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## RUGGER CUP COMES BACK TO I.C.

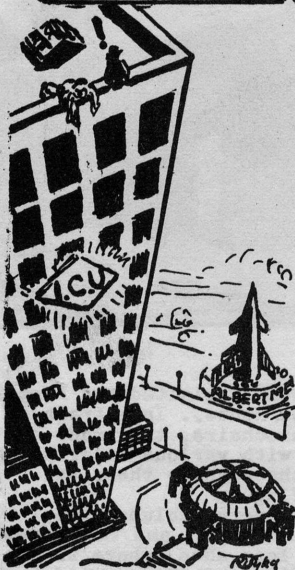
## FELIX 1954 SCOOP

News of the Imperial College Expansion was disclosed to the National Press last Thursday prior to the Rector's lecture on the subject. FELIX did not attend the press conference, despite its having the largest circulation on the "Island

## DEVELOPMENT!

Site" (suppressed in the recent L.S.E. survey), since it had anticipated the architect's intentions in a brilliant journalistic scoop in 1954. Roger Sykes' sketch, reproduced again, shows that even the number of stories in what is to be a central home for students in the middle of the site was accurately foretold. The Sykes building was placed on the site of the Beit Building. In those days of optimism it had not been realized that at the current rate of building by Marples Ridgway and Partners that it would take fifteen years to erect the Sykes building.

The interesting features of the Dawbarn plans are the galvanometer shaped auditorium facing the Royal College of Science, and the skyscraper behind it. The architect pointed out on Thursday that a building of this height had to be in the centre of the sight to preserve the 'ancient light privileges of the Albert and Queens Gate Mansions.



"WAY BACK IN '54 I DO BELIEVE THEY USED TO DROP IN AT THE ALBERT HALL QUITE OFTEN...."

## AS IT MIGHT BE

From FELIX, 5 Oct. '54.  
(Courtesy FELIX)

## Neptune Gets Plastered

R.C.S. CARNIVAL

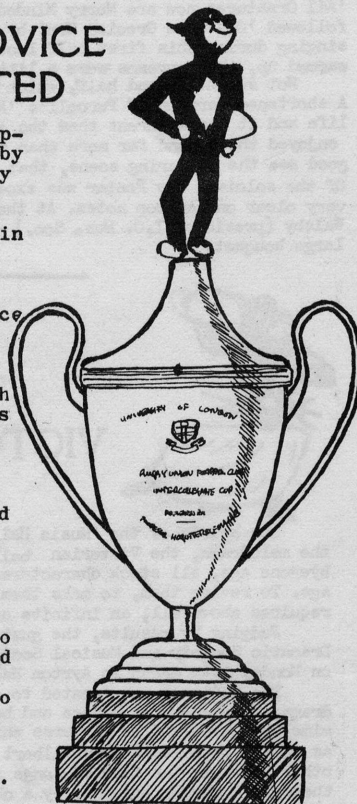
On Friday evening (16th. March) havoc was again let loose at I.C.; the R.C.S. held their Carnival, "Night time with Neptune". Students intent on dancing and debauchery were introduced to life in an underwater cavern, where the attractions were Mr. Vere Atkinson's mermaids, (their Green tails brought back memories of The Green Lady, and we paused to reflect on who modelled for Mr. Atkinson's creations, no conclusion, however, was reached.) The flats were of a standard which we have come to expect from the R.C.S.. A rough estimate of the time that went into their preparation is 500 man/women hours. Had the unskilled labour been paid 3/6 per hour the cost would have been £87..10..0. Music from the I.C. jazz band, the Clubmen and others was enjoyable, and a dull cabaret livened up at the end with a custard pie act in which even the audience participated. The primary feature of carnivals is the fancy dress. It was noticeable that there was a distinct lack of inspiration and originality in the dress of the majority present.

RECTOR'S ADVICE  
IMPLEMENTED

I.C. 1st. XV completed a great season by winning the University Cup Final last Saturday. This was I.C.'s fourth winning final in five years.

The fact that a horse called "Brian Oge" won the first race at Lingfield on Friday was considered a happy augury for the occasion. Sure enough Brian "Oggi" Hearn was in fine form and two penalty goals kicked by him won the match.

