annual Exhibition

Committee Room A. Until 10th March.

Photographic Society Annual Dinner.

Tuesday 6th March.

Rectors Cup Boxing Tournament.

Thursday 8th March.

I.C. Photographic Society.

Visit to Ilford Ltd.

Engineering Society.

'Electric Traction' Brush Electric Ltd.

Personal Advertisement

21 Killearn Rd.
Catford
London S.E.6.

Dear Sir,

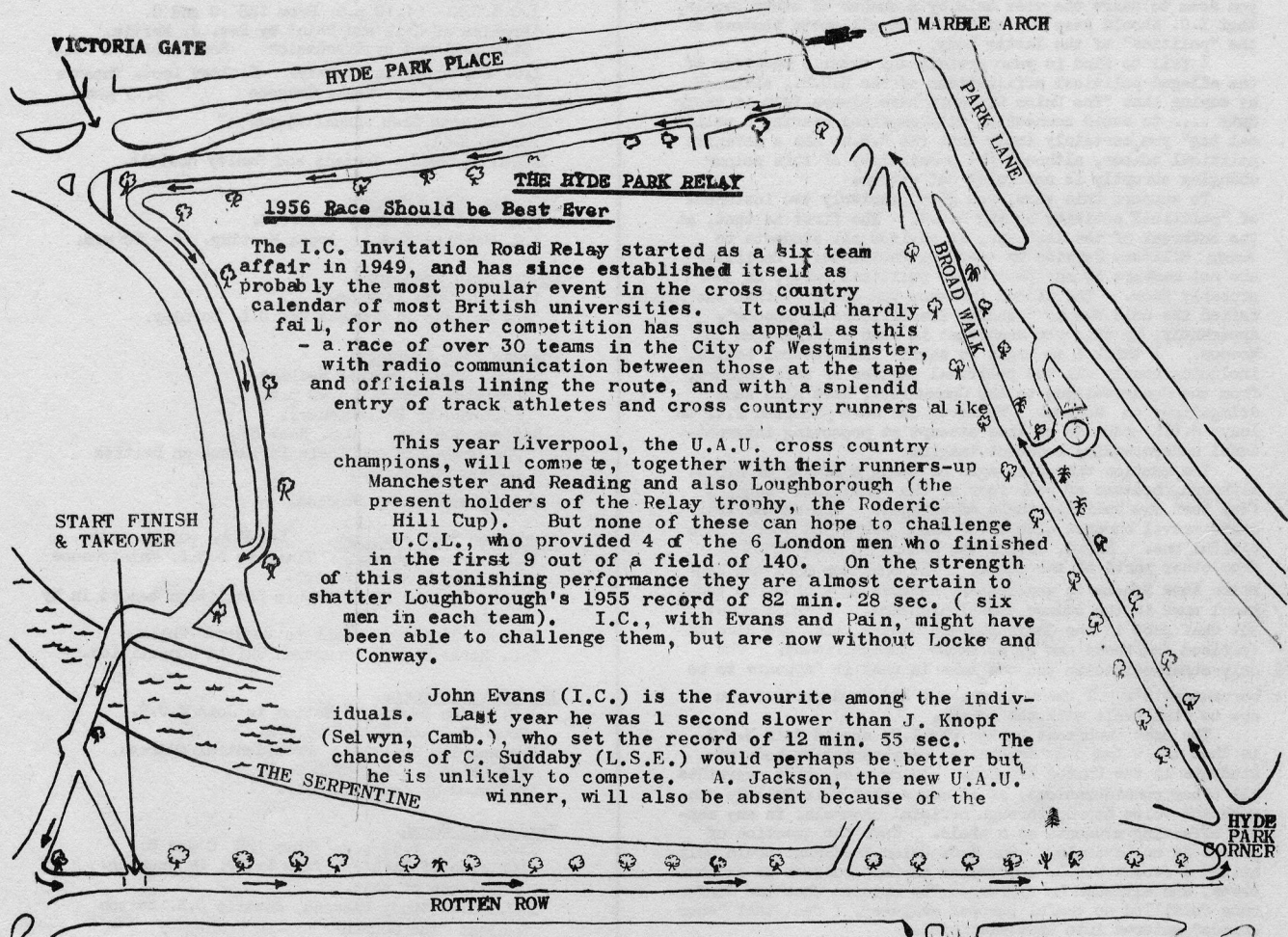
Having the doubtful privilege of three years' experience of a product of I.C., I am sadly led to believe that the majority of students there are sexually starved or neurotic. Please are there any normal men within those learned walls? I am about to enter the teaching profession and I should like the assurance that all my little boys interested in science will not be doomed to the same fate. As the Teaching Profession is so short of Science Teachers I am willing to show any interested student around my establishment of learning, where we are made so enthusiastic about our future jobs. Perhaps this may woo some more fools into a good cause—the education of future scientists.