Before the match a message was conveyed from the Rector, who was unable to attend owing to an attack of laryngitis. It told the team, in no uncertain terms, what to do to U.C. A delighted Dr. Sparkes, the club President, was able to bellow over the phone to Mrs Linstead that the instructions had been duly carried out.



An account of the match appears on the page 6.

## General Studies Discordance

The questionnaire forms sent out with FELIX two editions ago recieved the limited support anticipated. Of 352 forms returned, these were classified as 220 occasional attenders at the lectures, 18 regular, and the remainder never.

The Mech. Eng. and Elec. Eng. departments encouraged students to attend, while the Chemistry and Chem. Eng. tended to be hostile. Upon verbal enquiry it was found that the students attitude frequently reflected that of his tutor.

The title of the lecture invariable drew the audience, though a well-known name had equal attraction.

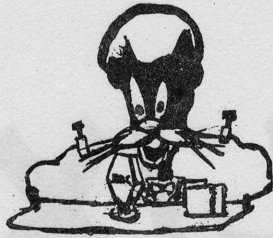
The present time was suitable for 95 per cent of the attenders, though ¼ hour earlier was suggested to prevent overrunning, and to allow more time for questions.

117 people pointed out that the meetings of the Union and various committees clashed with general studies, and the religious societies and Rifle Club claimed supporters

Suggestions for topics gave the humourists greatest opportunity, but in general it seemed that the present range was satisfactory, it appealing to many tastes. A request for more controversial topics was prominent, whether religious, political or moral. The individual topics of local history, modern architecture, travel, and the bizarre were requested. It was surprising that so many students still wanted lectures on sex.



## KULTURE KOLUMNS



### Easter Choir Concert

Last Thursday evening the I.C. Musical Society gave their Easter Concert in the Concert Hall of Queen Alexandra's House. The choir was accompanied by the Jacques String Orchestra (leader: Emanuel Furwitz) with Christopher Shaw at the piano. Miss Inogen Holst, who trains the choir, was the conductor. The professional soloists were Rosamund Strode and Shirley Walker, Soprano: Kay Foster, Contralto: Philip Todd, Tenor and Donald Frankie (who took the place of Walter Todds at 24 hours notice) Bass.

After a performance, by the orchestra, of Bach's Third Brandenburg Concerto, the choir sang, unaccompanied, a Madrigal: 'All Creatures now are Merry Minded' by John Bennet. Then followed 'Ode on a Grecian Urn' by the conductor's father. The singing during this first half lacked spirit and, until they warmed up, the sopranos were a little weak.

Not so the second half, which was a great improvement. A shortened version of Purcell's 'King Arthur' was sung with life and it was apparent that the choir, as well as the audience, enjoyed the second far more than the first half. In fact, so good was the shivering scene, that someone decided she was cold. Of the soloists Kay Foster was excellent and Shirley Walker was very clear on her top notes. At the end of the concert Janet Walsby (president I.C. Mus. Soc.) presented Miss Holst with a large bouquet.



### VICTORIANA

The spirit of the 'Music Hall', the wicked villian of the melodrama, the Victorian ballad, are all things of a bygone age, all stock characters which to us reflect that age. To revive them, to make them live again, however requires above all, an infinite amount of 'gusto'.

Judging by results, the gusto which members of the Dramatic Society and Musical Society gave to 'Victoriana' on Monday 19th march in Ayton Hall must have been infinite.

The audience was treated to a grand mixture of, melodrama, complete with hisses and boos, Victorian music, a mime with a narration in verse which can only be described as ghastly, quartets from Gilbert and Sullivan, and sundry other items in the form of songs and monologues. All of these were strung together by a chairman in true Victorian style.

The longest single item on the bill was a one act play 'Miss the Villain', which was produced by Derek Hill who did very well earlier in the evening in a short sketch. To single out other individuals from this very pleasant evening would only be unfair to the others, but Judy Kornbluth is to be congratulated for her work as organiser in chief.

### Photography at U.L.U.

The U.L.U. Photographic Exhibition was on view in the Union in Malet St. during the last week. There were 531 entries from 18 Colleges and Hospitals. It is a great pity that there was not a room large enough to house them all, consequently anyone wishing to view them all had to wander all over the building, sometimes without the aid of the lift, yet still miss some in an obscure corner.

The I.C. photographers, going straight from their own exhibition took one first and three third prizes in the four sections. They also entered seven photographs which were among the twenty-eight highly commended. These results were roughly in proportion to the number of I.C. entries as they contributed about one third of the total.

It is interesting to note that in some cases the winners

in the I. C. competition were placed lower than prints which they had beaten there. This shows how the opinion of the judges varies and points to the fact that their judgement must be based on their likes and dislikes to a certain extent, and not purely on photographic merit.



### No confidence in Overseas Policy

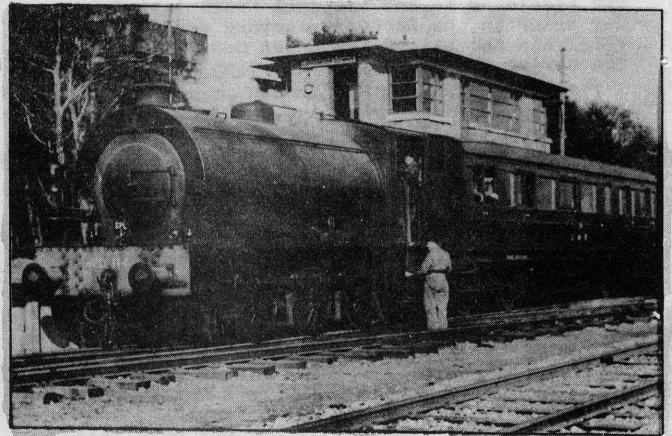
THE UNION DEBATE.

The motion of the Union Debate held on 13th. March was: "This house has no Confidence in the Government's handling of Foreign and Colonial Affairs."

An interesting debate was opened by Aidan Crawley, speaking for the motion. It was followed by the speaker for the opposition, The Hon. Patrick Maitland M.P., whose ability as a speaker was shown in the masterly manner in which he handled the lively audience. The two I.C. speakers followed, with John Bingham for the motion and Terry Smith against. Their speeches were of a high standard, like the subsequent ones delivered from the floor. In fact the outside debaters were impressed with the standard of I.C. debates.

The popularity of the motion was shown by the voting at the end with 85 votes for the motion, 34 against with 13 abstentions. These figures do not reflect the number of the audience as many left before 3 p.m. Mr. Les Allen (The President of I.C. Lit. and Deb. Soc.) is to be congratulated on the high quality of debates held this year.

### Railway Society Excursion



#### The Railway Society.

The Railway Society recently visited the Longmoor Military Railway at Liss, Hants.. In a train furnished with carpets and armchairs, they made a conducted tour of the line, with various interruptions to erect stop signs across the roads - there was even a corporal with a red flag.

At Longmoor down the itinerary included the Garrison Church, the Naafi for lunch, and the museum. Then followed visits to the loco shed, where those with cameras took full advantage of the sun and the absence of smoke and polish, and the signal school, where shining brass told a tale. From the models on to the signal box, and then back to the train. There were anxious moments as it reversed over the half completed track (not a monorail), but Liss was duly returned to, with several members riding the engine.

General impressions of the visit were that Longmoor is a train-wreckers paradise - many filmed train crashes that have occurred there, although the Society did not actually witness one.

Other activities of the Society this year have included works visits and talks, ranging from discussions on Tube brakes to revision of the best in swim wear advertisements. For the future, a long distance visit to the Manchester-Sheffield electrified main line has been arranged, and will include a brake-van trip, and the Annual Dinner will doubtless follow the customary pattern.

#### Touchstone Weekend.

Education was the subject of the last Touchstone Weekend, which was held on the 10-11th March. The guest speaker, Mr. Sylvester, the Chief Educational Officer for Bristol, discussed the social implications of our present educational system, particularly the effect of new trends. Examples quoted included decentralisation, modern comprehensive schools, and group methods of teaching involving discussion and research.