Sincerely,

Scientist admirer
Eileen Taffs.

P.S. Please print this and you may see that some others agree with me.

SPORTS NEWS



Scottish Championships. D. Richards (U.C.) will hardly be any slower than Evans, and his team companions Weller, Gilligan and Taylor will ensure U.C.'s victory. Former record holders H. Minshal (Manchester) and Ralph Dunkley (Sir John Cass) will try again this year, and so will the U.A.U. mile champion and record holder M. Walmsley (Manchester). Oxford may send D. Johnson (Lincoln), the Empire ½ mile champion, and I. Boyd (Brasenose), who ran with Bannister at Vancouver, while Cambridge may field Roger Dunkley, the international steeplechaser. A Brown (Nottingham) and J. Wright (Loughborough), 4th and 5th respectively in U.A.U., will also be present.

The race starts at 2.45 p.m. tomorrow, and the support of I.C. helpers and cheerers is urgently requested. If the weather is fine, both records should topple and many first rate performances can be expected.

ANOTHER EVANS VICTORY

Once again this season has John Evans been victorious in the battle of the giants. The occasion this time was the London Colleges Trophy Race, held at Walthamstow under the auspices of S.W.F.T.C.

The going was treacherous, and a slow time was anticipated. However, one had to move fast to keep warm, despite the mud and ice, and most people turned in excellent times. Evans beat Richards (U.C.) by 30 yards to win the race in a new record time. Chas Cotterill ran brilliantly to finish 3rd.

Results.			
1.	U.C.	26	points
2.	I.C.	42	"
3.	U.C. 2nd.	126	"
4.	King's	152	"
5.	I.C. 2nd.	156	"

Five other teams followed in more or less quick succession.

Friday, 24th. February - TONIGHT
University Lacrosse Inaugural Meeting.
6.30 pm. Men's Lounge, U.L.U. Malet St.

SOCCER CLUB

I.C. LOSE IN EXTRA TIME

The semi-final of the U.L. cup was played on Wednesday, Feb. 15th., against L.S.E. at Shenley, the U.C. ground. The ground was frozen underneath but had thawed out on the surface, which made the players look like budding ballerinas with tackety boots.

Play was very even to start with, but was more robust than clever, owing to the conditions underneath. L.S.E. scored first with a well-taken goal from a corner. Better marking by the I.C. defence would have prevented this goal.

Being a goal down spurred I.C. to greater efforts, as usual, and gradually became just "on top" of L.S.E.. For the remainder of the first half I.C. looked dangerous and goals were well taken by Holgate and May. MANY MORE WERE MISSED.

The second half commenced with I.C. in control with a 2-1 lead. However, L.S.E. took advantage of a not uncommon habit of I.C. - sitting back when in the lead. The L.S.E. halfbacks took more control of the game and soon scored after outskating the I.C. defence in one of the many pas de deux scenes. From then on the game was very even again, play swinging from end to end and neither side looking like scoring. Cup-tie tension built up as the game proceeded and several players tended to kick blindly rather than thoughtfully play the ball. In this situation I.C. would have benefited by a seasoned player like Jim Anderson in the side. Jim had a set of tartan kittens on the touchline!

Twenty minutes of extra time were played much in the same vein and L.S.E. scored a well taken goal a few minutes before the end.

Play throughout was typical cup tie robustness and never reached a spectacular level. The I.C. team was very disappointing as it did not play up to standard. Unfortunately, Les Locke who had played in an international trial in Scotland the previous evening did not strike form and was a "marked man" by L.S.E.

Hope springs eternal and perhaps next year I.C. will surmount the semi-final hoodoo - if only they will put more "guts" into their football.

Congratulations to Les Locke who has been capped for Scotland against Ireland.

24th February, 1956.

FELIX GENERAL STUDIES QUESTIONNAIRE.

Lectures are being given during Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes for the fourth year now, and attendance at these lectures is not as high now as in their first year. To find the reasons for this, FELIX is holding a survey of views held by students on the topic.

The Editor would be grateful if all readers would complete the following questionnaire and place their replies in boxes which will be placed in prominent places around the College.

DEPARTMENT

YEAR

1. How often do you attend General Studies Lectures?

Regularly

Occasionally,

Never.

2. Why?

3. Is it the title, or the name of the lecturer that determines your attendance.

4. What is the attitude of your department towards your attending these lectures?

Encouragement

Discouragement

Indifference

5. Would more people attend if General Studies were held at some other time, and if so what time do you suggest?

6. Do you find other meetings you attend clash with General Studies Lectures?

7. What topics would be interesting enough to induce you to attend a lecture?

8. Do you have any practical suggestions for the improvement of General Studies Lectures?