Two informal discussion groups then considered the philosophical aspect of the subject. An attempt was made to define the meaning and aims of education. It was regretted that modern education tends to concentrate upon the acquisition of specific knowledge with the consequent neglect of the wider aspects of life.



# Felix

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Editor: BILL HUDSON

The disclosures last week of plans for rebuilding the "island site" have been received with mixed feelings by the national press. Several suggestions have been made to preserve the Collcutt building and tower, and although these will no doubt be considered, it is unlikely that any great change will be made in the present plans.

The remarkable feature of the reconstruction is the retention of the Royal College of Music and the houses in Queens Gate by Imperial Institute Road. The former is rumoured to be preserved by mutual consent of all concerned because of the Royal Patronage the College receives. Since this area was never considered for the expansion, it should not effect the College materially, but the London College of Secretaries building and Alexander Court region may influence Imperial College Union considerably.

The Rector has pointed out that the Zoology and Botany departments will now have to remain in the Beit Building. One of these departments is to occupy space originally intended as hostel accommodation this summer, so that instead of the Beit Hostel increasing even more in size, it will not now be as large as originally intended. Nevertheless, the availability of the temporary gymnasium and the Senior Common Room this summer should enable about 30 new rooms to be added to the accommodation. This will be the first stage towards the 400 extra residents mentioned by the Rector in his Inaugural Lecture, but it appears the Union will have to wait a very long time before the whole of the quadrangle is cleared of builders materials and is completely residential.

When will Imperial College have 1000 residential students? This figure was recommended by the I.C. president four years ago - when there were only 1500 students at the College.

## The STUDENT of LEISURE BREAKFASTS

Many bachelors inhabit single rooms and by a process of trial and error have devised for themselves a routine for the painful daily process of waking, dressing and breakfasting.

Having bedded down at 5 a.m. resolving to be up at the crack of dawn to do the work that had not been attempted on the previous evening, the alarm goes unheeded at 6.30 a.m. In time the sleeper develops a subconscious action of swiping the clock so that the button is driven firmly into the works before the alarm has run for one second.

Two hours later consciousness slowly returns to the recumbent form which then remains awake but unable to open his eyes for some time; when he finally does the room is still gyrating as drunkenly as when he kipped down.

The next process is connected with preparing a frugal repast for an unreceptive stomach. Without exposing more torso than absolutely necessary the gas fire is lit and the loaf of bread retrieved from the mouse hole whence the other inmates of the room have dragged it. A slice of dry bread is propped against the fire to char. The next operation is to brew some lubricant for this meal. Coffee is employed universally because its preparation requires fewer unit operations than tea. The gas ring is invariably on the further side of the fire from the bed. A cracked cup and a dirty spoon, which suffice as crockery and cutlery are retrieved from under the bed. The sugar has to be collected from the floor because the bag burst. At this point the remnants of bread are removed from the grate and dodged. The gas runs out before the water boils and a search for the necessary coin for the meter is occasionally successful. During this stage in the proceedings the toast, impregnated with butter and jam travels down the bed between the sheets.

At this point the clock is again noticed, having reached the other side of the room with its internal motion arrested. The time, calculated by extrapolation, gives the result that there are barely five minutes in which to shave, dress and complete the twenty minute journey to college to be in time for the first lecture; the gentleman therefore relaxes in bed and after leisurely ablutions arrives at his place of learning with time for coffee before the third lecture. Further instalments may relate the bachelors evening meals and cuisine attempted when entertaining female guests on an insubstantial local authority grant.

## NELSON'S COLUMN

**A MATTER OF DEGREE.** From the abbreviations of the 15th edition of Cassel's New English Dictionary:- A.R.S.M. - Associate of the Royal School of Mines (now Royal College of Science)

**WHEN THE RED REVOLUTION COMES.** The only I.C. student I have met who is opposed to the demolition of the Imperial Institute is, oddly enough, John Cox. As we can safely assume this is The Party Line, readers will be interested to hear that they have no plans for the building in their scheme but merely wish to preserve the torture facilities in the basement recently developed for Chemists who want to take Wednesday afternoon off.

**OURS IS NOT A RIO CARNIVAL.** There was a strong smell of ether along one of the hostel corridors on the night of the Carnival.

**THE SCIENTIFIC MIND.** So R.A.F. Bomber Command are illustrating the Flying Safely Review with pin-ups to encourage pilots to look at it more frequently. Should I.C. be afraid to stoop to this - why can't we have picture books of Windmill girls tattooed with differential equations. Alas, I doubt if this would reduce the fail rate but provide just another arbitrary division for examination purposes - those who can't tear themselves away from the book and those who can't tear themselves away from the Stage Door of the Windmill.

**R.C.S. MATHEMATICAL AND PHYSICAL SOCIETY,** tried Whitbread's for their brewery visit this year. As this company are rather more generous with samples than the usual Watney's and Guinness, the visit was the most successful for some years.

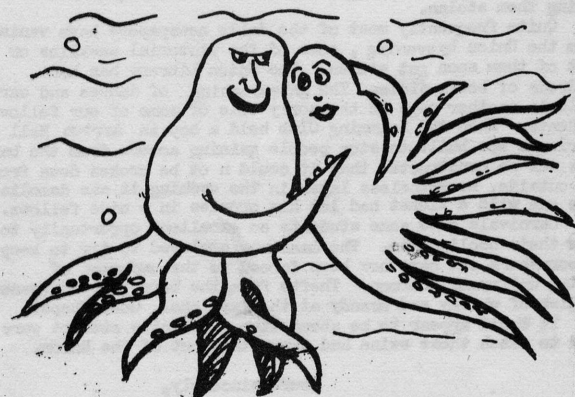
**A WOMAN FOR THE CARNIVAL:** Our report on the Carnival contains an estimate of the number of man hours spent on preparations. This makes me wonder how many man hours are expended on the acquisition and pre-treatment of partners. We heard of one R.C.S. Cassanova who started looking for a partner at the previous Saturday's hop but his "Steady" (whom he didn't want to take) turned up so he had to put things off to the jiving class on Monday where he was unfortunately turned down twice. Thus frustrated, he accepted an offer to fix him with a blind date; she couldn't go but said she had a friend who wanted to, but as this friend turned out to be one of those who had turned him down on Monday, he fled and decided to try an ex. The ex. wasn't having any and our poor friend was no nearer and loosing considerable face, until he was fixed on another blind a few hours before the Carnival started. The alternative is to have the thing arranged a few weeks before hand. This necessitates a lot of time spent politely keeping in touch and, for the careful man, pre-treating her for the event. I suppose some will lecture on the advantages of a steady girl friend, but is this a reasonable solution?

**DING DONG MERRILY.** Amongst those at the meeting to preserve the Imperial Institute a week last Monday, was a small hostel contingent who like to hear the sound of the bells in S. Kensington.

**THE SCANDINAVIAN MYTH.** As Sweden takes more English students for vac. work than any other foreign country, there are quite a number in the College intimately connected or very interested in certain aspects of Swedish life. They will be interested to hear that a member of our staff recently received a newspaper cutting headed "Engelska sexualmoralen tycks slå alla rekord."

**PROGRESS.** Many who attended the Rector's lecture on the new college were disappointed in not hearing where a new Planning Department is to be housed.

**ISOLATION DOCTRINE.** Guilds having passed a motion deploring the action of the Mines in discussing N.U.S. before the I.C. meeting, it is now only left to the R.C.S. at their coming discussion of the matter, to pass a motion deploring Guild's attempt to interfere in the affairs of another college.



"Keep your hands to yourself."







## ENCORE D'ESPRESSO - *Part the Last*

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Café Fiesta	Fulham Road	9 <sup>d</sup>		CLUB, SPANISH GUITAR CLUB
Chapingo	Old Compton St.	9 <sup>d</sup>		FOOD, DECOR MEXICAN
Cul De Sac	Brompton Rd. Knightsbridge	?		EXCELLENT BISTRO DECOR
Feet, Two Bare	see 'Two'			
Kon Tiki	Kensington High St.	9 <sup>d</sup>		QUIET
Mandarin	Hogarth Place	9 <sup>d</sup>		OMLETTE SOUP, FOOD
Mambo	Hereford Road	1/-		DANCING, CLUB
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Sa Tortuga	Kings Road	9 <sup>d</sup>		CELLAR ROOM UNTIL 10 AM. FOR MEALS
Stockpot	Hogarth Place	8 <sup>d</sup>		SOUP
Troubadour	Brompton Road	9 <sup>d</sup>		MUGS
Two Bare Feet	Westbourne Grove	1/-		ROWDY
Venetian	Porchester Road	9 <sup>d</sup>		
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## Breathing Spaces

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

During a discussion on student honesty a well known Guilda man once said 'Let's face it - all students are crooks'. I am not suggesting that this is entirely true - 'some' should replace 'all'. There are sufficient petty thieves and thoroughly objectionable characters among us to leave a nasty taste in the mouth.

Anyone going into Guilds will see notices exhorting people to look up there belongings because of the likelyhood of having them stolen.

Quite frequently most of the daily newspapers have vanished from the Union by evening, some of the pictorial weeklies or part of them soon get stolen. The Union Library has had hundreds of books stolen. The gatecrashing of dances and carnivals is another page in the sorry tale of some of our fellow students. When the Swimming Club held a hop in Ayrton Hall a barricade was built to stop people gaining access from the bar. This was so constructed that it could not be broken down from the outside, nevertheless later in the evening it was demolished. Some one with a ticket had let his cronies in - nice fellows.-

Carnivals give some students an excellent opportunity to show their hooliganism. The measures employed to try to keep gatecrashers out have now been forced to the extreme of hiring uniformed doormen. Thefts from the bars proceed apace. Bottles of whisky and brandy at the last one. Good Chans!

It would appear to be about time a definite attempt were made to catch these swine and throw them out of the Union.

Yours sincerely,

(Name withheld.)

I.C. Union.  
Friday.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the comments on the N.U.S. motion at the recent I.C. Union Meeting, which you published in your last edition. I would like to point out that I have never been a member of the Communist Party.

Yours etc.,  
F. Spriggs.

Dear Sir,

I feel that, as the time for our return to the Union building draws nearer, one or two observations on eating habits would not be out of place.

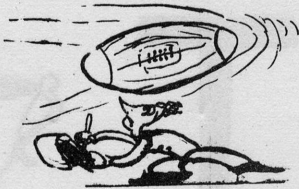
I admit that it is necessary to hurry through one's lunch, so as not to inconvenience others. This, however, is no excuse for the animal habits of some diners. As we are at University, it follows, I hope, that we are all sensible, responsible persons. Nowhere is the lack of manners more apparent than at table. Therefore I suggest that all members of the Union make a conscious effort to avoid the more obvious breaches of eating etiquette.

Nothing looks worse than a queue of scruffs, some of whom are still wearing grimy raincoats or scruffy scarves. Nothing looks worse than tables cluttered up with dirty crockery, left by some forgetful diner, and those rings, those disgusting rings.

I know that present conditions are not conducive to good manners, but I appeal to all members of the Union to make the effort and make eating here much pleasanter.

Yours etc.,  
Tony LaGreux.





The deciding match of the Sparkes' Cup is being played this afternoon between the Royal College of Science and the City and Guilds College.

The results of the other two matches played so far in this series are:

R.C.S. 6	R.S.M. 0
C. & G. 6	R.S.M. 5

## READING ROWING Rehearsal

The Reading Head of the River Race, held last Saturday, March 17th, was entered for the first time by the I.C.B.C., represented by their first and second VIII's. Both crews had good rows, but unfortunately were impeded in the narrow cuts where they were forced to drop their rating to give way to the crews leading them.

The first VIII, starting 49th (being a new entry) went off the start extremely well and by the 4th minute was overlapping crew No. 48, Clifton College. Unfortunately, at the mouth of Rat Out the Clifton crew still had a lead of a canvas and the I.C. crew were requested by the umpire to give way. The Clifton crew, no longer hard pressed, slackened off here and the I.C. crew were almost "paddling light". On coming out of the cut the I.C. crew dealt promptly and effectively with their opponents and were soon well in the lead. By this time however, No. 47, Christ's (Camb.) were out of sight and the 1st VIII rowed alone to the finish.

The second VIII had trouble at the second (Fisheries) cut where they were the outside crew of a bunch of four racing neck and neck to the cut which was in a right hand bend. Not only had they to give way as the group converged on the cut but, being the overtaking crew, on coming out of the cut were forced by rule to pass on the left which was the outside of the bend. However this must have spurred them on, for the final result showed the 2nd VIII finishing 26th just three seconds ahead of the 1st VIII.

## RIFLE CLUB on the MARK

Although the Club is not meeting with the same amount of success as it had last year, a high standard of shooting is being maintained.

In the Inter University League the 'A' and 'B' teams each finished 4th. in their respective leagues, while the 'C' team easily won theirs.

The 'A' and 'B' teams in the 1st. division of the London University League are finding some very strong opposition, but both are coping well. The 'A' team has so far won five of its eight matches; but even so it appears doubtful whether we shall ret. in the Engineers' Cup. The 'C' and 'D' teams are each well up in their respective divisions, while the Novices' League is providing useful match experience for the younger men.

Future fixtures include a match against the Metropolitan Police at Thames Ditton and the University Open Meeting at Twickenham.

## DARTS CLUB HANDICAPPED

One of the most handicapped Clubs during the last two seasons has been the I.C. Darts Club.

Without a home ground on which to lean, and no subsidy coming from the Union to patronise local facilities, this Society has become almost defunct. A little training is still done at Harlington on Wednesday and Saturday evenings, but there is no doubt that past skills have been lost, and a great deal of training will have to be done next session to re-acquire them.

We are glad that the Secretary of the Union has championed the Club and obtained worthy facilities in the new Union.

## MY LAND LADY -



"MR. LINSTED? ... MY MR. SMITH 'LL BE LATE FOR HIS LESSONS TONIGHT 'AS 'ES 'O TER GO TER THE DENTIST."

## HOCKEY SEASON Disappointing

The last match of the season was played on Saturday 17th. March. The First XI defeated Staines 3-2 while the Second and Third XI's lost their matches 1-2 and 0-2 respectively. The records of the teams are as follows:

	F	W	D	L	P	A
1st XI	28	10	4	12	58	57
2nd. XI	15	3	2	10	29	38
3rd. XI	14	4	2	8	19	31

The first XI average of just over two goals a match is enough to ensure a fair season and they have finished almost all square. The side has improved this term and during the last four games the forward line has been more effective and has scored twelve goals. It is a pity that the full first XI cannot be kept together to play in the Festival at Teddington, but with the addition of several enthusiastic members of the Second and Third teams a fairly sound team should result.

The records of the Second and Third XI's leave something to be desired. The second team have had a settled side for most of the season but the third team has had to be run on a rota system to provide games for all. One disturbing feature has been that with more than 44 playing members, several Third XI games have been cancelled owing to lack of support.

A side from Groningen University is arriving on Thursday 29th. March and are staying until the following Wednesday. A happy and inebriated time is anticipated. Owing to a black-eye and other injuries sustained in a recent tussle with a young lady from Q.E.C. John Sherwood has been appointed non-playing drinking captain.

## CONWAY-JONES slips again



The recent heavy weather has given great scope to the sailors of I.C. With the aid of a 3rd place (M. Collyer) on 4th March and a first place (J.M. Conway-Jones) on 11th March, Famulus is now in 2nd place to Seagoon (U.C.) in the Inter-Collegiate "A" class points Trophy.

Seagoon (U.C.) has a  $\frac{1}{2}$  point lead, but it is hoped (on present form) that I.C. will be successful in the last race of the series to be held on 18th March and win the Trophy. Famulus (H. Jackson, P. Fisher, J. Smith) has also been very successful in the "B" Series and is an easy winner on points.

Stop Press. 18th March.

Famulus was beaten into second place by Seagoon (U.C.) and so finished second in the 'A' Class series.

In the individual helmsman's championships E. Kranck (I.C.) was fourth in the Ladies Trophy, M. Collyer fourth in the Fae Trophy, and J.M. Conway-Jones second in the N'lon Single-Handed Trophy. The two latter were won by J. Clark (K.C.) and A. Spence (R.F.U.) won the Ladies Trophy.

## I.C. SWIMMING GALA

At Smith St. Baths last Friday the Foster Swimming Trophy was won by R.C.S. with 24 points. Guilds were second with 17 points and Mines 3rd. with 16 points. The R.C.S. main strength was in their members being able to win both Relays whereas Guilds won 4 out of the 6 individual events. Clark of R.C.S. won the 100 yards freestyle and 100 yards Backstroke, McChesney of Guilds won the 50 yards freestyle and 50 yards butterfly. Robinson won the 100 yards breast-stroke for Guilds; Snellock the diving.

In the water polo following, R.C.S. won both their matches, Guilds and R.S.M. drawing in the other.

## TABLE TENNIS Tours Cambridge

The Table Tennis Club has enjoyed a successful season. In the University League the 1st team have played well, winning 8 matches and losing only 2. The 2nd team have found the 1st division of the League rather strong but all the other teams have held their own and the 4th team have only lost 1 match.

The season was concluded with a short tour of Cambridge. In the first match Selwyn College narrowly defeated the I.C. team 6-4, (Cox 2). Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge University champions, were beaten 6-3, (Wilson 3, Haynes 2), and in the final match Christ's College were defeated 7-2, (Wilson 3, Cox 2, Reed 2).

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# SPO-ORT



## HOW THE CUP WAS WON

I.C. 6 U.C. 0



This photograph of a line-out was taken during the Cup final from the touch line where sixty I.C. supporters gathered to encourage their team.

The match began with considerable pressure by U.C., who missed a reasonable chance of a penalty goal. Play was forced back to the U.C. half and I.C. were awarded a free kick on the ten-yard line, about ten yards in from touch. Hearn produced one of his finest long-range kicks and the ball sailed over the bar. Not long afterwards U.C. were penalized for obstruction almost in front of the posts, about twenty-five yards out, and Hearn increased I.C.'s lead to six points.

During the first twenty minutes of the second half I.C. played magnificently, and several times came near scoring a try. Towards the end of the

game the U.C. forwards began to take control and heavy pressure was maintained on the I.C. line: however, the defence held out and I.C. had won the coveted trophy.

First words of praise must go to the captain, Brian Corbett, a rugged and tough front row forward, whose enthusiasm has fired the team into many fine performances during the season. Heroes of the match itself, apart from Oggi, were the two centres, Holman and Doncaster. Doncaster covered superbly in defence: on more than one occasion he was there to snatch the ball from U.C. within a few yards of the I.C. line and set up a counter-attack which carried play into the U.C. half. The psychological effect of such sudden reversals in fortune on the U.C. forwards must have been considerable. Holman, playing in his eighteenth cup match for I.C., was solid and assured, imbued a feeling of confidence in all the backs. He has played in all four winning finals. The four freshers in the side - Stone, Wright, Gibbons and Dingle - all covered themselves with glory. Cup nerves were conspicuous by their absence, and all the forwards fought themselves to a standstill.



I.C. has established itself as easily the leading rugby college in U.L. Not only does it run six teams, all with strong and attractive fixture-lists, but its Cup record is outstanding. In the last seven years the heaviest Cup defeat has been 0-3 by the Vets. in 1950. During this period 21 cup matches have been played of which 16 have been won, 2 drawn and 3 lost. I.C. have scored 203 points to their opponents 44. This year 63 points have been amassed without reply, slightly better than the 62-6 in 1952-53.

By the time I.C. reached the Hostel after their exertions on the field and celebrations in sundry bars they retired exhausted to bed, and Frank should have had a good night's sleep.

## HEAD OF THE RIVER -

*Where to See It!*

The Imperial College Boat Club will be supporting, to its fullest extent, the Tideway Head of the River Race to be held on Saturday March 24th, 1956. It will be rowed over the reversed Varsity Boat Race course from Mortlake to Putney. This race is the reward of some 20 weeks spent in hard preparation - novice and experienced oar alike.

The general standard of the club is high, as indeed it must be if it is to compare with last season's rowing. The freshers are keen and this year there are more old lags... rowing than ever before, and such is the inspiration that a crew of old staggers

